

UNDP Southern Sudan Monthly Programme & Project Update Report



For the period 1 – 31 August 2009

Section 1: General Programme Highlights & Updates

- The Ministry of Presidential Affairs, supported by UNDP, held the 7th Governors Forum (10-15 August). The Forum had over 600 participants and brought together state governors and ministers from the 10 states, GoSS ministers and commissions chairpersons, officials from the Government of National Unity and development partners. The Forum was opened by H.E. the Vice President of Sudan, and President of Government of Southern Sudan and chaired by the H.E. the Vice President of GoSS. State governors and ministers made presentations focused on achievements, challenges and plans of the various states and ministries.
- The Strategic Partnership (SP) Steering Committee meeting was held on 17 August in Khartoum to discuss the second phase of the SP Framework (2009-2012). The participants included the Director General for Aid Coordination of the Ministry of Finance and Economic Planning (MoFEP), the Deputy Director for Multilateral Assistance of the Ministry for Regional Cooperation, SP donors, and UNDP. (The SP is a partnership between GoSS, GoNU, DFID, DANIDA, Netherlands, SIDA and UNDP).
- A stakeholders de-briefing session on the development of a customary law strategy for Southern Sudan was held on 17 August. The stakeholders comprised of the Ministry of Legal Affairs and Constitutional Development (MoLACD), Ministry of Internal Affairs, Police & Prisons, Ministry of Gender and Social Welfare, Local Government Board, State Ministry of Local Government and Law Enforcement-Central Equatoria State, South Sudan Law Society, and the Justice and Confidence Centre (JCC).
- The Oversight Committee of the Multi-Donor Trust Fund (MDTF) on 5 August approved \$20m for the Institutional Support to Police and Prisons Services Project for 2009-2010 as part of the MDTF Phase II funding in Southern Sudan.

Section 2: UNDP Project Updates

2.1 Governance & Rule of Law Unit

1. Key activities carried out in the reporting period

Support to Economic Planning Project

- Continued support was provided to MoFEP in coordinating the 2009 planning & budget cycle for the 2010 Sector Plans. The 10 Budget Sector Working Groups completed their final Sector Plans, following a series of follow-up and dissemination meetings with key stakeholders.
- Support continued for MoFEP to develop Guidelines for Planning and Budgeting at the State and County Level. A workshop to prepare training materials on the Guidelines was organized for UNDP State Planning Specialists in Juba, in preparation for further training targeting government partners.
- Support to the implementation of the Juba Compact continued. A workshop was held for GoSS undersecretaries and heads of commissions to enhance awareness of the organisation and its mandate.
- A Training Needs Assessment was undertaken for the Division of Economic Planning of MoFEP. Training needs identified include leadership and management, monitoring and evaluation, policy formulation/analysis, report writing and presentation skills for Directors. A draft training plan was developed.

- The process to identify a service provider to develop the Aid Information Management System continued.
- Following directives from the Director of Aid Coordination, efforts to develop an integrated monitoring and evaluation system for GoSS and donor funded projects commenced. A draft concept note on the M&E approach was completed and distributed for review by relevant stakeholders.
- A recruitment drive is ongoing to attract staff to enhance the capacity of the Division of Economic Planning and the Directorate for Aid Coordination. 10 positions including for Deputy Directors, Directors and Inspectors were advertised and preparations for interviews are ongoing.

Local Government Recovery Project (LRGP)

- Organized the 5th Training of Trainers (ToT) for 69 local government officers from 7 states, which finished on 5 August. The 5 ToTs that started in 2008 have produced 214 “Master Trainers” qualified to guide county staff and councilors for planning, budgeting, administration and financial management. This has led to the achievement of a critical mass of national capacity in each state for supporting the capacity development of local government institutions.
- A circular from the Local Government Board (LGB) was issued to the State Ministry of Local Government and Law Enforcement (SMoLG) requesting them to (i) deploy qualified local government officers at county levels, (ii) provide direction for the 2010 county level planning and budgeting, based on the new GoSS Guidelines for Integrated State & County Planning and Budgeting, (iii) ensure that counties meet required conditions to receive LGRP support (\$2,000 per county) for county planning and budgeting.
- LGRP field project analysts participated in a ToT on the GoSS Guidelines for Integrated State & County Planning and Budgeting along with the planning specialists of the Support to the States Programme.
- County planning and budgeting are continuing despite delays due to financial challenges and the problem of inaccessibility caused by the rainy season. A joint LGB/UNDP monitoring team is preparing visits to devise measures to address problems. SMoLGs and counties are being supported in partnership with the Supports to the State Programme and other organizations (e.g. SNV in Eastern Equatoria State).
- County councils are being established throughout Southern Sudan. Stock-taking is ongoing by LGB and LGRP.
- A detailed activity plan for introducing the Local Government Development Fund has been drafted. An initial study on local revenue collections has been conducted in sampled markets in Juba.
- Participated in LGB’s discussion with the Swiss Government on their possible support to the Councils of Traditional Leaders and Traditional Authorities Bill.

