



PEACEBUILDING FUND

IRF project Budget or Duration Revision with No Overall Cost Implication¹

<p>Project Title: Create a favourable protection environment for IDP and refugee returnees and supporting durable solutions through monitoring, capacity building and documentation</p>	<p>Recipient UN Organization(s): UNHCR</p>
<p>Project Contact: Ms. Noriko Takagi, Snr. Programme Officer, UNHCR Address: 287 Pyay Road, Yangon, Myanmar E-mail: takagi@unhcr.org</p>	<p>Implementing Partner(s) – name & type (Government, CSO, etc): N/a</p>
<p>MPTF Office Project Number: <i>Use existing MPTF project number</i></p>	<p>Project Location: South-east Myanmar</p>
<p>Project Description: <i>One sentence describing the main reasons of the revised initial project document in terms of project strategy and how it contributes to the peacebuilding process in the country with reference to the main expected overall project outcomes / theory of change.</i></p> <p>Create a favourable protection environment for IDP and refugee returnees and supporting durable solutions through monitoring, capacity building and documentation</p>	<p>Total Project Cost: USD 580,000 (estimate) Peacebuilding Fund: USD 350,000 Government contribution: USD 0 Other: USD 0</p> <p>Project Start Date: 01/07/2013 Initial Project End Date: 31/12/2104 Revised End Date (if applicable): 31/05/2015</p>
<p>Gender Marker Score²: 1 <i>Score 3 for projects that have gender equality as a principal objective.</i> <i>Score 2 for projects that have gender equality as a significant objective.</i> <i>Score 1 for projects that will contribute in some way to gender equality, but not significantly.</i></p>	

¹ Please use this form ONLY to request (i) an extension of project implementation time with no cost increase and no substantive scope outcome change or (ii) a budget reallocation within the existing project budget with an effect of more than 15% on any budget category and no substantive outcome change.

² PBSO monitors the inclusion of gender equality and women’s empowerment all PBF projects, in line with SC Resolutions 1325, 1888, 1889, 1960 and 2122, and as mandated by the Secretary-General in his Seven-Point Action Plan on Gender Responsive Peacebuilding.

Score 0 for projects that are not expected to contribute noticeably to gender equality.

Project Outcomes: Government and aid agencies responsiveness to needs of IDP and refugee returnees enhanced, due to improved and informed programming, and better positioning to address arising challenges; IDP and refugee returnees provided with citizenship rights and durable solutions in accordance with international standards, contributing to sustainable peace; Sustainable return and reintegration of IDPs and refugees is supported through increased knowledge of Government officials/civil society actors on key human rights and protection standards, enabling an environment for returnees to enhance their participation and contribute to the processes involved in building a sustainable peace at different levels.

PBF Focus Area³ which best summarizes the focus of the project: Priority-area 3.

<i>(for IRF-funded projects)*</i>	
<p>Recipient UN Organization</p> <p>Name of Representative: <i>vicentiis</i></p> <p>Signature</p> <p>Name of Agency: <i>UNHCR</i></p> <p>Date & Seal: <i>21/01/2015</i></p> <p><small>(Usually SRSG for mission settings and RC for non-mission settings. If it is a joint project, all the Heads of UN Entities/Agencies receiving funds should sign)</small></p>	<p>Representative of National Authorities</p> <p>Name of Government Counterpart</p> <p>Signature</p> <p>Title</p> <p>Date & Seal</p>
<p>Peacebuilding Support Office (PBSO)</p> <p>Name of Representative</p> <p>Signature</p> <p>Peacebuilding Support Office, <i>NV</i></p> <p>Date & Seal</p> <p><i>12 FEB 2015</i></p>	<p>Resident Coordinator (RC)</p> <p>Name of Representative</p> <p>Signature</p> <p>Date & Seal</p>

³ PBF Focus Areas

1: Support the implementation of peace agreements and political dialogue (Priority Area 1):

(1.1) SSR; (1.2) RoL; (1.3) DDR; (1.4) Political Dialogue;

2: Promote coexistence and peaceful resolution of conflicts (Priority Area 2):

