**Quarterly Project Progress Review Report**

**DATE:** October 2014

**Award ID:** 000074124

**Description:** Livelihood support and social cohesion

**Implementing Partner:** UNDP

**Period Covered:** July – September 2014

**1. Project Risks and Issues logs:**

Project Risk log: *Please integrate the latest project risk log (from previous quarter or original project risk log if this is the first QPR for the project) and update as relevant*

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| 1 | 1 | Armed conflict between government and ethnic armed groups in Kachin affecting safety, disrupting local livelihoods and project implementation | April 2013 | Operational  Political | * Security and safety issues for field staff, especially in ethnic minority areas * Impact on Travel Approval for international staff and consultant * Travel restrictions placing limitations on project implementation   P = 4  I =5 | Output Lead, Output 5 | Team Leader, Local Governance |  | change |
| 2 | 2 | Ethnic riots in Rakhine affecting safety, disrupting local livelihoods and project implementation | April 2013 | Operational  Political | * Security and safety issues for field staff, especially in ethnic minority areas * Riots spreading to other regions and across the country   P = 4  I =5 | Output Lead, Output 5 | Team Leader, Local Governance |  | change |
| 3 | 3 | Fighting between Myanmar Army and DKBA forces in Kyaikmayaw Township, Mon State and Myawaddy Township Kayin State. The clashes involved the use of Rocket Propelled Grenades (RPG) and heavy machine guns. | September 2014 | Operational  Political | * Security and safety issues for field staff   P = 4  I =5 | Output Lead, Output 5 | Team Leader, Local Governance |  |  |

Project Issues Log: *Please integrate the latest project issues log (from previous quarter) and update as relevant – or if this the first QPR of the project, fill in the below template*

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| 1 | Lengthy recruitment processes | March | Change | Delays project start-up and implementation  Priority =4 | Fast-track international and national recruitments | Output Lead, Output 5 | Team Leader, Local Governance |  | change |
| 2 | Identifying Implementing partner for Vocational Training | May 2013 | Change | Delays project start-up and implementation  Priority =4 | Initiating vocational training in the four states Kayin, Kayah, Kachin and Shan using implementing partner | Output Lead, Output 5 | Team Leader, Local Governance |  | change |

**2. Project Performance:** *[this is at the CP output level]*

Project ID: 00086669

Description: Improved livelihood and social cohesion

Implementing Partner: UNDP

Baseline: *as per CP*

Indicator: *as per CP*

[YEAR] Target: *as per Prodoc*

[2014] Achievement: *Narrative – please describe achievements at the output level, taking into account all activities*

During the reporting period, the Output responded to the request of the Rakhine State Government (RSG) to extend its support to one additional village in Rakhine state – Ohn Re Pau. Following, in Ohn Re Pau the following activities were initiated and are ongoing towards the achievement of the following results: village assessments and simple poverty Score-Card exercises; establishment of a food bank benefitting 87 HHs of which 206 are female beneficiaries (52%); provision of capital assistance for agriculture, livestock, fisheries and MSE reaching 82 households; provision of equipment and training for a prawn preservation, processing and paste-making facility benefitting 104 persons of whom 67 are women; provision of training to CBOs reaching 20 persons.

During the reporting period, the Output in partnership with the Small Scale Industries Department (SSID) of the Ministry of Cooperatives, rolled-out livelihood and vocational skills training in 179 target villages in 14 townships in Kachin, Kayah, Kayin and Shan. To-date, a total of six training sessions have been completed in Kayin, Kayah and Kachin reaching 166 beneficiaries of which 49% are women.

During the reporting period, the Output completed infrastructure activities in Kachin, Kayah, Kayin and Chin states, reaching over 212,000 persons of whom 107,501 are women. Under the Output, 2 independent engineers also conducted quality control exercises on 66 randomly selected units of infrastructure in Kachin, Chin, Kayah and Kayin States to provide UNDP with an additional layer of quality assurance.

Early recovery coordination meetings were held between UNDP and RSG though MoBA to strengthen ER sector as a platform for interagency partnership.

How has the gender dimension been addressed: *Please describe specific results achieved in the area of gender mainstreaming (if any) with a brief narrative*

In Ohn Re Pau, the new village supported under the Output, the food bank benefits 87 HHs of which 206 are female beneficiaries (52%); and the prawn preservation, processing and paste-making facility benefits 104 persons of whom 67 are women. The Output’s infrastructure activities are providing access to 212,000 persons of whom 107,501 are women and has generated cash-for-work for 50111 of whom 14,590 are women. The livelihood and vocational training skills activities to-date have reached 166 beneficiaries of which 49% are women.

