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## Acronyms & Abbreviations

AEPC	: Alternative Energy Promotion Center
APF	: Armed Police Force
BPKIHS	: BP Koirala Institute of Health Sciences
CA	: Constituent Assembly
CAAC	: Children Affected by Armed Conflict
CADP	: Conflict Affected Disabled Peoples
CAP	: Conflict Affected Peoples
CAS	: Constituent Assembly Secretariat
CAW&G	: Conflict Affected Women and Girls
CMCCO	: Cantonment Management Central Coordinator's Office
CPA	: Comprehensive Peace Accord
CSIDB	: Cottage and Small Industry Development Board
CSO	: Civil Society Organization
CTEVT	: Council for Technical Education and Vocational Trainings
CVRPP	: Continuous Voter Registration with Photograph Program
DCSI	: Department of Cottage and Small Industry:
DFID	: Department for International Development
DG	: Donor Group
DAO	: District Administration Office
DEO	: District Election Office
DCC	: District Coordination Committee
DOWS	: Department of Water and Sanitation
DoR	: Department of Roads
DUDBC	: Department of Urban Development and Building Construction
DWSS	: Department of Water Supply and Sewerage
ECN	: Election Commission of Nepal
EC	: Election Commission
EU	: European Union
FCA	: Foreign Currency Account
GoN	: Government of Nepal
IAs	: Implementing Agencies
IEC	: Information Education Communication
IDP	: Internally Displaced Person
JFA	: Joint Financing Arrangement
LPC	: Local Peace Committee
MAC	: Maoist Army Combatants
MoF	: Ministry of Finance
MoFALD	: Ministry of Federal Affairs
MoHA	: Ministry of Home Affairs
MoHP	: Ministry of Health and Population
MoI	: Ministry of Industry
MoLJCPA	: Ministry of Law, Justice, Constituent Assembly and Parliamentary Affairs
MoPPW	: Ministry of Physical Planning and Works
MoPR	: Ministry of Peace and Reconstruction
MoUD	: Ministry of Urban Development

MoYS	: Ministry of Youth and Sports
MoWCSW	: Ministry of Women, Children and Social Welfare
MRE	: Mine Risk Education
MVLPC	: Municipality and Village Level Peace Committee
NAP	: National Action Plan
NDF	: National Disability Fund
NEA	: Nepal Electricity Authority
NFDIN	: National Foundation for Development of Indigenous Nationalities
NHRAP	: National Human Rights Action Plan
NTV	: Nepal Television
NP	: Nepal Police
NPTF	: Nepal Peace Trust Fund
PBNC	: Peace Building Network Committee
PFC	: Public Facilitation Committee
PFOR	: Peace Fund (Operation) Rules, 2008
PFS	: Peace Fund Secretariat
PHQ	: Police Head Quarters
PSA	: Public Service Announcement
PSC	: Project Steering committee
PMC	: Project Management Committee
PMO	: Prime Minister's Office
PPNC	: Peace Building Network Committee
RRD	: Relief and Rehabilitation Division
SCSIRMC	: Special Committee on the Supervision, Integration and Rehabilitation of UCPN (M) Maoist Army Combatants
SGBV	: Sexual and Gender Based Violence
TC	: Technical Committee
TC Pool	: Technical Cooperation Pool
UNFPA	: United Nations Population Fund
UNSCR	: United Nations Security Council Resolution
TRC	: Truth and Reconciliation Commission
TOR	: Terms of Reference
WDO	: Women Development Office

## Executive Summary

NPTF is an internationally unique funding mechanism established in January 2007 to support Nepal's peace process by implementing the Comprehensive Peace Accord (CPA) in 2006. The operation of NPTF is an on-budget activity that is financially supported by Government of Nepal (GoN) and eight donors, namely Denmark, European Union, Finland, Germany, Norway, Switzerland, United Kingdom, and United States of America. The Fund is managed by the Peace Fund Secretariat (PFS) of the Ministry of Peace and Reconstruction (MoPR).

As part of good governance, accountability and strong communication, NPTF/PFS prepares four monthly reports following the Joint Financing Arrangement (JFA) formats, submits to the government and donor groups and shares with all relevant stakeholders. This report outlines the progress of NPTF from 16 November, 2012 to 13 March, 2013.

Till date, NPTF has financed a total of 55 projects; of these, 25 projects have been completed and 30 projects are ongoing. The table below shows details of the status of the projects financed through NPTF and overall budget allocation within these clusters. These projects have supported various sectors financed under four core clusters.

Name of the Cluster	Projects completed	Projects ongoing	Total Projects	Approved budget (in mnNPR)
<b>1. Cantonment Management, Integration/ Rehabilitation of Combatants</b>	16	6	22	5,539.87
<b>2. Conflict Affected Persons and Communities</b>	0	4	4	1,064.83
<b>3. Security and Transitional Justice</b>	0	12	12	3,704.78
<b>4. Constituent Assembly and Peace Building Initiatives at National and Local Levels</b>	9	8	17	4,103.06
<b>Sub-total</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>14,412.54</b>
<b>Technical Cooperation Pool Fund</b>				63.73
<b>Total</b>				<b>14,476.27</b>

Some of the major achievements of the projects approved by NPTF within these four clusters are highlighted below. In Cluster 1, regrouping of Maoist Army Combatants (MACs), and cheque handover to MACs opting for Voluntary Retirement and Rehabilitation has been completed, and the office of SCSIRMC was closed on 13<sup>th</sup> April 2013. GoN established an office of the Army Integration Coordinator to complete the ongoing task of integration of 1,460 MACs. Of the 6 Ex-Maoist Army Combatants who accepted the rehabilitation package, five combatants have completed skill based training in a vocational training institute under CTEVT. The remaining ex-MAC has joined a 18 month long technical training.

