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ANNUAL PROGRESS REPORT 2024
(Regular Funding Cycle)

Country	**Submitted by PUNO(s) UN Women or NUNO(s)[1]**
Philippines	Name of Entity: UN Women Name of Representative: Rosalyn G. Mesina, Country Programme Coordinator
MPTF Project Number (s)	**Reporting Period**
00131730	January 1 - December 31, 2024
Track *Select all that apply* ☑ Regular Funding Track ☐ Emergency Funding Track	
WPHF Outcomes[2] to which report contributes for reporting period *Select all that apply*	
☐ Outcome 1: Enabling Environment for WPS ☑ Outcome 2: Conflict prevention ☐ Outcome 3: Humanitarian and Crisis Response	☐ Outcome 4: Conflict Resolution ☐ Outcome 5: Protection of Women & Girls ☐ Outcome 6: Peacebuilding and Recovery
Programme Start Date	**Total Approved Budget (USD)**
01 December 2024	Total Project Budget: 3,622,244.14 Current Budget: 1,643,625 Total Requested Budget: 1,978,619.14
Programme End Date	**Amount Transferred to CSOs (USD)**
31 October 2026	0

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[1] Non-UN Organization. Applicable to Rapid Response Window for Peace Processes
[2] As per WPHF results framework nested model, WPHF outcome areas are equivalent to the impact level for grantees

Executive Summary

In 1 page, summarize the most important achievements of the Programme during the reporting period. The executive summary should be an analysis and consolidation of the achievements and should serve as a standalone summary of the WPHF country' results for the year. Please include:

a) Background on WPHF: overview of calls for proposals (CfPs) that were launched (date), and details on NSC meetings, how many CSOs were selected, and when implementation is estimated to begin/has begun

b) How WPHF funding has contributed to advancing WPS, gender equality and peacebuilding, gender-responsive humanitarian action in the country and explain if any linkages with national processes (NAPs, humanitarian response, peace processes, etc) or how it aligns with country priorities.

c) Overall/consolidated WPHF impact at the country level by Outcome

d) One sentence with the consolidated direct and indirect beneficiaries (disaggregated by sex).

e) Overall challenges (based on context)

f) If the CO has received additional funding for capacity strengthening (5%) and/or if CSOs received L-HUB grants for peer learning initiatives, please include one sentence on the results.

Call for Proposals

The WPHF's 3rd Call for Proposals (CfP3) in the Philippines was launched on 29 January 2024, giving proponents at least 3 months to put together concept notes with a closing date set for 22 March 2024. The call focused on Impact Area 2: Conflict Prevention, with a view to increasing meaningful participation and decision-making of women in conflict prevention processes considering the country context. The Philippines is at a critical juncture with regard to the transitional phase of the Bangsamoro Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao (BARMM), with inaugural parliamentary elections scheduled in 2025. The first phase of WPHF implementation in the country, through the first and second calls for proposals, highlighted the necessity to continue addressing the gender gaps in the normalization track of the peace agreement, sustaining the economic empowerment of grassroots women peacebuilders, and enhancing the leadership of women in protection, conflict prevention/conflict resolution, and governance in order to advance the gains of the Peace Process between the Government of the Philippines (GPH) and the Moro Islamic Liberation Front (MILF), and advance the broader women, peace and security (WPS) agenda in the country. But, while the GPH-MILF Peace Process remains the most critical in the country, the CfP3 also recognizes the broader peace and security challenges of the Philippines and therefore welcomed proposals for projects not only in the BARMM but also in other geographic areas facing significant threats of violent conflicts, including areas with ongoing peace processes outside of the GPH-MILF peace table. These include the CARAGA Administrative Region, Southern Mindanao, Central Mindanao, and Eastern Visayas.

Submissions and Selection

A total of 58 proposals were received within the cut-off date – 16 under the Institutional funding stream and 39 under the Programmatic funding stream Out of the 52 proposals longlisted/evaluated (16 Institutional, 36 Programmatic), 32 were shortlisted (12 Institutional, 20 Programmatic) by the WPHF Secretariat in Geneva. The 32 proposals came from 25 CSOs (organizations are allowed to submit proposals under both funding streams). Guided by the total available programmable funds of USD1,690,887, UN Women's Philippine Programme Presence Office (PPO) undertook the final review and proposed to the committee the selection based on criteria including alignment with WPHF's theory of change and responsiveness to the CfP; organizational profile and track record; the organization's geographic and functional area/s of operations and expertise; and adoption of a strong WPS lens and strategy. Based on the foregoing criteria, 12 proposals from 9 CSOs were selected to receive grants under WPHF's CfP3 in the Philippines, as follow:

Name of Organization	Institutional (USD)	Programmatic (USD)
Gaston Z. Ortigas Peace Institute (GZOPI)		137,465
League of Moro Women Organization, Inc. (LMWOI)	30,000	
Moro Women Development and Cultural Center (MWEDECC)	28,998	207,000
Pakigdait Alang sa Pag-amoma sa Kalinaw, (Pakigdait) Inc.		207,000
The Moropreneur Inc. (TMI)		204,000
Transforming Fragilities, Inc. (TFI)	27,820	207,000
United Youth for Peace and Development Inc. (UNYPAD)		207,000
United Youth of the Philippines Women Incorporated (UNYPHIL)	29,862	205,000
Zamboanga-Basilan Integrated Development Alliance, Inc. (ZABIDA)		199,742
Total	**116,680**	**1,574,207**

