

PBF November 2024 Project Progress Report



PROJECT OVERVIEW

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

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☒ Yes

☐ No

Did PBF Secretariat or RCO focal point review the report?

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You should normally ensure that the PBF Secretariat or the PBF focal point have an opportunity to review.

☒ Yes

☐ No

☐ Not Applicable

» Project Information and Geographical Scope

Is this a cross-border project?

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☐ Yes ☒ No

Please select the geographical region in which the project is implemented

- ☐ Asia and the Pacific
- ☐ Central & Southern Africa
- ☒ East Africa
- ☐ Europe and Central Asia
- ☐ Global
- ☐ Latin America and the Caribbean
- ☐ Middle East and North Africa
- ☐ West Africa

Country of project implementation

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- ☐ Ethiopia
- ☐ Kenya
- ☐ Madagascar
- ☐ Somalia
- ☐ South Sudan
- ☒ Sudan
- ☐ Other, Specify

Other, please specify

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Project Title

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- ☐ 00119468: Building Sustainable Peace and Social Cohesion in Tawilla Locality, North Darfur
- ☐ 00130002: Building the MHPSS-Gender-Peacebuilding nexus: fostering wellbeing, non-violent, gender equitable masculinity and social restoration with young people in West Darfur, Sudan.
- ☐ 00130052: Darfuri Youth Empowerment in Civic Spaces to Advance Peacebuilding
- ☐ 00119467: Durable Solutions for forced displacement in West Darfur
- ☐ 00119469: East Darfur: Assalaya-Sheiria-Yassin Triangle of Peace and Coexistence
- ☒ 00121172: PBF **secretariat** and peacebuilding project Sudan
- ☐ 00130005: Refugee and IDP Profiling Towards Sustainable Peace and Durable Solutions in Darfur
- ☐ 00125917: Strengthening the Political and Peacebuilding Role of Women in Sudan's Transition
- ☐ 00130705: Sudan Youth Citizen Observer Network: Strengthening Youth's Role as Peacebuilders and Promoters of Civic Space in Sudan's Transition
- ☐ 00125403: Support to the Sudanese Peace Process
- ☐ 00128019: Supporting Sustainable Peace in Blue Nile State through Gender-Responsive Natural Resource Governance, Inclusive Conflict Resolution Mechanisms and Climate-Resilient Livelihoods
- ☐ 00119470: Transition to Sustainable Peace in Central Darfur
- ☐ 00119471: Transition to Sustainable Peace in South Darfur
- ☐ 00131661: Peacebuilding and Human Rights in Support of Durable Solutions for IDPs and Affected Communities: The Right to Adequate Housing in West Darfur
- ☐ 00133949: Strengthening Capacities for Peace and Social Cohesion in Kassala and Red Sea States Sudan
- ☐ 00133950: Strengthening the Security - Climate Nexus in Gedaref Sudan
- ☐ 00140081: Empowering Women Civil Society Leaders as Peacebuilders
- ☐ 00140082: Empowerment of youth for peace and effective political participation Red Sea State Sudan.
- ☐ Other, Specify

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

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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

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Asia and the Pacific | <input type="checkbox"/> Central & Southern Africa | <input type="checkbox"/> East Africa |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Europe and Central Asia | <input type="checkbox"/> Global | <input type="checkbox"/> Latin America and the Caribbean |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Middle East and North Africa | <input type="checkbox"/> 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) *

2020-05-04

2020-05-04

Project End Date *

2025-04-22

2025-04-22

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 the current project end date within 6 months?

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☒ Yes

☐ No

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

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☐ Yes

☒ No

If yes, please select which

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☐ National Trust Fund

☐ Regional Trust Fund

Recipients

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

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☒ UN entity

☐ Non-UN Entity

Please select the convening agency recipient

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☒ 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?

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

Please select other UN recipients

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Select all that apply

- ☐ UNDP: United Nations Development Programme
- ☐ IOM: International Organization for Migration
- ☐ UNICEF: United Nations Children's Fund
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- ☐ 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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| <input type="checkbox"/> ACTED | <input type="checkbox"/> Action Aid UK | <input type="checkbox"/> AAITG (ActionAid the Gambia) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> AEDE | <input type="checkbox"/> African Centre for the Constructive Resolution of Disputes (ACCORD) | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Agence de Coopération et de Recherche pour le Développement (ACORD) | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> American Friends Service Committee (AFSC) | <input type="checkbox"/> Avocats Sans Frontières | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Avocats Sans Frontières Belgium | <input type="checkbox"/> Avocats sans frontières Canada | <input type="checkbox"/> Ayuda en Accion |
| <input type="checkbox"/> CARE International UK | <input type="checkbox"/> Centre d'étude et de coopération internationale (CECI) - BF | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Christian Aid Ireland | <input type="checkbox"/> COIPRODEN | <input type="checkbox"/> Concern Worldwide |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Conexion Guatemala | <input type="checkbox"/> COOPI - Cooperazione Internazionale | <input type="checkbox"/> CORD Burundi |
| <input type="checkbox"/> CORDAID | <input type="checkbox"/> Corporacion Sisma Mujer | <input type="checkbox"/> CRS - Catholic Relief Services |
| <input type="checkbox"/> DanChurchAid | <input type="checkbox"/> EQUITAS | <input type="checkbox"/> Fund for Congolese Women |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Fundacion Estudios Superior (FESU) | <input type="checkbox"/> Fundación Mi Sangre (FMS) | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Fundación Nacional para el Desarrollo de Honduras (FUNADEH) | <input type="checkbox"/> Fundación para la Libertad de Prensa (FLIP) | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> HELVETAS Swiss Intercooperation | <input type="checkbox"/> Humanity & Inclusion (HI) | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> ICTJ (International Center for Transitional Justice) | <input type="checkbox"/> Instituto Holandes para Democracia Multipartidaria (NIMD) | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Integrity Watch | <input type="checkbox"/> International Alert | <input type="checkbox"/> International Rescue Committee |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Interpeace | <input type="checkbox"/> Kvinna till Kvinna Foundation | <input type="checkbox"/> Life and Peace Institute (LPI) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> MDG-EISA - Institut Electoral pour une Démocratie Durable en Afrique (EISA), bureau de Madagascar | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Mercy Corps | <input type="checkbox"/> MLAL - ProgettoMondo | <input type="checkbox"/> MSIS-TATAO |
| <input type="checkbox"/> NIMD (Netherlands Institute for Multiparty Democracy) | <input type="checkbox"/> Norwegian Refugee Council (NRC) | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> OIKOS | <input type="checkbox"/> ONG Adkoul - ONG Adkoul | <input type="checkbox"/> ONG AZHAR |
| <input type="checkbox"/> OXFAM | <input type="checkbox"/> Peace Direct | <input type="checkbox"/> Plan International |
| <input type="checkbox"/> PNG UN Country Fund | <input type="checkbox"/> Red de Instituciones por los Derechos de la Niñez | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> ROI - Roza Otunbayeva Initiati | <input type="checkbox"/> Saferworld | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Sampan'Asa Momba ny Fampandrosoana (SAF/FJKM) | <input type="checkbox"/> Save the Children | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Search for Common Ground (SFCG) | <input type="checkbox"/> SIHA (Strategic Initiative for Women in the Horn of Africa) | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> SismaMujer | <input type="checkbox"/> SOS Sahel Sudan | <input type="checkbox"/> Stichting Impunity Watch |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Tearfund | <input type="checkbox"/> The Carter Center, Inc. | <input type="checkbox"/> Trocaire |
| <input type="checkbox"/> War Child | <input type="checkbox"/> War Childhood Museum (WCM) | <input type="checkbox"/> World Vision International |
| <input type="checkbox"/> World Vision Myanmar | <input type="checkbox"/> ZOA | <input type="checkbox"/> blank_placeholder |
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Other, Please specify

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Implementing Partners

To how many implementing partners has the project transferred money *during this reporting period* (for June reports: January-June; for November reports: January-November; for final reports: full project duration)?

