



# United Nations Peace Fund For Nepal

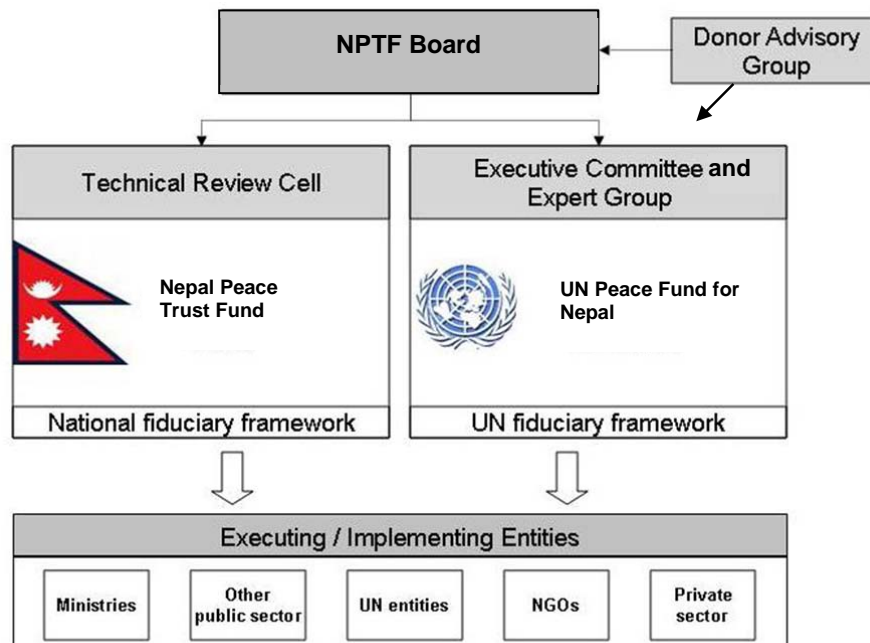
## – Fact Sheet –

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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 to ensure more coherent international support to Nepal

### Governance Structure:



### Nepal Peace Trust Fund (NPTF) Board:

Minister for Peace and Reconstruction as Chair, Minister for Finance as Co-Chair, 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, and including representatives of the five largest political parties in the Constituent Assembly.

### UN Peace Fund for Nepal Executive Committee:

UN Resident Coordinator as Chair, a donor representative, and a Government representative from the Ministry of Peace and Reconstruction.

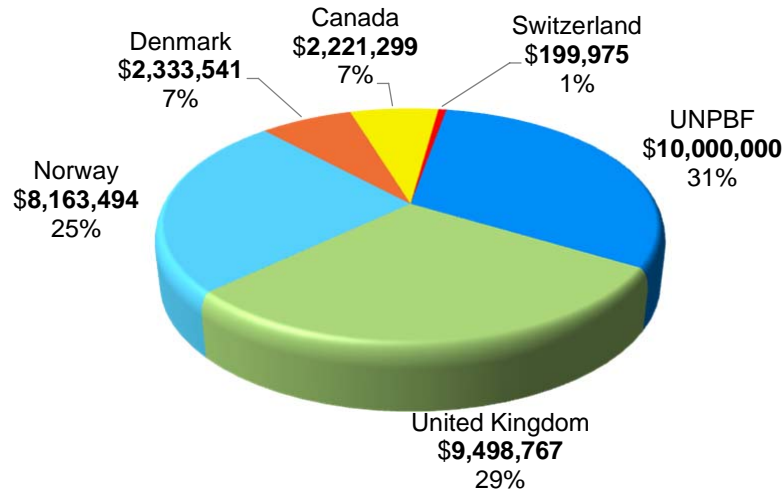
### Technical Expert Groups include:

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

## Contributions and Disbursements to-date:

The UNPFN has received a total of **USD 32.4 million** in 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 to-date in USD.



**NB:** All contributions to UNPFN are disbursed and committed as of March 2011

## 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 Government and donors, a limited number of strategic 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.

## Significant achievements of UNPFN since 2007:

### **Elections, Governance and 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, ensuring more coordinated and verifiable electoral observation and reinforcing public perceptions that the electoral process was fair and transparent.

### **Cantonment and Reintegration**

- Collecting 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 discharge and provision of rehabilitation packages to the verified minors and late recruits in the Maoist Army.
- Reproductive health services in all Maoist Cantonment sites targeting the needs of women.
- A total of 1856 'Verified Minors and Late Recruits' (VMLRs) provided with career counselling and referral services, out of whom 1015 VMLRs have selected rehabilitation support training and education.

### **Recovery/Quick Impact**

- Creating 30,423 paid workdays for more than 6,000 youth beneficiaries from conflict affected areas by providing targeted skills training and self-employment support.

