



PBF PROJECT PROGRESS REPORT

COUNTRY: The Gambia

TYPE OF REPORT: SEMI-ANNUAL, ANNUAL OR FINAL: annual

YEAR OF REPORT: 2021

Project Title: Young women and men as stakeholders in ensuring peaceful democratic processes and advocates for the prevention of violence and hate speech

Project Number from MPTF-O Gateway: please select 00124863

If funding is disbursed into a national or regional trust fund:

- Country Trust Fund
 Regional Trust Fund

Type and name of recipient organizations:

RUNO UNFPA (Convening Agency)
RUNO UNDP
RUNO UNESCO
 please select
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Name of Recipient Fund:

Date of first transfer: 23rd November, 2020

Project end date: 18th November 2022

Is the current project end date within 6 months? No

Check if the project falls under one or more PBF priority windows:

- 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):

Recipient Organization	Amount
UNFPA	\$ 1,000,000.00
UNDP	\$ 810,500
UNESCO	\$ 350,000

Total: \$ 2,160,500.00

Approximate implementation rate as percentage of total project budget: **46%**

ATTACH PROJECT EXCEL BUDGET SHOWING CURRENT APPROXIMATE EXPENDITURE

Gender-responsive Budgeting:

Indicate dollar amount from the project document to be allocated to activities focused on gender equality or women's empowerment: **32.2%**

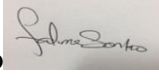
Amount expended to date on activities focussed on gender equality or women's empowerment:
\$693,895.00

Project Gender Marker: GM2

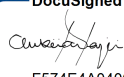
Project Risk Marker: Low

Project PBF focus area: 2.2 Democratic Governance

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Did PBF Secretariat review the report: Yes

PART 1: OVERALL PROJECT PROGRESS

Briefly outline the **status of the project** in terms of implementation cycle, including whether preliminary/preparatory activities have been completed (i.e. contracting of partners, staff recruitment, etc.) (1500-character limit):

The Project preparatory activities have been concluded including the hiring of all project personnel and the official launch of the project by the Minister of Youth and Sports of the Republic of the Gambia. Project Steering Committee (PSC) established and held meetings on the 23rd March and 19th September 2021, the consolidated work plan, identification of implementing partners, annual review of the project, joint monitoring and other project details were discussed and approved by the PSC.

For the period under review, the project has registered some key deliverables which contributed to the achievement of the project's outcomes. The following are the key achievements:

1. Youth Internet Radio successfully established, operationalization of the radio is expected to commence by end November 2021.
2. Established the Youth, peace and security situation room and early warning crisis response center, regional monitors have been selected and are expected to be trained to ensure the situation room is functional by 30th November 2021.
3. Trained 500 young women and adolescent boys and men (250 females and 250 men) in five regions on political participation through mentorship advocacy and leadership.
4. Seven Intergenerational community forums held involving 875 young people (420 females and 455 male) on youth involvement and participation in traditional community and conflict management mechanisms.
5. Established the Youth Inter-Party Branch Committee. (YOIBC)
6. Twenty-Five Young Men and Women (11 females and 14 male) trained on Conflict analysis and mitigation, entrepreneurship skills, and awarded grants of D50,000.00 to mitigate conflict or undertake a peacebuilding initiative in their communities.
7. Fact Check website (www.factcheckgambia.org) has been launched and 30 journalists from 25 media houses trained on how to debunk fake news and misinformation.
8. A research on the prevalence of hate speech was successfully conducted.

Please indicate any significant project-related events anticipated in the next six months, i.e. national dialogues, youth congresses, film screenings, etc. (1000 character limit):

There are a number of significant milestones anticipated in the six months. These include:

- Training of journalists on conflict sensitive journalism and hate speech and also on fact checking ahead of the presidential elections of December 2021.
- Media and information literacy competency gap assessment and training of youth leaders to fill in the identified gaps in order to foster their participation and peaceful democratic public life.
- Support 6-12 months' young graduate assistanceship (research assistant) opportunities with NAMS.

