[COUNTRY: Papua New Guinea]

PROJECT HALF YEARLY PROGRESS UPDATE

PERIOD COVERED: JANUARY – JUNE 2017
FINAL

Project No & Title:	PBF/Support to PBF coordination and monitoring in PNG.
Recipient Organization(s)[1]:	UNDP
Implementing Partners (Government, UN agencies, NGOs etc):	Office of the Chief Secretary, Autonomous Bougainville Government, Office of the Chief Secretary, Government of Papua New Guinea PBF Joint Steering Committee and its Technical Working Group
Total Approved Budget :[2]	USD 800,000 (UD$426,096 - 2017)

Preliminary data on funds committed : [3]	US$426,096	**% of funds committed / total approved budget:**	100%
Expenditure[4]:	US$295,736.62	**% of expenditure / total budget: (Delivery rate)**	69%%
Project Approval Date:	June 2014		
Project Start Date:	August 2015	**Possible delay in operational closure date (Number of months)**	Project will request for a no cost extension through the JSC to PBSO
Expected Operational Project Closure Date:	December 2017		
Project Outcomes:	Outcome 1: The coordination, monitoring and reporting on results of the Peacebuilding Priority Plan and the projects supported and strengthened through the establishment of a PBF Secretariat. Outcome 2: The Joint Steering Committee, its Technical Committee and the		

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[1] Please note that where there are multiple agencies, only one consolidated project report should be submitted.

[2] Approved budget is the amount transferred to Recipient Organisations.

[3] Funds committed are defined as the commitments made through legal contracts for services and works according to the financial regulations and procedures of the Recipient Organisations. Provide preliminary data only.

[4] Actual payments (contracts, services, works) made on commitments.

5 PBF focus areas are:

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1: Support the implementation of peace agreements and political dialogue (Priority Area 1):

(1.1) SSR, (1.2) RoL; (1.3) DDR; (1.4) Political Dialogue;

2: Promote coexistence and peaceful resolution of conflicts (Priority Area 2):

(2.1) National reconciliation; (2.2) Democratic Governance; (2.3) Conflict prevention/management;

3:Revitalise the economy and generate immediate peace dividends (Priority Area 3);

(3.1) Employment; (3.2) Equitable access to social services

4) (Re)-establish essential administrative services (Priority Area 4)

(4.1) Strengthening of essential national state capacity; (4.2) extension of state authority/local administration; (4.3) Governance of peacebuilding resources (including JSC/ PBF Secretariats)

	Office of the Resident Coordinator of the United Nations system are supported to play their role of strategic direction and monitoring and evaluation of the implementation of the Peacebuilding Priority Plan.
PBF Focus Area[5] (select one of the Focus Areas listed below)	4.3) Governance of peacebuilding resources (including JSC/PBF Secretariats)

Qualitative assessment of progress

*For each intended outcome, provide **evidence** of progress during the reporting period.* *In addition, for each outcome include the outputs achieved. (1000 characters max per outcome.)*	**Outcome 1:** The outcome for this project is effective coordination, monitoring and reporting on the results of the Peacebuilding Priority Plan (PPP) and its PRF projects. During this reporting period, there is evidence of effective coordination of project activities including rolling out of the PPP M&E Plan and the Results Framework for all the projects. M&E tools have been developed for community based level monitoring. There has been consistent accountability on the part of both governments and other partners like the Bougainville Women's Federation and the Patupatuai Centre for Rehabilitation have all benefited from the monitoring tools provided by the project with clear indicators and targets to gauge the progress of their work and to strengthen coordination and accountability. **Outcome 2:** **Outcome 3:** **Outcome 4:**
Do you see evidence that the project is having a positive impact on peacebuilding? (1000 characters max.)	This project's added value is the effective exercising of its mandate to coordinate monitor and evaluate and report for all the projects of the Peacebuilding Priority Plan. With continuous dialogue and coordination meetings with partners, there has been consistent improvement in UNDP partner relations, which has significantly strengthened local ownership of the projects. 56% of key partners (UN, ABG, BWF, NCW, BHOR, DBPAI, and BPS) have all reported that they are satisfied with the mentoring provided by the PBF Secretariat with support from the other project staffs. During this reporting period, about 70% of reports submitted by partners show sex disaggregated data for all PBF activities. The successful transfer of skills set to grassroots communities on Community Based Monitoring of project activities is a remarkable achievement for UNDP in Bougainville.
Were there catalytic effects	The need for setting up the PBF Secretariat, was to provide for regular consistent and accurate