Support to the States Programme

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- A Training of Trainers for the State Ministry of Finance and Economic Planning in Western Equatoria State was conducted. The objective was to orient state planners across ministries and directorates on general and technical guidelines for state and county planning and budgeting.
- A training for the State Planning and Development Committee on technical guidelines for Planning and Budgeting was held in Central Equatoria State and attended by state officials and international and national NGOs. The workshop kicks off the budgeting and planning exercise for 2010. Similar workshops took place in Aweil and Warrap.

- Day to day mentoring, on the job training and backstopping of state officials by the Development and Financial Management Specialists have continued in all 10 states.
- Technical support and guidance by the International United Nation Volunteers Urban Management Specialists continued in the Central Equatoria State settlement upgrading project at Hai Zandya in Juba. Assessments are to consult and determine immediate urban management/planning needs.
- Preparations for a Part 2 Training of Trainers on urban planning and management have commenced.

Good Governance and Equity in Political Participation Project (GGEPP)

- Process of project closure has been continuing.

Support to the Presidency Project

- Processing of bids to supply ICT equipment and supplies ongoing.
- Supported the planning for the training of Communications and Public Relations Directorate.

Support to Elections and Democratic Processes Project

- Launched the procurement process for the printing of election and civic education materials, transportation of elections and civic education materials, development of media communication and organizing workshop logistics.
- Continued to engage with the Southern Sudan Elections High Committee (SSEHC), providing technical, procurement, logistical and capacity development support. The procurement process to procure additional computers and printers for SSHC was completed and the equipment is expected to be received in the 2nd week of September, 2009.
- 38 Proposals for the Medium Grants Scheme for civil society entities were received by IOM (the project's implementing partner). The decision will be taken by the Grants Committee on 2 September.
- The Inter Ministerial Appraisal Committee for the Project was held on 27 August and the Project was requested to submit additional information.

Institutional Support to the Judiciary of Southern Sudan Project

- Assistant Project Engineers (Clerk of Works) have been posted to Malakal, Upper Nile State, and Raja, Western Bahr El Ghazal State for supervision of renovation works on the Judiciary facilities.
- Renovation works have commenced on the Judge's residence in Malakal, and the Court building in Yambio.
- Building materials for the renovation of the Judiciary building in Raja has been in Wau due to the collapse of the bridge on the Wau – Raja Road. Arrangements with UNMIS have been underway to airlift the materials from Wau to Raja.
- Monitoring visits to the building renovation site is ongoing by the Project Engineer.

Promoting Access to Justice Project

- The weekly visits in Bor continued to the prison to monitor health care and general welfare facilities of the inmates. Training was conducted for 10 chiefs, 10 women and 10 youths on issues related to access to justice, human rights, conflict resolution/peace building, CPA, the Local Government Act and elections.
- In collaboration with the State Ministry of Social Development, the Project in Wau conducted training on access to justice and human rights for women groups (4-5 August). Training was also conducted for rule of law providers and CSOs in Raja County.
- In collaboration with USHREF, the Project in Bentiu organized a workshop (3-4 August) which was attended by 40 participants representing 10 CBOs in Unity State. The workshop covered human rights based on the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, Bills of Rights as enshrined in the

Interim Constitution of Southern Sudan, Interim National Constitution of Sudan and the CPA, advocacy skills and access to justice.

- The Project in Rumbek participated in a training on Client-Centred Support and Psychosocial Services for Justice Clients. The training was organised by the Access to Justice Team from Juba in collaboration with IRC Rumbek and Health Net TPO of Yei.
- Technical support continued for the Justice and Confidence Centre (JCC) in Juba. This support includes weekly coaching of members of the Rule of Law Promoters Association, client-support training to the rule of law promoters and provision of print resources including the transitional legal framework for use by clients and members of the Rule of Law Promoters Association.
- The 27th Rule of Law Forum was held on 6 August at Judiciary HQ in Malakal. It was chaired by the Ag. President of the Greater Upper Nile Court of Appeal Justice and Justice Alexander Muludyang Jada.
- The 4th Rule of Law Forum was held in Rumbek on 12 August and was attended by participants from state rule of law institutions, UNMIS (Civil Affairs, DDR, UNPOL and Corrections), UNRCO, NGOs and Civil Society Organisations. The Acting President Judge of the Court of Appeal, Hon. Justice James Alala co-chaired with UNDP.
- Formalization of support through the development of a work package for the Southern Sudan Human Rights Commission to facilitate and support their decentralization initiatives.
- Conducted a training for 10 traditional chiefs in Bor on areas including the Local Government Act, conflict resolution and peace building, CPA, human rights, elections and the role of chiefs in community mobilization on peaceful coexistence in the state.

Institutional Support to Police and Prisons Services Project

- The Oversight Committee of the Multi-Donor Trust Fund (MDTF) on 5 August approved \$20m for the Project for 2009-2010 as part of the MDTF Phase II funding in Southern Sudan.