25,295 Internally Displaced Families have been supported in subsistence, transport, incidentals, education for children, reconstruction and/or maintenance of damaged houses since September 2007. The construction of a rehabilitation centre at BPKIHS is 50% completed.

Altogether, 216 assistive devices (orthoses and prostheses) were delivered and 666 Physiotherapy Sessions provided through NDF to 386 Conflict Affected Disabled People through 7 collaborating partners in all development regions except for the eastern region.

All the hundred planned police units have been reconstructed in the first phase of the Police Unit Reconstruction project. In the second phase, 9 of 93 units have been completed with the remaining 84 under reconstruction. The third phase sees 77 units under reconstruction with bidding in process for the remaining two units.

The Mine Risk Education Programme has been conducted in schools through 27 District Education Offices and Community Education took place in 25 districts.

A total of six projects implementing the National Action Plan on UNSCR 1325 and 1820 are ongoing, with a first phase budget of NPR 365.07 million. The Ministry of Peace and Reconstruction (MoPR) is the main coordinating body for all the projects related to NAP and has disbursed funding to the District Coordination Committee (DCC) for effective coordination at the district level. The Ministry of Home Affairs (MoHA) has trained 54 officials of MoHA, Nepal Police and APF on gender awareness. The Ministry of Federal Affairs and Local Development (MoFALD) has completed 145 orientation programmes for selected representatives of political parties, DDC and VDC against its target of 150 programmes. Training for Conflict Affected Women and Girls (CAWs&Gs) has been initiated in 8 districts by MoI and applications are being received.

The Ministry of Women, Children and Social Welfare (MoWCSW) has trained 2,165 members of community women organizations on UNSCR 1325/1820. A total of 1,362 people have participated in 43 interaction programs organized to encourage networking of district level organizations involved in promoting women rights. The Ministry of Law, Justice, Constituent Assembly and Parliamentary Affairs (MoLJCAPA) published a Legal Education Awareness Booklet and distributed more than 6,000 booklets to the participants of the sensitization programs in fifty districts.

The Election Commission of Nepal (ECN) reported a total of 10,612,699 voters newly registered through the Continuous Voters Registration with Photo Program (CVRPP). So far 43 LPCs have been trained on their roles and responsibilities, while 48 LPCs have received basic office equipment through the District Administration Offices (DAO). Radio Nepal, during its final trimester of the "Peace Promotion through Radio" programme met its initial targets, producing and broadcasting 52 episodes of peace drama, 52 peace debates as held in 17 conflict affected districts, and 52 peace news reports.

A series of meetings (Board, GoN-DG, Technical Committee, Sectoral Cluster, Core Cluster and TC Pool Steering Committee) were held during this reporting period making crucial decisions related to technical appraisal and approval of new projects, discussing progress made by the NPTF, its projects and by the Capacity Development Unit of MoPR, including PFS.

The Scott Wilson Nepal, external monitoring team has completed the third phase of external outcome monitoring and the fourth phase started February 2013. NPTF's Joint Government Donor Monitoring Visit to Baitadi and Darchula districts took place from 3rd March to 9th March 2013.

PFS/NPTF's draft communication strategy was developed by a national consultant and presented to PFS. The monthly NPTF Newsletter is regularly published (5 Editions published this period).

Some IAs have pointed out the constraints caused by the level of participation, attitude and political environment. The Election Commission reported that many eligible voters are living outside the country and cannot be reached through the existing voter registration system. Inaccessible roads in remote areas challenge progress of the Reconstruction of Police Units programme. This programme furthermore faced delays due to frequent strikes and bandhs in different regions. Where risks have been identified, or funding delays have been experienced, IAs have indicated their intentions to adjust project plans to compensate for delays. Most of the risks/challenges and constraints have been discussed and necessary actions are being taken.

# 1 Introduction

Nepal Peace Trust Fund (NPTF) was established in January 2007 as an internationally unique mechanism to support the vision and implementation of the Comprehensive Peace Accord (CPA). The operation of NPTF is an on-budget activity that is financially supported by Government of Nepal (GoN) and eight donors (Denmark, EU, Finland, Germany, Norway, Switzerland, UK and US). The fund is managed by the Peace Fund Secretariat (PFS) of the Ministry of Peace and Reconstruction (MoPR). As a part of good governance, accountability and strong communication, NPTF/PFS prepares four monthly reports in line with the provisions stipulated in the Joint Financing Arrangement (JFA), Program Document (ProDoc) and the Project Management Manual. This report is submitted to the government and donor groups and shared with all relevant stakeholders. This report outlines the progress of NPTF from 16 November, 2012 to 13 March, 2013.

All the projects financed through NPTF are categorized into four clusters namely:

Cluster 1: Cantonment Management and Integration/Rehabilitation of Combatants

Cluster 2: Conflict Affected Persons and Communities

Cluster 3: Security and Transitional Justice

Cluster 4: CA and Peace Building Initiatives at National and Local Levels

The reconstruction of physical infrastructure destroyed during conflict is crosscutting theme.

## 2 The Clusters of the NPTF and its projects

Since the establishment of NPTF in 2007, it has financed a total of 55 projects, as of 13 March 2013. Of these, 25 projects have been completed and 30 projects are ongoing.