Steering Committee Endorsement

The list of selected CSOs and proposals was validated with the National Steering Committee (NSC) co-chairs—the UN Resident and Humanitarian Coordinator and the Executive Director of the Office of the Presidential Adviser on Peace, Reconciliation, and Unity — during consultations with UN Women in June 2024. The first NSC meeting was then scheduled in early August 2024 with a view to securing the NSC members' endorsement of the grantees, however, subsequent developments posed difficulties in finding a mutually agreeable schedule among the NSC co-chairs, members, and the secretariat.

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To avoid further delays in awarding the grants, UN Women, upon the advice of the Secretariat in Geneva, adopted an online approval/silence procedure. With such process, UN Women needed to ensure that NSC members were well-informed about the proposed grantees, thus conducted two briefing sessions, on 27 and 30 August 2024, giving an overview of the CfP3 and the selection process, presenting the proposed grantees, and entertaining questions from the NSC members. Following the briefing sessions, UN Women, on behalf of the co-chairs, circulated on 13 September the online approval request to the NSC members via e-mail. An online form was used for the NSC members to register their approval/non-approval of (1) the proposed grantees; and (2) the use of 5% of the country allocation for capacity building activities. After further consultations with individual steering committee members, consensus was reached and an e-mail informing the NSC members of the favorable results of the online approval procedure was sent to the NSC members on 25 September.

On the Capacity-Building component, the NSC members unanimously supported the proposal to use 5% of the country allocation for capacity-building activities to support women's organizations, especially those who might not presently qualify or have the capacity to develop high-quality proposals for the fund. Capacity strengthening initiatives will begin in 2025.

The NSC members also raised additional recommendations related to capacity building, as follow:
- Ensuring alignment of capacity building efforts with the NAPWPS 2023-2033, and their support of the comprehensive peace process as indicated in the Philippine Development Plan and 5-Point Peace, Reconciliation, and Unity Agenda.
- Provision of training on financial management/accounting, project management, monitoring, evaluation, reporting, learning (MERL);
- Provision of support to grantees, especially those whose grant amounts will be reduced, in order to ensure this will not compromise the quality and relevance of their project, and streamlining efforts across projects to avoid/reduce potential overlaps among the various proposals.
- Support to the local CSOs, especially WROs, who failed the application process to help them strengthen capacities in project proposal formulation. Personalized feedback and technical support could be provided to address identified weaknesses in their proposals and improve their chances of future success.

Subsequently, information was received from the Secretariat in Geneva that additional USD742 programmable funds had become available. The USD742 was thereupon added to the grant to Zamboanga-Basilan Integrated Development Alliance, Inc. (ZABIDA).

Following receipt of the NSC endorsement, the 12 project documents (prodocs) were finalized and signed between the partner CSOs and UN Women, and submitted to the Secretariat in Geneva on 28 November 2024, together with the signed Transmittal Form, Management Entity Form, Capacity Building Prodoc and Annex 12 Form.

On 6 December 2024, the CfP3 Philippine country allocation of USD1,978,619.14 was transferred by the MPTF to the account of UN Women HQ. The fund availability enabled PPO to onboard its WPHF Project Coordination Analyst on 26 December 2024.

A brief overview of each project to be accompanied under the WPHF CfP3 is provided below:

1. **Gaston Z. Orgas Peace Institute (Outcome 2)**
   Gaston Z. Ortigas Peace Institute is a women-led organization whose mandate focuses on supporting civil society peacebuilders in building just and sustainable peace through engagement with Philippine peace processes. This will be achieved through building awareness and capacities of women leaders on NAPWPS (for non-BARMM areas) and Bangsamoro RAPWPS (BARMM) with a particular focus during electoral campaigns in 2025. Elected women leaders and civil society partners will then be supported with capacity development on conflict prevention and training on political leadership related to WPS. Specifically the project will (i) conduct (3) workshops to ensure the training of 150 women political leaders on the NAPWPS/RAPWPS, conflict prevention and transformative politics, (ii) conduct (3) workshops on communications, advocacy and electoral engagement for women including the production of advocacy materials on women political leaders and WPS, stronger link to conflict prevention needed, (iii) conduct (2) training workshops on the implementation of WPS working with local mechanisms including women elected, (iv) increase engagement with local government units on the plans and action points on protection and prevention of women leaders/those elected. This will include engagement with peace and order councils for the integration of the WPS framework, and (v) production of 5 video stories from the experiences of women in politics for peace. The project will be implemented in partnership with Women Engaged in Action on 1325 (WEACT1325).

