

Peacebuilding Fund Project Progress Report (Updated template October 2022)



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PROJECT OVERVIEW

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» Report Submission

Type of report *

- ☐ Semi-annual
- ☒ Annual
- ☐ Final
- ☐ Other

Date of submission of report *

2022-11-15

Name and Title of Person submitting the report *

John R. Dennis, PBF Coordinator Liberia

Name and Title of Person who approved the report *

Margaret Gulavic, Head of RCO

Have all fund recipients for this project contributed to the report?

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☒ yes

☐ no

Did PBF Secretariat or the PBF Focal point in the resident coordinator office review the report?

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If there is no PBF secretariat in country, please select "Not applicable". If there is a PBF secretariat, you should normally ensure that they have an opportunity to review.

☐ yes

☐ no

☒ Not Applicable

Any additional comment from the PBF Secretariat/ RCO Focal point on this report

» Project Information and Geographical Scope

Is this a cross-border or regional project?

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☐ yes ☒ no

Please select the geographical region in which the project is implemented

☐ Asia and the Pacific

☐ Central & Southern Africa

☐ East Africa

☐ Europe and Central Asia

☐ Global

☐ Latin America and the Caribbean

☐ Middle East and North Africa

☒ West Africa

Country of project implementation

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☐ Benin

☐ Burkina Faso

☐ Cote D'Ivoire

☐ Gambia

☐ Guinea

☐ Guinea-Bissau

☒ Liberia

☐ Mali

☐ Mauritania

☐ Niger

☐ Nigeria

☐ Senegal

☐ Sierra Leone

☐ Togo

☐ Other, Specify

Project Title

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- ☐ 00118934: Advancing implementation of UNSCRs on Women Peace and Security (WPS) through strengthening accountability frameworks, innovative financing and Gender Responsive Budgeting (GRB)
- ☐ 00129168: Delivering Peace Dividends in Liberia: Consolidating National, Regional and Local Reconciliation and Social Cohesion Opportunities
- ☐ 00128904: Promoting Inclusive Political Participation and Elimination of Violence Against Women in Politics
- ☐ 00125938: Protection and Support of Enabling Environment for Women Human Rights Defenders and LGBTQI Rights Defenders in Liberia
- ☒ 00113699: Support to LMPTF-PBF Joint Secretariat: UNDP
- ☐ 00125953: Sustainable and inclusive peace in Liberia through promoting women leadership and participation in civic and political life and their strengthened role in conflict resolution
- ☐ 00119682: Sustaining peace & reconciliation through strengthening land governance & dispute resolution mechanisms
- ☐ 00113990: Sustaining peace and improving social cohesion through the promotion of rural employment opportunities for youth in conflict-prone areas
- ☐ 00133452: Promoting Peaceful Electoral Environment and Community Security in Liberia
- ☐ 00131553: Strengthening the agency of young women in peacebuilding processes and land tenure in Liberia
- ☐ Other, Specify

Project Start Date

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2019-02-15

Project end Date

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2024-07-12

Has this project received an extension?

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- ☒ YES, Cost Extension
- ☐ YES, No Cost Extension
- ☐ YES, Both Cost and No Cost extensions
- ☐ NO, No Extensions

Will this project be requesting an extension? *

- ☐ YES, Cost Extension
- ☒ YES, No Cost Extension
- ☐ YES, Both Cost and No Cost extensions
- ☐ NO, No Extensions

