Peacebuilding Fund Project Progress Report (Update May_2023)

PROJECT OVERVIEW

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» Report Submission

Type of report *

○ Semi-annual

○ Annual

◉ Final

○ Other

Date of submission of report *

2023-11-15

2023-11-15

Name and Title of Person submitting the report *

Regional Grants Manager

Name and Title of Person who approved the report *

Ali Hersi, Country Director

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

(●) yes

( ) no

Did PBF Secretariat review the report?   *****

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

» Project Information and Geographical Scope

Is this a cross-border project?   *****

( ) 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 Caribean
- ( ) Middle East and North Africa
- ( ) West Africa

Country of project implementation   *

- ( ) Ethiopia
- ( ) Kenya
- ( ) Madagascar
- (●) Somalia
- ( ) South Sudan
- ( ) Sudan
- ( ) Other, Specify

Other, please specify   *

Project Title   *

- ( ) 00130612: Bridging the "Youth Gap" – Strengthening Community-Based Reintegration Mechanisms – A IOM/UNICEF Partnership for Community Youth and Youth Formerly Associated with Al-Shabaab
- ( ) 00118835: Improving psychosocial support and mental health care for conflict affected youth in Somalia: a socially-inclusive integrated approach for peace building
- ( ) 00113082: Leveraging the Strength of Women in Peace Building and Promoting Gender Sensitivity in the National Programme on Disengaged Combatants
- (●) 00130704: Making Space for Peacebuilding: Strengthening Participation and Safety of Women Activists and Journalists in South West state and Jubaland, Somalia
- ( ) 00113011: PBF Secretariat
- ( ) 00118131: Prevention of child recruitment and community-based reintegration of children formerly associated with armed forces and groups
- ( ) 00129735: Promoting Inclusive Action in Peacebuilding (PIAP Initiative)
- ( ) 00096601: Support for Somalia Reconciliation Conferences
- ( ) 00129368: Support Political Transition in Somalia
- ( ) 00119246: Support to mechanisms to prevent and manage conflict during elections
- ( ) 00118635: Support to National Independent Electoral Commission (NIEC) Electoral Dispute Resolution Mechanisms
- ( ) 00113621: Supporting reconciliation and state-building processes
- ( ) 00129369: Women, Peace and Protection Programme
- ( ) 00140112: Nabad: Promoting women-led grassroots peacebuilding towards social reconciliation
- ( ) 00140124: The Somalia Women and Youth Peacebuilding Project For Your Rights Inclusive Governance Harmony Trust and Social Cohesion In Southwest State and Banadir (SWYPP FOR YOUR RIGHTS)
- ( ) 00140251: Support and capacity development for joint analysis design and coordination of PBF interventions in Somalia
- ( ) Other, Specify

Write the 8 digit MPTFO number and Project Title exactly as it appears in the Project Document   *

EXAMPLE: 00118938: Community-based prevention of violence and social cohesion using innovation for young people in displaced and host communities

Please select the geographical region(s) in which the project is implemented *

If the project you are looking for does not appear in the following question, please make sure that you have selected the correct regions. A limited number of cross border projects span multiple geographic regions. For example, a cross border project between Niger and Chad spans both West Africa and Central & Southern Africa

☐ Asia and the Pacific   ☐ Central & Southern Africa   ☐ East Africa

☐ Europe and Central Asia   ☐ Global   ☐ Latin America and the Caribean

☐ Middle East and North Africa ☐ West Africa

Please select the title of the project for which you are submitting the report *

Write the 8 digit MPTFO numbers and Project Title exactly as it appears in the Project Document *

EXAMPLE: 00129699/700: Supporting Cross-Border Cooperation for Increased Community Resilience and Social Cohesion in The Gambia and Senegal

Please select the countries where this project is being implemented *

Other, Please specify *

Project Start Date (Date of first transfer) *

2022-03-02

2022-03-02

Project end Date *

2023-08-31

2023-08-31

Has this project received an extension? *

○ 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

If yes, please select which   *

- ( ) National Trust Fund
- ( ) Regional Trust Fund

Recipients

Is the convening agency a UN agency or a non UN entity?   *

- ( ) UN entity
- (•) Non-UN Entity

Please select the convening agency recipient   *

- ( ) Action Aid
- ( ) The African Centre for the Constructive Resolution of Disputes (ACCORD)
- ( ) Agence de Coopération et de Recherche pour le Développement (ACORD)
- ( ) American Friends Service Committee (AFSC)
- ( ) Avocats Sans Frontières
- ( ) Avocats Sans Frontières Belgium
- ( ) Avocats sans frontières Canada
- ( ) Christian Aid Ireland
- ( ) CARE International UK
- ( ) The Carter Center, Inc.
- ( ) Centre d'étude et de coopération internationale (CECI) - BF
- ( ) COIPRODEN
- ( ) Concern Worldwide
- ( ) CORDAID
- ( ) CORD Burundi
- ( ) DanChurchAid
- ( ) Fundacion Estudios Superior (FESU)
- ( ) Fund for Congolese Women
- ( ) Fundación Mi Sangre (FMS)
- ( ) Fundación Nacional para el Desarrollo de Honduras (FUNADEH)
- ( ) Fundación para la Libertad de Prensa (FLIP)
- ( ) HELVETAS Swiss Intercooperation
- ( ) Humanity & Inclusion (HI)
- ( ) Instituto Holandes para Democracia Multipartidaria (NIMD)
- ( ) International Alert
- ( ) Interpeace
- ( ) Kvinna till Kvinna Foundation
- ( ) Life and Peace Institute (LPI)
- ( ) (MDG-EISA) Institut Electoral pour une Démocratie Durable en Afrique (EISA), bureau de Madagascar
- ( ) Mercy Corps
- ( ) MSIS-TATAO
- ( ) Norwegian Refugee Council (NRC)
- ( ) ONG AZHAR
- ( ) OXFAM
- ( ) Peace Direct
- ( ) PNG UN Country Fund
- ( ) Red de Instituciones por los Derechos de la Niñez
- ( ) Sampan'Asa Momba ny Fampandrosoana (SAF/FJKM)
- (•) Saferworld
- ( ) Search for Common Ground (SFCG)
- ( ) SismaMujer
- ( ) Tearfund
- ( ) Trocaire
- ( ) World Vision International
- ( ) World Vision Myanmar
- ( ) ZOA
- ( ) Other, Please specify

Other, Please specify   *

Are there other recipients for this project? *

◯ No other recipients

◯ Yes, other UN recipients only

◉ Yes, other non-UN recipients only

◯ Yes, both UN and non-UN recipients

Please select other UN recipients *

Select all that apply

☐ 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

☐ UN Department of Peace Operations   ☐ Other, Specify

Other, Please specify *

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Please select other non-UN recipients   *

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- [ ] ZOA
- [x] Other, Please specify

Other, Please specify   *

Somali Women Development Centre (SWDC), Somali Women Studies Centre (SWCS)

Implementing Partners

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

2

1

Please list all of the project's implementing partners and the amounts (in USD) transferred to each to date

Please select the type of organisation which best describes the type of implementing partner   *

- ( ) National youth CSO
- (•) National women's CSO
- ( ) Other National CSO
- ( ) Subnational youth CSO
- ( ) Subnational women's CSO
- ( ) Other subnational CSO
- ( ) Regional CSO
- ( ) Regional Organisation
- ( ) International NGO
- ( ) Governmental entity
- ( ) Other

Other, Please specify

What is the name of the Implementing Partner   *

Somali Women Studies Centre (SWCS)

What is the total amount (in USD) disbursed to the implementing partner to date   *

218056.5

Briefly describe the main activities carried out by the Implementing Partner   *

Please limit your response to 175 words

• **Trained 150 Observatory volunteers in collecting, managing, and analyzing data on gender-based violence (GBV).**
• **Provided psychosocial and legal support to 20 survivors of sexual and gender-based violence.**
• **Granted funds to 25 women journalists to document their security experiences.**
• **Conducted public awareness campaigns that reached over 1500 target audiences, raising awareness about GBV services and support networks.**
• **Supported 10 women's organizations and activists by conducting needs and risk assessments and providing technical skills training to 70 women activists.**
• **Organized peer-to-peer and cross-learning sessions for 25 women activists and journalists.**
• **Held three briefings with police gender desks.**
• **Coordinated three meetings with six male and female champions in government institutions to promote women's meaningful participation.**
• **Engaged 150 women activists and 15 duty bearers in analyzing barriers and opportunities when working with existing duty bearers responsible for violence response, prevention, and protection.**
• **Provided small grants to six local women's organizations and a media network for advocacy opportunities, such as advocating for the Sexual Offence Bill and adding a women's quota in the national election law.**
• **Facilitated women's organizations' representatives to report back to their communities on proceedings and outcomes, reinforcing their credibility and fostering sustainable engagement by disseminating copies of outcome documents and agreements to key stakeholders.**

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Please list all of the project's implementing partners and the amounts (in USD) transferred to each to date

Please select the type of organisation which best describes the type of implementing partner   *