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2. **Moro Women Development and Cultural Center (MWEDECC) (Outcome 2)**

   The project aims to strengthen the meaningful participation of MILF Political Committee (Women Sector) in peace prevention, conflict management, culture of peace, and the promotion of Bangsamoro Regional Action Plan on Women, Peace and Security (RAP WPS) in the hot spot areas of Maguindanao del Sur and Maguindanao del Norte. The members of the MILF Political women sectors will be organized and capacitated. They will serve as peace advocates who will lead community awareness raising, serve as local peace monitors, mediators and women's voice in the local peace mechanism from barangay to the regional level. Activities will include (i) organizing 15 MILF women in 5 municipalities and providing them with training to help them lead in security awareness-raising in the communities, serve as local peace monitors, mediators, and women's voice in the local peace mechanism from barangay to the regional level, (ii) capacity-building for women peace advocates through a series of training of trainors on women's rights, culture of peace, conflict management, WPS, gender-sensitive early warning and early response (EWER) system, international humanitarian law and protection, gender justice, and monitoring and documentation, (iii) awareness raising at the community level to be led by the Women Peace Advocates in collaboration with the local peace mechanism, to include gender sensitive culture of peace, gender sensitive EWER, IHL and protection, gender justice, and women's rights, and (iv) collaboration and alliance building with the local peace mechanisms and duty bearers.

3. **Pakigdait Alang sa Pag-amoma sa Kalinaw (Pakigdait) Inc. (Outcome 2)**

   Pakigdait Alang sa Pag-amoma sa Kalinaw, (Pakigdait) Inc. is a women's rights and IDP led organization whose mandate seeks to support interfaith grassroots peacebuilding. The project aims to support the transition of former women combatants into civilian life, politically, socially and economically with the overall aim of increasing their meaningful participation and decision making in conflict prevention processes and community response. The project aims to (i) establish a safe space for former women combatants which will include profiling of the current conditions and gender challenges for former women combatants, 5 dialogue meetings with military and police officers for security clearances as well as host conferences which will include open dialogue and training on women's rights, WPS and the formation of the WE CARE network - a supportive safe space for former women combatants, (ii) support the political participation of former women combatants through training on political awareness, advocacy and WPS as well as peacebuilding. This will include a summit for women leaders over 3 days to call for their participation in peace talks with communist insurgents, (iii) conduct of young women-led peace activities during peace month, as well as cross-sharing activities such as storytelling, (iv) conduct of training on self-care and stress management, and (v) establishment of the WE CARE Hotline for former women combatants' mental health support as well as distribution of livelihood kits for further support.

4. **The Moropreneur Inc (TMI) (Outcome 2)**
   The Moropreneur Inc (TMI) is a women's rights, women- and IDP-led organization whose mandate is to empower marginalized communities to be self-sufficient and sustainable. The project targets 500 women ages 25-60, 300 young girls ages 15-24, 200 men ages 22-60 and 200 young boys ages 15-21. The project also targets 40 CSOs. The project entitled "Woven Resilience for Peaceful Advancement (WRAP)" aims to strengthen and influence women in the BARMM region with the institutional mechanisms to support peacebuilding and humanitarian response. The project aims to (i) strengthen the capacity of women-led groups in BARMM in leadership, governance, conflict prevention and humanitarian response through workshops, training and a mentorship pairing scheme, (ii) integrate women-led groups into local government structures through hosting of meetings with relevant local authorities, developing a joint action plan to ensure women's participation in decision making, and establish a coordination framework which ensures at least 30% more women are included in decision-making roles, (iii) ensure operationalization of women-led EWER through specialized training on EWER focusing on gender-responsive and community-centered actions, as well as the implementation of a pilot in at least two high-risk communities and training of relevant women community members

5. **Transforming Fragilities (TFI) (Outcome 2)**
   Transforming Fragilities Inc is a women's rights and child rights organizations that seeks to empower communities to make positive change in terms of peace and justice. The project also targets 6 Moro women early warning early response (EWER) mediation CSOs, 2 tri-people women EWER mediation CSOs and 2 IP women EWER mediation CSOs. The project aims to strengthen the capacities of Maguindanaon-Moro and indigenous women in conflict-affected areas of BARMM in conflict mediation and EWER. This will be achieved through training in EWER and mixed contemporary-traditional conflict mediation training. Specifically, the project will (i) establish a group of women-led/gender-sensitive EWERs through community orientations, (ii) training on organizational development and management with EWERs officers (iii) facilitation of legal registration of EWERs, (iv) training of 480 women and men on EWER and conflict monitoring and reporting, (v) training of trainers on effective mediation skills, (vi) re-echo training of 480 women and men on effective mediation skills, (vii) conduct

participatory community research on the role of Maguindanaon-Moro and indigenous women mediators and women-EWERs in 12 conflict-affected communities that will include research design, development of relevant tools, training of implementing partners' staff on data collection and field research as well as data collection and reporting on findings, and (viii) development of a training module on effective gender sensitive EWER work as well as effective conflict mediation.