Is funding disbursed either into a national or regional trust fund *

- ☐ yes
- ☒ no

Recipients

Is the lead recipient a UN agency or a non UN entity? *

- ☒ UN entity
- ☐ Non-UN Entity

Please select the lead recipient *

- ☒ UNDP: United Nations Development Programme ☐ IOM: International Organization for Migration
- ☐ UNICEF: United Nations Children's Fund
- ☐ OHCHR: Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights
- ☐ UNWOMEN: United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women
- ☐ UNHCR: United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees ☐ UNFPA: United Nations Population Fund
- ☐ FAO: Food and Agriculture Organization ☐ WFP: World Food Programme
- ☐ UNHABITAT: United Nations Human Settlements Programme
- ☐ UNESCO: United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization
- ☐ UNEP: United Nations Environment Programme ☐ ILO: International Labour Organization
- ☐ WHO: World Health Organization ☐ PAHO/WHO
- ☐ UNCDF: United Nations Capital Development Fund ☐ UNODC: United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime
- ☐ UNOPS: United Nations Office for Project Services
- ☐ UNIDO: United Nations Industrial Development Organization ☐ ITC: International Trade Centre
- ☐ UNDPO ☐ Other, Specify

Are there other recipients for this project?

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- ☒ No other recipients
- ☐ Yes, other UN recipients only
- ☐ Yes, other non-UN recipients only
- ☐ Yes, both UN and non-UN recipients

Implementing Partners

To how many implementing partners has the project transferred money to date?

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Does the project have an active steering committee?

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- ☐ yes
- ☒ no

Please provide a brief description of any engagement that the project has had with the government over the last 6 months? Please indicate what level of government the project has been engaging with?

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Please limit your response to 275 words

The Secretariat engaged the Government both at technical and ministerial levels on issues relative to the development, implementation and coordination of PBF's support. For example at country level, the Secretariat facilitated the development and signing of three projects including the peaceful electoral environment project that required engaging government partners at technical level during development and signing at ministerial level after development. These interactions preclude our engagement during the development of the five years PBF Strategic Results Framework (2022-2027) for Liberia and the visit of the Assistant Secretary General for Peacebuilding to Liberia during the reporting period.

Financial Reporting

» Delivery by Recipient

Please enter the total amounts in US dollars allocated to each recipient organization

Please enter the original budget amount, amount transferred to date and estimated expenditure by recipient.

*Please make sure you enter the correct amount. All values should be entered in **US Dollars***

Recipients	Total Project Budget (in US \$) <i>Please enter the total budget as is in the project document in US Dollars</i>	Transfers to date (in US \$) <i>Please enter the total amount transferred to each recipient to date in US Dollars</i>	Expenditure to date (in US \$) <i>Please enter the approximate amount spent to date in US dollars</i>	Implementation rate as a percentage of total budget (calculated automatically)

UNDP: United Nations Development Programme	3052200.39	1540868.5	1183956.14	38.79 %
TOTAL	3052200.39	1540868.5	1183956.14	38.79%

The approximate implementation rate as percentage of total project budget based on the values entered in the above matrix is **38.79%**. Can you confirm that this is correct?

☒ Correct ☐ Incorrect

» Gender-responsive Budgeting

Indicate what **percentage (%)** of the budget contributes to gender equality or women's empowerment (GEWE)?

20

The dollar amount of the budget contributing to Gender Equality and Women's Empowerment (GEWE) based on percentage entered above and total project budget is **US \$ 610440.08**. Can you confirm that this is correct?

☒ Correct ☐ Incorrect

Amount expended to date on efforts contributing to gender equality or women's empowerment is **US \$ 236791.23**. Is this correct?

☒ Correct ☐ Incorrect

ATTACH PROJECT EXCEL BUDGET SHOWING CURRENT APPROXIMATE EXPENDITURE.
The templates for the budget are available [here](#)

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Project Markers

Please select the Gender Marker Associated with this project *

- ☒ Score 1 for projects that contribute in some way to gender equality, but not significantly (less than 30% of the total budget for GEWE)
- ☐ Score 2 for projects that have gender equality as a significant objective and allocate between 30 and 79% of the total project budget to GEWE
- ☐ Score 3 for projects that have gender equality as a principal objective and allocate at least 80% of the total project budget to Gender Equality and Women's Empowerment (GEWE)

Please select the Risk Marker Associated with this project *

- ☒ Risk marker 0 = low risk to achieving outcomes
- ☐ Risk marker 1 = medium risk to achieving outcomes
- ☐ Risk marker 2 = high risk to achieving outcomes

