

UNDP Southern Sudan Monthly Programme & Project Update Report



For the period 1 – 30 November 2009

Section 1: General Programme Highlights & Updates

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- Budget Sector Working Groups (BSWGs) planning and budgeting meetings were held in the 10 states, some states have their 2010 draft budgets awaiting discussion by the Council of Ministers and state legislative assemblies.
- The Crisis Recovery Mapping Analysis project of UNDP took part in the Geographic Information Systems (GIS) workshop organized by the Basic Services Fund, in collaboration with the Centre for Development and Environment of the University of Berne (Switzerland) which has been working on the GIS project in Southern Sudan and published topographic maps (available at: <http://www.cde.unibe.ch/>)

Section 2: UNDP Project Updates

2.1 Governance & Rule of Law Unit

1. Key activities carried out in the reporting period

Local Government Recovery Project

- County planning and budgeting for 2010 continued in most of the states. 5 of the 10 states have completed the county-level exercise. The remaining 5 states are catching up with intervention and advice from the Local Government Board (LGB) and LGRP in Juba. The preparation of integrated, user-friendly guidelines for 2011 county planning and guidelines is underway.
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- A joint LGRP and LGB team visited Lakes, Jonglei and Unity and had a meeting in Central Equatoria to (i) update the State Ministries of Local Government and Law Enforcement (SMoLGs) on the LGRP progress and plan, (ii) identify gaps in county planning and budgeting processes, (iii) stock-take for organizational development and challenges and (iv) conduct fact-finding on local revenue collection and financial management.

Support to the States Programme

- Budget Sector Working Groups (BSWGs) planning and budgeting meetings were held in the 10 states, some states have their 2010 draft budgets awaiting discussion by the Council of Ministers and state legislative assemblies.
- An assessment of urban management needs was discussed with relevant officials of State Ministries of Physical Infrastructure and urban management specialists in Jonglei and Northern Bahr el Ghazal.
- Recruitment of specialists for urban management and financial management is ongoing; one financial management specialist has arrived and has been posted in Bentiu.

- A consultant has been recruited to carry out an evaluation of the project.
- BSWG workshop was held in Malakal, Upper Nile State from 28 October to 6 November to review the draft 2010 Workplan and Budget. The participants provided technical inputs that are being used to finalize the 2010 workplan and Budget for all the sectors.
- Review of the state draft strategic plan in preparation for submission to the State Planning Development Committee by mid December 2009 continued in Malakal.
- 62 members of the state BSWGs were trained in Northern Bahr el Ghazal in integrated county and state planning and budgeting.
- Facilitation and backstopping of Sudan Recovery Fund activities by Development Planning Specialists continued in the states.

Good Governance and Equity in Political Participation Project

- The Project is operationally closed. The project review report has been drafted to ensure financial closure.

Support to the Presidency Project

- Providers of ICT training for the staff of the Office of the President have been selected.
- Supported preparation for Symposium on Post-Referendum.
- Supported preparation for the Annual Retreat for the Office of the President.
- Supported training on records management for the Government of Southern Sudan (GoSS), organized by the Human Resources Department of the Office of the President.
- Procurement ongoing for ICT equipment and software. Procurement specifications for prefabricated units, a project vehicle, and telephone system for the Office of the President submitted to UNDP.

Support to Elections Project

- 20 civil society and non-governmental organizations were supported through small and medium sized grants for voter education activities in all ten states.
- Through UNIFEM, 100 voter educators in the 10 states organized face-to-face meetings to encourage women to register for the 2010 elections.
- 60,000 posters were produced and distributed to remind people to register.
- 188 domestic observers from the SUDEMOP network of civil society organizations were trained and deployed in all ten states to observe the voter registration process by the Carter Center's domestic observation program.
- 65 young people participated in a workshop from 12-14 November in Juba on voter education and the prevention of electoral violence.
- The project concluded an agreement to support elections security training for the Southern Sudan Police Service that will be conducted by trainers from UN Police.
- A Memorandum of Understanding and Letter of Agreement was signed with the Ministry of Information and Broadcasting to ensure weekly elections programmes broadcasts on Southern Sudan Radio and Television.
- The elections project continues to engage with the Southern Sudan Elections High Committee (SSHC) offering technical, procurement, logistical and training support.

Support to the Southern Sudan Reconstruction and Development Fund

- Funds were transferred to the Southern Sudan Reconstruction and Development Fund (SSRDF).
- The SSRDF Annual Planning Workshop took place on 20 November to discuss the 2010 Annual Work Plan for SSRDF.
- Study tours to Tanzania, Kenya and China were concluded.