- ◯ National youth CSO
- ⦿ National women's CSO
- ◯ Other National CSO
- ◯ Subnational youth CSO
- ◯ Subnational women's CSO
- ◯ Other subnational CSO
- ◯ Regional CSO
- ◯ Regional Organisation
- ◯ International NGO
- ◯ Governmental entity
- ◯ Other

Other, Please specify

What is the name of the Implementing Partner *

Somali Women Development Centre (SWDC)

What is the total amount (in USD) disbursed to the implementing partner to date *

272756

Briefly describe the main activities carried out by the Implementing Partner *

Please limit your response to 175 words

• **Coordinated data analysis from Violence Against Women Observatories.**
• **Provided training to 25 women journalists for documenting security experiences.**
• **Updated and strengthened protection mechanisms.**
• **Mapped GBV referral pathways for women activists.**
• **Conducted awareness campaigns on protection mechanisms and GBV services.**
• **Offered GBV services, including legal and psychosocial support.**
• **Promoted women-led GBV hotlines.**
• **Granted micro-funds to 25 women journalist and 6 media and women led organizations.**
• **Facilitated peer learning sessions for 30 women activists.**
• **Organized forums for 100 women activists and 15 duty bearers.**
• **Engaged with government offices to promote women's participation.**
• **Facilitated women's organizations' representatives to report back to their communities on proceedings and outcomes, reinforcing their credibility and fostering sustainable engagement by disseminating copies of outcome documents and agreements to key stakeholders.**
• **Conducted advocacy meetings to address political violence and support the Sexual Offences Bill.**

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***

For cross-border projects, group the amounts by agency, even if different country offices are involved. You will have the opportunity to share a more detailed budget in the next section.

Recipients	Total Project Budget (in US $) *Please enter the total budget as is in the project document in US Dollars*	Transfers to date (in US $) *Please enter the total amount transferred to each recipient to date in US Dollars*	Expenditure to date (in US $) *Please enter the approximate amount spent to date in US dollars*	Implementation rate as a percentage of total budget *(calculated automatically)*
Saferworld	784948 *	784947.72 *	784947.72 *	100%

	*	*	* %
	*	*	* %
	*	*	* %
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	*	*	* %
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Other, Please specify	*	*	* NaN%
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	*	*	*	%
Somali Women Development Centre (SWDC), Somali Women Studies Centre (SWCS)				
TOTAL	**784948**	**784947.72**	**784947.72**	**100%**

The approximate implementation rate as percentage of total project budget based on the values entered in the above matrix is **100%**. Can you confirm that this is correct?   *

◉ Correct   ◯ Incorrect

If it is incorrect, please enter the approximate implementation rate as a %   *

» Gender-responsive Budgeting

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

98.64

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 $ 774272.71**. Can you confirm that this is correct?   *

◯ Correct   ◉ Incorrect

If it is incorrect, please enter the *budget amount* allocated to GEWE in US Dollars   *

774247.72

Amount expended to date on efforts contributiong to gender equality or women's empowerment is **US $ 774272.43**. Is this correct?   *

○ Correct   ● Incorrect

If it is incorrect, please enter the *expenditure to date* on GEWE in US dollars   *

716443.41

ATTACH PROJECT EXCEL BUDGET SHOWING CURRENT APPROXIMATE EXPENDITURE.   *
The templates for the budget are available <u>here</u>

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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

Steering Committee and Government engagement

Does the project have an active steering committee?   *

- ◯ yes
- ◉ no

If yes, please indicate how many times the Project Steering Committee has met over the last 6 months?

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. *

Saferworld in partnership with the Somali Women Development Center (SWDC) and Somali Women Study Center (SWCS), has actively engaged with government representatives in Somalia at various levels of government, including Federal Member States and the national government.

At the project's initiation, government officials from key ministries, including representatives from the Ministry of Women and Human Rights Development in Somalia, the Minister of Women, Family Affairs, and Human Rights in Jubaland, and the Ministry of Communication in South West, were extended invitations to attend the project launch. These officials openly voiced their endorsement of the project's objectives, marking the commencement of collaborative efforts with the government. A notable presence of government ministers at the national advocacy event underscored the government's commitment to advancing women's rights and facilitating their meaningful participation in peace processes. Among the distinguished attendees were the Hon. Khadijah Maxamed Diriye, Minister for Women & Human Rights, Hon. Maxamed Cali Xagaa, State Minister of the Ministry of Internal Security, and Hon. Xirsi Jaamac Gaani, State Minister of the Office of the Prime Minister, highlighting the active engagement of government representatives in the project's initiatives.

During the initial six months of project implementation, a significant impact of the VOS project has been its influence on the security and justice sectors in Somalia. The VOS not only provide a robust documentation and evidence system for violence against women, but the project has also fostered a more coordinated approach by women's rights organisations to GBV issues. This collaboration has been particularly evident in Jubaland, where women activists involved in the project came together and successfully advocated for the establishment of a gender office within Jubaland's Ministry of Justice. This office now provides essential support and access to justice for survivors of GBV.

A significant event in Mogadishu emphasized women's meaningful participation in decision-making processes, with key government officials participating and reaffirming the government's commitment to promoting women's roles in peacebuilding and security efforts. These efforts have culminated in high-level advocacy on policy reforms, such as changes to the penal code and promoting the passing of the 2018 Sexual Offences Bill – paving the way for a safer environment for women working in peacebuilding and journalism.

PART I: OVERALL PROJECT PROGRESS

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.

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

Contracting of partners *

○ Not Started   ○ Initiated   ○ Partially Completed
⦿ Completed   ○ Not Applicable

Staff Recruitment *

○ Not Started   ○ Initiated   ○ Partially Completed
⦿ Completed   ○ Not Applicable

Collection of baselines *

○ Not Started   ○ Initiated   ○ Partially Completed

◉ Completed   ○ Not Applicable

Identification of beneficiaries *

○ Not Started   ○ Initiated   ○ Partially Completed

◉ Completed   ○ Not Applicable

Provide any additional descriptive information relating to the status of the project, including whether preliminary/preparatory activities have been completed (i.e. contracting of partners, staff recruitment, etc.) *

The project has made significant and transformative changes in Somalia, particularly in the realms of women's rights organizations, data collection and analysis, evidence-based advocacy, security protocols, knowledge, attitudes, and policy alterations.

Before the project, comprehensive data on violence against women activists and journalists was lacking. The introduction of the Violence Observatory System (VOS) standardized data collection, enabling a more precise understanding of challenges. Technical training empowered women's organizations in data collection, as noted by Batulo Sheikh Ahmed, Head of the National Somali Women Association in Baidoa.

The VOS has notably improved the GBV response landscape. Access to GBV support services increased to 91%, up from 27.5% in the baseline assessment. Advocacy efforts strengthened through evidence-based data sharing with the police gender desk, non-governmental organizations, and policymakers, informing policies and leading to the establishment of a gender office in Jubaland's Ministry of Justice.

"Before the project, accessing GBV services and protection mechanisms was a challenge for me due to limited awareness and resources in our community. However, with strengthened referral pathways, I was able to refer a fellow community member to the appropriate support services." Said Hiba women activists in Kismayu

The project has increased the security and safety of women activists. A security risk assessment, conducted alongside the VOS data collection, identified common security threats faced by women activists and journalists, including GBV, terrorist threats, harassment at checkpoints, and backlash from traditional leaders. In response, 'Gender-responsive security guidelines' were developed to address these concerns. These guidelines offer practical advice and training for women activists, peacebuilders, and journalists in key regions, enhancing their safety and security.

The project has also spurred tangible shifts in knowledge, attitudes, and behaviors within both duty-bearers and communities. Peer-to-peer learning has played a vital role in shaping advocacy efforts and transforming the approach to addressing GBV. Through these collaborative learning sessions, advocates and activists have shared knowledge, experiences, and best practices, leading to a more informed and targeted advocacy on specific GBV issues. This approach has fostered a deeper understanding of the challenges women activists face and facilitated the exchange of evidence-based strategies and solutions, resulting in more effective advocacy efforts.

The project has contributed to policy changes in Somalia. Micro-grants supported activities that allowed women activists to engage with representatives from various ministries, advocating for policies that support the work of women journalists. Recent government advances, such as the launch of a National Action Plan for women, peace, and security in 2022, and the more active role of the Ministry of Women and Human Rights Development in combating GBV, signify progress in government policy. These advancements present an opportune moment for international donors to increase their support for women activists and journalists in Somalia, as women activists leverage existing policy frameworks to demand stronger protections and the inclusion of women in peacebuilding and decision-making.

The Wawo Women Group, a micro-grant recipient, played a pivotal role in advocating for a women's quota in the national election law. The group mobilised resources, organised events and engaged with policymakers. In recognition of these efforts, the Ministry of Women and Human Rights Development is actively working towards the realisation of the women's quota. This exemplifies the transformative power of targeted support and locally led initiatives

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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 where evidence of contribution to outcomes is available if requested

FOR PROJECTS WITHIN SIX MONTHS OF COMPLETION ONLY (550 word limit)

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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.

