



**UN COVID-19 Response and Recovery
Multi-Partner Trust Fund**

**Submission Form for Programme/Budget Revision
COVID-19 Response and Recovery Fund**

Part A: Programme Summary <i>(To be completed by the RCO)</i>				
Date of Submission:	26 August 2021			
Country/Region:	Bolivia / Latin America			
RCO Contact:	Ignacio Trabadela / ignacio.trabadela@un.org			
List of RUNOs:	International Labour Organization United Nations Development Programme United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women (UN Women)			
Programme Title:	Mitigating socioeconomic impact of COVID-19 on employment and income of own-account women workers in the informal economy.			
Total Approved Budget: (COVID-19 MPTF funds only)	\$850.000			
Duration:	Starting Date:	30/11/20	Completion Date:	31/10/21

1. Type of Programme or Budget Revision Requested

- ☐ Change of programme scope (*submit revised ProDoc and Budget*)
☐ Budget revision (*submit revised Budget*)
☒ Extension of project duration (*submit updated Budget, if different*)

New completion date: 31/3/2022

2. Reason revision is being requested:

The explanation is on the following page.



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This Joint Programme (JP) has encountered certain challenges that have posed difficulties to the implementation of the activities, particularly due to Bolivia's political climate and the situation of COVID-19 in the country.

Firstly, in the past 8 months, the country has undergone a national election (in November) and a sub-national election (in March), which meant that the authorities at all levels of government (ministries, viceministries, governorships and mayoral offices) changed and, so far, there is still no consolidated national development plan. In fact, most ministries finished designating their authorities within the first trimester of 2021, which slowed-down the approach the JP was able to have with the new national and regional counterparts. To serve as an example, the Ministry of Labour and Social Welfare designated a focal point to work with the JP at the end of April, which delayed the implementation of the activities, as a presentation of the JP's structure had to be made to the Ministry and their feedback was essential before proceeding.

Secondly, the second wave of COVID-19 in the country began at the end of December 2020 and lasted until the beginning of March 2021. Currently, the country is on the downward trend of the third wave. This situation created difficulties in coordinating with potential counterparts of the project (particularly own-account women's organisations and capacity-building institutions), as many got sick and decided to pause their inter-institutional activities until the COVID-19 waves slowed down. Additionally, in conversations held with the National Confederation of own-account women workers, one of the main stakeholders of the Joint Programme, the Director expressed that the target group is currently focused on the economic recovery of their micro-enterprises and their families, and do not have sufficient time to be involved in training activities, and that they would prefer for these activities to begin in August/September, beginning with virtual trainings and then exploring the possibility of in-person activities. In addition, the national vaccination initiative has accelerated in recent months, and anyone over 18 can access the vaccines, which can help in improving the potential to carry out training activities more fluidly with the beneficiaries and counterparts.

In terms of the Risk Management matrix of the ProDoc, two risks have materialised. The first one is "political instability, due to the context of uncertainty caused by the presidential elections, delays in coordination with government", and the second is "the COVID-19 pandemic restricts mobility and the ability to hold face to face activities". Both risks are being mitigated by constantly analysing the political situation and maintaining professional and stable relationships with our counterparts, and by aiming to establish immediate virtual training mechanisms for some of the JP's direct beneficiaries, in order to start the capacity-building activities as soon as possible, and analyse the possibility to carry out in-person trainings, depending on the country's vaccination rate.



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3. Documents Attached:

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Revised Budget *(for change in budget)*

Revised Programme Document *(for change in programme scope)*

**The budgets of every RUNO, in terms of encumbrances and actual expenditures of the outputs, are attached.*

Part B: Signature <i>(To be completed by ALL Recipient UN Organizations)</i>			
On behalf of Recipient UN Organizations:	Signature	Date	Name/Title
ILO		25 August, 2021	Elena Montobbio / Deputy Director
UNDP		25-ago. -2021	Luciana Mermet / Resident Representative
UN Women		25 August, 2021	Nidya Pesantez / Head of Office a.i.
On behalf of the UN Resident Coordinator:			
		26 August, 2021	Susana Sottoli / Resident Coordinator

Part C: Administrative Review <i>(To be completed by the Fund Secretariat)</i>
<input type="checkbox"/> Revision requiring Special Designate' s approval
4. Comments by the Fund Secretariat:
5. Recommendation by the Fund Secretariat:



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Part D: Decision of the Secretary-General's Designate for the COVID19 MPTF