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Financial Reporting

» Delivery by Recipient

Please enter the total amounts in full 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 full US \$) <i>Please enter the total budget as is in the project document in US Dollars</i>	Transfers to date (in full US \$) <i>Please enter the total amount transferred to each recipient to date in US Dollars</i>	Expenditure to date (in full US \$) <i>Please enter the approximate amount spent to date in US dollars</i>	Implementati on rate as a percentage of total budget (calculated automatically)
UNDP: United Nations Development Programme	4800000	4200000	3663714.50	76.33%
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TOTAL	4800000	4200000	3663714.5	76.3 3%

The approximate implementation rate as percentage of total project budget based on the values entered in the above matrix is **76.33%**. 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) as per the project document? *

36.31

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 \$ 1742880**. Can you confirm that this is correct? *

☐ Correct ☒ Incorrect

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

1743091

Amount expended to date on efforts contributing to gender equality or women's empowerment is **US \$ 1330294.73**. Is this correct? *

☐ Correct ☒ Incorrect

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

1318937.22

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

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Project Markers

Please select the Gender Marker Associated with this project *

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

Please select the Risk Marker Associated with this project *

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

Please select the PBF Focus Area associated with this project *

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

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

Select all that apply

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

Steering Committee and Government engagement

Does the project have an active steering committee/ project board? *

- ☐ Yes
- ☒ No

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

Please limit your response to 3000 characters

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. *

Please limit your response to 3000 characters

The United Nations has had limited engagement with the government since the military takeover of October 2021, and even less so since the outbreak of conflict between the Sudanese Armed Forces and the Rapid Support Forces on 15 April 2023. The PBF Joint Steering Committee (JSC) co-chair is a government official, so following the military takeover it was decided to wait until political context is more suitable for convening a JSC. The PBF Secretariat has been in contact with the National Peace Commissioner since the outbreak of conflict on 15 April 2023, but there has been no formal meeting or engagement in the last 14 months.

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

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☐ 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.)

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Please limit your response to 3000 characters

Outcomes 1 and 2 of the PBF Secretariat project completed implementation in 2022, having finalized all activities in support of peacebuilding strategies and infrastructures for peace (for further detail, see November 2022 Progress Report). This project report therefore only covers outcome 3, which supports the functioning of the PBF Secretariat Sudan, which, in January 2023, merged with the Sudan Multi-Partner Trust Fund (MPTF) Secretariat to form a joint PBF-MPTF Secretariat.

In this reporting period, the MPTF-PBF Secretariat continued to oversee the coordination, monitoring and evaluation, and communications of all PBF and MPTF investments in Sudan, with a view to strengthening the coherence and impact of both funding mechanisms by ensuring alignment on strategic outcomes, enhancing cohesion in funding allocation, and building thematic and geographic synergies. The merger of the two secretariats was guided by the Joint MPTF-PBF Strategic Results Framework (SRF), endorsed by the DSRSG/RC/HC in October 2022, which brings together the investments of the two funding sources under a shared strategic chapeau and with common high-level outcomes.

The PBF's eligibility cycle in Sudan expired in October 2024. In the same month, the PBF Secretariat project was granted a six-month no-cost extension to continue supporting project requirements for the 11 projects remaining active after the previous project end date of October 2024. This extension also serves to bridge the gap between the closure of the PBF-funded Secretariat (initially set for October 2024) and the establishment of the MPTF-funded Secretariat (anticipated for April 2025), which will continue to support both PBF and MPTF programming in Sudan.

Following a period of remote work after the outbreak of conflict in April 2023, two of the three members of the PBF Secretariat team have re-located or been assigned the RCO Sudan Liaison Office in Nairobi, Kenya; namely, the Head of the Joint Secretariat and the Programme Analyst. The Finance and Administrative Assistant continues to undertake her duties remotely.

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.

Is the project on track for the timely completion of outputs as indicated in the workplan?

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☒ Yes☐ No

If no, please provide an explanation

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Please limit your response to 6000 characters

Project progress summary

Please limit your response to 6000 characters

There is no progress to report in this reporting period for outcomes one and two as all activities were completed in 2022 (for further detail, see November 2022 project progress report). The exception is the finalisation of six peacebuilding assessments by UNITAMS and UNDP with PBF support, which were completed in November 2023 for the following states: Blue Nile, Kassala, North Darfur, Red Sea, South Darfur and South Kordofan. These assessments were developed to provide an evidence base for peacebuilding and conflict-sensitive programming at the state level to the UN and its partners in Sudan. Despite the changed context following the outbreak of national conflict in April 2023, the peacebuilding assessments provide valuable insights into the stresses and strains that communities were under prior to April 2023, which have since been exacerbated by the ongoing conflict.

Under Outcome 3, the Secretariat continued to perform its functions to ensure the quality of new and ongoing PBF-funded projects through support to project design, coordination, monitoring and evaluation, and communications.

The Secretariat undertook preparations to establish a pilot micro-grant facility to provide direct and flexible funding, as well as targeted trainings and networking support, to small Sudanese organisations and groups that are on the frontline of the crisis response across Sudan. In May, the Secretariat launched a call for proposals to identify an INGO, NGO or consortium of the two to function as a coordinating body for the micro-grant facility. The Secretariat then convened a technical review committee which reviewed the 11 submissions and provided a recommendation to the Resident Coordinator. The Secretariat worked with the recommended NGO to strengthen their concept note and formally submitted this to the Peacebuilding Support Office for approval in September 2024. The Secretariat's efforts to realise the PBF's strategic commitment to supporting local-level and community-based processes come at a time where support to civil society in Sudan is critical.

In this reporting period, the Secretariat oversaw the closure two PBF projects. The first, in April, was a YPI project implemented by UNHCR and UNDP supporting youth access to civil spaces in West and Central Darfur, which was re-programmed following the outbreak of conflict in 2023 to support the winter agricultural season in North Darfur and ease inter-communal tensions resulting from the food insecurity crisis. The second, in September, was a YPI project implemented by the Carter Center to facilitate the establishment of the independent Youth Citizen Observer Network in Sudan: a dedicated platform for young Sudanese women and men who are capable of reporting on the conflict in their communities, are proactively pushing for peace, and have the tools to support the establishment of democracy in the future.