How many OUTCOMES does this project have   *

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:   *

Women-rights organizations have skills to gather and analyse data on incidences and types of gendered violence women activists face, and develop evidence on violence against activists to inform programming and advocacy with duty-bearers.

Outcome 2:   *

Women civil society activists in South West and Jubaland and their respective organizations implement new security protocols and practices to reduce the number and severity of security threats

Outcome 3:   *

Duty bearers and communities acknowledge the insecurity women activists face and take steps to support for operational and policy responses to VAW and women's political and peacebuilding participation at community and FMS levels.

Outcome 4:   *

Local women activists use new and strengthened movement building and networks to increase the impact of advocacy initiatives at national level.

Outcome 5:   *

Outcome 6:   *

Outcome 7:   *

Outcome 8: *

Additional Outcomes *

If the project has more than 8 outcomes, please enumerate the remaining outcomes here

Outcome 1: Women-rights organizations have skills to gather and analyse data on incidences and types of gendered violence women activists face, and develop evidence on violence against activists to inform programming and advocacy with duty-bearers.

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 3000 characters including spaces.

The implementation of the 6 VOS in Baidoa, Wajid Mogadishu, and Kismayo (Farjano, Calanley and Shaqaalaha districts) has informed more effective responses to gender-based violence and provided women activists with the tools to advocate for change. They have conducted targeted awareness campaigns to educate communities about the root causes of GBV, promoted behavioral change, and enhanced law enforcement responses to GBV. These efforts have led to high-level advocacy on policy reforms, including changes to the penal code and the promotion of the 2018 Sexual Offences Bill, contributing to a safer environment for women working in peacebuilding and journalism.

The comprehensive training of 300 women activists in data management and security has been a pivotal element in this transformation. Prior to this training, women activists faced challenges due to the absence of a systematic approach to collecting and analyzing GBV-related data. After the training, 78.6% of women activists reported increased skills and knowledge to gather and analyze GBV incidents. Data from the VOS has highlighted trends of GBV against women activists, journalists, and peacebuilders. From September 2022 to June 2023, 233 GBV cases were documented, with physical assault (16.74%) and rape (13.73%) being the most commonly reported. A security risk analysis conducted in December 2022 supported these findings. It revealed instances of traditional elders interfering with the pursuit of justice for rape victims, disruption of campaigns to end female genital mutilation, and threats from groups like Al-Shabaab and clan militias.

The micro-grants project has facilitated a range of impactful initiatives for women activists and journalists, including data collection, where they created compelling photo stories and videos illustrating the security challenges they face. Writing initiatives helped document their experiences with cyberbullying and online abuse, and develop advocacy messages to raise awareness. These women activists also engaged in advocacy for critical laws, such as the Sexual Offences Bill. Support groups were established, providing a safe platform for sharing challenges and trauma experiences, fostering solidarity and mutual learning among women journalists.

The project has led to increased awareness among stakeholders, improved collaboration, policy and practice changes on development and enforcement of laws that safeguard women's rights and effectively combat GBV. This includes reviewing and updating the penal code and implementing the Sexual Offences Bill. Evidence and advocacy briefing papers have driven actionable steps, resulting in a safer and more supportive environment for women activists. The strengthened capacity and unity among women-led organizations have amplified their influence, leading to more effective advocacy and programming.

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

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Under the Outcome of empowering women's rights organizations and enhancing their capacity to gather and analyze data on gendered violence against women activists, the project has made deliberate efforts to ensure gender equality, women's empowerment, and youth inclusion. These elements are integral to the project's overall success and align with its commitment to creating a more inclusive and equitable society.

The project's focus on enhancing the capacity of women's rights organizations to gather and analyze data on gendered violence directly contributes to gender equality and women's empowerment. By equipping women activists with the skills and tools to collect and analyze data, the project has empowered them to address issues of gender-based violence more effectively. This empowerment extends beyond data management to advocacy and leadership, as women activists are better positioned to engage with local authorities and duty-bearers. Moreover, the project's efforts to sensitize duty-bearers and policy-makers to the unique challenges faced by women activists further advance gender equality by promoting understanding and support for women's rights.

Additionally, the project's peer-to-peer learning sessions, which have been made more accessible to youth participants, provide a platform for youth inclusion. By engaging with both women activists and youth, the project creates opportunities for intergenerational dialogue and collaboration. This not only strengthens the capacity of both groups but also fosters a sense of solidarity and shared goals. Youth inclusion ensures that the advocacy efforts are sustainable and that future generations are equipped with the knowledge and skills to continue the work of promoting women's rights and gender equality.

The project also promotes gender equality and women's empowerment through its focus on addressing gender-based violence. By directly targeting the issue of violence against women activists, the project addresses a critical barrier to gender equality. The systematic collection of data and the advocacy efforts aimed at reducing this violence contribute to creating safer spaces for women to participate in public life, including peacebuilding and activism. In doing so, the project supports women's empowerment by ensuring their voices are heard and their rights are protected.

Outcome 2: Women civil society activists in South West and Jubaland and their respective organizations implement new security protocols and practices to reduce the number and severity of security threats

Rate the current status of the outcome progress   *

○ 1. Off Track   ○ 2. On Track   ◉ 3. On Track with evidence of peacebuilding results

Progress summary

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The project has significantly empowered women activists and journalists while addressing gender-based violence (GBV) and security challenges. During the perception survey 91% of women activists were able to access GBV support services through the Violence Observation System (VOS), a substantial improvement from the baseline assessment where only 27.5% had access. This increased utilization has enhanced their safety and well-being, reduced vulnerability to GBV, and led to the emergence of advocates like Aisha who have encouraged more help-seeking through GBV hotlines and reduced stigma.

Utilization and referrals to GBV services and protection mechanisms improved remarkably, increasing from 27.5% to 98%, ensuring more women access vital GBV services, enhancing their safety and well-being. Empowered activists like Fatima in rural communities further highlight the positive impact, with over 3000 women receiving messages about these resources.

Fatima, an activist from Baidoa, "Before the project, accessing GBV services and protection mechanisms was a challenge for me due to limited awareness and resources in our community. However, with strengthened referral pathways. I was able to refer a fellow community member to the appropriate support services."

Specialized security training and collaboration with local authorities have reduced security concerns for women activists, allowing 87% to focus on their work and advocate for gender equality and GBV reduction. However, women activists in Somalia still face safety risks from al-Shabaab. They engage in community education and awareness campaigns to counter radicalization and work with local authorities to enhance security and reduce the group's influence. Women's rights activist in Kismayo emphasized, "We confront the terrorist threat of al-Shabaab, who not only threaten our lives but extort money from us when we travel through their controlled areas."

A comprehensive approach encompassing mapping exercises, awareness campaigns, and needs assessments reached thousands of women and fostered collaboration with women organizations and duty bearers in South West and Jubaland. This collective effort led to a better understanding of security challenges within the community and increased support for implementing new security practices.

The provision of tailored, gender-responsive security guidelines stand as a cornerstone achievement. These guidelines equipped women activists with practical tools to proactively address security threats, enhancing their safety and enabling them to continue their vital work.

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

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The project has made substantial strides in enhancing the security and empowerment of both women civil society activists and youth in South West and Jubaland. An impressive 80% increase in awareness about available gender-based violence (GBV) services equips women, including young women, with essential knowledge to seek support and reduces their vulnerability. Notably, women like Aisha have emerged as influential advocates against GBV, reducing stigma and promoting leadership among both women and youth. The project's efforts resulted in a remarkable 87% increase in the utilization and referral to GBV services, enhancing the safety of both women and youth.

Specialized security training programs and collaboration with local authorities reduced security concerns among both women activists and youth, empowering them to advocate for gender equality and security effectively. Collaborations with women organizations, capacity building, tailored guidelines, and support for women advocates further underscore the project's commitment to gender equality and women's empowerment, including the inclusion of youth, within the context of security enhancement.

In conclusion, the project has not only focused on enhancing security but has also prioritized gender equality and women's empowerment. Through awareness, leadership development, stigma reduction, collaboration, capacity building, tailored approaches, and support for female advocates, it has created a holistic approach that not only safeguards women activists but also empowers them to be leaders and change-makers in their communities. This multifaceted approach is essential for sustainable progress in the realms of both gender equality and security.

Outcome 3: Duty bearers and communities acknowledge the insecurity women activists face and take steps to support for operational and policy responses to VAW and women's political and peacebuilding participation at community and FMS levels.

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Progress summary

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The active involvement of women activists and journalists in dialogues and forums with duty bearers marks a significant step in promoting gender equality and combating gender-based violence. Women activists from Jubaland's participation in the GBV Cluster Meeting, a crucial platform involving government officials, civil society organizations, and international partners, underscores their growing recognition and influence. This shift in power dynamics and more inclusive decision-making is attributed to the project's initiatives, enabling women activists to play a more significant role in shaping policies and programs related to GBV. Duty bearers' engagement has deepened their understanding of women's challenges, leading to more informed decision-making and targeted measures to prevent and address GBV.