(2.1) National reconciliation; (2.1) Democratic Governance; (2.3) Conflict prevention/management;

3: Revitalize the economy and generate immediate peace dividends (Priority Area 3):

(3.1) Employment; (3.2) Equitable access to social services

4) (Re)-establish essential administrative services (Priority Area 4)

(4.1) Strengthening of essential national state capacity; (4.2) extension of state authority/local administration; (4.3) Governance of peacebuilding resources (including JSC/PBF Secretariats)

I. Reason for changes to the project and justification

During 2014, due to continued political sensitivity surrounding national ceasefire agreement and limited access, UNHCR had to revise its strategy to supplement return assessment and verification activities initially considered possible through partners in Myanmar. There is no plan to engage any partner for 2015 and funds are requested to be spread to UNHCR activities undertaken directly.

II. Budget impact

Original project proposal had earmarked USD 106,000 for other direct costs for partners. The request is to instead shift this grant amount to 2015 for continuation of the project, covering the following items, which will be directly implemented by UNHCR:

1. Supplies, commodities, equipment and transport (USD 40,000)
2. Personnel (staff, consultants and travel) (USD 60,000)
3. Training of counterparts (USD 6,000)

The project relies heavily on staff time and travel, in particular in gathering data on return verifications/assessments, meetings with operational partners and governmental and non-State actors.

PBF will be notified if any additional unspent funds from remaining grant after year-end.

I. Reason for changes to the project and justification

Nature of change and justification: *This section outlines the nature of the revision being sought and the justification for the change.*

There is no change sought in the project description. The project will extend to 31 May 2015. The change will be in modality only. Instead of engaging an implementing partner, UNHCR will implement directly. No change in matrix other than extension of time required.

II. Budget impact

Table 1: Indicative Project Activity Budget⁴

Outcome/output number	Output name	RUNO(s)	Output budget	Any remarks
Outcome 1: Government and aid agencies responsiveness to needs of IDP and refugee returnees enhanced, due to improved and informed programming, and better positioning to address arising challenges.				
Output 1.1	Number of verified return locations (communities verified as having received refugee or IDP returnees in which Government or aid agencies provide targeted re-integration support).	UNHCR		
Outcome 2: IDP and refugee returnees provided with citizenship rights and durable solutions in accordance with international standards, contributing to sustainable peace				
Output 2.1	Percentage of verified return villages in which returnees hold civil documentation.	UNHCR		
Output 2.2	Percentage of verified return villages in which returnees report having faced pressure to return or limitations on freedom of movement.	UNHCR		
Outcome 3: Sustainable return and reintegration of IDPs and refugees is supported through increased knowledge of Government officials/civil society actors on key human rights and protection standards, enabling an environment for returnees to enhance their participation and contribute to the processes involved in building a sustainable peace at different levels.				
Output 3.1	Number of government	UNHCR		

⁴ Project outcomes listed must be those stated in the original project document. If revisions to the outcomes are being requested, please use template 2.2.

	officials/civil society actors and members of non-state armed groups participating in capacity-building workshops on international standards related to durable solutions to displacement.			
Total			USD 350,000	

Table 2: Project budget by UN categories by RUNO⁵

PBF PROJECT BUDGET – RUNO 1 (add other tables if more than 1 RUNO)			
CATEGORIES	Original Budget	Proposed increase/ decrease	Proposed new budget
1. Staff and other personnel	USD 64,103	USD 60,000	USD 124,103
2. Supplies, Commodities, Materials	USD 107,000	USD 40,000	USD 147,000
3. Equipment, Vehicles, and Furniture (including Depreciation)			
4. Contractual services			
5. Travel			
6. Transfers and Grants to Counterparts	USD 106,000	(USD 106,000)	USD 0
7. General Operating and other Direct Costs	USD 50,000	USD 6,000	USD 56,000
Sub-Total Project Costs	USD 327,103	0	USD 327,103
8. Indirect Support Costs*	USD 22,897		USD 22,897
TOTAL	USD 350, 000	0	USD 350, 000

⁵ As this is a no-cost extension request, sub-total and total budget must remain the same as in the approved, original project document