As the conflict continued into 2024 and frontlines shifted to previously more stable areas, the Secretariat continued its engagement with the 11 active PBF projects to understand the changing impact of the conflict on project teams and implementation, and the support they required. The Secretariat reviewed and facilitated the submission of five project amendment requests and/or no-cost extensions to ensure projects can continue implementation and remain relevant amidst new operational constraints and peacebuilding needs, capitalising on the PBF's niche as a flexible and responsive donor.

In August, PBSO approved NCEs and/or re-programming requests for two projects based in Darfur to shift to relatively more stable areas (River Nile and Red Sea States) after adopting a 'wait-and-see' approach following the outbreak of conflict in April 2023. These projects are implemented by IOM and UNHCR, and UN Habitat and UNHCR, respectively. In October, PBSO approved NCEs and/or re-programming requests for three projects in light of high volatility affecting target locations: one implemented by UNFPA, IOM and WHO that re-programmed to White Nile State in January requested a second no-cost extension to allow for the timely completion of the planned outputs. Another project implemented by UNEP, UNDP and UN Women requested a second no-cost extension to complete its activities in Blue Nile amid delays to implementation. A third project implemented by UNDP and UNHCR, which re-programmed in January to support social cohesion in Gedaref and North Darfur, requested a third project amendment request to advance the Women, Peace and Security Agenda in Sudan through support to women-led community peacebuilding initiatives as well as the UNCT, government institutions, and civil society – in line with transition priorities agreed by the UN Country Team following the withdrawal of UNITAMS in February 2024.

The development of the M&E plan for the SRF remained on hold since it was stalled by the outbreak of conflict in April 2023. Nevertheless, the Secretariat supported the finalisation of the Darfur Programme's independent final evaluation, as well as the launch of the Programme's impact evaluation, supporting PBSO's PeaceFIELD initiative to generate new impact evaluations on essential but seldom evaluated types of peacebuilding programming. The Head of the PBF Secretariat participated as a speaker in three launch presentations of the Darfur Programme Impact

Evaluation. These presentations were held at PBF Headquarters, the US Institute for Peace, and the PBF Community of Practice.

Indicate any additional analysis on how Gender Equality and Women's Empowerment and/or Youth Inclusion and Responsiveness has been ensured by the project to date

Please limit your response to 3000 characters

The Secretariat designed the pilot micro-grant facility with a focus on supporting women- and youth-led organisations and groups, which is reflected in the criteria of the call for proposals and the scorecard used by the Technical Review Committee to evaluate submissions from (I)NGOs. The micro-grant facility aims to harness the unique roles that women and youth play at the forefront of the crisis response and peacebuilding efforts, while recognising their distinct vulnerabilities.

When reviewing project reporting and project amendment requests, including amendments to results frameworks, the Secretariat ensured that PBF recipients disaggregated indicators and data by gender and age, to allow for a clearer understanding of the progress and effectiveness of interventions and their differential impact on youth and women. This is part of the Secretariat's efforts to support the PBF's commitment to inclusive peacebuilding.

Is the project 1+ year in implementation?

☒ Yes

☐ No

FOR PROJECTS 1+ YEAR IN IMPLEMENTATION ONLY:

Is the project demonstrating outcome-level peacebuilding results?

Outcome-level peacebuilding results entail results achieved at the societal or structural level, including changed attitudes, behaviours or institutions.

☒ Yes

☐ No

If yes, please provide concrete examples of such peacebuilding results

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Please limit your response to 6000 characters

Despite the political and security challenges brought by the military takeover in August 2021 and the outbreak of national conflict in April 2023, the Secretariat project has contributed to expansion of peace infrastructure and an inclusive community-based approach to peacebuilding under Outcomes 1 and 2. With the Peacebuilding Assessments, the state-by-state and in-depth analysis equipped peacebuilding practitioners with the significant analytical capacity to lead and identify the root causes of conflicts while ensuring an inclusive, participatory and conflict sensitive approach. While the context in which the six assessments were finalised in late 2023 was distinctly different to the pre-war context in which they were developed, their documentation of the pre-war drivers of conflict remain relevant, as do the insights they offer into the humanitarian, development and peacebuilding strains that communities were grappling with before the war added additional shocks.

In partnership with UN System Staff College, the project is delivering comprehensive capacity building in conflict sensitive programming to humanitarian, development and peacebuilding practitioners in the UN System, (I)NGOs and CSOs in Sudan. Combined with access to the aforementioned peacebuilding assessments, this has contributed to the development of substantive knowledge and practical skills to design and implement peacebuilding programmes in Sudan's fluid and volatile context.

Finally, the PBF contributed to the development and launch of the Darfur Programme impact evaluation, which contributed new insights into the effects of bundled, locally targeted projects on improving local conditions in fragile, conflict-affected areas like Darfur. The rigorous, quantitative impact evaluation revealed that the PBF project in East Darfur reduced the number of land conflicts, increased school enrolment, and improved perceptions of service provision in targeted areas. These findings represent a first piece of evidence supporting the effectiveness on local conflict outcomes of the PBF's bundled approach, which combined service provision with support for dispute-resolution mechanisms. Even in the context of national conflict, the impact evaluation in East Darfur provides a strong evidence-base to inform future programming in other fragile environments.

If yes, please provide sources or references (including links) as evidence of peacebuilding results, or submit them as additional attachments.

Evidence may be quantitative or qualitative but needs to demonstrate progress against outcome indicators in the project results framework. Sources may include project surveys (such as perception surveys), monitoring reports, government documents, or other knowledge products that have been developed by the project.

From doing no harm to building and sustaining peace in Sudan, <https://www.unssc.org/news-and-insights/news/doing-no-harm-building-and-sustaining-peace-sudan> Impact evaluation of the UN Secretary General's Peacebuilding Fund-supported East Darfur Assalaya-Sheiria-Yassin Triangle of Peace and Coexistence project, March 2024: <https://www.3ieimpact.org/sites/default/files/2024-03/IE139-PBF-PeaceFIELD-Darfur-report.pdf>

File attachment

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PART II: PROJECT RESULTS FRAMEWORK

How many OUTCOMES does this project have

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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

<p>Outcome 1:</p> <p>The peace process has delivered a comprehensive peace agreement and peacebuilding strategy for Sudan, supported by the UN system, regional and continental institutions, and the international donor community</p>	*
<p>Outcome 2:</p> <p>National and sub-national infrastructure for peace and mechanisms necessary to the mission's transition strengthened, and an integrated area-based peacebuilding pilots established for scale up and expansion</p>	*
<p>Outcome 3:</p> <p>The Peacebuilding Fund Secretariat provides effective coordination, monitoring, reporting, evaluation, and communication regarding PBF programming in Sudan.</p>	*
<p>Outcome 4:</p>	*
<p>Outcome 5:</p>	*
<p>Outcome 6:</p>	*
<p>Outcome 7:</p>	*
<p>Outcome 8:</p>	*
<p>Additional Outcomes</p> <p><i>If the project has more than 8 outcomes, please enumerate the remaining outcomes here</i></p>	*

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 **outcome** and **output** indicators in the table below.

