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Overall Rating:	Satisfactory
Decision:	
Portfolio/Project Number:	00108032
Portfolio/Project Title:	Building Capacities for Resilient Recovery- Phase II
Portfolio/Project Date:	2017-09-01 / 2022-12-31

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.

The COVID-19 crisis created challenges to impleme nt some of the activities that had been planned for 2 020: the national and international travel restrictions limited the possibility of field missions and the availa bility of consultants. At the same time, urgent needs within the communities in which the project worked b ecame visible, such as the need to distribute health kits and disseminate preventative information to prot ect the population. Country Offices in each country q uickly adapted and put the project's capacities at the service of the national response and recovery from COVID-19 impacts. In three of the five countries, wit h the authorization of the donor, project funds were r epurposed to support specific responses and recove ry activities

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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 contributes to Outcome 3 of the UNDP's 2018-2021 UNDP Strategic Plan. Project document already uploaded

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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)

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:

The project has a strong community focus particularl y under output 3 which focuses on establishing com munity funds for supporting recovery from disasters. This output has prepared communities to play an eff ective role in recovery and reconstruction. The activi ties undertaken have built the capacities of communi ties by training them to develop community-based re covery plans, by developing the skills of the youth a nd women in disaster resilient construction technolo gies, and by setting-up financing mechanisms for re covery at the community level.

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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:

The BCRR II End of Project report provides the main findings and recommendations from the independen t evaluation conducted at the end of the project, and a series of lessons learnt from each of the beneficiar y countries to reflect on the scope to improve the im plementation capacity and quality of future projects. Beyond Phase II of the "Building Capacities for Resil ient Recovery" Project, these recommendations pav e the way to continue building resilient capacities in t hese beneficiary countries, in ongoing Disaster Risk Reduction projects or in a possible third round of BC RR funding. 2 workshops were organized to collect I essons-learnt on i) beneficiary countries experience from PDNA/DRF adaption activities, and ii) BCRRII's lessons-learnt, reflected in the project's final donor r eport.

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	1: The project was not at scale, and th	ere are no plans to scale up th	ne project in the future.
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al m cc p. ef	he project's outputs targeted a whole of communities are involved through the ponent, however since the funds were mmunity component which had a direct rued to people was limited and could b In the BCRRII lessons learnt workshop iciary countries have expressed the will ale up in future projects the community ponent, since it yielded good results.	Output 3 co limited, the ot benefits a be scaled u b, most ben lingness to	
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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.

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- 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:

The promotion of gender equality and women empo werment was at the center of capacity-building and policy development efforts. The Post Disaster Needs Assessment methodology, promoted through the pro ject, was based on the collection of gender disaggre gated data to assess special needs of women, childr en, disabled and other vulnerable groups. As such, women empowerment was addressed through Outp ut 3: local skills training and local SME grants target ed marginalized groups, especially women. The mult iple trainings organized at the national and local gov ernment levels aimed at sensitizing officials on the i mportance of addressing the issues of gender, huma n rights, environment, displacement, etc. in recovery planning and policy development.

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

- 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)

Social and Environmental Screening Procedure (SE SP) were conducted. The risk log was updated on At las and was always on track. This project did not ge nerate any adverse social or environmental risks, an d on the other hand it addressed the impacts of clim ate change. The project looked at disasters triggere d by natural hazards, including those related to clim ate. Social and environment impacts were part of th e methodological approach which included recovery interventions that looked at restoring and improving people's livelihoods and impacts on the environmen t.

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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?

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	grievance mechanism was in place	categorized as High or Moderate Risk th e and project affected people informed. If prdance with SRM Guidance. (all must be	rough the SESP, a project -level f grievances were received, they		
	 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. 				
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Management & Monitoring	Quality Rating: Satisfactory
9. Was the project's M&E Plan adequately implemented?	
 populated. Progress data against indicators in the p sources and collected according to the frequency st relevant. Any evaluations conducted, if relevant, full gender UNEG standards. Lessons learned, included used to take corrective actions when necessary. (all 2: The project costed M&E Plan, and most baseline indicators in the project's RRF was collected on a refollowing the frequency stated in the Plan and data 	s and targets were populated. Progress data against gular basis, although there was may be some slippage in
 1: The project had M&E Plan, but costs were not cle Progress data was not regularly collected against the 	early planned and budgeted for, or were unrealistic. e indicators in the project's RRF. Evaluations did not meet d were rarely captured and used. Select this option also if

The RRF for the national and Global levels had clear targets and indicators linked to the project outcome s. The project had a comprehensive and costed M& E plan. The biannual progress report and regular foll ow- ups with target countries have facilitated the pop ulation of the RRF which was regularly updated. The results framework matrix in the BCRR II End of Proj ect Report provides an overview of the results achie ved at project's completion against the outputs and t argets set in the original project document (Prodoc) at project's inception stage.

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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.

The Project Board met annually, as stated in the app roved project document. Although not being a requir ement, most target countries organized steering co mmittees at the national level to share achieved res ults and discuss projected activities, challenges face d and opportunities identified.

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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:

Monthly calls were organized with all five target countries. Identified risks and challenges were identified and mitigation measures were taken.