Collaboration between women activists, Police Gender Desks, has resulted in protocols and monthly meetings, enhancing communication and coordination among stakeholders to track progress, share information, and address challenges effectively. These monthly meetings have streamlined the response process, making it more efficient in addressing violence.

In response to the security concerns hindering their activism, the project implemented various targeted strategies, providing security training and resources, engaging in advocacy efforts, collaborating with local security authorities, encouraging resource sharing among activists, and conducting community awareness campaigns. These measures led to a significant improvement, with 87% of women activists reporting reduced security concerns during the perception survey, enabling them to carry out their work more effectively and confidently.

The provision of small grants to women's organizations and media networks has made a tangible impact in combatting violence against women activists. It enabled women journalists to expose hidden cases and raise public awareness, prompting government action in establishing a gender office to support GBV victims. Additionally, the grants empowered women activists to advocate for gender-inclusive approaches.

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The above outcome has played a pivotal role in advancing gender equality, women's empowerment, and youth inclusion and responsiveness. These outcomes indicate a significant push towards these key objectives:

Inclusive Decision-Making: The participation of women activists and journalists in dialogues with duty bearers, such as the GBV Cluster Meeting, demonstrates a commitment to inclusive decision-making. This involvement ensures that women's voices and perspectives are considered in shaping policies and programs related to gender-based violence (GBV), which is a fundamental aspect of gender equality and women's empowerment.

Power Shift and Recognition: By securing a place in these high-level dialogues, women activists are gaining recognition for their expertise and contributions. This recognition signifies a shift in power dynamics, making decision-makers more responsive to their concerns. Empowering women in this way is essential for achieving gender equality and women's empowerment.

Deeper Understanding: Engagement with duty bearers has deepened their understanding of the unique challenges faced by women activists and journalists. This understanding is vital for responsive and effective policymaking. It ensures that policies and practices are designed with a clear understanding of gender-based violence issues and survivor needs, which is an integral part of gender equality and responsiveness.

Collaboration for Efficient Responses: The collaboration between women activists and Police Gender Desks, including the development of protocols and monthly meetings, streamlines the response process to address violence. This collaboration and improved response mechanisms are vital for gender equality and ensuring that those who experience violence receive efficient and effective support.

Advocacy for Gender Equality: Empowering champions from key ministries through bimonthly meetings equips them with the skills and knowledge to advocate for gender equality. Their successful advocacy for the establishment of a gender office within the Ministry of Justice is a clear example of how these initiatives drive gender-responsive policies and practices. It ensures that gender considerations are integrated into the work of key ministries, contributing to gender equality and women's empowerment

Outcome 4: Local women activists use new and strengthened movement building and networks to increase the impact of advocacy initiatives at national level.

Rate the current status of the outcome progress   *

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Progress summary

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The provision of grants to women media forums and journalists has empowered local women activists and raised awareness of political violence, peacebuilding roles, and political engagement in Somalia. Campaigns through six media channels have challenged societal norms and led to the establishment of the "Initiative of Somali Women Advocacy and Network (ISWAN)," signifying significant policy changes in support of women's political and peacebuilding participation. Quarterly national-level movement-building events have further endorsed women's involvement, gaining support from 5 parliamentarians and politicians committed to gender equality, and enhancing the role of women activists in shaping policy initiatives. Small grants and the involvement of 20 local women leaders in national-level advocacy initiatives have increased their representation and empowered them to amplify their voices, particularly concerning the Sexual Offence Bill and a women's quota in the national election law. These efforts have fostered an inclusive environment for advocating for women's rights and political participation; women reporting back to their communities reinforce their credibility and sustain engagement within their communities, spreading grassroots support for women's rights and political participation.

The recognition of ISWAN members by parliamentarians and politicians as a result of the quarterly events has significantly strengthened their influence within the African Women's Leadership Network (AWLN). This significant achievement, not initially anticipated in the original project design, deserves heightened emphasis due to its substantial impact on project dynamics. Consequently, it contributes significantly to the overarching objectives of women's empowerment and heightened political participation. Moreover, the inclusion of 10 women activists in the decision-making committee of the National Action Plan strategically positions these activists to actively shape and contribute to key policy initiatives.

Champions in key government positions have elevated awareness of women's challenges and contributions in national-level political and peacebuilding processes. Their actions have promoted gender equality, women's rights, and the pivotal roles women play in addressing issues like political violence against women activists and gender-responsive peace and security initiatives. Advocacy meetings with duty-bearers and policymakers in Somalia have led to incremental changes, with growing consensus about the importance of enacting the Sexual Offences Bill, addressing sexual violence against women. The focus on strengthening the legal framework and training law enforcement officials underscores the government's role in improving women's rights and safety, providing a foundation for long-term progress in governance, peace, and economic empowerment, contributing to a more inclusive environment for women activists.

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The provision of small grants to support women media forums and journalists in Somalia has yielded substantial impact, evidenced by influential awareness campaigns addressing political violence against women through six media channels. These initiatives not only challenged societal norms but also triggered transformative shifts in attitudes, inspiring collective action. The establishment of the "Initiative of Somali Women Advocacy and Network (ISWAN)" serves as a testament to the effectiveness of these endeavors, manifesting substantial policy changes that enhance women's political and peacebuilding participation, ultimately fostering gender equality and empowerment. Extending these small grants will empower women activists to persist in offering innovative solutions and advancing broader objectives for sustainable peace and equality. Simultaneously, providing small grants for local women leaders to engage in national-level advocacy initiatives has significantly heightened their representation and empowerment. These efforts have played a pivotal role in advocating for women's rights, cultivating an inclusive and empowered environment for women activists, and ensuring their voices resonate in crucial policy discussions.

The quarterly national-level movement-building events have become a pivotal element in bringing about transformative outcomes, unexpectedly playing a central role in the project's success. The recognition of ISWAN members by parliamentarians and politicians has significantly strengthened their influence within the African Women's Leadership Network (AWLN). This significant achievement, not initially anticipated in the original project design, holds notable importance due to its substantial impact on project dynamics. Moreover, the inclusion of 10 women activists in the decision-making committee of the National Action Plan represents a strategic and beneficial development. This intentional empowerment strategically positions these activists to actively shape and contribute to key policy initiatives.

The engagement of champions in key government positions has catalyzed significant changes by advocating for gender equality and women's rights. This proactive engagement has contributed to a more empathetic approach to understanding the unique issues faced by women activists and their contributions. These champions have then initiated programs and initiatives aimed at addressing gender-based violence and advancing women's rights, representation, and participation. Advocacy meetings with key duty-bearers and policymakers have generated a growing consensus on the importance of enacting the Sexual Offences Bill, signifying a critical step in addressing sexual violence against women. Additionally, the commitment to supporting gender equality and women's participation in leadership roles demonstrates evolving political will, ensuring women's empowerment and active participation in governance and peacebuilding.

Outcome 5:

Rate the current status of the outcome progress   *

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Progress summary   *

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Outcome 6:

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

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Outcome 7:

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Progress summary   *

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Outcome 8:

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Progress summary   *

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If the project has more than 8 outcomes, please use this text box to describe the *status* of progress (on track with evidence of peacebuilding outcomes, on track or off track), as well as briefly describe the progress and any analysis on how Gender Equality and Women's Empowerment and/or Youth Inclusion and Responsiveness has been ensured under this Outcome

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 the **outcome** level in the table below

- If an 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. (300 characters max per entry)

» Outcome 1: Women-rights organizations have skills to gather and analyse data on incidences and types of gendered violence women activists face, and develop evidence on violence against activists to inform programming and advocacy with duty-bearers.

Outcome 1	Performance Indicators	Indicator Baseline	End of Project Indicator Target	Current Indicator progress	Reasons for Variance/ Delay (if any)
1.1	**% of trained women activists that report having increased skills and knowledge to gather and analyse incidents of gender-based violence**	**0**	**80%**	**78.6%**	**During this period, there were chaotic political and security issues, and a prolonged disagreement between FMS and other political groups about election matters. Due to security concerns, some women couldn't attend the training**

1.2	Number of advocacy action plans developed that respond to issues raised through the data analysis	0	12	5	The establishment of 6 VOS took more time than anticipated hence delaying of the development of advocacy action plan that respond to issues raised in the data analysis also considering the diverse contexts and urgent issues in each region. While developing more action plans would have been ideal, the decision to focus on five action plans was a well-considered approach to deliver targeted and impactful advocacy
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How many outputs does outcome 1 have?

1   2   3   4   5   more than 5.

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

Output 1.1

Women-led Violence Against Women Observatories/Dashboards (3 per FMS) are established to systematically monitor and manage data on violence against women activists.

