

# UNDP Southern Sudan Monthly Programme & Project Update Report

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## Section 1: General Programme Highlights & Updates (past and upcoming events)

### Trainings and Workshops

- A training programme was conducted for 240 field staff for the Household Poverty Survey (HPS) as part of the Support to Economic Planning Project in Yei, Wau, Bentiu and Malakal.
- A refresher course is planned for 121 Master Trainers by the Local Government Recovery Project in planning/budgeting in Yei (10-25 April 2009).
- In collaboration with the Country Coordination Mechanism (CCM) members, the Ministry of Health, supported by UNDP, organized a two-day workshop for all sub-recipients (two UN agencies, five international NGOs and one national NGO) of the Global Fund to Fight HIV/AIDS, Tuberculosis and Malaria.

### Notable Meetings/Discussions and Missions

- The Director General for Aid Coordination and the Advisor for Aid Management from the Ministry of Finance and Economic Planning attended the International Dialogue on Peace Building & State Building on 18 March and the Coherent Coordinated Complementary Conference from 19 to 20 March in Geneva, Switzerland. The mission was supported by the Support to Economic Planning Project.
- Together with the Government of Southern Sudan (GoSS) counterparts and UN agencies, the project staff of the Good Governance and Equity and Political Participation Project participated in a planning meeting organized by the Ministry of Gender to prepare for the upcoming women's conference for the establishment of the General Women's Union and Association in the ten states.
- The Ministry of Housing and UN-HABITAT, together with project staff from the Support to States Project held a planning meeting in preparation for the upcoming settlement demonstration projects workshop.
- The Support to States Project's technical team held a meeting with the Ministry of Physical Infrastructure of Central Equatoria State to discuss progress on the informal settlement demonstration project in Hai Zandiya (Central Equatoria).
- UNDP held discussions with the Ministry of Health, Directorate of Research, Directorate of HIV/AIDS, and Directorate of Preventive Medicine on operationalizing the National M&E Framework. It was agreed that each Directorate would submit an M&E work plan and budget to the Directorate of Research so that one National M&E Plan would be produced for the Ministry of Health.
- At the invitation of the Deputy Resident Coordinator, the Threat and Risk Mapping and Analysis Project (TRMA) made a presentation to the UN Country Team (UNCT) on the proposed Information Management Working Group (IMWG) for Southern Sudan. The UNCT welcomed the establishment of IMWG as a tool to support coordination and integrated programming. The formal launch of the IMWG will commence after the approval process of TRMA project by the Inter Ministerial Appraisal Committee (IMAC). The IMAC is scheduled for 17 April.

## **Section 2: UNDP Project Updates**

### **2.1 Democratic Governance Unit**

#### **1. Key activities carried out in the reporting period**

##### **Support to Economic Planning Project**

- GoSS Budget Book 2009, Donor Book 2009 & Budget-at-a-Glance Booklet printed.
- Providing technical and logistical support for the Household Poverty Survey (HPS), including:
  - Fuel contract of 70,000 litres of diesel put in place and fuel distributed for vehicles to be deployed for conducting the HPS.
  - Procurement of field equipment for HPS completed and delivered to SSCCSE.
  - Training completed for 240 field staff for HPS in Yei, Wau, Bentiu and Malakal.
  - Letter of Agreement signed between Southern Sudan Commission for Census, Statistics and Evaluation (SSCCSE) and UNDP to ensure delivery of training of field personnel for the HPS.
- Preliminary discussions with the Ministry of Finance and Economic Planning and partners to initiate procurement of Aid Management System (AMS) for the Aid Directorate.
- Short listing of candidates for the new Budget & Planning Advisor completed.

##### **Support to the Presidency Project**

- The Project Steering Committee (Project Board) met on 21 March 2009 to review the Project Annual Work Plan for 2009.
- The Presidency Project procured two vehicles to facilitate implementation of project activities. One vehicle will be handed over to the Ministry of Presidential Affairs (Office of the President) and the other vehicle will be used by the project staff.
- The requisition has been made for communications equipment for the Directorate of Communications and Public Relations, Ministry of Presidential Affairs (Office of the President).

##### **Good Governance and Equity in Political Participation Project**

- Preparations completed for women's leadership training in Warrap state (training already completed for the other 9 states) and the effort is ongoing to establish two forums: women office bearers of political parties and women legislative forum in three states (Upper Nile, Unity and Jonglei).
- Support provided to the Ministry of Gender for the celebration of the International Women's day in the 10 states. One thousand T-shirts produced and distributed for the occasion.

##### **Support to the States Project**

- Meeting held with the Ministry of Housing and UN-HABITAT to plan for the upcoming settlement demonstration projects workshop.
- Recruitment ongoing of International UN Volunteers to support urban management.
- 10 vehicles procured to facilitate states' outreach planning process. The vehicles have arrived and recruitment of drivers is underway.

##### **Local Government Recovery Project**

- Formation and swearing-in of interim Local Councils continued throughout all ten states.
- Transfer of furniture and equipment to Western Bahr el Ghazel State Ministry of Local Government completed.

