Peacebuilding Fund Project Progress Report (Update May_2023)

PROJECT OVERVIEW

Thank you for taking the time to complete the PBF Progress report. For projects with more than one recipient, please consult among co-recipients prior to filling out the form to ensure collaboration on the responses. You can generate a print out of the blank form by clicking on the *print* icon on the top right corner of the page. If you have any questions or require technical assistance in filling out the form, please send an email to gabriel.velasteguimoya@un.org

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» Report Submission

Type of report   *

  ◯ Semi-annual

  ⦿ Annual

  ◯ Final

  ◯ Other

Date of submission of report   *

2023-11-29

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Name and Title of Person submitting the report   *

Viktoria von Knobloch, Associate Programme Management and Analysis Officer

Name and Title of Person who approved the report   *

George Otoo, Head of RCO

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 *

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Project Title *

○ 00130006: Building peace through promoting inclusive and participatory transitional justice processes and mechanisms in South Sudan

○ 00130571: Challenging harmful and patriarchal gender norms for better mental health and peace and security, amongst women and girls and communities in the Wunlit Triangle

○ 00129661: Community Action for Peaceful Resolution of Housing, Land and Property (HLP) Disputes and Conflicts

○ 00113057: Enhancing Women's Access to Land to Consolidate Peace in South Sudan

○ 00120688: Gender mainstreaming in Security Sector Reform

◉ 00129659: Secretariat support to the PBF portfolio in South Sudan

○ 00129660: Support to a people-driven and gender responsive permanent constitution making process in South Sudan

○ 00118940: Youth Action for Reduced Violence and Enhanced Social Cohesion in Wau, South Sudan

○ 00134340: Youth Leading Peace: Establishing participatory and inclusive local and national mechanisms for implementation of Youth Peace and Security Agenda in South Sudan

○ 00140011: Women's Leadership and Political Participation During South Sudan's Transitional Period

○ 00140047: Local Solutions to Build Climate Resilience and Advance Peace and Stability in Bor Pibor and Malakal

○ 00140050: Resourcing change: inclusive peacebuilding from the ground up

○ 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

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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 Caribbean

☐ 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

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Please select the countries where this project is being implemented *

Other, Please specify *

Project Start Date (Date of first transfer) *

2021-12-13

2021-12-13

Project end Date *

2023-12-12

2023-12-12

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   *

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

Other, Please specify   *

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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
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- ☐ 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 *

- ☐ 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 *

Implementing Partners

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

0

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)*
UNDP: United Nations Development Programme	2148025.96 *	1503618.17 *	524875.70 *	24.44%
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	*	*	* %
	*	*	* %
	*	*	* %
TOTAL	**2148025.96**	**1503618.17**	**524875.7**	**24.44%**

The approximate implementation rate as percentage of total project budget based on the values entered in the above matrix is **24.44%**. Can you confirm that this is correct? *

◯ Correct ⦿ Incorrect

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

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» Gender-responsive Budgeting

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

29

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 $ 622927.53**. Can you confirm that this is correct? *

⦿ Correct ◯ Incorrect

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

Amount expended to date on efforts contributiong to gender equality or women's empowerment is **US $ 152213.95**. Is this correct? *

◯ Correct ⦿ Incorrect

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

13154.34

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

Copy of Annex-D Budget_PBF Secretariat_Annual Report_Upload-17_16_2.xlsx

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?

The terms of reference for the JSC provide for quarterly JSC meetings. The Committee held meetings in January and May 2023. The next meeting is scheduled for 22 November 2023. The PBF Secretariat supported the establishment of the PBF Joint Steering Committee (JSC) in 2023 and provides Secretariat services to the Committee. The JSC is co-chaired by the Resident Coordinator (RC) and the Ministry of Peacebuilding (MoPB), the government strategic partner for the PBF in South Sudan. The membership comprises: Ministry of Finance and Planning; Ministry of Gender, Child and Social Welfare; Ministry of Defence and Veterans Affairs; Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation; Ministry of Youth and Sports; Ministry of Presidential Affairs; European Union; Embassies of Germany, Netherlands, Norway and the United Kindgom; Road to Economic Development; Finn Church Aid; Women Advancement Organization; UNDP, UN Women, UNICEF, UNFPA, FAO, IOM, WFP and UNHCR. The Committee provides the strategic direction and monitoring for PBF investments in the country.

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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.

The government holds seven out of the 25 membership positions on the PBF JSC. Government participation is at Minister or Undersecretary level. The project has also supported government engagement with the UN Peacebuilding Architecture in New York, including the Peacebuilding Commission (PBC).

