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NDP Pillar	Inclusive Politics: Achieve a stable and peaceful federal Somalia				
	through inclusive political processes and effective decentralization				
UNSF Strategic Priority	Deepening federalism and state-building, supporting conflict				
	resolution and reconciliation, & preparing for universal elections.				
Location(s)	National and Regional				
Gender Marker	2				

Total Budget as per ProDoc (in USD)	10,937,534
MPTF:	9,612,422.10
	PBF:0
Non-MPTF sources:	Trac: 36,449.97
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	UNDP			



	Total MPTF Fu	Total non-MPTF Funds Received				
PUNO	Semi Annual 2019 (2)	Cumulative	Cumulative Annual Semi Annual 2019 (2019 (2019)		Cumulative	Annual 2019
	1 July - 31	From prog.	1 Jan – 31	1 July - 31	From prog.	1 Jan – 31
	Dec 2019	start date	Dec 2019	Dec 2019	start date	Dec 2019
PWG1	PWG1 3,684,642.80 9,		4,084,945.73	643,500.64	1,325,111.90	1,288,661.93
JI	Expenditure of	MPTF Funds ¹		JP Expend	iture of non-M	PTF Funds
PUNO	Expenditure of Semi Annual 2019 (2)	Cumulative	Annual 2019	JP Expend Semi Annual 2019 (2)	ture of non-M Cumulative	PTF Funds Annual 2019
	Semi Annual			Semi Annual		
	Semi Annual 2019 (2)	Cumulative	2019	Semi Annual 2019 (2)	Cumulative	Annual 2019

ANNUAL HIGHLIGHTS

The key milestones in 2019 achieved in the constitutional review process includes;

- 1. The constitutional review bodies completed the technical review of the constitutional chapters 1 to 15.
- 2. The Parliamentary Oversight Committee developed rules of procedures for adoption of the amendment of the constitution, which is currently debated in joint session of both Houses of the Somali Federal Parliament.
- 3. Consultations on completion of the technical review of the chapters conducted in Banadir Region and Puntland state.
- 4. Strategy and detailed action plan developed for consultations on the amendments proposed under the constitutional review process.
- 5. Independent Constitution Review and Implementation Commission enabled to effectively carry out its constitutional mandate of reviewing the constitution through provision of infrastructure support of new offices.
- 6. Participants of the Fourth Forum of the Parliamentary Oversight (OC) Committee gained understanding of the proposed amendments to the chapters 10 15 of the provisional constitution. Fourth Forum of Parliamentary Oversight (OC) Committee on Constitution Review on Constitutin Review held in Garowe.
- 7. Joint working Retreat for Constitutional Review Bodies held in Mogadishu.
- 8. Joint Constitutional Review Oversight and Implementation Committee (OC) ran an **online opinion poll on social media** (Facebook) around 40,000 citizens were able to provide views on key articles in the constitution.

¹ <u>Uncertified expenditures</u>. Certified annual expenditures can be found in the Annual Financial Report of MPTF Office (http://mptf.undp.org/factsheet/fund/4S000)



- 9. Participants of the Sub-Working Group (SWG) meeting on constitution review process were able to discuss progress and challenges faced towards finalziation of the review process held.
- 10. Constitutional review bodies developed a common approach and strategy as well as a work plan for the consultation process, identified the key constitutional review issues requiring consultation, and outlined the key stakeholders to be consulted on the reviewed chapters of Somali provisional constitution.

HIGHLIGHTS OF KEY ACHIEVEMENTS

- The OC and ICRIC completed the technical review of chapters 1-15 of the provisional constitution are now ready for consultations with the public.
- Following the completion of the technical review of the provisional constitutional chapters, the Constitutional Review Bodies Ministry of Constitutional Affairs, Independent Constitutional Review and Implementation Committion and Parliamentary Constitutional Review and Implementation Oversight Committee (MoCA, ICRIC, OC) began public consultations with different groups including women, youth, CSOs, religious representatives, as well as key relevant institutions at the Federal and Federal Member States (FMS) levels.
- Sixth MoCA Forum held in Kismayo discussed the review process, key constitutional issues and way forward for the completion of the consultation process.
- ICRIC, Constitutional Review Oversight Committee and Ministry of Constitutional Affairs organized a consultative meeting with Federal Member State's constitutional bodies in Kismayo to consult and gather their opinion about the four reviewed chapters (6, 7, 8 and 9).
- Support provided for conduct of joint Retreats organized by the three mandated institutions of the constitutional review process to discuss progress, challenges in the implementation of the joint roadmap for the constitutional review process and agreed on next steps for the process.
- A technical committee comprising nine members from the three mandated institutions (OC, ICRIC, MOCA) met from 15 17 September 2019 and reviewed the roadmap of the constitution review process. The committee agreed the implementation of the roadmap is on track but made some readjustments to timelines for some of the public consultations. On the way forward, the three key institutions promised to keep the momentum and work together to finalize the constitution review process by December 2019.
- In the first week of March 2019, UNDP facilitated a working retreat in Djibouti and during the five-day joint gathering the three constitutional review institutions worked and developed a common approach, and strategy as well as a work plan for the consultation process, identified the key constitutional review issues requiring consultation, and outlined the key stakeholders to be consulted on the reviewed chapters of Somali provisional constitution. They also discussed the Rules of Procedures for the adoption process and examined at the technical proficiency of the draft text.
- Joint working Retreat of the constitution review bodies held from 15-17 September 2019, the retreat gave the three mandated institutions an opportunity to review the joint roadmap and developed a detailed workplan to implement public consultations. Subsequent to constructive discussions and debates, the mandated institutions unanimously agreed on extending the December 2019 deadline to June 2020. It was agreed that public consultations should be conducted in collaboration with the federal member states and Banadir Regional Administration.



SITUATION UPDATE

During the reporting period, at the high-level forums number of commitments were made from the Somalia leaders to complete the constitution review process within agreed timeframe. In early October, Somalia Partnership Forum (SPF) was held in Mogadishu which Somali leadership and its international partners agreed a Mutual Accountability Framework to narrow their joint focus to priority areas for action and resources in order to achieve key priority outcomes before December 2020. International partners noted that despite advances on a number of key priorities, strengthened political cooperation between the Federal Government of Somalia (FGS) and some Federal Member States (FMS) would have accelerated progress. The Federal Government of Somalia committed to complete the Constitutional Review by June 2020, and adopt an amended Federal Constitution, establish the Constitutional Court and the Judicial Service Commission, continue the National Reconciliation process, and ensure the participation of all sectors of society, including women, in political decision making. International partners agreed to promote dialogue and political engagement and to mobilize resources to supplement government financing following adoption of the priority legislation to support these processes, and to help Somalia to meet the timetable for preparations.