- Support and guidance provided on posting local government staff in 78 county programme units and 10 state programme directorates.

### **Support to Elections Project**

- As this is a pipeline project, the activities are still preliminary and a project document is yet to be concluded. The project is awaiting the National Elections Commission (NEC) to provide details of its plans as well as the establishment of the Southern Sudan Elections High Committee in order to determine the scope and details of UNDP support.
- Work with the NEC is ongoing to establish a working budget and to allocate budgets to activity lines.
- Initial round of civic education workshops have been ongoing and are almost completed.

<h2><b>2. Key activities planned for the next period</b></h2>
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### **Support to Economic Planning Project**

- Continue technical and logistical support for the Household Poverty Survey.
- Start procurement process for the Aid Management System.
- Economic Statistics Advisor to be on board in mid-April and seconded to the Southern Sudan Commission for Census, Statistics and Evaluation.

### **Support to Presidency Project**

- Preparation of training plan.
- Procurement of IT equipment.
- Workshops for consultation with stakeholders on key strategies for Southern Sudan.

### **Good Governance and Equity and Political Participation Project**

- Support to the Ministry of Gender during the General Women's Union Conference that shall adopt a National Constitution and elect office bearers.
- Support to women leadership training in Warrap State.
- Support the consultative forums in the three states of Unity, Upper Nile and Jonglei to establish women office bearers of political parties and women legislative forum.

### **Support to States:**

- Field mission to Bor and Rumbek by GoSS, UN HABITAT and UNDP to follow informal settlement pilot demonstration project.
- Support for the review of State Strategic Plan in three states (Eastern Equatoria, Upper Nile, and Jonglei)
- Training for the State Planning and Development Committee members on planning/budgeting processes will be carried out by planning specialists.

### **Local Government Recovery Project**

- Commissioning of rehabilitated building for the State Ministry of Local Government, Western Bahr El Ghazal.
- Refresher course for 121 Master Trainers at Yei from 10-25 April, 2009.
- Initiation of procurement process of vehicles and other equipment for field support.
- Initiation of recruitment process of staff for vacant positions (Deputy Project Manager, Admin/Finance Analyst, and national UN Volunteers).

## **Support to Elections Project**

- A civic education workshop to be organized in Yambio, Western Equatoria State.
- Recruitment process for additional staff positions to be initiated, in anticipation of the approval of the full programme of support.

## **Section 2: UNDP Project Updates**

### **2.2 Rule of Law Unit**

#### **1. Key activities carried out in the reporting period**

### **INSTITUTIONAL SUPPORT TO JUDICIARY OF SOUTHERN SUDAN PROJECT**

- Renovation of Yambio Court: Bids for provision of labour for the work was evaluated on 03/03/09.
- Renovation of Raja Court: Tender for supply of building materials & provision of labour opened on 24/03/09 and evaluated on 26/03/09.
- Renovation of Malakal Residence: Tender for provision of labour opened on 24/03/09 and evaluated on 26/03/09.
- The following procured items were delivered to Judiciary of Southern Sudan (JoSS) on 12/03/09 for the Special Courts (mobile courts): 48 mattresses, 48 bed sheets, 48 blankets, 48 beds, 48 mosquito nets, 48 pillows, and 20 solar lamps.
- Comprehensive Capacity Building Plan for JoSS included in 2009 Annual Work plan of the Project.
- Judiciary has appointed a steering committee to organize the Stakeholders Consultative Workshop and to develop a 5-year “Strategic Plan” covering the period 2009-2013.

### **ACCESS TO JUSTICE PROJECT:**

#### **Training and Awareness**

- In Juba, the project team held a series of consultative meetings with private lawyers, the South Sudan Law Society and the Ministry of Legal Affairs and Constitutional Development (MOLACD) to facilitate the formation of the Southern Sudan Bar Association. Further meetings were held with the University of Juba and Ministry of Education in an effort to create linkages with academia, particularly the University of Juba, Faculty of Law when it is repatriated to Juba.
- In Yei, CES, International Women’s Day was celebrated on 8 March under the theme “Women and Men United to End Violence against Women and Girls”. The guest of honour was Hon. Agnes Kwaje Lasuba of the GoSS Legislative Assembly.
- In Bor, Jonglei State, the International Women’s Day celebration was organized by the UNFPA. In Upper Nile, it was organized by Youth Mobilization for Peace and Development Agency, State Ministry of Social Development and UNDP’s Access to Justice Project. The community of Bor Country introduced the sub-theme “Stand up against Gender Based Violence”.
- In Bentiu, Unity State, the International Women’s Day was celebrated on 9 March and was organized by civil society organizations and the State Ministry of Social Development. Among the key organizers were the Sudanese Women Association, Ministry of Social Development with support from the State Government, UNDP Access to Justice Project, WFP, Mubadiroon, NDI and Winrock International.
- In Wau, Western Bahr El Ghazal State, the project team drafted and presented a paper entitled “Enjoyment of Right to Education is Everyone’s Responsibility” during the celebration of Rights to Education on 9 Mach. The idea was conceived in the State Ministry of Education Annual Work Plan workshop which took place in January 2009.