- If the outcome has more than 3 indicators, select the 3 most relevant ones with most relevant progress to highlight.
- If the outcome has more than 5 outputs, please select 5 of the most relevant outputs per outcome, and provide an update on the progress made against 3 most relevant output indicators.
- Where it has not been possible to collect data on indicators, state this and provide any explanation. Provide gender and age disaggregated data. (500 characters max per entry)

» Outcome 1: The peace process has delivered a comprehensive peace agreement and peacebuilding strategy for Sudan, supported by the UN system, regional and continental institutions, and the international donor community

Outcome 1	Performance Indicators	Indicator Baseline	End of Project Indicator Target	Current Indicator progress	Reasons for Variance/ Delay (if any)
1.1	Comprehensive and inclusive peace agreement concluded and signed	N/A	Signed peace agreement	N/A	Political instability and uncertainty after the military takeover on the 25th of October 2021
1.2	Rights-based and gender-sensitive strategy for peacebuilding at community level established and adopted by national and sub-national institutions and communities	0	1	2100 questionnaires (with 665 women respondents) 280 FDGs, and 245 KIIs has been conducted in support of peacebuilding assessments. Literature review and 7 UNCT joint peacebuilding missions were completed in South Kordufan, Blue Nile, Red Sea and Kassala states, South, West and North Darfur	Due to the political situation, this outcome was adjusted to focus on the conduct of peacebuilding assessments rather than the development of government peacebuilding strategies.

1.3	Level (%) of progress of peace agreement	N/A	N/A	N/A	Political instability and uncertainty after the military takeover on the 25th of October 2021. Most of the mechanisms and process for JPA has not be established yet beyond the Peace Commission and Permanent Ceasefire Committee
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How many outputs does outcome 1 have?

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

Output 1.1

PBF Support to the Peace Process in Sudan (including support to the Government Secretariat for Juba peace talks) in place

Output 1.2

Peacebuilding strategic priorities for conflict-affected regions of South Kordofan, Blue Nile and East Sudan initiated and supported

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: PBF Support to the Peace Process in Sudan (including support to the Govern ment Secretari at for Juba peace talks) in place	Perform ance Indicator s <i>Describe the indicator</i>	Indicator Baseline <i>State the baseline value of the indicator</i>	End of Project Indicator Target <i>State the target value of the indicator at the end of the project</i>	Indicator progress for reportin g period <i>State the current value of the indicator for the reporting period</i>	Indicator progress to date <i>State the current cumulative value of the indicator since the start of the project</i>	Reasons for Variance / Delay (if any) <i>Explain why the indicator is off track or has changed, where relevant</i>
1.1.1	Shared vision for Government of Sudan and Sudan Revolutionary Front (SRF) delegations in the talks	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	Political instability and uncertainty after the military takeover on the 25th of October 2021 has affected JPA implementation
1.1.2						
1.1.3						

» Output 1.2

Output 1.2: Peacebuilding strategic priorities for conflict-affected regions of South Kordofan, Blue Nile and East Sudan initiated and supported	Performance Indicators <i>Describe the indicator</i>	Indicator Baseline <i>State the baseline value of the indicator</i>	End of Project Indicator Target <i>State the target value of the indicator at the end of the project</i>	Indicator progress for reporting period <i>State the current value of the indicator for the reporting period</i>	Indicator progress to date <i>State the current cumulative value of the indicator since the start of the project</i>	Reasons for Variance / Delay (if any) <i>Explain why the indicator is off track or has changed, where relevant</i>
1.2.1	Number of consultations	0	1 per state	N/A	7 UNCT joint peacebuilding missions were completed in South Kordofan, Blue Nile, Red Sea and Kassala states, South, West and North Darfur	Due to the political situation, this outcome was adjusted to focus on the conduct of peacebuilding assessments rather than the development of government peacebuilding strategies.

1.2.2	Level of different groups' engagement (e.g. engagement of women and youth in different kinds of consultation workshops)	N/A	Youth engagement: 30% Women's engagement: 50%	N/A	2100 questionnaires (with 665 women respondents) 280 FDGs, and 245 KIIs has been conducted in support of peacebuilding assessments. Literature review and 7 UNCT joint peacebuilding missions were completed in South Kordufan, Blue Nile, Red Sea and Kassala states, South, West and North Darfur	Due to the political situation, this outcome was adjusted to focus on the conduct of peacebuilding assessments rather than the development of government peacebuilding strategies.
1.2.3						

» Output 1.3

Output 1.3:	Performance Indicators <i>Describe the indicator</i>	Indicator Baseline <i>State the baseline value of the indicator</i>	End of Project Indicator Target <i>State the target value of the indicator at the end of the project</i>	Indicator progress for reporting period <i>State the current value of the indicator for the reporting period</i>	Indicator progress to date <i>State the current cumulative value of the indicator since the start of the project</i>	Reasons for Variance / Delay (if any) <i>Explain why the indicator is off track or has changed, where relevant</i>
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1.3.2						
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» Output 1.4

Output 1.4:	Performance Indicators <i>Describe the indicator</i>	Indicator Baseline <i>State the baseline value of the indicator</i>	End of Project Indicator Target <i>State the target value of the indicator at the end of the project</i>	Indicator progress for reporting period <i>State the current value of the indicator for the reporting period</i>	Indicator progress to date <i>State the current cumulative value of the indicator since the start of the project</i>	Reasons for Variance / Delay (if any) <i>Explain why the indicator is off track or has changed, where relevant</i>
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1.4.2						
1.4.3						

» Output 1.5

Output 1.5:	Performance Indicators <i>Describe the indicator</i>	Indicator Baseline <i>State the baseline value of the indicator</i>	End of Project Indicator Target <i>State the target value of the indicator at the end of the project</i>	Indicator progress for reporting period <i>State the current value of the indicator for the reporting period</i>	Indicator progress to date <i>State the current cumulative value of the indicator since the start of the project</i>	Reasons for Variance / Delay (if any) <i>Explain why the indicator is off track or has changed, where relevant</i>
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1.5.2						
1.5.3						

» Outcome 2: National and sub-national infrastructure for peace and mechanisms necessary to the mission's transition strengthened, and an integrated area-based peacebuilding pilots established for scale up and expansion

Outcome 2	Performance Indicators	Indicator Baseline	End of Project Indicator Target	Current Indicator progress	Reasons for Variance/ Delay (if any)
2.1	National and sub-national Peace commissions in Darfur established and functioning ensuring women's participation.	N/A	N/A	N/A	Since the 25 October 2021 military takeover, and particularly following the outbreak of conflict in April 2023, the country has been in a prolonged political crisis, imposing restrictions for the UN in Sudan and partners on government engagement. In the 2022 annual reporting period, the project had provided technical and advisory support to the Peace Commission office, held regular technical meetings with the Peace Commissioner to identify peace priorities and emerging conflict trends, and briefed the Commissioner on the PBF portfolio.