During the opening ceremony of the fifth session of the House of People, the Somali President, in his keynote speech appreciated the constitutional review bodies for the completion of the review of the chapters of the constitution and urged both committees (the OC and the ICRIC), and the executive, to accelerate work to complete review process within the agreed timeline. In July 2019, the Somali President Mohamed Abdullahi Mohamed "Farmajo" called a high-level meeting with the mandated institutions of the constitutional review process. The constitutional review bodies updated the President on the progress made on the review process and pending issues that require political dialogue between the Federal Somali Government and Federal Member States. During the meeting, the President and the Deputy Prime Minister reaffirmed government commitment to provide necessary support to the mandated constitutional bodies to finalize the review process.

Since January 2019, key milestones which have been achieved in the constitutional review process include; the constitutional review bodies completed the technical review of thechapters of the constitution 6 to 15. Following the consultations with the key stakeholders, the reviewed constitution will be taken to the Federal Parliament for debate on the amendments proposed during the review, before they are then put forward for adoption. Joint sessions were organized by the three mandated institutions of the constitutional review process in Mogadishu and Djibouti to discuss progress made, existing challenges in the implementation and review of the joint roadmap for the constitutional review, and to agree on next steps for the process. Constitutional review bodies also worked to develop a common approach and strategy as well as a work plan for the consultation process, identified the key constitutional review issues requiring consultation, and outlined the key stakeholders to be consulted on the reviewed chapters of Somali federal provisional constitution.

Despite the heightened tensions between the Federal and Federal Member States, successful meetings were held between all key role players in Kenya, Djibouti and in Mogadishu to address the challenges faced. With this in hand, MOCA, OC and ICRIC continued their engagement since January 2019 to review the completed chapters of the Constitution. The basis is therefore laid for the final technical drafts to be completed and the process concluded in the 2019 session of Parliament. Notwithstanding this progress, there remain significant challenges, the most important of which will be addressing the mistrust and tension between the federal and Federal Member States. The next six months will therefore be critical as a process of review and consultations with key players takes place.

ANNUAL PROGRESS REPORT RESULTS MATRIX

OUTCOME STATEMENT



SUPPORT AN EFFECTIVE, TRANSPARENT AND ACCOUNTABLE CONSTITUTIONAL REVIEW PROCESS THROUGH STRENGTHENING INCLUSIVE POLITICAL PROCESSES AT ALL LEVELS TO DEVELOP A NEW SOCIAL CONTRACT THAT MEETS THE NEEDS OF SOMALI WOMEN AND MEN, REFLECTS POLITICAL REALITIES AND IS OF GOOD TECHNICAL QUALITY IN ORDER TO FOSTER EQUITABLE AND SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT AND PEACE.

Output 1: Effective participation on the constitutional review process resolves key contentious issues on all levels.

		PROGRESS ON O	PROGRESS ON OUTPUT INDICATOR ²		
INDICATOR	TARGET	SEMI-ANNUAL	CUMULATIVE		
		(JAN-DEC)			
	Mechanism for national	13	1		
	dialogue on thematic				
#of thematic issues raised and discussed in	areas established				
consultative and inclusive forums	At least 2 thematic	24	2		
	issues raised and				
	discussed in consultative				
	and inclusive forums				
Legislative roles defined for federal and state	The competencies of the	0	0		
level parliaments within the new parameters	legislative institutions at				
defined by new revised constitution	regional level discussed				
	vis-à-vis federal level				
Sources of evidence: project newsletters, pict	ures, meeting minutes, UN	IDP website:			
Output 2: General population knowledge on the	e constitutional review prod	cess is enhanced			
Civic Education plan is implemented at	Civic education forums	35	3		
regional and federal level in partnership with	organized in 3 regions				
civil society	with participation of				
	communities including				
	vulnerable groups				
#of civil society (include vulnerable groups)	At least five CSOs	66	6		
partners engaged in the civic education	participate in networks				
activities	carrying out civic				
	education activities in				
	each region				
Sources of evidence: Constitutional Review P	Process activities reports, m	eeting minutes, new	sletters, photos, back		
to office reports.					
Output 3: Key actors implement outreach str	ategy and civil society eng	agement in the cons	stitutional review and		
implementation process.					
Strategy on public consultations with special	Strategy on public	0	0		
focus on marginalized groups (women, IDPs,	consultations with				
youth, persons with disabilities) draft	special focus on				
	marginalized groups				

² Fill in only the numbers or yes/no; no explanations to be given here.

³ Three constitutional review institutions worked in Djibouti developed and agreed on a common approach and strategy as well as a work plan for the consultation process, identified the key constitutional review issues requiring consultation, and outlined the key stakeholders to be consulted on the reviewed chapters of Somali provisional constitution.

⁴ the three institutions reviewed the roadmap of the constitution review process. The committee agreed that the implementation of the roadmap is on track, but made some readjustments to timelines for some of the public consultations activities.

⁵ MoCA Jubaland co-organized training of trainers on civic education and public outreach held in Kismayo. More than 75 participants from Jubaland CSOs as well as civil servants from Jubaland ministries attended.

⁶ 1 Meeting with Jubaland Civil Society on Constitutional Review Process; ToTs on Civic Education and Public Outreach;



Key players lead # of public consultations in all regions	(women, IDPs, youth, persons with disabilities) is drafted At least 1 public consultation held in each region	117	11		
Sources of evidence: Constitutional Review Process activities reports, meeting minutes, newsletters, photos, back					

⁷ 1 Consultation meeting with civil society organizations on constitutional review process in Jubaland and 4 orientation sessions for women, youth, media and CSOs. 1 OC forum was held in Garowe, and 6 consultation meetings were held in Mogadishu.



NARRATIVE

Output 1: Effective participation on the constitutional review process resolves key contentious issues on all levels

The project continued support to the activities that foster consensus-building on key contentious issues as well as providing capacity developing support with regards to mediation, facilitating dialogue processes, providing technical advisory support to the key players in the constitution review process in their efforts to plan and work jointly to bring together stakeholders at all levels of government and the community to build consensus around a range of outstanding constitutional issues (allocation of powers, resource sharing, fiscal federalism, justice and corrections model, type of government, status of Mogadishu City and responsibilities for security), resulting MoCA, ICRIC and the FMS in successful coordinating and overseeing a smooth constitutional review process in Somalia.

