



# United Nations Peace Fund For Nepal – *Fact Sheet* –

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## Key Features of the United Nations Peace Fund for Nepal (UNPFN):

- Delivering focused, time-limited support for urgent peace process and early recovery tasks
- Complementing the Nepal Peace Trust Fund and other existing mechanisms by focusing only on tasks that cannot be funded or implemented through existing Government mechanisms
- Ensuring governance arrangements are the same as the Nepal Peace Trust Fund to promote a harmonised and coherent approach
- Providing rapid and flexible responses to requests whilst ensuring a strategic UN approach that is sensitive to the unique needs of Nepal's transitional environment
- Enhancing UN and donor coordination and alignment to ensure more coherent international support to Nepal

## Significant achievements of UNPFN so far:

### Elections/ Governance/ Mediation

- Supporting the Election Commission of Nepal to prepare and administer the 2008 Constituent Assembly elections. This contributed to a relatively smooth electoral process, recognised to be in line with international standards.
- Established an Electoral Observation Resource Centre which accredited 14,847 domestic and 783 international observers, and ensured more coordinated and verifiable electoral observation. This contributed to the peace process by reinforcing public perceptions that the electoral process was fair and transparent.

### Cantonment/ Reintegration

- Collecting, analysing and managing the registration and verification of all Maoist Army personnel.
- Assisting the Ministry of Peace and Reconstruction to design reintegration assistance packages for Maoist Army personnel that are to be discharged.
- The ongoing discharge of 4008 disqualified Maoist combatants, including minors.
- Providing reproductive health services in all Maoist Cantonment sites targeting the needs of women.

### Security

- Training 136 Nepal Army de-miners to international standards.
- Clearing 17 mine fields and over 100 improvised explosive device fields to improve public safety and security, as well as returning valuable land to local communities.
- Safely destroying over 46,850 improvised explosive devices and other dangerous items from the Maoist cantonments.

### Rights and Reconciliation

- Collecting and analysing field data on vulnerability, public security, election awareness, land issues, internally displaced people and basic service delivery to support food security programs, and provide customised mapping to support peace building.

## Governance Structure

### Steering Committee includes:

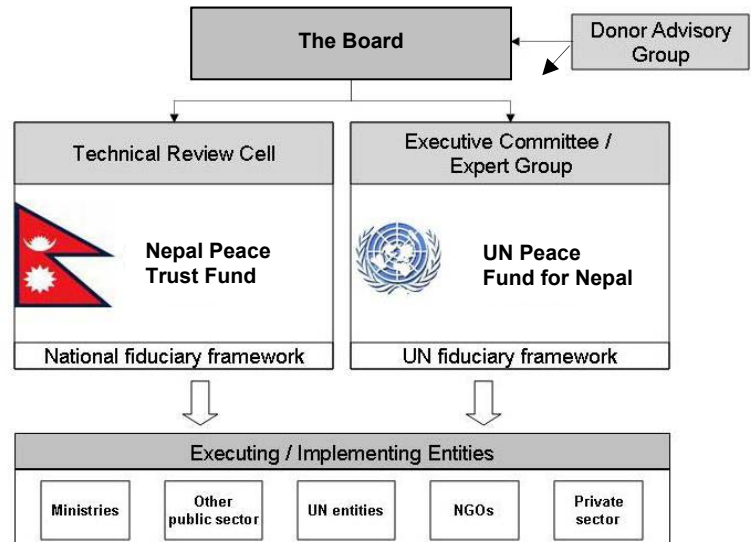
Minister for Peace and Reconstruction, Minister for Finance, Minister for Physical Planning and Works, two other Ministers designated by the PM, Vice-Chair from NPC, Secretary Ministry of Home Affairs, Secretary Ministry of Finance, Secretary Ministry of Peace and Reconstruction.

### UN Peace Fund Executive Committee includes:

UN Resident Coordinator as Chair, Representative of the Secretary General as Vice-Chair, a donor representative, and a Government representative from the Ministry of Peace and Reconstruction.