2.2	Number of area-based peacebuilding models implemented by joint Government-UN identified	N/A	5 (1 per state)	N/A	Since the 25 October 2021 military takeover, and particularly following the outbreak of conflict in April 2023, the country has been in a prolonged political crisis, imposing restrictions for the UN in Sudan and partners on government engagement
2.3	Peacebuilding resources mobilized in Darfur jointly by the Government and UN for the DDS refresh framework	N/A	N/A	N/A	In light of the political crisis and the negative local perceptions on the Juba Peace Agreement, the DDS Refresh Framework was put on hold

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

National and state-level peace architecture functioning effectively

Output 2.2

State level inclusive and participatory consultations conducted to pave the way for the Darfur Development Strategy Refresh

Output 2.3

UN system conflict sensitivity and peacebuilding strategy strengthened

Output 2.4

UN-system wide planning, M&E and coordination for peacebuilding in Darfur strengthened

Output 2.5

Gender, peace and security and women’s empowerment dimension ensured

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: National and state- level peace architect ure functioni ng effectivel y	Perform ance Indicator s <i>Describe the indicator</i>	Indicator Baseline <i>State the baseline value of the indicator</i>	End of Project Indicator Target <i>State the target value of the indicator at the end of the project</i>	Indicator progress for reportin g period <i>State the current value of the indicator for the reporting period</i>	Indicator progress to date <i>State the current cumulative value of the indicator since the start of the project</i>	Reasons for Variance / Delay (if any) <i>Explain why the indicator is off track or has changed, where relevant</i>

2.1.1	Level of capacity of national and state-level peace architecture	TBC (established upon capacity assessment)	TBC (established upon capacity assessment)	N/A	N/A	Since the 25 October 2021 military takeover, and particularly following the outbreak of conflict in April 2023, the country has been in a prolonged political crisis, imposing restrictions for the UN in Sudan and partners on government engagement. In the previous reporting period, the project had provided technical and advisory support to the Peace Commission office, held regular technical meetings with the Peace Commissioner to identify peace priorities and emerging conflict trends, and briefed the Commissioner on the PBF portfolio.
2.1.2						

2.1.3						

» Output 2.2

Output 2.2: State level inclusive and participa tory consultat ions conduce d to pave the way for the Darfur Develop ment Strategy Refresh	Perform ance Indicator s <i>Describe the indicator</i>	Indicator Baseline <i>State the baseline value of the indicator</i>	End of Project Indicator Target <i>State the target value of the indicator at the end of the project</i>	Indicator progress for reportin g period <i>State the current value of the indicator for the reporting period</i>	Indicator progress to date <i>State the current cummulative value of the indicator since the start of the project</i>	Reasons for Variance / Delay (if any) <i>Explain why the indicator is off track or has changed, where relevant</i>
2.2.1						

2.2.2	Level of different groups' engagement, e.g. women, youth in different kinds of consultation workshops.	N/A	N/A	N/A	2100 questionnaires (with 665 women respondents) 280 FDGs, and 245 KIIs has been conducted in support of peacebuilding assessments. Literature review and 7 UNCT joint peacebuilding missions were completed in South Kordufan, Blue Nile, Red Sea and Kassla states, South, West and North Darfur	Due to the political situation, this outcome was adjusted to focus on the conduct of peacebuilding assessments rather than the development of government peacebuilding strategies.
2.2.3						

» Output 2.3

Output 2.3: UN system conflict sensitivit y and peacebui lding strategy strengthen ed	Perform ance Indicator s <i>Describe the indicator</i>	Indicator Baseline <i>State the baseline value of the indicator</i>	End of Project Indicator Target <i>State the target value of the indicator at the end of the project</i>	Indicator progress for reportin g period <i>State the current value of the indicator for the reporting period</i>	Indicator progress to date <i>State the current cumulative value of the indicator since the start of the project</i>	Reasons for Variance / Delay (if any) <i>Explain why the indicator is off track or has changed, where relevant</i>

2.3.1	<p>Level of UNCT's capacity improved in responding to Government's needs in peacebuilding in Darfur</p> <p>The level of capacity is measured by (i) the amount of UNCT's peacebuilding programme amounts in Darfur and (ii) numbers of programme staff directly working for peacebuilding programmes</p>	N/A	N/A	<p>2 training modules have been finalised ('Community Engagement in Sudan' and 'Durable Solutions in Sudan') and one is under development ('Conflict Sensitivity for Programming in Darfur') as part of the conflict sensitivity programme developed in partnership with UNDP and UNSSC.</p>	<p>7 training modules have been developed and 1 is under development as part of the conflict sensitivity online course developed with UNDP and UNSSC.</p> <p>The PBF Secretariat, in collaboration with UNSSC, UNDP, IOM and the Conflict Sensitivity Facility, held a 3-day ToT in March 2023, with 26 participants (7 F, 19 M) from the UN, CSOs and academia across Sudan.</p> <p>6 thematic seminars conducted, and 2 community of practice meetings organized.</p>	N/A
2.3.2						
2.3.3						

» Output 2.4

Output 2.4: UN-system wide planning, M&E and coordination for peacebuilding in Darfur strengthened	Performance Indicators <i>Describe the indicator</i>	Indicator Baseline <i>State the baseline value of the indicator</i>	End of Project Indicator Target <i>State the target value of the indicator at the end of the project</i>	Indicator progress for reporting period <i>State the current value of the indicator for the reporting period</i>	Indicator progress to date <i>State the current cumulative value of the indicator since the start of the project</i>	Reasons for Variance / Delay (if any) <i>Explain why the indicator is off track or has changed, where relevant</i>
2.4.1	Number of information management Products developed to improve planning, M&E and coordination in Darfur	N/A	N/A	N/A	In complementarity with the Support Sudanese to the Peace Process project, the project has successfully developed a Crisis Risk Dashboard (CRD). The system in its current state provides a conflict monitoring tool and data related to incidents in the 18 states against political, economic, environmental, social and security dimensions.	N/A
2.4.2						

2.4.3						

» Output 2.5

Output 2.5: Gender, peace and security and women's empowerment dimension ensured	Performance Indicators <i>Describe the indicator</i>	Indicator Baseline <i>State the baseline value of the indicator</i>	End of Project Indicator Target <i>State the target value of the indicator at the end of the project</i>	Indicator progress for reporting period <i>State the current value of the indicator for the reporting period</i>	Indicator progress to date <i>State the current cumulative value of the indicator since the start of the project</i>	Reasons for Variance / Delay (if any) <i>Explain why the indicator is off track or has changed, where relevant</i>
2.5.1	Women capacity and representation in peace talks and mediation	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	Since the 25 October 2021 military takeover, and particularly following the outbreak of conflict in April 2023, the country has been in a prolonged political crisis.
2.5.2	National peacebuilding institutions apply gender-sensitivity in all their plans	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	Since the 25 October 2021 military takeover, and particularly following the outbreak of conflict in April 2023, the country has been in a prolonged political crisis.