6. **United Youth for Peace and Development Inc. (UNYPAD) (Outcome 2)**

United Youth for Peace and Development Inc. is a youth-focused organizations that works towards peaceful societies. The project will (I) enhance conflict prevention and conflict response skills on women leaders, through consultations in 6 areas and training of women leaders in conflict monitoring, prevention and mediation. (II) improve disaster preparedness and response skills of women leaders, through a workshop on community risk assessment, training of women and organizing consultations with local government on women's participation, (III) support women's organizations to establish and strengthen conflict and disaster EWER, by training women leaders on women-led EWER, establishing and strengthening 6 women-led EWER mechanisms and conducting community simulation drills, (IV) expand membership and leadership of women in local conflict prevention and disaster response structures and mechanisms (this includes consultations with local government on conflict resolution and the strengthening of women leaders by supporting their participation in local conflict monitoring platforms), (v) improve local government policies and plans supporting women's formal participation in conflict resolution and disaster response efforts, by integrating the WPS agenda in local plans and budgets, organizing dialogues between women organizations and state actors, and organizing two summits and learning events on EWER.

7. **United Youth of the Philippines Women Incorporated (UNYPHIL) (Outcome 2)**

United Youth of the Philippines Women Incorporated is a women's rights, women-led organization whose mandate is to create a society where women's and girls' rights are protected and respected and they become changemakers within their society. The project aims to advance gender-responsive and meaningful participation of women in conflict prevention in the Bangsomoro region through their integration into existing peace mechanisms such as Peace and Order Councils (POCs) and the development of evidence based policies to support women's inclusion in conflict mechanisms in BARMM. The project's key strategy is to work with local stakeholders and government agencies to achieve its intended results. Specifically, the project will (i) strengthen the capacity of women on their protection and laws—this will include the selection and mapping of 44 women practitioners on conflict prevention, problem and objective analysis workshop, training on gender concepts and transformative responsive leadership as well as the fundamentals of conflict and peace, a training on conflict mapping and analysis (Onion/PIN). Additional activities as part of this output will also include coaching on community discourse, conflict prevention ToT and training on public speaking, (ii) support local action plans and/or regional policies on women's inclusion in local peace councils, including mapping existing plans and policies on women's inclusion in conflict prevention with LGU representatives, an orientation on the Regional Action Plan on WPS, an orientation on the GAD budget and a roundtable discussion and meeting with LGU and MLGU, (iii) support women to achieve significant representation in Peace and Order Councils through their registration, and finally, (iv) support the development of evidence-based policies on women's participation in conflict prevention which will include focus group discussions and meetings with local peace councils as well as a planning workshop with policy makers.

8. **Zamboanga-Basilan Integrated Development Alliance, Inc. (ZABIDA) (Outcome 2)**

Zamboanga-Basilan Integrated Development Alliance, Inc. (ZABIDA) is a women-led organization that seeks to create peaceful, resilient and empowered communities in Zamboanga and Basilan. The project targets 90 women grassroots volunteers, as well as 15 women and youth women organizations. The project aims to support the capacity development of 90 women, youth women and indigenous leaders and members of the Barangay peace and order council to become trainers on conflict prevention and resolution across three target areas: Basilan, Sulu and Tawi-Tawi. The project will also target 15 barangays to enhance their Peace, Security and Safety plans in alignment with gender plans and develop skills in conflict prevention and resolution, resolving conflict cases referred to them. Specifically, the project will (i) conduct an orientation with local stakeholders and government units, (ii) conduct a training of trainers for 90 grassroots women facilitators (topics not outlined), (iii) conduct a mapping on gender-based conflict with the aim of better understanding concepts and theories related to conflict and how best to resolve them, (iv) provide mentoring in the application of gender-sensitive Conflict Prevention and Resolution cases, as well as mentoring on gender-based healing and reconciliation, (v) translate modules (unclear on the creation of modules as not clearly outlined), (vi) roll out of training to 15 barangays on gender sensitive conflict management, (vii) develop enhanced 15 Barangay Peace and Order Public Safety Plans, (viii) produce knowledge products, lessons learned and documentation of conflict cases studies. An alliance of facilitators or trainers will also be established.

9. **League of Moro Women Organization Inc. (Institutional)**

   League of Moro Women Organization Inc. is a women's rights, women-led organization formed to address the transformational change needs of former women combatants and those part of the Bangsamoro Women Islamic Auxiliary Brigade. The organization currently focuses on advocacy and the lobbying for the rights and protection of women and girls in the Bangsamoro region. The proposal briefly outlines the ongoing conflict in the Bangsamoro region and the need to strengthen the organization's capacity and its staff knowledge to respond accordingly. The project aims to (i) hire a consultant to lead the institutional capacity strengthening of the organization, including capacity building, project monitoring and report writing, (ii) conduct strategic planning, (iii) form new policies and procedures as well as revisit the operations manual of the organization. Further details on the types of policies and procedures is not provided. (iii) training of trainers for staff on culture of peace, and women, peace and security, (iv) teambuilding and mental health and wellbeing training for staff and finally, (v) organizational evaluation and sustainability planning.

10. **Moro Women Development and Cultural Center Inc. (MWEDECC) (Institutional)**

    Moro Women Development and Cultural Center Inc. (MWDECC) is a women's rights women-led organization whose mandate seeks to support the empowerment of women through socio-economic, political and cultural development. The proposal describes the shifting political context as well as ongoing conflict as a barrier to project implementation, and references the need to build staff capacity to operate in such environments. The project targets 5 board of trustees, 5 officers, 6 staff and 4 volunteers. The project aims to (i) update the organizational strategic plan, (ii) update the financial management system of the organization including the procurement of new financial and human resource management software, a computer and training of staff on such equipment, (iii) training of staff will also be provided on photography and video documentation to strengthen organizational advocacy efforts. Training will also be provided on strategic communication and information sharing. Lastly, staff and volunteers will receive training on mental health and psychosocial support.