### Technical Expert Groups include:

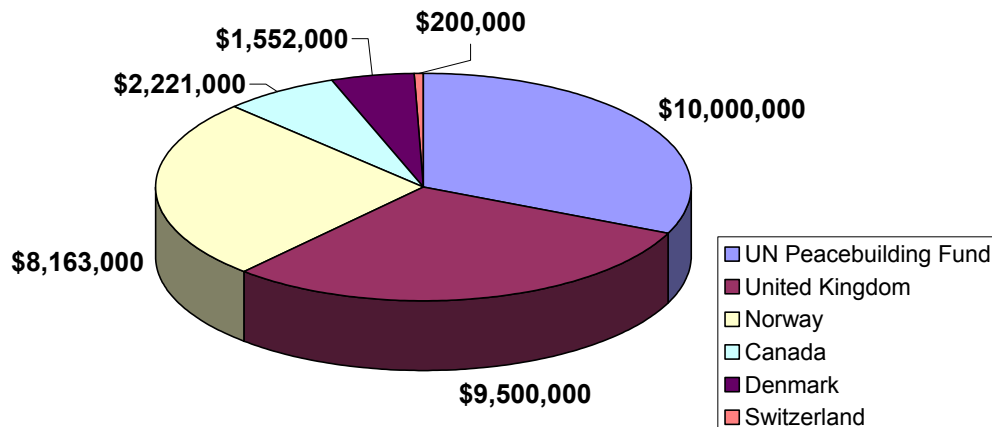
Representatives from the Nepal Peace Trust Fund Cluster Groups, UN agencies, and external experts.



## Contributions

The UNPFN has received contributions from: The United Kingdom; Norway; Canada; Denmark; Switzerland; and the United Nations Peacebuilding Fund (which has 45 donors).

The chart below illustrates the contributions provided to the UNPFN in USD.



**Total: USD 31.6 million**

## Application and allocation process

When there are sufficient un-earmarked funds available, the following process is followed to promote transparency, effectiveness and coordination of UN peace building activities:

- Step 1.** In consultation with the Ministry of Peace and Reconstruction, the Ministry of Finance and donors, a limited number of outcomes are selected for the funding round, and UNCT members are invited to apply.
- Step 2.** UN agencies provide the UNPFN Executive Committee Support Office with short concept notes outlining their proposed projects which will contribute to these outcomes.
- Step 3.** The UNPFN Executive Committee convenes to agree on notional allocations to the best concepts.
- Step 4.** Successful applicants prepare the expanded project proposal in close consultation with the UNPFN Executive Committee Support Office. The Support Office may draw upon Expert Group members where required to help strengthen these proposals.
- Step 5.** Proposals are formally reviewed by the UNPFN Executive Committee Support Office and Expert Group for constructive technical assessment based on specified criteria.
- Step 6.** The UNPFN Executive Committee approves the final project proposals and submits the approved project for release of funds from the Administrative Agent, the UNDP Multi-Donor Trust Fund Office.

## UNPFN Projects (budget in million USD):

### Approved:

#### **Mine Action (UNOPS)**

Support to IEDD/EOD operations in Nepal and capacity building of Nepal Army (incl. 5 extensions)  
Budget: \$4.6 million

#### **Verification (UNDP)**

Verification of the Maoist Army combatants in the cantonment sites (incl. 1 extension)  
Budget: \$1.2 million

#### **Discharge Strategy (UNDP)**

Support discharge of adult Maoist Army personnel  
Budget: \$3.8 million

#### **Female Reintegration and Support (UNFPA)**

Support to female members of Maoist Army communities in the reintegration and peace building processes  
Budget: \$0.3 million

#### **Children's Reintegration (UNICEF)**

Program for support for children and adolescents in the Maoist Army affected by the conflict  
Budget: \$0.5 million

#### **Election (UNDP)**

Electoral Observation Resource Centre (incl. 1 extension)  
Budget: \$144,000

Provision of specialised electoral assistance to the Election Commission of Nepal  
Budget: \$157,000

#### **Support to Civil Affairs (WFP/OCHA)**

Surveillance and programme targeting for post-conflict reconciliation (incl. 1 extension)  
Budget: \$0.9 million

#### **Youth Employment (ILO, FAO)**

Jobs for peace for conflict affected youth  
Budget: \$2.7 million

#### **Transitional Justice (OHCHR)**

Support to transitional justice institutions  
Budget: \$2 million

#### **Female Journalists (UNESCO)**

Training for women journalists in the Terai  
Budget: \$20,000

#### **Conflict Affected Children (UNICEF, OHCHR)**

Monitoring, reporting and response to conflict related child rights violations  
Budget: \$2.3 million

#### **Conflict Affected Women (UNFPA, UNICEF)**

Comprehensive services to victims of sexual violence  
Budget: \$2.1 million

#### **Government Support to Conflict Affected Women (UNIFEM, OHCHR)**

Supporting the Government of Nepal to oversee the implementation of UNSCR '1325 and 1820' dealing with women in conflict  
Budget: \$0.5 million

#### **Reparations (IOM)**

Support fairness and efficiency in Government delivery of reparations to conflict-affected persons  
Budget: \$1 million

### Projects being developed:

#### **Rehabilitation of the Discharged (UNDP, UNICEF, UNFPA, ILO)**

Support the rehabilitation of discharged Maoist Army personnel  
Budget: \$8.5 million

**In Total: \$22.2 million**

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