Police

- Bor Police HQ and the Police Training Center completed construction (Certificate of Completion: 4 August).
- Kwajok Police HQ and Police Training Center's construction is ongoing, expected completion September 2009.
- Construction works for the Malakal Training Centre are 70% complete. The local contractor is unable to complete the works and UNOPS has made a site assessment and will complete it as soon as funds become available.
- Provision of advisory support in relation to the outcomes of bilateral visits by the Minister of Internal Affairs to Kenya and Uganda, resulting in preparatory arrangements for training of 400 Southern Sudan Police Cadet Officers in Uganda.
- Provision of advisory support in relation to the recently endorsed Community Policing Programme, leading to arrangements for 12 police officers to attend a 2-week attachment to the Directorate of Community Policing of the Uganda Police Force (to be funded by DFID).
- Provision of advisory support in connection with the revision of the decentralisation policy of police authority to the states in line with the new Police Bill.
- The Community Policing Concept for the Southern Sudan Police Service, prepared by UNMIS/UNPOL and UNDP (subsequent to recommendations by the Inspector General of Police), was approved by the Minister of Internal Affairs.
- For the Logistics and Asset Management System, the evaluation of bids for the procurement of hardware is ongoing for the Phase III of the project. Software is being procured by the US State Dept.
- Two 40 KW Generators were transferred to the Police Training Facility in Kapuri (Juba).

Prisons

- Bor Central Prison Phase II construction is ongoing with expected completion in September 2009.
- Lologo Prisons Training Center (Juba) emergency rehabilitation is ongoing following the destruction due to stormy weather. Construction materials have been provided and engineering supervision is ongoing.
- The development of a Training of Trainers programme (to take place in October 2009) on Incident Management and Prisons Security has been ongoing in partnership with the Prisons Service, UNMIS Corrections and UNDP.
- 300 Prisons Code of Conduct posters were delivered to the Prisons Service, for further dissemination to all prisons facilities in Southern Sudan.
- Procurement is ongoing for 3-5 trucks equipped to empty septic tanks at prisons (ender to close on 11 September 2009).

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

- The set up and layout of the constructed law library at MoLACD has been completed by the international librarian/documentalist. The training of national staff at the law library will begin as soon as the modems for internet connectivity are received.
- The Ministry of Physical Planning and Environment completed an assessment to confirm the completion of construction works on the law library. Preparation is in process for the certificate of completion (for the official handing over to MoLACD).
- The international consultant for developing the customary law strategy consulted with government authorities and traditional leaders in Yambio, Malakal, Wau and Bor. He proposed to have a stakeholder consultative workshop in the first week of October.
- Final preparations have been in progress for the conclusion of a Letter of Agreement for a joint project with the International Development Law Organization to support the establishment of a Legal Training Institute.
- Proof reading of the final electronic drafts of the constitutions of 7 states has been finalized. The preparation of the work package is ongoing for the printing of the finalized constitutions.

2. Key activities planned for the next period

Support to Economic Planning Project

- Support MoFEP in organizing a meeting with development partners to build awareness on the Guidelines for Planning and Budgeting at the State and County Level. In addition, a government workshop for state officials will be convened to provide guidance on the execution of the state and county planning and budgeting processes.
- Support MoFEP in developing a projected resource envelope for the 2010 GoSS budget and associated budget ceilings.
- Award contract to winning bidder to complete the procurement process for the Aid Information Management System.
- Support the recruitment process of the Directorate of Economic Planning staff.
- Commence implementation of the training plan for the Aid Directorate.
- Develop a draft simplified monitoring and evaluation framework for GoSS and donor funded projects.

Local Government Recovery Project (LGRP)

- Convene the Project Steering Committee Meeting. The key agenda will include: review and adjustments to the Annual Work Plan (AWP) in concordance with funding, project staffing situation and proposed LGB/UNDP joint monitoring field visits.
- Continue support for the county level planning and budgeting process. LGB/UNDP joint field visits will be conducted in at least 3 states.
- Undertake preparatory work to develop mechanisms for (i) local government financing and the introduction of the Local Government Development Fund and (ii) service delivery by LGRP staff.

Support to the States Programme

- Undertake the Training of Trainers Part II on Urban Management and Planning on 21-31 September in Juba with participants from the 10 State Ministries of Physical Infrastructure and GoSS Ministry of Physical Planning and Environment.
- Hold a workshop on the integration of county plans and budgets for 2010, for participants from 6 Budget Sector Working Groups in Yambio, Western Equatoria.
- Organize an induction training for State Sector Working Groups in Aweil, Northern Bahr el Ghazal.
- Organize a training for the State Planning & Development Committee and Budget Sector Working Groups in Warrap on communications skills and skills related to holding successful meetings.
- Organize a training in Malakal, Upper Nile for accountants and state institutions in public finance management and reporting. The training will also involve a review of the state strategic plan.
- Hold an Annual State Planning and Budgeting training for all state agencies in Bentiu, Unity.
- Organize a training for accountants and planning and budget officers in Central Equatoria State.
- Hold a local revenue workshop in Rumbek, Lakes State.

Good Governance and Equity and Political Participation

- Continue process of project closure.

Support to Presidency Project

- Commence Information Communications Technology training courses.
- Finalize the training plans for communications and public relations staff.
- Continue consultations on Elections and Referendum strategy.
- Continue consultations on Emergency Preparedness and Disaster Response Strategy.