In January 2023, the project supported the government to organize a briefing to the PBC on "Building Peace in Communities through Local Governance and Community Reconciliation in South Sudan", arranging travel of the Minister of Peacebuilding and online briefers from Civil Society, Youth, IGAD and the Office of the DSRSG/RC/HC. In June, the project arranged engagements between the Undersecretary, MoPB and senior leaders at DPPA on the government's commitment and progress with the PBC and PBF. This led to the drafting of the framework for engagement to support more strategic engagements between the PBC and the Government of South Sudan. The project has supported the government to widely consult on the draft framework, to be finalized in December 2023.

MoPB participated in identifying and advising on proposals for the 2023 Youth Promotion Initiative and the 2023 PRF allocation.

Under this project, MoPB received a budget allocation of $200,000 to support their monitoring and oversight of the PBF portfolio. In October, the project facilitated a monitoring and evaluation training for key MoPB staff, based on various discussions on how to best support the Ministry in undertaking monitoring visits to ongoing PBF projects. Monitoring and oversight missions are anticipated to start this Q4 2023.

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 PBF Secretariat, comprising four staff (PBF Coordination Specialist, Monitoring Evaluation and Communications Analyst, Finance and Administrative Associate and a Driver), was fully established in August 2023, with the recruitment of the Monitoring, Evaluation and Communications Analyst. Additionally, in September, the Secretariat received a Project Management and Analysis Junior Professional Officer whose contract is expected to run for two years. The project design does not include plans for contracting partners. However, the project has a strategic partnership with the Ministry of Peacebuilding to support PBF project monitoring and oversight. The project has not conducted any baselines given that the project indicators, as detailed in the project's Results Framework (Annex) do not require baseline data collection. With the completion of recruitment, the project will intensify activity implementation during the next reporting period, including for data collection processes to support reporting against the results framework. The project's primary beneficiaries are the Ministry of Peacebuilding and direct UN and CSO recipients of PBF funds. In addition to these primary beneficiaries, the project will widen its engagement with other strategic stakeholders in government, Civil Society, regional bodies, IFIs and donors.

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)
Not applicable. A request for a cost extension has been submitted to the Peacebuilding Support Office.

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:   *

PBF Secretariat effectively coordinate and support delivery of high-impact PBF portfolio and peacebuilding results and continued investments in peacebuilding in South Sudan

Outcome 2:   *

Outcome 3:   *

Outcome 4:   *

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: PBF Secretariat effectively coordinate and support delivery of high-impact PBF portfolio and peacebuilding results and continued investments in peacebuilding in South Sudan

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.

- Through a consultative process involving UNMISS, UNCT, and MoPB, the Secretariat developed a UNCT call for proposals for the Peacebuilding and Recovery Facility (PRF) along three agreed critical peacebuilding priorities within the context of South Sudan. The Secretariat received eight UN led applications in response to the call. An evaluation committee comprising representatives from the RSRTF, MoPB, PBSO, two non-participating UN Entities (WFP and WHO) evaluated the concept notes and recommended three concept notes which were endorsed by PBSO for project development in November 2023. The Secretariat also supported the development of UN and CSO proposals in response to the 2023 global Youth Promotion Initiative (YPI) call for proposals. The Secretariat guided UNCT processes to identify YPI projects during stage one. One UN led concept note and two CSO concept notes were moved to stage two of the YPI competitive process. For both PRF and YPI projects, the Secretariat provided technical support and expertise to enhance project quality, with an emphasis on project design logic and results frameworks. The Secretariat also supported processes to gather and incorporate JSC and UNCT feedback and endorsement as relevant.
- Provided ongoing support to all direct recipients of eight PBF projects to accelerate implementation and overcome hurdles, through regular participation in project Technical Working Group meetings and ad-hoc.
- Supported MoPB to implement agreed monitoring and oversight priorities, including a benchmarking study tour to Rwanda on Transitional Justice for nine MoPB staff in October 2023, and capacity support on monitoring and evaluation, targeting seven additional MoPB staff.
- Facilitated a gender-responsiveness training for PBF recipients in October 2023, attended by 14 participants with all seven PBF direct recipients represented.

The full staffing of the Secretariat has resulted in an acceleration of activities, but many activities remain outstanding, including mapping of key peacebuilding actors, conflict analysis, workshops for Peacebuilding actors, establishment/strengthening of coordination mechanisms including with state level actors, feedback mechanisms, monitoring and reporting against the strategic results framework. Since South Sudan's current PBF eligibility runs until 2026, the Secretariat is requesting a 30-month cost extension to deliver on these and other items.

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

Please limit your response to 3000 characters including spaces.

