



UN EBOLA RESPONSE MPTF
PROJECT MONTHLY PROGRESS REPORT - VERSION 1
 Period March 2016

Project Number and Title: #9 UNDP Programme for Payments for Ebola Response Workers (PPERW) - Sierra Leone	PROJECT START DATE¹: 01-11-2014	AMOUNT ALLOCATED by MPTF <i>(please indicate different tranches if applicable)</i> \$1,261,625.00	RECIPIENT ORGANIZATION United Nations Development Programme (UNDP)
Project ID: 00092905			
Project Focal Point: Name: Ghulam Sherani E-mail: Ghulam.sherani@undp.org	EXTENSION DATE: 31-06-2016	FINANCIAL COMMITMENTS 1,487	
Strategic Objective (STEPP) SO3 – Ensure Essential Services	PROJECTED END DATE: 31-06-2016	EXPENDITURES As of 30 Oct \$932,505	IMPLEMENTING PARTNER(S): NERC, Ministry of Health and Sanitation; Ministry of Gender, Children and Social Protection
Mission Critical Action MCA07 – Cash incentives for workers			
Location: Sierra Leone	Sub-National Coverage Areas: Freetown, Ebola affected districts		

MONTHLY PROGRESS REPORT RESULTS MATRIX

OUTPUT INDICATORS

Indicator	Geographic Area	Projected Target (as per results matrix)	Quantitative results for the (one month) reporting period	Cumulative results since project commencement (quantitative)	Delivery Rate (cumulative % of projected total) as of date
<i>Description of the quantifiable indicator as set out in the approved project proposal</i>					
% of Ebola response workers registered on the information management system	All Ebola affected districts	100%	534	35,534	100%

¹ The date project funds were first transferred.



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% paying organizations reporting to the information management system	All Ebola affected districts	100%	1	6	100%
# of Ebola response workers reported by media as striking	All Ebola affected districts	0	0	1	1
Diagnostic complete, recommendations made to government on financial sector to bolster resilience; Monitoring system fully functional to report incidents	All Ebola affected districts	Diagnostic complete, recommendations adopted, monitoring system functional	N/A	N/A	N/A
# payments made through operational testing and proof of concept/stress testing (once through 3 months)	All Ebola affected districts	1200	0	1200	100%
# people paid through UNDP contingency plan	All Ebola affected districts	0	N/A	N/A	N/A
% local districts with adequate cash out points for forecasted volumes	All Ebola affected districts	100%	100%	100%	100%
EFFECT INDICATORS (if available for the reporting period)					



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% of registered Ebola workers linked to a payment mechanism	All Ebola affected districts	100%	100%	100%	100%
% of registered Ebola workers fully paid on-time	All Ebola affected districts	100%	100%	100%	100%

NARRATIVE

Situation Update *(please describe critical changes, if any, in the situation that affect the project (1-2 paragraphs))*

The policy governing payment was revised from the EVD Resilient Zero Allowance Policy that ended in December 2015 to the EVD Heightened Surveillance policy which covers the first half of the year, Feb 5th to June 30th 2016. As its name implies it is generally designed to enhance surveillance and swabbing activities at chiefdom levels nationwide, in addition to accommodating standby burial teams at district levels to ensure that any re-appearance could be detected and responded to promptly to avoid possible spread.

The EVD HSA Policy covers the resilient zero strategy of government during the 0+42+90 days phase. The revised EHSAP covers the period from February 5 until June 30 2016. The policy in accordance to the enhanced protocols recommended by Ministry of Health and WHO is restricted to non-formal activities such as swabbing, surveillance and case investigation activities etc all other activities have been engrafted into the mainstream operations of the MoHS.

The Digital Financial Service eco-system diagnostic assessment was successfully conducted. The preliminary findings were presented to all the relevant stockholders including government, financial institutions, private companies and digital institution through a validation workshop. The draft report of the Digital Financial Service Diagnostic will be submitted in the ensuing weeks.

Key Achievements *(please use this section to highlight your key achievements for the month, using bullet points if preferred)*



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- Compiled and submitted the March national EVD allowance pay list of 428 beneficiaries.
- Provided technical support, coordination and secured the required approval for the revision EVD Heightened Surveillance Allowance Policy (EHSAP)
- Providing technical support to the District Medical Officers in all districts on policy implementations and complaint resolution.
- Support MoHS in ensuring timely and effective communication is provided to the District Health Management Teams (DHMTs)
- Coordination and collaboration in harmonizing allowances paid by other paying partners in accordance to the EHSAP.
- Coordinate and trouble shoot bottle necks with respect to the transitions of risk allowance responsibilities from NERC to MoHS.
- Agreed on plan and strategy in transitioning and handing over the payments system to MoHS.

Delays or Deviations *(if any, briefly describe the delays or changes in focus, approach or targets, and provide a short justification for the change (1-2 paragraphs))*

The significant delay the project is experiencing is in the area of finalization of pay lists submitted to the fiduciary agent, BDO and the changing of new bank signatories and authorization codes to reflect the present status quo.

Gender and Environmental Markers *(Please provide disaggregated data, if applicable)*

No. of Beneficiaries		Environmental Markers
Women	168	<i>e.g. Medical and Bio Hazard Waste</i>
Girls	N/A	<i>e.g. Chemical Pollution</i>
Men	260	
Boys	N/A	
Total	428	

Additional Information *(Optional)*