2.5.3	Peacebuilding documents are gender sensitive	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	Since the 25 October 2021 military takeover, and particularly following the outbreak of conflict in April 2023, the country has been in a prolonged political crisis.
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» **Outcome 3: The Peacebuilding Fund Secretariat provides effective coordination, monitoring, reporting, evaluation, and communication regarding PBF programming in Sudan.**

Outcome 3	Performance Indicators	Indicator Baseline	End of Project Indicator Target	Current Indicator progress	Reasons for Variance/ Delay (if any)
3.1	Number of PBF bi-annual reports submitted on time.	N/A	2 bi-annual reports (June and November reporting periods) per project, per year	<p>In November 2024, 11 out of 11 annual reports (1 for each active PBF-funded project in Sudan) were submitted on time.</p> <p>In June 2024, 12 out of 12 bi-annual reports (1 for each active PBF-funded project in Sudan) were submitted on time for the Secretariat's review in June.</p> <p>In November 2023, 9 out of 12 annual reports (1 for each active PBF-funded project in Sudan) were submitted on time</p> <p>In November 2022, 14 out of 14 reports were submitted on time.</p> <p>In June 2022, 10 out of 14 reports were submitted on time.</p>	The PBF requested and was granted a waiver for June 2023 narrative and financial progress reports following the outbreak of conflict in April 2023

3.2	% of PBF annual reports rated as acceptable by PBF review team	N/A	100%	100%. All annual reports were reviewed by the PBF Secretariat, who provided detailed feedback and comments. All final annual reports submitted to the online platform are rated as acceptable by the PBF Secretariat team.	N/A
3.3	Level of satisfaction of the Steering Board members with the level and timeliness of the PBF secretariat communication and coordination	N/A	Satisfactory	N/A	The Steering Committee has not convened since the military takeover in October 2021. The United Nations has had limited engagement with the government since the military takeover of October 2021, and even less so since the outbreak of conflict between the Sudanese Armed Forces and the Rapid Support Forces on 15 April 2023. The PBF Joint Steering Committee co-chair is a government official, so following the military takeover it was decided to wait until political context is more suitable for convening a JSC.

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

The PBF Secretariat effectively coordinates PBF Steering Board (Project Board) meetings and follows up on decisions taken

Output 3.2

PBF Secretariat regularly monitor joint programmes in 5 Darfur states

Output 3.3

Build capacity of PBF implementing partners on conflict sensitivity, peacebuilding programming, conflict and gender sensitivity and communication of results

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: The PBF Secretariat effectively coordinates PBF Steering Board (Project Board) meetings and follows up on decision s taken	Performance Indicators <i>Describe the indicator</i>	Indicator Baseline <i>State the baseline value of the indicator</i>	End of Project Indicator Target <i>State the target value of the indicator at the end of the project</i>	Indicator progress for reporting period <i>State the current value of the indicator for the reporting period</i>	Indicator progress to date <i>State the current cumulative value of the indicator since the start of the project</i>	Reasons for Variance / Delay (if any) <i>Explain why the indicator is off track or has changed, where relevant</i>

3.1.1	Number of PBF bi-annual reports submitted on time	N/A	2 bi-annual reports (June and November reporting periods) per project, per year	<p>In November 2024, 11 out of 11 annual reports were submitted on time.</p> <p>In June 2024, 12 out of 12 bi-annual reports (1 for each active PBF-funded project in Sudan) were submitted on time for the Secretariat's review/</p>	<p>In November 2024, 11 out of 11 annual reports were submitted on time.</p> <p>In June 2024, 12 out of 12 bi-annual reports (1 for each active PBF-funded project in Sudan) were submitted on time for the Secretariat's review in June.</p> <p>In November 2023, 9 out of 12 annual reports (1 for each active PBF-funded project in Sudan) were submitted on time</p> <p>In November 2022, 14 out of 14 reports were submitted on time.</p> <p>In June 2022, 10 out of 14 reports were submitted on time.</p>	The PBF requested and was granted a waiver for June 2023 narrative and financial progress reports following the outbreak of conflict in April 2023.
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3.1.2	Steering Board action points followed up on	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	The United Nations has had limited engagement with the government since the military takeover of October 2021, and even less so since the outbreak of conflict between the Sudanese Armed Forces and the Rapid Support Forces on 15 April 2023. The PBF Joint Steering Committee co-chair is a government official, so following the military takeover it was decided to wait until political context is more suitable for convening a JSC.
3.1.3	Timely establishment of the PBF secretariat in ensuring gender balance in the team	N/A	N/A	N/A	The PBF Secretariat became fully functional in January 2021 with two male and three female staff. As of November 2024, the Joint MPTF-PBF Secretariat comprises one male and two female staff.	N/A

» Output 3.2

Output 3.2: PBF Secretariat regularly monitor joint programmes in 5 Darfur states	Performance Indicators <i>Describe the indicator</i>	Indicator Baseline <i>State the baseline value of the indicator</i>	End of Project Indicator Target <i>State the target value of the indicator at the end of the project</i>	Indicator progress for reporting period <i>State the current value of the indicator for the reporting period</i>	Indicator progress to date <i>State the current cumulative value of the indicator since the start of the project</i>	Reasons for Variance / Delay (if any) <i>Explain why the indicator is off track or has changed, where relevant</i>
3.2.1	Number of M&E trainings or workshops conducted by the PBF Secretariat	N/A	At least two per year	In 2024, the Secretariat held one training on results reporting for PBF recipients.	In 2023, one M&E training. In 2022, four M&E trainings/ workshops.	Once the PBF Secretariat receives the M&E plans from the various projects, which is a requirement, we will plan a M&E training based on the gaps. We anticipate the outstanding M&E plans to be submitted by the end of the year.
3.2.2	Positive result of the PBF final evaluation	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A To be determined after conclusion of portfolio evaluation at end of eligibility cycle	N/A
3.2.3						

» Output 3.3

Output 3.3: Build capacity of PBF implementing partners on conflict sensitivity, peacebuilding programming, conflict and gender sensitivity and communication of results	Performance Indicators <i>Describe the indicator</i>	Indicator Baseline <i>State the baseline value of the indicator</i>	End of Project Indicator Target <i>State the target value of the indicator at the end of the project</i>	Indicator progress for reporting period <i>State the current value of the indicator for the reporting period</i>	Indicator progress to date <i>State the current cumulative value of the indicator since the start of the project</i>	Reasons for Variance / Delay (if any) <i>Explain why the indicator is off track or has changed, where relevant</i>
3.3.1	% of new PBF-funded projects that are informed by high-quality and context-specific (including at locality or village level) conflict analyses	N/A	100%	100% The one newly approved PBF project in Q1/2 (small grants facility) is informed by context-specific conflict analyses.	100%	N/A