The Secretariat's support to new and ongoing projects has always promoted application of available PBF guidance on gender equality, women's empowerment (GEWE)and youth inclusion and responsiveness. The Secretariat has cited opportunities for strengthening accountability towards GEWE and youth inclusion and responsiveness including through review of project reports, ProDocs, budgets and participating in various discussions with project teams including Technical Working Group meetings. During the design of the YPI projects for example, the Secretariat held meetings with project teams to discuss youth inclusion with a focus on recognizing age, gender and other diversity aspect (such as ethnicity and identities across conflict divides) to develop YPI projects that recognize and include the diverse identities of youth and build in appropriate participatory and inclusive processes to ensure the project's responsiveness to the priorities of all youth.

As South Sudan was selected to participate in the Gender Promotion Initiative 2.0, the Secretariat mobilized a core group (UNDP, UN Women, UNFPA, SaferWorld) to consult on an appropriate, inclusive process of identifying a GPI 2.0 project that puts local women-led organizations' priorities at the centre. Due to competing priorities and limited capacity, it was decided to temporarily put the process on hold, but reflections have helped create a shared understanding on gender-responsive peacebuilding priorities and processes. The process will be picked up in early 2024. Participants qualified the training as well structured, useful and productive. There has been a tangible improvement in gender-sensitive reporting in the November reports.

In October 2023, the Secretariat facilitated a training for all PBF direct recipients on Gender-responsive Peacebuilding Programming. The training was an opportunity to build and deepen knowledge on gender sensitivity and responsiveness, and the PBF's guidance and expectation in this regard. It engaged participants in practical exercises to analyse GEWE practices in PBF project examples. The exercise helped participants understand positive practices that should be reinforced as well as common challenges to be addressed during project design, implementation, reporting, monitoring and evaluation. The training was strategically timed to ensure learning would be incorporated into the preparation of annual reports and new project design for the PRF. The PBF Secretariat will continue to prioritize ongoing promotion of and learning on GEWE and youth inclusion and responsiveness across all ongoing and anticipated projects and with all partners.

Outcome 2:

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.

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

Please limit your response to 3000 characters including spaces.

Outcome 3:

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.

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

Please limit your response to 3000 characters including spaces.

Outcome 4:

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.

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

Please limit your response to 3000 characters including spaces.

Outcome 5:

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.

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

Please limit your response to 3000 characters including spaces.

Outcome 6:

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.

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

Please limit your response to 3000 characters including spaces.

Outcome 7:

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.

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

Please limit your response to 3000 characters including spaces.

Outcome 8:

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.

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

Please limit your response to 3000 characters including spaces.

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: PBF Secretariat effectively coordinate and support delivery of high-impact PBF portfolio and peacebuilding results and continued investments in peacebuilding in South Sudan

Outcome 1	Performance Indicators	Indicator Baseline	End of Project Indicator Target	Current Indicator progress	Reasons for Variance/ Delay (if any)
1.1	Perception of key stakeholders on the effectiveness of PBF Secretariat in fulfilling its coordination mandate	N/A	80 percent satisfaction rate by stakeholders during the course of the 24 months	0	To be determined during the next reporting period
1.2	Continued growth of PBF portfolio in South Sudan	35 million USD	40 million USD by the end of the 24 months	21,678,571 USD in new approvals since 13 December 2021	Reflecting the global funding environment, annual eligibility allocations have been lower than anticipated at the time of designing this project, and 2023 projects have not yet been approved.
1.3	Narrative and financial reports for all PBF-funded projects submitted on time as per established reporting schedule.	N/A	90% of narrative and financial reports submitted to PBSO by the agreed due dates during the course of the 24 months	Tbd	Mandatory internal pre-submission review processes for reports (including Annex D) for each individual participating UN Entity result in longer reporting timelines.

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

PBF Secretariat established, and support provided to the Ministry of Peace Building to implement peace building strategy

Output 1.2

High-quality projects for PBF funding developed jointly by the UN, government, and civil society counterparts

Output 1.3

Strengthened coordination structure and strategic position for the PBF portfolio in South Sudan

Output 1.4

Strengthened M&E and knowledge management framework for better strategic planning, decision-making, and learning for peacebuilding and gender mainstreaming in South Sudan

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

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» Output 1.1

Output 1.1: PBF Secretariat established, and support provided to the Ministry of Peace Building to implement peace building strategy	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	**Core PBF Secretariat in place, with additional expertise in the areas of project and programme management, law, research, and strategic planning.**	**1 International staff seconded by RCO to support PBF implementation**	**4 additional international/national positions to be supported by PBF**	**2**	**4 additional international/national positions to be supported by PBF**	

| 1.1.2 | Mechanism for dialogue on PBF projects in place and operating with representation from key stakeholders: government and CSOs. | None | Dialogue mechanism fully constituted and providing oversight and guidance on PBF implementation | 1 | One dialogue mechanism, the PBF Joint Steering Committee is fully constituted and providing oversight and guidance on PBF implementation. | |
| 1.1.3 | | | | | | |