11. **Transforming Fragilities Inc (TFI) (Institutional)**

    Transforming Fragilities Inc,. is a women's rights, women-led organization that focuses on the provision of research, monitoring, evaluation and learning as well as organizational development and community-based capacity building support services to peacebuilding, humanitarian and development organizations. Its mandate is linked to societal transformation in fragile environments linked to peace and justice. Ongoing conflict, natural disasters and multi-layered emergencies have affected the organization's capacity, including quality programmatic implementation. The project aims to (i) procure ICT software and tools related to data gathering and data visualization. Training of 5 staff members on this ICT software is also outlined, (ii) develop a project management and standards manual for women focused interventions in conflict affected communities as well as training for staff and volunteers on the manual, (iii) develop risk-based operations management plan and business continuity plan as well as training of staff on such plans, (iv) train staff on sustainable conflict and women/gender sensitive programming, (v) provide training on gender- and conflict-sensitive community based research and data gathering for staff and volunteers, (vi) hold community-based learning sessions for volunteers on advocating women focused conflict sensitive interventions, and (vii) train the board of trustees on gender- and women-focused interventions and advocacy.

12. **United Youth of the Philippines Women Incorporated (UNYPHIL Women) (Institutional)**

    United Youth of the Philippines - Women Incorporated (UNYPHIL Women) is a women's rights and women-led organization whose mandate seeks to address violence against women and girls, whilst ensuring their active participation in communities in the Bangsamoro Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao. The proposal highlights the unpredictability of the current context as affecting their institutional capacity with a need to enhance the skills and knowledge of staff members to respond. Additionally, the proposal notes limited knowledge within the organization on resource mobilization, financial management and report writing to ensure compensation for staff and sustainability of the organization long-term. Limited knowledge of HR is also noted as well as loss in staff. The project seeks to (i) enhance the organizations gender-sensitive programming and organizational capacity through a training workshop on strategic planning and organizational management of 42 staff, (ii) training workshop of financial, resource mobilization and human resource management of 42 staff and finally (iii) mental health training provided to 42 staff to ensure work life balance and team building.//

1. Project Profile for Reporting Period

Use the following table for an overview by each project/organization. For each grant (programmatic, institutional and L-HUB grants), please use a separate row. Refer to definitions in the footnotes.

N/A (As of end-December 2024, UN Women had yet to sign Partner Agreements with the partner CSOs)

Funding CFP[3]	Lead Organization Name	Type of Organization[4]	WPHF Outcome/ Impact Area[5]	Project Location (State, Province or Region)	Name of Implementing Partner(s) and type of Organisation[6]	Project Start and End Date as per Partner Agreements[7]	Total Approved Budget (USD)

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[3] For each grant, indicate if it is Country CfP 1; CfP 2; CfP 3, etc. Please also note if it is a CfP for the Food Security Initiative, Climate Security Initiative, Forced Displacement Initiative, or Peer Learning Grant

[4] Type of organizations are: i) Women's Led; ii) Women's Rights; iii) Both Women-led and Women's Rights; iv) Youth Focused; v) young women led; vi) both youth focused/young women led; vii) LGBTQI+; viii) Other as identified by the CSO.

[5] WPHF Outcomes are Outcome 1: Enabling environment for the implementation of WPS commitments; Outcome 2: Conflict prevention; Outcome 3: Humanitarian and Crisis Response; Outcome 4: Conflict resolution; Outcome 5: Protection; Outcome 6: Peacebuilding and recovery. If the partner received institutional funding, please use this column to note this. As per WPHF results framework nested model, WPHF outcome areas are equivalent to the impact level for grantees

[6] For each co- implementing partner (those on cover page and who received a transfer), state if they are i) Women's Led; ii) Women's Rights; iii) Both Women-led and Women's Rights; iv) Youth-led/focused; or v) Other.

[7] Use the official start and end dates as per the partner agreement and/or amendment. If the project received an extension, please note this.

2. Beneficiaries and Reach (Consolidated)

a) Complete the Excel spreadsheet called "WPHF Beneficiary Template 2024" for each project and submit with your report. Instructions for this working sheet are found in the template. The excel sheet tracks beneficiaries by each CSO.

b) In the tables below, provide the underlined consolidated number of direct beneficiaries reached for all projects during the reporting period and cumulative numbers.

Not Applicable for the 2024 reporting period.

3a. Context/New Developments
Describe any relevant updates in the peace/security/humanitarian/political/human rights context experienced by the country during the reporting period. Specifically describe how it has impacted women and operations at the country level.

The Bangsamoro Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao (BARMM), which is the main locus of implementation of WPHF's CfPs 1 and 2, as well as majority of the proposals received and selected for CfP3, saw key peace and security developments during the reporting period. This includes the Philippine Supreme Court ruling in September 2024 excluding or detaching Sulu province – one of six provinces in the BARMM – from the region.