Name of the Cluster	Projects completed	Projects ongoing	Total Projects
1. Cantonment Management, Integration/ Rehabilitation of Combatants	16	6	22
2. Conflict Affected Persons and Communities	0	4	4
3. Security and Transitional Justice	0	12	12
4. Constituent Assembly and Peace Building Initiatives at National and Local Levels	9	8	17
Sub-total	25	30	55

### 2.1 Cluster 1: Cantonment Management and Rehabilitation of Combatants

A total of 22 projects are financed by NPTF under this category till this reporting date since the establishment of NPTF, out of which 16 projects have been completed and 6 projects are ongoing. The areas covered by the completed projects were construction and maintenance of the physical infrastructures including access and internal roads, temporary residential buildings, kitchens, drinking water, communication, etc and providing essential services such as health, sanitation, water supply, electricity, alternate source of energy and communication facilities to the Maoist Army Combatants (MACs).

The detailed information about the projects funded by NPTF since 2006 under this cluster is presented on the table below.

Project Code	Title of Project (in order of approval)	Implementing Agency	Start Date	Completion Date	Status
1/01	Cantonment Access Roads	DoR	Dec. 2006	July 2008	Completed
1/02	Roads and Causeways	DoR/ CMCCO	Dec. 2006	July, 2007	Completed
1/03	Physical Infrastructure (houses, containers, etc.)	DUDBC/ CMCCO	March, 2007	Nov 2007	Completed
1/04	Water supply	DWSS/ CMCCO	Apr. 2007	July , 2007	Completed
1/05	Electricity	NEA/ CMCCO	Apr. 2007	July 2007	Completed
1/06	Telephone	NT/ CMCCO	Apr. 2007	July , 2007	Completed
1/07	Basic Needs Fulfilment in Cantonments	CMCCO	April 20, 2007	Nov, 2012	Ongoing*
1/08	Temporary Housing in Cantonments	CMCCO	May, 2007	April 12, 2008	Completed
1/09	Temporary Cantonment Infrastructures	DUDBC	Aug. 2007	May, 2008	Completed
1/10	Cantonment Health Managment Programme (CHMP)	MoHP	Nov. 2007	July 2008	Completed
1/11	Emergency Health Management Programme	MoHP	March, 2008	July 15, 2008	Completed
1/12	CHMP Phase II	MoHP	July, 2008	July 2009	Completed
1/13	CHMP- Extended to all Satellite Cantonments	MoHP	Jan. 2009	December 2009	Completed
1/14	Installation of Toilet attached Biogas and Solar Systems	AEPC	Feb. 2009	March, 2011	Completed
1/15	CHMP Phase-III	MoHP	July. 2009	July, 2010	Completed
1/16	Cantonment Management Project	CMCCO	Nov. 2009	July 2012	Completed
1/17	Water Supply System in Cantonment	DWSS	Dec. 2009	Nov 2012	Ongoing*
1/18	All Weather Access Roads and Bridges	DOR	Dec. 2009	Extension requested till 14 Jan 2014	Ongoing
1/19	CHMP Phase IV	MoHP	July, 2010	July, 2011	Completed
1/20	Establishment of Secretariat of Special Committee/SCSIRMC	Secretariat/SCSI RMC	April, 2011	Aug 2013	Ongoing
1/21	Cantonment Health Management Programme V	MoHP	July, 2011	Aug. 2012	Ongoing*
1/22	Rehabilitation Programme for Maoist Army Combatants	MoPR	May 13, 2012	April, 2014	Ongoing

\* These projects are considered ongoing since the balance amount of the implementing agencies after completion of the projects is in the process of return to NPTF.

Through SCSIRMC, 13,922 combatants who had opted for voluntary retirement have received both the instalments; 1,664 combatants who had initially opted for integration, changed their selection to voluntary retirement and received complete package; remaining 1,460 combatants are ongoing training for integration. After the completion of regrouping, cheque handover to the MACs opting for Voluntary Retirement and



Rehabilitation, the office of SCSIRMC was closed on 13<sup>th</sup> April 2013. GoN established an office of the Army Integration Coordinator to complete the ongoing task of integration of 1,460 MACs. Since it was a continuation of the ongoing rehabilitation and integration process, GoN decided to finance and manage the office of the coordinator from the remaining budget of NPTF. This change calls for a change in existing budget lines without additional budgetary implications.

Of the 6 Ex-Maoist Army Combatants who chose the rehabilitation package, 5 combatants have completed skill based training in a vocational training institute under CTEVT that was hired as the sub-contractee for the execution of this training. While, remaining 1 ex-MAC has joined 18 months long technical training. The construction works of two bridges to the cantonments in Surkhet, namely Jhupra and Chinghad are still ongoing, while other planned activities of this project have been completed.

### Ex Combatants couple initiating small business

An ex-combatant couple from Dalit group are voluntarily retired combatants. During the encampment period, they got married and gave birth to a child. Both have been involved in income generating activity for livelihood, running a small hotel using the fund they received as volunteer retirement package. Now they are happy with their new trade and manage their livelihoods with the income they get from the hotel.

*Source: Outcome monitoring report III-Final (Scott Wilsons Nepal)*



## 2.2 Cluster 2: Conflict Affected Persons and Communities

A total of 4 projects are financed by NPTF under this category till this reporting date since the establishment of NPTF. Current progress shows that all 4 projects are ongoing within this cluster.

The detailed information about the projects under this cluster is presented on the table below.