» Output 1.2

Output 1.2: High-quality projects for PBF funding developed jointly by the UN, government, and civil society counterparts	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 project proposals submitted to PBSO and endorsed for funding.**	**15 projects**	**20 projects by the end of the 24 months**	**3 additional concept notes endorsed**	**7**	
1.2.2	**Strengthened partnership with civil society in the implementation of PBF-funded projects.**	**Zero NGO-led PBF projects.**	**Two NGO-led PBF projects during the 24 months of the project**	**0**	**2 NGO-led projects during the past 24 months**	
1.2.3	**Number of conflict analysis developed/updated for different locations.**	**0**	**10 during the 24 months (disaggregated by location)**	**0**	**0**	**The delayed establishment of the PBF Secretariat limited the project's capacity to undertake a conflict analysis**

» Output 1.3

Output 1.3: Strengthened coordination structure and strategic position for the PBF portfolio in South Sudan	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*
1.3.1	**PBF coordination structure reviewed, updated, and endorsed by UNCT and government.**	**PBF Reference Group**	**Revised coordination structure endorsed within 6 months of the establishment of the PBF Secretariat**	**1**	**One revised coordination structure (Joint Steering Committee) endorsed in January 2023, five weeks after the recrutiment of the PBF Coordination Specialist**	
1.3.2	**Number of meetings held to review PBF portfolio.**	**N/A**	**4 per year (quarterly)**	**1**	**1 meeting by the Joint Steering Committee**	

1.3.3	Number of joint planning workshops held by PBF project stakeholders	N/A	At least one joint planning workshop in 12 months	0	0	The delayed establishment of the PBF Secretariat limited the project's capacity to conduct joint planning workshop. Workshops will commence during the next reporting period, contingent on the approval of a project cost extension.
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» Output 1.4

Output 1.4: Strengthened M&E and knowledge management framework for better strategic planning, decision-making, and learning for peacebuilding and gender mainstreaming in South Sudan	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*
1.4.1	**M&E and knowledge management framework developed and endorsed by the PBF Coordination Committee**	**No Framework**	**Framework developed and endorsed**	**N/A**	**1 Strategic Results Framework developed**	

| 1.4.2 | Number of joint monitoring visits by PBF Secretariat, project teams and Ministry of Peacebuilding to PBF projects conducted. | N/A | Joint monitoring visits to all on-going PBF projects during the course off 24 months | 0 | 0 | |
| 1.4.3 | Strengthened gender mainstreaming, and gender responsive planning, monitoring, and reporting in peacebuilding and PBF projects. | N/A | Gender analysis and gender marker updated annually to inform PBF interventions. | One Gender-responsive peacebuilding programming training was conducted | One Gender-responsive peacebuilding programming training was conducted | |

» Output 1.5

Output 1.5:	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 2:

Outcome 2	Performance Indicators	Indicator Baseline	End of Project Indicator Target	Current Indicator progress	Reasons for Variance/ Delay (if any)
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2.2	....	....	....	....	....
2.3	....	....	....	....	....

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

Output 2.2

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

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» Output 2.1

Output 2.1:	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 2.2

Output 2.2:	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 2.3

Output 2.3:	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*
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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:	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 3:

Outcome 3	Performance Indicators	Indicator Baseline	End of Project Indicator Target	Current Indicator progress	Reasons for Variance/ Delay (if any)
3.1					
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How many outputs does outcome 3 have?

    1   2   3   4   5   more than 5.

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

Output 3.1

Output 3.2

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

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» Output 3.1

Output 3.1:	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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3.1.3						

» Output 3.2

Output 3.2:	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 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_
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» Output 3.4

Output 3.4:	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 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*
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» Outcome 4:

Outcome 4	Performance Indicators	Indicator Baseline	End of Project Indicator Target	Current Indicator progress	Reasons for Variance/ Delay (if any)
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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
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Output 4.1
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Output 4.3
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Other Outputs
If Outcome 4 has more than 5 outputs, please enumerate the remaining outputs here
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For each output, and using the, project results framework, provide an update on the progress made against 3 most relevant output indicators

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» Output 4.1

Output 4.1:	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 4.2

Output 4.2:	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 4.3

Output 4.3:	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*
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» Output 4.4

Output 4.4:	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 4.5

Output 4.5:	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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> 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	A round table dialogue on a theme of relevance to the PBF	March 2024	Juba	UN, CSOs, Government, Academia, donors and regional bodies	To use the PBF's platform to widen diverse stakeholder engagement and coordination on critical peacebuilding issues and increase visibility and relevance of the PBF in South Sudan.