Technical Review of Chapters 6-15 of the Somali Provisional Constitution

In February 2019, the ICRIC completed the technical review of chapters 6-15 of the Somali provisional constitution, which include among others, chapters relating to the Federal Parliament, the President of the Federal Republic, the Executive Branch, and the Judicial AuthorityThese chapters have now been submitted to the Oversight Committee (OC) for review. During the review of the chapters, joint working sessions were held between OC and ICRIC to discuss corrected technical errors. Public consultations will also be conducted with federal member states, legislative bodies, executive institutions and civil society organizations. Following the consultations, the chapters will then be taken to the Federal Parliament for debate on the amendments proposed during the review, before they are then put forward for adoption. The review of the first five chapters have already been completed by the constitutional review bodies in the last quarter of 2018 and are expected to be tabled in the next session of the parliament.

Joint Retreat on Implementation and Review of the Joint Roadmap

From 4 to 7 February 2019, in Mogadishu, the three mandated institutions of the constitutional review process - the Ministry of Constitutional Affairs (MoCA), the Parliamentary Oversight Committee (OC), and the Independent Constitutional Review and Implementation Commission (ICRIC), organized a joint retreat, aimed to discuss progress made, challenges faced in the implementation and review of the joint roadmap for the constitutional review, and to agree on next steps for the process. During the four days joint meeting, a technical committee comprising nine members (M7:W:2) from the three institutions reviewed the roadmap of the constitution review process. The committee agreed that the implementation of the roadmap is on track, but made some readjustments to timelines for some of the public consultations activities. On the way forward, the three key institutions promised to keep the momentum and work together to finalize the constitution review process by December 2019. Participants at the meeting also proposed measures to solve challenges. The meeting was also attended by the Prime Minister of the Federal Government of Somalia.

Consultation on Amendments of Proposed under Constitutional Review Process

From 28 February to 4 March 2019, UNDP facilitated a joint retreat in Djibouti, brought together 39 participants (Men:34 and Women:5) from the Joint Constitutional Review Oversight and Implementation Committee (OC), the Independent Constitution Review and Implementation Commission (ICRIC), and the Federal Ministry of Constitutional Affairs (MoCA), as well as representatives from UNDP. The purpose of the meeting was twofold: to build a stronger relationship between the parties and to develop a plan for consultation on the amendments proposed under the constitutional review process. During the five days gathering, the three constitutional review institutions worked to develop a common approach and strategy as well as a work plan for the consultation process, identified the



key constitutional review issues requiring consultation, and outlined the key stakeholders to be consulted on the reviewed chapters of Somali provisional constitution. They also discussed the Special Rules of Procedures for the Federal Parliament for the debate and adoption of the amendment of the constitution. The participants also examined the technical proficiency of the draft text of the Special Rules of the Procedures.

Sixth MoCA Forum held in Kismayo

From 6-8 April 2019, the Ministry of Constitutional Affairs of the Federal Government of Somalia (MoCA-FGS) held the **sixth MoCA Forum** meeting in Kismayo, Jubaland State of Somalia. The Forum was attended by MoCA-FGS, Federal Member States (Puntland, Jubaland, South West, Galmudug, Hirshabelle) and Banadir Regional Administration. This Forum discussed the key constitutional issues, to engage all the key political key players at both the Federal and regional levels on the consultation on the reviewed 10 constitutional chapters and other critical constitutional issues requiring consensus.

Somali President met with Constitution Review Bodies

On 30 July 2019, the Somali president Mohamed Abdullahi Mohamed "Farmajo" met with the mandated institutions of the constitutional review process, the Ministry of Constitutional Affairs (MoCA), the Joint Parliamentary Oversight Committee (OC) and the Independent Constitutional Review and Implementation Commission (ICRIC). The constitutional review bodies updated the President on the pending issues that require political dialogue between the Federal Somali Government and Federal Member States. The Deputy Prime Minister reaffirmed government commitment to provide necessary support to the key players in the constitutional review process and facilitate the remaining activities and also underlined that for the first time the government allocated budget for the constitution review process. The Chairpersons of the both ICRIC and the OC commended the President's meeting with the constitutional bodies shows the high-level commitment and determination from the government to finalize the Somali constitution by the end of 2019. The president emphasized that it is important the constitutional issues must be agreed upon, reach agreements on the remaining issues that required political dialogue and negotiations. The president urged the constitutional review bodies to accelerate their work to complete the process within mandated timeframe.

Fourth Forum of the Joint Parliamentary Oversight (OC) Committee

From 26 to 28 August 2019, the Fourth Forum of Parliamentary Oversight (OC) Committee on Constitution Review and Implementation was held in Garowe. The forum brought together 50 participants (Men: 41 and Women:9) of the constitutional review committees from the Federal Member States (FMS) parliaments and members of the Independent Constitution Review and Implementation Commission (ICRIC). The three-day consultation focused on the proposed amendment for Chapters 10, 11, 13, 14 and 15 of the Provisional Federal Constitution prepared by federal level Committee (OC & ICRIC) and the outcome of the consultation. The Forum of Constitution Committee appreciated the effort made by the Federal Constitutional Committees for the completion of the review of all chapters of the Provisional Constitution. The Forum of Constitutional Committee urged the Federal Government, Federal Member States, and the Somali people to take part in the completion of the constitution review process and prioritise its implementation. The Forum reiterates its call to the Federal Government and Federal Member States to reach an agreement on Articles need political dialogue to prevent further delays in the completion of the constitutional review process.

Meeting between MoCA and Chief of Staff Office of the President on CRP

On 10 July 2019, the Director-General of the Ministry of the Constitutional Affairs (MoCA) together with the advisors and heads of departments of the ministry held a meeting with the chief of staff of the Office of the President with the attendance of heads of departments and advisors of the President of the Federal Republic of Somalia. The Director-



General of the Ministry presented a report on the activities of the ministry, achievements, plans, and the challenges faced to complete the constitution review process. The DG highlighted the progress made on the technical review of the chapters, but also noted that a lot of efforts are needed to address the political issues in the constitution. He also highlighted the ministry's efforts to carry out civic education and consultation campaigns on the constitution review process. Commenting on the progress on the review process, the Chief of Staff of Office of the presidency proposed to make more efforts on the awareness and to educate the people on the importance and meaning of the constitution which he pledged that Villa Somalia would provide any support to the Ministry to finalize the constitution review process.