Institutional Support to the Judiciary of Southern Sudan Project

- Renovation of the Judge's residence in Malakal has been put on hold since the contractor exhausted its construction materials. An assessment report by the UNDP engineer indicates that additional funds are required for additional construction materials to complete the renovation.
- Renovation of the Yambio court building has stalled subject to further discussion with the contractor who, acting on a request from the Judiciary Representative in Yambio, has submitted a quotation for expanded scope of works (detention cell & toilet).
- Building materials for the renovation of the Raja court building have not been transported to Raja due to the collapsed bridge over the River Jur in Wau. Arrangements are being made with UNMIS to airlift the materials in small batches.
- Following the submission of an assessment report for the construction a High Court building in Bor, Jonglei State, the Director General for Projects in the Ministry of Housing, Physical Planning & Environment recommended that UNDP engage the services of a private consultant to carry out designs and prepare project documents. Invitations have been sent to architects for quotations.
- The Judiciary has requested for assistance to print procedural laws of Southern Sudan. The matter has been discussed with the Ministry of Legal Affairs & Constitutional Development, which has contacted Uganda Printing & Publishing Corporation who is expected to provide a quotation.

Promoting Access to Justice Project

- 16 Community Based Organizations supported under the Assisting Communities Together project have started working on human rights awareness creation and training activities in the states.
- In Juba, the Access to Justice Project team held a workshop for 57 lawyers from the greater Equatoria, Greater Bhar el Ghazal and the greater Upper Nile to deliberate on a number of issues and the constitution of the Interim South Sudan Bar Association.
- Support to the Juba Justice and Confidence Centre continued. It included weekly coaching of members of the Rule of Law Promoters Association by Rule of Law Officers from UNDP and the provision of client support training to the Rule of Law Promoters Association members.
- In Juba, the project team facilitated the 4th GoSS level Rule of Law Forum on 26 November at the Ministry of Legal Affairs and Constitutional Development.
- In Torit, Eastern Equatoria State, the 1st Rule of Law Forum was held on 24 November chaired by the Acting Director General of Local Government and Law Enforcement Agencies. The Forum discussed issues including customary law, disarmament, cattle raiding and street children in the market.
- In Torit, a meeting was held on 23 November with chiefs to plan for the forthcoming training workshop on the administration of justice and human rights. The chiefs expressed the need for strengthening capacity related to the structure and role of traditional authorities in the Southern Sudan Local Government Act.
- In Aweil, Northern Bahr el Ghazal State, a training was held with 21 traditional authorities from 23 – 24 November. Issues covered included; powers of the chiefs, jurisdiction of their courts, their role in the promotion and protection of human rights; chiefs as agents of access to justice, customary law and the rights of women.

Institutional Support to Police and Prisons Services Project

- Certificate of completion for the construction of the Kwajok Police HQ and Kwajok Police Training Center were issued by the State Ministry of Infrastructure.
- Technical evaluations for the Aweil Police HQ and Aweil Police Training Center have been completed.
- Re-tendering has occurred due to an insufficient number of bids received for the Malakal Police Training Centre (completion of one block), 2 rub halls for the Bor Police Training Centre and Kwajok Police Training Centre, Yambio Central Prison, Wau Central Prison and Malakal Central Prison.
- Furniture and equipment lists for police and prisons facilities are being reviewed in conjunction with counterpart representatives. Tendering to commence once this is completed and funds become available.

- Procurement has commenced for training materials, equipment and furniture for 3 training programmes (Personnel Registration Database, Phase III of Logistics and Asset Management and Community Policing) for the Southern Sudan Police Service.
- Technical evaluations for rehabilitation and construction works at Juba Central Prison, Bor Central Prison Phase III, and Rumbek Central Prison (Health Clinic) have been completed.
- The 2nd batch comprising of 30 Prisons Officers for the *Training of Trainers for Incident Management and Prisons Security (Phase I)* commenced a 2-week training conducted by UNMIS Correction Officers.
- Procurement process is ongoing for the procurement of 5 sewage trucks to be used for emptying septic tanks at prisons in Southern Sudan (expected to be delivered in December 2009).

Institutional Support to the Ministry of Legal Affairs and Constitutional Development Project

- The project supported 15 legal counsels of the ministry to complete their certificate course at the Law Development Centre in Uganda.
- Preparations for the training of National Librarians have been completed and this will be presented to the Project/Advisors meeting on 4 December.
- The Partner's weekly coordination meeting composed of Bearing Point, IDLO, World Bank, US State Department, RCN, the EC, and UNDP, and chaired by the Under Secretary to foster more effective collaboration, identify gaps and avoid possible duplication was held at the ministry.
- The final draft report of the Customary Law Strategy has been received from the consultant and will be handed over to the ministry in the first week of December for final comments.
- Constitutions are being printed for the following states: Western Equatoria, Eastern Equatoria, Central Equatoria, Warrap, Unity, Upper Nile and Jonglei. Constitutions for Northern Bahr el Ghazal, Western Bahr el Ghazal and Lakes will also be submitted for printing upon review.
- A computer skills training for 20 legal counselors and 10 support staff is in progress. This training will be completed in mid December.

2. Key activities planned for the next period

Local Government Recovery Project

- Provide emergency support to the states for finalizing 2010 county plans & budgets.
- The project and Local Government Board joint team visit will be conducted for Western Bahl El Ghazal, Northern Bahl El Ghazal, Warrap and Eastern Equatoria.
- Strategizing for the Commissioners' Forums in the ten states for 2010.
- Preparation of rationalized and integrated county planning and budgeting guidelines for 2011.
- Preparation of a concept note for local government financing and a study tour.