## **Rule of Law Forum**

- In Juba, the Rule of Law Forum for law institutions, civil society, practicing lawyers, the Southern Sudan Human Rights Commission (SSHRC) and traditional authorities was established and the first meeting was held on 27 March in the MOLACD office in Juba.
- In Yei, a meeting took place on Gender Based Violence (with a focus on Form 8: treatment of victims of injury or rape) on 4 March at the ARC (American Refugees Committee). The members of a select advisory committee have been tasked to meet the Commissioner of Police and the Hospital Administration to discuss and reach a common understanding on Form 8.

## **CPA Dissemination**

- On 4 March, Unity State Human Rights Education Forum (USHREF) and Access to Justice project staff organized a CPA dissemination event in Bentiu which was attended by over 700 people. School children, youth groups, women's groups and CBOs presented drama, songs, cultural shows, and poems on CPA topics.

## **INSTITUTIONAL SUPPORT TO POLICE AND PRISONS SERVICES**

### **Construction and Rehabilitation of Police Infrastructure**

- On-going works on 2 facilities: Bor Police HQ and Bor Police Training Facility since October 2008.
- On-going works on 3 facilities: Kwajok Police HQ, Kwajok Police Training Facility and Torit Police HQ since January 2009.
- Completed 2 facilities: Wau Police HQ, and Police Training Centre completed.
- On-going works on 1 facility: Wau Police HQ and Wau Police Training Facility since August 2008.
- On-site assessments have been completed on 2 facilities: Aweil Police HQ and Aweil Police Training Facility in preparation for rehabilitation works for 2009.

### **Rehabilitation of Prisons Infrastructure**

- On-going works on phases 1 and 2 of Bor Central Prison: Bor-Phase 1: Works started October 2008; and Bor-Phase 2: Works started February 2009.
- Assessment and plan for repair works on Lologo Prison Training Center which had been damaged by wind storm on 6 March 2009. The facility was completed in August 2008, and is to be installed with window shutters, as requested by Prisons Service, before issuance of Certificate of Completion by Ministry of Infrastructure and transfer of the asset to GoSS authorities.
- Certificate of Completion being processed by Lake State Ministry of Infrastructure before Transfer of the Asset to GoSS authorities: Rumbek Prison Training Facility comprising new construction of one block of 2 classrooms, 1 office and 3 toilets.
- Rehabilitation of all four dormitories in Rumbek Central Prison has been completed and inmates have occupied them. Furniture has been moved into the dormitories.
- Assessment conducted on male and female dormitories of Juba Prison as part of the rehabilitation works for 2009.

### **Capacity Building Support to Prison Service:**

- The approved Prisons Staff Code of Conduct document was signed by the Minister for Internal Affairs and Director General of Prisons Service.
- Support to advanced prison officers training for 289 staff (255 males and 34 females) conducted by UNMIS Correction Unit at Lologo Prisons Training facility in the outskirts of Juba.

## **INSTITUTIONAL SUPPORT TO MINISTRY OF LEGAL AFFAIRS AND CONSTITUTIONAL DEVELOPMENT (MOLACD) PROJECT**

- Ongoing: Partners Weekly Coordination Meeting composed of UNDP, Bearing Point, World Bank, United States, European Commission (EC) and chaired by the Under Secretary. Partners discussed issues concerning their work with MoLACD with the objective of fostering better and effective collaboration.
- Consultant for the MoLACD project re-design contracted, and inception report presented by the consultant.
- Recruitment of a customary law strategy consultant initiated.
- Recruitment for a short-term Librarian/Documentalist initiated. The expert is expected to setup and layout the law library being constructed and to train local staff in running the law library.
- Construction work on the Law Library is in progress, and it is expected to be completed by 10 April 2009.
- Procurement process has been initiated for the printing of the constitutions of 10 states.
- Ongoing: Distribution of Comprehensive Peace Agreement materials (Interim National Constitution, Interim Constitution of Southern Sudan, and T-Shirts).

### **2. Key activities planned for the next period**

## **INSTITUTIONAL SUPPORT TO JUDICIARY OF SOUTHERN SUDAN PROJECT**

- Deployment of 1 Clerk of Works & recruitment of 2 more Clerk of Works.
- Contractors to deliver building materials to Yambio Court.
- Finalize award of contracts for the supply of labour for Raja Court & Malakal residential house.
- UNDP Contracts Committee to review documents and evaluation report and recommend contract awards.
- Finalize the legal transfer of procured equipment and furniture to JoSS.
- Organize JoSS stakeholders workshop as part of the strategic planning process.
- Finalize Long Term Agreements with English language training institutions.
- Deliver and transfer all procured equipment and furniture to JoSS for use by the Special Courts.
- Support the conceptualization of JoSS decentralization & devolution policy framework.

