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PBF PROJECT PROGRESS REPORT TEMPLATE

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COUNTRY: SOMALIA
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SEMI-ANNUAL
DATE OF REPORT: 15 JUNE 2019

Project Title: Midnimo II (Unity) - Support for the Attainment of Durable Solutions in Areas Impacted by Displacement and Returns in Galmudug and Hirshabelle States	
Project Number from MPTF-O Gateway:	

PBF project modality:	**If funding is disbursed into a national or regional trust fund:**
☐ IRF ☒ PRF	☐ Country Trust Fund ☐ Regional Trust Fund **Name of Recipient Fund:**

List all direct project recipient organizations (starting with Convening Agency), followed type of organization (UN, CSO etc):
The United Nations Development Programme (UNDP)
The United Nations Human Settlements Programme (UN-Habitat)
The International Organization for Migration (IOM)

List additional implementing partners, Governmental and non-Governmental:
Ministry of Interior, Federal Affairs, and Reconciliation; Ministry of Planning
Hirshabelle: Ministry of Interior, Middle Shabelle Governor's Office, District Commissioner's Offices in target locations.
Galmudug: Ministry of Interior, and District Commissioners in each location.

Project commencement date[1]: 15 January 2019

Project duration in months:[2] 18 months

Does the project fall under one of the specific PBF priority windows below:
☐ Gender promotion initiative
☐ Youth promotion initiative
☐ Transition from UN or regional peacekeeping or special political missions
☐ Cross-border or regional project

Total PBF approved project budget* (by recipient organization):
UNDP: $ 1,012,500
IOM : $ 1,012,500
UN-Habitat : $ 675,000
: $
Total: 2,700,000

*The overall approved budget and the release of the second and any subsequent tranche are conditional and subject to PBSO's approval and subject to availability of funds in the PBF account

How many tranches have been received so far: 1 (first tranche of 2 tranches)

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[1] Note: commencement date will be the date of first funds transfer.
[2] Maximum project duration for IRF projects is 18 months, for PRF projects – 36 months.

Report preparation:

Project report prepared by: UNDP with inputs from the Recipient UN Organizations (RUNO)- IOM and UN-Habitat.

Project report approved by: Peter Nordstrom, PBF Coordinator

Did PBF Secretariat clear the report: Yes

Any comments from PBF Secretariat on the report: No

Has the project undertaken any evaluation exercises? Please specify and attach: No.

PART 1: RESULTS PROGRESS

1.1   Overall project progress to date

Briefly explain the **status of the project** in terms of its implementation cycle, including whether all preliminary/preparatory activities have been completed (1500 character limit):

Midnimo-2 project was launched at Federal level on 19th February (2019) along with four other PBF-funded projects and subsequently organized inception planning meeting. MoIFAR, UNDP, IOM, and UN-Habitat participated in the meeting and agreed to develop a joint project communication work plan (in progress), organize joint missions, and share project updates on a regular basis.

Additionally, Midnimo-2 spearheaded support for the establishment of the project's coordination structure in Hirshabelle, improved the project's approaches based on recommendations of Midnimo-1, developed visibility materials, and enhanced the project's preparedness for field implementation. Midnimo-2 accomplished the following:
•   completed preparatory work for Community-Based Planning exercises in Hirshabelle State,
•   completed preparation to launch CBP in Galmudug State,
•   organized youth innovation training (Galmuduug, ongoing) and preparing for Hirshabelle State,
•   completed preparations for urban upgrading and land management program (Hirshabelle),
•   activated Sectorial Committees of IMC (Hirshabelle State), and
•   created ad-hoc committee to support livelihoods/economic activities (Galmuduug State).

Midnimo-2 also made progress in applying the lessons of Midnimo-1, adopting a 50:50 men-women ratio for livelihoods beneficiaries, and a mandatory 40% budget allocated for women. Project implementation remains on track despite heightened insecurity in both States that prevented field missions.

Considering the project's implementation cycle, please **rate this project's overall progress towards results to date**:
on track

In a few sentences, summarize **what is unique/ innovative/ interesting** about what this project is trying/ has tried to achieve or its approach (rather than listing activity progress) (1500 character limit).

