### **Closure Stage Quality Assurance Report**

Form Status: Approved		
Overall Rating:	Satisfactory	
Decision:		
Portfolio/Project Number:	00094495	
Portfolio/Project Title:	UN Joint Disability Project (UNPRPD)	
Portfolio/Project Date:	2019-01-01 / 2021-12-31	

### Strategic

**Quality Rating: Satisfactory** 

1. Did the project pro-actively identified changes to the external environment and incorporated them into the project strategy?

- 3: The project team identified relevant changes in the external environment that may present new opportunities or threats to the project's ability to achieve its objectives, assumptions were tested to determine if the project's strategy was valid. There is some evidence that the project board considered the implications, and documented the changes needed to the project in response. (all must be true)
- 2: The project team identified relevant changes in the external environment that may present new opportunities or threats to the project's ability to achieve its objectives. There is some evidence that the project board discussed this, but relevant changes did not fully integrate in the project. (both must be true)
- 1: The project team considered relevant changes in the external environment since implementation began, but there is no evidence that the project team considered these changes to the project as a result.

### **Evidence:**

Regular bilateral, TWC and Outcome group meeting s were forums where issues on the project was disc ussed and deliberated. Minutes of meeting of TWC attached

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2. Was the project aligned with the thematic focus of the Strategic Plan?

- 3: The project responded to at least one of the development settings as specified in the Strategic Plan (SP) and adopted at least one Signature Solution .The project's RRF included all the relevant SP output indicators. (all must be true)
- 2: The project responded to at least one of the developments settings1 as specified in the Strategic Plan. The project's RRF included at least one SP output indicator, if relevant. (both must be true)
- 1: While the project may have responded to a partner's identified need, this need falls outside of the UNDP Strategic Plan. Also select this option if none of the relevant SP indicators are included in the RRF.

### Evidence:

The project doesn't make direct reference to UNDP strategic plan given its nature as a joint programme with another UN Agencies (UNICEF, WHO), howeve r, the programme directly contributes to existing UN SDPF Outcomes 3 and 2

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Relevant

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3. Were the project's targeted groups systematically identified and engaged, with a priority focus on the discriminated and marginalized, to ensure the project remained relevant for them?

- 3: Systematic and structured feedback was collected over the project duration from a representative sample of beneficiaries, with a priority focus on the discriminated and marginalized, as part of the project's monitoring system. Representatives from the targeted groups were active members of the project's governance mechanism (i.e., the project board or equivalent) and there is credible evidence that their feedback informs project decision making. (all must be true)
- 2: Targeted groups were engaged in implementation and monitoring, with a priority focus on the discriminated and marginalized. Beneficiary feedback, which may be anecdotal, was collected regularly to ensure the project addressed local priorities. This information was used to inform project decision making. (all must be true to select this option)

1: Some beneficiary feedback may have been collected, but this information did not inform project decision making. This option should also be selected if no beneficiary feedback was collected

Not Applicable

### Evidence:

PwDs and the organisations representing them are a part of the governance of the project, thereby ensu ring their contribution right from the design till imple mentation.

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4. Did the project generate knowledge, and lessons learned (i.e., what has worked and what has not) and has this knowledge informed management decisions to ensure the continued relevance of the project towards its stated objectives, the quality of its outputs and the management of risk?

- 3: Knowledge and lessons learned from internal or external sources (gained, for example, from Peer Assists, After Action Reviews or Lessons Learned Workshops) backed by credible evidence from evaluation, corporate policies/strategies, analysis and monitoring were discussed in project board meetings and reflected in the minutes. There is clear evidence that changes were made to the project to ensure its continued relevance. (both must be true)
- 2: Knowledge and lessons learned backed by relatively limited evidence, drawn mainly from within the project, were considered by the project team. There is some evidence that changes were made to the project as a result to ensure its continued relevance. (both must be true)
- 1: There is limited or no evidence that knowledge and lessons learned were collected by the project team.
   There is little or no evidence that this informed project decision making.

### Evidence:

Regular bilateral, TWC and Outcome group meeting s were forums where issues on the project was disc ussed and deliberated. For example for the activity o n infrastructure, changes were made based on the c onsultations and inputs from the PwDs.

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5. Was the project sufficiently at scale, or is there potential to scale up in the future, to meaningfully contribute to development change?

- 3: There was credible evidence that the project reached sufficient number of beneficiaries (either directly through significant coverage of target groups, or indirectly, through policy change) to meaningfully contribute to development change.
- 2: While the project was not considered at scale, there are explicit plans in place to scale up the project in the future (e.g. by extending its coverage or using project results to advocate for policy change).
- 1: The project was not at scale, and there are no plans to scale up the project in the future.

