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COUNTRY: Papua New Guinea

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Project Title: Gender and Youth Promotion Initiative	
Project Number from MPTF-O Gateway: 00108531	
PBF project modality: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> IRF <input type="checkbox"/> PRF	If funding is disbursed into a national or regional trust fund: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Country Trust Fund <input type="checkbox"/> Regional Trust Fund Name of Recipient Fund:
List all direct project recipient organizations (starting with Convening Agency), followed type of organization (UN, CSO etc): UN: UN Women, UNFPA, UNOHCHR List additional implementing partners, Governmental and non-Governmental: Government: Department of Bougainville Peace Agreement Implementation, Department of Community Development, Office for Gender Equality, Department of Community Government and District Affairs, Bougainville House of Representatives, Department of Justice, CSO: Bougainville Women's Federation (BWF), Bougainville Youth Federation, Nazareth Centre for Rehabilitation, Young Women's Christian Association (YWCA) Communication and media: Communications Bureau of Bougainville, Raio Ples Lain, TV Wan, Digicel Research Institutions: National Research Institute of PNG	
Project commencement date¹: December 2017 Project duration in months:² 18	
Does the project fall under one of the specific PBF priority windows below: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Gender promotion initiative <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Youth promotion initiative <input type="checkbox"/> Transition from UN or regional peacekeeping or special political missions <input type="checkbox"/> Cross-border or regional project	
Total PBF approved project budget* (by recipient organization): : \$ UN Women : \$ 861,296 UNFPA : \$ 746,432 UNOHCHR : \$ 386,332 Total: USD 2,000,000 <i>*The overall approved budget and the release of the second and any subsequent tranche are conditional and subject to PBSO's approval and subject to availability of funds in the PBF account</i>	
How many tranches have been received so far: 2	

¹ Note: commencement date will be the date of first funds transfer.

² Maximum project duration for IRF projects is 18 months, for PRF projects – 36 months.

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Has the project undertaken any evaluation exercises? Please specify and attach: N/A

NOTES FOR COMPLETING THE REPORT:

- *Avoid acronyms and UN jargon, use general / common language.*
- *Be as concrete as possible. Avoid theoretical, vague or conceptual discourse.*
- *Ensure the analysis and project progress assessment is gender and age sensitive.*

PART 1: RESULTS PROGRESS

1.1 Overall project progress to date

Briefly explain the **status of the project** in terms of its implementation cycle, including whether all preliminary/preparatory activities have been completed (1500 character limit):

The project is on track to meet its deliverables, following adjustments to certain activities which had been impacted by delays. During the January to June 2018 period, the project has had to adapt in response to delays in the Autonomous Government of Bougainville's (ABG) broader referendum preparatory processes; external logistical constraints; and internal recruitment challenges. Affected activities have been rescheduled for implementation during June-December 2018. Subsequently, the majority of activities targeting women, youth and human rights capacity building (led by UN Women, UNFPA and OHCHR respectively) are now expected to be implemented by December 2018.

Project implementation capacity will also be bolstered by a larger project team based in Bougainville, which is currently led by a project coordinator.

All preparatory activities have been completed, including broad consultations with key government departments, civil society, human rights defenders, and target beneficiaries. Meetings were held with the Chief Secretary, Secretaries of the Departments for Justice, Community Development and Community Government, Speaker of the Parliament and Media Bureau.

Two high level government stakeholder consultations were held in December 2017 and February 2018 to socialise the relevance of GYPI activities and ensure stakeholders understood GYPI's objectives and expectations. A following workshop inducted stakeholders on aspects of GYPI's practical implementation.

Given the recent/current political/peacebuilding/ transition situation/ needs in the country, has the project been/ does it continue to be **relevant** and well placed to address potential conflict factors/ sources of tensions/ risks to country's sustaining peace progress? Please illustrate. If project is still ongoing, are any adjustments required? (1500 character limit)

The project remains highly relevant to Bougainville. Though GYPI focuses on equal participation of youth, women, and people with disabilities in the referendum scheduled for June 2019, its overall objective is to contribute towards achieving sustainable peace in Bougainville by strengthening accountability and addressing capacity gaps within government and right holders.