Support to the States Programme

- Conduct workshop for taxation officers and state accountants on taxation rules and A/C regulations in Warrap State.
- Training of 10-15 persons on cement block making organized by the urban management specialist in Bor, Jonglei state.
- Conduct evaluation of the Support to the States Programme (Phase II).
- Continue support to State Budget Sector Working Groups (SBWGs) and State Ministry of Finance officials in planning and budgeting by Development and Financial Management Specialists all states.
- Present the draft 2010 annual budgets and plans to the SPDCs and Council of Ministers in various states.
- Identification of informal settlements in Aweil for upgrading and gathering background information.
- Conduct 6 SBWGs budget hearings workshop and training of state legislative assemblies' Finance Committee on Budget Reviews and Oversight in Northern Bahr el Ghazal State.

- Conduct a training workshop on state and county integrated revenue collection in Aweil, Northern Bahr el Ghazal state.
- Train members of the Accountability and Economic Planning Committee of the Eastern Equatoria State Legislative Assembly in their budget oversight functions.

Good Governance and Equity and Political Participation (GGEPP)

- Financially close the Project.

Support to Presidency Project

- Start Information Technology training courses.
- Deliver ICT equipment and software.
- Select provider for training staff of Communications and Public Relations Directorate.
- Recruit a consultant to work on Elections and Referendum Strategy.
- Hold a retreat for the senior staff of the Office of the President.

Support to Elections Project

- Conduct a judiciary workshop in Juba on 2-4 December.
- A call for proposals for conflict mitigation activities will be issued.
- Conduct a review of voter education and a message design workshop with stakeholders.

Support to Southern Sudan Reconstruction and Development Fund

- Delivery of IT equipment and furniture.
- 2 SSRDF staff will travel for a study tour to Germany, the Netherlands and the UK focussed on resource mobilization.
- Interviews for the position of Project Manager will be conducted.
- SSRDF staff will be involved in monitoring missions to various states with the Sudan Recovery Fund.

Institutional Support to Judiciary of Southern Sudan Project

- The Project team plans to visit Malakal and Yambio to establish the status of the renovation of the Judge's residence and the court building and the quantity of construction materials required to complete the civil works.
- UNMIS to airlift batches of the construction materials currently stored in Wau to Raja to enable the renovation of the court building to commence.
- Provide technical support to expand internet bandwidth for at least 40 users at the Judiciary headquarters.
- Print legal/judicial documents to be disseminated to justices and judges at all levels of the Courts of Judicature.

Promoting Access to Justice Project

- Conduct training for crime investigators in Bor, Jonglei State jointly with UNPOL.
- Trainings for the returnee representatives, chiefs, women and youth in Pochalla, Duk and Twic East (Jonglei State) on various areas including the CPA, Interim Constitution of Southern Sudan (ICSS), 2009 Local Government Act, and human rights.
- In Aweil, Northern Bahr el Ghazal, hold a training for chiefs in Nyamlel from 3 – 4 December and at Maluakon from 10 – 11 December.
- Hold a Rule of Law Forum in Aweil on 8 December.

Institutional Support to Police and Prisons Services

- Follow-up with UNOPS on the results of the bids evaluation for the rehabilitation/construction of 21 police facilities and 5 prison facilities.
- Support 5 legal officers of the Police HQ Legal Desk, to attend the Law Development Centre in Uganda.
- Printing and distribution of the newly presented Basic Police Training Curriculum.
- Procurement of hardware and software, training materials, equipment and furniture items for 3 training programmes (Personnel Registration Database, Phase III of Logistics and Asset Management and Community Policing) for the Southern Sudan Police Service.
- Start implementation of the technical support on the Special Protection Unit of the Southern Sudan Police Service in collaboration with UNMIS Police, UNHCR, UNFPA and UNIFEM.
- Continue rehabilitation works at Lologo Prisons Training Center (Juba).
- Procurement of training equipment for Phase II of the *Training of Trainers for Incident Management and Prisons Security*.

Institutional Support to the Ministry of Legal Affairs and Constitutional Development Project

- Training of Law Library staff members.
- Handing over of the newly constructed and furnished Law Library over to the ministry.
- Customary law study tour for the ministry, Judiciary of Southern Sudan, Local Government Board, and traditional chiefs to Mozambique and Lesotho.
- Completion of the computer skills training for 20 legal counselors.
- Printing of 7 states constitutions.
- Distribution of the Transitional Legal Framework books to civil society organizations and GoSS institutions.

Section 2: UNDP Project Updates

2.2 Crisis Prevention and Recovery Unit

1. Key activities carried out in the reporting period

Public Works Programme Component of the Rapid Impact Emergency Project

- Project operationally closed. Financial closure ongoing to ensure a final closure of the project.

Community Security and Arms Control Project

- The ongoing UNOPS Letter of Agreement process is progressing with final locations being confirmed for the county infrastructure and police posts construction.
- The project team and UNOPS/contractors visited proposed construction sites for the Conflict Sensitive Development Project in Jonglei.
- Fleet management plan for the support to Rule of Law institutions for Bor County has been endorsed by the Governor of Jonglei State.
- Local Steering Committee approved the modified Small Communications Posts design which is ready for implementation.
- HF Radio Training for county radio operators and technicians' postponed to early January due to logistical issues.
- The CSAC team has supported the County Consultation process in Lakes in support of the planning for the Sudan Recovery Fund (SRF) Stabilization Window in that state, in support of the SRF Technical Secretariat.

