

**GUINEA-BISSAU
PEACEBUILDING FUND
PROJECT STATUS REPORT
30 SEPTEMBER 2011**

Project No & Title:	PBF/GNB/E1 - Guinea-Bissau National PBF Secretariat Support: Second Extension (April-December 2011)				
Recipient UN Organization:	UNDP	Priority Sector:	Public Administration		
National Authority:	N.A.				
Location:	Bissau, Guinea-Bissau				
Project Cost:	268.653,00 US\$				
SC Approval Date:	3/05/2011	Starting Date:	13/05/2011	Completion Date:	31/12/2011
PBF Outcome and Priority area	<p>Peacebuilding Impact (PRODOC): PBF interventions are effectively managed by the NSC with a focus on strengthening peace consolidation through measurable results.</p> <p>Programme Result 6 (PMP): PBF positioned most effectively at peace-building strategic levels to ensure it provides the best added value and comparative advantages to the peace building process.</p> <p>Indicator 1 (PRODOC): Degree to which the NSC performs its functions and in particular enhanced quality control of peacebuilding programmes as defined in the NSC ToRs.</p> <p>Indicator 2 (PMP): Perception of stakeholders and partners (multi/bilateral) on:</p> <p>a) programme effectiveness (funding relevance within transitional setting, innovation, risk taking, catalytic effect, operational speed, national ownership);</p> <p>b) level of expertise of PBSO in PB;</p> <p>c) contribution to increased UN coherency and synergy</p> <p>d) Synergy between PBF and PBC.</p>				
Project Description:	The current project document represents a further extension to the “Guinea-Bissau – National PBF Secretariat Office Support Project 2009” in order to ensure the continued functioning of the PBF Secretariat while the second Priority Plan for Guinea-Bissau (2011-2013) is finalized. It represents an interim arrangement bridging the first and the second allocation; a new project document will be developed to support the implementation of the second allocation once the second Priority Plan is approved and Guinea-Bissau can access the new funds. The National PBF Secretariat Office Support Project covers all aspects related to the effective functioning of National Steering Committee.				
Immediate Objectives:	The outputs of the project are: 1) 1 st PBF allocation activities concluded and evaluated 2) Second Priority Plan (2011-2013) finalized and approved 3) 2 nd PBF allocation implementation started 4) PBF Secretariat functioning on the basis of a new two-year project document (2012-2013) and support provided to the NSC strengthened				
Project Status as of 30 September 2011					
Funds disbursed:	117.099,30 US\$				
Delivery rate:	43,5%				
Outputs delivered:	<p>Output delivered: 2) Second Priority Plan (2011-2013) finalized and approved</p> <p>Outputs partially delivered: 1) 1st PBF allocation activities concluded and evaluated 3) 2nd PBF allocation implementation started</p>				
Achievements and challenges	Output 1 delivery status: The 1 st PBF allocation activities are at a final stage. Projects funded under the 1 st tranche are operationally concluded even if some remaining payments still have to				

be completed.

The final evaluation of the PBF 1st tranche started on 12 September and the field mission began on 26 September with the arrival of the team leader in Bissau. The evaluation draft report is expected for end of November.

Output 2 delivery status: Following the submission of the Peacebuilding Priority Plan to PBSO in June, PBSO informed on 21 July about the approval of the PPP.

Output 3 delivery status: UN Agencies started the formulation of 2nd allocation joint programmes in the areas foreseen within the PPP. The National Steering Committee approved during its meeting held on 1 September 3 joint programmes for a total amount of 11 million US\$:

- Strengthening Internal Security and Criminal Justice Systems in Guinea-Bissau (5 million US\$)
- Military SSR – Support to Security and Defense Sector Reform and Socio-Economic Reintegration (5 million US\$)
- Support for National Reconciliation, Political Dialogue, Good Governance and Cohesion (1 million US\$)

On 15 September PBSO informed about the signature of an MoU with DPA allowing DPA missions to act as recipient organizations of the PBF funds. This information required some modifications in the joint programmes and the re-start of the gathering of the signatures. The joint programmes are expected to be sent to MDTF in October.

The 4th joint programme aiming at revitalizing the economy and creating employment opportunities in Guinea-Bissau is expected to be discussed in the next NSC meeting scheduled for mid October.

Further to the joint programmes envisaged within the PPP, Guinea-Bissau has prepared a proposal within the PBF Gender Promotion Initiative. The project proposal was submitted to PBSO on 4 August.

Output 4 delivery status: The new two-year project document (2012-2013) will be elaborated during the last trimester of 2011.

Outcome achievements :

-To what extent the output delivery - as described before – contributes to the overall outcome achievements?

The revised PPP indicates strategies and interventions that will be implemented during the next 36 months in Guinea-Bissau. The PPP has been discussed by the National Steering Committee and priorities included are in line with the peacebuilding processes ongoing in the country.

The revision process has been carried out according to PBSO recommendations and the document includes a Results Framework Matrix that will contribute to support the effective management of PBF 2nd tranche interventions.

The joint programmes approved in September are aligned to the outcomes and indicators defined in the PPP in order to allow the measurement of PBF impact in the country.

- What has been planned, what has been actually achieved? What worked? What did not? How will the challenges be addressed?

Output 1: The final evaluation, initially foreseen in July, faced delays due to unavailability of the selected team leader and started only on 12 September. This delay did not allow the inclusion of lessons learned from the 1st allocation in the design of joint programmes of the 2nd allocation. Potential lessons learned will therefore have to be taken into account during the

implementation phase of the joint programmes.

Output 2: The PPP was officially approved in July.

Output 3: The 3 joint programmes presented to the NSC on 1 September were approved. Since relevant details concerning the implementation are missing in the approved documents, the implementing partners were required to prepare detailed workplans to be submitted and discussed during future NSC meeting. The absence of baselines both for outcome and output level indicators constitutes the main challenge in terms of M&E of the 2nd allocation. Baselines surveys/studies will be undertaken within the next months.