In the absence of a fully operational referendum commission, primary responsibility for operational implementation of the referendum has been assigned to the Department for Community Government, and Department for Community Development which are both key implementing partners for the GYPI project. They are responsible for ensuring that elected representatives, implementing officers and the public are aware, informed and prepared for

referendum. Both Departments, have limited capacity and resources to direct towards referendum preparedness.

With no Bougainville Referendum Commission fully operational to provide the ABG with direction, the project's cross-sector partnerships are particularly critical to public referendum awareness and readiness. The project supports both ABG and civil society partners to sensitise stakeholders on gender, human rights and youth dimensions of the referendum.

Project implementation has suffered set back to some extent during January to June 2018, however partners have made adjustments to ensure that the project regains momentum and will stay on track.

In a few sentences, summarize **what is unique/ innovative/ interesting** about what this project is trying/ has tried to achieve or its approach (rather than listing activity progress) (1500 character limit).

The project is unique in three aspects:

1. The project applies a joint approach to enhance public accountability of duty bearers (ABG institutions); and to establish and strengthen dialogue and coordination mechanisms and platforms for target rights holders to take ownership in the lead up to, and following the referendum.

2. The project focuses on promoting and strengthening the critical role that women, youth and persons with disabilities hold as existing and potential agents of peace and change in Bougainville. The project supports community-led initiatives and initiatives to connect women, youth and persons with disabilities to higher political platforms. It is working with the ABG to set up and strengthen institutions responsible for the protection of human rights and enhancement of gender equality.

3. Importantly, certain project activities will facilitate critical engagement between Bougainvilleans and Papuan civil society on reconciliation and peace, to help generate broader awareness, understanding and support for referendum processes across Papua New Guinea.

ABG efforts to facilitate referendum preparedness have been affected by various institutional constraints and delays. The project's cross-sectoral partnerships between UN agencies, the ABG and local government and civil society will assist partners to coordinate better and leverage their strengths and resources to address anticipated and unexpected developments in the lead up to the referendum.

Considering the project's implementation cycle, please **rate this project's overall progress towards results to date:**
on track

In a few sentences summarize **major project peacebuilding progress/results** (with evidence), which PBSO can use in public communications to highlight the project (1500 character limit):
The project is one-third through implementation cycle, with approximately 70% of activities now scheduled to occur in the second half of 2018. Project progress to date includes:
- Terms of Reference (ToR) developed for a Parliamentary Human Rights Committee, through the support of UNOHCHR. As per the request by the Speaker of the Bougainville Parliament, UN provided technical support in drafting the terms of reference and conducted consultative meetings with parliamentarians on the draft which was finalised in April. The ToR is

scheduled to be tabled in Parliament in June 2018. The Committee will monitor human rights, receive alleged human rights violations, and make appropriate recommendations to the ABG Executive through Parliament.

- Through UNFPA's support, construction of three youth resource centres at Kubu, Arawa and Buin is almost complete. These centres will provide youth with access to safe recreational spaces and resources on referendum, peacebuilding and other thematic subjects.

- In February 2018 UN Women supported the Department of Community Government to deliver a high-level induction workshop to ABG stakeholders who will be involved with ensuring that Bougainville's 33 constituencies are referendum ready by 31 December 2018. The workshop enabled participants to understand individual ABG agency roles and responsibilities, referendum checklists and coordination mechanisms. This induction mapped out how government agencies will roll out referendum activities.

In a few sentences, explain how the project has made **real human impact**, that is, how did it affect the lives of any people in the country – where possible, use direct quotes that PBSO can use in public communications to highlight the project (1500 character limit):

Induction workshops on community government on roles and responsibilities have helped male community government leaders realise and understand that women are key players in decision making processes. Male workshop participants came to appreciate women as colleagues and capable partners and leaders.

If the project progress assessment is **on-track**, please explain what the key **challenges** (if any) have been and which measures were taken to address them (1500 character limit).