Crisis Recovery Mapping and Analysis Project

(Formerly, Threat and Risk Mapping and Analysis Project)

- The Southern Sudan Centre for Census and Statistics Evaluation (SSCCSE) organized the Crisis Recovery Mapping and Analysis (CRMA) state level mapping workshop in Unity State from 5 - 6 November. The workshop mapped perceptions of the critical socio economic risks in the state. The information collected will be integrated with institutional data into CRMA tools, to support analysis and planning in the state, pending county level mapping.
- The project staff conducted the 1st intermediate Geographic Information Systems (GIS) training workshop for 9 technical personnel from SSCCSE and selected GoSS ministries. The training was based on earlier developed modules following a capacity assessment of the SSCSE GIS team.
- The project staff carried out discussions with donors to mobilize funding for the 2nd phase of project implementation beyond the foundational activities taking place in the 4th quarter of 2009.
- CRMA National Project Board met in Khartoum on 5 November to review project progress and achievements. SSCCSE has representation on the National Board and attended the board meeting for the first time.

Disarmament, Demobilization, and Reintegration Programme

- Counseling and food distribution for DDR participants demobilized at Mangalla continued in Lakes, Central Equatoria, Western Equatoria, Eastern Equatoria, Northern Bahr El Ghazal, Western Bahr El Ghazal and Warrap. To date 65% of the demobilized caseload (2116) have received counseling and food ration for a period of three months and for a family of five
- Focus group discussions on reasons why DDR participants disarmed and demobilized at Mangalla are not returning to the selected states of reintegration was completed. The report is being finalized.
- The first draft of the Monitoring and Evaluation Strategy for the Sudan DDR Programme was completed in collaboration with colleagues from the North and South DDR Commissions and the Integrated UNDDR Unit in both locations.
- A Client Satisfaction Survey questionnaire was pre-tested on DDR participants receiving training at JICA Centers.
- Deployed 3 National Reintegration Officers to Central Equatoria, Western Equatoria and Eastern Equatoria and deployed 1 MIS Officer to Rumbek.

Mine Action Capacity Development Project

- Supported the Southern Sudan Demining Commission (SSDC) operations personnel in reviewing clearance data from the Information Management System for Mine Action (IMSMA). This data will be used for a presentation on demining activity and strategy, to be presented to the South Sudan Legislative Assembly.
- Supported the Chairperson of the SSDC to participate in the 2nd Review Conference of the Mine Ban Treaty in Cartagena, Columbia.
- UNDP core funds have been provided to support field placements activities and the implementation of a psycho-social survey of landmine/Explosive Remnant of War survivors living in Central Equatoria.
- The project team met with Norwegian People's Aid (NPA) and reviewed an outline plan of action for the next three months. Activities include the development of a Quality Management course and the running of an Explosive Ordnance Disposal (EOD) Level III course.
- The technical attachment process continued, with trainees returning to their attachments with the Danish Demining Group, NPA and ArmorGroup. The MineTech International attachment has been completed.

Recovery and Rehabilitation Programme

- Disbursed last installment from the total approved funds to the Recovery and Rehabilitation Programme (RRP) project in Upper Nile State. This consortium started the process of project closing.

- On-going collection and review of quarter 14 progress report (August – October 2009), expected to be completed in December.
- Held meetings and discussions with Local Government Authorities in Juba County, Upper Nile, Aweil and Gogrial East Counties. Issues included review processes and requirements of assets hand over, project closing procedures and closure activities (final audit, final evaluation, and final project report).
- Conducted field visits to RRP projects in Central Equatoria, Upper Nile, Northern Bahr El Ghazal and Warrab States to audit the project assets list and appraise recommendations for their distribution, and also to collect lessons learned and challenges.
- Eastern Equatoria RRP project continued to provide beneficiaries with agricultural tools, skills needed to expand incomes and increase productivity through agricultural extension, training of veterinarians, and handicrafts and business skills training activities.

Sudan Recovery Fund

Sudan Recovery Fund (SRF) Round I

- Hand-over process conducted for the management role from the SRF Technical Secretariat to UNDP.
- UNDP microfinance guidelines have been provided to all SRF I implementing agencies.
- Matrix summarizing projects, issues and expenditures status has been made available.

SRF Round II (Small Grant Window)

- All applications (630) for the Small Grant Window was handed over to BRAC.
- SSRDF and BRAC launched the weekly Technical Meeting and the Review Committee meeting.
- Selection of successful applicants started (7 from Central Equatoria State to receive first grants by mid-December).
- Brief to SRF Steering Committee completed.

<h2>2. Key activities planned for the next period</h2>

Public Works Programme Component of the Rapid Impact Emergency Project

- Complete financial project closure process.

