

Guinea Bissau Peace building Fund Project Summary

STATUS REPORT AS OF 31/03/2011

Recipient UN Organization:	UN Office for Project Services (UNOPS)	PBF Priority Area:	Security Sector Reform		
Implementing Partner(s):	Ministry of National Defense				
Project Number:	PBF/GNB/B-2				
Project Title:	Rehabilitation of Military Barracks				
Total Approved Project Budget	US\$ 1,905,000				
Funds Committed:	US\$ 1,898,450.76	Percentage of Approved:	99,65 %		
Funds Disbursed:	US\$ 1,538,183.53	Percentage of Approved:	80,74 %		
SC Approval Date:	29 May 2008				
Expected Project Duration:	18 Months	Forecast Final Date:	March 2011	Delay (Months):	18 at least

Outputs:	Progress:	Percentage of planned:
<p>Output 1: Rehabilitation of military barracks (totally) in 3 locations/units</p> <p>Output 2: Rehabilitation / construction of water boreholes.</p> <p>Output 3: Electrical wiring reviewed and alternative energy supplied.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The rehabilitation works in the military barrack of Gabu (Lot 1) performed by the contractor Jomo is still ongoing and is on a final stage. Out of 30 buildings to be totally rehabilitated, only 4 buildings remains partially completed: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 1) Garage: doors and windows are not yet set up and the cobblestone is to finish. - 2) Dining hall for officials: The ceiling is carried out at 65%. The cobblestone is to finish. Up to now, the military personnel is using this place as dormitory, despite many requests from UNOPS technicians to vacate the place and allow the completion of the works. - 3) Health post: Some minors adjustments have to be done in the wall tiles to complete the work. - 4) Dining hall for soldiers: some minor finishing is to be undertaken as the soldiers were also using the place to take meals. • As for Quebo (Lot 2) military barrack rehabilitation performed by the contractor Sebastijan, out of 16 buildings to be totally rehabilitated, there are only 2 buildings to complete: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Kitchen for soldiers: tiles to fix in place; doors and windows to set up. 2) Toilets for soldiers: military personnel are using part of the toilet room as munitions store. UNOPS technicians have requested longtime ago to the military personnel to transfer the munitions to another place. Until now the situation remains unchanged. 	

	<p>The military personnel in conjunction with UNOPS team and the contractors have selected the color of the paint to apply in both barracks.</p> <p>Generally, the main activity remaining is to set up doors and windows and to make some minors adjustments.</p> <p>The painting in both sites is scheduled from April 18, 2011 for 10 days.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • From the first week of April 2011, the contractor Grupo Beto Pinto Pereira is expected to deliver in Amura fortress, the building materials for the second and last phase. The military engineers have provided with the requested chronogram of activities defining 12 weeks time to complete the works in Amura. The document has been validated together by military engineers, the Ministry of National Defense and UNOPS. UNOPS technicians will support the Minister of National Defense in making architectural drawings for the remaining buildings to be rehabilitated in Amura. • The contractor ENAFUR has drilled water holes for Gabu and Quebo military barracks. In Gabu, the structure for a 6 meter height water tank has been completed. In Quebo, the structure is being made. The water tanks will be set up in both structures in near future. • UNOPS has submitted the request for an amendment to the project document – no cost extension since December 21, 2010 to the client for validation. A financial overview of the project has also been produced to show the actual costs of the project’s outputs versus the anticipated costs on the initial budget. Both documents are still waiting for signature from the client. In addition to a more detailed financial report, the client had requested some changes in the request for amendment - no cost extension. UNOPS has provided the requested information. Lastly, the Ministry of National Defence has verbally informed UNOPS team that the documents’ contains will be discussed during the next National Steering Committee to be held on April 2011, before validation. • Despite lack of legal document with the client to pursue the project activity, UNOPS technical team continues to supervise the execution of works in the military barracks of Gabu and Quebo and to provide technical support and guidance to the military engineers for Amura fortress. 	
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Qualitative achievements against expected results:

The field works are progressing in full compliance with the prevailing standards. The completion of the works which was planned for end of February 2011 has been delayed for more than a month. The work is expected to complete now by end of April 2011.

The fact that some premises are being used by the military personnel either to store weapons and munitions or as dormitories, has impacted on the progression of the work, causing some delays.

Due the preparation of project closure and budget constraints, only one National Architect, Project Manager and the driver have their contract extended for 2 months. The national architect, Project manager is conducting the overall supervision of the works during the extension period.

The project is expecting to get the project amendment – no cost extension and the financial overview validated and endorsed by the stakeholders during the upcoming National Steering Committee.