Project Code	Title of Project (in order of approval)	Implementing Agency	Start Date	Completion Date	Status
2/01	Special Programme on Relief and Rehabilitation of IDPs	MoPR	Sept. 07	July 2013	Ongoing
2/02	Rehabilitation Centre for Conflict Affected Disabled Peoples (BPKIHS)	BPKIHS/MoUD	April, 2011	June, 2013	Ongoing
2/03	Rehabilitation Centre for Conflict Affected (NDF)	NDF	Sept. 2011	July, 2013	Ongoing
2/04	1. Targeted Assistance for Conflict Affected Disabled 2. Women Ex-Combatants Requiring Special Support	MoPR	May 1, 2012	April 30, 2014	Ongoing

25,295 Internally Displaced Families have been supported for subsistence, transport, incidentals, education for children, reconstruction or maintenance of damaged houses since September 2007.

### **IDP relief support helps a family in economic integration**



Manumati Budha (30 yrs) was displaced in BS 2057 (2000) from Pandusen VDC to district headquarters along with her four children and wounded husband. Her husband and father-in-law were assaulted by then insurgent group as they were involved in Maoist Defense Group (Pratihar Samuha). As a result of the torture, he was handicapped and could not work and live normally. Her family received Rs. 60,000 support provided to IDP but has not yet received treatment and recovered lost property. With that relief support, they have started a small tea shop. She manages their living and takes care of her husband and sends their four children to school. Now she is herself a member of Federation of People with Disability as well as a member of LPC. As her family is already settled in district headquarters, she is not keen to go back to their place of origin.

**Source: Outcome monitoring report III-Final (Scott Wilsons Nepal)**

Two projects on establishing rehabilitation centre for conflict affected people, one at BP Koirala Institute of Health Sciences (BPKIHS), Dharan, and another at National Disability Fund (NDF) have been ongoing. The construction of rehabilitation center at BPKIHS has started and about 50% of the works is completed. Roof slab is casted for ground floor of physiotherapy unit, roof slab is casted up to 2nd floor for Orthotics/Prosthetics Unit and Tie Beam completed for Ramp Construction.



Construction work of Orthotics/Prosthetics Unit at BPKIHS.  
**Source: DUDBC**

Altogether, 216 Devices delivered and 666 Physiotherapy Sessions have been provided to 386 Conflict Affected Disabled People through 7 collaborating partners in four development regions (except eastern region) through NDF. It has been a major challenge for this project to reach out to the CADPs listed in the MoPR since they are not available in the addresses listed. Also, since the project does not have provision for travel and accommodation allowance, it is unaffordable for CADPs from remote areas to come to the service centers. The IA has expressed the need to adjust the program to address these challenges and this is under consideration.

## **2.3 Cluster 3: Security and Transitional Justice**

A total of 12 projects are ongoing within this cluster, of which 1 new project was approved during this reporting period. The newly approved project is 'Strengthening the Capacity and Mechanisms of relevant State Institutions to Implement Human Rights Plans and Policies in Nepal' that was proposed by Office of the Prime Minister and Council of Ministers (OPMCM) with a budget of NPR 117,000,000.00.

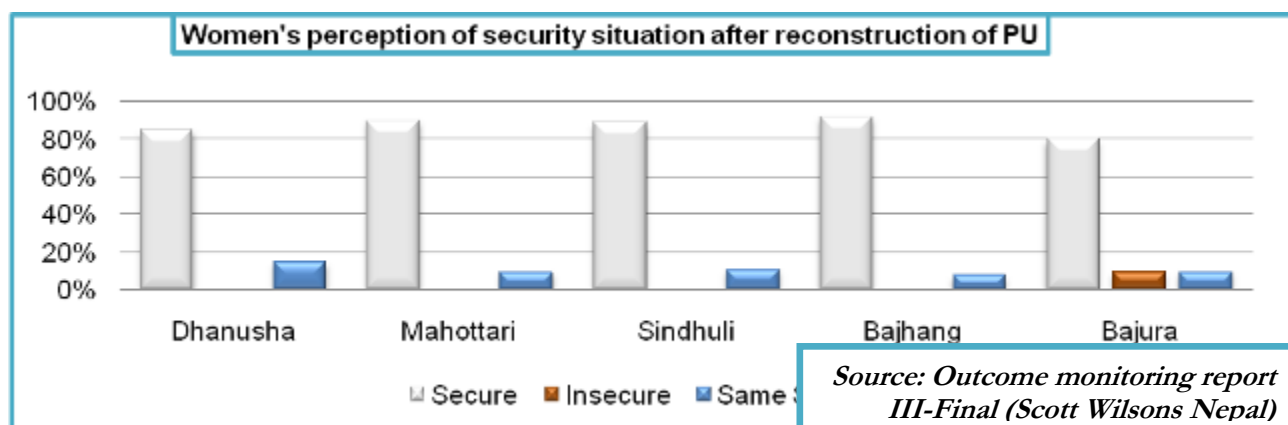
The detailed information about the projects under this cluster is presented on the table below:

<b>Project Code</b>	<b>Title of Project (in order of approval)</b>	<b>Implementing Agencies</b>	<b>Start Date</b>	<b>Completion Date</b>	<b>Status</b>
<b>3/01</b>	Reconstruction of Police Units Phase I	NP	Nov. 09	Dec. 2012	Ongoing*
<b>3/02</b>	Support to Mine Action	MoPR	June, 010	Jan. 2013	Ongoing
<b>3/03</b>	Reconstruction of Police Units Phase II	NP	Sept. 2011	March, 2013	Ongoing
<b>3/04</b>	NAP 1325 and 1820: Promoting Ownership for Women's Empowerment and Recovery	MoPR	July 8, 2012	July 7, 2014	Ongoing
<b>3/05</b>	NAP 1325 and 1820: Partnership on Women Empowerment and Representation	MoWCSW	July, 2012	July, 2014	Ongoing
<b>3/06</b>	NAP 1325 and 1820: Enhancing Access to Justice for Women, Girls and Conflict Affected Peoples	MoLJCPA	July 8, 2012	July 7, 2013	Ongoing
<b>3/07</b>	NAP 1325 and 1820: Prevention, Protection and Recovery Programme	MoHA	July 1, 2012	June 31, 2014	Ongoing
<b>3/08</b>	NAP 1325 and 1820: Enhancing Capacity of Conflict Affected Women and Girls for Employment and Enterprise Development	MoI	July 8, 2012	June 31, 2013	Ongoing
<b>3/09</b>	NAP 1325 and 1820: Sensitizing Local Bodies and Key Stakeholders	MoFALD	July 5, 2012	July 4, 2013	Ongoing
<b>3/10</b>	Capacity Enhancement of NP to Contribute to Peace Process Effectively	NP	May 13, 2012	Aug. 2014	Ongoing
<b>3/11</b>	Police Units Reconstruction Phase III	NP	Aug. 2012	Aug. 2014	Ongoing
<b>3/12</b>	Strengthening the Capacity and Mechanisms of relevant State Institutions to Implement Human Rights Plans and Policies in Nepal	OPMCM	Jan 2013	Dec 2015	Ongoing

\* This project is considered ongoing since the balance amount of the implementing agencies after completion of the projects is in the process of return to NPTE.

In first phase of Police Unit Reconstruction project, out of 100 planned police units, reconstruction is completed for all 100 units. Of the planned 93 units in second phase, reconstruction has completed for 9 units. Reconstruction work is ongoing in remaining units. In the third phase, bids have been awarded for 77 units and the bidding process is ongoing for remaining two units. About 35% of construction works have completed for 6 women barracks with child care centers in the Police Headquarters, National Police Training Academy, and 4 Regional Training Centers. Sensitization programs have been carried out using various mass media to encourage women to join Nepal Police.

The first phase and second phase reconstruction projects have been delayed since some of the police units in remote areas could not be constructed in time since either there were no roads linking them to the market or the roads condition did not allow for transport of construction materials, especially during rainy season. No cost extension has been granted to meet the target.



Mine Risk Education has completed in schools through 27 District Education Offices and community education has taken place in 25 districts.

Total 6 projects on implementation of National Action Plan on UNSCR 1325 and 1820 with a budget of NPR 365.07 million in the first phase are ongoing. Ministry of Peace and Reconstruction (MoPR) is the main coordinating body for all the projects related to NAP and has disbursed funding to the District Coordination Committee (DCC) for effective coordination at the district level. Ministry of Home Affairs (MoHA) has trained 54 officials of MoHA, Nepal Police and APF on gender awareness. The Ministry of Federal Affairs (MoFALD) and Local Development has completed 145 orientation programmes for selected representatives of political parties, DDC and VDC against its target of 150 programmes.

Ministry of Industry (MoI) has conducted orientation program to the office managers of all the 25 project districts. Trainings for Conflict Affected Women and Girls (CAW&Gs) have been initiated in 8 districts and applications are being received. For this, information was disseminated through local newspapers and FMs. MoI is facing challenge due to insufficient applications and has been recommended to coordinate closely with the LPCs and DCCs in the respective districts for wider dissemination of the programs and identification of CAW&Gs in need.

Ministry of Women, Children and Social Welfare (MoWCSW) has trained 2,165 members of community women organization on UNSCR 1325/1820. A total of 1,362 people have participated in 43 interaction programs organized to encourage networking of district level organizations involved in promoting women's rights. IEC materials on promoting women's participation is being disseminated every Friday at 21.30 through Nepal Television and every Wednesday at 08.15 and Thursday at 18.20 through Radio Nepal. 29 interaction programs were held for duty bearers at central level on existing Acts and policies related to women's participation. 927 people have benefited from the services being provided by 15 district service centers.

The Ministry of Law, Justice, Constituent Assembly and Parliamentary Affairs (MoLJCAPA) published Legal Education Awareness Booklet in simpler language dealing with fundamental human rights, woman's rights, children's right, elderly peoples' rights, rights of person with disability and the booklet also shed light on some of the pressings social issues such as traffick-in human being, fraudulent activities in foreign employment, and major provisions of the UNSCR 1325 & 1820. So far, more than 6,000 booklets have been distributed to the participants of the sensitization programs in fifty different districts. In order to conduct the legal awareness program at the grassroots level, the Ministry is coordinating with the local government units (District Development Committee DDC and Village Development Committee VDC) to select one of the VDCs

outside the district headquarters having higher settlement of underprivileged and deprived ethnic communities, and Dalit. While selecting the participants, social and gender inclusion was considered so as to ensure equitable representation of all segments of the VDC Population. So far, this Awareness Programme has been successfully conducted in 50 VDCs in 50 different districts and also in 5 different schools in different villages.

## 2.4 Cluster 4: CA and Peace Building Initiatives at National and Local Levels

17 projects have been funded so far within this cluster, of which 9 projects are completed and 8 projects are ongoing. One additional project on “Support To Elections Project” (STEP) was approved by the Board during this reporting period, whereas another project ‘Mobile Service Program for Citizenship Certificate Distribution’ was delegated for approval by the Board to the Technical Committee meeting. STEP project document is subject to revision based on the scenario that develops for election and submission for approval to the Technical Committee, following an appraisal in Sectoral Cluster. Two projects have completed in this reporting period, viz. Continued Voter Registration with Photograph Programme(CVRPP) Phase II” and “Peace Promotion through Radio”.