- Support the institutional strengthening of the Youth branch of the Inter-Party committee
- Operationalization of the youth, peace and security situation room and the youth internet radio.
- Perception survey on influence/impact of hate speech, ethnic politics on the presidential elections and beyond.
- Develop fact sheets, policy briefs and technical analysis for advocacy on relevant national and community issues on young people.
- Implement pilot technologies and innovation that support youth inclusion in governance and hate speech

FOR PROJECTS WITHIN SIX MONTHS OF COMPLETION: summarize **the main structural, institutional or societal level change the project has contributed to**. This is not anecdotal evidence or a list of individual outputs, but a description of progress made toward the main purpose of the project. (1500 character limit):

N/A

In a few sentences, explain whether the project has had a positive **human impact**. May include anecdotal stories about the project's positive effect on the people's lives. Include direct quotes where possible or weblinks to strategic communications pieces. (2000 character limit):

With the Intergenerational forums to improve youth involvement and participation in traditional conflict management mechanisms, and community sensitizations on hate speech and peacebuilding, Community members are embracing peace initiatives and debunking hate speech and fostering social cohesion

'this training has helped me understand how to mitigate tension, promote peace and unite more people. Before the training people get agitated if a person wears a party T-shirt for example, I usually respond harshly when the party I support is criticized, but now through the training am more tolerant and I keep advocating for peace amongst my fellow youths because party politics will come and go but we will continue to live together in communities'-Musa Trawally, Bwiam

'Today, youth in my community who were never interested in conversations around leadership and politics are engaging themselves in discussions about how to participate in decision making at community levels.' – Yaya Sowe- Gunjur village

The Community Peace Circle "Jotaii Jama" targeted community leaders, women, young people and marginalized groups on conflict management mechanisms, Watch human interest story taken at the event ["Jotaii Jama" Highlight Video](#)

Youth leading efforts to tackle hate speech and end age old inter-community tension
<https://gambia.unfpa.org/en/news/youth-leading-efforts-tackle-hate-speech-and-end-age-old-inter-community-tension>

*"Historically, elders were critical in conflict management. They sometimes rely on youth and women in this endeavor. We can further explore this strategy, maximize it to help us build more inclusive and equal society for peaceful co-existence." **Lamin Colley, Salikene***

The training on youth inclusion on governance, hate speech and peacebuilding showed that community members understand the consequences of hate speech and violence and are fostering peace in their communities:

'Exercising your democratic right should not mandate anyone to hurt other people's feelings, politics is part of life and therefore inevitable, in the course of exercising your rights remember to do it peacefully not just for yourself but for future generations' Adama Taal-Brikama, WCR

UNFPA Country office launched a 2 month media campaign against hate speech and violence dubbed #PeaceForMe, Please see below the link to the of the videos and audios:
<https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/19YSr8pRBar2L5cl2k2AbkSiqAEvO0BtQ?usp=sharing>

The training of journalists on fact checking and debunking misinformation by UNESCO have already had positive impact on the work of the journalists.

"I run Malagen [malagen.gm] which is an online platform dedicated to investigative reporting. On the platform we have a page on fact checking where we publish some form of fact checked materials. However, before this training, I have never attended any training on fact checking. Now that I have gone through this training, I realised what we were doing as fact checking was more of an analysis than fact checking. In this training, I got to learn how important it is to rely on open source data when fact checking. I also incredibly learned how to use digital tools to verify the authenticity of images and videos that were published on various platforms. Before now, I used to rely on other people's expertise for that." Mustapha K Darboe

PART II: RESULT PROGRESS BY PROJECT OUTCOME

Describe overall progress under each Outcome made during the reporting period (for June reports: January-June; for November reports: January-November; for final reports: full project duration). Do not list 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.

- *"On track" refers to the timely completion of outputs as indicated in the workplan.*
- *"On track with peacebuilding results" refers to higher-level changes in the conflict or peace factors that the project is meant to contribute to. These effects are more likely in mature projects than in newer ones.*

If your project has more than four outcomes, contact PBSO for template modification.