Please select the PBF Focus Area associated with this project *

- ☐ (1.1) Security Sector Reform
- ☐ (1.2) Rule of Law
- ☐ (1.3) Demobilisation, Disarmament and Reintegration
- ☐ (1.4) Political Dialogue
- ☐ (2.1) National reconciliation
- ☐ (2.2) Democratic Governance
- ☐ (2.3) Conflict prevention/management
- ☐ (3.1) Employment
- ☐ (3.2) Equitable access to social services
- ☐ (4.1) Strengthening of essential national state capacity
- ☐ (4.2) Extension of state authority/Local Administration
- ☒ (4.3) Governance of peacebuilding resources (including PBF Secretariats)

Is the project part of one or more PBF priority windows? *

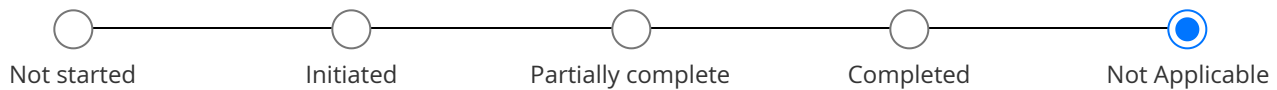
Select all that apply

- ☐ Gender promotion initiative
- ☐ Youth promotion initiative
- ☒ Transition from UN or regional peacekeeping or special political missions
- ☐ Cross-border or regional project
- ☐ None

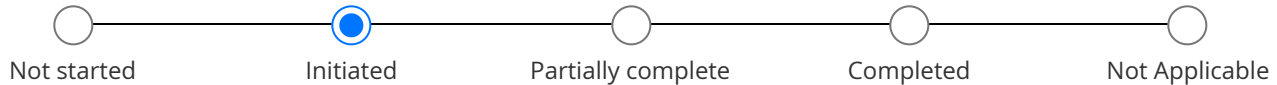
PART I: OVERALL PROJECT PROGRESS

Please rate the implementation status of the following preliminary/preparatory activities

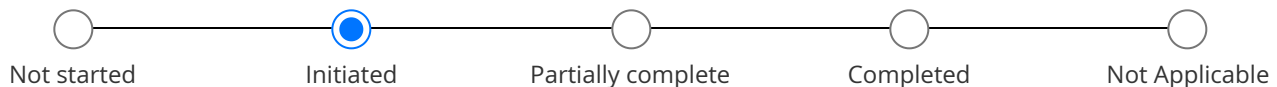
Contracting of Partners *



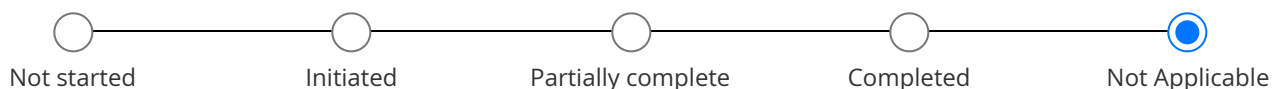
Staff Recruitment *



Collection of baselines *



Identification of beneficiaries *



Provide any additional descriptive information relating to the *status of the project* 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.)

Please limit your response to 250 words

The Secretariat got a cost extension in July for two years to continue its oversight and coordination role. Due to the growth of the country's portfolio, PBSO approved additional staffing capacity that will include an administrative finance assistant; and a regional peacebuilding officer (P4) that will provide support to regional cross border interventions. The regional peacebuilding officer will be based in Monrovia with frequent travels to the subregion. The recruitment process is ongoing to have a Secretariat of five: Regional Peacebuilding Specialist (P4), National Coordinator (NOC), M&E Analyst (NOB), Adm/Finance Assistant (G5) and a driver (G2). The secretariat closely worked with PBSO to finalize a five year strategic peacebuilding framework for Liberia, which was validated by the Government of Liberia, UNCT, local and international partners. The Secretariat had received and reviewed three preconcept notes from the agencies to cover interventions around the three strategic areas in the Strategic Results Framework as follows: Peace Dividends, Reconciliation and Conflict Resolution; Institutional Accountability and Strengthened Social Contract; and Community Access to and use of land. Agencies were responding to comments at the time of submitting this report.