The introduction of Midnimo-2 in Hirshabelle resulted in a pioneeering consolidation of coordination of development programs throughout Hirshabelle State through a Presidential directive (ref: DGHSH/CoS/N172/19 dated 18/04/2019) called the Inter-Ministerial Committee (IMC).

Chaired by the State President, the IMC placed all decentralization, stabilization and durable solutions programs under one coordination structure which help ensure alignment of project/program priorities with those of the government and facilitate the provision of technical support.

Interestingly, the IMC, with the support of the RUNOs organized internally to allocate sectoral ministries to represent the project's sectoral components in the IMC as follows: Ministry of Interior (IOM); Ministry of Public Works (UN-Habitat); and Ministry of Planning (UNDP). Each sector also include the ministries with sectorial mandate for the particular sector.

The creation of the IMC has also served to provide a space for all ministries and programs to collaborate and work together on durable solutions and promote peace and development. Meanwhile, Midnimo-II also paved the way for up-scaling durable solutions by linking displacement and urbanization under the overall coordination of the RCO and the emphasis on area based planning, collective outcomes, land management, and livelihoods.

In a few sentences summarize **major project peacebuilding progress/results** (with evidence), which PBSO can use in public communications to highlight the project (1500 character limit): The peacebuilding outcomes need longer time to achieve that starts from laying the foundation with a long-term foresight. The pioneering establishment of the IMC in Hirshabelle State has dispersed tensions between Ministries and between constituencies that patronized one particular Ministry percieved to be the only representative of the people.

The patronage style and competitive nature of politics in Hirshabelle has contributed to hostility between power-brokers (gatekeepers), and between their respective clienteles. In the specific context of Hirshabelle State with an experience in implementing projects being held up due to competing claims of ownership by other ministires, the establishment of IMC embodied a 'middle ground' that was highly welcomed by all ministries, and reduced competition that previously triggered tensions. By establishing the IMC in Hirshabelle State, the Midnimo-2 project effectively minimized competition, facilitated cooperation, and promoted a shift from patronage politics to inclusive and representative governance.

In a few sentences, explain how the project has made **real human impact**, that is, how did it affect the lives of any people in the country – where possible, use direct quotes that PBSO can use in public communications to highlight the project (1500 character limit):
Considered for next progress report.

If the project progress assessment is **on-track**, please explain what the key **challenges** (if any) have been and which measures were taken to address them (1500 character limit).
The security situation in Galmudug and Hirshabelle States is extremely volatile and tense due to heightened inter-clan conflict and active AS operations.

In Galmuduug State, widespread AS activities (i.e. abduction of youth and killing of community members, including a UNDP security staff) and protracted conflict between two political factions resulted in a severe restriction of missions to the project sites. Additionally, the lack of UN-approved flights and accommodation in Galmuduug State did not allow mission to the area. Recent agreement between the

Galmudug Stateand Ahlu Sunna Wal' Jamaa presents an opportunity to accelerate implementation.

In Hirshabelle, the capture Balcad district by AS on 20 March 19 (during Midnimo-II project launch) indicates high level of insecurity in the area that shrunk the operational space for the project. Additionally, the lack of UN-compliant accommodation in Beletweyne, the domicile of the IMC coupled with very limited number of UN-approved flights put severe restriction of mission to the project areas.

With severe restriction of missions to both States, project teams mobilized partners remotely and conducted deskwork activities. Meetings were organized in Mogadishu and engaged closely with ministries and sector partners to implement 'light', low-profile, and off-site activities, such as IOM's CFT trainings, UN-Habitat's preparation of urban upgrading programs, and UNDP's youth innovation trainings that are indicated under section #1.1.

If the assessment is **off-track**, please list main reasons/ **challenges** and explain what impact this has had/will have on project duration or strategy and what **measures** have been taken/ will be taken to address the challenges/ rectify project progress (1500 character limit):

See above for measures taken to overcome challenges.

Please attach as a separate document(s) any materials highlighting or providing more evidence for project progress (for example: publications, photos, videos, monitoring reports, evaluation reports etc.). List below what has been attached to the report, including purpose and audience.

1.2   Result progress by project outcome

The space in the template allows for up to four project outcomes. If your project has more approved outcomes, contact PBSO for template modification.