Outcome 1: Young people increasingly participate in governance and decision-making processes at national, regional, community and political party levels

Under this outcome, activities geared towards enhancing the capacity of young people in governance, decision-making and leadership at community and national levels included the training of 500 young women, adolescent boys and men (250 females and 250men) in five regions on political participation, leadership, and peacebuilding. The positive impact of which was registered by participants advocating for equal representation within their community structures. 30 youths were trained to understanding party manifestos and peaceful debates to enable them engage constructively in national discourse.

Intergenerational forums and community sensitizations on hate speech and peacebuilding were also held, these trainings brought together 200 people (79 men and 121 women) including community leaders, and marginalized groups in four regions. Due to the training the community members are able to raise awareness on peace initiatives and conflict management, and debunk hate speech within their communities. 180 young people were engaged in a training on youth inclusion and governance conducted in four regions, the training created a safe space for young people to discuss democratic processes, hate speech, conflict mitigation and peacebuilding, increasing their understanding and resolve to foster peace and debunk fake news and hate speech in their communities.

As part of the institutional strengthening support to the Ministry of Youth and Sports, a consultancy on youth statutory legal instruments such as the National Youth Council Act, National Youth Service Scheme, National Enterprise Development Initiative, and the National Sports Council Act are being reviewed to reflect young people's engagement in governance and leadership. The review is expected to be completed and the acts validated in the next quarter

The youth peace and security situation room has been established through NYC. A Coordinator is being recruited to operationalize the situation room by November 2021. Eight (8) young people (3 females and 5 male) have been recruited as monitors from all the administrative regions and they will be trained on conflict prevention, peacebuilding mechanisms and as election observers in the Q4.

A Code of Conduct for media influencers, and youth groups including peace message guide and themes have been developed and validated through WANEP the Gambia ahead of the presidential elections in December 2021. The popularization of the code of conduct is being implemented in Q4.

The reservation of parliamentary seats for women and people living with disabilities (PWD's) was supported in collaboration with the IRI, UNWOMEN and the CSO Gender platform. The Bill which seeks to ensure gender equality in the selection of candidates for the national assembly elections and within political party's executives has been published in the gazette as of June 15, 2021, for a 120-day period.

Activities such as the student assistanceship through the University of the Gambia to build the capacity of young people on governance was stalled due to some delays with the University. The rollout of the National Youth Branch of the Inter-Party Committee (YOBIC) advocacy strategy and related activities have also stalled this year due to the inability of political parties to select regional youth representatives. These activities however will be implemented in the first quarter of 2022. The capacity gap assessment of young people on Media and Information

Literacy (MIL) to help understand the strength and weaknesses of young people on MIL will be completed by December 2021.

Indicate any additional analysis on how Gender Equality and Women's Empowerment and/or Youth Inclusion and Responsiveness has been ensured under this Outcome:

(1000 character limit)

A minimum of 50% allocation was made for young women for the Inter-gender training on political participation, more young women have built their self-confidence through this and are contesting and participating on regional and community structures. For the community dialogue sessions, 95% were young people of which 60% were women.

Outcome 2: Young people engage in community mediation efforts and serve as advocates against hate speech

Rate the current status of the outcome progress: Please select On Track

Progress summary: *(3000 character limit)*

A research on the prevalence of hate speech was conducted to ascertain the level and magnitude of hate speech in the media and initiate measures to address the menace. Some of the key findings included:

- Web-based publications, published more hate speeches than any other type of media, followed by print media. This could however be explained by the fact before 2017, the online media was the main media people depended on to vent their frustrations.
- Majority of the respondents surveyed believe that hate speech is more common on the radio than newspapers and web-based media platforms.
- Hate speech is found to be less common in television broadcast, though qualitative analysis of media reports shows the ones made on television mostly involve high profile people.
- A total of 35 youth leaders and university students were sensitized on hate speech, how to recognize and debunk it.

