[COUNTRY: Somalia]

PROJECT HALF YEARLY PROGRESS UPDATE

PERIOD COVERED: JANUARY – JUNE 2016

Project No & Title:	PBF/Coordination Support for the Implementation of the Peacebuilding Priority Plan and Measures to Pilot Studies of Public Response to Peace- and State building Efforts in Somalia		
Recipient Organization(s)[1]:	UNDP Somalia		
Implementing Partners (Government, UN agencies, NGOs etc):	UNDP Uganda, UN Global Pulse		
Location:	Somalia		
Total Approved Budget :[2]	952889		
Preliminary data on funds committed : [3]		**% of funds committed / total approved budget:**	
Expenditure[4]:		**% of expenditure / total budget: (Delivery rate)**	
Project Approval Date:	12/07/2016	**Possible delay in operational closure date (Number of months)**	
Project Start Date:	01/06/2016		
Expected Operational Project Closure Date:	30.12.2017		
Project Outcomes:	The project has two outcomes. The first outcome is aligned with the outcomes of the Peacebuilding Priority Plan: to "effectively contribute to re-establish the state authority and legitimacy by improving the rule of law, access to employment and basic services for Somali citizens living in newly recovered areas." The second outcome aims to "support efforts to remotely monitor		

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[1] Please note that where there are multiple agencies, only one consolidated project report should be submitted.
[2] Approved budget is the amount transferred to Recipient Organisations.
[3] Funds committed are defined as the commitments made through legal contracts for services and works according to the financial regulations and procedures of the Recipient Organisations. Provide preliminary data only.
[4] Actual payments (contracts, services, works) made on commitments.
5 PBF focus areas are:
1: Support the implementation of peace agreements and political dialogue (Priority Area 1):
(1.1) SSR, (1.2) RoL; (1.3) DDR; (1.4) Political Dialogue;
2: Promote coexistence and peaceful resolution of conflicts (Priority Area 2):
(2.1) National reconciliation; (2.1) Democratic Governance; (2.3) Management of natural resources;
3:Revitalise the economy and generate immediate peace dividends (Priority Area 3);
(3.1) Short-term employment generation; (3.2) Sustainable livelihoods
4) (Re)-establish essential administrative services (Priority Area 4)
(4.1) Public administration; (4.2) Public service delivery (including infrastructure).

	Somali public perceptions and behaviours relevant to the ongoing peace- and state building processes." The project will develop and pilot initiatives using "Big Data" in order to determine the utility of such an approach in supporting Somali peace and state building efforts being implemented by the Federal Government.
PBF Focus Area[5] (select one of the Focus Areas listed below)	4.3: Governance of peacebuilding resources (including JSC/ PBF Secretariats)

Qualitative assessment of progress

For each intended outcome, provide evidence of progress during the reporting period. *In addition, for each outcome include the outputs achieved. (1000 characters max.)*	OC 1: The PBF secretariat successfully coordinated to the Priority Plan. OT 1.1: The Midnimo and Daldhis projects were endorsed on November 17th(cf. annexes 1, 2 & 3). OT 1.2: The PBF kickoff workshop was held in June 2016 (cf. annex 4). The PBF coordinator trained FGS officials in DNH and M&E in September 2016 (cf. national window Q3, 2016 report). OT 1.3: The 1st tranche of funds was disbursed to RUNOs on December 15th, PBF Steering Committee and Technical Working Group formed (cf. annexes and 9). OC 2: Global Pulse designed the concept note for the Big Data project for Somalia OT 2.1: GP briefed the UNCT and UNSOM on Big Data project and received technical input from them (cf. annexes 10, 11, 12 13, 14 and 15). OT 2.2: GP developed the prototype for data analysis (cf. annexes 19, 20 and 21) OT 2.3: Progress under Output 2.3 is expected at a later stage of project implementation.
Do you see evidence that the project is having a positive impact on peacebuilding? (1000 characters max.)	The PBF secretariat has been instrumental in designing the Peacebuilding Priority Plan (PPP) and developing a programmatic response to the UN's Community Recovery and Extension of State Authority / Accountability approach. The FGS and FMS co-designed the PPP and the programmes. FGS and FMS partners are supportive of these programmes as they respond to the National Development Plan, South West State Development Plan, and Wadajir Framework priorities. The Global Pulse Big Data project is still in its inception phase and has only been sensitized with the UN so far. Potential uses for the outputs are being discussed to increase the public outreach and communication efforts of the UN and FGS to the Somali population to address the roots causes of violent extremism and of conflicts in Somalia.
Were there catalytic effects from the project in the period reported, including additional funding commitments or unleashing/ unblocking of any peace relevant processes? (1000 characters max.)	Some donors (EU, Norway) are already expressing interest in the Daldhis programme as model and potential funding vehicle to channel peacebuilding assistance. In response to the FGS' request, the UN has committed to replicate the Midnimo and Daldhis programmes in three other Federal Member States and will seek to raise bilateral donor funding to do so. The Midnimo project has engaged with authorities in Jubbaland and SWS, through the Durable Solutions framework, securing their buy in for its activities that will respond to the returnee/IDP crisis and aim to prevent groing tensions caused by influxes of drought affected populations to urban and peri-urban areas of Kismayo and Baidoa.
If progress has been slow or	The expenditure for both components is less than anticipated. For outcome 1 this is due to the lengthy