Joint Retreat on new Roadmap of Finalization of Constitution Review

A joint retreat of the Ministry of Constitutional Affairs (MoCA), Oversight Committee (OC) and the Independent Constitutional Review and Implementation Commission (ICRIC) took place on 15th – 17th September 2019, with the primary objective of jointly discussing & evaluating the challenges/ difficulties that were faced in 2019. The retreat gave the three mandated institutions an opportunity to agree on a new roadmap deadline and a comprehensive strategy to adopt for the purpose of a political settlement. Subsequent to constructive discussions and debates, the mandated institutions unanimously agreed on extending the December 2019 deadline to June 2020. MoCA, OC, ICRIC are calling on the Federal Government and the Federal Member States to arrive at a successful understanding as quickly as possible, as time permits on the arrangements in the temporary constitution that require political discourse. The mandated institutes at Federal and State level are prepared to give them technical assistance/guidance. MoCA, OC, ICRIC are again urging the Federal Government and the Federal Member States to as soon as possible, finalize on appointing the members for the Independent Review and Implementation Commission. It was agreed that public consultations should be conducted in collaboration with the federal member states and Banadir Regional Administration. MoCA, OC, ICRIC are grateful to the Federal Government of Somalia and the international agencies that support the Constitutional Review Process, particularly UNDP and Max Planck. The retreat was attended by 73 (Men: 57 and Women: 16) participants from the three key role players of the constitution review process (MoCA ICRIC and OC)

Handover Ceremony of the Constructed new Offices for ICRIC

On 18 February 2019, an opening ceremony was held for new offices for the Independent Constitutional Review & Implementation Commission (ICRIC) in Mogadishu. The Speaker of the Upper House, Abdi Hashi Abdullahi; ICRIC Chairperson, Dr. Mohamed Dahir Afrah and commissioners, the late Minister of Constitutional Affairs Abdirahaman Hosh, and members from the Parliamentary Oversight Committee, attended the event, along with UNDP Resident Representative, a.i. Mr George Conway, and UNDP Deputy Resident Representative a.i, Nahid Hussein. Construction work on the ICRIC offices started in September 2018 and was successfully completed in February 2019. The offices were built by UNDP as part of UN support to the constitutional review process, with funding from Norway, Denmark, Sweden & Switzerland. The new ICRIC offices will enable the Commission to finalize the drafting of the constitution and carry out their constitutional work in an inclusive, consultative way. The new premises will also assist the ICRIC staff and commissioners in their public consultation and outreach work

Output 2: General population knowledge on the constitutional review process is enhanced

The Ministry of Constitutional Affairs which is tasked to complete the Constitutional Review Process by June of 2020 is in the process of finalizing the constitution and is in the midst of public consultations with the Somali Civil Society and other important organizations. Public participation in the Somali constitution-making is so important because it enhances the legitimacy of the constitution. The Ministry of Constitution Affairs has held various consultations with



different community groups to get their input on the current process of the constitution. The project continued its support to the MoCA, ICRIC and OC to facilitate public awareness and other civic education programmes in coordination with the Ministries of Constitutional Affairs of Federal Member States FMS MoCAs to educate the public on issues arising from the process of constitutional review.

Online opinion poll on social media

From January to March 2019, the Joint Constitutional Review Oversight and Implementation Committee (OC) ran an **online opinion poll on social media** (Facebook) on some of the key articles of the provisional constitution which are under review. The online pool brought the voices of around 40,000 citizens into the discussion to reflect a sense of ownership around the Constitutional Review Process. Citizens were asked to vote preferred executive system for the country and 54% voted President and prime minister (the current system) and 46% President and vice-president. Through online poll, citizens also gave their opinion on government term (parliament & executive), eligibility for a cabinet minister, nationality for political appointments and official language.

Public consultation on Fundamental Rights in the Constitution

From 28 to 30 May 2019, the project supported a public consultation on Fundamental Rights and the Duties of the Citizen in context of Provisional Constitutional Chapter 2 held in Baidoa, South-West State. The forums intended to educate the Somali civil society and citizens about their various articles on fundamental human rights guaranteed in the Somali Constitution. The participants recognizes a number of inalienable human rights, including freedom of speech, freedom of assembly, freedom of religion, the right to keep and bear arms, freedom from cruel and unusual punishment, and the right to a fair trial by jury. The forum attended by 146 participants (M:81 Women:65) from civil society organizations and general public from South-West state.

Joint forum on women's quotas and gender equality

On 14 September, in Mogadishu, the Ministry of Constitution Affairs (MoCA) and the National Independent Electoral Commission (NIEC) organized a joint forum to discuss women's quotas and gender equality as well as promoting women's political participation. Representatives from political parties, civil society organizations, MPs from the Houses of Parliament and various officials participated in the discussion. MoCA and NIEC highlighted their efforts to encourage women's political participation in the electoral process and stressed the necessity for quotas to be included in the constitution, the electoral law and other laws to ensure women are given equal opportunities to participate in public life.

Public consultations for women, youth and religious leaders on the Constitution

From 18 to 23 September 2019, the Independent Constitution Review and Implementation Commission (ICRIC) held three different public consultations for women (117) participants , youth 130 participants (Men: 82 and Women: 48) and religious leaders (130) participants in Mogadishu The consultations aimed to ensure that all Somali sections have been consulted and their voice to be included in the constitution review process. Representatives from ICRIC, OC, MOCA, ministers, chairperson women caucus, chairperson of Somali National Commission for Women.

Forum on recognition and promotion of Somali women's political participation on constitution

From 22-24 October 2019, a forum focused on recognition and promotion of Somali women's political participation on constitutional review process, and attended by the Independent Constitutional Review and Implementation Commission (ICRIC), Oversight Committee (OC), women members of both Houses of Federal Parliament and women from civil society Puntland, Jubaland, Southwest, Galmudug, Hirshabelle and Banadir Regional Administration. The conference released a joint communique and participants in the conference reaffirmed their



commitment to participate in the constitutional review and safeguard the constitutionalizing of issues related to the rights of Somali women. Representatives from the constitutional review bodies, women organizations and civil society highlighted the role of the Somali women on the Constitutional Review Process and stressed that is a top priority for his ministry and for the Federal Government in general. They vowed to work closely with the Somali women organizations and with the ministry to make sure the quota of the women representatives in the constitution and the government system is guaranteed and implemented. The three-day conference discussed the ways to promote women's participation in the political representation process, enhance women's participation in the constitutional review process to handle allocation of women quota, and how to create awareness among public on their rights and achieve gender equality. They also discussed strategies to enhance women role in the constitution review process. The event was attended by 174 participants (Men: 3 and Women: 171).

Consultation Meetings with Somali Intellectuals and Professionals on Constitution

On 13 & 18 November, the Ministry has held consultation meetings with the Somali Intellectuals and Professionals on the Constitutional Review Process. The participants discussed the contentious issues that need a political agreement between the FGS and FMS. The meeting brought together Somali intellectuals, researchers and professionals to debate about the current process of the Constitution, so they add their input and ideas to the Constitutional Review Process. The Somali professionals and intellectuals reaffirmed the Ministry of Constitution Affairs for their full support and commitment to participate in the constitutional review.

