JOINT PROGRAMME MONITORING REPORT

a. Joint Programme Identification and basic data

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MDTF Atlas Project No: 00067232 Title: Sustained Peace for Development: Conflict Prevention and Peace-Building in Sudan through targeted interventions in selected communities along the 1-1-1956 border	Report Number: 1 Reporting Period: December 2009 – January 2010 Programme Duration: 2.5 years (Dec 09 – June 2012)
Participating UN Organizations: FAO ILO IOM UNICEF UNIFEM UNFPA UNDP WHO	Implementing partners[1]: under discussion and to be updated in the next report Ministry of Legal Affairs Ministry of Gender Ministry of Water & irrigation Ministry Regional Cooperation Ministry Agriculture Health Ministry Animal & Fisheries Peace Commission Ministry Child Protection South Sudan Police Services (Internal Affairs) Reconciliation and Peaceful Co-existence (RPCM)

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[1] Please list all the partners actually working in the joint's programme implementation, NGOs, Universities, etc. If you are working with a large number of partners please annex the list.

Estimated Budget Summary	
Total Approved Joint Programme Budget:	UNDP:1,545,743 UNICEF: 1,157,285 UNFPA: 362,169 WHO: 498,738 FAO:535,910 UNIFEM:396,278 ILO: 724,860 IOM: 779,017 Total: 6,000,000
Total Amount of Transferred to date:	UNDP:762,877 UNICEF: 639,084 UNFPA: 160,302 WHO: 249,369 FAO:318,688 UNIFEM:181,900 ILO: 362,430 IOM: 545,312 Total: 3,219,962
Estimated Total Budget Committed to date:	UNDP:0 UNICEF: 0 UNFPA: 0 WHO: 0 FAO: 0 UNIFEM: 0 ILO: 0 IOM: 0 Total: 0
Estimated Total Budget Disbursed to date:	UNDP:0 UNICEF: 0 UNFPA: 0 WHO: 0 FAO: 0 UNIFEM: 0 ILO: 0 IOM: 0 Total: 0

Beneficiaries

Direct Beneficiaries (under discussion)

Indicate Beneficiary type (i.e. farmers, policy makers, SMEs, etc.)	No. Institutions	No. Women	No. Men	No. Ethnic Groups
Total				

Indirect Beneficiaries (under discussion)

Indicate Beneficiary type (i.e. farmers, policy makers, SMEs, etc.)	No. Institutions	No. Women	No. Men	No. Ethnic Groups
Total				

b. <u>Joint Programme M&E framework (under discussion)</u>

Expected Results (Outcomes & outputs)	Indicators (with baselines & indicative timeframe)	Means of verification	Collection methods (with indicative time frame & frequency)	Responsibilities	Risks & assumptions

c. <u>Joint Programme Results Framework with financial information (under discussion) Please refer to Annex 2</u>

Programme Outputs	Activity	YEAR		UN AGENCY	RESPONSIBLE PARTY			Estimated Implementation Progress			
		Y1	Y2		NATIONAL/LOCAL	Source of Funding	Budget description	Total amount Planned	Estimated Total amount Committed	Estimated Total Amount Disbursed	Estimated % Delivery rate of budget
	1.1.1										
	1.1.2.										
	1.1.3.										
	1.1.4.										
	1.1.5.										
	1.1.6.										
							Total				

JP output: 1.1 Please highlight the rate of delivery for each joint programme's output:
a. Less than 30% b. between 31%-50% c. between 51-60 d. between 61%-70% e. between 71%-80 d. More than 80%

    a. <u>Narrative on progress, obstacles and contingency measures</u>

Progress in outcomes:

n/a (we have not begun implementation)

Progress in outputs:

n/a (we have not begun implementation)

Are there difficulties in the implementation? ☒Yes ☐No

If so, what are the causes of these difficulties? Please check the most suitable option

        ☒UN agency Coordination
        ☒Coordination with Government
        ☐Coordination within the Government (s)
        ☐Administrative (Procurement, etc) /Financial (management of funds, availability, budget revision, etc)
        ☐Management: 1. Activity and output management 2. Governance/Decision making (PMC/NSC) 3. Accountability
        ☐Joint Programme design
        ☐External to the Joint Programme (risks and assumptions, elections, natural disaster, social unrest, etc)
        ☐Other. Please specify:

Please, briefly describe (150 words) the current difficulties the Joint Programme is facing. Refer only to progress in relation to the planned in the Joint Programme Document. Try to describe facts avoiding interpretations or personal opinions.