A nationwide community inter-generational dialogue brought together youth, women, VDC and KANDA's (opinion leaders) in 7 regions. To engage in conversations around promoting peace and tolerance in ensuring a peaceful democratic processes especially during and after the upcoming presidential elections. 30 journalists from 25 media houses were trained on how to debunk fake news and misinformation. In addition a national fact checking platform, Fact Check Gambia (www.factcheckgambia.org), has been developed and launched. The website provides a one stop shop platform to the verification of any suspicious news which might be fake, which will go a long way in debunking disinformation. A number of journalists and media houses are now using the website to verify stories/news.

The national youth internet radio has been set-up through the National Youth Council and will commence operations before the end of Quarter 4. the online youth-led internet radio station will serve as a strong tool to amplify the voices of youth in maintaining peace and social cohesion and building resilience against violence including hate speech. The radio will develop podcasts on various thematic areas, engage young people and youth groups on positive messaging, debunking fake news and hate speech to strengthen social cohesion.

Indicate any additional analysis on how Gender Equality and Women’s Empowerment and/or Youth Inclusion and Responsiveness has been ensured under this Outcome:

(1000 character limit)

Activities under this Outcome were mainly youth focused i.e. the target beneficiaries were 100% young people with at least 40% women, consideration was given to women led organisations and youth groups for the implementation of the dialogue sessions. 40% of the trained journalist were also female (18 males and 12 female)

PART III: CROSS-CUTTING ISSUES

<p>Monitoring: Please list monitoring activities undertaken in the reporting period (1000 character limit)</p> <p><i>A joint monitoring was conducted for the project with implementing agencies and partners. About 80% of the project activities implemented so far country wide were monitored using random sampling method.</i></p>	<p>Do outcome indicators have baselines? Yes</p> <p>Has the project launched perception surveys or other community-based data collection? A Research was conducted on the prevalence of hate speech to ascertain the level and magnitude of hate speech in the media. A survey is being conducted by ACTIVISTA (a youth organisation) on people’s perception on governance, and democratic transition this is expected to be completed by end of November.</p>
<p>Evaluation: Has an evaluation been conducted during the reporting period? No</p>	<p>Evaluation budget (response required): \$40,000.00</p> <p>If project will end in next six months, describe the evaluation preparations <i>(1500 character limit)</i>: N/a</p>
<p>Catalytic effects (financial): Indicate name of funding agent and amount of additional non-PBF funding support that has been leveraged by the project. (please only report on NEW funding since last reporting cycle)</p>	<p>Name of funder: Amount:</p>
<p>Other: Are there any other issues concerning project implementation that you want to share, including any capacity needs of the recipient organizations? <i>(1500 character limit)</i></p>	<p>The proposed perception survey on political participation, political violence and the impact of hate speech before and after the elections on young people has stalled due to some administrative changes within the University of the Gambia. The survey will commence in the next quarter.</p>

PART IV: COVID-19

Please respond to these questions if the project underwent any monetary or non-monetary adjustments due to the COVID-19 pandemic. (please only report on NEW expenditure since last reporting cycle)

1) Monetary adjustments: Please indicate the total amount in USD of adjustments due to COVID-19:

2) Non-monetary adjustments: Please indicate any adjustments to the project which did not have any financial implications:

Under the project youth community bantabas on covid-19 (youth sensitization and advocacy on post covid-19 to promote peace and positive messaging) were held in all the regions, amongst topics discussed was the importance of vaccination, and how people are being discouraged from taking vaccines through myths and misconceptions. The training has had a positive impact as more young people understand the pros of vaccination increasing the number of young people taking the vaccine. a participant stated ‘I thought that the vaccine resulted to sterility and it shortens your lifespan but as a result of the training I no longer see the vaccine as dangerous, I have taken the vaccine including members of my household and I keep advocating for friends and neighbors to vaccinate’

3) Please select all categories which describe the adjustments made to the project *(and include details in general sections of this report)*:

- Reinforce crisis management capacities and communications
- Ensure inclusive and equitable response and recovery
- Strengthen inter-community social cohesion and border management
- Counter hate speech and stigmatization and address trauma