Event 2	CSO briefing on the PBF	February 2024	Juba	National CSOs	Continued sensitization of CSOs on the PBF in South Sudan and on opportunities for CSO contributions to the outcomes in the PBF strategic Results Framework.
Event 3	PBF Portfolio review meeting	February 2024	Juba	PBF Joint Steering Committee, PBF direct fund recipients, RSRTF	Reflect on the progress, quality and impact of the PBF portfolio; and identify opportunities to strengthen its relevance and impact, coordination and synergies, and visibility.
Event 4	Joint Steering Committee meeting	February 2024	Juba	Joint Steering Committee members	Provide a platform for continued strategic oversight (by donors, government, CSOs and partners) of the PBF investments in South Sudan.

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	Ministry of Peacebuilding	Limited knowledge and capacity to advance transitional justice processes	Secretariat organized a learning visit to Rwanda for MoPB in October. The Ministry received valuable learning on critical pathways for transitional justice in a post conflict setting. Pathways that prioritize national unity, national dialogue, home grown approaches to justice, DDR as well as truth healing and forgiveness particularly resonated with the Ministry.	"We are going back home to look at some of the key takeaways. We have agreed to make follow up on technical support and capacity building that will build the capacity of our government to be able to deliver to our people. This is the beginning of our engagement…" Hon. Pia Phillip, Undersecretary, MoPB.

2	Ministry of Peacebuilding	Limited capacity to conduct monitoring missions to peacebuilding projects	The seven staff from the ministry of Peacebuilding staff reported an increased awareness and clarity on PBF global guidelines and how they are localised by the nine PBF projects in South Sudan. It helped them align the Ministries priorities and actions better on the ground making them prepared for the upcoming joint field visits.	Survey respondents shared the reflections below through a survey administered after the training: o "You have demonstrated your task to the fullest". o "There is more confidence now if making field visits". o "The concept of PBF and overarching frameworks are clearer now". o "It's good to see that we already have projects on the ground aligned with the three main goals of the PBF fund". o "It's important to break down technical terms into simple usable words…This checklist is very workable".
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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)

N/A

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

OPTIONAL

Click here to upload file. (< 10MB)

File 2
OPTIONAL

Click here to upload file. (< 10MB)

File 3
OPTIONAL

Click here to upload file. (< 10MB)

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

Link 1
OPTIONAL

Link 2
OPTIONAL

Link 3
OPTIONAL

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
- ☑ Improved or initiated policy frameworks
- ☑ Strengthened capacities
- ☑ 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.

Secretariat supported MoPB in developing and consulting on a framework for engagement of South Sudan with the PBC. Supported improved capacity on gender-sensitive peacebuilding programming, M&E of the Ministry of Peacebuilding, UN Entities and CSO direct recipient of PBF funds as well as those who submitted new projects for funding consideration. Capacity building support included technical advice in the form of day-to-day mentoring, joint work on specific tasks and trainings

Please explain

Please limit your response to 350 words.

The project provided technical project development guidance to three civil society organizations – SaferWorld, Strategic Initiatives for Women in the Horn of Africa (SIHA) and Nile Sustainable Development Organization (NSDO). World Bank is a member of the PBF Joint Steering Committee and the Technical Committee.

Please explain

Please limit your response to 350 words.

The PBF Secretariat has encouraged direct UN recipients of PBF funds to regularly schedule and participate in Technical Working Group meetings and to include UNMISS in coordination and implementation. The Secretariat has also participated in these meetings offered guidance on technical and compliance issues; and flagged opportunities to strengthen complementarity, coordination and collaboration during project implementation. The Secretariat has facilitated conversations to harmonize diverse perspectives, opinion, promote healthy power dynamics and a harmonious work environment among UN Entities implementing joint projects. The project has prioritized the 2023 PRF funding allocation to projects that support shared interests with the Partnership for Peace Recovery and Resilience (South Sudan's HDP Nexus platform); and the UN Early Transition Planning process. Finally, the project is continuously exploring options to strengthen partnerships and synergies with the RSRTF.

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

- [x] Strengthened partnerships with IFIs
- [x] Strengthened partnerships within UN Agencies
- [x] Partnered with local civil society organizations
- [ ] Partnered with local academia
- [ ] Partnered with sub-national entities
- [x] Partnered with national entities
- [ ] Partnered with local volunteers

Please explain (If IFIs)

Please limit your response to 350 words.

