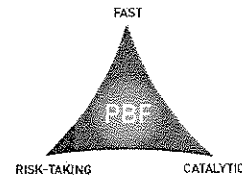


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TEMPLATE 3.4



**United Nations Peacebuilding Support Office (PBSO)/ Peacebuilding Fund
(PBF)
PRF REVISED PROJECT DOCUMENT¹**

Project Title: "Peace and reconciliation through strengthening the rule of law and human rights protection"	Initial Recipient UN Organization(s): Office of the UN High Commissioner for Human Rights, Regional Office for Central Asia (OHCHR)
Project Contact: Ms Beatrix Ferenci, Deputy Regional Representative ai Address: 41, Usenbaev Street, Bishkek, Kyrgyzstan Telephone: +996 312 388249 E-mail: beatrix.ferenci@ohchr.org	- Implementing Partner(s) – name & type (Government, CSO, etc): - Department on Judicial Reform and Rule of Law of the Office of the President of the Kyrgyz Republic - Coordination Council on Human Rights under the Government of the Kyrgyz Republic
Project Number: <i>Use project number provided by UNDP MPTF Office</i>	Project Location: Bishkek and other regions
Project Description: <i>One sentence describing the project focus and purpose.</i> The aim of this project is to contribute to the durable peace and reconciliation process in Kyrgyzstan through strengthening the rule of law and human rights protection. Planned activities will target key reform areas, which contribute to pro-peace change in line with national priorities	Initial approved PBF budget: 973,753 USD Additional PBF budget requested: 92,000 USD New Total PBF budget: 1.065,753 USD Any non-PBF project budget: 30,000 USD Project Start Date: 01/07/2014 Initial Project End Date: 30/06/2016 Revised End Date (if applicable): N/A
Gender Marker Score²: ____ <i>Score 3 for projects that have gender equality as a principal objective.</i>	

¹ To be used if additional budget is being requested OR if a substantive change to project outcomes is requested. The form must be accompanied by the Transmittal form, signed by the JSC co-chairs – template 3.3.

² PBSO monitors the inclusion of gender equality and women's empowerment all PBF projects, in line with SC Resolutions 1325, 1888, 1889, 1960 and 2122, and as mandated by the Secretary-General in his Seven-Point Action Plan on Gender Responsive Peacebuilding.

Score 2 for projects that have gender equality as a significant objective.

Score 1 for projects that will contribute in some way to gender equality, but not significantly.

Score 0 for projects that are not expected to contribute noticeably to gender equality.

Project Outcomes:

The project foresees the following specific activities to reach its outputs:

- Supporting the Secretariat of the National Council on Judicial Reform (NCJR) on monitoring and evaluation of progress of the judicial reform process; providing support to the Expert Working Groups on drafting key legislation in the area of administration of justice in line with international human rights standards;
- Providing support to the Supreme Court on unification of judicial practice on criminal cases.
- Updating training curricula of the Supreme Court's Judiciary Training Center (JTC) and the Center for the Professional Training of Prosecutors (CPTP) under the General Prosecutor's Office according to the new criminal legislation, and providing experts of JTC and CPTP by manuals and ToT on conducting trainings on new legislation and human rights for judges and prosecutors.
- Providing advisory, institutional and technical support to the newly established NPM.
- Providing advisory, institutional and technical support to the Coordination Council on Human Rights under the Government on follow-up to UN human rights mechanisms' recommendations.
- Supporting national human rights NGOs to conduct human rights monitoring, reporting and advocacy in Osh, Jalalabad and Batken provinces of Kyrgyzstan.
- Providing expert advises and conducting trainings on human rights protection and conflict mitigation for groups of young lawyers from multiethnic towns and.
- Organizing expert workshops, round-tables, consultations with rights holders, including women activists and women's rights NGOs, and a national conference to raise the awareness of duty bearers and rights holders on justice mechanisms and tools to address human rights violations committed during and in the aftermath of June 2010 violence.

PBF Focus Area³ which best summarizes the focus of the project (*select only one*):

³ PBF focus areas

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):


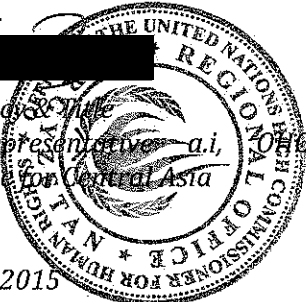


(2.1) National reconciliation; (2.1) Democratic Governance; (2.3) Conflict prevention/management;

3: Revitalise the economy and generate immediate peace dividends (Priority Area 3);

(3.1) Employment; (3.2) Equitable access to social services

4) (Re)-establish essential administrative services (Priority Area 4)

(4.1) Strengthening of essential national state capacity; (4.2) extension of state authority/local administration; (4.3) Governance of peacebuilding resources (including JSC/PBF Secretariats)

