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<p><b>Project Number and Title:</b> MPTF 62- Title: Improving maternal and newborn health through the delivery of a standard package of maternal newborn interventions in the remotely-located Todee and Careysburg Districts of Montserrado County</p>	<p><b>PROJECT START DATE<sup>1</sup>:</b> 1<sup>st</sup> October 2016</p> <p><b>Total duration (in months):</b> 9 months</p>	<p><b>AMOUNT ALLOCATED by MPTF:</b> USD 1,499,979.5 <i>(please indicate different tranches if applicable)</i></p> <p style="text-align: right;">\$...</p>	<p><b>RECIPIENT ORGANIZATION</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA)</li> <li>2. United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF)</li> <li>3. World Health Organization (WHO)</li> </ol>
<p><b>Project ID:</b> 0000000 (Gateway ID)</p>	<p><b>EXTENSION DATE:</b></p>	<p><b>FINANCIAL COMMITMENTS</b></p> <p style="text-align: right;">\$...</p>	<p><b>IMPLEMENTING PARTNER(S):</b> Ministry of Health (MoH), R.L., Liberia Prevention of Maternal Mortality (MoH), Montserrado County Health Team</p>
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<p><b>Strategic Objective (STEPP)</b> SO3 - Description: Ensure Essential Services <b>Recovery Strategic Objectives</b> <b>RSO# - Description:</b></p>	<p><b>Sub-National Coverage Areas:</b> Full list of countries and/or districts: Careysburg and Todee districts, <b>Montserrado County</b></p>		
<p><b>Mission Critical Action</b> MCA6 – Description: Access to basic services</p>	<p><b>Report Submitted by:</b></p>	<p><b>Report Cleared by:</b></p>	
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<b>OUTPUT INDICATORS</b>					
<b>Indicator</b>	<b>Geographic Area</b>	<b>Projected Target (as per results matrix)</b>	<b>Quantitative results for the reporting period (Jan-Mar, 2017)</b>	<b>Cumulative results since Project commencement (quantitative)</b>	<b>Delivery Rate (cumulative % of projected total) as of date</b>
<i>Description of the quantifiable indicator as set out in the approved project proposal</i>					
<b>Output 1:</b> Access to and utilization of EmONC services, routine RMNCAH and referral services for women and girls 15-49 years of age is increased.					
Proportion of safe health facility deliveries	-Koon Town Clinic	80% (313)	42	42	13.4%
	-Nyeahn Health Center	70% (357)	26	26	7.3%
	-Bensonville Hospital	100% (1451)	72	72	4.9%
Proportion of women attending ANC 4 visits	Koon Town Clinic	80% (313)	53	53	16.9%
	Nyeahn Health Center	70% (357)	75	75	21%

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	Bensonville Hospital	100% (1451)	166	166	11.4%
Proportion of obstetric complications managed at EmONC	-Koon Town Clinic	80% (78)	8	8	10%
	-Nyeahn Health Center	70% (89)	4	4	4%
	-Bensonville Hospital	100% (362)	22	22	6%
<b>Output 2:</b> Maternal and newborn death surveillance and Response are functional as evidenced by timely reporting, death reviews and effective response					
Proportion of maternal death audits/reviews carried out routinely by targeted health facilities	-Koon Town Clinic,	60%	0	0	0%
	-Nyeahn Health Center	60%	0	0	0%
	-Bensonville Hospital	60%	0	0	0%
Proportion of neonatal death audits/reviews carried out routinely by targeted health facilities	Koon Town Health Clinic,	60%	0	0	0%
	Nyeahn Health	60%	0	0	0%
	Bensonville Hospital	60%	0	0	0%
<b>Output 3:</b> Health facilities implement Infection Prevention and Control (IPC) in line with national protocols and SOPs					
Number of targeted health facilities with functional MNDSR committees	-Koon Town Health Clinic, -Nyeahn Health	3	3	3	100%