Support to Elections and Democratic Processes Project

- Hold training on election systems for the Southern Sudan Elections High Committee.
- Training for the High Committee logistics officers will be supported.
- Organize 4 pilot trainings on election security for police.
- Plan for logistics arrangements for the equipment and materials arriving for the State High Committees

Institutional Support to Judiciary of Southern Sudan Project

- Continue renovation of Court buildings in Yambio and Raja, as well as the residential house in Malakal which commenced in early August 2009 and is expected to be completed 12 weeks after.
- Provide technical support to the Judiciary to organize the Stakeholder Forum, which will provide key contributions to the formulation of the Judiciary strategic plan and the development of guidelines for ensuring synergies with development assistance partners of the Judiciary.

- Plan for the implementation of project activities being funded by the Canada Government (DFAIT) in support of the Judiciary.

Promoting Access to Justice Project

- Organize a training of local chiefs/traditional authorities in Twic East on the new Local Government Act 2009, access to justice and human rights.
- In Duk and Pochalla Counties, organise a training for 30 women and youth on human rights and access to justice as well as a training on CPA dissemination and the Interim Constitution of Southern Sudan for rule of law institutions.
- Organize a Rule of Law Forum for traditional chiefs and communities in Bussere and Basiya Payams of Wau County. Monthly child protection working group meeting and state coordination meetings will also take place.
- Organize a workshop on 3-4 September in Aweil for police investigators and prisons officers
- Continue consultations with the Director of Traditional Authorities in the State Ministry of Local Government and Law Enforcement on the proposed training for chiefs and customary court judges.
- Plan for the implementation of project activities funded by the Canada Government (DFAIT) which includes technical support to the Justice and Confidence Centre and traditional authorities in promoting human rights.

Institutional Support to Police and Prisons Services

- Plan for the implementation of project activities being funded by the MDTF for providing support on infrastructure development, and institutional and human resource capacity development for the Police and the Prisons Services.

Police

- Finalize construction of Kwajok Police HQ and Police Training Center.
- Commence procurement of furniture and equipment for already completed police facilities (as stated in the 2008 Project Workplan but had been on hold due to lack of funds).
- Train 200 traffic personnel in Juba on First Aid skills related to victims of road accidents.
- Follow up on the Police Bill and drafting of relevant regulations to guide professional behavior of police personnel.
- Support 5 legal staff in the Police HQ Legal Desk to undergo training at the Law Development Centre in Uganda.
- A standardized training curriculum on Community Policing will be submitted for approval by the Inspector General of Police.

Prisons

- Finalize construction works at Bor Central Prison Phase II.
- Continue rehabilitation works at Lologo Prisons Training Center (Juba).
- Commence procurement of furniture and equipment for already completed police facilities (as stated in the 2008 Project Workplan but had been on hold due to lack of funds).
- Continue procurement of hardware and software for Logistics and Asset Management System Phase III.
- Finalize/approve the development of a Training of Trainers programme (to take place in October 2009) on Incident Management and Prisons Security.
- Continue procurement of 3-5 sewage trucks for improving the sanitation conditions at the prisons.

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

- The International librarian/documentalist will develop of a library user's manual and train officers as librarians/documentalists; finalize procurement of internet equipment.
- The consultant for developing the customary law strategy to prepare a customary law strategy consultative workshop for stakeholders (to take place in October).
- Officially hand over to MoLACD the newly constructed and furnished Law Library at MoLACD HQ.
- Finalise the Letter of Agreement with IDLO for the setting up of a Legal Training Institute.
- Finalise the re-designed MoLACD project document.
- Commence procurement of printing services for the Constitutions of the 7 states who have submitted their documents.
- Distribute the Transitional Legal Framework books to ministries and commissions.
- Plan project activities being funded by the Canada Government (DFAIT) in support of MoLACD.

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 (RIEP)

- Process of project closure has been continuing.

Community Security and Arms Control Project (CSAC)

- Carried out community consultations in Akobo and Pochalla for the Conflict Sensitive Development Projects.
- Identified the Ministry of Local Government and Law Enforcement as the location for opening a Bor office for the Project in order to build a field presence and maintaining close contact with state and community institutions and beneficiaries.
- On 20 August, the Local Steering Committee for the Conflict Sensitive Development Projects held its first meeting chaired by the Director General of the Ministry of Local Government and Law Enforcement, Jonglei State. All 10 projects for all the counties were approved.
- Following the 2 August conflict between the Lou Nuer and Murle, the Project, in conjunction with the State UNMIS office, supported community consultations undertaken by a Ceasefire Committee comprising of members of the fighting communities as part of efforts towards a Peace and Reconciliation Conference. A special Planning Task force was appointed by the Government of Jonglei State to spearhead the preparatory activities for this conference.
- On 20-21 August, the Project participated in a workshop on "Strengthening Conflict Management Legislation in South Sudan" organized by the Peace and Reconciliation Committee of the Southern Sudan Legislative Assembly in collaboration with AWEPA.
- UNDP HQ's Bureau for Crisis Prevention and Recovery approved \$915,054 of additional funding to scale up project activities for the South Sudan Peace Commission.

Crisis Recovery Mapping and Analysis Project (CRMA)

(Formerly, Threat and Risk Mapping and Analysis Project)

- Operational planning for the 3rd quarter was jointly carried out in Khartoum by the South Sudan Commission of Census Statistics and Evaluation (SSCCSE) Director of Geographic Information Systems (GIS) and the CRMA team. SSCCSE formally approved the planned activities.