World Bank is a member of the PBF Joint Steering Committee and the Technical Committee. During the next reporting period, the project will explore options for developing strategic program partnerships with the World Bank across shared areas of interest

Please explain (If UN Agencies)

Please limit your response to 350 words.

The Secretariat has consistently and increasingly engaged the UNCT, including the Programme Management Team (PMT) on issues related to the PBF. The Secretariat has made or arranged presentations to PMT and UNCT to enhance their understanding of and participation in the PBF and its processes. PMT and UNCT have provided feedback on processes for identifying new proposed projects. Members of the PMT such as WFP and WHO have participated as members of the committee that evaluated projects for the 2023 PRF allocation. The UN RSRTF participated in evaluating concept notes submitted for new projects and provided valuable perspectives during the process to mitigate the risk of duplicating ongoing interventions and to ensure that identified projects were well placed to address critical peacebuilding gaps. UNMISS is a strategic partner in several ongoing projects and was consulted on the development of the PBF call for proposals for the 2023 PRF allocation. The call mandated the participation of UNMISS as a strategic partner for all projects applications.

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 project has conducted the following activities to contribute to portfolio monitoring:

o Joint Steering Committee meetings;

o Field visit to SaferWorld's PBF funded project, "Challenging harmful and patriarchal gender norms for better health and peace and security amongst women and girls in Wunlit Triangle" project in Kuajok.

o Field visit to IOM led component of the PBF "Local Solutions to Build Climate Resilience and Advance Peace and Stability in Bor, Pibor and Malakal" in Bor.

o Field visit to "Building peace through promoting inclusive and participatory transitional justice processes and mechanisms in South Sudan" project to Eastern Equatorial state.

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.

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.

N/A

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.

Has the project used or established community feedback mechanisms? *

( ) yes

(●) no

Please provide a brief description *

Please limit your response to 350 words.

» Evaluation

Is the project on track to conduct its evaluation?   *

- ○ yes
- ○ no
- ◉ Not Applicable

Evaluation budget (in USD):   *

Response required

25000

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.

N/A

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

N/A

» 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.

Under the leadership of the MoPB, the PBF Secretariat has provided significant support to maintain the momentum of South Sudan's PBC engagement and make it more planned and strategic through the development of a broadly consulted framework document. The Secretariat catalyszed this process through ongoing support to the MoPB and proactive engagement of the PBC team at the Department of Political and Peacebuilding Affairs.

In addition, PBF Secretariat supported the alignment of one of the agreed PRF priorities with the emerging work around the Humanitarian-Development-Peace (HDP) Nexus in South Sudan. The UNCT can position the anticipated PBF Durable Solutions project as seed funding to demonstrate early action on one of the agreed HDP Nexus priorities, as coordinated through the Partnership for Peace Recovery and Resilience. This in turn can help catalyze additional funding for HDP priorities.

The project's efforts to increase visibility of the PBF, including media coverage of the PBF JSC inauguration, has catalyzed the interest from diverse stakeholders in the PBF in South Sudan, including donors, government and CSOs. The Netherlands Embassy invited the Secretariat to make a presentation on the PBF to visiting dignitaries from the Netherlands Ministry of Foreign Affairs and requested to visit a PBF project in Bor. Canada and Germany have also requested specific information on the PBF. The number of requests for meetings, and information on the PBF by government and CSOs has also increased.

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.

The project's sustainability strategy is hinged on strengthening national ownership and capacity to drive the peace agenda across the country. The project provides technical advice and capacity support to the MoPB which is tasked with developing policies, strategies and programs to promote peace and reconciliation, including through convening peacebuilding stakeholders. The project strategically involves the MoPB in delivering the PBF portfolio. The Ministry co-chairs the PBF JSC, participates in workshops and discussions to identify peacebuilding priorities and to design projects in support of these priorities. PBF direct recipients are regularly reminded of the PBF's strategic relationship with the Ministry and are encouraged to engage MoPB and other relevant line ministries during all phases of the project cycle. The MoPB and other government institutions are represented on governance structures for various PBF projects.