inadequate, provide main reasons and what is being done to address them. *(1000 characters max.)*	recruitment of the PBF Coordinator. Deliverables have been met according to plan though as the functions of the PBF Coordinator have been ensured by a JPO whose salary was covered at 50% by the project from July 2016 onwards. For outcome 2, the Global Pulse team had to postpone the kickoff workshop due to key UN teams being mobilized by the elections in Somalia.
What are the main activities/expected results for the rest of the year? *(1000 characters max.)*	Outcome 1: establishment of and provision of secretariat support to management, governance, and technical structures; development of M&E and communication tools for the Priority Plan; coordination of project activities; design and fundraising for extension of Midnimo and Daldhis programmes to other FMS; organization of joint FGS/FMS/UN monitoring visits to project sites. Outcome 2: kickoff workshop; hiring of project staff; analysis of Somali social media content; development of Somali radio analysis technology.
Is there any need to adjust project strategies/ duration/budget etc.? *(1000 characters max.)*	The budget for outcome 1 will be synched with the PRF project funding the second part of the Priority Plan's secretariat costs until April 2019. As a result of the slow expenditure explained above, the balance of funds will be allocated to hire a Senior M&E advisor for the PBF secretariat with part of this post's salary being drawn from the IRF and part for the PRF budgets.
Are there any lessons learned from the project in the period reported? *(1000 characters max.)*	There are no significant lessons learnt from the project during the reporting period.
What is the project budget expenditure to date (percentage of allocated project budget expensed by the date of the report) – preliminary figures only? *(1000 characters max.)*	The total project expenditure for the reporting period is of $111,836 or 12% of the total budget. NB: While the project approval letter was received on July 12th 2016, the MPTF Office only transferred the funds on September 19th 2016.
Any other information that the project needs to convey to PBSO (and JSC) at this stage? *(1000 characters max.)*	This report includes the following: annexes 1-9 (outcome 1); annexes

INDICATOR BASED PERFORMANCE ASSESSMENT: *Using the **Project Results Framework as per the approved project document**- provide an update on the achievement of key indicators at both the outcome and output level in the table below. Where it has not been possible to collect data on indicators, state this and provide any explanation in the qualitative text above.* (250 characters max per entry)

	Performance Indicators	Indicator Baseline	End of project Indicator Target	Current indicator progress	Reasons for Variance/ Delay (if any)	Adjustment of target (if any)
Outcome 1 The Peacebuilding Priority Plan will provide an effective contribution to Somalia's peacebuilding and statebuilding priorities due to effective coordination support in the design and implementation of the PRF projects.	Indicator 1.1 SDRF SC members are satisfied with the contribution of the PPP to the Peace and State Building Goals 3, 4, and 5	0%	75%	100%	The SDRF SC members unanimously approved the Midnimo and Daldhis projects during the November 17th 2016 meeting. A PBF Steering Committee is being set up for the programmes. Government Members' satisfaction will be polled at each meeting	The SDRF SC will not be the body directly guiding the PPP implementation. A PBF SC is being set up with relevant FGS and FMS partners to support the SDRF SC in this task.The PBF SC will serve as the unit of reference for this indicator.
	Indicator 1.2 N/A					
Output 1.1 PRF project	Indicator 1.1.1 Quality PRF	0	5	2	Two projects were developed for $12/13M	The PBF secretariat will