(for PRF-funded projects)	
Recipient UN Organization(s) (include one signature box per RUNO)	National Government counterpart
<p>Name of Representative Ms. Elisabeth da Costa</p> <p>Signature </p> <p>Name of Agency & Title Regional Representative a.i. Regional Office for Central Asia</p> <p>Date & Seal 04 November 2015</p> 	<p>Name of Government Counterpart Mr. Kanas Arabaev</p> <p>Signature </p> <p>Title Head Department on Judicial Reform and Rule of Law of the Office of the President of the Kyrgyz Republic</p> <p>Date & Seal 11 November 2015</p> 

National Government counterpart
<p>Name of Government Counterpart</p> <p>Signature</p> <p>Title</p> <p>Date & Seal</p>

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PROJECT COMPONENTS:

(N.B. 1: All the italicized text on the pages below is to be used as guidance for what should be provided. The actual submission does not need to contain the italicized text.)

I. Peacebuilding Context and Rationale for PBF support

a) Changes to peacebuilding context:

N/A

b) Rationale for and impact of this project revision:

The Regional Office for Central Asia of the UN High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR ROCA) is currently implementing – from Bishkek – two Peacebuilding Fund (PRF) projects in Kyrgyzstan: “Peace and reconciliation through strengthening the rule of law and protection of human rights” and “Unity in Diversity”. The two projects contribute to Peacebuilding Priority Plan (PPP) outcomes 1 and 3, and in various ways, address issues that are relevant to the south of Kyrgyzstan in areas such as minority rights, fight against torture, administration of justice, training for young lawyers and small grants for civil society organizations.

Albeit stable on the surface, the human rights situation in the south of Kyrgyzstan remains of concern. Potential conflict triggers are present in the form of continued ethnic discrimination and divisions over usage of limited resources. The situation is complicated with the recent rise in security incidents allegedly linked to counter. Against this backdrop, several international organizations are planning to leave Osh at the end of the year 2015. During his visit to Kyrgyzstan on 11 June 2015, the UN Secretary General, Mr. Ban Ki-moon urged the Government of the Kyrgyz Republic to strengthen its efforts towards achieving a meaningful reconciliation process that addresses root causes and meets rights to truth and justice in the south of Kyrgyzstan, with the support of the United Nations.

In this context, OHCHR ROCA has requested additional USD 92,000 to the already ongoing project “Peace and reconciliation through strengthening the rule of law and protection of human rights”. The project addendum will allow OHCHR ROCA to (1) increase its engagement through additional activities in southern Kyrgyzstan from November 2015 to June 2016⁴, in line with the PRF project-cycle; (2) ensure greater involvement and participation of the authorities in the activities planned in the south of Kyrgyzstan and aimed at achieving a meaningful reconciliation process and at addressing root causes of the 2010 conflict, as well as (3) monitor the situation post elections and serve as an early-warning mechanism.

The project addendum will contribute to achieve PPP Outcome 1 and ultimately result in an improved human rights situation in the south of Kyrgyzstan, improved compliance with human rights standards in the criminal justice system and increased accountability and responsibility of duty bearers for human rights violations including those committed in the past in the south of Kyrgyzstan. This will also enable OHCHR ROCA to strengthen the link between peace building and stabilization on one hand, and human rights interventions on the other.

The project will also have an overarching impact on reducing the fragility of the current situation and the conflict susceptibility. It will feed into the early warning and protection of human rights in situations of post-conflict, violence and insecurity. The project will

⁴ In addition to USD 92,000 from, OHCHR ROCA also received an additional contribution of USD 30,000 from the Swiss Embassy.

contribute to improved compliance with international human rights standards by relevant State actors in the security and justice sectors aimed at reducing the number, coverage and seriousness of conflicts and security problems affecting the broader population. The project therefore offers a significant and much needed opportunity to further progress towards durable solutions.

II. Objectives of PBF support and proposed implementation

- a) **New Project outcomes, theory of change, activities, targets and sequencing:**
Outline any new or revised project outcomes, including their major activities, target population, geographic focus, modalities and sequencing of implementation. If this materially affects the Theory of Change for the project, please provide the new Theory of Change. Please explain how coherent any new outcomes are with any other outcomes of the project which have not been changed. Please indicate whether the addition of new project outcomes will reshape how this project contributes to higher-level Priority Plan outcomes.

The project addendum does not foresee any additional outcome, but a new output. The proposed activities under that output will contribute to achieve Outcome 2 “Adequate functioning of national human rights mechanisms and civil society actors leads to effective protection of human rights and increased accountability for their violation, including through holistic follow-up on UN human rights mechanisms’ recommendation”. The new activities will enable OHCHR ROCA to address human rights issues specifically in the south of Kyrgyzstan for a period of 8 months.