With the signing of the Comprehensive Peace Agreement (CPA) in 2005, the Government of Southern Sudan (GOSS) was established and the region of Southern Sudan, comprising 10 states, given autonomy while the Government of National Unity covers 15 Northern States. The CPA has established this "one country two systems" approach and the UN system in Sudan mirrors this structure, with the inherent challenges it poses to coordination.

The Joint Programme operational and coordination structure is seeking to respond to this complex national context. Since November 2009, there have been a number of coordination meetings both in Khartoum and Juba where Juba-based and Khartoum based UN focal points sat and discussed together various issues. Most importantly, there was a meeting in Juba on the 28th January that brought together all the UN focal points from Juba and Khartoum to have in-depth discussions on programme design and institutional structure.

Please, briefly describe the current external difficulties (not caused by the joint programme) that delay implementation. Try to describe facts avoiding interpretations or personal opinions.

As mentioned above, the UN system in Sudan mirrors the complex structure of "one country two systems". There are eight UN participating agencies under the Joint Programme, but as a result of the one country two systems, the number of participating agencies in reality becomes 16 agencies, eight from the North and eight from the South respectively. This inevitably makes it difficult for UNDP, the lead agency, to coordinate and harmonize activities.

In addition, each UN agency works closely with government counterparts at Federal (Khartoum), GOSS (Juba) and state levels as well as other stakeholders, such as civil society. In other words, the number of stakeholders multiplies and this poses a challenge to coordination efforts.

Please, briefly explain (150 words) the actions planned to eliminate or mitigate the difficulties (internal and external) described in the previous text boxes. Try to be specific in your answer.

Since November 2009, UNDP, in close partnership with Resident Coordinator's Support Office (RCSO), has organized six coordination meetings to discuss together important matters. The issues discussed include institutional structure, selection of target communities and M&E strategy. UNDP and RCSO strongly believe that it is important for all partners to meet and discuss issues on a regular basis at all stages of the project cycle. UNDP and RCSO will continue to maintain the momentum and make sure that discussions are participatory and inclusive and information is shared in a timely manner.

b. Inter-Agency Coordination and Delivering as One

- Is the Joint Programme in line with the UNDAF? Please check the relevant answer

  ☒Yes ☐No

- If not, does the Joint Programme fit into the national strategies?

  ☐Yes ☐No

  If not, please explain:

What types of coordination mechanisms and decisions have been taken to ensure joint delivery?
Are different joint programmes in the country coordinating among themselves? Please reflect on these questions above and add any other relevant comments if you consider it necessary:

> The issue of coordination mechanisms is still under discussion and yet to be finalized. A proposal has been placed by UNDP (see attached). At the state level, it has been proposed that it would be a good idea to use existing coordination structures, rather than creating new ones. In this regard, RCSO has taken the lead and co-chairs, together with government, Monthly Coordination Meetings (MCM) in all four states, namely South Kordofan (North), Unity, Warrap and Nothern Bahr el Ghazal (South). One Programme Manager (PM) will be recruited by UNDP shortly and s/he will be responsible for overseeing the programme and overall coordination.

Please provide the values for each category of the indicator table described below:
Under discussion

Indicators	Baseline	Actual Value	Means of Verification	Collection methods
Number of managerial practices (financial, procurement, etc) implemented jointly by the UN implementing agencies for MDG-F JPs.				
Number of joint analytical work (studies, diagnostic) undertaken jointly by UN implementing agencies for MDG-F JPs.				
Number of joint missions undertaken jointly by UN implementing agencies for MDG-F JPs.				

Please, provide additional information to substantiate the indicators value (150 words). Try to describe qualitative and quantitative facts avoiding interpretations or personal opinions.

n/a

c.   <u>Development Effectiveness: Paris Declaration and Accra Agenda for Action</u>

Are governments and other national implementation partners involved in the implementation of activities and the delivery of outputs?