Community Security and Arms Control Project

- UNOPS to complete tendering process and contracting of projects.
- Complete the Lakes State County Consultation process on 5 December in Rumbek with a validation process.
- Commence work in Eastern Equatoria on 14 and 15 December with a meeting with the Governor and the County Commissioners. (This will commence a two month consultation process).
- The Technical Advisor for the Community Security and Arms Control Bureau will attend a conference in Ethiopia on the Promotion of Discussions on Arms Control, involving states from Eastern and Southern Africa.

Crisis Recovery Mapping and Analysis Project (Formerly, Threat and Risk Mapping and Analysis Project)

- Distribution of remote sensing (RS) manuals and presentation slides to the Geographic Information Systems (GIS) trainees. An extra intermediate level GIS/RS training to be organized before February for additional GIS staff of other GoSS ministries.
- As per recommendations of the assessment report, an advanced level GIS training for all participants from intermediate GIS trainings will be organized in late March.
- State level mapping of Eastern Equatoria state pending (to start over second week of January 2010).

Disarmament, Demobilization, and Reintegration Programme

- Conduct technical and financial evaluation of the 2nd round of Requests for Proposals for selection of Implementing Partners.
- Contract Implementing Partners selected to provide reintegration assistance to DDR participants.
- Hold 3-day planning retreat and develop the 2010 work plan for the Southern Sudan DDR Commission.
- Finalize and disseminate the Monitoring and Evaluation Strategy.
- Prepare training modules on gender.
- Finalize Client Satisfaction Survey.

Mine Action Capacity Development Project

- UNDP, Norwegian People's Aid and 2 mine action consultants from Cranfield University will undertake the materials development process for the quality management course which will be held in early 2010.
- Technical field placements will draw to a close by 16 December. UNDP will work with the Southern Sudan Demining Commission (SSDC) to review the effectiveness of the attachments and to update the capacity profile of SSDC operations personnel in time for the renewal of demining activity in 2010.

Recovery and Rehabilitation Programme

- Disbursement of the approved contingency funds to Central Equatoria, Warrab RRP project and disburse the last installment to the RRP project in Northern Bahr El Ghazal State.
- Conduct a field visit to the RRP project in Eastern Equatoria with the GoSS Ministry of Finance and Economic Planning (MoFEP). The field discussion will focus on assets hand over, ownership of the existing outputs by government counterparts, sustainability, exit strategies and project closure.
- Continue technical backstopping and guidance to implementing partners as required and follow up on project issues with MoFEP and other government counterparts at the state and county level.
- Finalization and distribution of quarter 14 progress reports to Policy and Review Committee members and other relevant RRP stakeholders.
- Continue lessons learned and experience documentation and collection.

Sudan Recovery Fund

Sudan Recovery Fund (SRF) Round I

- Plan M&E field visits.

SRF Round II (Small Grant Window)

- Assist BRAC in finalizing applicants selection process.

Section 3: UNDP Project Updates

2.3 Poverty Reduction and Millennium Development Goals (MDG) Unit

1. Key activities carried out in the reporting period

Support to Economic Planning Project

- Support to MoFEP on the 2010 budget process, including support to development and launch of the Budget Call Circular, with training for all GoSS agencies.
- Support to Growth Strategy Working Group and the development of the 1st draft GoSS Growth Strategy.
- Workshop conducted for State Ministers of Finance and other state officials to discuss progress on planning & budgeting for 2010 at the state level, developing a more equitable formula for intergovernmental fiscal transfers, and improving and harmonizing non-oil revenue collection.

- Support to MoFEP in the compilation of the draft 2010 Budget book.
- Procurement of Aid information Management Systems.
- Launch of the Consultation of the International Dialogue on Peace Building and State Building in Southern Sudan.
- Provided overall supervision of monthly price surveys, checking for outliers, inconsistencies, errors and detailing explanations for trends in the consumer price indices; as well as provided relevant training from 15 - 30 November.
- The SSCSE Statistical Yearbook was launched on 25 November.
- The poverty expert made the final presentation of the poverty estimates report on 30 November. GoSS provided comments which will be incorporated in the final report to be launched early next year.
- Prepared presentations on processing CPI weights from data collected under the National Baseline Household Survey (NBHS). Prepared the presentation on processing the Final Household Consumption and Gross Capital Formation from the NBHS data.

Capacity Development for Inclusive Finance & Private Sector Development

- In collaboration with the Ministry of Commerce and Industry (MoCI) and the Bank of South Sudan (BoSS), UNDP supported a microfinance policy formulation launch with a workshop on 19 November.
- A study tour to Uganda was undertaken by senior officials of MoCI and BoSS from 24-28 November. The delegation met microfinance agencies, the Central Bank of Uganda, the umbrella microfinance association, NGOs and consulting firms in the microfinance industry.
- UNCDF has been providing microfinance (MF) funding to MF retailers in Southern Sudan. In 2009 funding was extended to BRAC, SUMI. Through a competitive process, EQUITY BANK Ltd won a \$2.5m scheme for Southern Sudan. UNDP provided technical and administrative backstopping to MoCI in order to obtain the necessary endorsement before UNCDF could release funding.
- As part of deepening inclusive finance and at the request of GoSS, a draft project document (produced and discussed with GoSS) for a broader sector development support has been drafted with UNCDF technical leadership.
- A study was conducted in 2008 and UNDP supported MoCI in preparing an action matrix for priority areas of interventions for WTO funding consideration under the Integrated Framework for Trade Related Assistance to Least Developed Countries (IF). Sudan has been identified as eligible for a grant of up to \$750,000. A consultant, recruited by UNDP, produced the draft IF project document and discussions have been initiated with MoCI.