The detailed information about the projects under this cluster is presented on the table below:

Project Code	Title of Project (in order of approval)	Implementing Agencies	Start Date	Completion Date	Status
4/01	Voter Education	ECN	July, 2007	Jan. 2008	Completed
4/02	Election Officials and Employees Training	ECN	Sept. 2007	Dec. 2007	Completed
4/03	Voter Education Programme for the CA Election	ECN	Feb. 2008	March, 2008	Completed
4/04	Election Commission Capacity Building	ECN	Feb. 2008	May, 2008	Completed
4/05	Deployment of Polling Officers	ECN	March, 2008	July, 2008	Completed
4/06	Administrative Budget of the Secretariat	PFS	July, 2008	July 2009	Completed
4/07	Public Consultation for Constitution Making Phase I	CAS	Dec. 2008	March 23, 2009	Completed
4/08	Constituent Assembly By-Election - 2009	ECN	Feb. 2009	April 2009	Completed
4/09	Efficient Management of Electoral Process	ECN	Oct. 2009	Dec 2011	Completed
4/10	Operational Budget of the PFS	PFS	Dec. 09	Dec, 2013	Ongoing
4/11	Institutional and Organizational Support to NPTF	PFS	Dec. 1, 09	Dec, 2013	Ongoing
4/12	Strengthening Local Peace Committees	MoPR	June, 2011	July, 2013	Ongoing
4/13	Dialogue on Indigenous Nationalities Rights	NFDIN	Jan, 2011	May 2013	Ongoing
4/14	Continued Voter Registration with Photograph Programme Phase II	ECN	July, 2011	Nov. 2012	Completed
4/15	Peace Promotion through Radio	Radio Nepal	Jan. 1, 2012	Feb 2013	Ongoing*



Project Code	Title of Project (in order of approval)	Implementing Agencies	Start Date	Completion Date	Status
4/16	Peace Campaign for Solidarity and Unity	MoPR	July 1, 2012	June 30, 2013	Ongoing
4/17	Support to Elections Project (STEPS)	EC	Jan 1, 2013	December 30, 2013	Ongoing

\* This project is considered ongoing since the balance amount of the implementing agency after completion of the projects is in the process of return to NPTF.

Through “Strengthening Local Peace Committee” projects under Ministry of Peace and Reconstruction, inventory of office equipments and furniture are in place in all 75 districts and 48 DAOs, ensuring that the offices have basic equipments to function effectively. Web based information receiving and sending template has been established for LPC Secretary monthly reporting. Furthermore, 6 additional LPCs have been oriented on their roles and responsibilities this reporting period, resulting in 43 LPCs being trained so far.

Election Commission Nepal reported that a total of 10,612,699 voters have been registered through Continuous Voters Registration with Photograph Program (CVRPP), of which 5,176,150 were male, 5,436,441 were female and 108 were third gender. The voters list was published, distributed, verified and integrated in all 75 districts. 160 interaction programs were done with relevant stakeholders and mock election was held in all the 75 districts. Voter education and outreach program was done extensively through 1 TV PSA and one radio PSA in Nepali language; 17 radio PSA in 17 different languages, broadcast through 75 local FM radios, electoral information in 75 local newspapers, 16 hoarding boards and dissemination of voters registration materials in 74 districts. 502 voters registration related trainings were conducted in all 75 districts. Similarly, election management training was provided for 25 master trainers and 1,630 trainers who were government officials, teachers and others. The project faced some opposition from Terai based groups, ethnic groups, political parties and their sister organizations to some extent for which ECN continued to interact and negotiate with them successfully. One of the major lessons that was learned while implementing this project was that a joint team from District Administration Office (DAO) and DEO during a mobile camp is much helpful to issue voter registration certificate to people who do not have citizenship certificate.

The “Support to Election Project” (STEP) that was approved in this trimester only has been able to progress much on its targeted activities by printing and verifying 10.89 million voter’s registration. Missed/new voter registration is going on in 2415 VDCs and wards of municipalities, 75 DAO&12 AAO, 75 DEOs and Data integration and transfer is going on in 75 districts and the center. Voter and electoral education has started through various audio, visual and print media and stalls and fairs. 270 officials have received IT/GIS and BRIDGE training, 4800 Local Electoral Education Developer (LEED) one in each VDC and ward of municipalities have been selected, 699 election Staff have received rank based computer literacy campaign and training.

#### **Status of CA election preparation by ECN:**

1. CA election ordinance 2070 drafted and proposed for approval
2. Amendment of Voter Registration Regulation 2068
3. First amendment of the Regulation on Registration of political parties (for election purpose) 2063 and implemented
4. Drafted ordinance for the amendment of elections related Acts 2070
5. Proposal for arrangement of election related materials (negotiating with Government of Japan, China etc.)

6. Proposal submitted at NPTF for the fund for election scenario ( about NRs 2.66 billion)
7. UNDP/Electoral Support Project's resource and IFES resources are being mainstreamed for the CA election 2070.

Radio Nepal, in its last trimester of the project on “Peace Promotion through Radio” has met its initial targets and produced and broadcasted 52 episodes each of peace drama, peace debates from 17 conflict affected districts, and peace report. Similarly, it has produced and broadcasted 4 Public Service Announcements (PSAs) and two songs. 2000 brochures and 12000 stickers were printed to widely disseminate the information about the project activities.