- Support the SG’s call for a global ceasefire
- Other (please describe):

If relevant, please share a COVID-19 success story of this project *(i.e. how adjustments of this project made a difference and contributed to a positive response to the pandemic/prevented tensions or violence related to the pandemic etc.)*

PART V: 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	Indicator Milestone	Current indicator progress	Reasons for Variance/ Delay (if any)
Outcome 1 Young people increasingly participate in governance and decision-making processes at national, regional, community and political party levels	Indicator 1.1 Percentage of political parties with regulations allocating at least 20% of their executive positions to young people (40% being young women)	0	50%		This indicator is on track as project partners seek to engage political party leaderships to advocate for this shift	The women reservation bill once passed will ensure that at least 30% women representation at national and at political party levels is achieved. The bill has been gazetted and it is due for presentation at the national assembly.
	Indicator 1.2 Percentage of young people (m/f) who engage in leadership dialogue and consultation with community and opinion leaders	10%	35% (40% young women)	50%	50% women participation in dialogue sessions	
	Indicator 1.3	0	40%		Perception survey to be conducted	

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	Reduced involvement of young people in political violence in targeted regions				through the university of the Gambia Research and development unit, this will be completed by Q1 of 2022	
Output 1.1 Youth leadership and participation increased in political decision-making processes at party executive and national level	Indicator 1.1.1 The National Inter-Party Committee Memorandum of Understanding revised to recognize the Inter-Party Youth Committee and make provisions for substantive collaboration	No	Yes		This indicator is on track as the Inter-Party Committee has recently launched the Youth Branch of the Inter-Party Committee. It is important to highlight that both the governance and this project have a special interest in this. UNDP and UNFPA are collaborating to avoid duplication	
	Indicator 1.1.2 Percentage of young men in youth political wings who believe in	0	60%		This indicator is yet to be tracked pending the	

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	the importance of participation of their female counterparts				completion of the survey.	
	Indicator 1.1.3 Number of intra and interparty youth dialogue sessions conducted with active participation of party political leadership	0	20		No progress. Planned to be implemented in Quarter one of 2022	
	Indicator 1.1.4 Inter-party youth committee advocacy strategy for strategic communication on good governance and bipartisan youth engagement and involvement in peaceful electoral processes developed.	0	1	1	1. This indicator is achieved. The advocacy strategy for the interparty youth committee has been developed.	
	Indicator 1.1.5 Number of youth statutory instruments developed or revised that reflect youth engagement and	0	3	4	This indicator is on tract as four youth statutory documents are currently been	Through a consultancy, the National youth council act, youth service scheme, National enterprise development initiative, and the sports council act are being reviewed to reflect young people's engagement in

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	participation in leadership and political decision-making processes				reviewed through NYC	governance and leadership. The review is expected to be completed and acts validated by December 2021.
Output 1.2 Youth mobilized as key actors to engage in community dialogue initiatives to enhance inclusion and sustainable peace including prevention of electoral violence	Indicator 1.2.1 Percentage of mobilized youth key actors (m/f) who implemented community peace initiatives	0	40%		This activity is on track, key youth actors have been trained and they will be implementing community peace initiatives in the next quarter.	
	Indicator 1.2.2 Number of policy briefs, fact sheets and technical analysis on young people produced.	0	16	4	The process has begun with a survey which will inform the policy briefs, fact sheets and technical analysis on young people produced.	
	Indicator 1.2.3 NYC situation room and early warning crisis response centre functional.	No	Yes	No	On track. All the materials/equipment for the situation room and early warning crisis response center have been procured and fixed. Regional	

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					monitors have been identified and contracted. The recruitment process for a coordinator is currently on-going. Operations are expected to start by end November 2021. Dashboard development have also been completed	
	Indicator 1.2.4 Percentage of young people (m/f) in conflict hotspots trained as election observers that participate in 2021 elections.	0	60%		This is on track. Will be conducted once the situation room is completed	
	Indicator 1.2.5 % of trained youth association leaders who have conducted activities promoting	0	40%			The Baseline and target for this indicator was omitted on the project document. A baseline of zero Target of 40% is being proposed and once approved will be reported on in the next reporting cycle.