- Continued developing the map preparation guideline for standardizing CRMA map products.
- The “on the job” training for the SSCCSE Liaison Officer for CRMA started.
- The CRMA project developed the following planning maps: State-based digital Arc Reader Packages, Eastern Equatoria State Planning Map for the CRMA Project, Jonglei Planning Map for CSAC Project, and the DDR Planning Map.
- In conjunction with the SSCCSE, a series of meetings were held (with the MoH, Ministry of Water Resources and Irrigation, Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry, and Humanitarian Coordination Forum) to source data and create awareness of the CRMA information management programme.

Disarmament, Demobilization, and Reintegration Programme (DDR)

- Reintegration debriefing continued at the Disarmament and Demobilization site.
- Reintegration Training (Phase I) held on 14-15 August for the South Sudan DDR Commission (SSDDRC) staff and case workers
- The MDTF proposal for \$40m was approved for the Sudan DDR Programme.
- The proposed operating procedures for DDR participants with disability were drafted.
- The eligibility criterion for proxy was drafted in the reporting period.
- The recruitment and placement of the first batch of 18 case workers was completed.
- A training on counseling for 18 case workers and SSDDRC staff was conducted.
- A training on the DREAM Database for 18 caseworkers and SSDDRC staff was conducted.
- The deployment of State Reintegration Officers commenced with placements in Torit, Eastern Equatoria.
- Consultants for civilian training, gender mainstreaming and public information have been recruited.

Mine Action Capacity Development Project

- Visited the Wau regional office with the Southern Sudan Demining Commission (SSDC) Chairman to review pressing administrative matters and to conduct a review of institutional and human resource capacity at the office.
- The training and placements for a number of SSDC operations personnel for the 2009/2010 demining season have been preliminarily agreed with UNMAO. The system is progressive and structured to allow the tracking of progress towards transition objectives (in 2011). Mechanisms have been put in place to track the progress of staff capacity development at the HQ and regional offices to ensure timely achievement of targets.
- Operations personnel completed several quality assurance visits with the UNMAO Operations and Quality Assurance officers. This included visits to minefields and dangerous sites of Torit-Nimule Junction and Gudele Bridge in Kapoeta. The operations personnel played an active role in the visits, guided by UNMAO personnel.
- Began the review process of the draft Mine Action Legislation (which was developed – with UNDP assistance – in 2008) with the SSDC senior management.
- The Danish Demining Group (DDG) contract drew to a close with the final report submitted to UNDP. DDG improved the technical skills of 5 SSDC personnel, destroyed over 1000 items of Unexploded Ordnance in 75 dangerous areas, and delivered Mine Risk Education messages to 2,480 beneficiaries in Magwe and Loa.
- The SSDC operations team began preparations for field missions to Pochalla and Akobo. The field missions are designed to verify and protect these stockpiles of abandoned ammunition located in areas likely to threaten the safety of local communities.
- Supported SSDC operations personnel to deliver a training for the national demining organisation, Sudan Integrated Mine Action Service (SIMAS). The training was designed to enhance the skills of team leaders to deliver operational and visitor safety briefings on among other issues, safe and

dangerous areas, minefield history, the minefield marking system, conduct in a minefield, and casualty evacuation.

- A contract has been signed with SUPIRI Institute for Management Training to deliver a range of computer courses (in building networks, database management and database programming) for SSDC personnel over the next 9 months.

Recovery and Rehabilitation Programme (RRP)

- The collection and review of the Quarter Thirteen progress report (May – July 2009) was completed, and the compilation of 3rd Annual Report commenced.
- Meetings were held with the consortia in Eastern Equatoria State, Juba County, and Gogrial East County. Issues addressed include, review of assets, plans for Local Government Authority staff to be paid by the Project, reporting community in-kind project contributions, and project extension requests.
- Lessons learned and experience collection and documentation on the project is ongoing.
- Continued providing beneficiaries agricultural tools, skills training to expand incomes and increase productivity through agricultural extension, veterinarians training, and handicrafts and business skills training.

Capacity Building for Inclusive Finance & Private Sector Project (Project Initiation Plan - PIP)

- 5 GoSS participants completed training on microfinance at the Boulder Microfinance training in Turin, Italy.
- Facilitated the mission to Juba by the Deputy Director of the United Nations Capacity Development Fund (UNCDF). Discussions with partners focused on capacity development for microfinance in Southern Sudan, development of the Inclusive Finance & Private Sector Project and the development of a broader microfinance sector strategy.

2. Key activities planned for the next period

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

- Complete financial and operational project closure process.

Community Security and Arms Control Project (CSAC)

- Continue the co-location process at the GoSS CSSAC Bureau to support and develop the capacity of the staff.
- The CSAC Field Programme Officer will undertake a consultation mission to Fangak.
- In partnership with UNMIS Civil Affairs, organize the proposed Peace and Reconciliation Conference in Jonglei.