The project is on track. An ongoing challenge is the slow progress in the ABG's preparation of the referendum, the pace of which is expected to pick up in the lead up to June 2019. Specific challenges impacting on project implementation are:

- delays in the full establishment of the Referendum Commission that is intended to guide ABG's work
- delays in the release of key messaging on referendum awareness raising
- delays caused by the limited capacity or availability of partners and key stakeholders
- internally, recruitment of suitable personnel to implement the project

The project has addressed these challenges by:

- Prioritising activities that are not contingent on the full functioning of the Referendum Commission
- Focusing on sensitising and capacity-building of government and rights holders
- Rescheduling and consolidating activities, to capitalise and build on the outcomes of major upcoming meetings occurring in the latter half of 2018
- Maintaining clear regular engagement with partners on developments and changes
- Placing a programme coordinator in Buka to provide ground presence for the three RUNOs, manage stakeholder engagement and personnel in Bougainville

Operational challenges arising from an unforeseeable political /social situation in Bougainville affected implementation. Disrupted flights and security incidents affected transport and business operations delayed implementation. Project partners are factoring such challenges in their future planning.

If the assessment is **off-track**, please list main reasons/ **challenges** and explain what impact this has had/will have on project duration or strategy and what **measures** have been taken/ will be taken to address the challenges/ rectify project progress (1500 character limit):

Please attach as a separate document(s) any materials highlighting or providing more evidence for project progress (for example: publications, photos, videos, monitoring reports, evaluation reports etc.). List below what has been attached to the report, including purpose and audience.

1.2 Result progress by project outcome

The space in the template allows for up to four project outcomes. If your project has more approved outcomes, contact PBSO for template modification.

Outcome 1: ABG institutions are increasingly accountable to women and youth for a free and fair Referendum.

Rate the current status of the outcome progress: on track

Progress summary: *Describe main progress under this Outcome made during the reporting period (for June reports: January-June; for November reports: January-November; for final reports: full project duration), including major output progress (not all individual activities). If the project is starting to make/ has made a difference at the outcome level, provide specific evidence for the progress (quantitative and qualitative) and explain how it impacts the broader political and peacebuilding context. Where possible, provide specific examples of change the project has supported/ contributed to as well as, where available and relevant, quotes from partners or beneficiaries about the project and their experience. (3000 character limit)?*

Output 1.1a: Support the establishment and effective functioning of accountability systems and mechanisms, to enable Referendum related institutions meaningfully engage women, youth and persons with disabilities

- In March 2018, UN Women supported two Department of Community Government workshops targeting community government and district representatives. 162 community government elected leaders (40% women) learned about the key functions of community government, developed 2018 activities and five year strategic plans and were inducted on referendum readiness implementation. Workshops were held in north and south Bougainville.
- UNOHCR supported the development of terms of reference for a Parliamentary Human Rights Committee, which will be tabled in June 2018. The Committee will be responsible for monitoring human rights, addressing allegations of human rights violations, and developing recommendations to the ABG Executive through Parliament.

Output 1.1b: Facilitate participation of women and youth networks in task forces and committees established by responsible institutions:

- From January to June 2018, UNFPA focused on Youth Plenary and project coordination between UNFPA, the Department for Community Government and youth associations

Outcome 2: Women and youth effectively participate in delivering a violence-free Referendum in the Autonomous Region of Bougainville.

Rate the current status of the outcome progress: on track

Progress summary: *(see guiding questions under Outcome 1)*

Output 2.1: Strengthened capacity of women and youth to foster unity and reduce triggers of conflict for a violence-free Referendum

Output 2.1b: Support the use of Youth Resource Centre as a central hub for information dissemination on the referendum

- UNFPA supported the construction of three youth centres which will host Department of Community Government district youth programs. This activity incidentally strengthened coordination on youth programs between development agencies in Bougainville, with UNFPA and the Australian aid program to Bougainville agreeing to share work plans to streamline support to the 15 district youth associations.