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

Please limit your response to 550 words

Given the coordination and oversight role of the PBF Secretariat in making sure that the peacebuilding needs of the government and people are addressed through relevant interventions, the Fund has gained a foothold in Liberia, thereby addressing critical peacebuilding gaps. For example, the government initially faced huge challenge in addressing its peacebuilding needs, ranging from national reconciliation and social cohesion to rule of law and human rights, including gender equality and women empowerment. The PBF supported, among other things, the development and updating of the National Reconciliation Road Map, initial conduct of the Social Cohesion and Reconciliation Index (SCORE), development of county reconciliation plans, Liberia Peacebuilding Plan, training and decentralizing justice and security services through the regional hub concept, development and actualization of the National Action Plan (NAP) on women peace and security in accordance with UNSCR 1325. The secretariat has ensured that projects that are developed under its watch are well tailored to the needs of targeted beneficiaries to achieve optimal results. For example, gender equality and women empowerment is resonating with every sector of government including the National Legislature that recently passed the 30% candidate quota to ensure women's political participation. Gender quality and peacebuilding is being institutionalized with government financing 100% staffing and operations of the Liberia Peacebuilding Office established with funding support from the PBF. There has also been increased interest to appoint females in high position of government due to sustained support of the PBF.

PART II: RESULT PROGRESS BY PROJECT OUTCOME

NOTES FOR COMPLETING THE REPORT:

- Avoid acronyms and UN jargon, use general /common language.
- Report on what has been achieved in the reporting period, not what the project aims to do.
- Be as concrete as possible. Avoid theoretical, vague or conceptual discourse.
- Ensure the analysis and project progress assessment is gender and age sensitive.
- In the results table, please be concise, you will have 3000 characters, including blank spaces to provide your responses

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.

How many OUTCOMES does this project have *

0 ☒ 1 ☐ 2 ☐ 3 ☐ 4 ☐ 5 ☐ more than 5

Please write out the project outcomes as they are in the project results framework found in the project document

Outcome 1: *

Effective coordination, monitoring, reporting, evaluation and communication on the achievements of the LMPTF, including PBF's investment in Liberia and the sustained growth of investment in peacebuilding-related programmes through the PBF/LMPTF modalities

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Rate the current status of the outcome progress *

☐ 1. Off Track ☐ 2. On Track ☒ 3. On Track with evidence of peacebuilding results

Progress summary

Please limit your response to 350 words

The Secretariat remained effective in the coordination of the PBF portfolio, which is an integral catalyst to addressing peacebuilding needs in Liberia through the UNCT, CSOs and various peacebuilding structures at national and subnational levels; fulfilling Pillar 3, Sustaining the Peace, of the Government Pro-poor Agenda for Prosperity and Development (PAPD) and SDGs 5, 10 and 16. The Portfolio has established a foothold in Liberia, thereby harnessing partnership and coordination with government and donor partners to strengthen peacebuilding efforts and increase visibility.

The new PBF Five Years (2022-2027) Strategic Results Framework developed in 2022 has reassured the Government and its people of the UN's commitment to sustain peace; increasing its investment growth, aside from ongoing projects that are showing results at all levels, especially in key sectors supported by the PBF. For example, PBF is providing support to the Liberia Land Authority (LLA) to strengthen land administration to avoid conflicts. Victor Brown, Coordinator, at the LLA assigned in Bong County, informed PBSO and PBC joint mission in June that LLA has managed to resolve more than 30 land disputes in the County, abrogating potential conflicts. He appreciated training and logistical support that have helped to facilitate his movements in hard-to-reach areas to have conflict resolved through Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR) Mechanisms.