## **ACCESS TO JUSTICE PROJECT**

- Rule of Law Forum in Bentiu, Bor and Malakal.
- Review quick impact and small grants management systems for Community Based Organizations (CBOs) to be used in rights and psychosocial awareness, advocacy, mediation, counseling human rights, and networking.
- Develop training programme for rule of law service providers and Civil Society Organizations on client support/referral services.
- Support existing resource centres with access to justice and psychosocial materials that may be accessed by the public.
- Provide technical assistance to Justice and Confidentiality Centers and other legal providers on provision of client oriented support services. One training for members of the Rule of Law Promoters to be held in April.
- Review and operationalization of standard operating procedures for the rule of law forums.
- One Rule of Law forum to be established in Kwajok.
- Support to Southern Sudan Human Rights Commission on rights advocacy and outreach training.
- Conduct field monitoring trip to Bentiu.
- Retreat for Access to Justice/ Rule of Law staff on access to justice issues as well as operational issues.

- Carry out assessment in Yambio and Torit in preparation for the establishment of two field offices.

## **INSTITUTIONAL SUPPORT TO POLICE AND PRISONS SERVICES**

### **Rehabilitation of Police Infrastructure**

- Buluk (Juba) Police Training Facility and Yambio Police HQ, works completed in January 2009. The asset is to be transferred to GoSS authorities in April 2008.
- Final inspection of works which were completed on Malakal Police HQ and Malakal Police Training in February 2009. Inspection to take place by the Upper Nile State Ministry of Infrastructure, UNOPS, and Police and Prisons Project.
- Police Training facility in Kapuri (Juba): Construction of one generator house and 5 pit latrines (awaiting approval of selection of site by GoSS authorities).
- Juba Police Station: Being tendered with closing date 4 April 2009.
- Rumbek Police HQ: Construction of 4 pit latrines.
- Asset Transfer of completed facilities with Certification of Completion from the relevant Ministries of Infrastructure.
- Planning for 2009: Rehabilitation/construction of County and Payam Police stations (numbers and locations pending decision by the GoSS authorities).

### **Capacity Building Support to Police Service**

- Support training of the Director for Legal Affairs of the Southern Sudan Police Service and 4 additional staff members at the Law Development Centre of Uganda.
- Technical support to the second phase of the Road Safety Campaign; training of 300 traffic police officers to be conducted in the 10 states.
- Continued provision of technical support for the implementation of a functional Logistics and Asset Management System within the Police Service HQ in Juba (Project Phase 2 and 3).
- Organise a consultative meeting/workshop for Senior Police Managers from the Police Headquarters in Juba and all ten states, to discuss and agree on the draft police training curriculum, Code of Conduct and a Community Policing Project proposal.
- Support to the Southern Sudan Police Service to implement and enforce the new Police Act (formulation of relevant regulations and policies).
- Follow up on the Police Inspector General's request to develop and establish a special Public Relation/Information Unit at the Police Headquarters in Juba.

### **Rehabilitation of Prison Infrastructure**

- Aweil Central Prison: Rehabilitation works to continue (expected completion: April 09).
- Bor Prison Phase 2: Works to continue (expected completion: July 09).
- Lologo Prison Training Facility: Additional rehabilitation works due to massive destruction following bad weather with strong winds at Lologo that occurred on 6 March.
- Rajaf Prison Farm: Procurement and delivery of fence.

### **Capacity Building Support to Prisons Service**

- Continued provision of technical support for the implementation of a functional Logistics and Asset Management System within the Prisons Service HQ in Juba (Project Phase 2 and 3).
- Printing and dissemination of 500 copies of Code of Conduct (posters) for prisons staff, in cooperation with UNMIS Corrections.

## **INSTITUTIONAL SUPPORT TO MINISTRY OF LEGAL AFFAIRS AND CONSTITUTIONAL DEVELOPMENT (MOLACD) PROJECT**

- Support the International Development Law Organization to set up a legal training institute for Southern Sudan.
- Finalize recruitment of Librarian/Documentalist to set up a library and train MoLACD to maintain library operations.
- Finalize recruitment of customary law strategy consultant.
- Facilitate the re-sit of Law Development Centre exams by MoLACD legal counselors.
- Utilize existing funds (EC second tranche) to complete the CPA dissemination workshops in the remaining 4 states and to print the Constitutions of 10 states.
- Proof read final electronic draft of the constitutions of the 10 states to effect printing.

### **Section 2: UNDP Project Updates**

#### **2.3 Crisis Prevention and Recovery Unit**

##### **1. Key activities carried out in the reporting period**

###### **Public Works Programme Component of the Rapid Impact Emergency Project (RIEP)**

- Terminal evaluation of the project undertaken and draft report produced and discussed. The consultant traveled to Lakes, Western Equatorial, Warrap and Eastern Equatorial and visited Grants Management Agents, contractors, Local Steering Committee members, beneficiaries and selected sub-projects.
- Presentation of the preliminary findings of the RIEP evaluation to the UNDP programme team.
- An appraisal of proposals for the audit of the project has been undertaken and an auditing firm has been selected.
- The Multi-Donor Trust Fund has approved the request for project extension and the project has been extended to 30 September 2009 to facilitate project closure.