ROCA identified the following additional output:

#1: Awareness raising and capacity building of duty bearers and rights holders regarding emerging human rights trends in the south of Kyrgyzstan.

In order to achieve this output, OHCHR ROCA will implement four different sets of activities in the south of Kyrgyzstan (Osh, Jalalabad and Batken):

1: Monitoring and reporting

- Increased understanding of the human rights situation in the south;
- Reduced number of human rights violations, in particular of fundamental freedoms;

2: Capacity building

- Increased awareness of various actors on fundamental freedoms, including the right to freedom of expression and the right to peaceful assembly, in the context of upcoming elections and emerging human rights trends;
- Increased understanding and capacity of rights holders and duty bearers regarding international human rights standards, and the use of national and international human rights mechanisms;

3: Advocacy

- Increased understanding and compliance of duty-bearers with international human rights standards, and the implementation of UN human rights recommendations;
- Increased awareness of oblast level governmental and non-governmental partners about peacebuilding activities in Kyrgyzstan (with focus on activities in the southern region).

4: Coordination

- Improved coordination between national human rights institutions, NGOs and international organisations on protection and promotion of human rights in the south of Kyrgyzstan.

b) **Revised Budget:** *Outline the revised budget for the project, including activity by activity and by UN categories. Please include a short narrative summarizing the overall change in budget, why the change is necessary and how value for money will be ensured. Please use the two budget tables below.*

Table 1: Project Activity Revised Budget

No changes are foreseen at Outcome level.

Outcome 2: Adequate functioning of national human rights mechanisms and civil society actors leads to effective protection of human rights and increased accountability for their violation, including through holistic follow-up on UN human rights mechanisms' recommendation.				
Output number	Output names	Output budget by RUNO	UN budget category (see table below for list of categories)	Any remarks (e.g. on types of inputs provided or budget justification)
Output 2.5	Awareness raising and capacity building of duty bearers and rights holders regarding emerging human rights trends in the south of Kyrgyzstan	USD 92,000	See below	
Output 1.2				
Output 1.3				
Outcome 2:				
Output 2.1				
Output 2.2				
Output 2.3				
Etc				
TOTAL				

Table 2: Project budget by UN categories by RUNO

PBF PROJECT BUDGET – RUNO 1 (add other tables if more than 1 RUNO)			
CATEGORIES	Original Budget	Proposed increase/decrease	Proposed new budget
1. Staff and other personnel	432160	59183	491343
2. Supplies, Commodities, Materials	3100		3100
3. Equipment, Vehicles, and Furniture (including Depreciation)	10000	12298	22298
4. Contractual services	279490		279490
5.Travel	37700	3500	41200
6. Transfers and Grants to Counterparts	76000		76000
7. General Operating and other Direct Costs	71600	11000	82600
Sub-Total Project Costs	910 050	85 981	996 031
8. Indirect Support Costs*	63703	6018,67	69721,67
TOTAL	973753	92,000	1,065,753

c) **Capacity of any new RUNO(s) and implementing partners:** N/A

III. Management and coordination

a) **Project management:**

OHCHR ROCA plans to hire/deploy on mission the following staff to ensure the project's effective implementation:

- Human Rights Officer – will be responsible for project addendum's overall results and implementation at the level of outcomes, outputs and activities;
- One national UNV - will be responsible for providing programme, legal and technical support in implementing project's activities;
- One driver – to assist the programmatic staff with the implementation of activities.

The results framework of this project will be fully integrated into OHCHR's Annual Work Plan for all calendar years of project implementation. All outcomes, outputs and activities for this project will be directly included into OHCHR's online "Performance Management System" through which project progress towards results will be monitored.

b) **Risk management:** No changes in the risks

Table 3 – Risk management matrix

Risks to the achievement of PBF outcomes	Likelihood of occurrence (high, medium, low)	Severity of risk impact (high, medium, low)	Mitigating Strategy (and Person/Unit responsible)
The main risks associated with the project could be a lack of political willingness on part of the authorities to implement human rights standards, corruption and turnover amongst decision-makers and criminal justice practitioners, as well as a lack of state funding for the criminal justice system and the NPM.	Medium	Medium	This risk will be mitigated through political advocacy, public awareness raising and a step by step approach to which the government has committed itself in order to implement its proclaimed national priorities in the area of rule of law, judicial reform and human rights promotion and protection.

c) **Monitoring & evaluation:** See attached table

d) **Administrative arrangements:** (This section uses standard wording – please do not remove)

The UNDP MPTF Office serves as the Administrative Agent (AA) of the PBF and is responsible for the receipt of donor contributions, the transfer of funds to Recipient UN Organizations, the consolidation of narrative and financial reports and the submission of these to the PBSO and the PBF donors. As the Administrative Agent of the PBF, MPTF Office transfers funds to RUNOS on the basis of the signed Memorandum of Understanding between each RUNO and the MPTF Office.

