



UN EBOLA RESPONSE MPTF
ANNUAL PROJECT NARRATIVE REPORT
Year: 2017/18

Project Number and Title: 00059337 - Support to Sierra Leone Ebola Recovery Fund Secretariat	PROJECT START DATE: 26-04-2017	AMOUNT ALLOCATED by MPTF \$	RECIPIENT ORGANIZATION
Project ID: 00104157			
Project Focal Point: Name: Mr. Kawusu Kebbay E-mail: kawusukay@yahoo.co.uk	EXTENSION DATE:	FINANCIAL COMMITMENTS \$ 250,000	IMPLEMENTING PARTNER(S): DACO – Ministry of Finance and Economic Development
Strategic Objective (STEPP) SO# - Description Recovery Strategic Objectives RSO# - Description	PROJECTED END DATE: 30-01-2018	EXPENDITURES as of [30-01-2018] \$ 224,014	
Mission Critical Action MCA# - Description			
Location: Sierra Leone – West Africa		Sub-National Coverage Areas: Full list of countries and/or districts	
Report Submitted by:		Report Cleared by:	
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OUTPUT INDICATORS					
Indicator	Geographic Area	Projected Target (as per results matrix)	Quantitative results for the 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>					
1. Procurement of Vehicle, maintenance and operations costs for one year	Sierra Leone	1) 1	1) 2	1) 2	1) 200%
2. Refurbishing of DACO offices	Sierra Leone	2) 1	2) 1	2) 1	2) 100%
3. Capacity building for DACO Staff	Sierra Leone	3) 8	3) 7	3) 7	3) 88%
4. District level SLERF sensitization	Sierra Leone	4)12	4) 12	4)12	4) 100%
5. Study tours, follow-up on commitment and marketing of SLERF	Sierra Leone	5) 5	5) 5	5) 5	5)100%



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EFFECT INDICATORS (if available for the reporting period)					

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PROGRAMME REPORT FORMAT

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Recognizing the implementation of the Recovery Strategy will require the mobilization of significant resources from multiple sources, including the pledges made to Sierra Leone at the July International UN Ebola Conference, as well as coordinated delivery and focus on development results, the Government established the Sierra Leone Ebola Recovery Trust Fund (SLERF). The SLERF embodies the New Deal Principles of National Ownership, Use of Country Systems, Transparency and Accountability.

This project was a support to the Government of Sierra Leone to setup and operationalize a dedicated Secretariat for the Sierra Leone Ebola Recovery Fund (SLERF). From the project document, an Annual Work Plan (AWP) was framed to help highlight the expected output, project activities and the allocation of the funds deposited into the project account per activity level. As per the AWP which was designed in line with the project document, the following activities were achievable:

- Staff capacity was increased through training
- The DACO office was refurbished to create the required space to be used as the SLERF Secretariat.
- Procurement of 2 vehicles in line with the Procurement Act 2014
- Follow-up on pledges and commitment made by development partners



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Current Situation and Trend *(please provide a brief introduction to the project and the related outcomes in relation to implementation of the project (1-2 paragraphs))*

The project has come to an end with the resources fully utilized.

Narrative section *(About 1,000 words):*

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○ **Key Achievements:**

- Staff training conducted in Accra, Ghana for 2 new staff on the Management of Donor Funds. This training contributed to the smooth running of the project.
- One staff trained on the 2014 Procurement Act, this training was useful during the procuring items for the project
- The refurbishment of the DACO office to be used as the SLERF Secretariat. This creates a face lift on the office space.
- A nation wide SLERF sensitization project to raise the aware of the trust-fund at district level. This brought about national awareness and collaboration from the lower level
- Strict compliance with the Procurement Act 2014 in procuring 2 vehicle for the Scretariat
- Follow-up missions on the pledges were undertaken

○ **Delays or Deviations** – *(Please indicate, if applicable, any reason that may have contributed to any delays or deviation, and describe the measures adopted to move forward to achieve the expected results)*

Funds for the recruitment of an International Consultant were used for the Election Steering Committee Meetings. Because it was difficult to recruit and International Consultant in an election year when all energies were devoted to achieving successful elections.

● **Best Practice and Summary Evaluation** – *(Please indicate what are the best practice guidelines adopted and the impact on the implementation process)*



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- Monthly tracking of project funds. This gives a clear picture of the project cashflow position on a monthly basis against the activities to be implemented
- Monitoring and evaluation of the project on a quarterly basis
- **Lessons learned** – *(Please, share a couple of lessons learned that can be beneficial for future projects)*
 - Pledges made by Development Partners to the fund were not received even though follow-up was done
 - As the Ebola story ends the commitment to put money into the Trust fund becomes a serious challenge.
- **Story from the Field** – *(Please, provide one story from the field that has contributed to the success of this project)*
 - A nation wide project sensitization raises the aware of the trust-fund at district level. This brings about national interest and collaboration from the lower level.