Monitoring conducted by the Secretariat revealed substantial increase in the capabilities of women in all the project counties visited. For example, a young lady trained by Messengers of Peace in Kakata, Margibi County, informed the Secretariat she's confident in herself to promote women's political participation in the up coming 2023 general elections in Liberia. "While I wait for the official launch of campaign activities, we have started engaging the media on the rights of women to participate in politics", said Yatta Sheriff. The Portfolio continued to sustain investment growth with a total of USD13.5M active projects between January and June 2022, attracting additional USD8M commitment aside from two new projects to be inaugurated under the GYPI by the end of 2022.

The secretariat is on track with project evaluations.

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

Please limit your response to 350 words

The Secretariat has ensured that gender responsive interventions are captured during the development of projects with partners, aside from monitoring gender inclusive activities. The Secretariat has allocated 20% of its budget to ensure gender equality and inclusivity in all activities undertaken by it. During the development of the PBF Strategic Results Framework, the Secretariat ensured gender representation and participation throughout the discussion. For example, the Independent Human Rights Commission was represented by a learned female lawyer who made tremendous contribution

Using the Project Results Framework as per the approved project document or any amendments- provide an update on the achievement of key outcome indicators for **Outcome 1** in the table below

- If the outcome has more than 3 indicators , select the 3 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. (3000 characters max per entry)

» **Outcome 1: Effective coordination, monitoring, reporting, evaluation and communication on the achievements of the LMPTF, including PBF's investment in Liberia and the sustained growth of investment in peacebuilding-related programmes through the PBF/LMPTF modalities**

Outcome 1	Performance Indicators <i>Describe the indicator</i>	Indicator Baseline <i>State the baseline value of the indicator</i>	End of Project Indicator Target <i>State the target value of the indicator at the end of the project</i>	Indicator progress to date <i>State the current cumulative value of the indicator since the start of the project</i>	Reasons for Variance/ Delay (if any) <i>Explain why the indicator is off track or has changed, where relevant</i>
1.1	1a. % of satisfaction expressed with the support provided by the Secretariat to Stakeholders (disaggregated by: Steering Committee members, RUNOs, Government, donors, CSOs and gender).	25%	July 2024 At least 75%	40%	The indicator progress is based on estimates, considering the feedback from stakeholders including PBSO. The project hasn't conducted a baseline/perception survey.
1.2	1.b. Development of the Resource Mobilization & Communication Plan and Continued growth of the peacebuilding investment in Liberia	1.b: (2017-2019) 0 / US\$ 14.3 million	1 Additional US\$12M July 2024 Investment amount to be developed as part of the resource mobilization strategy of the Secretariat. An exit, sustainability and resource mobilization strategy prepared every 3 years	At the start of 2022, the PBF Portfolio was \$13.5 million. Additional USD8 Million committed as part of the PBF SRF implementation aside from more than 3million for two GYPI Projects for early 2023.	
1.3	1.c. percentage of PBF funds contributing to GEWE in Liberia	(2022): TBA	(2022 July): 40%	20%	

How many outputs does outcome 1 have?

0 1 2 **3** 4 5 more than 5

Please list up to 5 of most relevant outputs for outcome 1

Output 1.1

High quality projects for the LMPTF PBF developed jointly by UN, Government, civil society counterparts

Output 1.2

Strengthened management structure and strategic position for the PBF portfolio in Liberia

Output 1.3

Effective M&E system in place and functional to provide information required for strategic planning, decision-making, and learning for the benefit of the PBF portfolio and the wider peacebuilding work in Liberia

For each output, and using the, project results framework, provide an update on the progress made against 3 most relevant output indicators