**2. Activity Performance:**

Activity ID: 1.1 HHs Poverty Assessment

Start date: April 2013

End date: December 2014

Purpose: To provide poor households with social protection assistance to reduce vulnerability

Description:

Identify poor households at community level in target locations; Train staff and partners on poverty score-card; Conduct poverty score-card assessments in target locations;

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| 1.1 HHs Poverty Assessment | Reports from Area Offices  Project monitoring visits (BTORs) | August 2014 | Conducted Poverty Score Card in Ohn Re Pau village in Rakhine State and trained | On time | *-* | *-* |

**2. Activity Performance:**

Activity ID: 1. 2 Social Protection Mechanisms

Start date: April 2013

End date: December 2014

Purpose: To provide poor households with social protection assistance to reduce vulnerability

Description:

Identify and strengthen social protection mechanisms at community level; Identify and train social protection mechanisms; Disburse livelihood assistance to identified households through identified social protection mechanisms

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| 1.2 Social Protection Mechanisms | Reports from Area Offices, project monitoring visits (BTORs) | September 2014 | The Output set-up 1 food bank in Ohn Re Pau village in Rakhine state to disburse social protection assistance to poor households.  20 CBO members trained on social protection mechanisms. | On time | *-* |  |

Activity ID: 1. 3 Social Protection Grants

Start date: April 2013

End date: December 2014

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Start date: April 2013

End date: December 2014

Purpose: To provide poor households with social protection assistance to reduce vulnerability

Description:

Disburse livelihood assistance to identified households through identified social protection mechanisms

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| 1. 3 Social Protection Grants | Reports from Area Offices, project monitoring visits (BTORs) | September 2014 | The newly established food bank in Ohn Re Pau is reaching 396 persons (87 HHs), of which 206 (52%) are women. | On time |  | 206 women (52%) benefitting from the newly established food bank in Ohn Re Pau. |

Activity ID: 2.1 Baseline Assessment

Start date: April 2013

End date: December 2014

Purpose: Identify Early Recovery, Livelihoods and Social Cohesion baselines in target locations;

Description:

Develop/improve methodologies for Early Recovery, Livelihoods and Social Cohesion assessments; Train staff and partners on assessment methodologies; Conduct assessments in target locations;

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| 2.1 Baseline Assessment | Reports fromArea Offices, project monitoring visits (BTORs) | September 2014 | - Conducted livelihood and social cohesion assessment in Pa La Na village Myitkyina, Kachin State.  *-* Setup community mechanisms (Livelihood and Social Cohesion Committees) in Ohn Re Paw village in Rakhine. | On time |  | *-* |

Activity ID: 2.2 Livelihood and Infrastructure

Start date: April 2013

End date: December 2014

Purpose: Support sustainable livelihood recovery and livelihood development of communities in target locations;

Description:

Strengthen community based organizations; Train staff and partners on mainstreaming social cohesion into livelihood activities; Train livelihood extension service-providers; Train staff and partners on social cohesion, livelihood service-delivery, cross-cutting issues like gender and DDR, good governance, organizational management, transparency, financial management etc; Provide inputs, assets and equipment to recover livelihoods or enterprises;

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| 2.2 Livelihood and Infrastructure | Reports from Area Offices, Reports from Implementing Partners; project monitoring visits (BTORs) | September 2014 | Provided capital assistance for livelihoods to 82 persons; training for prawn/ fish preservation to 104 persons of which 67 were female; and Extension Worker training reaching 40 community members in Ohn Re Pau in Rakhine.  Completed infrastructure activities in Kachin, Kayah, Kayin and Chin states, reaching over 212,000 persons of whom 107,501 are women.  Two independent engineers conducted quality control exercises on 66 randomly selected units of infrastructure in Kachin, Chin, Kayah and Kayin States to provide UNDP with an additional layer of quality assurance.  Rolled-out livelihood and vocational skills training in 179 target villages in 14 townships in Kachin, Kayah, Kayin and Shan. To-date, a total of six training sessions have been completed in Kayin, Kayah and Kachin reaching 166 beneficiaries of which 49% are women. | On time | *-*    Expenditure reflects final tranche payments to some infrastructure IPs, PCA payments to area offices for vocational training and MPP proposal disbursements to Sittwe area office for this result activity. | 64% of women received prawn/ fish preservation training  51% of women participated cash for work activities in the 04 states.  49% of women received vocational trainings in Kachin, Kayah, Kayin and Shan states. |

Activity ID: 2.3 Social Cohesion

Start date: April 2013

End date: December 2014

Purpose: Facilitate and support dialogue and trust-building activities in pilot locations in Rakhine and Kachin state;

Description:

Strengthen community level structures and networks for social cohesion; Facilitate/support intra-group and inter-group dialogue, interaction, exchange and exposure activities

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| 2.3 Social Cohesion | Training Reports, Reports from Project monitoring visits (BTORs) | September 2014 | The Output rolled-out a 3-day skills training for UNDP staff and Implementing Partners (IPs) from Rakhine and Chin states, reaching 20 participants. | On time | *-* | *-*55% women received training on social cohesion. |

Activity ID: 3.1 Conflict Assessment

Start date: April 2013

End date: December 2014

Purpose: Facilitate and support analysis and assessments on social cohesion and peace-building at national and local level.