### Evidence:

The project was able to support several important int erventions such as finalizing the action plan for impl ementing the first ever policy for persons with disabil ities (and approval of the policy itself), initiating Disa bility Equality Training (DET), establishing the first D PO.

The evaluation report states that:

Overall, according to the respondents, UNPRPD pro ject was rated "reasonable and above" for effectively developing and delivering the different components of the project. About 50% of the stakeholders rated 't he contributions made by this project in advancing th e rights of persons with disabilities as "excellent". All stakeholders rated the technical assistance provided by the three UN agencies under the purview of the p roject as "reasonable and above", and similar ratings were given for the uptake of the project activities by t he respective ministries and other government agen cies.

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### Principled

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6. Were the project's measures (through outputs, activities, indicators) to address gender inequalities and empower women relevant and produced the intended effect? If not, evidence-based adjustments and changes were made.

- 3: The project team gathered data and evidence through project monitoring on the relevance of the measures to address gender inequalities and empower women. Analysis of data and evidence were used to inform adjustments and changes, as appropriate. (both must be true)
- 2: The project team had some data and evidence on the relevance of the measures to address gender inequalities and empower women. There is evidence that at least some adjustments were made, as appropriate. (both must be true)
- 1: The project team had limited or no evidence on the relevance of measures to address gender inequalities and empowering women. No evidence of adjustments and/or changes made. This option should also be selected if the project has no measures to address gender inequalities and empower women relevant to the project results and activities.

### Evidence:

Project implementation has used disaggregated dat a from national census, the needs assessment and VAW study. Equality between men and women is ide ntified as one of the levers of change in the project (section 4).

Also refer to page number 37 of the project evaluatio n report (attached).

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7. Were social and environmental impacts and risks successfully managed and monitored?

- 3: Social and environmental risks were tracked in the risk log. Appropriate assessments conducted where required (i.e., Environmental and Social Impact Assessment (ESIA) for High risk projects and some level of social and environmental assessment for Moderate risk projects as identified through SESP). Relevant management plan(s) developed for identified risks through consultative process and implemented, resourced, and monitored. Risks effectively managed or mitigated. If there is a substantive change to the project or change in context that affects risk levels, the SESP was updated to reflect these changes. (all must be true)
- 2: Social and environmental risks were tracked in the risk log. Appropriate assessments conducted where required (i.e., Environmental and Social Impact Assessment (ESIA) for High risk projects and some level of social and environmental assessment for Moderate risk projects as identified through SESP). Relevant management plan(s) developed, implemented and monitored for identified risks. OR project was categorized as Low risk through the SESP.
- 1: Social and environmental risks were tracked in the risk log. For projects categorized as High or Moderate Risk, there was no evidence that social and environmental assessments completed and/or management plans or measures development, implemented or monitored. There are substantive changes to the project or changes in the context but SESP was not updated. (any may be true)

### Evidence:

A rudimentary SESP was done although it was not r equired for this project.

For example: on Principles 1: Human Rights Risk 1: Is there a risk that duty-bearers do not have t he capacity to meet their obligations in the Project? Given that Convention requirements not mainstream ed into the 12th Plan; legislative requirements not tr anslated into national law. Incentive to advance redu ces.

The assessment and management measure noted was focusing on the policy's development and imple mentation rather than on Treaty ratification as a proj ect outcome will advance the rights and principles e nshrined in the Convention, whether or not it is ratifi ed.

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8. Were grievance mechanisms available to project-affected people and were grievances (if any) addressed to ensure any perceived harm was effectively mitigated?

- 3: Project-affected people actively informed of UNDP's Corporate Accountability Mechanism (SRM/SECU) and how to access it. If the project was categorized as High or Moderate Risk through the SESP, a project -level grievance mechanism was in place and project affected people informed. If grievances were received, they were effectively addressed in accordance with SRM Guidance. (all must be true)
- 2: Project-affected people informed of UNDP's Corporate Accountability Mechanism and how to access it. If the project was categorized as High Risk through the SESP, a project -level grievance mechanism was in place and project affected people informed. If grievances were received, they were responded to but faced challenges in arriving at a resolution.
- 1: Project-affected people was not informed of UNDP's Corporate Accountability Mechanism. If grievances were received, they were not responded to. (any may be true)

### Evidence:

The evaluation report (attached above) states as a p art of recommendation to form a National Disability Committee (page number 50) with one of the followi ng as a core function:

"Include a grievance redressal subcommittee which will function as a link between persons with disabiliti es and programme/policy implementors. The subco mmittee will aim to address any issues reported by p ersons with disabilities related to their needs and ch allenges"

There were no grievances reported during the projec t period.