Output 3: Key actors implement outreach strategy and civil society engagement in the constitutional review and implementation process

Small Grants Provided to CSOs, Women and Youth Organizations

Community outreach and participation for the constitution-making process enhanced through engaging various sector of the community. CSOs, Women Organizations and Youth groups have been involved in efforts to encourage the active and peaceful participation of the broader public in the constitution-making process. Request for proposal have been developed and advertised which submitted CSOs, Youth ad Women groups. The Ministry of Cosntituion Affiars have built the capacity of these groups to enhance their capacity for engaging in the constitutional review process. Small grants were provided to the identified community based groups to implement awareness raising and outreach activities relating to constitutional, and participation for the constitution-making process. For the awareness campaigns approximitely 965 participants (M: 467 W:498) were reached through community gathering and social media in all the regions - Banadir and FMS. Key messages were developed as part of encouraging the community to undertand their rights and duties in the constitution. As a result the awareness campaings enhanced the participation and knowledge of various groups including women, youth and CSOs on the constitutional making process.

ToT on Civic Education and Public Outreach

The Ministry of Constitutional Affairs, with the support of UNDP Constitution Support Project, conducted a Training of Trainers (ToT) on Civic Education and Public Outreach from 27 to 30 May in Kismayo. The training aimed at building the capacity of the civic society organizations and government officials of Jubaland region on civic education and public outreach, as well as to prepare civic educators to carry out wide ranging civic education and public outreach activities on the constitutional review process. The training attended by more than 75 participants (M:40 W:35) from Jubaland Civil Society Organizations (CSOs) as well as civil servants from Jubaland ministries. As a result of the training, it is expected that trained civic educators will be able to carry out civic education campaigns to inform Somali people about the constitutional review process.



Consultative Workshops on Civic Education

In Jubbaland, the project supported the Ministry of Constitution and Federal Affairs, Jubbaland to organize two civic education consultative workshops on the constitution review from 11-13 and 15-17 June in Kismayo. The workshops attended by a range of community groups representatives include; Kismayo District Women Association, Disability Advocacy Groups, Youth Advocacy organization, Council of JSS Traditional Elders and representatives from various government institutions, Members of Constitutional and Legal Affairs Committee, Jubbaland State Assembly, other JSS based civil society organizations and intellectuals. Consultative meetings served as a platform where the public had the opportunity to understand and debate the issues revolving around the ongoing Constitutional Review Process. Participants also appreciated the important role that Somali people in JSS are playing in the ongoing national discussions on finalizing the Review Process of the Constitution.

In addition to this, The Ministry organized a symposium on CONSTITUTION REVIEW CONSULTATION that took place over a spread of three days. The seminar has been attended by the various sections of the public and members of the parliamentary Constitution Committee and ministers of Jubbaland State of Somalia. Upon the end of the three-day event, a functional Constitution Review Committee comprising of members of the Jubbaland Parliament Constitution Committee and civil society organizations has been formed. The Committee will conduct regular meetings to discuss the ongoing constitution review process in relation to the Jubbaland State of Somalia.

In Galmudug, the Ministry of Constitution of Galmudug State of Somalia held **four conferences in Dhusamareb, Adado, Guriceel, and Godinlabe districts**. The first Orientation workshop for engaging civil society on the constitutional review process in Dhusamareb was attended by civil society organizations in the capital, as well as several ministers, Dhusamareb district commissioner and Galmudug Auditor General who has been present at the opening of the meeting. In addition to that, the consultation meeting has been participated in by 100 attendees, forty of them women. As a result, the following has been achieved:

- 1. The Galmudug community is well informed about the progress of the constitutional process.
- 2. It was decided that the Galmudug civil society should be responsible for the education and civic education of the Constitution.

Following this, a seminar on "Youth and Women participation in the constitutional review process" was organized in Adado district. It was participated in by our Deputy District Commissionnaire, Chairman of the Galmudug Youth, Ministers, Civil Society Organizations, and other high-level government officials. Similar to the above, 100 participants, 60 men, and 40 women participated in the workshop. During the reporting period, two more conferences were held in **Guriceel, and Godinlabe districts, bringing together 126 male participants and 74 female participants.** These series of workshops gave an opportunity to involve Galmudug youth and women in the constitutional process; promote inclusion of Galmudug youth and women's rights in the proposed Constitution and understand and appreciate the role of Galmudug women in their constitutional process.

In Puntland, implementation of the UNDP Constitution Review Support Project took place (in succession) under the responsibility of three different govt institutions: MOCFAD (before Feb 2019), Office of the President (Feb – Jun 2019), and MOJCRAR (Jul 2019 – now). These institutions conducted at least four of successful constitution review and civic education events participated in by all constitutional review stakeholders at the State level. All these were achieved through support provided by UNDP Inclusive Politics Portfolio.



Constitutional Experts: In all regional MOCAs, institutional capacities have been improved to enhance their ability to provide civic education for their respective communities and engage civil societies in the constitutional review and implementation process.

In Puntland, five young interns (1 female, four male), one admin and finance officer and one adviser are recruited and remunerated using LOA funds. Young interns support the day-to-day activities of the Ministry—mainly secretariat and clerical. The admin and finance officer is responsible for managing, recording and reporting project funds. The advisor performs three important functions (1) he provides training and capacity building support for the ministerial staff including the interns recruited under the project, (2) he develops the Ministry's key policy documents and administrative and financial manuals and (3) he advises the Minister and the DG on matters related to the ongoing constitution review process. By deploying these interns and advisors, the Ministry became more competent in contributing to the overall constitution review agenda.

In Galmudug, four young interns (1 female, three males) and one adviser are recruited and remunerated using LOA funds. Young interns support the day-to-day activities of the Ministry—mainly secretariat and clerical. The advisor performs three important functions (1) he provides training and capacity building support for the ministerial staff including the interns recruited under the project, (2) he develops the Ministry's key policy documents and administrative and financial manuals and (3) he advises the minister and the DG on matters related to the ongoing constitution review process. By deploying these interns and advisors, the Ministry's became more competent in contributing the overall constitution review agenda.

In Jubbaland, five young interns (all male) and two advisers are recruited and remunerated using LOA funds. Young interns support the day-to-day activities of the Ministry—mainly secretariat and clerical. The two advisors perform three important functions (1) they provide training and capacity building support for the ministerial staff including the interns recruited under the project, (2) they develop the Ministry's key policy documents and administrative and financial manuals and (3) they advise the minister and the DG on matters related to the ongoing constitution review process. By deploying these interns and advisors, the Ministry became more competent in contributing to the overall constitution review agenda.

OC presented report on constitution review to Upper House

On 17 April 2019, the Parliamentary Constitutional Oversight Committee (OC) presented quarterly report of constitutional review process to the Upper House of Somali Federal Parliament. The OC also presented a report of the constitutional review process to the first session meeting of House of People (HoP), the report is about the achievements, challenges and way forward. The report presented on technical review of chapters from 1 to 9 of the provisional constitution.