Outcome 3: N/A

Rate the current status of the outcome progress: Please select one

Progress summary: (see guiding questions under Outcome 1)

Outcome 4: N/A

Rate the current status of the outcome progress: Please select one

Progress summary: (see guiding questions under Outcome 1)

1.3 Cross-cutting issues

<p><u>National ownership:</u> How has the national government demonstrated ownership/ commitment to the project results and activities? Give specific examples. (1500 character limit)</p>	<p>The Bougainville government has demonstrated project ownership by:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - integrating the project's outcome areas into its annual implementation plan - being fully involved throughout activity implementation - initiating requests, in recognition of the project's technical support capabilities. Following the successful development of Terms of Reference for a Parliamentary Human Rights Committee, the House of Representatives requested comprehensive training from the UN for all parliamentarians on human rights, gender and other thematic areas.
<p><u>Monitoring:</u> Is the project M&E plan on track? What monitoring methods and sources of evidence are being/ have been used? Please attach any monitoring-related reports for the reporting period. (1500 character limit)?</p>	<p>The M&E plan has experienced delays which are being addressed. The project baseline was delayed due to recruitment difficulties however, baseline will be completed by the end of June 2018. This baseline will further strengthen the M&E plan, with formal monitoring activities commencing from July 2018. Monitoring will track the majority of activities scheduled for implementation from June 2018 to June 2019. Monitoring material from January-June 2018 comprises of pre and post-training questionnaires, activity completion reports, personnel reporting, consultant and activity written deliverables, and partner and stakeholder feedback.</p>

<p>Evaluation: Provide an update on the preparations for the external evaluation for the project, especially if within last 6 months of implementation or final report. Confirm available budget for evaluation. (1500 character limit)</p>	<p>The project is at one-third through implementation, with the majority of activities scheduled from June 2018 onwards.</p> <p>A budget of \$50,000 has been allocated for an end of project evaluation, to be scheduled in 2019.</p>
<p>Catalytic effects (financial): Did the project lead to any specific non-PBF funding commitments? If yes, from whom and how much? If not, have any specific attempts been made to attract additional financial contributions to the project and beyond? (1500 character limit)</p>	<p>The project has yet to leverage non-PBF funding commitments, however the project steering committee and personnel and partners are considering ways to attract additional financial contributions.</p>
<p>Catalytic effects (non-financial): Did the project create favourable conditions for additional peacebuilding activities by Government/ other donors? If yes, please specify. (1500 character limit)</p>	<p>Up-skilling of Community government elected leaders (both men and women) through capacity building has led to the ABG recognising them as the key players in facilitating and rolling out referendum activities in communities.</p>
<p>Exit strategy/ sustainability: What steps have been taken to prepare for end of project and help ensure sustainability of the project results beyond PBF support for this project? (1500 character limit)</p>	<p>The project is supporting the strengthening of new and existing governance and peacebuilding institutions and platforms through consultative and participatory processes that emphasise local ownership. Project activities include training of trainers on gender, human rights, leadership and political participation; and will promote peer-to-peer knowledge exchange. UN project staff will also take efforts during project implementation to encourage partners and other development actors to consider project sustainability and future resourcing, particularly when coordinating end of activities.</p>
<p>Risk taking: Describe how the project has responded to risks that threatened the achievement of results. Identify any new risks that have emerged since the last report. (1500 character limit)</p>	<p>This is GYPI's first bi-annual project report. During January to June 2018, identified project risks were:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Limited capacity of local partners, affecting timely implementation 2) All three UN agencies have experienced delays in the recruitment and deployment of suitable project personnel. This has affected implementation capacity. <p>The first risk has been addressed through timely communication with local partners and temporary capacity supplementation: UNFPA has recruited an officer to support partner implementation and UN Women has engaged consultants to collaborate with the Department of Community Government.</p> <p>To address the second risk, full time staff from country office were deployed to Bougainville to oversee implementation and remained engaged with stakeholders. Recruitment issues were addressed by identifying suitable candidates through development partner networks. Key positions for the Bougainville-based project team are</p>

