

**SIERRA LEONE
PEACEBUILDING FUND
PROJECT STATUS REPORT
31 DECEMBER 2009**

Project No & Title:	PBF/SLE/A-2 Support to Capacity Building and Programmes of National Anti-Corruption Strategy (NACS) Secretariat				
Recipient UN Organization:	UNDP	Priority Sector:	Democracy and Good Governance		
National Authority:	Anti-Corruption Commission				
Location:	Freetown				
Project Cost:	USD 349,034				
SC Approval Date:	15 July 2008	Starting Date:	August 2008	Completion Date:	Extended to Dec 2009
PBF Outcome and Priority area	Priority 4: Rebuilding of essential government services Outcome 13. Rebuilt essential technical capacity.				
Project Description:	Being committed to the fight against corruption, the Government of Sierra Leone set up the Anti-Corruption Commission through an Act of Parliament in February 2000 with a mandate to prevent all forms of corruption in Sierra Leone. In his maiden address to parliament the present Government of Ernest Bai Koroma has also reiterated its commitment to the fight against graft and zero tolerance policy for corruption.				
Immediate Objectives:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A well structured secretariat equipped with manpower and logistical support to carry out the coordination of the NACS implementation. • Adequately sensitized Sierra Leonean public on their social responsibilities in the fight against corruption through national sensitization on all pillars of integrity in the fight against corruption • Production of Monitoring reports to track progress made in the implementation of the NACS. Production of these reports will be coordinated by the NACS secretariat by collating the monitoring reports of entities with monitoring responsibilities as indicated on the policy matrix of the NACS. 				
Project Progress as at December, 2009					
Funds disbursed:	USD 226,748				
Delivery rate:	65%				
Outputs delivered:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Civil Society Monitoring of Ministries, Department and Agencies implementation of the NACS carried out for the 4th Quarter • NACS signed a joint communiqué between the media and CSOs with the objective of garnering support for the ACC in line with the AU's recommendation.. • Public sensitization through radio and TV discussions as well as the distribution of the 1,000 copies of the simple and abridged version of the NACS is raising awareness about combating corruption. • The Secretariat undertook a study tour in Ghana and Tanzania to share experiences and learn lessons on the implementation of the National Anti-Corruption Strategy (NACS). 				
Achievements and challenges	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Anti-corruption coordination Secretariat staffed, equipped and fully functional • Coordination of activities of Anti-corruption entities enhanced through the establishment of a fully functional Steering Committee • Operational capacities of the ACC strengthened through provision of logistic equipment. • Government has made provision in its 2009/10 budget for continued support to the ACC. • Capacity of line Ministries, Parliament, the Judiciary and other national institutions for successful project implementation without which the required legal instrument and policy directives will not be affected. Management responses to these challenges include: • Government in collaboration with donors to carry out capacity assessments and where necessary provide technical backstopping in terms of training for the implementation of projects • The ACC is now designing a fund raising strategy to compliment Government's budgetary support 				