###### **Community Security and Arms Control Project (CSAC)**

- Consultation processes were carried out with county authorities in Jonglei State in 6 more counties (8 of the 11 counties have now been completed). Groups targeted include women, youth, community leaders and other stakeholders. The consultation process mapped counties and identified areas and sources of insecurity. The end result is the identification and subsequent construction of conflict and gender-sensitive development projects in all counties of Jonglei which can contribute to the mitigation of insecurity.
- Arrangements are now being made with a grants-management agent to work towards construction of the above-mentioned projects.
- Delivery of furniture and communications equipment continued for Jonglei State.

###### **Threat and Risk Mapping and Analysis Project (TRMA)**

- TRMA supported the Southern Sudan Center for Census Statistics and Evaluation (SSCCSE) in the production of 750 maps as part of technical and logistical support to UNHABITAT aimed at boosting the community rapid impact driven recovery and development programmes being carried out by local NGOs and Community Based Organizations/Civil Society Organizations.
- Under the guidance of SSCCSE, TRMA staff began a process of consultation with the leadership of SSCCSE on the roll-out plan in Southern Sudan and the roles to be played by SSCCSE in support of this process at various levels of government. It has been agreed that the SSCCSE will appoint a focal point to



engage partners in further technical discussions. The outcome of this process will be incorporated in the operational work plans of the TRMA.

- At the invitation of the Deputy Resident Coordinator, TRMA project staff made a presentation to the UN Country Team (UNCT) on the proposed Information Management Working Group (IMWG) for Southern Sudan. The UNCT welcomed the establishment of IMWG as a tool to support coordination and integrated programming.
- Following consultations with SSCCSE and the Ministry of Finance & Economic Planning, 9 April (this was later changed to 17 April) was agreed as the date for submission of TRMA to Inter Ministerial Appraisal Committee.
- Engagement with SSCCSE on the TRMA 2009 Annual Work Plan took place and recruitment for the project and the setting up of office space started.

### **Disarmament, Demobilization, and Reintegration Programme (DDR)**

- The Southern Sudan DDR Commission (SSDDRC) and UNDP have commenced a reintegration opportunity assessment in all ten states, covering: (1) agriculture/animal husbandry/fishery; (2) vocational training; (3) small business; (4) alternative education; (5) formal employment; and (6) formal and customary services for those with disabilities. The purpose of this assessment is to review existing socio-economic reintegration opportunities and disability services for DDR candidates. The result of the assessment will inform the programme design of reintegration programmes and Information, Counseling and Referral Services (ICRS) as part of the reintegration programme. The exercise will continue until the end of April.
- Three UNDP staff on secondment have commenced their work with the SSDDRC. They provide close capacity-building support in the area of information management; finance and administration, and M&E.

### **Recovery and Rehabilitation Programme (RRP)**

- Quarterly Progress Report: The quarter 11 reports (narrative and financial) have been collected and reviewed and the consolidated report is ready for the forthcoming Policy and Review Committee (PRC) meeting to be held in Southern Sudan possibly in April.
- Consortia Activities: The improved road conditions and accessibility has helped the implementation of activities by the consortia NGOs at the field level (in Central Equatoria, Eastern Equatoria, Warrap, Northern Bahr Ghazal and Upper Nile state). Major activities include the provision of beneficiaries with agricultural tools, training to improve the skills needed to expand incomes and increase productivity through agricultural extension, training of veterinarians, and handcrafts and business training activities.
- Allocation of Contingencies: All the requests for accessing contingencies funds submitted by the Upper Nile, Gogrial and Eastern Equatoria consortium have been approved by the PRC. The contingency funds requested are mostly for addressing livelihoods, gaps in local government administration capacity development, the shortfall as a result of ABEAS 2 (Annual Budget Estimate and Activity Schedule) extension and addressing priority issues identified in the Mid Term Review conducted last year.
- Approval of ABEAS 3: The remaining ABEAS 3 for Warrap and Eastern Equatoria RRP project were approved by the Ministry of Finance and Economic Planning and forwarded to Khartoum for EC and Ministry of International Cooperation final approval.

### **Mine Action Programme**

- UNDP signed an agreement with the Canadian Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade (DFAIT) to continue to fund two Mine Risk Education Teams and three Explosive Ordnance Disposal (EOD) teams in the localities of Magwi and Loa in Southern Sudan.
- UNDP continued to work with the National Mine Action Center (NMAC) and the Southern Sudan Demining Authority (SSDA) to refine their organizational structures and Terms of References for their key positions.
- A plan for on the job training for staff of NMAC and Southern Sudan Demining Commission (SSDC) has been prepared. On the job training of the staff of NMAC and SSDC began with 4 NMAC staff attached to

the UN Mine Action Office (UNMAO) in Khartoum and 15 SSSA staff attached to various international mine action organizations in Southern Sudan (1 to UN Mine Action Office, 4 to Danish Demining Group and 10 to Norwegian People's Aid).