The ruling drew mixed reactions both from within and beyond the BARMM, including concerns that it could embolden elements from the other provinces to seek separation from the autonomous region. Within Sulu, it sparked concerns regarding the disruption of public services and employment as more than 5,000 teachers and health workers employed by the BARMM – predominantly women – faced the prospect of losing their jobs. The ruling likewise fed calls for the postponement of the inaugural Parliamentary elections scheduled in May 2025, to allow for more time to reallocate the seats that would have gone to representatives from Sulu province. Meanwhile, local elections are expected to proceed in May 2025. Concerns over election-related violence loom large, with the Ministry of Public Order and Safety noting that elections are now the main driver of *rido*, or clan wars, in the region.

Alongside these political developments, the BARMM is seeing heightened incidence of environmental disasters, with more than 70,000 families affected by severe flooding in Maguindanao and Lanao del Sur in July 2024. In October 2024, flooding in Maguindanao del Sur affected at least 37,000 families, while high tide, possibly aggravated by sea-level rise in Tawi-Tawi—the southernmost province of the Philippines, comprised of several small islands—caused unprecedented flooding in its capital, Bongao.

Non-Moro (i.e., non-Muslim) Indigenous Peoples (NMIPs) in the BARMM, including women, face a disproportionate level of insecurity, much of it linked to their ancestral domain claims. At least 83 NMIPs, including many tribal leaders and elders, are reported to have been killed over the past decade from 2014 to 2024, with perpetrators rarely identified or brought to justice. Large numbers of NMIPs also face displacement as they are caught in the cross-fire of horizontal conflict, development aggression given massive conversion of their lands to commercial use, or face the impact of environmental disasters aggravated by resource extraction and the climate crisis.

3b. Coordination in Humanitarian/WPS
Describe if your office has participated in any humanitarian/GBV in emergencies UN cluster meetings (CERF, UNFPA, IOM, UNHCR), or peace and security (PBF, UNDP, UNICEF) coordination meetings/efforts at the national level during the reporting period ? What were the outcomes of these meetings, and have WPHF partners been invited to brief?

UN Women participated in a meeting of the Mindanao Gender in Humanitarian Action (MGiHA) technical working group in November 2024, hosted by the MGiHA co-chairs, Community and Family Services International (CFSI) and Plan International. While the PPO helped convene the TWG and has been involved in previous meetings through its GiHA Coordinator, it was the first time for PPO's WPS team to participate in an MGiHA meeting. Now that the partner CSOs under the CfP3 have been onboarded, UN Women intends to encourage them to participate in future meetings of the MGiHA to learn as well as contribute to key actions needed in the space.

4a. Overall Results (Impact and Outcomes) Achieved

Country Level Impact and Results:
Provide a short, consolidated COUNTRY LEVEL description of the impact and results achieved for all projects (1-2 paragraphs maximum, drawing on the impact level indicators. DO NOT INCLUDE REACH NUMBERS.

N/A (Project implementation has yet to begin)

CSO Impact and Results:
a) Report on the results achieved[8] or progress towards[9] results for EACH OUTCOME area and associated indicators for EACH project by WPHF impact area in the country. Also, use any relevant impact and outcome indicators from the CSO results framework (programmatic funding) to help illustrate the change, including the change from the previous year. Do not describe outputs or activities. Ensure that the linkages between the projects and building peace, gender equality and WPS are explained.
b) If an organization has received funding under two impact areas (e.g., Stream 1 (Impact Area 1) and another impact area), please report them separately.
d) For any Global L-HUB grants, please report this in Section 8.

For countries with 10 projects or more, you can consolidate the impact and results by WPHF impact area, rather than for each individual project. Complete the Table in Annex A: Summary of Results for a summary of all results, ensuring they align with what is reported in the narrative section.

N/A (Project implementation has yet to begin)

4b. New Resource Mobilization and Sustainability
a) New Resource mobilization of CSO partners: For CSOs where new resources/funding has been mobilized (as indicated in the Beneficiary Excel File), share 1-2 examples of CSOs who have mobilized new funding during the reporting period, describing how much they accessed, from where and how their grant with WPHF/Country office has contributed to securing more funding, if relevant.
b) Sustainability: Share a couple of examples and strategies used by CSOs to ensure the sustainability of their project's impact
N/A (Project implementation has yet to begin and Partner Agreement signing with the partner CSOs is still pending.)

4c. Outputs and Activities Completed
Summarize the progress on OUTPUTS and key activities in narrative form by each project. Describe how these outputs were reached (or in progress) and explain if any variance in achieved versus planned results during the reporting period. Ensure all data is disaggregated if reporting on training, capacity building or other outputs. Please put organization names in the same order as Section 4a.

Please note that you DO NOT need to complete Annex A for the output level. For countries with 10 projects or more, you can consolidate the outputs by outcome area.

N/A (Project implementation has yet to begin)
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5. Impact Story (1/2 page maximum)
Include an impact story focused on either an individual beneficiary or CSO partner which demonstrates the change that has occurred during the reporting period as a result of the implementation of a partner grant. The story should:
a) capture the change that has occurred
b) illustrate the main objective of the project (WPHF impact area).
c) include a high quality photo with caption close-up photo portraits of individual beneficiaries and CSO partners being profiled, and include quotes if available.