Outcome 1: Government structures and institutions at Federal, regional, district and community level are strengthened, more accountable and transparent and better able, to respond to the various needs of the population in the Federal Member States of Somalia, and in particular Hirshabelle and Galmudug.

Rate the current status of the outcome progress: on track

Progress summary: *Describe main progress under this Outcome made during the reporting period (for June reports: January-June; for November reports: January-November; for final reports: full project duration), including major output progress (not all individual activities). If the project is starting to make/ has made a difference at the outcome level, provide specific evidence for the progress (quantitative and qualitative) and explain how it impacts the broader political and peacebuilding context. Where possible, provide specific examples of change the project has supported/ contributed to as well as, where available and relevant, quotes from partners or beneficiaries about the project and their experience. (3000 character limit)?*

Several major activities are ongoing that are setting the achievement of outcomes. Community-Based Planning and Urban Profiling, in Hirshabelle and Galmuduug States are ongoing. Community-Based Planning exercises in Belet-weyne and Jowhar is also ongoing and will be followed by urban profiling exercises.

The training of facilitators (for CBP exercises) and data gathering are going in both locations following the deployment of an international urban planner. Additionally, training for the youth innovation lab is also ongoing beginning with the trainer's training provided to a select number of successful youth innovation graduates.

Outcome 2: Communities are proactively engaging with the Federal Member States of Somalia, and in particular Hirshabelle and Galmudug, and benefitting from enhanced services

Rate the current status of the outcome progress: on track

Progress summary: *(see guiding questions under Outcome 1)*

Engagement with Federal and State level stakeholders covers a wide range of activities and coordination mechanisms.

The project's engagemement at the Federal level takes place mainly with MoIFAR. A bi-weekly meeting is held with the MoIFAR coordination unit lead by a Director General under the office of the Federal Minister to review updates, agree on solutions and joint action- this includes the development of joint project-MoIFAR communication plan that is in progress.

Additionally, RUNOs participate in meetings organized by various Working Groups and within the normative coordination framework of the National Development Plan such as the Resilience Pillar Working Group, Economic Recovery Working Group, and Infrastructure Pillar Working Group which they represent their sectorial focus.

Enagement at State level varies by location: In Hirshabelle, engagement is carried with the IMC, Sector Leads, Sector Members, District Commissioners and local communities. The Sector Leads own the project sector Workplan, and are accountable to represent the project workplan Plan to the IMC. Engagement in Galmuduug is via the MoI and the sectorial ministries and local authorites concerned. This engagement arrangement is strongly supported by MoIFAR.

With regards to UNDP-led livelihoods development, a small team of project stakeholders composed of MoI, MoYS, and District Commissioners of Galmudug was formed for the identification and training of youth participants for the youth innovation challenge. Consultation was also carried out with UNHCR Galmudug Ops and MoIFAR. The training of youth for the Innovation Challenge is ongoing, beginning with the training of five youth trainers in Mogadishu who will carry out subsequent mentoring and follow-up support to project participants and beneficiaries in the field. Other activities including field assessments are currently on-hold due to restricted access to the target sites.

Based on the lessons learned of Midnimo-I, additional criteria such as livelihoods scalability, gender empowerment, inclusion of marginalized groups, and contribution to reducing spatial inequalities have become a priority in the selecetion of micro-projects. Mobilization has also been expanded to support the identification and resourcing of micro-projects to include additional local and state stakeholders such as Government Ministries, UN agencies and I/NGOs.

Additionally, UN-Habitat supported and engaged the Galkayo Annual Peace Review Meeting to establish a joint Peace Centre for use of joint community peace groups, including the Peace Committee, the Women's Peace Committee, the integrated youth group, and religious leaders. The project was presented at the United Nations Somalia Programme Management Team on 26 February 2019. Further planning activities of UN-Habitat will be closely coordinated with the IOM's Midnimo team, but also in cooperation with Galkayo based UN agencies and local administration.