### **Security**

- Assisting the government to implement a National Mine Action Strategy for 2009-11.
- Training 526 Nepal Army de-miners to international standards.
- Clearing 36 mine fields out of the total 53 mine fields to improve public safety and security, as well as returning valuable land to local communities.
- Safely destroying 52,617 improvised explosive devices and other dangerous items from the Maoist cantonments.

### **Rights and Reconciliation**

- Collecting, analysing and mapping data on vulnerability, public security, election awareness, land issues, IDPs and basic services to support food security and peace building projects.
- Assisting the Ministry of Peace and Reconstruction in the drafting of the Truth and Reconciliation and Commission on Involuntary Disappearance Bills.
- Training women journalists working in difficult situations on personal safety and journalism skills on reporting on vital issues like human rights, conflict and gender; and gender-based violence.
- Developing a Dataset documenting several thousand incidents of alleged serious violation of human rights and a Reference Archive consisting of over 25,000 documents.
- Assisting the High Level Steering Committee to prepare the National Action Plan (NAP) on UNSCRs 1325 and 1820.

## Approved UNPFN Projects (in USD):

### COMPLETED PROJECTS

#### Cantonment and Reintegration

##### **Verification of the Maoist Army (UNDP) – UNPFN/A-2**

Verification of the Maoist Army combatants in the cantonment sites. Budget: \$1.2 million.

##### **Support to Discharge of Adult Maoist army Personnel from the Cantonment sites & Discharge Assistance to the Maoist army (UNDP) – UNPFN/A-3 & UNPFN/A-6**

Planning the discharge and assistance to rehabilitation of late recruits. Budget: \$3.8 million.

##### **\*Reproductive health Services to Female Maoist Army Personnel (UNFPA) – UNPFN/A-5 (PBF/NPL/B-2)**

Mobile reproductive health units to Maoist Army cantonments focusing on the needs of female combatants. Budget: \$225,000.

#### Elections and Governance

##### **Electoral Observation Resource Centre (UNDP) – UNPFN/B-1**

Establishing an Electoral Observation Resource Centre and coordinating election observers. Budget: \$144,000.

##### **Assistance to the Electoral Commission (UNDP) – UNPFN/B-2**

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

#### Rights and Reconciliation

##### **Surveillance and Programme Targeting for Post-Conflict Reconciliation (WFP/OCHA) – UNPFN/E-1**

Surveillance, analysis and mapping to strengthen the targeting of post-conflict reconciliation programs. Budget: \$888,000.

##### **Training for Terai women journalists (UNESCO) – UNPFN/E-3**

Training female journalists in the Terai. Budget: \$20,000.

### ONGOING PROJECTS

#### Cantonment and Reintegration

##### **\*Discharge Assistance to Children Formerly Associated with the Maoist Army (UNICEF) – UNPFN/A-4 (PBF/NPL/B-1)**

Supporting the planning for the discharge and needs of children and adolescents in the Maoist Army affected by the conflict. Budget: \$622,969.

##### **\*Conflict related child rights violations (UNICEF, OHCHR) – UNPFN/A-7 (PBF/NPL/E-2)**

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

##### **Support to the Rehabilitation of Verified Minors and Late Recruits (UNDP, UNICEF, UNFPA, ILO) – UNPFN/A-8**

Providing rehabilitation services to the discharged verified minors and late recruits from the Maoist Army. Budget: \$9.4 million.

#### Recovery and Quick Impact

##### **\*Jobs for Peace (ILO, FAO) – UNPFN/C-1 (PBF/NPL/D-1)**

Providing employment opportunities for 12,500 conflict affected youth. Budget: \$2.7 million.

##### **Pilot on Land Registration Recovery (FAO) – UNPFN/C-2**

Researching how to best recover land records lost in the conflict and participatory land use planning. Budget: \$50,000.

#### Security

##### **Mine Action (UNOPS) – UNPFN/A-1**

Supporting the disposal of improvised explosive devices and explosive ordinance through the capacity building of the Nepal Army (incl. 7 extensions). Budget: \$5.1 million.

#### Rights and Reconciliation

##### **\*Reparations to Conflict-Affected Persons (IOM, OHCHR) – UNPFN/E-4 (PBF/NPL/E-1)**

Supporting the Government develop a reparations policy that promotes fairness and efficiency the delivery of reparations to conflict-affected persons. Budget: \$1 million.

##### **\*Justice for Peace: Transitional Justice (OHCHR) – UNPFN/E-2 (PBF/NPL/B-3)**

Supporting the establishment of transitional justice institutions. Budget: \$2 million.

##### **\*Health services to Conflict Affected Women (UNFPA, UNICEF) – UNPFN/E-5 (PBF/NPL/B-4)**

Providing comprehensive services to female victims of sexual violence. Budget: \$2.1 million.

##### **Towards Implementation of UNSCRs 1325 and 1820 (UNIFEM, OHCHR) – UNPFN/E-6**

Supporting the Government of Nepal's High Level Steering Committee on UNSCR 1325 and 1820 dealing with women in conflict. Budget: \$525,000.

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