Crisis Recovery Mapping and Analysis Project (CRMA)

(Formerly, Threat and Risk Mapping and Analysis Project)

- Carry out methodology training for SSCCSE state staff and Juba based core team.
- Finalize and initiate systematic training module for GIS SSCCSE staff.
- Initiate pilot phase mapping activities.
- In conjunction with SSCCSE, organize a donors meeting for additional fundraising.
- Present CRMA to the Inter Ministerial Appraisal Committee.

Disarmament, Demobilization, and Reintegration Programme (DDR)

- Deploy State Reintegration Officers to Aweil and Rumbek.
- Deploy case workers to the states.
- Commence counseling in Central Equatoria State.
- Commence food distribution for ex-combatants during counseling activities in the Central Equatoria State Office.
- Select implementing partners for the Reintegration Assistance to ex-combatants.
- Conduct Phase II of the Reintegration Training for SSDDRC staff from the remaining 4 states
- Participate in a meeting in Khartoum to brief donors on the implementation of reintegration activities.
- Relocate to new office premises.

Mine Action Capacity Development Project

- The SSDC intends to reinstitute a regular coordination meeting with all mine action partners. The first meeting will be held prior to the commencement of the 2010 demining season in mid-to-late September.
- The Operations department with SSDC will go through their pre-field deployment insurance and medical checks.
- A donor conference is planned in Khartoum for 15 September. The conference is being held by UNMAO in coordination with national authorities. The conference will allow national mine action organisations to present funding concepts to donors.
- Work with the Programme Director of the Norwegian People's Aid (NPA) and SSDC to establish a mechanism for bringing further technical advisors to assist in the capacity development of the SSDC in Juba and the regional offices of Wau and Malakal.
- Support SSDC in reviewing the draft mine action legislation. It is envisaged that the document will be ready for submission to the Legislative Assembly in the early autumn 2009.

Recovery and Rehabilitation Programme (RRP)

- Complete the compilation of the 3rd Annual Report.
- Conduct a field visit with MoFEP and the EC to the RRP project in Central Equatoria and possibly Renk County in Upper Nile State. The field discussion will focus on: way forward beyond the current phase of the RRP, ownership of the existing outputs by counterparts, community engagement in the project, sustainability, exit strategies and project closure.
- Continue technical backstopping for implementing partners and follow-up on project issues with MoFEP and other counterparts at the state and county level.
- Conduct Policy Review Committee meeting in Khartoum in Mid-September (TBC).

Capacity Building for Inclusive Finance & Private Sector (Project Initiation Plan – PIP)

- Facilitate training on microfinance for key partners.
- Facilitate workshop on inclusive microfinance policy
- Distribute the equipment being procured to counterparts.

Section 3: UNDP Project Updates

2.3 HIV/AIDS Unit

1. Key activities carried out in the reporting period

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

- The recruitment of national and international staff is ongoing to ensure sufficient capacity to carry out GFATM work. Two M&E analyst consultants commenced their work.
- A Panel has been established to identify and recruit the service provider who will undertake the Midterm evaluations of two projects and the final evaluations for additional two projects.
- The Principal Recipient (PR) has supported 2 donor missions to Southern Sudan for programme review and discussion on the way forward. The first mission was conducted by the Fund Portfolio Manager (FPM) from GFATM. The key issue arising from the mission was the urgent need to improve data quality in the country. The FPM lauded the PR for the significant improvements during the past 6 months as evidenced by “B1 score” for grants across all projects.
- A data quality plan development workshop was conducted by a programme officer from GFATM.
- Sub Recipients (SRs) completed and submitted their progress report to the Principal recipient for review and compilation.
- An ad hoc programme review meeting has been conducted which included the Country Coordination Mechanism (CCM), the Ministry of Health (MoH) HIV, TB and Malaria directorates, Southern Sudan AIDS Commission (SSAC), and all SRs. The meeting reviewed all grants at the government level, PR level and SR level.

Tuberculosis Prevention and Control Programme

TB Round 2 Grant

- SRs (COSV, Malteser, World Vision International - WVI - and Arkangelo Ali Association - AAA) continued to deliver services including: TB case finding, treating TB patients, community mobilization and awareness, outreach TB laboratory, renovation of TB centers, training communities and health workers.
- Grant closure planning is under preparation with the SRs to ensure the grants will be concluded with a proper handing over process for sustainable programming. The consultant for grant closure was identified.
- Decisions have been made in regards to the recommendations of the January-March 2009 quarterly review meeting held with the CCM, PR and SRs in July 2009. Steps to address the recommendations include:
 - Granting of a no-cost extension period to enable SRs to submit their activities. All SRs will submit their work plan, budget plan, M&E plan, phase-out plan and asset disposal plan to the PR. AAA, Malteser, COSV and WVI have submitted their draft plans. The process will be finalized by mid September 2009.
 - The National TB Programme (NTP) will assume the coordinating role and support supervision to the sites. The PR and NTP will share the field visit plan to SRs.

TB Round 7

- AAA and Catholic Diocese of Torit (CDoT) have been offered a contract for TB Round 7. The Local Fund Agent of GFATM conducted the capacity assessment for MoH and CDoT as new SRs. The GFATM decision is expected in the 2nd week of September.
- The recruited NTP staff have started supporting supervision to strengthen the TB programme by undertaking two missions.