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Management & Monitoring

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9. Was the project's M&E Plan adequately implemented?

- 3: The project had a comprehensive and costed M&E plan. Baselines, targets and milestones were fully populated. Progress data against indicators in the project's RRF was reported regularly using credible data sources and collected according to the frequency stated in the Plan, including sex disaggregated data as relevant. Any evaluations conducted, if relevant, fully meet decentralized evaluation standards, including gender UNEG standards. Lessons learned, included during evaluations and/or After-Action Reviews, were used to take corrective actions when necessary. (all must be true)
- 2: The project costed M&E Plan, and most baselines and targets were populated. Progress data against indicators in the project's RRF was collected on a regular basis, although there was may be some slippage in following the frequency stated in the Plan and data sources was not always reliable. Any evaluations conducted, if relevant, met most decentralized evaluation standards. Lessons learned were captured but were used to take corrective actions. (all must be true)
- 1: The project had M&E Plan, but costs were not clearly planned and budgeted for, or were unrealistic. Progress data was not regularly collected against the indicators in the project's RRF. Evaluations did not meet decentralized evaluation standards. Lessons learned were rarely captured and used. Select this option also if the project did not have an M&E plan.

### Evidence:

At project inception in 2018, a workshop was held a mong project partners to design a detailed workplan and an M&E framework. This M&E framework and in ception activity plan, including expected outputs (e. g. disability-inclusive policy framework, and participa tion of PWDs in policy reforms) and related activities were detailed. The M&E framework laid down the in dicators associated with each activity/output/outcom e that would be tracked during the project. It also def ined the baseline, targets to be achieved and freque ncy of monitoring of the defined indicators. The UN participating agencies reported the on annu al basis to the UNPRPD secretariat.

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10. Was the project's governance mechanism (i.e., the project board or equivalent) function as intended?

- 3: The project's governance mechanism operated well, and was a model for other projects. It met in the agreed frequency stated in the project document and the minutes of the meetings were all on file. There was regular (at least annual) progress reporting to the project board or equivalent on results, risks and opportunities. It is clear that the project board explicitly reviewed and used evidence, including progress data, knowledge, lessons and evaluations, as the basis for informing management decisions (e.g., change in strategy, approach, work plan.) (all must be true to select this option)
- 2: The project's governance mechanism met in the agreed frequency and minutes of the meeting are on file. A project progress report was submitted to the project board or equivalent at least once per year, covering results, risks and opportunities. (both must be true to select this option)
- 1: The project's governance mechanism did not meet in the frequency stated in the project document over the past year and/or the project board or equivalent was not functioning as a decision-making body for the project as intended.

### Evidence:

Minutes of the TWC meetings are attached above.

In addition to the TWC, the project was discussed in Outcome 3 and 2. The Outcome groups met at least twice a year. Results narrative report of OG 3 and 2 attached.

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11. Were risks to the project adequately monitored and managed?

- 3: The project monitored risks every quarter and consulted with the key stakeholders, security advisors, to identify continuing and emerging risks to assess if the main assumptions remained valid. There is clear evidence that relevant management plans and mitigating measures were fully implemented to address each key project risk and were updated to reflect the latest risk assessment. (all must be true)
- 2: The project monitored risks every year, as evidenced by an updated risk log. Some updates were made to management plans and mitigation measures.
- 1: The risk log was not updated as required. There was may be some evidence that the project monitored risks that may affected the project's achievement of results, but there is no explicit evidence that management actions were taken to mitigate risks.

### **Evidence:**

The project TWC and also as part of Outcome group s met on a regular basis, including bilateral meetings and more so during COVID (virtually to discuss issu es).

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### Efficient

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12. Adequate resources were mobilized to achieve intended results. If not, management decisions were taken to adjust expected results in the project's results framework.

Yes

No

### Evidence:

Yes. Over and above the allocated funds for project--the project was able to leverage on several other pr ojects within UNDP as well as those run by the Gov ernment.

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	2: The project had updated procurement plan. The procuring inputs in a timely manner and addresse true)		
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rei	ot much procurement was involved. Yes, any proc ment required was included in the PROMPT and ell planned.	cu	
ns	ne infrastructure activity (import of materials for co truction) which had some delays due to lockdowr and COVID restrictions.		
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14. Was there regular monitoring and recording of cost efficiencies, taking into account the expected quality of results?