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

Round 2 TB Grant

- Sub Recipients (COSV, Malteser, World Vision International and Arkangelo Ali Association) continued implementing the following activities: TB case finding, treating TB patients, community mobilization and awareness, outreach TB laboratory, renovation of TB centers, training of villagers, community health workers and health workers in health facilities.
- The World Health Organization (WHO) became a new Sub Recipient for this grant and has conducted training of health workers to improve the quality of services of TB in Southern Sudan.
- Renovation of health facilities has continued as part of the regular program implementation. The grant is currently in the second month of the no-cost extension period – during this period the Sub Recipients are focusing on finalizing the renovations and constructions of TB wards.
- The National TB Program (NTP) launched a new TB center in Raja which will provide treatment for TB patients and avoid referral of patients to facilities far away. NTP staff visited the new site and provided onsite mentoring for health workers and an adequate supply of laboratory reagents and TB drugs.

Round 7 TB Grant

- Sub Recipient World Health Organization (WHO) provided capacity building for the NTP. This grant is strengthening the NTP through the recruitment of national TB personnel so that the government can lead

in implementing TB programmes. WHO has been supporting the state and central TB offices financially and technically and has been training and supporting TB services at health facilities not supported by other Sub Recipients in collaboration with NTP.

- The Project Cooperation Agreement (PCA) was signed with Sub Recipient Arkangelo Ali Association (AAA) to implement (i) TB programme activities in all of their sites supported under the Round 2 TB Grant (ii) provide TB Directly Observed Treatment Short Course (DOTS) services (iii) train health workers, community mobilization, outreach activities and Information Education and Communication (IEC), and Behavior Change Communication (BCC).
- The PCA with Sub Recipient Catholic Diocese of Torit (CDoT) is being finalized and focuses on activities in Eastern Equatoria State for the provision of TB DOTS services, training of health workers, community mobilization, outreach activities, training of villagers.
- Recruitment of new Sub Recipients: An assessment of the Malteser site in Rumbek was conducted to determine whether the site should be recommended for this grant. The assessment team continued to Yei County, Morobo County and Laniya County. Government counterparts, project sites, stakeholders and actual staff and beneficiaries took part in the assessment.
- Another team assessed a World Vision International site in Lunyacair. Another team visited a COSV site in Ayod. The results will determine if the Principal Recipient should issue a cost extension of Phase 1 agreements with Sub Recipients.

Round 5 TB/HIV Grant

- Existing Sub Recipients (WHO, AAA and Malteser) continued implementing the following activities: training, distribution of IEC materials, HIV counseling and testing to TB patients, providing cotrimoxazole and antiretroviral treatment, with a referral to care and support services.
- The targets set for most of the indicators for this grant are overstated and unattainable. Negotiations have been ongoing between the Principal Recipient (together with GoSS and partners) and the Global Fund is to revise the targets. The Principal Recipient is still waiting for a final decision after clarifications were provided to the Global Fund.
- An international agency has been recruited to conduct the TB/HIV survey. The ground work, including arrangements for the laboratory and preparation for conducting pre-survey assessment was completed.
- The mid-term review for this grant started on 16 November and will be concluded on 6 December. It will assess, determine and report on Global Fund project inputs, processes, accomplishment, lessons learned and make recommendations to the Country Coordinating Mechanism and Principal Recipient.

Round 2 Malaria Grant

- The Sub Recipients (Malaria Consortium, Population Services International, World Vision International and Arkangelo Ali Association) continued implementing the programme in the following areas: prevention and treatment of malaria, distribution of bed-nets, and training of health workers.
- A Letter of Agreement (LOA) to support the Ministry of Health (MoH) with the Malaria Indicator Survey (MIS) has been signed.
- All 4 Sub Recipients conducted trainings for services deliverers on the distribution of Long Lasting Insecticide Treated Nets (LLITNs), Intermittent Presumptive Treatment (IPT), BCC to promote early care seeking behaviors, management of malaria cases for health workers, emergency preparedness and response, and health information systems for health workers.
- The procurement of 25 containers for the transportation of the 400,000 LLITNs has been completed and part of these LLITNs have arrived in Maridi. The remainder of the LLITNs will be handed over to the respective PSI designated sites by 8 December 2009.

Round 4 HIV/AIDS Grant:

- WHO, UNICEF, Southern Sudan HIV/AIDS Commission (SSAC), and MoH-GoSS continued implementing activities such as Anti-Retro Viral Therapy (ART), Preventing Mother-to-Child Transmission (PMTCT), Voluntary Counseling and Testing (VCT), Blood Safety and Universal Precautions, BCC and Mass Media, Youth Education and Prevention, M&E and Operational Research.