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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.			decisions were taken to
	 Yes No 			
Evidence:				
	The budget fully covers all direct project costs that w ere directly attributable to the project, including progr amme management			
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13. Were project inputs procured and delivered on time to efficiently contribute to results?

- 3: The project had a procurement plan and kept it updated. The project quarterly reviewed operational bottlenecks to procuring inputs in a timely manner and addressed them through appropriate management actions. (all must be true)
- 2: The project had updated procurement plan. The project annually reviewed operational bottlenecks to procuring inputs in a timely manner and addressed them through appropriate management actions. (all must be true)
- 1: The project did not have an updated procurement plan. The project team may or may not have reviewed operational bottlenecks to procuring inputs regularly, however management actions were not taken to address them.

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The procurement plan was available at the HQ level and updated annually as per the workplan

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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:

This project was part of a regional initiative that linke d 3 countries in Africa and 2 in Asia. Overall synergy among participating countries for a more efficient an d more effective implementation. Synergies with oth er UNDP initiatives, such as the PDNA Roll-Out II an d III, have been explored: for cost efficiency and scal ing up, various activities (PDNA adaptation, best pra ctices, training of trainers) were undertaken jointly.

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Effect	ive	Quality Rating: Highly Sati	sfactory
15. V	Vas the project on track and delivered its expecte	d outputs?	
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16. Were there regular reviews of the work plan to ensure that the project was on track to achieve the desired results, and to inform course corrections if needed?

- 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)
- 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.
- 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 also if no review of the work plan by management took place.

Monthly follow-ups with the target countries, bi-annu al progress reports and country support missions to all five countries informed the work plan, the readjus tment of certain activities, target groups and even bu dget redistribution. The Annual Board Meeting ensur ed effectiveness and approved course corrections th at have been taken.

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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

The project targeted specific groups and geographic locations as evidenced through the PRODOC and pr ogress reports. Marginalized communities were invol ved, informed and trained to the extent possible. In Myanmar, the project supported the development of a bottom-up community-based disaster recovery pla n in Mon State, developed with township authorities. In Lao PDR, the project facilitated a Training of Train ers (ToT) to support the capacities of 30 provincial a nd district Government Officials of the Bolikhamxay and Saravane Provinces on community-based disas ter risk reduction and resilient recovery.

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Sustainability & National Ownership	Quality Rating: Satisfactory
18. Were stakeholders and national partners fully engather the project?	ged in the decision-making, implementation and monitoring of
 monitor the project. All relevant stakeholders and playing a lead role in project decision-making, imp 2: National systems (i.e., procurement, monitoring project (such as country office support or project stakeholders and partners were actively engaged making, implementation and monitoring. (both multiple stakeholders) 	g, evaluation, etc.) were used to implement and monitor the systems) were also used, if necessary. All relevant in the process, playing an active role in project decision- ust be true) with national stakeholders and partners in the decision-

The modality of implementation in most of the countr ies was Direct Implementation with substantive invol vement of national counterparts and use of national systems. For example, in Myanmar technical workin g groups were created to guarantee the participation of government experts in the elaboration of National Recovery Guidelines. In Burkina Faso, the National Disaster Management Authority was in charge of Ou tput 2 with the technical support of the country offic e. Similarly in Cabo Verde, the Civil Protection work ed closely with the country office. DOAs to transfer t he agreed budget to the COs ensured that the entire administrative process was done at the country leve I.

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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 arrangements⁸ 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)
- 1: 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

In the past years, there were no changes in the gove rnment institutions relevant to the project but staff att rition was there in the five implementing countries an d this capacity has been filled slowly with new staff. This was being monitored closely by the project tea m and relevant measures taken and new staff appoi nted to support the project. The January 2021 coup i n Myanmar affected the capacity of the country offic e to cooperate with the national partner institution. T his situation was monitored, reported to HQ and solu tions were formulated to respect the UN principle of non-engagement while finalizing the project's activiti es.

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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.

Projects in the countries were part of a portfolio of pr ogramme on Disaster Risk Reduction and therefore selected activities feed into the larger programmatic framework on Disaster Risk Reduction and will continue.

The end of project evaluation proposed clear next st eps for the project. This has been shared with the do nors for information and possible funding.

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QA Summary/Final Project Board Comments

The Building Capacities for Resilient Recovery Phase II End of Project Report has been shared with the Donor. The report provides a detailed overview of the accomplishments reached by the beneficiary countries over the course of project, which has led to an overall increased capacity of the countries to recover from disasters in a resilient manne r. The section on the accomplishments shows that their capacity has been strengthened at institutional levels and co mmunity levels, through increased knowledge on disaster resilience needs and solutions and communications that in creased awareness on risks and resilient responses. The section on next steps outlines the way forward towards a p ossible third phase of the project, that all beneficiaries have called for in view of the successes of phase II. The proje ct has had the flexibility required to adapt some of the activities to the Covid-19 pandemic. In agreement with the do nor, some of the resources were reallocated to respond to the immediate health risks at community and national leve ls. The project has been successfully completed and has achieved and made significant progress in delivering on its objective of building capacities for resilient recovery in all five countries.

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