	<p>expected to be filled in time for implementation of the majority of activities.</p>
<p>Gender equality: In the reporting period, which activities have taken place with a specific focus on addressing issues of gender equality or women's empowerment? <i>(1500 character limit)</i></p>	<p>Project plenary activities conducted by all three UN agencies emphasised gender, youth and human rights mainstreaming in activities under the project and of other ABG programs as well.</p> <p>Induction workshops for elected community government women leaders have built their understanding on their roles and responsibilities as elected leaders; and their roles on contributing to referendum preparation and setting up of ward steering committees. At least 100 women have participated in trainings organised by the Department of Community Development, to date.</p>
<p>Other: Are there any other issues concerning project implementation that you want to share, including any capacity needs of the recipient organizations? <i>(1500 character limit)</i></p>	<p>There is a lot required in preparation for the referendum within the short period and there is funding scarcity within the ABG. As the demand for information on the referendum increases, a major challenge for project implementation will be to manage ABG partner expectations for support to deliver their mandate towards the Referendum. It is important that partners and stakeholders remain aware of GYPI's focus on supporting women, youth and persons with disabilities as peace and change agents.</p> <p>The referendum is twelve months away and this will see an increase of development partners in Bougainville. This brings risks of duplicative activities and stress on the already limited capacities of GYPI's government and civil society partners. It will be important for the three UN agencies to monitor how broader expectations, priorities and responsibilities placed on GYPI's other partners might impact project implementation and success.</p>

1.3 INDICATOR BASED PERFORMANCE ASSESSMENT: *Using the Project Results Framework as per the approved project document or any amendments- provide an update on the achievement of key indicators at both the outcome and output level in the table below (if your project has more indicators than provided in the table, select the most relevant ones with most relevant progress to highlight). Where it has not been possible to collect data on indicators, state this and provide any explanation. Provide gender and age disaggregated data. (300 characters max per entry)*

	Performance Indicators	Indicator Baseline	End of project Indicator Target	Current indicator progress	Reasons for Variance/ Delay (if any)	Adjustment of target (if any)
Outcome 1 ABG institutions are increasingly accountable to women and youth for a free and fair Referendum.	Indicator 1.1 Proportion of ABG institutions that have plans that meaningfully incorporate needs and concerns of women, youth and persons with disabilities for a free and fair Referendum.	0	7		General comment: Subsequent GYPI reports will address this indicator. The first third-period of the project has focused on partner and stakeholder induction and capacity-building. Project verification of their efforts will occur throughout July 2018-June 2019.	
	Indicator 1.2 Percentage of women, youth and persons with disabilities who feel that ABG institutions are accountable to their groups and	0%	70%		General comment: Subsequent GYPI reports will address this indicator. The first third-period of the project has focused on partner and stakeholder induction and capacity-building. Project verification of their efforts will occur throughout July 2018-June 2019.	

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	include them in the discussions on the referendum.					
	Indicator 1.3 N/A					
Output 1.1 Responsible institutions have strengthened accountability to the rights of women and youth in the Referendum process	Indicator 1.1.1 Number of accountability mechanisms that are gender responsive and inclusive of women and youth, and persons living with disabilities	1	5	Set up of the Human Rights Parliamentary Committee is in progress.	General comment: Subsequent bi-annual GYPI reports will address this indicator as the majority of activities relevant to it will take place during those reporting periods. Training on gender, youth, disabilities sensitisation is expected to occur during July-December 2018.	
	Indicator 1.1.2 N/A					
Output 1.2 Responsible institutions have enhanced capacity to enable	Indicator 1.2.1 Number of institutional mechanisms in place which support the engagement of	0	7	The Department of Community Government has enhanced its capacity to support its clients: 100 women		

	Performance Indicators	Indicator Baseline	End of project Indicator Target	Current indicator progress	Reasons for Variance/ Delay (if any)	Adjustment of target (if any)
women and youth to effectively engage in the Referendum process.	women and youth in the Referendum			community government leaders trained in community government roles and responsibilities; and reporting.		
	Indicator 1.2.2 N/A					
Output 1.3 N/A	Indicator 1.3.1					
	Indicator 1.3.2					
Outcome 2 Women and youth effectively participate in delivering a violence-free Referendum in the Autonomous Region of	Indicator 2.1 Percentage of 448 women in elected/appointed public office who participated in raising awareness and building peace in delivery of a violence-free Referendum	0	80%		General comment: The next bi-annual GYPI report will address this indicator as the majority of activities relevant to it will take place during that reporting period. This period's activities have chiefly focused capacity building for women's participation.	