- The UNDP Mine Action Senior Technical Advisor and the Director of NMAC and the Chairperson of SSSA attended the 12th annual meeting of the UN Advisors and National Directors held in Geneva during 23-27 March 2009.
- Concept Project proposal for the accreditation of the Joint Integrated Demining Units (JIDUs) has been developed and provided to a potential donors for funding.
- Article 7 Transparency Report, as a requirement of the Mine Ban Convention, has been drafted.

## **2. Key activities planned for the next period**

### **Public Works Programme Component of RIEP**

- Evaluation consultant to finalize the evaluation report of the project and present it to the Project Board on 17 April.
- Commence audit exercise and produce audit report and management responses.
- UN Habitat to continue work on Output 2 (increase in community awareness on the issue of provision of basic services) and Output 3 (survey/mapping and rapid assessment of non-state actors involved in community driven development/recovery type interventions in all 10 states) by distributing information/awareness materials.

### **Community Security Arms Control Project (CSAC)**

- Pending security conditions in Jonglei, the consultation processes with county authorities will be conducted in Fangak, Akobo and Pochalla – thereby completing consultations in all 11 counties of Jonglei.
- Final arrangements to be completed with the grants-management agent, with the aim of beginning construction on projects in May 2009.
- Delivery of furniture and communications equipment to counties in Jonglei State to continue.
- The GoSS Bureau for Community Security and Small Arms Control (CSSAC Bureau) will be supported in conducting a Strategic Planning Meeting during which they will finalize a work plan to guide their 2009 activities.
- The Advisor to the Southern Sudan Peace Commission will be deployed into the Commission and provided with equipment. The recruitment for the Assistant to the Advisor will be conducted, while the purchasing of equipment for peace conferences and for the conflict transformation training will be carried out.
- The CSAC Project Executive Board will be convened, with the aim of endorsing the project's 2009 Annual Work Plan.
- A donor meeting will be convened to update donors on current and forthcoming project activities, and to highlight current funding gaps.

### **Threat and Risk Mapping and Analysis Project (TRMA)**

- Discussions to take place with all programme units in UNDP Southern Sudan to consolidate consensus on the TRMA roll out plan, coordination structures and areas of synergy.
- Preparation for TRMA presentation to the Inter Ministerial Appraisal Committee (scheduled for 17 April) for approval.
- Complete recruitment process and office set up for the Southern Sudan Center for Census Statistics and Evaluation.
- Identification of pilot states and start of TRMA operations.
- Establishment of the Information Management Working Group.

## **Disarmament, Demobilization, and Reintegration Programme (DDR)**

- Development of a reintegration plan for a first priority group of 5,000 combatants in the South, (expected to start in May) will be a major focus in the coming month as well as the finalization of the reintegration opportunity assessment.

## **Recovery and Rehabilitation Programme (RRP)**

- Policy Review Committee (PRC) meeting in the south (Renk or Wonduruba) to be held in April (date to be confirmed).
- Field visit to one RRP project (project to be determined with consultation with NGOs).
- Continue follow-up of the approval process of the contingency funds requests submitted by Upper Nile, Central Equatoria and Warrap.
- Continue technical backstopping and guidance to the implementing partners as required by the individual RRP project as well as relevant follow-up on project issues with MoFEP and other government counterparts.
- Continue consultations with PRC members, EC, Ministry of International Cooperation, Ministry of Finance and Economic Planning, and other relevant stakeholders on the way forwards for RRP that are behind schedule in the implementation of the planned activities.

## **Mine Action Programme**

- Finalize the recruitment of the Juba-based UNDP Mine Action Technical Advisor. Interviews have already been conducted.
- Finalize the Article 7 Transparency Report, as a requirement of the Mine Ban Treaty, and submit it to the Mine Ban Treaty Implementation Unit based in Geneva.
- Continue to work with the National Mine Action Center (NMAC) and the Southern Sudan Demining Authority to refine implementation plans for the transition of mine action from UN management to national management.
- Continue to work with NMAC and the Southern Sudan Demining Commission to identify more staff for on the job training opportunities with the UN Mine Action Office and international mine action organizations.
- Initiate the technical process for the accreditation of the Joint Integrated Demining Units (JIDUs) by reviewing their Standing Operating Procedures, operational plan, medical evacuation plan, communication plan and internal quality assurance plan.

## **Section 2: UNDP Project Updates**

### **2.4 HIV/AIDS Unit**

#### **1. Key activities carried out in the reporting period**

### **Global Fund to Fight HIV/AIDS, Tuberculosis and Malaria (GFATM) Projects**

- The monthly Country Coordination Mechanism (CCM) meeting was held on 16 March 2009 where UNDP participated as a member and as a principal recipient of GFATM. The major action points were in reference to assigning a Southern Sudan delegate to the GFATM regional meeting in Jordan and the decision to write a proposal for health system strengthening for TB, HIV/AIDS and malaria.
- UNDP hosted a Global Fund mission travelling to Southern Sudan project sites to conduct a data quality assessment. One team travelled to counties within Warrap and Western Bahr El Ghazal State and the other team travelled to counties in Central and Eastern Equatorial State. The mission took place from 16-29 March.