- The Project Cooperation Agreement (PCA) with the Catholic Diocese of Torit (CDoT) has been signed at the Principal Recipient level and is currently awaiting signature by the Sub Recipient.
- The VCT campaign has been postponed to early 2010 due to the unavailability of funds. The campaign will boost Global Fund targets for VCT and condom distribution. Test kits and lab supplies are due to arrive shortly and the target is to test 30,000 people in Central Equatoria.
- The Sudan People Liberation Army (SPLA) placed an order of male and female condoms and they were provided with the first consignment.
- In regards to the Behavioral Surveillance Survey (BSS), the HIV/AIDS/STI Directorate and the World Bank have requested the Principal Recipient to combine resources for the BSS and the Sudan National Population-Based HIV/AIDS Sero Behavioral Survey, and integrate the 2 surveys into the Sudan National Household Survey. The Principal Recipient is reviewing the indicators covered under the two surveys to determine if they will address the requirements of the BSS.

2. Key activities planned for the next period

Support to Economic Planning Project

- Support presentation of the draft 2010 Budget to the Assembly (2010 Budget Book and Budget Speech).
- Support to the development of the 2010 Appropriation Act and the draft State Appropriation Acts.
- Support to MoFEP in finalizing the GoSS Growth Strategy.
- Contribute to MoFEP planning for the 2010 strategic planning process.
- Quarterly GoSS-Donor Forum.
- Finalization of recruitment and appointment of new staff in the Directorate of Planning.
- Training on aid management information system for Ministry of Economic Planning and Ministry of Regional Cooperation staff – Dakar, Senegal.
- Uganda Study tour for SSCCSE officials within the Department of Economics Planning.
- Start preparations for the consultation on the International Dialogue scheduled for January 2010.
- Award of contract for the installation of the Aid Information Management System.
- Training in computation of CPI weights using National Baseline Household Survey data.
- Training in estimating Final Household Consumption and Gross Capital Formation.

Capacity Development for Inclusive Finance & Private Sector Development

- Microfinance Policy Workshop in Torit from 2-4 December to consult further with the microfinance industry on the policy design.
- Policy Workshop to be held in Juba from 14-16 December for further consultation for the policy which is expected to be released (zero draft) in February 2010.
- Meetings to be held with MoCI, BoSS and SSMDf to discuss the Building Inclusive Finance in Southern Sudan project document.
- Meetings and discussions with MoCI and BoSS on the Integrated Framework (IF) project proposal finalization. An IF project design exercise to be undertaken in North Sudan.
- Meetings to be held with counterparts on ways of availing of opportunities (information, resources, networking) available under WTO.
- National Steering Committee (including GoSS) of the IF to meet in Khartoum on 17 December.

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

Round 2 TB Grant

- A disbursement notification has been received from the Global Fund, indicating that instructions have been sent to the Global Fund trustee to release the funds to the Principal Recipient. The Principal Recipient will closely monitor the receipt of funds into its account and ensure effective and efficient use

of all grant resources before grant closure. The Principal Recipient shall release the funds to the Sub Recipients and as well as place a procurement order for drugs as soon as the funds have been received.

- The PR shall have further discussions with Sub Recipients on phase out and sustainability options of the programmes.
- The Principal Recipient shall conduct a final evaluation of the grant and will focus on the programme evaluation of the Round 2 TB program and the capacity of the organizations to continue delivering increased activities through the Round 7 TB Programme.

Round 7 TB Grant

- Continue supportive supervision at all TB centres in Southern Sudan in collaboration with MOH-GoSS to sustain quality programme implementation and to ensure service delivery is on track.
- Initiate TB prevention and control services with additional Sub Recipients including TB case detection, TB case treatment, community mobilization, outreach laboratory and health workers training.
- Provide oversight and support to the new Sub Recipients (WHO and AAA) so that they can meet their targets.
- Finalize the Project Cooperation Agreement with CDoT and launch services in Eastern Equatoria State.
- Initiate discussion between the NTP and the Sub Recipients about the low performing targets reflected in the end of September 2009 reports.
- The Principal Recipient shall submit a request for a cost extension for Round 2 TB Sub Recipients as soon as the assessment has been completed.

Round 5 TB/HIV Grant

- Finalize the midterm review of the grant and share the draft report during the week of 7 December.
- Finalize the contract with the consultant for the TB/HIV magnitude study as the date of delivery for the test kits and lab supplies has been determined. Discuss with PEPFAR their involvement in the study.
- Work with the consultant for the TB/HIV survey on the cost benefit analysis study requested by the Global Fund due to the request to revise overstated targets.
- Finalize the Phase 2 PCA with Malteser.
- Conduct a comprehensive review of the work plan and budget and identify HIV related activities under this grant that can be implemented by the HIV/AIDS/STI Directorate and WHO so that LoAs can be drafted by the end of December 2009.
- Conduct a comprehensive review of the work plan and budget for existing Sub Recipients.
- Finalize the Terms of Reference for the recruitment of the TB/HIV personnel for HIV/AIDS/STI Directorate for implementation of TB/HIV collaborative activities.