- 3: There is evidence that the project regularly reviewed costs against relevant comparators (e.g., other projects or country offices) or industry benchmarks to ensure the project maximized results delivered with given resources. The project actively coordinated with other relevant ongoing projects and initiatives (UNDP or other) to ensure complementarity and sought efficiencies wherever possible (e.g. joint activities.) (both must be true)
- 2: The project monitored its own costs and gave anecdotal examples of cost efficiencies (e.g., spending less to get the same result,) but there was no systematic analysis of costs and no link to the expected quality of results delivered. The project coordinated activities with other projects to achieve cost efficiency gains.

1: There is little or no evidence that the project monitored its own costs and considered ways to save money beyond following standard procurement rules.

### **Evidence:**

UNPRPD project resulted in increased and dedicate d resources for activities specific to the upliftment of rights of PWDs. Still, there is need of some addition al push to yield the desired results. The advent of U NPRPD project resulted in additional technical as w ell as financial resources allocated to all the stakehol der organizations. Bhutan received the UNPRPD fun ds for creating an enabling environment for the UNC RPD in 2018.

For example, DET training was done with the GBV SoP training for frontliners.

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15. Was the project on track and delivered its expect	ted outputs?
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Evi Ye re	<ul> <li>3: Quarterly progress data informed regular reviews of the project work plan to ensure that the activities implemented were most likely to achieve the desired results. There is evidence that data and lessons learned (including from evaluations /or After-Action Reviews) were used to inform course corrections, as needed. Any necessary budget revisions were made. (both must be true)</li> <li>2: There was at least one review of the work plan per year with a view to assessing if project activities were on track to achieving the desired development results (i.e., outputs.) There may or may not be evidence that data or lessons learned were used to inform the review(s). Any necessary budget revisions have been made.</li> <li>1: While the project team may have reviewed the work plan at least once over the past year to ensure outputs were delivered on time, no link was made to the delivery of desired development results. Select this option als if no review of the work plan by management took place.</li> <li>Evidence:</li> <li>Yes, annual review of the plan was done and budget revised based on the changes.</li> <li>Attaching herewith the budget sheet.</li> </ul>						
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17. Were the targeted groups systematically identified and engaged, prioritizing the marginalized and excluded, to ensure results were achieved as expected?

- 3: The project targeted specific groups and/or geographic areas, identified by using credible data sources on their capacity needs, deprivation and/or exclusion from development opportunities relevant to the project's area of work. There is clear evidence that the targeted groups were reached as intended. The project engaged regularly with targeted groups over the past year to assess whether they benefited as expected and adjustments were made if necessary, to refine targeting. (all must be true)
- 2: The project targeted specific groups and/or geographic areas, based on some evidence of their capacity needs, deprivation and/or exclusion from development opportunities relevant to the project's area of work. Some evidence is provided to confirm that project beneficiaries are members of the targeted groups. There was some engagement with beneficiaries in the past year to assess whether they were benefiting as expected. (all must be true)
- 1: The project did not report on specific targeted groups. There is no evidence to confirm that project beneficiaries are populations have capacity needs or are deprived and/or excluded from development opportunities relevant to the project area of work. There is some engagement with beneficiaries to assess whether they benefited as expected, but it was limited or did not occurred in the past year.

Not Applicable

### **Evidence:**

Yes, the project was for advancing the rights of pers ons with disabilities with equality between men and women as one of the levers.

As evidenced by the project evaluation report: At its outset, the project contextually analysed that t he participation and inclusion of persons with disabili ties in policy formulation with technical and financial support to underfunded CSOs will lead to advancem ent of rights of PWDs in Bhutan. Thus, the project to ok numerous measures to ensure the engagement a nd involvement of PWDs either directly or through th e CSOs working for and with PWDs. As a result, CS Os working with PWDs were included in the Technic al Committee of the UNPRP project.

Also, the 2019 annual workplan approved the establi shment of new partnerships with CSOs such as DPA B, Ability Bhutan Society and Draktsho Vocational Tr aining Institute for Special Children and Youth. Thro ugh the project, these CSOs were provided with the necessary and constant technical and financial supp ort. With the introduction of DET, advocacy on disabi lity began in collaboration with CSOs. Furthermore, as a milestone achievement, DPAB received unwav ering support to become Bhutan's first ever full-fledg ed OPD. In this regard, staff were provided training on proposal writing and project management. The in creased capacities of OPDs to advocate for the right s of persons with disabilities, as a result of the supp ort they receive from UNPRPD funding, were highlig hted by almost all the interviewees. As a result, the OPD officials now have greater access to decisionmakers, are better equipped and have more empow ered staff. Association with UNPRPD has also enha nced the visibility of the OPDs in the local communit y, thus strengthening and encouraging their voices.