(To be completed by the Secretariat)

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Approve
Approve with modification/condition
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Comments (if any):

Secretary-General's Designate for the COVID19 MPTF, Mr. Haoliang Xu


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Signature

1 Sept 2021
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Date



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ILO Budget – As of August 2021

Output	Assigned	Committed	Executed	Observations
Output 1.1 Evidence-based knowledge on the characterisation of own-account women workers in the informal economy, for the promotion of targeted public policies and programmes to address their needs in relation to formalization, social protection and co-responsibility for care, has been generated.	\$29,000.00	\$11,000.00	\$15,041.89	
Output 1.2. By the end of the Joint Programme, multi-stakeholder dialogue mechanisms with women's organizations, trade unions and the identified strategic governmental institutions have been established at the regional and/or national level, to support the design of policies and programmes related to the transition to the formal economy of own-account women workers.	\$23,317.74	\$5,017.73	\$0.00	
Output 2.1. Studies to identify the emerging and most dynamic sectors of the economy, for the generation of entrepreneurship and labour insertion of women during and after the COVID-19 crisis, have been elaborated.	\$36,886.00	\$19,632.30	\$4,572.60	
Output 2.2. Own-account women workers in the informal economy with strengthened capacities that favor their labour insertion and establishment of enterprises, through the transfer of methodologies and tools in entrepreneurship, digitalization, green economy, among others identified in product 2.1, in alliance with institutions of economic empowerment for women, technical and vocational training centers and the Public Employment Service.	\$106,983.84	\$65,933.00	\$0.00	One additional process to carry out the training activities will be signed in September 2021.
Staff Cost	\$123,630.00	\$36,926.14	\$26,024.92	



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Operational Cost	\$38,524.48	\$11,302.44	\$7,595.78	
M&E	\$17,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	
Program support cost	\$26,273.94	\$0.00	\$3,726.52	
TOTAL	\$401,616.00	\$149,811.61	\$5,6961.71	
TOTAL, %	100%	37%	14%	

UN Women Budget – As of August 2021

Output / activity	Assigned	Committed	Executed	Observations
Output 1.3. By the end of the Joint Programme, the capacities of governmental institutions and other stakeholders to design and implement policies and programmes related to the care economy, that will support the formalization of own-account women workers, will have been strengthened."	\$101,489.49	\$50,744.74	\$0.00	These amounts represent the first tranche that will be paid to the responsible party (ACOBOL) in the coming days. The reference of the partner agreement is PA002272BOL.
Output 3.3. Women from the target group will have benefited from a financial education programme that improves financial management skills and the sustainability of monetary resources.	\$28,510.51	\$14,255.26	\$0.00	
Contractual services (for communications and a consultancy for the development of the care policy – include the reallocated amount of USD 4,000.00 initially planned for travel expenses)	\$29,000.00	\$22,500.00	\$0.00	The committed amount is for 2021. The two consultancies should start in September.
Staff Cost	\$62,300.00	\$36,043.68	\$18,576.36	



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Operational Cost	\$7,300.00	\$3,617.91	\$3,682.09	The committed amount is for 2021.
Indirect support cost	\$16,002.00	\$0.00	\$16,002.00	
TOTAL	\$244,602.00	\$127,161.59	\$38,260.45	
TOTAL %	100%	52%	16%	

UNDP Budget – As of August 2021

Output/ activity	Assigned	Committed	Executed	Observations
Output 3.1 Inclusive financial and non-financial products and services adapted to the specific needs of women in the target group, generated by the social innovation laboratories	\$79,608.00	\$34,115.28	\$27,912.9	EXECUTION: Mapping of information on existing financial services. Definition of experiments for women self-employed.
output 3.1	\$5,992.00	\$2,388.07	\$1,953.92	GMS
Output 3.2 Measures that generate incentives for development finance institutions to design and/or adapt their financial product and services to the needs of own-account women, in alliance with the Bank of Productive Development (Banco de Desarrollo Productivo) and other private or public institutions of the financial sector.	\$10,9908.33	\$42,000.00	0	COMMITMENTS: 1) Letter of agreement with BDP to design an incubation and soft skills model for self-employed women and encourage access to financial services. 2) Consultancy for systematization of financial products for women self-



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				employed. 3) Development of audiovisual products.
output 3.2	\$8,272.67	\$2,940.00	\$0	GMS
Total	203781.00	81443.35	29866.82	



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