*Please ensure that consent has been obtained from the individual beneficiary or CSO partner to use the story and photo in the WPHF global annual report, website, community of practice and/or social media. Also, consider using a pseudonym (not the person's real name) to ensure protection/security. If obtaining a story could cause an individual harm/emotional stress, please consider doing a story on an organization instead.

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[8] Progress achieved of the impact level or of an outcome is defined as actual change in the value of indicators being tracked as well as other indications that the project has had an effect in contributing to the impact/outcome as stated.
[9] Progress towards an outcome means the target has not yet been met but there is evidence (through data) of meeting incremental milestones towards the eventual achievement of the outcome.

N/A (Project implementation has yet to begin)

6a. Knowledge Products and Communications/Visibility of Management Entity

a) Report on any new knowledge products and communication materials produced by UN/ ME during the reporting period. This can include case studies, major surveys/research, evaluations, or assessments conducted during the reporting period. This section should also include a list and description of any new products (websites, policy briefs, social media, case studies, photos, videos, etc.) developed to increase visibility of the projects and programme, and of WPHF.

* Please attach a copy of the study/evaluation/research/survey/assessment as an Annex and include the weblinks in this section, if available.

N/A (Project implementation has yet to begin)

6b. Knowledge Products and Communications/Visibility of Implementing Partners

a) List a few examples of high-quality knowledge products and communication materials produced by an implementing partner during the reporting period. This can include case studies, major surveys/research, evaluations, or assessments conducted during the reporting period. This section should also include a list and description of any new products (websites, policy briefs, social media, case studies, etc.) developed to increase visibility of the projects and programme, and of WPHF.

* Please attach a copy or link of the study/evaluation/research/ assessment as an Annex and include the weblinks in this section, if available. For photos, kindly share these (along with a caption) to the WPHF communications team.

N/A (Project implementation has yet to begin)

7. Capacity Strengthening Activities by UN Country Office/Management Entity

a) For Countries that have implemented Capacity Strengthening Projects with WPHF funding

i) If your country has received funds for capacity strengthening initiatives, report against your results framework and ProDoc, including the results/changes in capacity, skills, or practices of CSO partners and their organization.

ii) Describe any results from pre and/or post training surveys that may have been completed (e.g. OCATs) or if any capacity strengthening materials were produced using this funding and share these with WPHF.

N/A (The country allocation was received only in December 2024 and did not allow for time to organize any capacity strengthening activity during the reporting period.)

b) Other countries' capacity strengthening initiatives that have benefited WPHF Partners

If your country (those who have not received funds for capacity strengthening initiatives) has carried out any capacity strengthening sessions (webinars, in-person training sessions, workshops, etc.) that were conducted by the Country Office, Management Entity or other external agencies with CSO partners, please describe. Include i) the topic/subject; ii) who conducted the capacity strengthening; iii) where (virtual/in person); iv) number of CSOs and CSO representatives that participated. Describe any results from pre and/or post training surveys that may have been completed. Finally, if any capacity building materials were produced and would benefit other CSOs, please share these with WPHF.

N/A (Partner CSOs were not yet onboarded during the reporting period.)
N/A (The country allocation was received only in December 2024 and did not allow for time to organize any capacity strengthening activity during the reporting period.)

8. L-HUB Grants (Peer Learning, Mentorship or Joint Advocacy Actions)[10]

If CSO partners have implemented a L-HUB grants during the year, please summarize the key initiatives and results from these grants. This should include results related to skills, coalition building/networking, etc. as aligned with the CSOs' project document. Also include the number of CSO representatives (disaggregated by sex and age group) that have benefited from these grants. Please share the completed peer learning/mentorship grant reporting template with your annual report submission.

*Partners who received these grants must also be included in the CSO Profile (Section 1) and WPHF Beneficiary Template 2024 as a separate row

N/A (Partner CSOs were not yet onboarded during the reporting period.)

9. Risks and Mitigation

Using the table below, identify any risks that occurred during the reporting period and assess their i) risk level; ii) likelihood of it occurring; and iii) the impact this risk would have on the project, programme, or country. What are the mitigation measures to minimize the risk to prevent it or respond to it if it occurs? Consider risks related to new or escalating conflict/tensions, climate change, programmatic or institutional risks, monitoring and evaluation and Do No Harm

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[10] For partners that have also been engaged in the Women Have Wings Awards, please use this section to report on the main results and activities completed as aligned with the Project Document.

9. Risks and Mitigation

Risk Area (contextual, programmatic, institutionally, briefly describe)	Risk Level 4=Very High 3=High 2=Medium 1=Low	Likelihood 5=Very High 4=Likely 3=Possible 2=Unlikely 1=Rare	Impact 5=Extreme 4=Major 3=Moderate 2=Minor 1=Insignificant	Mitigation Mitigating measures undertaken during the reporting period to address the risk
N/A (Project implementation has yet to begin)				

10. Delays and Adaptations/Revisions

If there were delays at the country level, please explain the delays and reasons/factors for contributing to the delay, actions taken to mitigate future delays, and adaptations made to account for the delays. Indicate any major adjustments in strategies, targets or key outcomes that took place. This section should also include information on contracting and programmatic delays related to escalating crisis or other factors.