	Performance Indicators	Indicator Baseline	End of project Indicator Target	Current indicator progress	Reasons for Variance/ Delay (if any)	Adjustment of target (if any)
Bougainville.	Indicator 2.2 Proportion of 2,240 women at community level in target areas engaged in the delivery of a violence-free Referendum	0	80%	100 women community government leaders were inducted on referendum readiness checklists	General comment: The next bi-annual GYPI report will address this indicator as the majority of activities relevant to it will take place during that reporting period. This period's activities have chiefly focused capacity building for women's participation.	
	Indicator 2.3 Proportion of 2,600 youth in community youth network engaged in the delivery of a violence-free Referendum and Referendum readiness	0%	80%		General comment: The next bi-annual GYPI report will address this indicator as the majority of activities relevant to it will take place during that reporting period.	
Output 2.1 Strengthened capacity of women and youth to foster unity	Indicator 2.1.1 Number of women, youth and persons with disabilities interactive mechanisms used	0	7			

	Performance Indicators	Indicator Baseline	End of project Indicator Target	Current indicator progress	Reasons for Variance/ Delay (if any)	Adjustment of target (if any)
and reduce triggers of conflict for a violence-free Referendum	to foster unity and reduce triggers of conflict Indicator 2.1.2					
Output 2.2 Increased opportunities and incentives for women and youth to support social cohesion and peacebuilding efforts in the Referendum process	Indicator 2.2.1 Number of women, youth, persons with disabilities led programmes that support the engagement of women, youth and persons with disabilities in peacebuilding efforts and the Referendum Indicator 2.2.2	0	6		General comment: The next bi-annual GYPI report in December will be able to address this indicator as the majority of activities relevant to it will take place during that reporting period.	
Output 2.3 N/A	Indicator 2.3.1 Indicator 2.3.2					

	Performance Indicators	Indicator Baseline	End of project Indicator Target	Current indicator progress	Reasons for Variance/ Delay (if any)	Adjustment of target (if any)
Outcome 3 N/A	Indicator 3.1					
	Indicator 3.2					
	Indicator 3.3					
Output 3.1 N/A	Indicator 3.1.1					
	Indicator 3.1.2					
Output 3.2 N/A	Indicator 3.2.1					
	Indicator 3.2.2					
Output 3.3 N/A	Indicator 3.3.1					
	Indicator 3.3.2					
Outcome 4 N/A	Indicator 4.1					
	Indicator 4.2					
	Indicator 4.3					
Output 4.1	Indicator 4.1.1					

	Performance Indicators	Indicator Baseline	End of project Indicator Target	Current indicator progress	Reasons for Variance/ Delay (if any)	Adjustment of target (if any)
N/A	Indicator 4.1.2					
Output 4.2 N/A	Indicator 4.2.1					
	Indicator 4.2.2					
Output 4.3 N/A	Indicator 4.3.1					
	Indicator 4.3.2					

PART 2: INDICATIVE PROJECT FINANCIAL PROGRESS

2.1 Comments on the overall state of financial expenditures

Please rate whether project financial expenditures are on track, delayed, or off track, vis-à-vis project plans and by recipient organization: *on track*

How many project budget tranches have been received to date and what is the overall level of expenditure against the total budget and against the tranche(s) received so far (500 characters limit): 1 details of expenditure are included in the excel spreadsheet.

When do you expect to seek the next tranche, if any tranches are outstanding: November/December 2018

If expenditure is delayed or off track, please provide a brief explanation (500 characters limit): Expenditure has been delayed due to late kick off with the project. Also the late establishment of Bougainville Referendum Commission (BRC) which has a central role to play in this process slowed down implementation. RUNOs have had to re-strategise on best options in the absence of BRC. Much of the engagement is now being led by the Dept. of Community Government (DoCG) in terms of awareness raising, using elected /appointed reps and other community structures for outreach activities.

Please state what \$ amount was planned (in the project document) to be allocated to activities focussed on gender equality or women's empowerment and how much has been actually allocated to date: About 65% of total resources (approx \$1,200,000) was estimated for activities focussed on gender equality and the empowerment of women (GEEW). To date, the allocations to GEEW have been in line with original plan and it is expected that this trend will be maintained for the entire project, given the focus of this project on women, including young women and girls.

Please fill out and attach Annex A on project financial progress **with detail on expenditures/ commitments to date using the original project budget table in Excel**, even though the \$ amounts are indicative only.