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	-Bensonville Hospital				
Number of health facilities with complete IPC SOPs and utilizing them	-Koon Town Health Clinic, Nyeahn Health Bensonville Hospital	3	0	0	0%
<b>Output 4:</b> Improved public health and environmental sanitation through expanded access to safe drinking water, basic sanitation, solid waste management services and hygiene education.					
Number (3) of health facilities with WASH facilities meeting national standard	Koon Town Health Clinic -Nyeahn Health Center -Bensonville Hospital	3	0	0	
Number of health facilities with WASH operation and maintenance (O&M) structures	Koon Town Health Clinic Nyeahn Health Bensonville Hospital	3	0	0	0%
<b>Output 5:</b> Community based maternal and newborn health care interventions are implemented through strong community engagement that supports timely identification, reporting and referral of maternal newborn complications at community level					
Number of facilities whose CHDCs held at least three meetings within the last quarter	Koon Town Health Clinic, Nyeahn Health Bensonville Hospital	3	3 each	3	100%
Proportion of communities with Community Health Development	Koon Town Health Clinic	100%	0	0	0%

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Committee (CHDC) participating in maternal death reporting and response activities	Nyeahn Health Center  Bensonville Hospital				
Proportion of maternal and newborn referrals conducted by community health workers	-Koon Town Health Clinic,  Nyeahn Health  Bensonville Hospital	30% 30% 25%	13  7  16	13  7  16	
1. Number of active CHVs/TTMs providing home based maternal and newborn services	-Koon Town Health Clinic	72	0	0	0%
	-Nyeahn Health Center	88	0	0	0%
	-Bensonville Hospital	27	0	0	
2. Number of FP clients that receive FP commodities through community based distributors	-Koon Town Health Clinic	25%	0	0	0%
	-Nyeahn Health Center	25%	0	0	0%
	-Bensonville Hospital	25%	0	0	0%



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**PROGRAMME REPORT FORMAT**

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

Liberia MPTF partners represented by UNFPA, WHO and UNICEF have continued to contribute to restoration and strengthening of high quality, rights-based health services in Liberia, as well as increase demand, access to and utilization of maternal and newborn health care services in line with the National Health policy. Towards this end, the partnership has received funding aimed at improving maternal and newborn health through the delivery of the standard package of maternal and newborn health interventions in the remotely-located Todee and Careysburg Districts of Montserrado County.

Supportive joint field assessments and supervision have yielded the availability of baseline data for implementation of the project.

At the level of the communities, CHDCs has been activated since the Ebola virus disease outbreak and requires support to strengthen the MNDSR committees at all of the project sites. Others include a gradual achievement of targets in the areas of safe facility-based deliveries, number of pregnant women attending ANC visits, proportion of obstetric complications managed at facilities, referrals of maternal and newborn cases by community health volunteers and the number of clients accessing FP commodities at facility levels.



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## **Narrative**

Joint assessments between the UN Agencies (WHO, UNICEF & UNFPA) and the Montserrat County Health Team were conducted last quarter to update the data and provide the needed to establish the baselines for the project, identify gaps and inform the community of their role and responsibilities for the project implementation.

In collaboration with the Montserrat County Health Team, the project engaged the communities earmarked on the re-activation of CHDCs in all catchment communities of the three project facilities. This led to these committees commencing regular monthly meetings to include the discussion on maternal death reporting and response activities in a bid to strengthen the Maternal Neonatal Death Surveillance Response (MNDSR) at the community-level.

Detailed assessment of health facilities and staff was done to determine their level of preparedness for provision of EmONC services, identify gaps for attention and strategize plans for implementation. A detailed technical assessment of WASH facilities was also conducted and completed during the quarter under review. Plans for implementation of WASH activities as identified in assessment are underway.

Relative to proportion of safe health facilities' deliveries, Koon Town Clinic recorded a total of 42 deliveries (13.4%) against 313 deliveries representing 80% as targeted deliveries. Nyeahn Health Center reported 26 (7.3%) of 357 (70%) deliveries at the end of the reporting period while the only hospital, Bensonville, reported 72 (4.9%) of 1,451 (100%) deliveries. Of these number of deliveries, there were successful managements of complications at each of the facilities. Koon Town had 8 complications, Nyeahn 4 and Bensonville Hospital 22 representing 10%, 4% and 6% respectively.

Reports from the project facilities show some gradual increment in the number of women attending ANC visits against a set target; Koon Town Clinic reported 16.9%, Nyeahn Health Center reported 21% while 11.4% is attributed to the Bensonville Hospital.

Constraints: This project had a very slow start due to delays in the receipt of funds by various partners' agencies, and as such a no cost extension has been requested.