Output 4: Project effectively managed

Constitution Project Board Meeting

On 20 March and 20 November, two project board meetings were held during the reporting period. The meetings discussed the progress, achievements and challenges on the constitutional review process. The meetings were attended by representatives from MoCA, IRCIC, OC, and by representatives from UNDP and UNSOM. Donor partners Norway, Sweden, Denmark and Switzerland also attended the meeting. The Ministry of Constitution Affairs updated the progress made, which included consultations in all Federal Member States and the Banadir region, and the completion of the technical review of 10 chapters of the Provisional Constitution. It was suggested that the inclusive politics roadmap needs to be revised with new timeframes to ensure the constitution review process is finalised by



the 2019, and recommended that joint meetings should be continuously held to improve information sharing among key players. During the meeting, the donor partners Norway, Sweden, Denmark and Switzerland also reiterated their commitment and support for the completion of the constitutional review process.

Sub-Working Group Meeting – Constitution

On 3 July 2019, the Sub-Working Group meeting on the constitutional review held to discuss the progress, achievements and challenges faced on the constitutional review process. The meeting co-chaired by the Ministry of Constitution Affairs and Norway and attended by representatives from the MoCA-FGS, FMS, UNDP/UNSOM as well as other international donors and partners. The Director-General MoCA briefly updated the participants on the progress made so far on the constitutional review. The Deputy Chairperson ICRIC, indicated that the technical review of the last five chapters of the Provisional Federal Constitution had been completed and submitted to the Oversight Committee (OC), whereas the ICRIC had commenced further research on pertinent issues of the constitution and its findings would be submitted to the OC.

Regular operational support

During the reporting period, regular operational support has been provided to the MoCA and ICRIC. This included the rehabilitation of offices and equipment; salaries of young graduates and national/international experts and other running costs i.e. provision of internet, communications, stationaries, air conditioners and transport.

Other Key Achievements N/A

Challenges (incl: Delays or Deviations) and Lessons Learnt:

- The planned timeline for the completion of the constitution review process was set to be in December 2019 as outline in the joint roadmap for the Constitution Review process but the political negotiations and consultations was get delayed due to political disagreements between FGS and FMS. The review process is now extended till June 2020 to conclude on political negotiations and reach political settlements on the thematic areas of the constitution, carry out public consultations in all the regions of Somalia and adoption of the amended constitution in 2020.
- The constitutional review process in a fragile and fast-changing Somali political landscape is highly sensitive that touches upon the core contentious issues between federal government and federal member states. Lack of cooperation between the two Houses of the Parliament (Upper House and the House of People) and mistrust between federal government and federal member states are the major challenges in the smooth implementation of the project.
- The constitutional review process is highly politically sensitive and touches upon core contentious issues between federal government and federal member states. Due to political differences between the FGS and FMS, some challenges may emerge, possible tensions and deadlocks between federal government and federal member states risk to hamper progress and would fueling mistrusts, undermine the progress achieved so far and to further delay the process.
- Peace is the precondition for the smooth completion of the review process; besides the absence of peace, constitutional negotiations have not properly taken into consideration the reality that Somalia is emerging



from a collapsed state with little to no institutional structures or memory. The continued conflict in Somalia is a major challenge.

- Over the past ten years, the country experienced the persistent and chronic destabilization of government because of abuse of some democratic rights that are established by the constitution. Part of this problem lays in the lack of clear separation of powers between the President, Executive and the Legislature. For the sake of stability and the building of institutional memory, a review of these provisions is urgently required.
- The absence of political parties, clear competing political ideologies, and a clear national vision reduces the constitutional negotiations around the interests of individuals and clans which continues to be major challenge.

Peacebuilding impact (for Joint Programmes receiving PBF funding only)

- The constitution would be reviewed and adopted in an inclusive and transparent manner, which would set up the institutional and legal framework for Somalia, defining the nature of relations between the center and regions, determining the status of Mogadishu and crystalizing the type of federation Somali wish to build, propose framework for universal one person-one vote elections in 2020-21. The Constitutional Review Process must address complex issues between FGS and FMS such as allocation of powers and resources, hold numerous civic education and consultative meetings to bolster a consensus-driven approach. The process will have impact on the peacebuilding and on the political processes ongoing in Somalia.
- The constitution of Somalia thus also has a crucial reconciliation peacebuilding function, as it defines a social contract between the state and society the lack of which has been a key element in the civil war and failed reconciliation processes. An inclusive constitutional development process that is perceived as legitimate by all stakeholders is, therefore, an indispensable condition for working towards sustainable development for all in Somalia.
- Inclusivity is critical to the constitutional review and has a crucial impact on peacebuilding and state-building. Without consensus, the Constitution will not be seen as legitimate. For this reason, the project will continue to embrace a conflict prevention-based approach to identify and engage all key actors in the process. This will help to avoid the perception of marginalization and limit spoilers who may hamper and delay the process. Also, careful consideration would have to be given to mitigate the risk of a further possible tensions between the executive and legislature at the federal level.
- Regular consultations between the Federal Government and the federal member states are also critical. In this regard, it is also necessary to empower and build the capacity of the Federal Member States to ensure that they are able to effectively and realistically negotiate the interests of the regions. The review of the federal constitution will provide the legal architecture / foundation of the Somali federal state. This process is complex and requires appropriate and indepth consideration from political, diplomatic, technical, operational points of view.
- Similarly, the project is doing its utmost efforts to engage civil society in effective political dialogue and supports inclusive constitutional review process. The project supported MoCA to consult with civil society organizations on the constitutional review process. MoCA assured CSOs that the review process will be inclusive and transparent and in collaboration with the political leaders of federal and state levels, civil society organizations and entire Somali citizens.

Catalytic effects: N/A

Gender

Gender equality and reflect women's aspiration is an essential component of the constitutional review roadmap and is a key aspect of sustainable peace and for more inclusive Somali society. The project particularly envisages the inclusion of



women and representatives from women organization to actively participate in the meetings, forums, dialogues at federal and state level to get inputs into the constitution review process, so that they would be able to play larger roles in the political, social and economic life of their country after the adoption of the constitution. Project also supporting women's groups and women's advocates throughout the constitutional review process, and developing capacity of Women's advocates to participate in the review process. Special efforts are made to include the voices of women and youth whose contribution to sustainable state and peacebuilding in Somalia must be recognized at the highest political levels.

