

**SIERRA LEONE
PEACEBUILDING FUND
PROJECT STATUS REPORT
31 DECEMBER 2009**

Project No & Title:	PBF/SLE/E-1 Support to Government's Capacity for monitoring and coordination of the Peace Building Fund				
Recipient UN Organization:	UNDP	Priority Sector:	Capacity Building of Public Administration		
National Authority:	Ministry Finance and Economic Development (MOFED)				
Location:	Freetown				
Project Cost:	USD 348,125				
SC Approval Date:	15 July 2008	Starting Date:	August 2008	Completion Date:	Extended to March 2010
PBF Outcome and priority area	Priority 4. Rebuilding essential government capacity Outcome 13: technical capacity building				
Project Description:	The Ministry of Finance and Economic Development (MOFED) is the Government institution responsible to oversee PBF projects in Sierra Leone. The PBF calls for national ownership with Government in the lead to initiate and oversee the envisaged peace building interventions. This project will set up a Peace building Secretariat in the MOFED to increase its capacity to plan, monitor and evaluate peace building programmes, among others those funded by the PBF. It is envisaged that the Secretariat will focus on the PBF project monitoring in the first year, after which capacity and experience has been generated to broaden the peace building planning and monitoring to the wider program portfolio of the Ministry of Finance and Development.				
Immediate Objectives:	i) Increased Government's leadership/ownership of the PBF process; ii) Increased capacity for Government oversight of the Peacebuilding programmes; and iii) Improved public awareness and engagement on the PBF and it's activities				
Project Progress as at December, 2009					
Funds disbursed:	USD 278,125				
Delivery rate:	79.9%				
Outputs delivered:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PBF Secretariat established, staffed and fully functional at the Ministry of Finance and Development • Internet connectivity established to provide information to the public on the progress and achievements of the PBF projects to peace consolidation and stability. • 2 vehicles and computers provided for the Secretariat • The PBFS in concert with the PBF-SCO has undertaken three monitoring trip and two advocacy drives on the four regions (N,S,E&W) 				
Achievements and challenges	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The capacity of the PBF Secretariat has been enhanced to participate in the processes of the PBF's contribution to PB in Sierra Leone. • This is however been challenged by the lack of funds to pay staff due to project delay • Heavy reliance on PBF with no guarantee of funds from the Government. Thus the concern for sustainability of the project <p>Management responses include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Ministry of Finance and Economic Development has seconded one staff to coordinate with the PBF-SCO in the advocacy and M&E of the fund. 				