Round 2 Malaria Grant

- Follow up on the arrival of 400,000 LLITNs purchased by UNICEF to respective sites in West and Central Equatoria States.
- Follow up on Sub Recipients work plans for the period of the no-cost extension.

Round 4 HIV/AIDS Grant

- Continue implementing recommendations of the January-March 2009 review: Field visits for 2010 will be planned with all partners including the MoH-GoSS and Sub Recipients, and plans will be shared with the CCM and members of the HIV Technical Working Group.
- The Principal Recipient will continue to focus on improving performance on key activities and on fulfilling the Conditions Precedents and Special Terms and Conditions as they form part of the prerequisites for the release of funds from the Global Fund.
- The PR shall continue discussions with Sub Recipients on implementation challenges and ways to improve performance. Management letters highlighting targets underachieved, challenges and the proposed actions to mitigate the challenges shall be sent to all Sub Recipients at the end of each quarter
- Finalize signature of the PCA with CDoT and release the first disbursement of funds.

- Finalize the revised work plan and budget for the LoA with the HIV/AIDS/STI Directorate and amend the LoA.
- In regards to the Behavioral Surveillance Survey (BSS), the Principal Recipient to finalize reviewing the indicators covered under the two surveys to determine if they will address the requirements of the BSS..
- Advertise for an agency to conduct the assessment and profiling of sex workers and their clients after which a call for implementers will be issued for (1) BCC programmes for people with high risk behaviors, and (2) outreach programmes for sex workers and their clients.
- The Principal Recipient will continue to participate in the monthly meeting of the Technical Working Group on HIV/AIDS, and provide updates on the programme where necessary.

Section 3: UNDP Southern Sudan Expenditure for November 2009 (Cumulative)

Award ID	Unit	Project	Planned Budget (based on Annual Work Plan)	Current Budget	Expenditure Against Current Budget
00042718	Governance & RoL	Local Government Recovery Project - Phase II	\$6,345,627	\$2,265,272	\$1,996,824
00047812	Governance & RoL	Support to States Programme - Phase II	\$5,948,917	\$3,275,442	\$2,771,667
00039457	Governance & RoL	Good Governance & Equity in Political Participation	\$1,065,038	\$960,391	\$886,154
00049848	Governance & RoL	Support to Presidency	\$1,498,063	\$1,086,976	\$752,168
00049662	Governance & RoL	Support to Elections and Democratic Processes	Planning in Progress	\$6,780,988	\$4,534,498
00058004	Governance & RoL	Support to SS Reconstruction Development Fund	\$670,880	\$670,880	\$250,867
00045032	Governance & RoL	Support to the Judiciary	\$3,785,885	\$1,142,189	\$987,592
00043537	Governance & RoL	Promoting Access to Justice	\$4,673,822	\$3,557,685	\$2,889,979
00047336	Governance & RoL	Support to Police and Prisons	\$21,922,266	\$10,712,432	\$10,712,432
00043821	Governance & RoL	Support to MOLACD	\$2,671,478	\$1,243,378	\$979,477
00047407	CPR	Public Works Component of RIEP	\$2,188,432	\$2,388,432	\$2,213,524
00046904	CPR	Community Security and Arms Control	\$12,365,622	\$6,821,431	\$3,591,802
Pipeline	CPR	Crisis Recovery Mapping and Analysis (formerly, Threat & Risk Mapping & Analysis)	\$2,085,402	0	0
00051037	CPR	DDR	Planning in Progress	\$2,432,133	\$706,570
00014877	CPR	Mine Action	\$1,866,816	\$284,706	\$257,867
00041567	CPR	Recovery and Rehabilitation Programme	6,800,000 Euros	\$6,213,737	\$4,563,055
00051332	CPR	Sudan Recovery Fund (UNDP as Participating Agency)	\$14,136,185	\$11,727,733	\$9,939,306
00045863	Poverty Reduction & MDGs	Support to Economic Planning	\$3,098,064	\$2,153,544	\$2,114,538
00057880	Poverty Reduction & MDGs	Capacity Building for Inclusive Finance & Private Sector (Project Initiation Plan)	\$300,000	\$300,000	\$155,560
00037519	Poverty Reduction & MDGs	TB Prevention & Control Round 2	\$6,802,516	\$4,076,937	\$4,075,658
00057123	Poverty Reduction & MDGs	TB Prevention & Control Round 7	\$3,715,332	\$2,461,028	\$2,291,098
00045245	Poverty Reduction & MDGs	TB/HIV Prevention and Control	\$5,929,733	\$5,935,133	\$2,451,484
00040073	Poverty Reduction & MDGs	Malaria Prevention & Control	\$9,253,329	\$7,214,490	\$7,132,554
00041178	Poverty Reduction & MDGs	HIV/AIDS Prevention and Care	\$6,912,980	\$6,932,980	\$5,434,584
TOTAL			\$126,967,527	\$90,637,917	\$71,689,258

Notes:

- (1) Total planned project budget for 2009 are based on Annual Work Plans (AWPs).
- (2) Current budgets are based on actual funds received and budget approved

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