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### Sustainability & National Ownership

18. Were stakeholders and national partners fully engaged in the decision-making, implementation and monitoring of the project?

- 3: Only national systems (i.e., procurement, monitoring, evaluation, etc.) were used to fully implement and monitor the project. All relevant stakeholders and partners were fully and actively engaged in the process, playing a lead role in project decision-making, implementation and monitoring. (both must be true)
- 2: National systems (i.e., procurement, monitoring, evaluation, etc.) were used to implement and monitor the project (such as country office support or project systems) were also used, if necessary. All relevant stakeholders and partners were actively engaged in the process, playing an active role in project decision-making, implementation and monitoring. (both must be true)
- 1: There was relatively limited or no engagement with national stakeholders and partners in the decisionmaking, implementation and/or monitoring of the project.
- Not Applicable

### Evidence:

TWC and Outcome group meetings were used for e ngaging partners.

Minutes of OG meeting attached (where all partners meet to discuss progress and issues on the various projects contributing to Outcomes).

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19. Were there regular monitoring of changes in capacities and performance of institutions and systems relevant to the project, as needed, and were the implementation arrangements<sup>8</sup> adjusted according to changes in partner capacities?

- 3: Changes in capacities and performance of national institutions and systems were assessed/monitored using clear indicators, rigorous methods of data collection and credible data sources including relevant HACT assurance activities. Implementation arrangements were formally reviewed and adjusted, if needed, in agreement with partners according to changes in partner capacities. (all must be true)
- 2: Aspects of changes in capacities and performance of relevant national institutions and systems were monitored by the project using indicators and reasonably credible data sources including relevant HACT assurance activities. Some adjustment was made to implementation arrangements if needed to reflect changes in partner capacities. (all must be true)
- I: Some aspects of changes in capacities and performance of relevant national institutions and systems may have been monitored by the project, however changes to implementation arrangements have not been considered. Also select this option if changes in capacities and performance of relevant national institutions and systems have not been monitored by the project.

Not Applicable

### Evidence:

The evaluation report recommended to "Enhance ro bustness of monitoring and evaluation framework": It is recommended that the project develops a syste matic approach to lesson-learning, monitoring and e valuation in future projects associated with persons with disabilities. This document will define the freque ncy of monitoring indicators, their reporting, measur es for quality checks, timelines for regular reviews in cluding field monitoring, timely meetings for discussi on on challenges/issues, and independent evaluatio ns.

### Management Response:

The support to persons with disabilities has now to b e included in the overall Governance programme an d hence systematized.

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20. Were the transition and phase-out arrangements were reviewed and adjusted according to progress (including financial commitment and capacity).

- 3: The project's governance mechanism regularly reviewed the project's sustainability plan, including arrangements for transition and phase-out, to ensure the project remained on track in meeting the requirements set out by the plan. The plan was implemented as planned by the end of the project, taking into account any adjustments made during implementation. (both must be true)
- 2: There was a review of the project's sustainability plan, including arrangements for transition and phase-out, to ensure the project remained on track in meeting the requirements set out by the plan.
- 1: The project may have had a sustainability plan but there was no review of this strategy after it was developed. Also select this option if the project did not have a sustainability strategy.

### Evidence:

### Yes, as evidenced by the evaluation report (Page 4 0):

The evaluation assessment suggests that the projec t design and activities were strategic and methodolo gical; thus, rendering most of the project achieveme nts sustainable. UNPRPD project created a ripple eff ect by investing in collaborations and networks of pe rsons with disabilities to engage in the development process for the National Policy for Persons with Disa bilities 2019 alongside strengthening the capacity of CSOs and DPO.

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### **QA Summary/Final Project Board Comments**

The UNPRPD project happened at an opportune moment and had a lot of influence in shaping the national agenda f or advancing the rights of persons with disabilities in Bhutan. The project was able to forge partnerships and develop ed new collaborations, accelerated advocacy and dialogues, enhancing the country's capacity and providing core su pport to organizations of persons with disabilities (OPDs) when needed.

The project provided targeted focus and has been responsible for a series of remarkable achievements. The thrust o f this project was reflected at the country level in the form of enhanced awareness on persons with disabilities and c ollaboration with the Royal Government of Bhutan, associated UN agencies and OPDs.