- PR responded to GFATM who requested clarifications on the revised 5-year work plan and budget and is awaiting final approval to commence implementation.
- The LoA between UNDP and WHO has been finalized. WHO will implement the partnership arrangement between UNDP, GoSS MoH's National TB Programme and WHO.
- Decisions have been made in regards to the recommendations of the January-March 2009 quarterly review meeting held with the CCM, PR and SRs in July 2009. Steps to address the recommendations include:
 - The SR selected should resume implementation and remaining SR recruitments should be submitted as soon as possible. These include WHO, AAA and CDoT.
 - NTP will assume the coordinating role and support supervision to the sites. The PR and NTP will share the field visit plan to SRs.

TB/HIV Prevention and Control Programme (Round 5)

- Existing SRs (WHO, AAA and Malteser) continued to deliver services including: training, distribution of Information, Education and Communication (IEC) materials, HIV counseling and testing to TB patients, and providing cotrimoxazole and antiretroviral treatment for HIV-positive TB patients making referrals for care and support services.
- Malteser received a no cost extension for Phase I to spend the remaining \$300,000 balance.
- The target set for the grant was overestimated and the target revision is awaiting approval. In response to a request by GFATM, clarification has been provided in regards to the revision.
- Following the completion of the ground work for the TB/HIV/AIDS survey, the company is preparing to conduct the survey in September.

Malaria Prevention and Control Programme (Round 2)

- The SRs (Malaria Consortium, Population Service International, World Vision International and AAA) continued working on service delivery including the prevention and treatment of malaria, distribution of bed-nets and training of health workers.
- Field-based assessments were conducted by a joint team (CCM, MoH and UNDP) in Warrap and Upper Nile States where WVI is implementing the activities.

HIV/AIDS Prevention and Control Programme (Round 4)

- WHO and UNICEF continued to implement programme activities such as Anti-Retro Viral Therapy (ART), Preventing Mother-To-Child Transmission (PMTCT), Voluntary Counseling and Testing (VCT), blood safety and universal precautions, Behavior Change Communication (BCC), mass media, youth education and prevention, programmes for specific groups, monitoring and evaluation and operational research. The majority of the activities are implemented through Sub-SRs at state level.
- The Local Fund Agent of GFATM conducted the capacity assessment for MoH and CDoT as new SRs. The GFATM decision is expected in the second week of September. Briefings with MoH and CDoT were conducted on GFATM disbursement requests and progress updates, enhanced financial reporting and general reporting requirements.
- SRs SSAC and MoH received their first disbursements for Phase 2. SSAC's disbursement is being used for Quarter 11 activities which included a stakeholder's workshop (12-14 August). MoH's disbursement was used for the ANC Surveillance training (27-31 August) for health workers in the 10 states.
- The emergency order for Trimune and test kits to cover September-November 2009 was delivered.
- Decisions have been made in regards to the recommendations of the January-March 2009 quarterly review meeting held with the CCM, PR and SRs in July 2009. Steps to address the recommendations include:

- Activities under the SDA “Programmes for Specific Groups”, namely (1) BCC programmes for people with high risk behaviors, and (2) outreach programmes for sex workers and their clients have been put on hold until a mapping and profiling exercise has been completed. FHI will conduct this exercise in Central and Western Equatoria with funding from UNAIDS. Once this is completed, a call for implementers will be issued to implement the two activities.
- PR will share plans for field visits with all partners including the CCM, MoH, SRs, and members of the HIV Technical Working Group. The PR will not only work to improve performance but will also aim to fulfill the Conditions Precedents and Special Terms and Conditions as they form part of the prerequisite for the release of funds from the donor.
- The short listing for the lead consultant to carry out the Behavioral Surveillance Survey (BSS) has been completed.
- A meeting was held with a representative from the US Department of Defense HIV/AIDS Prevention Programme (DHAPP) to discuss the BSS to be conducted amongst the SPLA and well as share the survey with the PR.

2. Key activities planned for the next period

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

Tuberculosis Prevention and Control Programme

TB Round 2 Grant

- Finalize the recruitment of the grant closure consultant and engage in grant closure activities.
- Continue to work closely with the donor to receive the next disbursement and to ensure effective and efficient use of all grant resources before closure of the grant.
- Process no-cost extensions for the existing SRs whose requests for extension have been received.
- Release disbursements to sub-recipients that currently have agreements in place. Have an ongoing dialogue with SRs on implementation challenges and ways to improve performance.
- Continue ongoing dialogues with the new SRs to ensure quality implementation.

TB Round 7

- Continue supporting supervision at all the TB centers in Southern Sudan in collaboration with MoH to ensure quality programme implementation and timely and effective service delivery.
- Provide a no-cost extension to the existing SRs in order to serve the project sites currently covered by the SR which was not successful in the selection process.
- Continue to support the National TB Programme, focusing on developing its capacity through recruitment and secondment of staff by UNDP.
- Initiate TB prevention and control services with the SRs selected. Services include: TB case detection, TB case treatment, community mobilization, outreach laboratory and health workers training.