» Output 1.1

Output 1.1: High quality projects for the LMPTF PBF developed jointly by UN, Governmen t, civil society counterpar ts	Performanc e Indicators <i>Describe the indicator</i>	Indicator Baseline <i>State the baseline value of the indicator</i>	End of Project Indicator Target <i>State the target value of the indicator at the end of the project</i>	Indicator progress to date <i>State the current cummulative value of the indicator since the start of the project</i>	Reasons for Variance/ Delay (if any) <i>Explain why the indicator is off track or has changed, where relevant</i>
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1.1.1	1.1.a. % project approved in line with the PBF Strategic Result Framework.	TBD	75% by 2024	Three concept notes were submitted for review to the secretariat in line with PBF Strategic Results Framework	
1.1.2	1.1.b. Partnership strengthened with civil society organizations implementing PBF funded projects	(2017-2018) 2 CSO projects approved by PBSO (May 2022): 3 additional CSOs/INGOs (KTK, ZOA Stichting, ActionAid Liberia) projects approved	Target (July 2024): 3	The PBF Secretariat has strengthened relationship with INGOs/CSOs. Provided support and coordinated with partners to ensure smooth delivery of project results.	
1.1.3	1.1.c Number of cross-border and regional initiatives supported by the PBF with Liberia	(start of 2022): 1 between Cote d'Ivoire and Liberia;	By 2024: 2	One concept note is being developed for a cross border project between Liberia and Sierra Leone.	

» Output 1.2

Output 1.2: Strengthened management structure and strategic position for the PBF portfolio in Liberia	Performance Indicators <i>Describe the indicator</i>	Indicator Baseline <i>State the baseline value of the indicator</i>	End of Project Indicator Target <i>State the target value of the indicator at the end of the project</i>	Indicator progress to date <i>State the current cumulative value of the indicator since the start of the project</i>	Reasons for Variance/ Delay (if any) <i>Explain why the indicator is off track or has changed, where relevant</i>
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1.2.1	1.2.a. # of staff recruited to support Secretariat functioning	July 2018) -PBF Coordinator P4; National M&E Officer, SB4; One driver, SC1	(December 2022) • PBF Regional, Design and Resource Mobilization Specialist P4 • PBF Coordinator NOC • National M&E Officer, NOB • Admin/Finance Assistant G5 • One driver, G2	Positions were being advertised.	
1.2.2	indicator1.2.b. # of Steering Committee and Thematic Working Group meetings organized	2021: No Steering Committee Meeting was organized. One Technical Coordination Committee (TCC) Meeting was organized	2024): A Steering Committee functional and at least annual meetings on the PBF.	4 management meetings and 3 technical meetings were held with project agencies. The RC and the PBF Secretariat convened these meetings to discuss progress on project implementation.	
1.2.3					

» Output 1.3

Output 1.3: Effective M&E system in place and functional to provide informatio n required for strategic planning, decision- making, and learning for the benefit of the PBF portfolio and the wider peacebuildi ng work in Liberia	Performanc e Indicators <i>Describe the indicator</i>	Indicator Baseline <i>State the baseline value of the indicator</i>	End of Project Indicator Target <i>State the target value of the indicator at the end of the project</i>	Indicator progress to date <i>State the current cummulative value of the indicator since the start of the project</i>	Reasons for Variance/ Delay (if any) <i>Explain why the indicator is off track or has changed, where relevant</i>
1.3.1	1.3.a. PBF Strategic Result Framework has agreed indicators with data being collected annually or every two years and analysed	(May 2022): Draft SRF and indicators exist and need to be reviewed by Secretariat and partners	All indicators agreed, measurable and measured regularly through a combination of PBF and existing CSO and Government methodologies	Endorsed and widely circulated to serve as a guide to developing peacebuilding projects.	
1.3.2	1.3.b. # of project monitoring missions conducted, including with partners	(July 2018) 2 conducted by the Secretariat. 8 conducted as of (May 2022)	(July 2024): missions conducted every quarter at least, including at least one mission with Government or donor partners	4 in 2022	

1.3.3	1.3.c. % of PBF project reports judged of good quality by PBSO and number of annual PBF strategic peacebuilding reports submitted to PBSO	Baseline (May 2022) 8 project narrative reports submitted	Target (July 2024): 100% of reports submitted on time and at least 90% of reports judged to be good quality; timely submission of annual PBF Strategic Reports analysing progress against the PBF SRF priorities and indicators	Worked with partners to submit at least 95% of the reports on time.	
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PART III: Cross-Cutting Issues

Is the project planning any significant events in the next 6 months (eg. national dialogues, youth congresses, film screenings, etc.)