Output 1.2

WROs safely monitor and track incidences and types of gendered violence against women activists, thus increasing the evidence base for more effective programming responses and advocacy

Output 1.3

Output 1.4

Output 1.5

Other Outputs

If Outcome 1 has more than 5 outputs, please enumerate the remaining outputs here

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: Women-led Violence Against Women Observatories/Dashboards (3 per FMS) are established to systematically monitor and manage data on violence against women activists.	Performance Indicators *Describe the indicator*	Indicator Baseline *State the baseline value of the indicator*	End of Project Indicator Target *State the target value of the indicator at the end of the project*	Indicator progress for reporting period *State the current value of the indicator for the reporting period*	Indicator progress to date *State the current cummulative value of the indicator since the start of the project*	Reasons for Variance / Delay (if any) *Explain why the indicator is off track or has changed, where relevant*
1.1.1	**number of observatories/dashboards established**	**0**	**6**	**6**	**6**	
1.1.2	**number of people trained on GBV data management and security**	**0**	**300**	**300**	**300**	
1.1.3						

» Output 1.2

Output 1.2: WROs safely monitor and track incidences and types of gendered violence against women activists, thus increasing the evidence base for more effective programming responses and advocacy	Performance Indicators *Describe the indicator*	Indicator Baseline *State the baseline value of the indicator*	End of Project Indicator Target *State the target value of the indicator at the end of the project*	Indicator progress for reporting period *State the current value of the indicator for the reporting period*	Indicator progress to date *State the current cummulative value of the indicator since the start of the project*	Reasons for Variance / Delay (if any) *Explain why the indicator is off track or has changed, where relevant*
1.2.1	**Number of macro data analysis reports produced.**	0	2	2	2	
1.2.2	**number of small grants provided to women activists**	0	4	4	4	
1.2.3	**number FMS peer-to-peer learning sessions for women activists conducted**	0	3 (one per FMS)	3	3	

» Output 1.3

Output 1.3:	Performance Indicators *Describe the indicator*	Indicator Baseline *State the baseline value of the indicator*	End of Project Indicator Target *State the target value of the indicator at the end of the project*	Indicator progress for reporting period *State the current value of the indicator for the reporting period*	Indicator progress to date *State the current cummulative value of the indicator since the start of the project*	Reasons for Variance / Delay (if any) *Explain why the indicator is off track or has changed, where relevant*
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Output 1.4:	Performance Indicators *Describe the indicator*	Indicator Baseline *State the baseline value of the indicator*	End of Project Indicator Target *State the target value of the indicator at the end of the project*	Indicator progress for reporting period *State the current value of the indicator for the reporting period*	Indicator progress to date *State the current cummulative value of the indicator since the start of the project*	Reasons for Variance / Delay (if any) *Explain why the indicator is off track or has changed, where relevant*
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» Output 1.5

Output 1.5:	Performance Indicators *Describe the indicator*	Indicator Baseline *State the baseline value of the indicator*	End of Project Indicator Target *State the target value of the indicator at the end of the project*	Indicator progress for reporting period *State the current value of the indicator for the reporting period*	Indicator progress to date *State the current cummulative value of the indicator since the start of the project*	Reasons for Variance / Delay (if any) *Explain why the indicator is off track or has changed, where relevant*
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» Outcome 2: Women civil society activists in South West and Jubaland and their respective organizations implement new security protocols and practices to reduce the number and severity of security threats

Outcome 2	Performance Indicators	Indicator Baseline	End of Project Indicator Target	Current Indicator progress	Reasons for Variance/ Delay (if any)
2.1	**% of women activists and journalists who report they have increased knowledge of available GBV services and protection mechanisms**	**0**	**80%**	**91%**	**Awareness raising through media on GBV services and protection mechanism reached wider community in Somalia**
2.2	**# and % of women activists and journalists who report they are using/referring others to the available GBV service and protection mechanism**	**27.5%**	**50%**	**98%**	**Due to increased awareness of GBV services and capacity building for GBV case managers, as well as law enforcement training, more women have been referred to GBV services.**

2.3	% of women activists who state that they can better focus on their activist work because they are less concerned with security threats	100%	50%	87%	Somalia security is not stable especially now that the government is heavily involved in fighting against Al-Shabab. Women activists still face safety risks, especially from the threat posed by al-Shabaab. During baseline assessment 100% of women activist confirmed to be able to focus on their work if security is stable but due to the recent security concerns only 87% of women activists feel less concerned with security threats to focus on their activist work.

How many outputs does outcome 2 have?

     1   [2]   3   4   5   more than 5.

Please list up to 5 of most relevant outputs for outcome 2

Output 2.1

Protection mechanisms, GBV service- mapping, GBV service provision and referral pathways are updated and shared in coordination with local women's organizations

Output 2.2

Women's organizations and women activists provided with technical skills to increase security and strengthen protection mechanisms

Output 2.3

Output 2.4

Output 2.5

Other Outputs

If Outcome 2 has more than 5 outputs, please enumerate the remaining outputs here

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

» Output 2.1

Output 2.1: Protection mechanisms, GBV service-mapping, GBV service provision and referral pathways are updated and shared in coordination with local women's organizations	Performance Indicators *Describe the indicator*	Indicator Baseline *State the baseline value of the indicator*	End of Project Indicator Target *State the target value of the indicator at the end of the project*	Indicator progress for reporting period *State the current value of the indicator for the reporting period*	Indicator progress to date *State the current cummulative value of the indicator since the start of the project*	Reasons for Variance / Delay (if any) *Explain why the indicator is off track or has changed, where relevant*
2.1.1	**number of mapping exercise conducted**	0	1	1	1	
2.1.2	**number of women who receive messages of available protection mechanisms and GBV services**	0	1500	3000	3000	

2.1.3	% of women referred to GBV services provided by the project who receive support	27.5%	100%	80%	100%	

» Output 2.2

Output 2.2: Women's organizations and women activists provided with technical skills to increase security and strengthen protection mechanisms	Performance Indicators *Describe the indicator*	Indicator Baseline *State the baseline value of the indicator*	End of Project Indicator Target *State the target value of the indicator at the end of the project*	Indicator progress for reporting period *State the current value of the indicator for the reporting period*	Indicator progress to date *State the current cummulative value of the indicator since the start of the project*	Reasons for Variance / Delay (if any) *Explain why the indicator is off track or has changed, where relevant*
2.2.1	number of needs assessments conducted	0	1	1	1	
2.2.2	number of women organizations involved or collaborated with in the designing of the training package Disaggregated by age	0	15	15	15	

2.2.3	number of members of women organizations and women activists attend technical trainings. Disaggregated by age	0	150	164 Women age from 18-40 years old	164	There was need to train more women-partners together with Saferworld decided to add more women activists who were in need of this training-the budget also allowed us to add more women-which it was successful.

» Output 2.3

Output 2.3:	Performance Indicators *Describe the indicator*	Indicator Baseline *State the baseline value of the indicator*	End of Project Indicator Target *State the target value of the indicator at the end of the project*	Indicator progress for reporting period *State the current value of the indicator for the reporting period*	Indicator progress to date *State the current cummulative value of the indicator since the start of the project*	Reasons for Variance / Delay (if any) *Explain why the indicator is off track or has changed, where relevant*
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» Output 2.4

Output 2.4:	Perform ance Indicator s *Describe the indicator*	Indicator Baseline *State the baseline value of the indicator*	End of Project Indicator Target *State the target value of the indicator at the end of the project*	Indicator progress for reportin g period *State the current value of the indicator for the reporting period*	Indicator progress to date *State the current cummulative value of the indicator since the start of the project*	Reasons for Variance / Delay (if any) *Explain why the indicator is off track or has changed, where relevant*
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» Output 2.5

Output 2.5:	Perform ance Indicator s *Describe the indicator*	Indicator Baseline *State the baseline value of the indicator*	End of Project Indicator Target *State the target value of the indicator at the end of the project*	Indicator progress for reportin g period *State the current value of the indicator for the reporting period*	Indicator progress to date *State the current cummulative value of the indicator since the start of the project*	Reasons for Variance / Delay (if any) *Explain why the indicator is off track or has changed, where relevant*
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» Outcome 3: Duty bearers and communities acknowledge the insecurity women activists face and take steps to support for operational and policy responses to VAW and women's political and peacebuilding participation at community and FMS levels.

Outcome 3	Performance Indicators	Indicator Baseline	End of Project Indicator Target	Current Indicator progress	Reasons for Variance/ Delay (if any)
3.1	**# and % of Duty bearers and CSO networks targeted by the program who report that they have greater support for operational and policy responses to VAW and women's political and peacebuilding participation at community and FMS levels.**	**25%**	**50% increase on baseline level**	**#30, 50%**	
3.2	**# of duty bearers and CSOs who meaningfully participate discussions addressing VAW**	**0**	**30 (15 duty bearer and 15 CSOs)**	**30 (15 duty bearer and 15 CSOs)**	
3.3					

How many outputs does outcome 3 have?

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Please list up to 5 of most relevant outputs for outcome 3

Output 3.1

Women's networks strengthened through funded support to develop and implement advocacy strategies.

Output 3.2

Increased awareness of communities and duty-bearers at community and FMS levels on political violence against women and their role in conflict prevention.