3.3.2	% of new PBF projects with comprehensive M&E and data collection plans to improve reporting on outcome-level peacebuilding results (including in alignment with SRF, if developed)	N/A	N/A	10 out of 12 active PBF projects have developed and submitted M&E and data collection plans to the PBF Secretariat. The 2 remaining projects are working on their plans and have agreed to submit these by December 2024.	10 out of 12 active PBF projects have developed and submitted M&E and data collection plans to the PBF Secretariat. The 2 remaining projects are working on their plans and have agreed to submit these by December 2024. In March 2023 the PBF Secretariat commenced the development of an M&E plan for the Strategic Results Framework (SRF), but this was halted following the outbreak of conflict in April 2023 and has not been resumed.	Due to the outbreak of conflict in April 2023 and ongoing volatility, many projects are in the process of revising their previously submitted M&E plans
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3.3.3	Improved level of communication capacity (measured by the level of attraction of PBF stories in social media)	N/A	20% increase in number of re- tweeted, shared and liked stories.	In 2024, PBF content reached 30,203 people on UN Sudan Facebook and Twitter platforms, reflecting a 35% increase/decrease year-on-year.	In 2022, PBF content reached 99,339 people on the UN Sudan Facebook and Twitter platforms. In 2023, PBF content reached 46,401 people, representing 53% decrease year-on-year.	<p>In 2023, the outbreak of conflict on 15 April hindered the PBF Secretariat's ability to communicate peacebuilding results in a conflict-sensitive way. Nevertheless the pre-conflict communication outputs were high (84.2% of posts were shared prior to the onset of the conflict, representing 93.8% of the total reach) indicating a strong initial trajectory.</p> <p>In 2024, with projects continuing to be affected by volatility, communication outputs have slowed.</p>
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» Output 3.4

Output 3.4:	Performance Indicators <i>Describe the indicator</i>	Indicator Baseline <i>State the baseline value of the indicator</i>	End of Project Indicator Target <i>State the target value of the indicator at the end of the project</i>	Indicator progress for reporting period <i>State the current value of the indicator for the reporting period</i>	Indicator progress to date <i>State the current cumulative value of the indicator since the start of the project</i>	Reasons for Variance / Delay (if any) <i>Explain why the indicator is off track or has changed, where relevant</i>
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3.4.2						
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» Output 3.5

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

» 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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4.1					
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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

Output 4.1

Output 4.2

Output 4.3

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:	Performance Indicators <i>Describe the indicator</i>	Indicator Baseline <i>State the baseline value of the indicator</i>	End of Project Indicator Target <i>State the target value of the indicator at the end of the project</i>	Indicator progress for reporting period <i>State the current value of the indicator for the reporting period</i>	Indicator progress to date <i>State the current cumulative value of the indicator since the start of the project</i>	Reasons for Variance / Delay (if any) <i>Explain why the indicator is off track or has changed, where relevant</i>
4.1.1						
4.1.2						
4.1.3						

» Output 4.2

Output 4.2:	Performance Indicators <i>Describe the indicator</i>	Indicator Baseline <i>State the baseline value of the indicator</i>	End of Project Indicator Target <i>State the target value of the indicator at the end of the project</i>	Indicator progress for reporting period <i>State the current value of the indicator for the reporting period</i>	Indicator progress to date <i>State the current cumulative value of the indicator since the start of the project</i>	Reasons for Variance / Delay (if any) <i>Explain why the indicator is off track or has changed, where relevant</i>
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» Output 4.3

Output 4.3:	Performance Indicators <i>Describe the indicator</i>	Indicator Baseline <i>State the baseline value of the indicator</i>	End of Project Indicator Target <i>State the target value of the indicator at the end of the project</i>	Indicator progress for reporting period <i>State the current value of the indicator for the reporting period</i>	Indicator progress to date <i>State the current cumulative value of the indicator since the start of the project</i>	Reasons for Variance / Delay (if any) <i>Explain why the indicator is off track or has changed, where relevant</i>
4.3.1						
4.3.2						
4.3.3						

» Output 4.4

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

» Output 4.5

Output 4.5:	Performance Indicators <i>Describe the indicator</i>	Indicator Baseline <i>State the baseline value of the indicator</i>	End of Project Indicator Target <i>State the target value of the indicator at the end of the project</i>	Indicator progress for reporting period <i>State the current value of the indicator for the reporting period</i>	Indicator progress to date <i>State the current cumulative value of the indicator since the start of the project</i>	Reasons for Variance / Delay (if any) <i>Explain why the indicator is off track or has changed, where relevant</i>
4.5.1						
4.5.2						
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.)

<p>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)</p> <p>.....</p>	<p>Event Description</p> <p>.....</p>	<p>Tentative Date</p> <p>.....</p>	<p>Location</p> <p>.....</p>	<p>Target Audience</p> <p>.....</p>	<p>Event Objectives (900 characters)</p> <p>.....</p>
<p>Event 1</p> <p>.....</p>	<p>.....</p>	<p>.....</p>	<p>.....</p>	<p>.....</p>	<p>.....</p>
<p>Event 2</p> <p>.....</p>	<p>.....</p>	<p>.....</p>	<p>.....</p>	<p>.....</p>	<p>.....</p>
<p>Event 3</p> <p>.....</p>	<p>.....</p>	<p>.....</p>	<p>.....</p>	<p>.....</p>	<p>.....</p>
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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 Organizations, Beneficiaries, etc.) of the project, and for each, please briefly describe:

- The challenges/problem they faced prior to the project implementation
- The impact of the project in their lives
- 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

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Human Impact	Type of stakeholder	What has been the impact of the project on their lives?	Provide, where possible, a quote or testimonial from the stakeholder
1			
2			
3			
4			
<p>In addition to the stakeholder specific impact described above, please use this space to describe any additional human impact that the project has had.</p> <p><i>Please limit your response to 4000 characters.</i></p>			
<p>You can also upload upto 3 files in various formats (picture files, powerpoint, pdf, video, etc.) to illustrate the human impact of the project</p> <p>OPTIONAL</p>			
<p>File 1</p> <p>OPTIONAL</p> <p>Click here to upload file. (< 10MB)</p>			
<p>File 2</p> <p>OPTIONAL</p> <p>Click here to upload file. (< 10MB)</p>			
<p>File 3</p> <p>OPTIONAL</p> <p>Click here to upload file. (< 10MB)</p>			

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:

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Please select up to 3.

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

Please explain one of the selected options

Please limit your response to 3000 characters.

The merger of the Secretariats of the Sudan Multi-Partner Trust Fund and the UN Peacebuilding Fund has been an opportunity for the Joint Secretariat to leverage funding for the MPTF. To strengthen the catalytic role of PBF, guided by a common Strategic Results Framework, the Secretariat works to harness the performance of the PBF portfolio to mobilise resources to the Sudan MPTF, by strengthening the alignment on strategic outcomes, enhancing cohesion in funding allocation, and building thematic and geographic synergies between the two pooled funds. The UK FCDO contributed £500,000 (approx. USD 641,785.00) in April 2024 to fund two analytical posts in the RCO.

Please explain one of the selected options

Please limit your response to 3000 characters.

The Secretariat led a training in May to improve reporting, which was attended by 24 project focal points. The Secretariat also strengthened capacities by providing regular feedback and guidance on communications and visibility products, project amendment requests, and other documentation submitted by project teams.

The PBF Secretariat in partnership with UNSSC and UNDP has developed a self-paced, online learning platform focused on conflict sensitivity that is available free of charge for all HDP Nexus practitioners working on Sudan. As of November 2024, 2,537 participants registered for the course (98% from Sudan).

Please explain one of the selected options

Please limit your response to 3000 characters.

