

**Project: Hidden Challenges: Addressing Sexual Bribery Experienced by Military Widows and War Widows in Sri Lanka to Enable Resilience and Sustained Peace**

**Risk Log (Last updated on 31<sup>st</sup> May 2020)**

#	Specific Risk to Project	Risk Description	Date Identified	Type	Risk Significance Impact (I); Probability(P)	Risk Treatment	Owner	Submitted, Updated by	Last Update	Status	Remarks
1	Lack of priority and reduced momentum for peacebuilding and reconciliation	Reduced momentum and de-prioritization of peacebuilding and reconciliation at the national level.	30 Nov 2019	Political	P=4; I=3; (moderate)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Monitor the political context and support the UN's sustained advocacy and high-level dialogue between the UN and the Government to reaffirm commitments to peacebuilding and the UNHRC Resolution.</li> <li>• Existing mechanisms such as the PBF Board and the PBF Oversight Committees, jointly chaired by the Government and the UN, will also be leveraged to advocate for re-engagement on peacebuilding and reconciliation.</li> </ul>	UNDP, UN Women, CEJ	Project Officer/M&E Focal Point	30 Apr 2020	No change	
2	Lack of support by Public officials and key institutions for	Public officials and key institutions are reluctant to engage/participate	15 Nov 2018	Strategic	P=3; I=3; (moderate)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• focus on the vulnerability status of the women/ beneficiaries within a</li> </ul>	UNDP, UN Women, CEJ	Project Officer/M&E Focal Point	30 Apr 2020	No change	

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	sensitization programmes, particularly aimed at addressing sexual bribery perpetrated by public officials.	in sensitization programmes.				<p>post-Covid 19 context and how govt. support would benefit the circumstances of these women both socially and economically</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Continue bilateral briefing meetings with key Government stakeholders at the national and local , level with the participation of CEJ.</li> <li>• Ensure Interventions are non-contentious without singling/condemning any particular segment of state representatives.</li> </ul>					
3	Less participation of FHH including military widows and war widows due to fear of reprisal	Fear of reprisals results in reluctance of military widows and war widows to participate.	15 Nov 2018	Environmental/Social	P=3; I=3; <b>(moderate)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ensure that principles of 'do no harm' form the basis of engaging with military widows and war widows.</li> <li>• Accord high priority for confidentiality of beneficiary identifications details and not to document any identifiable characteristics</li> </ul>	UNDP, UN Women, CEJ	Project Officer/M&E Focal Point	Mid-April 2020	No change	

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4	Lack of support for Peer Exchange programmes	Military widows are not inclined to engage in peer-exchanges programmes with war widows of the North, due to prejudices held, having lost their husbands to the conflict, and vice versa	15 Nov 2018	Environmental/Social	P=2; I=2; <b>(Low)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Interventions customized on the needs of widows in a particular community. Capacity building programmes include components of awareness raising to show the similarities in the issues that widows face, irrespective of ethnicity and geographic location, based on the research by CEJ.</li> <li>Interventions aim to foster a sense of commonality and greater interest in participating in peer-exchanges and cross-regional learning.</li> </ul>	UNDP, UN Women, CEJ	Project Officer/M&E Focal Point	No update, as this activity us yet to take place	No status update	
5	Negative impact of COVID-16 lockdown and restrictions - <i>Delays /suspension of planned field activities</i>	Field activities including the women's economic empowerment interventions and the peacebuilding components for target beneficiaries have been precluded from mid March 2020	20 March 2020	Environmental/Social	P=5; I=3; <b>(substantial)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Continue to carry out respective responsibilities remotely and taking stock of remaining activities. R</li> <li>Revising the joint implementation plan based on the crisis and the six-month no-cost extension</li> </ul>	UNDP, UN Women, CEJ	Project Officer/M&E Focal Point	15 May 2020	No change	

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						<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Tag possible project interventions (WEE trainings, etc), with awareness on Covid-19 and the distribution of relief items as an incentive</li> </ul>					
6	Negative impact of COVID-16 lockdown and restrictions <i>-Peacebuilding not a priority for FHH</i>	The pandemic's negative effects on essential supplies, lack of access to public services and the sudden loss of already limited income and resources for FHHs severely hinder their ability to fulfil their potential as peacemakers. If left unaddressed, these factors risk marginalizing the FHHs to the sidelines with no means of contributing to and engaging in the nation's peacebuilding agenda.	1 April 2020	Environmental/Social	P=5, I=3; <b>(Substantial)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The implementation of pending activities will require proper adaptation to emerging realities on the ground to effectively realize set peacebuilding goals and deliver maximum impact. Therefore, revising the joint implementation plan based on the crisis and the six-month no-cost extension are in progress.</li> <li>re-strategizing of project activities and their implementation modalities from the original design.</li> </ul>	UNDP, UN Women, CEJ	Project Officer/M&E Focal Point	15 May 2020	No change	
7	Anticipated shift again of Government's priorities as the	A number of key positions changed within the Ministry of Women Child	1 April 2020	Political	P=4, I=4; <b>(substantial)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Bi-lateral meetings and courtesy calls with newly appointed heads of</li> </ul>	UNDP, UN Women, CEJ	Project Officer/M&E Focal Point	15 May 2020	No change	

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	pandemic relief and response efforts take precedence along with the focus on the continuation of general election preparations	Affairs and in other key partners as consequences of the November 2019 Presidential Election. District and national level public officials were unable to take part in project activities in anticipation of the general elections initially scheduled for April 2020. This situation is likely to continue pass elections.				government partner Ministries and agencies <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A joint review and planning exercise is currently in progress to identify the most feasible yet impactful implementation plan</li> </ul>					