Output 3.3

Output 3.4

Output 3.5

Other Outputs

If Outcome 3 has more than 5 outputs, please enumerate the remaining outputs here

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

» Output 3.1

Output 3.1: Women's networks strengthened through funded support to develop and implement advocacy strategies.	Performance Indicators *Describe the indicator*	Indicator Baseline *State the baseline value of the indicator*	End of Project Indicator Target *State the target value of the indicator at the end of the project*	Indicator progress for reporting period *State the current value of the indicator for the reporting period*	Indicator progress to date *State the current cummulative value of the indicator since the start of the project*	Reasons for Variance / Delay (if any) *Explain why the indicator is off track or has changed, where relevant*
3.1.1	**number of women members participating in for, and/or safe and private groups Disaggregated by age:**	0	150	150	150	
3.1.2	**number of advocacy strategies developed and implemented**	0	**3 advocacy strategies supported, one in each location.**	3	**3 advocacy strategies supported, one in each location.**	
3.1.3						

» Output 3.2

Output 3.2: Increased awareness of communities and duty-bearers at community and FMS levels on political violence against women and their role in conflict prevention.	Performance Indicators *Describe the indicator*	Indicator Baseline *State the baseline value of the indicator*	End of Project Indicator Target *State the target value of the indicator at the end of the project*	Indicator progress for reporting period *State the current value of the indicator for the reporting period*	Indicator progress to date *State the current cummulative value of the indicator since the start of the project*	Reasons for Variance / Delay (if any) *Explain why the indicator is off track or has changed, where relevant*
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3.2.1	number of briefings produced that address VAW and shared with police gender desks for action/decision making.	0	6	4	4	The establishment of the VOS took a lot of time and delayed the briefing. So far, we have shared two data analyses from the VOS and two data analyses from the hotline system. The rest of the meeting was used to strengthen the coordination between women activists and the police gender desk.
3.2.2	number of female and male champions identified and supported with advocacy skills by the program on peacebuilding and political participation.	0	6	6	6	
3.2.3	number of media communications shared with the wider community	0	6	6	6	

» Output 3.3

Output 3.3:	Perform ance Indicator s *Describe the indicator*	Indicator Baseline *State the baseline value of the indicator*	End of Project Indicator Target *State the target value of the indicator at the end of the project*	Indicator progress for reportin g period *State the current value of the indicator for the reporting period*	Indicator progress to date *State the current cummulative value of the indicator since the start of the project*	Reasons for Variance / Delay (if any) *Explain why the indicator is off track or has changed, where relevant*
3.3.1						
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3.3.3						

» Output 3.4

Output 3.4:	Perform ance Indicator s *Describe the indicator*	Indicator Baseline *State the baseline value of the indicator*	End of Project Indicator Target *State the target value of the indicator at the end of the project*	Indicator progress for reportin g period *State the current value of the indicator for the reporting period*	Indicator progress to date *State the current cummulative value of the indicator since the start of the project*	Reasons for Variance / Delay (if any) *Explain why the indicator is off track or has changed, where relevant*
3.4.1						
3.4.2						
3.4.3						

» Output 3.5

Output 3.5:	Performance Indicators *Describe the indicator*	Indicator Baseline *State the baseline value of the indicator*	End of Project Indicator Target *State the target value of the indicator at the end of the project*	Indicator progress for reporting period *State the current value of the indicator for the reporting period*	Indicator progress to date *State the current cummulative value of the indicator since the start of the project*	Reasons for Variance / Delay (if any) *Explain why the indicator is off track or has changed, where relevant*
3.5.1						
3.5.2						
3.5.3						

» Outcome 4: Local women activists use new and strengthened movement building and networks to increase the impact of advocacy initiatives at national level.

Outcome 4	Performance Indicators	Indicator Baseline	End of Project Indicator Target	Current Indicator progress	Reasons for Variance/ Delay (if any)
4.1	**Number of politicians/parliamentarians/public officials targeted that express support for**	**0**	**1** official/parliamentarian/politician	**5**	**During our advocacy initiatives– 5 parliamentarians/ politician expressed support for women for gender equality amongst them is Minister of Justice in Jubaland- Minister of Women and Human Rights Development in Somalia- State Minister for Security Security Advisor for Office of the prime minister, Jubaland Minister of Interior.**

| 4.2 | **% of women activists who report that they have had meaningful opportunities to be involved in discussion or consultation related to the national policies/laws addressing VAW.** | 0 | 60% | 50% | **Limited accessibility to information and resources for women activists, hindering their full engagement in policy-related discussions. Additionally, structural barriers such as unequal power dynamics, discrimination, or a lack of inclusive platforms have restricted the participation of women activists in shaping national policies/laws effectively** |
| 4.3 | | | | | |

How many outputs does outcome 4 have?

1   2   3   4   5   more than 5.

Please list up to 5 of most relevant outputs for outcome 4

Output 4.1

New collaborations formed between FMS level and national level activists

Output 4.2

Directors/leaders of women's organizations and media networks at local levels participate in national-level advocacy opportunities.

Output 4.3

Duty-bearers at national levels have increased awareness, and evidence on political violence against women activists, their role in peacebuilding and political processes, and selected champions support advocating for women's participation in political and

Output 4.4

Output 4.5

Other Outputs

If Outcome 4 has more than 5 outputs, please enumerate the remaining outputs here

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

» Output 4.1

Output 4.1: New collaborations formed between FMS level and national level activists	Performance Indicators *Describe the indicator*	Indicator Baseline *State the baseline value of the indicator*	End of Project Indicator Target *State the target value of the indicator at the end of the project*	Indicator progress for reporting period *State the current value of the indicator for the reporting period*	Indicator progress to date *State the current cummulative value of the indicator since the start of the project*	Reasons for Variance / Delay (if any) *Explain why the indicator is off track or has changed, where relevant*
4.1.1	**number of small grants provided to women organizations and media networks**	0	3	3	3	
4.1.2	**number of outreach campaigns conducted through radio stations on political violence against women**	0	9	9	9	
4.1.3	**number of women activists, journalists and peacebuilders participated in movement building events. Disaggregated by age:**	0	150 **Age between 18-42**	100	100	**Due to limited project timeline, it was not easy to reach all the targeted number of women activists, journalist and peacebuilders**

» Output 4.2

Output 4.2: Directors /leaders of women's organizations and media networks at local levels participate in national-level advocacy opportunities.	Performance Indicators *Describe the indicator*	Indicator Baseline *State the baseline value of the indicator*	End of Project Indicator Target *State the target value of the indicator at the end of the project*	Indicator progress for reporting period *State the current value of the indicator for the reporting period*	Indicator progress to date *State the current cummulative value of the indicator since the start of the project*	Reasons for Variance / Delay (if any) *Explain why the indicator is off track or has changed, where relevant*
4.2.1	**number of small grants provided to women organizations and media networks**	0	20	20	20	
4.2.2	**number of community visits of women organization's representatives**	0	6	6	6	
4.2.3						

» Output 4.3

Output 4.3: Duty-bearers at national levels have increased awareness, and evidence on political violence against women activists, their role in peacebuilding and political processes, and selected champions support advocating for women's participation in political and	Performance Indicators *Describe the indicator*	Indicator Baseline *State the baseline value of the indicator*	End of Project Indicator Target *State the target value of the indicator at the end of the project*	Indicator progress for reporting period *State the current value of the indicator for the reporting period*	Indicator progress to date *State the current cummulative value of the indicator since the start of the project*	Reasons for Variance / Delay (if any) *Explain why the indicator is off track or has changed, where relevant*
4.3.1	**number of female and male champions in specific FGS government offices**	0	5	5	5	

4.3.2	number advocacy meetings with critical duty-bearers and policy makers at national and international levels	0	6	6	6	
4.3.3						

» Output 4.4

Output 4.4:	Performance Indicators *Describe the indicator*	Indicator Baseline *State the baseline value of the indicator*	End of Project Indicator Target *State the target value of the indicator at the end of the project*	Indicator progress for reporting period *State the current value of the indicator for the reporting period*	Indicator progress to date *State the current cummulative value of the indicator since the start of the project*	Reasons for Variance / Delay (if any) *Explain why the indicator is off track or has changed, where relevant*
4.4.1						
4.4.2						
4.4.3						

» Output 4.5

Output 4.5:	Performance Indicators *Describe the indicator*	Indicator Baseline *State the baseline value of the indicator*	End of Project Indicator Target *State the target value of the indicator at the end of the project*	Indicator progress for reporting period *State the current value of the indicator for the reporting period*	Indicator progress to date *State the current cummulative value of the indicator since the start of the project*	Reasons for Variance / Delay (if any) *Explain why the indicator is off track or has changed, where relevant*
4.5.1						
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4.5.3						

If the project has more than 4 outcomes, use this space to describe progress on progress on indicators for the remaining outcomes *

PART III: Cross-Cutting Issues

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

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)	Event Description	Tentative Date	Location	Target Audience	Event Objectives
....	....	....	....	....	....

