

Annex 3.1

United Nations Peace Fund for Nepal (UNPFN) Project Status Update October- December 2010			
Participating Organization:	UN International Organization for Migration (IOM) Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR)	UN Fund cluster and Nepal PBF Priority area:	PBF Nepal Priority Area 1: Strengthening State Capacity for Sustaining Peace
Project number:	UNPFN/E-4 (PBF/NPL/E-1)	Funding round Strategic Objective:	Delivery of successful reparations program and consolidation of the Nepal peace process
Title:	Fairness and Efficiency in Reparations to Conflict-Affected Persons		
Total approved project budget:	Total: USD 1,017,583 (IOM: USD 737,662) (OHCHR: USD 279,922)		
Funds committed (IOM):	USD 448,532	% of approved:	61%
Funds disbursed (IOM):	USD 132,927	% of approved:	18%
Funds committed (OHCHR):	USD 53,463	% of approved:	19%
Funds disbursed	USD 11,819	% of approved	4%
Forecast final date:	31 July 2011	Delay (months):	
Anticipated total project duration:	15 months		

Outcome	Progress: achievements / results / outputs delivered	% of planned
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Government has effective and transparent structures and procedures in place to implement reparations program • Improved capacity of the Ministry of Peace and Reconstruction (MoPR) and three District Administration Offices (DAOs) selected for the implementation of the reparations programs 	1. Administrative set-up of reparations unit at OHCHR	66%
	2. Analysis conducted of existing interim relief structures, guidelines, procedures and mechanisms for conflict victims in Nepal	100%
	3. Outreach strategy (including gender perspectives) and implementation plan developed to maximize participation of conflict victims.	60%
	4. Draft Reparations Policy developed	15%
	5. Recommendation and Guidelines on the process of collection of victim and beneficiary information.	25%

Qualitative achievements against objectives and results

1. Administrative set-up of reparations units of OHCHR

Due to delayed approval of international advisor's contract process by UNOG, the administrative set up was completed lately. Apart from the national project officer, a driver has been appointed for the Reparation Project from 1 January 2011. The international reparations advisor will join the project from 6 February 2011.

2. Analysis of the existing interim relief structures, guidelines, procedures and mechanisms for conflict victims in Nepal

The Mapping Exercise and Gap Analysis of the interim relief and rehabilitation programme report was shared with the Ministry of Peace and Reconstruction (MoPR) and endorsed in November. The final report, which includes a set of recommendations based on the finding of mapping exercise, was released to all stakeholders in December.

A workshop on "Interim Relief/ Reparations in Nepal" is being planned for late January 2011, where the mapping exercise will be one of the issues for discussion.

3. Outreach strategy (including gender perspectives) and implementation aims to maximize the participation of conflict victims

MoPR is developing a new programme on Skills/Employment Training to conflict victims. This programme is a part of the ongoing effort of the government for providing relief and rehabilitation to conflict victims through the World Bank-funded Emergency Peace Support Project. It will be piloted in 12 districts in Nepal and service providers in the districts will provide skills and employment training to the conflict victims and their families with incentives for employment.

IOM has identified the following areas for providing technical support to the ministry and is in the process of gaining agreement for this:

- 1) Support in monitoring and reporting on the implementation of the employment and skills training programme including training, establishment of grievance functions and monitoring of services providers.
- 2) Development of a comprehensive outreach strategy and implementation plan
- 3) Development of an implementation guideline kit, which includes data registration systems, standard template documents for calls for proposals, Terms of Reference (TOR), Standard Operation Procedures (SOP), monitoring and evaluation and reporting frameworks and information management systems.

A draft outreach strategy will be shared with the relevant Joint Secretary at the MoPR. The final version of the outreach strategy and implementation plan along with implementation guidelines is expected to be completed in the first quarter of 2011.

4. Draft Reparations Policy

OHCHR completed mapping of organizations working on Transitional Justice (TJ) issues in Nepal with focus on reparations and victim support. In this regards, assessment and analysis of international best policies and practices on reparations has also been carried out to build upon the work on the reparations policy for Nepal. The compilation on international best practices on reparations will further be analyzed. A day long workshops have been planned in all five development regions in February for victims groups for sensitizing them on issues of reparations and to motivate them to be involved and consulted in the process and as well as to collect their views on future reparations policy.

5. Recommendation and Guidelines on the process of collection of victim and beneficiary information

IOM provided a set of recommendations to the MoPR on the Guidelines of Skills/Employment Training to

enhance access of conflict victims and their families' on what is being offered by the government under the current employment/skills training programme.

The project will support MoPR with the process of collection of victims and their families' information for the Skills/Employment Training Programme. A review of the Task Force database lists of conflict victims is required and recommendations for how it can be used in the current programme while maintaining data protection principles.

Progress against key indicators in the UNPFN Monitoring and Evaluation Framework

The indicators mentioned below are taken from the project document and are set to measure project progress over an eight months period. The same indicators were used for the previous interim report.

Indicators for the reporting period

1. Process Flow of the ongoing activities established, key issues and gaps identified: The Mapping Exercise and Gap Analysis Report released in December 2010 includes detailed process flows and maps all the stages and processes of how victims' claims are received at the district level to processing and registration through to delivering the benefits. The report identifies key issues and gaps in the current processes and procedures and makes a series of concrete recommendations for improvement. The report will be regularly updated as more information becomes available.

2 (a). Link between the existing processes and future reparations established: Some links have been established and reported on through the Mapping and Gap Analysis Report. This is something that will also be further developed with the preparation of the draft reparations policy.

(b). Core Human Resources Capacity within MoPR identified, established and supported: Core human resources within MoPR and district implementation agencies mapped and relationships established. IOM is providing technical assistance for implementation of the Skills/Employment Training Programme of the MoPR. Plans are to support the MoPR in implementation activities such as outreach, registration, administration, training, establishment of grievance functions and monitoring of service providers.

(3) Report and Recommendations (including technical specifications) for the improvement of the existing practices related to the Interim Relief activities delivered to the MoPR and other relevant stakeholders: Report with recommendations shared with the MoPR for endorsement in November. The report was released in December. Moreover, a workshop on "Interim Relief/ Reparations in Nepal" is being planned for late January, where the result of the report will be one of the issues for discussion.

4) Workshop for MoPR and other government official and interested parties organized: Two-day joint workshop on "Reparations and Interim Relief to Conflict Victims in Nepal" held in Kathmandu in September for MoPR and other government officials responsible for the implementation of the interim relief program.

5) Draft reparations policy prepared and coordinated with the relevant stakeholders: Mapping of organizations working on TJ issues in Nepal with focus on reparations and victim support has been finalized. Information compilation on international best practices has been prepared and will further be analyzed in coming months. As next activities under the project, review of existing guidelines, procedures, mechanisms, structures on reparations will be carried out in January/February. In this course, analysis of government's draft "Guidelines on providing employment/ self employment services to victims of armed conflict, 2067" has been started (also called Non-cash Guidelines). OHCHR has been compiling input from relevant stakeholders and will share with the MoPR.

6) Outreach Strategy developed and delivered to the MoPR and other stakeholders: Draft outreach strategy to maximize participation of conflict victims in Skills/Employment Training Programme and implementation plan developed and to be shared with the MoPR. The final outreach strategy and implementation plan along with the implementation tool kit will be ready by the first quarter of 2011.

7) Financial and Narrative Progress Report: The financial progress report submitted in December 2010. The narrative progress reports as required by UNPFN have been prepared and submitted.