The project has also provided technical advice and procedural guidance to national civil society organizations to increase their competitiveness for PBF funds, particularly through the YPI global call for proposals. The PBF JSC has also presented opportunities to deepen knowledge of a diverse range of stakeholders on the PBF, increase their appreciation for the relevance of the PBF's priorities for South Sudan and impress on the need for complementary financial and non-financial investments to sustain the outcome and impact of PBF investments. UN Entities are also continuously encouraged to foster meaningful financial and non-financial partnerships with national civil society organizations during all stages of the project cycle, in order to contribute to continuous capacity development of these CSOs; and expand opportunities for sustainability through national ownership of the peacebuilding agenda by CSOs. The project has drawn linkages with other ongoing UN led initiatives. The project prioritized the 2023 PRF funding allocation to a durable solutions project that strengthens the imperative for Peace across the Humanitarian, Peace and Development Nexus. The project was developed in collaboration with the Partnership for Peace Recovery and Resilience and will provide seed funding to kick start HDP priorities identified by the partnership. The project also prioritized a Community Violence Reduction project in support of Pillar one of the UN Early Transition Planning process.

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

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The project is critical to the success of the PBF portfolio in South Sudan. However, owing to the long lead times for the establishment of the PBF Secretariat, in particular the recruitment of key staff, the project is not on track to achieve its envisaged outcome. The Resident Coordinator will submit a cost extension for the consideration of the Peacebuilding Support Office to continued Secretariat support until June 2026, aligned with the duration of South Sudan's current PBF eligibility period.

Monitoring and Oversight Activities

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

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Monitoring and oversight activities	Name of the Event	Summary	Key Findings
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| **Event 1** | Joint Steering Committee meetings | The Joint Steering Committee was inaugurated in January 2023 and held a total of three meeting in January, May and November 2023. During the meetings, the JSC was briefed on the process for identifying PBF projects and priorities in 2023; and on the thematic areas of focus for new projects that will be developed and submitted for the consideration of the PBSO in 2023. | Key observations by the JSC included: o A need for better attendance and participation of government members of the JSC in the JSC meetings. o A stronger investment in strengthening civil society organizations so that they are better positioned to compete for PBF funding. o A reiteration of the importance of involving the Ministry of Peacebuilding in all stages of the PBF project cycle and not only during the sign off on projects. o A reiteration of the need to align PBF interventions with the Revised National Development Strategy. o The public should be informed about the PBF investments and visibility enhanced through public information dissemination system. o The principle of inclusivity/leave no one behind should guide the implementation of PBF and other donor-funded interventions. o Overall coordination and coherence to enable cumulative impact of peacebuilding across South Sudan should be strengthened. This must include information on how the PBF support helps unblock political impasses, and its impact on ordinary communities. o PBF catalytic interventions should contribute to addressing the roots and effects of climate-induced conflicts, since climate change is a source of conflict triggers in South Sudan. |

| Event 2 | Monitoring visit to SaferWorld's PBF funded project, "Challenging harmful and patriarchal gender norms for better health and peace and security amongst women and girls in Wunlit Triangle" project in Kuajok | In March 2023, the PBF Secretariat visited the SaferWorld project, "Challenging harmful and patriarchal gender norms for better health and peace and security amongst women and girls in Wunlit Triangle". The visit focused on project locations in Kuajok State. It included engagements with: o Women Development Group (WDG), a Women's Rights Organization who is an implementing partner for SaferWorld in Kuajok. Discussions with the organization included the organizations strategic vision and priorities; their experience with the project as an implementing partner; their perspectives on the project's contribution to the Women Peace and Security agenda. o Meetings with local authorities at State, County and Payam level to discuss peacebuilding priorities in their localities; coordination of peace actors; their involvement/participation in peacebuilding interventions including the PBF project. o Discussions with women led peer support groups to listen to their experiences as direct participants in the project. | Key findings from the visit were: o Local authorities, including the State Ministry of Peacebuilding and State Ministry of Gender are knowledgeable about the project. They are regularly informed about the project and sometimes participate in project activities. The project team has a strong relationship with local authorities at all levels. o A coordination platform for peacebuilding is active in Kuajok. It is co-chaired by the Ministry of Peacebuilding and UNDP. However, more needs to be done to encourage the participation of peacebuilding actors. Some actors have reservations with participating in the coordination platform due to their negative perceptions of such platforms, which largely stems from their dissatisfaction with the way coordination platforms for humanitarian activities are managed. o WDG has significantly benefited from ongoing institutional and technical capacity support from SaferWorld. SaferWorld has supported the organizations capacity development in strategic planning (including organization strategy development) finance, procurement and WPS programming. The vehicle provided by SaferWorld through the project has significantly contributed to supporting the organizations sustained reach to target communities. o The merging impact of the |