Outcome 3: n/a

Rate the current status of the outcome progress: Please select one

Progress summary: *(see guiding questions under Outcome 1)*
N/a

Outcome 4: n/a

Rate the current status of the outcome progress: Please select one

Progress summary: *(see guiding questions under Outcome 1)*
N/a

1.3 Cross-cutting issues

National ownership: How has the national government demonstrated ownership/ commitment to the project results and activities? Give specific examples. (1500 character limit)	Midnimo-2 project demonstrates national ownership through co-planning and implementation and extensively coordination with the focal ministries. This arrangement has allowed the focal ministries to gain full understanding and experience on the project and develop ownership and accountability of its results. This is supported by a structure of coordination that put government and local partners on the lead:
	In Hirshabelle, a framework of ownership and accountability has taken shape with the establishment of the State's Inter-Ministerial Committee, as a result of the project's introduction. MoIFAR, Midnimo-2 main partner at Federal Level has shown strong leadership and commitment to support Midnimo-2 by providing advise implementation to ensure the project operates in a conflict-sensitive manner which paved the way for the smooth entry of the projects in the two states.
	In Hirshabelle State, the Inter-Ministerial Committee, chaired by President of Hirshabelle State appointed Sector Lead ministries of IOM, UNDP and UN-Habitat to provide dedicated, and accountable support to Midnimo-2. Sector leads and members are composed of key ministries who have been tasked by the IMC to review the sector workplan and ensure the plans are integrated into the priorities of the

	government. The sector workplans will be presented during the next IMC en banc meeting.
	In Galmuduug, the Sector Lead ministry are: Ministry of Interior (IOM and UNDP) and Ministry of Public Works (UN-Habitat).
Monitoring: Is the project M&E plan on track? What monitoring methods and sources of evidence are being/ have been used? Please attach any monitoring-related reports for the reporting period. *(1500 character limit)?*	Monitoring is conducted by Midnimo-2 key partners, MoIFAR and MoI. Additionally, project staff provides information on project results to the key partners.
Evaluation: Provide an update on the preparations for the external evaluation for the project, especially if within last 6 months of implementation or final report. Confirm available budget for evaluation. *(1500 character limit)*	Independent mid-term evaluation is scheduled in October 2019 to be commissioned by IOM and Final Evaluation in June 2020 by UNDP.
Catalytic effects (financial): Did the project lead to any specific non-PBF funding commitments? If yes, from whom and how much? If not, have any specific attempts been made to attract additional financial contributions to the project and beyond? *(1500 character limit)*	To be considered in the next reporting period after community conmsultations and drafted Community Action Plans will be available as well as spatial assessments for Beletweyne and Johwar.
Catalytic effects (non-financial): Did the project create favourable conditions for additional peacebuilding activities by Government/ other donors? If yes, please specify. *(1500 character limit)*	Considered for the next reporting. On an optimistic outlook, the scheduled community consultations, drafting Community Action Plans, and spatial assessments for Beletweyne and Johwar will have signficant peacebuilding impact.
Exit strategy/ sustainability: What steps have been taken to prepare for end of project and help ensure sustainability of the project results beyond PBF support for this project? *(1500 character limit)*	Midnimo-2 inception planning meeting played an important role in paving MoIFAR's support to the project including providing advice on solutions to implementation issues. At State level, RUNOs ensure Midnimo-2 Sector work plans are "owned" by government and local stakeholders and ensure sustainability as embodied in the project document. For instance, the CBP are linked to the District Development Framework where various public revenue streams are channeled to fund the priorities identified in the CBP. Additionally, livelihood assistance is linked to private sector support and urban resilience planning that are owned and led by local governments.
Risk taking: Describe how the project has responded to risks that threatened the achievement of results. Identify any new risks that have emerged since the last report. *(1500 character limit)*	Ongoing insecurity has prevented field implementation and exposed the project to the risk of force majeure. The project has increasingly working with local partners and focused training of local residents who carry out project activities in their districts and villages.
Gender equality: In the reporting period, which activities have taken place with a specific focus on addressing issues	The Youth Innovation Training placed emphasis on gender balance. Of 40 participants identified, 20 are male and 20 are female, and allocated 40% of the budget for female.

of gender equality or women's empowerment? *(1500 character limit)*	
Other: Are there any other issues concerning project implementation that you want to share, including any capacity needs of the recipient organizations? *(1500 character limit)*	Training of local talents- i.e. ministries and community representatives requires additional time and financial support