Event 1	Publication of VOS briefing paper	2 November 2023	Global	Women, men, youth government, CBOs, CSOs, WROs, NGOs, INGO, Donors	Generate more backing for the VOS and assist with future fundraising efforts for the program. Communicate important insights acquired from the project so far to key stakeholders. Highlight significant findings from the data and underscore the necessity of supporting female activists and journalists. Improve the accuracy of information about violence and threats towards women activists. Strengthen protective measures and defence mechanisms for women activists at both the individual and organizational level. Increase public awareness, and engagement of duty bearers by women activists, on the insecurities they face and the negative perceptions/practices that limit their political and peacebuilding participation. Foster greater collaboration and sharing of evidence between women activists at the
	Publication of VOS briefing paper	2 November 2023	Global	Women, men, youth	

					activists at the national and FMS levels regarding obstacles to women activists' involvement in public life.
Event 2	**National level advocacy event to promote women's meaningful participation across different decision-making levels and support them to do conduct internal advocacy and influencing.**	**15 August 2023**	**Mogadishu**	**Women activists, women leaders' women, journalist Office of the President, Speaker, Prime Minister's Office, Ministry of Women's Empowerment, and Ministry of Justice CBOs, CSOs, WROs, NGOs, INGO, Donors**	**The event aims to highlight the importance of women's involvement at different decision-making levels and provide tools and resources for effective advocacy. The objective is to influence decision-making processes, foster collaboration, and drive policy changes that prioritize gender equality and women's voices**
Event 3					
Event 4					

Human Impact

This section is about the human impact of the project. Please state the number of key stakeholders (including but not limited to: Civil Society Organziations, Beneficiaries, etc.) of the project, and for each, please briefly describe:

i. The challenges/problem they faced prior to the project implemantation
ii. The impact of the project in their lives
iii. Provide, where possible, a quote or testimonial from a representative of each stakeholder group
This is an optional question. You may leave it unanswered if not relevant

Human Impact	Key Stakeholder	What were the challenges they faced prior to project implementation? (350 words)	What has been the impact of the project on their lives? (350 words)	Provide, where possible, a quote or testimonial from a representative of each stakeholder group (350 words)
....	....	....	....	....

| 1 | Women activists and Traditional leaders, Authorities and Government Officials, Women's Centers | Women Activists: Lack of safety and security, inability to engage in activism due to danger, limited participation in political and peacebuilding activities, inability to speak out against violence and discrimination. Traditional Leaders: Cultural and societal norms limiting women's participation in public spaces, targeting of women activists by extremist groups. Women's Centers: Limited resources hindering change, lack of collaboration between women's organizations and community leaders for safe engagement in activism. Authorities and Government Officials: Cultural norms, lack of educational opportunities for women, gender inequality in the workplace, inadequate legal protections, poor medical care, lack of political representation | Women activist- Collaboration with local authorities and community leaders, establishment of women's peace platforms, creation of a safer space for advocacy and rights, increased participation in decision-making processes, empowerment to resolve conflicts and promote peacebuilding. Traditional leaders- Promotion of women's rights, challenge to gender stereotypes, increased women's participation in conflict resolution and peacebuilding, empowerment of women to contribute to the peacebuilding process. Women center- Creation of safe spaces for women, access to support services such as counseling, legal aid, and healthcare, skills training and income-generating activities, improved access to justice for survivors of violence, increased responsiveness of the justice system, increased women's confidence in seeking justice. Government authorities- Advocacy for women's rights, promotion of equal rights in all areas of life, including education, employment, and political participation | Traditional leaders can be important allies in this work... Peacebuilding needs the involvement of women." - Omar Abdi "The inclusion of women in peace processes is critical... They bring a unique perspective to the table and ensure that the needs and concerns of women are taken into account." - Omar Abdi |

			participation, addressing challenges through awareness campaigns and gender equality promotion.	

| **2** | **Saferworld Somalia, Women Development Centre, Somali Women's Study Centre, Women activists and volunteers, Survivors of violence against women, Local authorities and security agencies.** | **Lack of comprehensive data:** Prior to the implementation of the Violence Observatory System, there was a lack of accurate and reliable data on violence against women in Somalia. This made it difficult to assess the extent of the problem and develop effective strategies to address it. **Limited support for survivors:** Survivors of violence often faced challenges in accessing necessary support services, such as medical assistance, legal aid, and counseling. The lack of a coordinated response system made it difficult for survivors to receive comprehensive assistance. **Limited awareness and understanding:** There was a need to raise community awareness about the prevalence and impact of gender-based violence. Many people in Somalia had limited understanding of the issue and its consequences, which hindered efforts to prevent and respond to violence against women. | **Survivors of violence against women:** The Violence Observatory System has had a significant impact on the lives of survivors by providing them with a platform to share their experiences and access necessary support services. It has helped survivors connect with medical, legal, and counseling resources, enabling them to heal and recover. **Women activists and volunteers:** The project has empowered women activists and volunteers by providing them with the tools and resources to document cases of violence against women. It has elevated their voices and enabled them to play a crucial role in advocating for the rights and safety of survivors. **Local authorities and security agencies:** The data and evidence collected through the Violence Observatory System have strengthened advocacy efforts and provided local authorities with valuable information to take appropriate actions against perpetrators of violence. It has facilitated collaboration between activists and authorities in addressing the issue effectively. Saferworld, Somalia Women Development | **Hani Ahmed Ibrahim (Women activist):** "We collect information by actively listening to women activists and observing their daily activities. It allows us to gather first-hand accounts, capturing the true experiences of survivors. Our primary goal is to provide survivors with the support they need to heal and recover. We connect them with relevant resources, such as medical, legal aid, or counseling services, to ensure they receive comprehensive assistance." Hani Ahmed Ibrahim Hibo Hassan Sulub (Volunteer activist): "We work with relevant authorities, engaging in discussions and networking platforms that focus on women activists. By strengthening these partnerships, we created a collective front against violence." Hibo Hassan Sulub |

			Women Development Centre, and Somali Women's Study Centre: These organizations have played a key role in establishing and supporting the Violence Observatory System. The project has allowed them to document and analyze cases of violence against women, contributing to their efforts to promote gender equality and create a sustainable, women-led response to gender-based violence.	
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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 (650 words)

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

File 1
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Click here to upload file. (< 10MB)

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File 3
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You can also add upto 3 links to online resources which illustrate the human impact of the project
OPTIONAL

Link 1
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https://www.saferworld.org.uk/resources/publications/1433-addressing-gender-based-violence-against-women-activists-in-somalia-violence-observatory-systems

Link 2
OPTIONAL
https://www.saferworld.org.uk/en-stories-of-change/journalism-as-evidence-how-micro-grants-are-improving-womenas-safety-in-somalia

Link 3
OPTIONAL
https://www.saferworld.org.uk/en-stories-of-change/how-a-new-data-platform-is-helping-activists-tackle-gender-based-violence-in-somalia

Please tick the applicable change based on above narrative.

How we worked: *

Please select up to 3.

- [ ] Enhanced digitization
- [ ] Innovative ways of working
- [ ] Mobilized additional resources
- [x] Improved or initiated policy frameworks
- [ ] Strengthened capacities
- [x] Partnered with Civil Society Organizations
- [ ] Expanding coalitions & galvanizing political will
- [ ] Strengthened partnerships with IFIs
- [ ] Strengthened partnerships with UN Agencies

Please explain

Please limit your response to 350 words.

Conducting analysis of gender-based violence against women activists using Violence Observatory System. It identified the specific needs, priorities, and challenges faced by women activists and journalists in the target regions. This analysis has informed the development of gender-responsive policies such as the National Action Plan and initiatives that address the unique barriers faced by women in these roles such as raising awareness among decision-makers, and working with duty bearers, to push for legal and policy reforms, legal counselling, access to justice initiatives, and establishing and strengthening hotlines. Conducting research and data collection on the experiences and challenges faced by women activists and journalists, this evidence has been used to inform policy advocacy.

Please explain

Please limit your response to 350 words.

Please explain

Please limit your response to 350 words.

Who are we working with (in addition to the implementing partners) *

- ☐ Strengthened partnerships with IFIs
- ☐ Strengthened partnerships within UN Agencies
- ☑ Partnered with local civil society organizations
- ☐ Partnered with local academia
- ☑ Partnered with sub-national entities
- ☑ Partnered with national entities
- ☐ Partnered with local volunteers

Please explain (If IFIs)

Please limit your response to 350 words.

Please explain (If UN Agencies)

Please limit your response to 350 words.

Leave No one Behind

Select all beneficiaries targeted with the PBF resources as evidenced by the narrative *

Mandatory

- ☐ Unemployed persons
- ☑ Minorities (e.g. race, ethnicity, linguistic, religion, etc.)
- ☑ Indigenous communities
- ☑ Persons with Disabilities
- ☑ Persons affected by violence (e.g. GBV)
- ☑ Women
- ☑ Youth
- ☐ Minorities related to sexual orientation and/or gender identity and expression
- ☐ People living in and around border areas
- ☐ Persons affected by natural disasters
- ☐ Persons affected by armed conflicts
- ☑ Internally displaced persons, refugees or migrants

PART IV: Monitoring, Evaluation and Compliance

» Monitoring

Please list monitoring activities undertaken in the reporting period *

Please limit your response to 350 words.