project on women led peer groups in various locations was evident. The project has contributed to improving the protection, empowerment and agency of women and girls. Peer support groups and Women and Girl Friendly Safe Spaces (WGFSS) supported by the project have provided spaces for women to individually and collectively heal and recover from trauma experienced during the various conflict spells that have affected their community. o The project has increased youth participation in peacebuilding through support to community level youth groups. The youth carry out outreach and awareness to support peace in their communities and neighbouring communities. Through activities of both the women led peer groups and youth groups, social and cultural norms that previously impeded the participation of women and girls in community activities are being challenged, opening up spaces for young girls to fully explore opportunities presented in their community including education. o As a result of the strong group dynamics facilitated through the project and the increased sense of agency for Women led peer groups, the groups are expanding their interests to various activities that will keep them connected to each other and provide other avenues for continued

			trauma healing. This includes food security, livelihoods and small business activities. The small grants provided for in the SaferWorld project can support women to realize this emerging interest. o Despite the progress observed during the visit, it was also evident that the project team needed more time and resources to engage both the women-led peer groups, communities and local leaders in order to concretize the project's impact.

Event 3	Visit to IOM led component of the PBF "Local Solutions to Build Climate Resilience and Advance Peace and Stability in Bor, Pibor and Malakal" in Bor	Together with IOM, the PBF Secretariat co-hosted a visit for a delegation from the Dutch Embassy in Juba and the Dutch Ministry of Foreign Affairs in the Netherlands. The visit included focus group discussions with male and female youth from across Bor State, who had participated in IOM's inaugural dialogue under this project. The dialogue was titled, "Together Against Climate Change: Youth Dialogue for a Green and Prosperous Future in Bor, Jonglei State" was led by IOM partner CEPO. The Dutch delegation and the PBF Secretariat engaged the dialogue participants on: o Their reflection on the situation in their community; o Their learning from the just concluded dialogue and opportunities presented as a result of the dialogue.	Key observations by the PBF Secretariat included: o The participation of youth in the dialogue was diverse and inclusive, including persons with disability. o It was evident that the youth had a deeper awareness and knowledge of the intersect between climate and peace as a result of the dialogue. o Youth were very clear on the key resolutions emerging from the dialogue and the importance of immediately implementing them. o The sense of agency developed by the youth as a result of the dialogue was evidenced by their eagerness to return to their communities and share the learning from the dialogue with a wide range of stakeholders. o Youth understanding of the roadmap that is to developed following the dialogue and based on the resolutions of the dialogue was very limited. They need to be supported to develop a more holistic understanding of the project so that the significance of dialogue within the broader frame of the project is clear to them. o Youth were not aware of the interlinkages between different components of the project implemented by IOM, FAO and UN Women; and the opportunities presented there-in. The PBF Secretariat encouraged CEPO to engage IOM, FAO and UN Women during the project Technical Working Group meetings to understand opportunities for addressing some of the

			dialogue resolutions through interventions implemented by FAO and UN Women. CEPO can then share information with the youth or invite FAO and UN Women to brief the youth.

| **Event 4** | Visit to "Building peace through promoting inclusive and participatory transitional justice processes and mechanisms in South Sudan" project to Eastern Equatorial state. | Together with UNDP, the PBF Secretariat organized joint monitoring visit with donors to Torit in Eastern Equatorial. Participants during the visit included the designate German Ambassador, a technical representative from the Dutch Embassy, representatives from UNMISS, UNHCR, UNDP, PBF Secretariat and Women and Children Network (WOCH-NET) the CSO implementing the project in Torit. The purpose of the visit was to provide an opportunity for the visiting team to engage with members of the Lowoi Victims Support/Community Action Group, listen to their experiences, learn about the impact the project has had on their lives and the community, and witness the local catalytic effect on broader development and peacebuilding outcomes. | The key findings from the visit included: o The community visited has experienced repeated traumatic events, including an attack on the community in late October 2022 that left seven people dead. Abduction of children and disappearance of people during various conflict experiences were commonly expressed by community members. o Although the village looked well populated to a visiting outsider, villagers indicated that young children, especially youth often leave the community at a very young age for other locations including Juba in search of safety and other life opportunities. o Victim Support Groups that have rebranded to Community Action groups are mobilizing community members to participate in self-help projects in support of health and education. o Donor participation in future monitoring visits should be limited to technical teams from donor missions. The need to use force protection owing to the participation of a designate Ambassador lengthened travel times and limited opportunities for in-depth interaction with project participants. o UNDP should ensure that: o Any future field visits strictly follow the program agreed to with the Secretariat to ensure that the visit remains focused on key interactions that can allow for quality |

			engagements with project participants on their experiences with the project. o Mobilization of community is kept to appropriate levels. Over mobilization can unnecessarily raise community expectation and potentially be harmful in other ways. o An advance UNDP team with relevant program technical expertise visits locations prosed for similar visits in the future to provide hands on guidance and support capacity gaps of implementing CSO partners.
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Final Steps

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