1.3 INDICATOR BASED PERFORMANCE ASSESSMENT: *Using the **Project Results Framework as per the approved project document or any amendments**- provide an update on the achievement of **key indicators** at both the outcome and output level in the table below (if your project has more indicators than provided in the table, select the most relevant ones with most relevant progress to highlight). Where it has not been possible to collect data on indicators, state this and provide any explanation.* Provide gender and age disaggregated data. (300 characters max per entry)

	Performance Indicators	Indicator Baseline	End of project Indicator Target	Current indicator progress	Reasons for Variance/ Delay (if any)	Adjustment of target (if any)
Outcome 1 Government structures and institutions at Federal, regional, district and community level are strengthened, more accountable and transparent and better able, to respond to the various needs of the population in	Indicator 1.1 Priority durable solutions needs and priorities effectively responded to by government institutions	0	70%		Increased insecurity did not allow community activities	n/a
	Indicator 1.2 Percentage of the government institutions and structures report that they are better able to respond to their constituents	0	60%		-ditto-	n/a
	Indicator 1.3					

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the Federal Member States of Somalia, and in particular Hirshabelle and Galmudug.						
Output 1.1 District and/or community level government representativ es are trained and capacitated to facilitate durable solutions through participatory inclusive planning,	Indicator 1.1.1 Number of district and/or community level government representatives included in the core facilitation team for community consultations	4	24	12		
	Indicator 1.1.2 Number of district and/or community level governmet representatives trained	4	24	12		

	Performance Indicators	Indicator Baseline	End of project Indicator Target	Current indicator progress	Reasons for Variance/ Delay (if any)	Adjustment of target (if any)
mapping and community driven recovery.						
Output 1.2 Local governments have tools and capacity to lead the coordination and information management of durable solutions interventions in identified areas impacted by displacement and returns.	Indicator 1.2.1 Number of district level government authorities coordinating through regular meetings with the community leadership, leading the implementation schedule and interacting with the community leadership	4	24	0	The establishment of the IMC took longer time than expected but a pivotal solution to inter-ministry rivalry that has caused delays in project implementation.	
	Indicator 1.2.2 Number of government staff trained on relevant subjects including	4	24	0	The establishment of the IMC took longer time than expected but a pivotal solution to inter-ministry rivalry that has caused delays in project implementation.	

	Performance Indicators	Indicator Baseline	End of project Indicator Target	Current indicator progress	Reasons for Variance/ Delay (if any)	Adjustment of target (if any)
	data management, data analysis and use of data					
Output 1.3 State level / local radio and TV programs are aired and SMS messages disseminated to enhance general public's awareness and understandin g of the benefits of working together to achieve a common vision as	Indicator 1.3.1 Number of radio and TV programs broadcasted, SMS messages disseminated on social cohesion, peaceful coexistance, and the benefits of working together to achieve a common vision	0	12	0		
	Indicator 1.3.2 % of audience who participated in the feedback survey expressing their improved understanding of the benefit of joint planning and a	0	65%	0		

	Performance Indicators	Indicator Baseline	End of project Indicator Target	Current indicator progress	Reasons for Variance/ Delay (if any)	Adjustment of target (if any)
well as those that promote public understanding about different population groups in mixed settl	common vision					
Output 1.4 Regional and municipal legislative and executive bodies are supported in legislative processes for the approval of land legislation in relation to the formulation	Indicator 1.4.1					
	Indicator 1.4.2					

	Performance Indicators	Indicator Baseline	End of project Indicator Target	Current indicator progress	Reasons for Variance/ Delay (if any)	Adjustment of target (if any)
of area/town plans.						
Outcome 2 Communities are proactively engaging with the Federal Member States of Somalia, and in particular Hirshabelle and Galmudug, and benefitting from enhanced services	Indicator 2.1 % of community members reporting satisfaction of services provided by local authorities	0	60	0	The indicators relating to Outcome 2 are linked to activities that are necessarily implemented following the consultations described below, which are currently underway. IOM is on track to meet the target indicators.	
	Indicator 2.2 # of community-led initiatives facilitated by target communities to demand services from duty bearers	0	6	0		
	Indicator 2.3 % of the project beneficiaries who observed/experienced enhanced social cohesion and trust among the communities as a result of the project	0	50	0		