Delays were encountered on the operational side due to the following:

- As a Non-Programme Presence (NPP), the UN Women Philippine team has limited staffing to focus on the call for proposals and selection of partners. The WPS team handling the WPHF is composed of staff whose engagement are linked to/funded by specific programs, with their own portfolio of projects to be implemented. The CfP3 selection process coincided with the team's extensive engagement in the preparations for the International Conference on WPS hosted by the Philippine Government, further preventing full-time focus on the complete staff work involved in the selection of partners and finalization of project documents. The need to have the prodocs reviewed and cleared by the Regional Office added another layer to the process.
- Difficulty of convening the National Steering Committee because of diverging schedules of the co-chairs, members and the secretariat.

11. Lessons Learned[11]

What challenges and lessons were learned during the reporting period at both the project and country level? Include those lessons that can benefit other WPHF countries and of the fund overall. For each challenge, identify and describe the challenge, provide details on what are the factors that may have contributed to it occurring, describe how the challenge was addressed in the reporting period, or will be addressed in the future, and summarize the key lesson that can help inform the project, or improve in the future. These should include both programmatic and operational challenges. Add rows as required.

Identify Challenge/Describe *Challenges can be programmatic or operational affecting the country program and/or of projects.*	What are the factors/reasons contributing to this challenge?	How was the challenge addressed? What was done differently, or what will be done to address the challenge?	Key Lesson Learned *As a result of the challenge what did you (and partners) learn from the situation that has helped to inform the project, or improve how the project is implemented or for future interventions?*
N/A (Project implementation has yet to begin)			

12. Innovations and Best Practices[12]

Please include information on any innovative practices (programmatic and operational) that emerged during the reporting period, especially those that can be beneficial for other WPHF countries, expand the body of knowledge on women, peace, and security and humanitarian action. Innovations and best practices can be from projects or country level. Please provide details such as CSO name, location, etc.

a) Innovations:

Use of Microsoft Forms for the silence procedure seeking the National Steering Committee's endorsement of the selected CSO partners made the process more efficient and easier to document than would have been the case if using e-mail.

b) Best Practices:

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[11] A lesson learned is a systematic reflection of challenges (or successes) that have occurred during the reporting period which has resulted in a change, adaption, or improvement as a result of the challenge, or a planned change or adaptation in the future.

[12] A best practice is strategy, approach, technique, or process that has proven to work well and deemed to be effective or appropriate for addressing a problem based on experience, evaluation or in comparison to other practices, and is therefore recommended as a model. It is also a practice that has been tested and validated and has potential to be replicated and there is value in sharing with others working in similar contexts, sectors, or with similar target groups.

13. Auditing and Financial Management

Mention if any projects were audited during the reporting period and provide a brief summary of results. Do not include detailed findings of the audit as reports are public. Alternatively, you can share an audit report with your programme lead, if relevant.

In 2024, 8 partners under the WPHF first phase of implementation in the Philippines (CfP1 and CfP2) underwent the audit exercise covering 2023 implementation, during which their financial management was reviewed in accordance with standard policies and procedures, yielding an unqualified opinion for the partners, overall.

14. Next Steps and Priority Actions

In bullet form, please list the priority actions for the coming year including onboarding of new partners, monitoring missions or other planned initiatives related to WPHF.

Q1 2025
- Onboarding of remaining project staff (Programme Assistant and Monitoring and Reporting Officer)
- Capacity assessment of partner CSOs, particularly those who are being engaged by UN Women as partners for the first time
- Inception workshop with the partner CSOs to facilitate refinement and finalization of their work plans, budgets, and performance monitoring frameworks
- Signing of partner agreements with the partner CSOs
- Transfer of first tranche of the WPHF funds to the partner CSOs to enable them to begin project implementation

Q2 2025
- Convening of National Steering Committee meeting
- M&E training for partner CSOs
- Proposal development workshop for longlisted/shortlisted CSOs who did not make the final selection in April 2025 (through funding from (WPS-ASEAN Regional Programme)
- Capacity development training on Gender -Responsive, Conflict-Sensitive and Peace Promoting Approaches
- Learning Café Sessions on Women, Peace and Security

Q3 2025
- Monitoring visits to partner CSOs
- Mentoring and support on compliance with financial procedures (FACE form completion, etc.) with partner CSOs
- Communications and advocacy workshop for partner CSOs
- Learning Café Sessions on Women, Peace and Security
- Possible joint mission with WPHF in Quarter 3

Q4 2025
- Mid-term reflection with partner CSOs
- Commemorative activity with partner CSOs, NSC and other stakeholders on the 25th Anniversary of UNSCR 1325
- Preparation for 2025 annual report submission
- Learning Café Sessions on Women, Peace and Security

ANNEX A: Summary of WPHF Results (by Indicator)

For each WPHF Outcome which is relevant to CSOs supported during the reporting year, report against the Impact Level (WPHF Outcome) Indicator.

Note for how many CSOs this is relevant (Column 2) and provide a very brief summary the results (Column 3), presenting both the numeric value and summary. If an outcome is not relevant to your country, enter N/A in both CSO and summary columns.

Not applicable for the 2024 reporting period.