	Proportion of gender specific	Total no. of Joint Programme Outputs	Total no. of gender specific Outputs
	outputs in Joint Programme ⁸	3	1
	Proportion of Joint Programme staff with responsibility for gender issues ⁹	Total no. of Staff	Total no. of staff with responsibility for gender issues
		2	1

Human Rights

Has the Joint Programme included a protection risk assessment in its context analysis, including	Result (Yes/No)
on gender issues, and taken measures to mitigate these risks to ensure they are not exacerbated or	Yes
new risks created?	168
No. of Joint Programme outputs specifically designed to address specific protection concerns.	Result (No.)
	0
No. of Joint Programme outputs designed to build capacity of duty bearers to fulfil their human	Result (No.)
rights obligations towards rights holders.	3
Other	
Does the Joint Programmes have a national cost sharing component (i.e. funds and/or other	Results (Ves/No)

Does the Joint Programmes have a national cost-sharing component (i.e. funds and/or other	Results (Yes/No)
resources provided by the FGS and/or FMS (including in-kind contributions)? (if 'Yes', describe below).	No
Have FMS(s) been engaged in one or more of the following: design, planning, implementation,	Results (Yes/No)
coordination and/or monitoring of the Joint Programme.	No

Describe nature of cost sharing:

Communications & Visibility

In accordance with donor guidelines, articles related to accomplished activities of the Constitution Review Support Project have been regularly published in regular project newsletters, the UNDP CO website and social media platforms (Facebook and Twitter). The project team recorded project activities in the form of written reports, pictures, successes and achievements and regularly shared to the donors, partners and stakeholders. In addition, the project has recruited Communication and Public Outreach Advisors and officers for the constitutional review institutions ICRIC, MOCA, OC to promote their constitutional work. All the three key constitutional review institutions regularly posting their

⁸ Gender Specific Outputs are those that are specifically designed to directly and explicitly contribute to the promotion of Gender Equality and Women's Empowerment.

⁹ Staff members are those contracted to undertaken work for the Joint Programme including full time staff, consultants, advisors, interns, etc. Staff members with responsibility for gender issues are those who have gender related activities included in their Terms of Reference.



constitutional work to the social media and websites. After recruiting communication officers and advisors for MoCA, ICRIC & OC they are working on communication and visibility plans, preparing messages for local radio and TV Programmes, newsletters, banners, slogans and Social Media to enhance the public's awareness and understand that the Constitutional Review Process.

During reporting period, the MoCA has also produced short documentary about the achievements of the constitutional review process explaining how the process is going, challenges met during the review process and how constitutional mandated bodies are committed to the finalizing the national document. The Ministry has also developed quarterly news bulletin/newsletter, produced three radio dramas on the importance of the constitution and citizen rights and on aired by key media houses in FMS and Banadir region. From January to April 2019, the OC has run consultation with Somali people through Social Media to get public opinion on some of the important articles in Provisional Constitutions and more than 40,000 people gave their opinions and point of views.

Looking ahead

In the coming months, the constitutional review bodies will hold public outreach and consultations with all stakeholders on the reviewed chapters, effective dialogue with FMS leadership on outstanding constitutional issues with relates to allocation of powers, resource sharing, fiscal federalism, justice and corrections model, type of government, status of Mogadishu city responsibilities for security and have reached an agreement on the process of negotiations, consultations and the adoption of the Constitution. On the basis of the achieved political settlements, the reviewed Federal constitution will be adopted by June 2020.

The project will continue providing ongoing capacity building, institutional and technical advisory support to the all the constitutional review bodies and the key players includes MoCA, ICRIC and the FMS in coordinating and overseeing a smooth constitutional review process in Somalia. The project will also sustain support to the Technical Working Group (TWG) which comprise of technical teams from OPM, ministry of constructional affairs to conclude political negotiations between the FGS and regional levels on key political constitutional matters.

Continuing implementation of the civic education strategy through an inclusive and transparent manner. Technical Advisory services to the Ministry of Constitutional Affairs and other key players in drafting of the constitutional text.

The project continuing its support to the constitutional bodies for initiating of public and political consultations across the country and reaching of all Federal Member States for consultations. Support to undertaking of civic education campaigns that will target all sectors of the society.



ANNEX 1. RISK MANAGEMENT

Type of Risk 10	Description of Risk	Mitigating Measures
Political	Coincident timing with other political processes, such as the Electoral Consultative Process, affected negatively on the momentum of the constitutional review.	Project supported the national stakeholders in the revision process providing options to maintain the vitality of the process.
Political	Constitutional National Stakeholders coordination and cooperation mechanism delayed and not progressing, thus undermining the revision.	UN to provide advice on coordination mechanisms and provide support for the development and implementation of these mechanisms. Provision of technical advice of constitutional experts to provide options to the national stakeholders on possible solutions for the process and its particular issues.
Political	Delays in progressing constitutional dialogue due to break down in relations between Federal Government and FMS.	UNSOM to take the lead in working closely with FGS and NFP to support political dialogue and negotiation with regions, including Puntland.
Security	Outbreak of violence or serious deterioration of the security environment in Somalia.	Programme team to adjust programme activities to changes in the security situation. The project to work on increasing the participation of the civil society organizations, universities, legal aid centers and paralegals to implement project's activities.
Political	Serious deterioration in relations between UN and the NFP Or/and Government.	Maintenance of respectful, collaborative approach and transparency; vigilance in regards to developments relating to continued transition in Somalia.
Social and Environmental Risks	Risk 1: Duty-bearers do not have the capacity to meet their obligations in the Project	The project is providing capacity development activities to all duty bearers as part of the core project activities and goals. This initiative is contributing to the project's goal to enhance operational and technical capacity of the duty bearers.
Social and Environmental Risks	Risk 2: Rights-holders do not have the capacity to claim their rights	The project includes capacity building activities in promoting the right holders to have the skills and knowledge to advocate for their rights and carries out activities with regard to outreach and public consultations of the constitution including Outreach/Public consultation meetings etc.
Social and Environmental Risks	Risk 3: The proposed Project would have adverse impacts on gender equality and/or the situation of women and girls	Project ensures that gender mainstreamed across all of its activities such as recruitment of female interns for the Ministry of Constitution Affairs and capacity building trainings for the staff Special considerations given to qualified female candidates and strongly encouraged to apply.

¹⁰ Environmental; Financial; Operational; Organizational; Political; Regulatory; Security; Strategic; Other.