AA Functions

On behalf of the Participating Organizations, and in accordance with the UNDG-approved “Protocol on the Administrative Agent for Multi Donor Trust Funds and Joint Programmes, and One UN funds” (2008), the MPTF Office as the AA of the PBF will:

- Disburse funds to each of the RUNO in accordance with instructions from the PBSO. The AA will normally make each disbursement within three (3) to five (5) business days after having received instructions from the PBSO along with the relevant Submission form and Project document signed by all participants concerned;
- Consolidate narrative reports and financial statements (Annual and Final), based on submissions provided to the AA by RUNOS and provide the PBF consolidated progress reports to the donors and the PBSO;
- Proceed with the operational and financial closure of the project in the MPTF Office system once the completion is notified by the RUNO (accompanied by the final narrative report, the final certified financial statement and the balance refund);

- Disburse funds to any RUNO for any costs extension that the PBSO may decide in accordance with the PBF rules & regulations.

Accountability, transparency and reporting of the Recipient United Nations Organizations

Recipient United Nations Organizations will assume full programmatic and financial accountability for the funds disbursed to them by the Administrative Agent. Such funds will be administered by each RUNO in accordance with its own regulations, rules, directives and procedures.

Each RUNO shall establish a separate ledger account for the receipt and administration of the funds disbursed to it by the Administrative Agent from the PBF account. This separate ledger account shall be administered by each RUNO in accordance with its own regulations, rules, directives and procedures, including those relating to interest. The separate ledger account shall be subject exclusively to the internal and external auditing procedures laid down in the financial regulations, rules, directives and procedures applicable to the RUNO.

Each RUNO will provide the Administrative Agent and the PBSO (for narrative reports only) with:

- Bi-annual progress reports to be provide no later than 15 July;
- Annual and final narrative reports, to be provided no later than three months (31 March) after the end of the calendar year;
- Annual financial statements as of 31 December with respect to the funds disbursed to it from the PBF, to be provided no later than four months (30 April) after the end of the calendar year;
- Certified final financial statements after the completion of the activities in the approved programmatic document, to be provided no later than six months (30 June) of the year following the completion of the activities.
- Unspent Balance at the closure of the project would have to been refunded and a notification sent to the MPTF Office, no later than six months (30 June) of the year following the completion of the activities.

Ownership of Equipment, Supplies and Other Property

Ownership of equipment, supplies and other property financed from the PBF shall vest in the RUNO undertaking the activities. Matters relating to the transfer of ownership by the RUNO shall be determined in accordance with its own applicable policies and procedures.

Public Disclosure

The PBSO and Administrative Agent will ensure that operations of the PBF are publicly disclosed on the PBF website (<http://unpbf.org>) and the Administrative Agent's website (<http://mptf.undp.org>).

PRF Project Results Framework (including any changes due to this revision)

Country name: Kyrgyzstan											
Priority Plan Outcome Statement to which project contributes: Critical laws, policies, reforms and recommendations of human rights mechanisms, including the UPR, are implemented to uphold the rule of law, improve access to justice and respect, protect and fulfill human rights											
Project Effective Dates: 01 July 2014-30 June 2016											
Project Theory of Change: This project is based on the theory of change that "If: 1. Legislative drafters are aware about international and constitutional human rights standards relevant to new legislation on justice administration, and judicial actors are capacitated to ensure an equal application of such standards in practice; 2. Effective coordination between the state structures to promote an holistic implementation of UN human rights mechanisms' recommendations is built, and the capacities of independent monitoring mechanisms are strengthened; 3. A dialogue between duty bearers and right holders about the root causes of the June 2010 violence can take place, access to justice for victims of human rights violations that have occurred during and in the aftermath of the violence is strengthened, then the level of public trust in state institutions will increase, which is essential for achieving stability and durable peace in Kyrgyzstan											
Outcomes	Outputs	Indicators	Progress to date			Year 1			Year 2		Milestones
Outcome 1: Key legislation in the area of administration of justice is in line with international human and constitutional human rights standards and the judiciary adjudicates several cases in line with these standards		Outcome Indicator 1 a Degree of compliance of key laws relating to the administration of justice - the Criminal and Criminal Procedure Codes, Code on Criminal Offences, Laws on the Ombudsman, State Guaranteed Legal Aid and on Bar and Legal Practice - with international human rights standards. Baseline: The current Criminal Procedure Code and other	1) As a result of OHCHR's technical and expert support to the Expert Working Groups and the relevant Parliamentary Committees, seven draft laws (including the Criminal Procedure Code) have been tabled in the Parliament, discussed with	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	Please refer to Annual Report to be submitted on 15 November 2015

