



**UN EBOLA RESPONSE MPTF
PROJECT MONTHLY PROGRESS REPORT - VERSION 1
Period: October 2015**

Project Number and Title: #15 Social Rehabilitation and Payments to EVD Survivors and Destitute Families	PROJECT START DATE¹: 01-03-2015	AMOUNT ALLOCATED by MPTF <i>(please indicate different tranches if applicable)</i> \$2,160,551.00	RECIPIENT ORGANIZATION United Nations Development Programme (UNDP)
Project ID: 00094514			UN WOMEN
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Strategic Objective (STEPP) SO3 – Ensure essential services	PROJECTED END DATE: 29-02-2016	EXPENDITURES as of [date] \$187,677	IMPLEMENTING PARTNER(S): Ministry of Health and Sanitation; Ministry of Social Welfare, Children and Women Affairs, Ministry of Local Government and Rural Development, Pink Cross
Mission Critical Action MCA08 – Recovery and Economy			

Location:
Sierra Leone

Sub-National Coverage Areas:
Bo, Kailahun, Kenema, Moyamba, Bombali, Port-Loko,

MONTHLY PROGRESS REPORT RESULTS MATRIX

OUTPUT INDICATORS

Indicator	Geographic Area	Projected Target (as per results matrix)	Quantitative results for the (one month) reporting period	Cumulative results since project commencement (quantitative)	Delivery Rate (cumulative % of projected total) as of date
<i>Description of the quantifiable indicator as set out in the approved project proposal</i>					
# of survivors and destitute families receiving solidarity kits	4 local councils: Kailahun, Bo, Moyamba, Port-Loko	500	210	500	100%
# of survivors and destitute families		2500	A comprehensive list of 2,500		

¹ The date project funds were first transferred.



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covered by the social safety net arrangements			beneficiaries established		
# of survivors received skills development services		2500			
# of survivors receiving psychosocial, sanitation and hygiene support					
EFFECT INDICATORS (if available for the reporting period)					
# of survivors and destitute families socially rehabilitated (disaggregated by gender and locations)	districts: Kailahun, Kenema, Moyamba, Bombali, Port-Loko Kambia	2500		500	25%
# of survivors and destitute families able to access basic services through solidarity package		2500	500		
# of survivors and destitute families having recovered a sustainable livelihood		2500			
# of survivors improving their social re-integration and hygiene status		250	250	98	198

NARRATIVE

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The Joint project has picked up on the intended purpose after series of month working around high level stakeholder buying in and proper engagement of the beneficiaries. At this stage the beneficiaries and various stakeholders in the communities where survivors and destitute families are targeted by this project have understood the project in the following manner that;

The project seeks to support sustainable livelihoods for EVD survivors and other women rendered (increasingly) destitute by the effects of the Ebola crisis. Increasing household incomes, household food security through sustainable livelihood interventions and improving the entrepreneurial skills and capacity of beneficiaries is central to the project's aims and strategy. Women survivors and widows face increased challenges to meeting basic needs and achieving wellbeing for themselves and their families.



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Through a combination of entrepreneurship training, providing increased access to extension services where applicable, organization of group savings and loans associations and hands-on training in viable agricultural and small business activities, the project seeks to give affected survivors beneficiaries the technical skills and motivation as well as critically needed material support for success in a competitive market and society. Local communities and beneficiaries have commenced a process of building and strengthening good relations for working together and being of common economic and social support to one another.

1. Verification Exercise: The livelihood and social rehabilitation activities are yet to start in full due to the lack of verified list of survivors. It has been The Joint task force committee of NERC has launched the nationwide verification exercise of the survivors and so far Western Area completed whereas it is ongoing in Port Loko and Bombali. The project welcome this progress and will take the advantage to start initiation of the activities at least in these districts. The project is coordinated with the Survivors Steering Committee and is well aligned with the National Programme for Ebola Survivors (CPES) managed by Ministry of Health, Ministry of Social Welfare Gender and Children Affairs and NERC.
2. Service Mapping: UNDP is in consultation and engagement with the Ministry of Education Science and Technology to provide access to the national database of educational institutions (formal/informal) to aid the team assess the existing skills training that are available in country and see where the survivors can fit in. TOR for the market assessment is drafted.
3. Experience Sharing Meeting- **On Wednesday, 21st October** the UNDP team met and liaise with the **Psychosocial Pillar Lead** in the Ministry of Social Welfare, Gender and Children's Affairs to share experience on what both organizations have so far done in past month with reference to EVD Survivors. The meeting mapped the way forward to kick-start implementation of livelihood activities.
4. A template of a standard format has been developed and shared with the UNDP Help Desk Staff in the five target districts to liaise with other organizations that have begun implementing different projects for EVD survivors to cross check and further verify the survivors based on the list the team received from the Social Welfare Gender and Children's Affairs Ministry.
5. UN women has begun interaction with Local communities as well as and beneficiaries to better understand the project as it serves as a process of building and strengthening good relations for working together and being of common economic and social support to one another.
6. In collaboration with the Ministry of Gender and Children's Affairs Ministry held a consultative meeting to brainstorm and agree on the criteria for inclusion into assistance program for Ebola affected women was jointly agreed by the ministry, and its partners including female-serving civil society organizations. Rationale for determining destitution is thoroughly examined and debated with representatives of various stakeholders.
7. Engaging with other organization of survivors in district involved in contacting members and organizing meetings between the consortium of implementers and potential beneficiaries

Key Achievements *(please use this section to highlight your key achievements for the month, using bullet points if preferred)*

- *Template of list containing all relevant data of the EVD survivor beneficiaries has been establish and shared in the all five districts of Kenema, Kailahun, Bombali, Portloko and Moyamba*
- *Completion of mapping and identification of the EVD survivors in the Western Area and commencement of the*



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verification exercise in the Bombali district

- Livelihood option mapping done in most of the project location and will hopefully be completed during the first week of November, 2015
- Appreciable progress made in adapting entrepreneurship and other life skills training modules ongoing in the districts of implementation, one of the district completed and started training using this adapted module.
- First phase of entrepreneurship training for twenty-seven volunteers completed. Ten volunteers were female representatives from woman serving CSOs. Seventeen were female survivors including three teenagers.
- Insights into pitfalls for starters of small businesses were shared from experiences of those who have started a small business before. Head trainer also shared experiences learnt from hundreds of women to have been trained by his institution, the National Council for Technical and Vocational and other Academic Awards (NCTVA)
- Traditional leaders and local government heads commence a process of community/local ownership of project. In six chiefdoms in the Kenema district, local authorities commit local resources such as land for use by project and beneficiaries.

Delays or Deviations (if any, briefly describe the delays or changes in focus, approach or targets, and provide a short justification for the change (1-2 paragraphs))

Hiring of livelihood consultants: Some challenges in the procurement are resulting in delays in hiring the consultants. But mitigation measures are being taken by the Senior management.

Securing a consolidated and agreed upon national list of survivors is a greater challenge. The Government of SL and UN agencies have formed a Steering Committee. A government and international community joint efforts are going on to register and verify the Survivors. The initiative has started in Freetown Western Area on the 5th of October.

Gender and Environmental Markers (Please provide disaggregated data, if applicable)

No. of Beneficiaries: 2500*		Environmental Markers	
Women	1,667	NA	
Girls	NA		
Men	1,083		
Boys	NA		
Total	2,750		

Additional Information (Optional)

- The Project Shield (total care for Survivors) is under way. The project team is in consultation with the responsible officials of NERC, MSWGCA and MOHS to coordinate and synergies the project activities with this recent National interventions.