“Peace Debate” programme organized by Radio Nepal as a part of peace promotion activities in Kailali district. **Source: Radio Nepal**

The project on “Peace Building through Dialogue on Indigenous Nationalities Rights”, being implemented by NEFDIN has completed its plan of conducting 30 peace rallies, 10 district level peace building workshops, 25 district level round table dialogues, and 4 types of awareness raising materials. A few of the other activities like street drama, bilateral dialogue program, PBNC training and orientation, multilateral dialogue program and final evolution are continuing and will be completed before the closing of project in the next trimester. Limited resource allocated to strengthening Peace Building Network Committee (PBNC) was found as a major challenge in this project that had weakened the roles of PBNCs in peace promotion. Based on recommendations made to orient them and strengthen them further, PBNCs were oriented and supported to conduct the district level bilateral dialogue programs.



NEFDIN and PBNC. **Source: NEFDIN**

### 3 NPTF Project Budget

This section presents some overall information about the source of NPTF budget (i.e. commitments by individual donors), how it is allocated to projects and the projected future cash needs (i.e. forecast budget requirement).

The table presented below represents the cluster-wise NPTF Financial Progress for the corresponding projects (as of 13 March, 2013):

**Cluster-wise Program Financial Progress Report Covering the period 15 November 2012 to 13 March 2013 (Figures in Million (NRs.))**

Name of the Cluster	Approved Budget	Total Fund Released	Total Expenditure	Fund Returned	Total Fund Balance with IAs	Accumulated Expenditure/ Approved Budget %
1. Cantonment Management, Integration/ Rehabilitation of Combatants	5,539.87	5,381.31	5,225.44	49.68	106.19	94.32
2. Conflict Affected Persons and Communities	1,064.83	1,054.23	369.43	-	684.80	34.69
3. Security and Transitional Justice	3,704.78	3,649.49	1,908.91	-	1,740.58	51.53
4. Constituent Assembly and Peace Building Initiatives at National and Local Levels	4,103.06	2,866.86	2,210.64	-	656.21	53.88
<b>Sub-total</b>	<b>14,412.54</b>	<b>12,951.89</b>	<b>9,714.42</b>	<b>49.68</b>	<b>3,187.79</b>	<b>67.40</b>
Technical Cooperation Pool Fund	63.73	46.17	28.55	-	17.62	44.80
<b>Total</b>	<b>14,476.27</b>	<b>12,998.06</b>	<b>9,742.97</b>	<b>49.68</b>	<b>3,205.41</b>	<b>67.30</b>

The table below shows how much money is available to fund pending projects and the amount of shortfall that needs to be covered by additional future contributions:

Projected Cash Flow Shortfall in NPTF as at 13 March, 2013						
Figures in Millions						
Donors	FCA Balance as at 13 March, 2013 in NPR a	Individual Account Balance as at 13 March, 2013 in NPR b	Non-freeze Account Balance as at 13 March, 2013 in NPR c	Balance of Fund as at 13 March, 2013 in NPR d=a+b+c	Total committed fund in NPR e	Total uncommitted Fund as at 13 March, 2013 in NPR f=d-e
Denmark	164.21	0.00	0.00	164.21	100.00	64.21
DFID	513.96	40.96	5.32	560.24	0.00	560.24
European Union	836.46	0.00	0.00	836.46	120.00	716.46
Germany	66.26	28.27	0.00	94.53	0.00	94.53
Finland	93.24	0.00	1.43	94.67	0.00	94.67
Norway	296.31	0.00	0.00	296.31	274.86	21.45
Switzerland	318.12	0.00	0.00	318.12	250.00	68.12
USAID	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total Balance	2,288.56	69.23	6.75	2,364.54	744.86	1,619.68
Add: Remaining GoN Budget available for 2012/13						648.20
Less: Project Expenses in Pipelines			In Appraisal Phase*			4,547.13
			Submitted to Sectoral Cluster*			739.73
Projected Cash Flow Shortfall in NPTF as at 13 March, 2013						-3,018.98

\*The list of projects in appraisal phase and in sectoral cluster are given in Annex 4.

Note: Committed fund means fund already disbursed but has not taken out from FCA by FCGO

## 4 Progress at Fund Level



The following meetings were held during this reporting period for making crucial decisions related to technical appraisal and approval of new projects, discussion on progress of the fund and the projects and capacity development of MoPR, including PFS.

#### **4.1 Board Meeting**

14<sup>th</sup> NPTF Board Meeting was held on 19 December 2012 at the MoPR where NPTF and UN Peace Fund reported on the progresses made since last Board Meeting. The following decisions were taken with regard to the projects tabled by NPTF:

1. The project on 'Support to Elections Project 2012/13' is approved as recommended by the Technical Committee as follows:
  - In the event of scenario 1 being applicable, the ECN shall prepare a detailed budget along with activities under outputs 3-6 limiting to NPR. 2,929,309,979.00 and submit the revised Project Document to the PFS for review by the Sectoral Cluster.
  - The authority is delegated to the Technical Committee to approve the revised Project Document based on the recommendations of the Sectoral cluster (scenario 1). The decision of the Technical Committee will be forwarded to the members of the Board and participants for information.
  - In the event of scenario 2 being applicable, the Project Document is approved to implement the outputs 1-3 with a total budget of NPR. 491,260,000.00.
2. The project on 'Strengthening the Capacity and Mechanisms of relevant State Institutions to Implement Human Rights Plans and Policies in Nepal' with the budget of NPR 117,000,000.00 is approved as recommended by the Technical committee.
3. The Board delegates authority to the NPTF Technical Committee to approve a project on citizenship certificate distribution. The project document follows the NPTF Sectoral Cluster appraisal process. The Ministry of Home Affairs (MoHA) will be the implementing agency for this initiative. The MoHA will at the earliest send a project document to PFS.