The program continued performance monitoring through activity and output tracking sheets in which the partners used administrative data from project implementation, such as participant lists and distribution lists. Additionally, during the reporting period, the project held a perception assessment survey, in the three locations, where women representatives were supported to discuss the outcome level changes and additional themes selected by the participants. Participants have come up with both positive and negative indicators of change in these areas to rank any changes that may happen during the first part of the project, similar exercise will be conducted at the end of the project to measure the level of change of these specific outcome indicators.

During the reporting period, Saferworld and the partners conducted an Outcome Harvesting (OH) workshop. The aim of the workshop was to attain a richer understanding of the project's impact and its significance with respect to the wider conflict context. OH does not start with predetermined changes and measure progress towards them, but rather collects evidence of what has been achieved in the programme or project area, and works backwards to determine whether and how the project or intervention contributed to the change. The outcomes harvested this period shows program is approaching its final implementation stages and the outcomes of this quarter have shown a massive institutional change which is in line with the goals set initially. The women activists in Baidoa, Kismayo and Mogadishu are now systematically monitoring and managing furthermore the women activists have shown improved trust in the formal systems and are now seeking support from the formal system rather than the traditional system. Finally, the Authority in Kismayo accepted to work closely with the women activists to strengthen women's meaningful participation in decision-making. For example, during this reporting period, the higher offices of Jubaland State including the office of the president, deputy president, speaker, and ministries, accepted to engage on bimonthly bases with the women activists and will have a focal point who will serve as male and female champions. This will ease women's access to decision-makers.

Do outcome indicators have baselines? *

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

- ● yes
- ○ no

Please provide a brief description *

Please limit your response to 350 words.

98% of women activists and journalists who report they are using/referring others to the available GBV service and protection mechanism: The baseline assessment indicating that 27.5% of women activists and journalists were using or referring others to GBV services and protection mechanisms at the start of the program. 75% of Duty bearers and CSO networks targeted by the program who report that they have greater support for operational and policy responses to VAW and women's political and peacebuilding participation at community and FMS levels: 100%, of women activists interviewed during baseline assessment reported o be able to better focus on their activist work if they have safety and protection. During erception survey 87% of women activists who state that they can better focus on their activist work because they are less concerned with security threats.

Elaborate on what sources of evidence have been used to report on indicators (and are available upon request) *

Please limit your response to 350 words.

Monthly report, annual and semi-report, timesheet, meeting minute, advocacy note, Advocacy briefing paper, risk assessment report, mapping report, perception survey reports, baseline assessment report, data analysis report, pre and post training survey, and TORs for champions

Has the project launched outcome level data collection initiatives? e.g. perception surveys *

◉ yes

◯ no

Please provide a brief description *

Please limit your response to 350 words.

The project held a perception assessment survey, in the three locations, where women representatives were supported to discuss the outcome level changes and additional themes selected by the participants.

Has the project used or established community feedback mechanisms? *

◉ yes

◯ no

Please provide a brief description *

Please limit your response to 350 words.

The project has actively utilized community feedback mechanisms, recognizing the importance of engaging with the communities it serves, which primarily include women activists, women journalists, and peacebuilders. These mechanisms have provided a platform for community members to contribute their opinions and experiences, ensuring that the project is responsive to their specific needs and preferences. Regular feedback collection and analysis have allowed the project to adapt and improve its interventions, making them more effective and relevant. Through transparent and inclusive processes, the project has fostered collaboration, ownership, and accountability, ensuring that community voices are heard and considered in decision-making. Community consultations, meetings, and structured feedback processes have provided opportunities for community members to voice their opinions, offer suggestions, and shape the direction of the project.

» Evaluation

Is the project on track to conduct its evaluation? *

◉ yes

◯ no

◯ Not Applicable

Evaluation budget (in USD): *

Response required

15000

If project will end in next six months, and the overall project budget is above 1.5 million, is your upcoming evaluation on track? (Preparations)

Please limit your response to 350 words.

Not applicable

Please mention the focal person accountable for sharing the final evaluation report with the PBF, name and email.

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» Catalytic Effect

Catalytic Effect (financial): Indicate funding agent and amount of additional non-PBF funding support that has been leveraged by the project since it started. (y/n) *

- ( ) yes
- (●) no

If yes, how many additional grants or donors has the project leveraged? *

Catalytic Effect (non-financial): Has the project enabled or created a larger or longer-term peacebuilding change to occur? *

- (●) No catalytic effect
- ( ) Some catalytic effect
- ( ) Significant catalytic effect
- ( ) Very Significant catalytic effect
- ( ) Don't Know
- ( ) Too early to tell

If relevant, 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 *
Please limit your response to 350 words.

Sustainability

Does the project have an explicit exit strategy?

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

Please limit your response to 350 words.

Sustainability: Does the project have an explicit exit strategy? Please describe any steps that have been taken to ensure the sustainability of peacebuilding gains beyond the duration of the project (350 word limit)

Yes, the project has an explicit exit strategy designed to ensure the sustainability of peacebuilding gains, particularly through the Violence Observatory System (VOS). Partner organizations, such as SWDC and SWSC, are taking proactive steps to secure the longevity of the project's impact beyond its duration.

A key component of the exit strategy involves building the capacity of local partners and authorities in data collection and analysis, with a specific emphasis on the police gender desk. This strategic move aims to empower local authorities by imparting the skills needed to understand the significance of data in addressing gender-based violence (GBV). Specialized training sessions and workshops are being conducted to equip local partners with the knowledge and tools necessary to effectively utilize the VOS for informed decision-making. By fostering collaboration between the VOS and local authorities, the project lays the groundwork for sustained data collection efforts that can persist even after the project concludes.

Moreover, the project focuses on establishing robust coalitions and coordination mechanisms among women activists, recognizing their pivotal role in the sustainability of the VOS. These coalitions serve as advocacy platforms, ensuring consistent and meaningful sharing of data collected by the VOS with relevant stakeholders, including local authorities and the police gender desk. Ongoing collaboration between women activists and government actors is actively promoted, reinforcing the VOS's relevance and impact in addressing gender-based violence. This sustained engagement ensures that the VOS not only survives the project's conclusion but flourishes as a dynamic tool for promoting women's rights and safety.

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

Please limit your response to 350 words.

In the course of project implementation, several noteworthy considerations and capacity needs have emerged, demanding attention and strategic interventions. One critical area is the need for additional training on security measures concerning gender-based violence (GBV). Ensuring the safety and well-being of those involved in project activities is paramount, especially when addressing sensitive issues like GBV. Enhanced security training can equip project participants, including women activists and project staff, with the necessary skills and knowledge to navigate potentially challenging situations, thus fostering a secure environment for all stakeholders.

Furthermore, there is a clear demand for increased capacity building in the realms of data analysis and reporting. Effectively addressing gender-based violence requires robust data-driven insights to inform decision-making and shape impactful interventions. Strengthening the analytical capabilities of project personnel will enhance their ability to interpret complex data sets, identify patterns, and derive meaningful conclusions. This, in turn, will contribute to more informed and evidence-based strategies for combating gender-based violence, thereby maximizing the project's overall effectiveness.

Another crucial aspect that merits attention is the continued need for additional small grant support. The success stories stemming from the provision of small grants for women media forums and journalists underscore the transformative potential of such support. Expanding this approach to encompass a broader spectrum of initiatives led by women activists could yield profound impacts. More small grant support would empower these activists to execute innovative projects, engage in advocacy efforts, and address pressing issues related to gender-based violence at the grassroots level. This financial support not only catalyzes community-driven initiatives but also ensures the sustainability and scalability of impactful interventions.

Monitoring and Oversight Activities

Please describe any key event related to monitoring and oversight. Please click next if no activities have yet taken place.

Monitoring and oversight activities	Name of the Event	Summary	Key Findings

Event 1	**Cross Violence Observatories Learning Event**	**During the reporting period, Cross VOS learning event is conducted, in each state the women activists/VOMs representative come to gather preparing themselves to be able to present their successes and challenges in front of the other women activists/VOMs, their experience of the Violence observatory system implementations, lessons learned, considering the questions and perspectives from the other VOMs and anticipating what the other side might want to say or expect from the meeting. The Violence Observatory Monitors (VOMs) also discussed the progress they have made against the outcome of VOMs and identify key changes they have influenced, developed a Case study, and shared their Success story at the state level. Finally, this event was also preparation of an upcoming Joint cross-regional VOM learning meeting which will be organized in early June**	**In each location women activists showed the impact that they are making and during these events each team prepared power point presentations, info-graphics and videos showcasing the impact that they are making.**
Event 2			
Event 3			
Event 4			
Event 5			
Event 6			

Event 7			
Event 8			

Final Steps

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