- The GFATM Regional Advisor arrived in Juba to provide support to the programmes for two months. Discussions and meetings with the CCM chair person and MoH officials took place.
- The selection of consultants, who will undertake the capacity assessment of MoH as a potential Sub Recipient for the GFATM HIV/AIDS health sector response, was finalized.
- UNDP participated in the finalization and submission to the World Bank, of the Southern Sudan AIDS Commission Multi Donor Trust Fund 2009 Annual Work Plan. The plan is awaiting clearance from the Word Bank but key activities have already started.
- UNDP, the Country Coordination Mechanism chair person and MoH conducted a review of the Sub Recipients' performance. The action points included accelerated planning for utilizing the remaining amount of resources with the Sub Recipients. An agreement was reached that this review of performance will continue every month.

#### **TB Prevention and Control Programme**

- The Sub Recipients (COSV, AAA, and Malteser) continued their respective service delivery including TB case detection, training of health workers, and mobilizing communities.
- The recruitment of Sub Recipients for the implementation of the TB grants for the coming six months was presented to the CAP (Contracts, Assets and Procurement Committee) for UNDP internal approval.
- The Grant Closure Plan is underway and UNDP requested a six month no cost extension from the Country Coordination Mechanism.

#### **TB/HIV Prevention and Control Programme**

- The Sub Recipients (AAA, WHO, and Malteser) continued the implementation of project activities including trainings, community awareness, distribution of IEC (Information, Education and Communication) materials, and HIV counseling and testing for TB patients.
- UNDP Southern Sudan, with the support of the UNDP Regional Office and Head Quarters, initiated discussions with GFATM to reduce the targets of the grant due to the unrealistic nature of the targets. A request has been made to the donor to support scientific research. A cross-sectional survey on the magnitude of TB/HIV commenced.
- The requirements for Phase Two of this grant is has been submitted to the donor for signature. UNDP provided a no cost extension for the contract of the sub recipient.

#### **Malaria Prevention and Control Programme**

- The Sub Recipients (Malaria Consortium, World Vision, PSI, and AAA) continued working in service delivery areas including the treatment of malaria, prevention of malaria, distribution of health management information materials and training of health workers.
- Since the grant will close in September 2009, the project has been developing the comprehensive project closure plan which will be communicated to the donor.
- Training was conducted for service deliverers: 1) in the provision of IPT (Intermittent Presumptive Treatment), 2) on BCC (Behavior Change Communication) to promote early care seeking, and 3) on the management of complicated and uncomplicated malaria cases for health workers at health facilities.

#### **HIV/AIDS Prevention and Care Programme**

- The Sub Recipients (WHO and UNICEF) continued to deliver services using Sub-Sub Recipients at the field level for VCT (Voluntary Counseling and Testing), ART (Anti-Retro Viral Therapy), blood safety and PMTCT (Preventing Mother-To-Child Transmission).
- Meetings between UNDP, the Southern Sudan AIDS Commission (SSAC) and MoH took place to discuss and agree on the project documents for SSAC and MoH GFATM support. When these

documents are finalized, the 2009 Annual Work Plans will be forwarded to the Inter Ministerial Appraisal Committee for GoSS approval.

- The quarterly extension of SSAC was provided and the Letter of Agreement has been signed with SSAC the transfer of funds to SSAC is being finalized.
- The evaluation and selection of a consultant for the capacity assessment of Sub Recipients took place.

## **2. Key activities planned for the next period**

### **TB Prevention and Control Programme (Round 2 and 7 Project)**

- Closely support Malteser International and Arkangelo Ali Association for facilitating new expansion areas to start TB services.
- Principal Recipient to expedite the process of recruiting 2 additional Sub Recipients that will establish an additional 3 TB centers.
- The new round of the TB programme started in March and staff recruitment to support programme implementation will continue in April.
- A no cost extension request to the donor will be prepared with the closure plan.

### **TB/HIV Prevention and Control Programme (Round 5 Project)**

- National TB/HIV Guideline to be finalized and submitted to the printing press.
- Finalize the recruitment of the Sub Recipients for phase two of the grant
- Facilitate additional Sub Recipient recruitment for TB/HIV grant to increase service coverage areas.
- Establish standardized referral system for collaborative TB/HIV activities.
- Initialize grant signature process with the donor to fully launch the phase two of the grant.
- Organize a meeting with Sub Recipients to look into the next quarter plan and priorities.
- Prepare and submit quarterly progress update report to GFATM.

### **Malaria Prevention and Control Programme (Round 2 Project)**

- Follow up on the submission of an accelerated work plan by Sub Recipients for the remaining six months of the project.
- Follow up on the submission of request by Sub Recipients for anti-malaria drugs and on anti-malaria drugs distribution.
- Follow up on the shipment of 200,000 Long Lasting Insecticide Treated Nets (LLITNs); expected arrival date is 14 April.
- Process payment for suppliers for 400,000 LLITNs and anti-malaria drugs.
- Conduct health workers training on emergency preparedness, EWARN (Early Warning and Response Network), and HMIS (Health Management Information System).