☒ yes

☐ no

If yes, please state how many, and for each, provide the approximate date of the event and a brief description, including its key objectives, target audience and location (if known)

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Event Title:

Joint Steering Committee Meeting

Date (can be tentative)

2022-12

Location (if known)

At the Ministry of Finance and Development Planning

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Target Audience

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Select as many as applicable

- ☒ Senior Government officials
- ☒ Other Government officials
- ☒ Civil Society
- ☐ Youth
- ☐ Women
- ☐ Military or Police Personnel
- ☐ Traditional Leaders
- ☒ Donors
- ☐ Businesses/ Private Sector
- ☐ Former Combattants
- ☐ Journalists
- ☐ Artists
- ☒ Other

Other, please specify

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Heads of UN agencies

Objectives

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Please limit your response to 150 words

Present Portfolio progress to the joint Steering Committee

Any other information on the event

It is intended to sustain government's involvement in the provision of strategic oversight of the Portfolio.

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Event Title:

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Annual Program Review

Date (can be tentative)

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2022-12

Location (if known)

Ganta, Nimba County

Target Audience

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Select as many as applicable

- ☐ Senior Government officials
- ☒ Other Government officials
- ☒ Civil Society
- ☒ Youth
- ☒ Women
- ☐ Military or Police Personnel
- ☒ Traditional Leaders
- ☒ Donors
- ☐ Businesses/ Private Sector
- ☐ Former Combattants
- ☒ Journalists
- ☐ Artists
- ☒ Other

Other, please specify

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Implementing partners including UN agencies

Objectives

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Please limit your response to 150 words

This exercise is in accordance with output 1.3 and Activity 1.3.1: Ensure monitoring and reporting on the PBF portfolio progress including against the PBF SRF

Any other information on the event

Also intended to give PBF support greater visibility.

3

Event Title:

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Perception Survey to access the level of fragility, before, during and after elections

Date (can be tentative)

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2023-04

Location (if known)

Montserrado, Lofa, Nimba, Grand Gedeh, Grand Bassa, Bong, Grand Kru and Bomi counties.

Target Audience

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Select as many as applicable

- ☒ Senior Government officials
- ☒ Other Government officials
- ☒ Civil Society
- ☒ Youth
- ☒ Women
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- ☒ Businesses/ Private Sector
- ☒ Former Combattants
- ☒ Journalists
- ☒ Artists
- ☒ Other

Other, please specify

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None state actors including motorcyclists

Objectives

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Please limit your response to 150 words

To access the level of fragility before, during and after elections

Any other information on the event

This is particularly important given the level of uncertainty surrounding the credibility of free and transparent elections and the fear of society, suggesting something potential conflict.

Human Impact

This section is about the human impact of the project. Please state the number of key stakeholders of the project, and for each, please briefly describe:

- i. The challenges/problem they faced prior to the project implementation
- ii. The impact of the project on their lives
- iii. Provide, where possible, a quote or testimonial from a representative of each stakeholder group

How many key stakeholders does this project have?

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In addition to the stakeholder specific impact described above, please use this space to describe any additional human impact that the project has had

Please limit your response to 650 words

The Secretariat project covers four key stakeholders that it works closely with:

- 1. The Government:** The Government admits the tremendous impact PBF support has made and continued to make in the areas of national reconciliation and social cohesion, rule law and gender equality among others. This was reiterated in a Peacebuilding Commission (PBC) Configuration meeting on Liberia on 14 November, 2022, where the ministers of Foreign Affairs and Internal Affairs admitted the impact of PBF's support.
- 2. CSOs:** to date, CSOs have and continued to publicly admit the impact of PBF support to sustaining the peace in Liberia. PBF's threshold of 40% funding support to CSOs has greatly improved the workings and frequency of advocacy in Liberia. A recent case in point was the representative of the conglomeration of CSOs who told the PBC on 14 November of the impact of PBF support in Liberia. Mr. Eddie Jarwolo was frank with his views on corruption and challenged the National Election Commission to sustain the peace by holding credible elections in 2023.
- 3. Community:** Community youth of Totota, Bong County, were initially discouraged due to poor management of their community project by an implementing agency. After consistent monitoring and engagement with the community and the agency in question, there is a modernized project inclusive of mixed crops for the community. The community has seen great improvement and coordination between them and the agency. "Thank you very much, we are happy to see FAO assigning a staff to stay and work with us in the community. As you can see, everything has changed. They are also going to replace our chickens that have died", Said Yassah Monibah, chair lady of the community project.
- 4. UN agencies:** These agencies have worked with the Resident Coordinator's Office/PBF Secretariat to mobilize funding to address the peacebuilding needs of the government and people of Liberia. The agencies and the government have appreciated the support of the PBF. Also donor representatives in Liberia are key partners to the Secretariat.