☐ Not involved
☐ Slightly involved
☐ Fairly involved
☒ Fully involved

In what kind of decisions and activities is the government involved? Please check the relevant answer

☒ Policy/decision making

☒ Management: ☒ budget ☐ procurement ☐ service provision
☐ other, specify:

Are civil society and/or the private sector involved in the implementation of activities and the delivery of outputs?

☐ Not involved
☐ Slightly involved
☒ Fairly involved
☐ Fully involved

In what kind of decisions and activities are they involved? Please check the relevant answer

☐ Policy/decision making

☒ Management: ☒ budget ☐ procurement ☒ service provision
☐ other, specify

Are citizens involved in the implementation of activities and the delivery of outputs?

☐ Not involved
☐ Slightly involved
☒ Fairly involved
☐ Fully involved

In what kind of decisions and activities are citizens involved? Please check the relevant answer

☐ Policy/decision making

☒ Management: ☐budget ☐procurement ☒service provision
☒other, specify

Where is the joint programme management unit seated?

☐ National Government ☐ Local Government ☒ UN Agency ☐ By itself ☐other, specify

Indicators	Baseline	Actual Value	Means of Verification	Collection methods
% Of UN support to [2]Government sector under the Joint Programme reported on the Government budget	0			
[3]% of funded Technical Assistance /Technical Cooperation that is coordinated with the country's capacity development objectives and strategies.	0			

Briefly describe the current situation of the government, civil society, private sector and citizens on regards of ownership, alignment and mutual accountability of the joint programme. Try to describe facts avoiding interpretations or personal opinions. Please be specific on the role of different actors (i.e. implementing partners, or third parties being sub-contracted for specific service delivery).

UN agencies are discussing a range of issues and are yet to engage government, civil society and private sector in a systematic way.

d.   Communication and Advocacy

Has the JP articulated an advocacy & communication strategy that helps advance its policy objectives and development outcomes?

☐ Yes   ☒No

Please provide a brief explanation of the objectives, key elements and target audience of this strategy (max. 250 words).

We will develop a joint communications strategy over the next few months.

[2] This indicator has been adapted from the Paris Declaration
[3] This indicator has been adapted from the Paris Declaration

What concrete gains are the advocacy and communication efforts outlined in the JP and/or national strategy contributing towards achieving?

☐ Increased awareness on MDG related issues amongst citizens and governments
☐ Increased dialogue among citizens, civil society, local national government in relation to development policy and practice
☐ New/adopted policy and legislation that advance MDGs and related goals
☐ Establishment and/or liaison with social networks to advance MDGs and related goals
☐ Key moments/events of social mobilization that highlight issues
☐ Media outreach and advocacy
☐ Others (use box below)

What is the number and type of partnerships that have been established amongst different sectors of society to promote the achievement of the MDGs and related goals?

To be filled in the next report

☐ Faith-based organizations   Number
☐ Social networks/coalitions   Number
☐ Local citizen groups   Number
☐ Private sector   Number
☐ Academic institutions   Number
☐ Media groups and journalist   Number
☐ Others (use box below)   Number

To be filled in the next report

What outreach activities does the programme implement to ensure that local citizens have adequate access to information on the programme and opportunities to actively participate?

☐ Focus groups discussions
☐ Household surveys
☐ Use of local communication mediums such as radio, theatre groups, newspapers, etc
☐ Open forum meetings

☐ Capacity building/trainings
☐ Others

Section III: Millennium Development Goals

a. Millennium Development Goals (under discussion)

The MDG-F main objective is to contribute to progress to the attainment of the Millennium Development Goals worldwide. This subsection aims to capture data and information on the joint programmes contribution to 1 or more Millennium Development Goals and its targets.

For this purpose the Secretariat has developed a matrix where you should link your joint programme outcomes to one or more Millennium Development Goal and Target. You should also select the most suitable indicators from your joint programme M&E framework as a measure of the Millennium targets selected. Please, refer to the example provided below.

MDG #	Joint Programme Outcome	MDG Target #	MDG Indicators	JP Indicator
Goal #				
	Joint Programme Outcome 2	MDG Target #	MDG Indicator	JP Indicator
	Joint Programme Outcome 3	MDG Target #	MDG Indicator	JP Indicator

Additional Narrative comments

Please provide any other comments information or data you would like to communicate to the MDG-F Secretariat