### **HIV/AIDS Prevention and Care Programme (Round 4 Project)**

- Finalize the project documents for the SSAC (Southern Sudan AIDS Commission) and the Ministry of Health 2009 GFATM support.
- Conduct a meeting with WHO and UNICEF (Sub Recipients) to discuss their roles and responsibilities for Phase Two of the grant.
- Finalize the recruitment of the Senior Surveillance Consultant, National M&E Consultant, and National Behavioral Surveillance Consultant for the Ministry of Health HIV/AIDS Directorate.

- Continue the process of Sub Recipient recruitment for Phase Two implementation of the programme.
- Finalize the signature process for Round Four Phase Two with the donor.

## **Section 2: Fund Management Updates**

### **2.5 Sudan Recovery Fund (SRF)**

#### **1. Key activities carried out in the reporting period**

- **Round 2 Allocation:** Small Grant Mechanism – SRF Technical Secretariat issued a call for proposal in February 2009. This allocation is aimed at building the capacity of national organizations. Proposals have been received from International NGOs and has been under review by the Technical Secretariat. The proposals will be further reviewed by an ad hoc committee involving donors, Technical Secretariat and the Southern Sudan Reconstruction and Development Fund. Final approval of the successful NGOs will be granted by the Steering Committee in April 2009.
- **Round 3 Allocation:** State Recovery Plan – The proposed allocation plan for Round 3 has been underway by an external consultant. The proposal will focus on implementing recovery projects through state structures and sector ministries. Consultative workshops on the Round 3 allocation were attended by the Technical Secretariat, donors and NGOs. The final report of the Round 3 allocation will be presented to the Steering Committee in April 2009.
- **Secretariat Staffing** - The Monitoring and Evaluation Specialist joined the SRF Technical Secretariat in Juba on 19 March. The Head of the Technical Secretariat was recruited and is expected in Juba in April.

#### **2. Key activities planned for the next period**

- Review and feedback on quarter 1 reports for the Round 1 projects, implemented by 12 NGOs.
- Follow up on the finalization of the Sudan Recovery Fund Round 3 Allocation Plan.
- Preparation for the April 2009 Steering Committee meeting.
- Finalisation of the selection of Grant Coordinator for the Small Grant Mechanism.
- Finalisation of the SRF-SS Monitoring and Evaluation Framework.

### Section 3: UNDP Southern Sudan Expenditure

Award ID	Unit	Project	Planned Budget (based on Annual Work Plan)	Current Budget	Expenditure Against Current Budget
00045863	Governance	Support to Economic Planning	\$3,098,064	\$858,030	\$445,501
00049848	Governance	Support to Presidency	\$1,498,063	\$542,048	\$263,342
00039457	Governance	Good Governance & Equity in Political Participation	\$1,065,038	\$115,570	\$95,084
00047812	Governance	Support to States - Phase II	\$5,948,917	\$836,181	\$611,968
00042718	Governance	Local Government Recovery Project - Phase II	\$6,345,627	\$352,515	\$246,153
00049662	Governance	Support to Elections	Planning in Progress	Planning in Progress	Planning in Progress
00045032	RoL	Support to the Judiciary Project	\$3,785,885	\$843,921	\$195,953
00043537	RoL	Promoting Access to Justice	\$4,673,822	\$1,200,000	\$531,893
00047336	RoL	MDTF Support to Police and Prisons	\$ 21,922,266	\$393,456	\$274,227
00043821	RoL	Institutional Support to MOLACD	\$2,671,478	\$176,517	\$176,517
00047407	CPR	Public Works Component of RIEP	\$2,120,409	\$2,129,290	\$0
00046904	CPR	Community Security and Arms Control	\$12,122,500	\$4,238,611	\$1,287,171
Pipeline	CPR	Threat and Risk Mapping Project	\$2,085,402	0	0
00042515	CPR	DDR programme – Reintegration Component	Planning in Progress	Planning in Progress	Planning in Progress
00041567	CPR	Recovery and Rehabilitation Programme (RRP)	6,800,000 Euros	\$3,536,287	0
00014877	CPR	National Capacities for Mine Action	\$1,300,000	0	0
00037519	HIV/AIDS	TB Prevention & Control	\$6,802,516	\$402,500	\$373,119
00045245	HIV/AIDS	TB/HIV Prevention and Control	\$5,929,733	\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000
00040073	HIV/AIDS	Malaria Prevention & Control	\$9,253,329	\$7,161,046	\$2,948,462
00041178	HIV/AIDS	HIV/AIDS Prevention and Care	\$6,912,980	\$52,500	\$144,860
00051332	Fund Management	Sudan Recovery Fund	\$14,136,184	\$14,136,184	\$4,648,722
<b>TOTAL</b>			<b>\$120,631,370</b>	<b>\$37,974,656</b>	<b>\$13,242,972</b>

**Notes:**

- (1) Total planned project budget for 2009 are based on draft Annual Work Plans (AWPs). Figures are subject to change as AWPs are finalized and approved.
- (2) Current budget, based on actual funds received and budget approved.

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