## GUINEA-BISSAU PEACEBUILDING FUND PROJECT STATUS REPORT

## **30 JUNE 2011**

Project No & Title:	PBF/GNB/E1 - Guinea-Bissau National PBF Secretariat Support: Second Extension (April-December 2011)					
Recipient UN Organization:	UNDP		<b>Priority Sector:</b>		Public Administration	
National Authority:	N.A.					
Location:	Bissau, Guinea-Bissau					
Project Cost:	268.653,00 US\$					
SC Approval Date:	03/05/2011	Starting D			<b>Completion Date:</b>	
PBF Outcome and Priority area	Peacebuilding Impact (PRODOC): PBF interventions are effectively managed by the NSC with a focus on strengthening peace consolidation through measurable results.  Programme Result 6 (PMP): PBF positioned most effectively at peace-building strategic levels to ensure it provides the best added value and comparative advantages to the peace building process  Indicator 1 (PRODOC): Degree to which the NSC performs its functions and in particular enhanced quality control of peacebuilding programmes as defined in the NSC ToRs  Indicator 2 (PMP): Perception of stakeholders and partners (multi/bilateral) on:  a) programme effectiveness (funding relevance within transitional setting, innovation, risk taking, catalytic effect, operational speed, national ownership); b) level of expertise of PBSO in PB; c) contribution to increased UN coherency and synergy d) Synergy between PBF and PBC.					
Project Description:	The current project document represents a further extension to the "Guinea-Bissau – National PBF Secretariat Office Support Project 2009" in order to ensure the continued functioning of the PBF Secretariat while the second Priority Plan for Guinea-Bissau (2011-2013) is finalized. It represents an interim arrangement bridging the first and the second allocation; a new project document will be developed to support the implementation of the second allocation once the second Priority Plan is approved and Guinea-Bissau can access the new funds. The National PBF Secretariat Office Support Project covers all aspects related to the effective functioning of National Steering Committee.					
Immediate Objectives:	The outputs of the project are: 1) 1 <sup>st</sup> PBF allocation activities concluded and evaluated 2) Second Priority Plan (2011-2013) finalized and approved 3) 2 <sup>nd</sup> PBF allocation implementation started 4) PBF Secretariat functioning on the basis of a new two-year project document (2012-2013) and support provided to the NSC strengthened					
Project Status as at June, 2011						
Funds disbursed:	55.376,48 US\$					
Delivery rate: Outputs delivered:	20,6 %  Output delivered:  2) Second Priority Plan (2011-2013) finalized and approved  Output partially delivered:  1) 1 <sup>st</sup> PBF allocation activities concluded and evaluated  3) 2 <sup>nd</sup> PBF allocation implementation started					

**Output 1 delivery status:** The 1<sup>st</sup> PBF allocation activities are at a final stage. Projects funded under the 1<sup>st</sup> tranche are operationally concluded even if some remaining payments still have to be completed. Monitoring visits to Gabú and Quebo military barracks were carried out in May.

The final evaluation of the PBF 1<sup>st</sup> tranche is under preparation. The selection process of the 3 consultants (1 international and 2 national) to carry out the evaluation is ongoing.

**Output 2 delivery status:** The Peacebuilding Priority Plan has been revised according to PBSO recommendations received in February 2011.

Technical working groups were established to define strategies and interventions to be implemented under the 4 priority areas included in PBSO recommendations.

The results framework matrix has been finalized and improved following PBSO guidelines.

The revised PPP has been endorsed by the technical team on 6 June and discussed and approved by the National Steering Committee during its 14<sup>th</sup> meeting held on 15 June 2011. The PPP has been officially submitted to PBSO by the SRSG in end of June.

**Output 3 delivery status:** UN Agencies have started the formulation of 2<sup>nd</sup> allocation project documents.

**Output 4 delivery status:** The new two-year project document (2012-2013) will be elaborated during the last trimester of 2011.

## Achievements and challenges

## Outcome achievements:

-To what extent the output delivery - as described before – contributes to the overall outcome achievements?

The revised PPP indicates strategies and interventions that will be implemented during the next 36 months in Guinea-Bissau. The PPP has been discussed by the National Steering Committee and priorities included are in line with the peacebuilding processes ongoing in the country.

The revision process has been carried out according to PBSO recommendations and the document includes a strong Results Framework Matrix that will contribute to support the effective management of PBF 2<sup>nd</sup> tranche interventions.

Joint programmes under preparation will be aligned to the outcomes and indicators defined in the PPP in order to allow the measurement of PBF impact in the country.

- What has been planned, what has been actually achieved? What worked? What did not? How will the challenges be addressed?

**Output 1:** The 1<sup>st</sup> PBF tranche projects are operationally concluded. As per the No-cost extension request approved by the NSC, only the rehabilitation of selected prisons project is still ongoing in order to fulfill with pending payments. This project is expected to be completed by end of August 2011.

The final evaluation is foreseen in July but the recruitment process has faced delays due to unavailability of international consultants initially contacted.

**Output 2:** The revised PPP was initially expected to be discussed and approved by the NSC in April 2011. However, the technical working groups put in place to address PBSO recommendations did not meet the deadlines initially set (i.e. end of March).