	Performance Indicators	Indicator Baseline	End of project Indicator Target	Current indicator progress	Reasons for Variance/ Delay (if any)	Adjustment of target (if any)
Output 2.1 1 a Priority durable solutions needs and priorities effectively responded to by government institutions.	Indicator 2.1.1 Number and perception of individuals participating in CBP process disagregated by gender and socio-economic status	100	600	100	Activities relating to Output 2.1 and 2.2 are currently underway. Outcome 2 indicators will be hit when the activities that are sequenced after the consultations are implemented.	
	Indicator 2.1.2 Number of community driven planning exercises completed	1	6	1		
Output 2.2	Indicator 2.2.1 Number of analysis, visioning, planning and prioritization processes taken place	1	6	2		
	Indicator 2.2.2 Number of CAPs developed	1	6	1		
	Indicator 2.3.1	2	12	2		

	Performance Indicators	Indicator Baseline	End of project Indicator Target	Current indicator progress	Reasons for Variance/ Delay (if any)	Adjustment of target (if any)
Output 2.3	Number of CAGs and CBM&Es formed					
	Indicator 2.3.2 Number of CAGs and CBM&Es trained	2	12	2		
Output 2.4	Indicator 2.4.1 Number of community driven projects developed	0	60	0		
	Indicator 2.4.2 Number of persons benefitting from community driven projects	0	120	0		
Outcome 3 N/A	Indicator 3.1					
	Indicator 3.2					
	Indicator 3.3					
Output 3.1	Indicator 3.1.1					
	Indicator 3.1.2					

	Performance Indicators	Indicator Baseline	End of project Indicator Target	Current indicator progress	Reasons for Variance/ Delay (if any)	Adjustment of target (if any)
Output 3.2	Indicator 3.2.1					
	Indicator 3.2.2					
Output 3.3	Indicator 3.3.1					
	Indicator 3.3.2					
Output 3.4	Indicator 3.4.1					
	Indicator 3.4.2					
Outcome 4 N/A	Indicator 4.1					
	Indicator 4.2					
	Indicator 4.3					
Output 4.1	Indicator 4.1.1					
	Indicator 4.1.2					
Output 4.2	Indicator 4.2.1					
	Indicator 4.2.2					

	Performance Indicators	Indicator Baseline	End of project Indicator Target	Current indicator progress	Reasons for Variance/ Delay (if any)	Adjustment of target (if any)
Output 4.3	Indicator 4.3.1					
	Indicator 4.3.2					
Output 4.4	Indicator 4.4.1					
	Indicator 4.4.2					

PART 2: INDICATIVE PROJECT FINANCIAL PROGRESS

2.1 Comments on the overall state of financial expenditures

Please rate whether project financial expenditures are on track, delayed, or off track, vis-à-vis project plans and by recipient organization: *on track*

How many project budget tranches have been received to date and when do you expect to request the next tranche if applicable: First of two trances.

What is the overall level of expenditure/ commitment against the total budget and against the tranche(s) received so far: As for IOM, $23,053.00 has been committed which represents 2.2% of IOM's allocated budget and 0.85% of the total project budget. On the part of UNDP, about 19% has been spent which covered Outcome 2 Output 2.10 (Business Incubation and training) and Outcome 3 (General Coordination). Expenditure of UN-Habitat is minimal to report at this stage. Expenditure rates for the 3 agencies are expected to jump significantly in next reporting period having laid down the foundation of implementation.

If expenditure is delayed or off track, please provide a brief explanation (500 characters limit):

> The reporting period focused on project launch, sensitization, planning and coordination with MOIFAR as well as the State level MOIs and IMC to ensure buy in, relevant planning, avoidance of duplication, doing no harm, sustainability and ownership. The next reporting period will see the start up of concrete activities and budget expenditure/commitments in significant rates.

Please state what $ amount was planned (in the project document) to be allocated to activities focussed on gender equality or women's empowerment and how much has been actually allocated to date: IOM has allocated 50% of the total $23,053.00 committed thus far to gender-equal processes: Community-Based Planning training and community consultations.

Please fill out and attach the project document Excel budget Annex showing current project financial progress **(expenditures/ commitments to date),** using the original project budget table in Excel, even though the $ amounts are indicative only.