You can also upload upto 3 files in various formats (picture files, powerpoint, pdf, video, etc..) to illustrate the human impact of the project

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File 1

For photos, please use high resolution JPEG format

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Monitoring

Please list monitoring activities undertaken in the reporting period

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Please limit your response to 350 words

There were four monitoring missions conducted during the reporting period.

Monitoring the projects helped to influence delivery and reassured beneficiaries of PBF's commitment to ensure quality service delivery for vulnerable communities.

Do outcome indicators have baselines?

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If only some of the outcome indicators have baselines, select 'yes'

☒ yes

☐ no

Please provide a brief description

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Please limit your response to 350 words

The baselines are updated regularly to reflect progress made in the absence of a full scale baseline survey

Has the project launched perception surveys or other community-based data collection?

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☐ yes

☒ no

Evaluation

Has an evaluation been conducted during the reporting period? *

- ☐ yes
- ☒ no

Evaluation budget (in USD): *

24000

If project will end in next six months, describe the evaluation preparations *

Please limit your response to 350 words

N/A

Catalytic Effect

Catalytic Effect (financial): Has the project led to additional funding from other sources? *

- ☐ yes
- ☒ no

Catalytic Effect (non-financial): Has the project enabled or created a larger or longer-term peacebuilding change to occur (Ways in which the project has supported the expansion or creation of programs and policies supporting peace, both within and outside the UN system)? *

- ☐ No catalytic effect
- ☐ Some catalytic effect
- ☐ Significant catalytic effect
- ☒ Very Significant catalytic effect
- ☐ Don't Know
- ☐ Too early to tell

Please describe how the project has had a (non-financial) catalytic effect, i.e. ways in which the project has supported the expansion or creation of programs and policies supporting peace, both within and outside the UN system *

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The PBF supported the first wave of SCORE that gained traction bringing other donors to support a second and third wave. Today, SCORE results remain one of the major references for developing peace building interventions. In addition, PBF support to develop and actualize the national action plan (NAP2) for women peace and security has generated interests of other donors outside the PBF to support women peace and security. Also the development and approval of two projects on violence against women in politics as well as peaceful electoral environment influenced additional effect, with Irish Aid and USAID supporting similar interventions to keep the peace.

Does the project have an explicit exit strategy.

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☒ yes

☐ no

Please describe any steps that have been taken to ensure the sustainability of peacebuilding gains beyond the duration of the project

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Please limit your response to 350 words

The project will work with the UN Agencies and Government partners to continue to build their peacebuilding coordination, design and M&E capacity towards an eventual phasing out of the PBF Secretariat.

Are there any other issues concerning project implementation that you want to share, including any capacity needs of the recipient organizations?

A cost extension of USD1,511,331.89 was granted in July to increase efficiency including hiring additional staff to effectively implement the PBF five years RSF in addition to 1,540,868.50 provided since February 2019; bringing the total income including commitment to USD3,052,200.39. It is important to note that our delivery of 38% was calculated against the consolidated total of USD3,052,200.39, out of which the Secretariat has not received USD1,511,331.89. If we are to measure progress against the total income (1,540,868.50), the Secretariat's delivery will stand at 77%.

Annex: Please use this space to upload any additional document you may want to the report (ex. Additional detail on indicator reporting)

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