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	peace in their community					
Output 1.3 Improved intergenerational dialogue to maintain community peace and understanding	Indicator 1.3.1 Percentage of traditional and religious leaders that attend intergenerational dialogue sessions and serve as advocates for youth involvement in leadership at community, regional and national level	5%	20%	12%	12%. This indicator is on track.	More Traditional and religious leaders including imams and alkalos will be engaged during subsequent sessions scheduled for Q4.
	Indicator 1.3.2 Number of dialogue sessions organized between security forces and young people to promote understanding and peaceful co-existence.	0	7	1	1 National dialogue with security forces and youth groups have been held in KMC, this brought together 100 security personnel and youth groups	Regional dialogue sessions will be implemented in the six administrative regions during Q4 and Q1 of 2022
Output 1.4 Increased student capacities	Indicator 1.4.1 Number of youth-related policy forums conducted with active	0	5	0	No Progress. This activity is planned for the first quarter of 2022	

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through assistanceship/mentorship to generate data/evidence and policy briefs information for public discourse on youth participation and inclusion in decision-making activities	participation and engagement of policy makers					
	Indicator 1.4.2 Number of young graduates who benefited from 6-12 months' research internship and assistanceship.	0	56	0	This activity stalled this year because of some administrative challenges with the University of the Gambia which has been resolved Activity planned for the Q1 2022	
	Indicator 1.4.3 Percentage of successful youth-led community peace mediation initiatives supported through small grants	0	50%	25%	100%, Youth service training successfully implemented and grants awarded to 25 young men and women	
	Indicator 1.4.4 Number of knowledge exchange sessions between national assembly members and student interns.	0	4	0	. This will commence in the next quarter.	

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Outcome 2 Young people engage in community mediation efforts and serve as advocates against hate speech	Indicator 2.1 Percent of young people (m/f) who believe that the level of political violence within their community has decreased	0	40%		This will be assessed through a survey	
	Indicator 2.2 Percent of young people (m/f) who report experiencing hate speech within their communities.	0	30%		Survey to be conducted in next quarter	
	Indicator 2.3 Percent of young people (m/f) who know how to respond to hate speech without violence	0	40%		Survey to be conducted in next quarter	
Output 2.1 Young people as champions of positive messaging and community change makers	Indicator 2.1.1 A youth-led online radio station established and is operational.	0	1		Materials and equipment's set up through NYC for the youth online radio have been procured and set-up. The recruitment process	

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					for a coordinator is been finalized and the radio will be operational by end November 2021	
	Indicator 2.1.2 Number of youth-produced content, used to sensitize peers on MIL and hate-neutral speech	0	20 (30% by young women/girls)		Planned for Quarter 4 2021	
Output 2.2 Media practitioners and youth mobilized and engaged as community peace mediators and advocates against	Indicator 2.2.1 Number of youth-led organizations, per region, whose capacities are enhanced to integrate MIL in their operations, with a focus on tackling hate speech at community level	0	4 (at least 1 women-led organisation)		Planned for the Quarter 4 2021	
	Indicator 2.2.2 Number of media professionals, and media houses, that have developed fact-	0	60% (30% of women) / 15 media houses (at least 4 women-led media house)	30 media professionals (at least 30%)	30 journalists drawn from 25 media organizations ranging from commercial and	

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	checking skills and are contributing to fact-checking platform			women) from public, private and community media trained on conflict sensitive reporting	community radio stations, digital platforms, television and print outlets were trained on fact-checking and news verification. 36.6% of the participants were female	
	Indicator 2.2.3 Increase number of fact-check reports posted on the platform	0	50%	Yes	On track Trained journalist are using the newly developed platform to fact check reports	The target for this indicator was omitted on the project document. A target 50% is being proposed and once approved will be reported on in the next reporting cycle