TB/HIV Prevention and Control Programme (Round 5)

- Engage a consultant for the TB/HIV survey and finalize the cost-benefit analysis study requested by the donor as a result of target revisions.
- Finalize the signature of the agreements for the selected SRs in Phase II for continued service delivery.
- Recruit a TB/HIV coordinator and TB/HIV Officer for the HIV/AIDS Directorate to monitor TB/HIV implementation.
- Continue working to meet the precedent conditions of the grant in consultation with MoH.
- Continue negotiation of the grant target revision with GFATM.

Malaria Prevention and Control Programme (Round 2)

- Follow up on the transportation of 400, 000 UNICEF supported LLITNs (Long Lasting Insecticide Treated Nets) as well as the purchasing of containers for the distribution of the LLITNs.

HIV/AIDS Prevention and Control Programme (Round 4)

- Continue participation in the proposal writing team and respond to eligibility and content screening clarifications from GFATM.
- Continue implementing recommendations of the January-March 2009 quarter review meeting held with the CCM, PR and SRs:
 - Ensure strengthening of SR's M&E capacity through the inclusion of M&E posts. Ensure implementation of the recommendation of the Data Quality Audit conducted by GFATM - a work plan and budget is currently being finalized.
 - Finalize and share the field visits plan with all partners (CCM, MoH, SRs, and members of the HIV Technical Working Group).
 - PR will continue to focus on improving performance on key activities and on fulfilling the Conditions Precedents and Special Terms and Conditions.
 - Activities under the SDA "Programmes for Specific Groups", namely (1) BCC programmes and (2) outreach programmes for sex workers and their clients have been put on hold until a mapping and profiling exercise has been completed. FHI is conducting this exercise in Central and Western Equatoria. Once this is completed, a call for implementers will be issued.
 - In relation to VCT and condom distribution, MoH will conduct a HIV Testing Campaign from 21-28 September in Central Equatoria State.
 - The PR shall continue discussions with SRs on implementation challenges and ways to improve performance.
- The lead consultant for the Behavioral Surveillance Survey will be selected in the first week of September. The consultant shall work closely with the HIV/AIDS Directorate of MoH and members of the HIV/AIDS Technical Working Group.
- Continue participation in the monthly meeting of the HIV/AIDS Technical Working Group.

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

Award ID	Unit	Project	Planned Budget (based on Annual Work Plan)	Current Budget	Expenditure Against Current Budget
00045863	Governance & Rule of Law	Support to Economic Planning	\$3,098,064	\$1,884,424	\$1,541,239
00042718	Governance & Rule of Law	Local Government Recovery Project - Phase II	\$6,345,627	\$1,748,892	\$1,507,432
00047812	Governance & Rule of Law	Support to States Programme - Phase II	\$5,948,917	\$2,654,817	\$2,074,085
00039457	Governance & Rule of Law	Good Governance & Equity in Political Participation	\$1,065,038	\$960,391	\$858,180
00049848	Governance & Rule of Law	Support to Presidency	\$1,498,063	\$1,086,976	\$607,307
00049662	Governance & Rule of Law	Support to Elections and Democratic Processes	Planning in Progress	\$3,591,172	\$1,628,847
00058004	Governance & Rule of Law	Support to SS Reconstruction Development Fund (SSRDF)	\$670,880	\$129,950	0
00045032	Governance & Rule of Law	Support to the Judiciary	\$3,785,885	\$1,050,295	\$765,051
00043537	Governance & Rule of Law	Promoting Access to Justice	\$4,673,822	\$2,647,508	\$1,753,785
00047336	Governance & Rule of Law	Support to Police and Prisons	\$21,922,266	\$10,512,432	\$10,512,432
00043821	Governance & Rule of Law	Support to MOLACD	\$2,671,478	\$1,243,378	\$654,824
00047407	CPR	Public Works Component of RIEP	\$2,188,432	\$2,188,432	\$2,172,228
00046904	CPR	Community Security and Arms Control	\$12,365,622	\$5,652,426	\$2,359,289
Pipeline	CPR	Crisis Recovery Mapping and Analysis (formerly, Threat and Risk Mapping and Analysis)	\$2,085,402	0	0
00051037	CPR	DDR	Planning in Progress	\$4,432,133	0
00014877	CPR	Mine Action	\$1,866,816	\$234,706	\$225,490
00041567	CPR	Recovery and Rehabilitation Programme	6,800,000 Euros	\$2,636,287	\$2,516,327
00057880	CPR	Capacity Building for Inclusive Finance & Private Sector (Project Initiation Plan)	\$300,000	\$300,000	\$49,600
00037519	HIV/AIDS	TB Prevention & Control Round 2	\$6,802,516	\$4,076,936	\$3,675,182
00057123	HIV/AIDS	TB Prevention & Control Round 7	\$3,715,332	\$2,461,028	\$600,945
00045245	HIV/AIDS	TB/HIV Prevention and Control	\$5,929,733	\$1,061,964	\$1,061,964
00040073	HIV/AIDS	Malaria Prevention & Control	\$9,253,329	\$5,340,199	\$5,163,765
00041178	HIV/AIDS	HIV/AIDS Prevention and Care	\$6,912,980	\$278,244	\$278,244
00051332	Fund Management	Sudan Recovery Fund (UNDP as Participating Agency)	\$14,136,185	\$14,136,185	\$6,802,950
TOTAL			\$126,967,527	\$70,308,775	\$46,809,166

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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