The Secretariat undertook preparations to establish a pilot micro-grant facility to provide direct and flexible funding, as well as targeted trainings and networking support, to small Sudanese organisations and groups that are on the frontlines of responding to the continuing crisis in Sudan. In May, the Secretariat launched a call for proposals to identify an INGO, NGO or consortium of the two to function as a coordinating body for the micro-grant facility and in September recommended a candidate for PBSO approval.

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

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- ☐ 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

Please limit your response to 3000 characters

The Secretariat fosters coordination between UN agencies through regular monitoring meetings of joint programmes. This includes identifying implementation bottlenecks and challenges in inter-agency coordination, and proposing solutions.

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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
- ☐ Children
- ☐ 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 key monitoring activities undertaken in the reporting period *

Please limit your response to 3000 characters.

In-person monitoring activities have been on hold since outbreak of conflict in April 2023, as has the SRF M&E and data collection plan. However the Secretariat established regular project status update calls with each of the 12 active projects to track progress against outputs/outcomes, which occur at a monthly or bi-monthly frequency depending on their respective stage in the project cycle.

Do outcome indicators have baselines? *

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

- ☐ Yes
- ☒ No

If yes, please provide a brief description. If not, explain why not and when they will be available. *

Please limit your response to 3000 characters.

N/A

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

Please limit your response to 3000 characters.

Indicators in this reporting period are based on continuous monitoring conducted by PBF Secretariat on ongoing project progress, the preparation and submission to the PBF Secretariat of annual project reports, and PBF Secretariat's work to support the development and dissemination of project communications.

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 3000 characters.

Has the project used or established community feedback mechanisms? *

☐ Yes

☒ No

Please provide a brief description *

Please limit your response to 3000 characters.

» Evaluation

Is the project on track to conduct its evaluation? *

☐ Yes

☐ No

☒ Not Applicable

Evaluation budget (in USD) included in the project budget: *

Response required

200000

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

☐ Yes

☐ No

☒ Not Applicable

Please describe the preparations

Please limit your response to 3000 characters.

Contact information	Name	Organization	Job title	Email
Please mention the focal person responsible for sharing the final evaluation report with the PBF:				

» Catalytic Effect

Catalytic Effect (financial): Has the project mobilized additional non-PBF financial resources to date? * <input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No	
How many funders has the project received additional non-PBF funding from? * 2	
Indicate name of funder and amount of additional non-PBF funding support that has been leveraged by the project since it started. <i>Please enter each funding agent and their contributions separately</i>	
Name of Funder * United Kingdom FCDO contribution to the MPTF	
Amount in USD * 641782	
Indicate name of funder and amount of additional non-PBF funding support that has been leveraged by the project since it started. <i>Please enter each funding agent and their contributions separately</i>	
Name of Funder * US Contribution to the MPTF to support the Joint Secretariat	
Amount in USD * 932806.74	

Catalytic Effect (non-financial): Has the project enabled or created a larger or longer-term peacebuilding change to occur, in addition to the direct project changes?

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- ☐ Yes
- ☒ No

If yes, please select the relevant option below:

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- ☐ Some catalytic effect
- ☐ Significant catalytic effect

If relevant, please describe how the project has had a (non-financial) catalytic effect, i.e. removed barriers to unblock stalled political, institutional or other peacebuilding processes at different levels in a country, and/or created the conditions to establish new processes to do so

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Please limit your response to 3000 characters.

Sustainability

Does the project have an explicit exit strategy?

Please describe any steps that have been taken to ensure the sustainability of peacebuilding gains, including any mechanisms, platforms, networks and socio-economic initiatives supported, beyond the duration of the project

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Please limit your response to 3000 characters.

The PBF Secretariat developed and rolled out a Sustainability and Exit Strategy Planning template for fund recipients. The template is now a requirement of all PBF-funded projects in Sudan, to be completed within 6 months of project approval for all new projects. The PBF Secretariat continues to monitor their development and submission.

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 3000 characters.

Monitoring and Oversight Activities

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

Events include Steering Committee meetings, Monitoring visits, Third party monitoring, Community based monitoring, any data collection, Perception or other survey findings, evaluation reports, audit or investigations.

Monitoring and oversight activities

Name of the Event

Summary

Key Findings

Event 1	Darfur Programme Impact evaluation		<p>The evaluation concluded that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• The East Darfur project reduced the number of land conflicts and increased residents' perceptions of the effectiveness of local peace committees (90 percent confidence).• Reductions in the number of land conflict were largest among households from a minority tribe and female-headed households.• The project also increased school enrolment, meaning that a child in an implementation village was 11 percentage points more likely to be enrolled in formal schooling (95 percent confidence).• The project increased residents' satisfaction with services, particularly administrative and sanitation services.• Exploratory results suggest that the project may have increased women's perceptions of their voice in local decision-making.
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Event 2	Darfur Programme Final Evaluation		<p>Among other findings, the evaluation concluded that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• The Darfur Programme had significant relevance in adapting to local needs and contexts. However, its ability to address broader security challenges and maintain long-term peacebuilding in the face of political instability and humanitarian crises was questioned.• The Darfur programme, while demonstrating efforts in coordination and collaboration, faced significant challenges due to its complex nature and external changes. The programme's success in certain areas was overshadowed by difficulties in maintaining an integrated approach across agencies and stakeholders.• The PBF programme in Darfur, while demonstrating significant efforts in fostering peace and stability, faced substantial challenges in ensuring sustainable peacebuilding due to political instability, financial constraints, and contextual complexities.• The PBF-supported programme's commitment to conflict sensitivity was evident in its adherence to principles of doing no harm and contributing to peacebuilding.
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<p>Event 3</p>	<p>Darfuri Youth Empowerment in Civic Spaces for the Advancement of Peacebuilding Lessons Learned Report</p>		<p>Findings included: • The youth-led aspect of the project activities was a critical and successful innovation of the project which created a sense of belonging and ownership amongst youth and presents an opportunity to integrate, expand, or iterate into future youth-related programming. • Additional time needs to be included in project design for overall project activities. Future projects, and/or the PBF should consider mandating a 3-month inception period with key deliverables such as staff recruitment and onboarding, partnership agreements, workplans and M&E plans to ensure that time is not wasted in allocated implementation times. • Special provisions for each project activity need to be better considered in order to accommodate the triple burden of women. Strategies to mitigate the marginalization of women could include additional sensitization, shifting of activities to different times of the day, provision of childcare, or additional incentives. • Future programming should incorporate a GEWE approach that seeks to engage male youth, co-opting them as gender champions and allowing for more informed engagement between youths and subsequently being projected outward toward the broader community. • Risk assessments need to be comprehensively conducted at the outset of the project and updated and reviewed at regular intervals throughout the</p>
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			project. • PBF should be cognizant of lessons learnt from the UNDP-led Darfur Community Peace and Stability Fund (DCPSF) in establishing the fund, while also ensuring that recipient organizations are provided with the appropriate technical support for both programming and organizational management, as well as simplified administrative procedures.
Event 4			
Event 5			
Event 6			
Event 7			
Event 8			

Final Steps

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