from the project in the period reported, including additional funding commitments or unleashing/ unblocking of any peace relevant processes? (1000 characters max.)	reporting based on findings from effective monitoring and evaluation of all PBF project activities. This has been done unswervingly since the inception of the Priority Plan Projects. The catalytic effect the secretariat project contributed to, was the introduction of effective monitoring and reporting to partners NGOs which was quickly embraced. The same will be done for the ABG government system under the Letter of Agreement. This will be an entirely new culture across the government system. Consistent monitoring and situational analysis of the risks in the project environment informed UNDP's decision making in adopting new project implementation strategies and approaches to ensure project outcomes are achieved within the stipulated timeframes.
If progress has been slow or inadequate, provide main reasons and what is being done to address them. (1000 characters max.)	Under this project, because there was only one activity planned for this first six months of implementation in 2017, progress have been on track as captured in the matrix below.
What are the main activities/expected results for the rest of the year? (1000 characters max.)	For the next reporitng period, the Secretariat will continue to ensure consistency in coordination, monitoring and reporting but also in mainstreaming human rights into the monitoring and reporting mechanisms of partners. A Joint Steering Committee (JSC) meeting was planned for June this year but was deferred by national government to after the 2017 National Elections. A PBF Technical Committee meeting will however be held this June, to address key issues of the Referendum, Weapons Disposal and the Joint Review of Autonomy Arrangements which are the major provisions of the Bougainville Peace Agreement that require joint decision making.
Is there any need to adjust project strategies/ duration/budget etc.? (1000 characters max.)	There is a need for a mid-term review of the Priority Plan implementation. This mid-term review will be conducted with the intent of assessing the progress of the PPP and its projects, its impact on peacebuilding in PNG and Bougainville and to also provide justification to the JSC and PBSO for a no-cost extension to ensure that project outcomes are fully achieved. Because the Priority Plan was approved in 2014, and the funds drawn down in August 2015, there is need to make some time adjustments as required, to ensure that programatic activities under the PRFs are fully implemented. It is envisaged that the mid-term review will be conducted in July this year which will throw light on what amount of time would be needed to complete the programme.
What is the project budget expenditure to date (percentage of allocated project budget expensed by the	This project has a total expenditure rate of 69% of the total approved budget for 2017.

date of the report) – preliminary figures only? (1000 characters max.)	
Any other information that the project needs to convey to PBSO (and JSC) at this stage? (1500 characters max.)	

INDICATOR BASED PERFORMANCE ASSESSMENT: *Using the **Project Results Framework as per the approved project document**- provide an update on the achievement of key indicators at both the outcome and output level in the table below. Where it has not been possible to collect data on indicators, state this and provide any explanation in the qualitative text above.* (250 characters max per entry)

	Performance Indicators	Indicator Baseline	End of project Indicator Target	Current indicator progress	Reasons for Variance/ Delay (if any)	Adjustment of target (if any)
Outcome 1 The coordination, monitoring and reporting on results of the Peacebuilding Priority Plan and the projects supported and strengthened through the establishment of a PBF Secretariat.	Indicator 1.1 Robust monitoring system in place for the Priority Plan	Priority Plan Results Framework exists.	Priority Plan Results Framework is refined and integrated with PRF project results frameworks. An M&E Plan is developed, baselines are completed and regular monitoring/ analysis of progress is undertaken	Refined & updated PRF & projects results framework. M&E Plan completed & quarterly monitoring of progress including Community Based Monitoring.	On Track	No need for adjustment at this stage
	Indicator 1.2					
	Indicator 1.3					

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Output 1.1 Coordination of PBF support: Establishment of coordination mechanisms between projects and key stakeholders that contribute to achieving Peacebuilding Priority Plan outcomes and ensure coherence between projects and activities.	Indicator 1.1.1 Level of satisfaction with Secretariat performance by key stakeholders	0	At least 75% of key stakeholders (UN, Govt, project staff) are satisfied with support received from PBF Secretariat	56% of key stakeholders (UN, ABG, BWF, NCW, BHOR, DPAI, BPS) are satisfied with the support received from PBF Secretariat on coordination, monitoring and reporting.	On Track	No need for adjustment at this stage.
	Indicator 1.1.2 Project results frameworks include sex disaggregated data	0	Project results frameworks include sex disaggregated data	Reports from stakeholders; project staff, BWF, BHoR on activities include sex disagregated data	On Track	No need for Adjustment at this stage
Output 1.2	Indicator 1.2.1					
	Indicator 1.2.2					
Output 1.3	Indicator 1.3.1					

	Indicator 1.3.2				
Outcome 2	Indicator 2.1				
	Indicator 2.2				
Output 2.1	Indicator 2.1.1				
	Indicator 2.1.2				
Output 2.2	Indicator 2.2.1				
	Indicator 2.2.2				
Output 2.3	Indicator 2.3.1				
	Indicator 2.3.2				
Outcome 3	Indicator 3.1				
	Indicator 3.2				
Output 3.1	Indicator 3.1.1				
	Indicator 3.1.2				
Output 3.2	Indicator 3.2.1				
	Indicator 3.2.2				
Output 3.3	Indicator 3.3.1				

	Indicator 3.3.2					
Outcome 4	Indicator 4.1					
	Indicator 4.2					
Output 4.1	Indicator 4.1.1					
	Indicator 4.1.2					
Output 4.2	Indicator 4.2.1					
	Indicator 4.2.2					
Output 4.3	Indicator 4.3.1					
	Indicator 4.3.2					