proposals developed	project proposals have been developed by the UN and FGS & endorsed by the SDRF SC				dollars under Priority Plan. These programmes are bringing together four joint programmes and will be implemented in two Federal Member States each.	raise additional bilateral donor funds to replicate these programmes in two other Federal Member States. The target may be revised in the next reporting period accordingly.
	Indicator 1.1.2 Projects funded by the PPP support women's and girls' empowerment Baseline: n/a Target: at least 15% of funding is clearly budgeted to support women's and girls' empowerment	0	15%	N/A	The Annual Work Plans and budgets have not yet been endorsed so the budget analysis of activities promoting gender equality has not been done yet.	Gender equality has been applied throughout the project design. Quantifying specific budget amounts will be difficult. This indicator may be revised in the next reporting period.
Output 1.2 Technical assistance provided	Indicator 1.2.1 Number of workshops & trainings provided to PRF applicants/imple	0	4	2	The Priority Plan kickoff workshop was held in June 2016. A training on DNH and M&E was held as part of the National Window project in September 2016	Similar trainings will be organized for FMS partner line ministries in the coming months.

	menting partners				and targeted FGS partner line ministries staff.	
	Indicator 1.2.2 Recipient UN/FGS implementing partners are satisfied with the level of technical support received by the PPP secretariat	0	75%	N/A	FGS participants in the DNH and M&E trainings were satisified with the quality of the trainings. No survey was conducted so far on the satisfaction of the technical support provided by the PBF secretariat because the unit of reference was not formed	The Technical Working Group for the Priority Plan will be formed in Q1 of 2017. Once it meets in plenary, quaterly polling will be conducted.
Output 1.3 PPP implementation coordinated	Indicator 1.3.1 PPP Secretariat functions effectively performed	0	6	N/A	As aforementioned the PBF SC, which will assist the SDRF SC to coordinate the implementation of the Priority Plan, was not yet formed during the reporting period. The first meeting is scheduled for early March 2017.	
	Indicator 1.3.2 Ensure timely and quality reporting of PBF-funded projects	0	75%	N/A	The funds for the PBF projects were disbursed only mid December 2016. The PRF projects will report in the MPTF format starting with the Q1 report which is due April 15th 2017.	

Outcome 2 Support efforts to remotely monitor Somali public perceptions and behaviours relevant to the ongoing peace- and state building processes	Indicator 2.1 TBD	TBD	TBD			
	Indicator 2.2					
Output 2.1 PPP Relevant stakeholder buy-in and proper needs assessment among potential users	Indicator 2.1.1 Agreed project plan and signed concept note among key stakeholders With specified roles and responsibilities. (to be updated at project inception and made SMART).	Concept note, project plan and workplan agreed in consensus by key stakeholders.		o Concept note designed and agreed in consensus by all stakeholders.		
	Indicator 2.1.2					

Output 2.2 Project outcomes achieved as agreed in project plan and memoranda of understanding	Indicator 2.2.1 Agreed project plan and signed concept note among key stakeholders With specified roles and responsibilities. (to be updated at project inception and made SMART).	An experimental technology package for analysis of Big Data content in Somali language from Facebook and radio is developed.		NTR		
	Indicator 2.2.2 Data analysis relevance is assessed. (to be updated at project inception and made SMART).	Conduct assessment on the relevance of Big Data analysis to support Peace Building processes in Somalia.		Analysis of the use of media in Somalia conducted.		
Output 2.3 Scale up of current to provide more analysis	Indicator 2.3.1 TBD	TBD	TBD			
	Indicator 2.3.2 TBD	TBD	TBD			
Outcome 3	Indicator 3.1					
	Indicator 3.2					

Output 3.1	Indicator 3.1.1				
	Indicator 3.1.2				
Output 3.2	Indicator 3.2.1				
	Indicator 3.2.2				
Output 3.3	Indicator 3.3.1				
	Indicator 3.3.2				
Outcome 4	Indicator 4.1				
	Indicator 4.2				
Output 4.1	Indicator 4.1.1				
	Indicator 4.1.2				
Output 4.2	Indicator 4.2.1				
	Indicator 4.2.2				
Output 4.3	Indicator 4.3.1				
	Indicator 4.3.2				