Description:

Support social cohesion and conflict assessment and analysis activities Joint indicator/sc index). Develop and share knowledge, findings, lessons learnt and best practices with stakeholders.

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| 3.1 Conflict Assessment | Reports from Field Implementation Unit, Reports from Area Offices, Reports from Implementing Partners; project monitoring visits (BTORs) | April 2014 | - | - | *-* | *-* |

Activity ID: 3.2 Capacity Development

Start date: April 2013

End date: December 2014

Purpose: Undertake capacity-strengthening and training activities for national and local institutions, actors and partners on conflict sensitivity, social cohesion and peace-building, particularly targeting civil society organizations (CSOs), academia, media organizations, women’s networks and youth networks

Description:

Design and roll-out training on conflict sensitivity and social cohesion for staff, partners, government institutions, CSOs, educational institutions, youth networks, women’s networks.

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| 3.2 Capacity Development | Reports from Field Implementation Unit, Reports from Area Offices, Reports from Implementing Partners; project monitoring visits (BTORs) | April 2014 | - | - | *-* | *-* |

Activity ID: 3.2 Dev Fund for CSOs

Start date: April 2013

End date: December 2014

Purpose: Facilitate/support national and local institutions, actors and partners to undertake social cohesion and peace-building activities particularly targeting civil society organizations (CSOs), academia, media organizations, women’s networks and youth networks

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| 3.2 Dev Fund for CSOs | Reports from Field Implementation Unit, Reports from Area Offices, Reports from Implementing Partners; project monitoring visits (BTORs) | August 2014 | Provided financial support to the filming of short video features on NPEACE award nominees. | On time | *-* | *-* |

Activity ID: 3.3 Dev Fund for CSOs

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Purpose: Facilitate/support national and local institutions, actors and partners to undertake social cohesion and peace-building activities particularly targeting civil society organizations (CSOs), academia, media organizations, women’s networks and youth networks

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| 33 Dev Fund for CSOs | Reports from Field Implementation Unit, Reports from Area Offices, Reports from Implementing Partners; project monitoring visits (BTORs) | September 2014 | International expert on social cohesion supported the formulation of a scope of works on ‘developing social cohesion competencies at the local level through training and support. This scope of works will be rolled-out in 2015.  The second phase of the ‘strengthening capacities for dialogue’ was rolled-out comprising a series of engagements with GAD, the Myanmar Police Force and the Union Civil Service Board. | On time | Disbursements reflect contractual payments for international consultants and national facilitators. | *-* |

Activity ID: 4.1: ER Coordination

Start date: June 2013

End date: December 2014

Purpose: Coordinated early recovery approach and response to the humanitarian situation in Rakhine and Kachin.

Description: Dedicated international expertise to facilitate and roll out ERC in Rakhine and Kachin

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| **4.1**  ER Coordination | Minutes of the ERC meetings  Early Recovery 4Ws Map | April 2014 | Completed ER forum includes multi-agency initiative in ER sector in Rakhine.  Strengthened inter-agency coordination on Early Recovery in Kachin and Rakhine States. | | - | *-* | *-* |

Activity ID: 4.2: ER Planning

Start date: June 2013

End date: December 2014

Purpose: Partner agencies capacity to develop coordinated plans in strengthened

Description: Series of workshops conducted in Rakhine and Kachin to develop the 2014 ER response Plan

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| 4.2 ER Planning | 2014 Strategic Humanitarian Plan | April 2014 | - The ER Sector plan to capacity building of government partners on conflict-sensitive recovery and implement the follow-on action plan of the Workshop on Conflict Sensitive Approaches to Recovery with humanitarian partners.  - The ER sector linking recovery to development by putting government partnerships and national ownership in its core through completion and endorsement and roll-out of ER Sector strategy, ERF Implementation Guidelines, multi-sector assessment, and ER proposal to Peacebuilding Fund (PBF). | - | *-* | *-* |

Activity 4.3: ER Mainstreaming

Start date: June 2013

End date: December 2014

Purpose: ER is mainstreamed into broader cluster response and approaches

Description: ER mainstreamed in the 2014 humanitarian strategic plan

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| 4.3 ER Mainstreaming | 2014 Strategic Humanitarian Plan | April 2014 | UNDP identified areas in which ER are mainstreamed within the humanitarian response in Rakhine and Kachin  Completed a draft Terms of Reference for a technical working group on Durable Solutions  Conducted Scenario Analysis workshop at National level | - | *-* | *-* |