ANNEX 2. MONITORING AND OVERSIGHT ACTIVITIES

Monitoring Activity	Date	Description & Comments	Key Findings / Recommendations
Project Board Meeting – Constitution Review Support Project	20 March 2019	To discuss on the progress and challenges in the constitutional review process. Attended by representatives from MoCA, ICRIC, OC, and by representatives from UNDP and UNSOM. Donor partners Norway, Sweden, Denmark and Switzerland also attended the meeting.	 MoCA highlighted the progress made by MoCA since the last project board meeting, which included consultations in all Federal Member States and the Banadir region, and the completion of the technical review of 10 chapters of the Provisional Constitution. The meeting suggested that the inclusive politics roadmap needs to be revised with new timeframes to ensure the constitution review process is finalised by 2019, and recommended that joint meetings should be continuously held to improve information sharing among key players. During the meeting, the donors reiterated their commitment and support for the completion of the constitutional review process.
Constitutional Review Bodies meeting to review constitutional review roadmap	4-7 February 2019	 The meeting discussed progress made, any existing challenges in the implementation and review of the joint roadmap for the constitutional review, and to agree on next steps for the process. The meeting attended by MoCA, ICRIC, OC. UNSOM, UNDP, donors, partners 	 A technical committee comprising nine members from the three institutions reviewed the roadmap of the constitution review process. The committee agreed that the implementation of the roadmap is on track, but made some readjustments to timelines for some of the public consultations activities. On the way forward, the three key institutions promised to keep the momentum and work together to finalize the constitution review process by December 2019.
Project Board Meeting – Constitutional Review Support Project	20 November 2019	To discuss progress and challenges in the constitution review process. updated the Board Meeting on progress and challenges in the constitutional review during the past months (since the last board in March 2019).	 The MoCA, OC and ICRIC have established cordial and collaborative relationship that has proven to be most productive, paving the way for the significant progress achieved, joint efforts are being made to ensure the momentum is sustained before Somalia political focus shifts toward the elections. The three players have finalized and agreed on a joint workplan for the upcoming months to ensure compliance with the Mutual Accountability Framework (MAF), adopted at the Somali Partnership Forum, according to which the amended constitution would be adopted by June 2020. The agreed sequencing in the joint Workplan includes: A cabinet retreat will bring together line Ministers to build consensus on key issues; Thematic sessions will take place at technical level, with FGS and FMSs representatives ahead of decision making by the National Security Council; First reading in the Federal Parliament; Public consultations and civic education in Banadir region and in all FMSs; Second and Third reading in the Federal Parliament and final adoption of the amended constitution by June 2020.



ANNEX 3. TRAINING DATA

	Target Group			# of	' partic	cipants			
	Ministr v.		Dates				Title of the training	Location of	Training
#	District or UN staff	Others	Dates	M	F	Total	The vital villaning	training	provider
1.	Civic Socie Organization (CSOs), government	ons	27-30 May 2019	40	35	75	Training of Trainers (ToT) on Civic Education and Public Outreach	Kismayo, Jubaland	Ministry of Constitution Affairs
2.	Various co members (elders, civi women gro Line minis Youth, reli leaders and teachers).	students, 1 society, oups, tries, gious	18-20 Septemb er, 2019	50	85	135	Principles of federalism and devolution of powers: Reflection on chapter 5 & 6 of the federal constitution.	Horyaal hotel, Baidoa	MoCA SWS
To	tals:			90	120	210			



ANNEX 4. PHOTOS OF THE ACTIVITIES (JAN-DEC 2019)



On 7 February, Prime Minister Hassan Ali Khayre participated in a joint working session of the Constitutional Review Bodies in Mogadishu



On 25 March 2019, the OC hold meeting with Speaker Mohamed Mursal and deputy Speaker Abdiwali Ibrahim Modey on constitutional review process



On 22 May, ICRIC has submitted to OC the last chapters 10-15 of Provisional Constitution for review



On 9 February, Parliamentary Constitutional Oversight Committee (OC) review chapters 6-9 submitted by ICRIC



On 7 April, the President Jubaland State with CRP bodies and representatives from regional assemblies in a joint conference of pre-consultation in Kismayo



On 20 April, new Minister of Constitution Mr. Salah Jama met with constitutional review bodies (ICRIC & OC), discussed how to proceed the collaboration and accelerate the work on CRP



On 18 February, Speaker Upper House along with representatives from UNDP, the ICRIC and MoCA on opening of the ICRIC offices



On 8 April, representatives of Constitutional Review Bodies with federal member states at 6th MoCA Forum in Kismayo discussing constitutional issues



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On 31 May, MoCA-FGS and MoCA Jubaland co-organized training of trainers on civic education and public outreach held in Kismayo



On 24 October: Representatives from women organizations gathered in a conference on "Recognition and Promotion of Somali Women's Political Participation in Constitutional Review Process"



On 23 February: ICRIC and the OC in a three days joint technical review of chapters 6-9 of provisional constitution



4-7 February: Representatives from the key players in the Constitutional Review Process (MOCA, ICRIC & OC) in a joint Working Retreat in Mogadishu



On 4 March: Representatives from three constitutional review bodies attend a joint planning retreat in Djibouti



28 May: Women attending Public Consultations forum on Human Rights in context of Provisional Constitution in Baidoa



30 May: Women participants received certificates of completion of Training of Trainers (ToT) in Kismayo



2 March: Constitutional Review Bodies in a joint working retreat in Djibouti







18-20 September: participants in a session on "Principles of Federalism and Devolution of Powers: Reflection on chapter 5 & 6 of the federal constitution



18 December: DG MOCA Zubeyr Mohammed met with National Civil Service Commission at the Ministry office, discussed chapter 11 (Civic Service) of provisional constitution



3 December: Minister of Constitutional Affairs Salah Jama met with mayor of Mogadishu Omar Filish at his office, discussed the status of Mogadishu and how RBA and its residents participate in constitutional review process



20 March: Representatives from MOCA, ICRIC, OC, UNDP, UNSOM, donors, partners at Project Board meeting



26 December: Somali Prime Minister attended cabinet meeting and update on the constitutional review process, highlighted milestones & challenges in completion of the review process



11 December: DG MOCA meeting in Baidoa, discussed technical issues as well as MoCA FMS role in finalizing and solving political contentious issues



20 November: Project Board meeting of Constitutional Review, discussed achievements, challenges and way forward





13 November: Two days consultative meeting with Somali intellectual, they gave their suggestions on the review chapters of the Constitution



13 November: Minister Salah Ahmed Jama opened a consultative forum on the views and recommendations of the constitutional review with the Somali scholars, they suggested to avoid articles against the Sharia



30 October: MOCA, Villa Somalia and PM office in discussion on the role of legislative and the executive in a joint working session on the constitution



22 October: MOCA organized a consultative conference on Constitution with Somalia women in Mogadishu, gave their views on the constitution review process



1-2 October: Somalia Partnership Forum held in Mogadishu



1 December: MOCA meeting with representatives of Ministry of Defense, Ministry of Internal Security, discussed chapter 14 of of the provisoinal constitution