#### **4.2 Government – Donor Group (GON-DG) meetings**

During this period, two of these meetings were held: 20<sup>th</sup> meeting on 3 December, 2012 and 21<sup>st</sup> meeting on 22 February 2013. The meetings discussed on crucial coordination topics such as Donor's new pledges, National election, status of the Maoist integration to Nepal Army, status of NPTF funds, briefing on pilot initiative for Non State Actors, response to audit observations and status of NPTF review and PFM inception report recommendations. Progresses of NPTF, EPSP, UNPFN and TC-Pool were discussed and reviewed.

*(The detailed meeting decisions are given in Annex 1)*

#### **4.3 Core Cluster Meetings**

2 core cluster meetings were held during this period on 14<sup>th</sup> December 2012 and on 5<sup>th</sup> February 2013; and these meetings were encoded as the meeting no. 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> respectively. The meetings reviewed and updated the pipeline of the projects, which are listed in the 19<sup>th</sup> Core Cluster meeting minutes in Annex 2.

The 18<sup>th</sup> meeting reviewed and approved the following concept note:

- Concept note submitted by Radio Nepal entitle "Peace Promotion Through Radio- Phase 2"

The major decisions made by the 19<sup>th</sup> meeting are as follows:

- 1) Youth Employment Solution (YES) Project- Youth for Peace (MoLE) Cluster 2 - concept note to be revised following the core cluster comments.
- 2) Strengthening of Nepal Police to implement UNSCR 1325 and 1820 for Contributing in Peace Process (Nepal Police) Cluster 3- Concept note approved for prodoc development
- 3) Coexistence and Socioeconomic Reconstruction through Television Campaign (NTV) Cluster 4- Concept Note approved for prodoc development

#### **4.4 Sectoral Cluster Meetings**

Three meetings of Sectoral Cluster 3 and one meeting of Sectoral Cluster 4 were held on 29 and 30 Nov to review following project documents (ProDocs) submitted by respective implementing agencies to **Nepal Peace Trust Fund**.

##### Cluster 3

1. Ministry of Education's ProDoc on "Rehabilitation and Reintegration of Children Affected by Armed Conflict (CAAC) through Education Support"
2. Ministry of Women, Children and Social Welfare and Central Child Welfare Board's ProDoc on "Rehabilitation and Reintegration of CAAC"

##### Cluster 4

1. Election Commission Nepal's ProDoc on "Support to Election Project"

Review of proposals submitted to the **United Nations Peace Fund for Nepal (UNPFN)** for funding has begun in the concerned Sectoral Cluster of the NPTF. The process has further strengthened the complementarity between the two funds, NPTF and UNPFN. The following first seven projects of the respective implementing agencies were appraised during 15-17 January 2013.

##### Cluster 2:

1. IOM: Technical assistance to MoPR in the implementation of psycho-social counseling and support services to conflict affected persons

##### Cluster 3:

1. UNDP & UN Women: Strengthening Rule of Law and Human Rights
2. UNESCO: Increasing the safety of journalists and reinforcing the rule of law for prosecuting violence against them
3. UNICEF: Integration and rehabilitation of children affected by armed conflict

##### Cluster 4:

1. UNDP & UN Women: Building Peace in Nepal: Ensuring participatory and secure transition
2. UNESCO: Planning effective delivery of education for fostering in a future federal state
3. IOM, UNDP & UN Habitat: Catalytic support to Land Issues

## **5 Technical Cooperation (TC) Pool**

USAID joined as the fourth partner to the TC pool following GIZ, DEN and EU. A MoU was signed by Secretary, MoPR and US Ambassador followed by signing of the JFA by USAID Director in December 2012 paving the way to extend support of US Government to NPTF and the TC Pool.

A team of international and national consultants completed the first external review of the TC Pool's performances for the last 20 months and submitted their draft report in February 2013.

The final report of earlier phase of external monitoring of NPTF financed projects has been received. Similarly, the external firm, Scott Wilson Nepal has been hired from the market to carryout 15 months-long outcome monitoring of NPTF starting 07 Feb 2013 till 30 Apr 2013.

The Steering Committee (SC) gave a go ahead to carry out a pilot initiative under 'Peace Fund for Non-Government Actors (NGA)'. The concept notes, list of potential national NGAs, criteria for screening and selection and related procedures have been approved. Around 6-10 NGAs will be selected for 1-yr with maximum of NPR 10 million/project to work within four clusters of NPTF. GIZ has been appointed as the Administrative Agent for this pilot initiative. Potential contributors to this initiative will be GIZ, DEN, USAID and Switzerland.

ToRs for vertical monitoring of selected NPTF projects, preparation of project completion reports of NPTF financed projects and assessing feasibility of establishing a comprehensive database on CAPs receiving support from different sources have been approved by the SC. The hiring of consultants for these purposes is in progress, which will be facilitated and financed by GIZ under track 2.

In the areas of implementing MoPR's CD Strategy and CD Action Plan, a report on Training Needs Assessment for the MoPR employees has been received. A training programme of MoPR is also being developed on its base.

In order to coordinate with other ongoing MoPR's CD related activities and also harness support in the strategic directions, the CDU and Senior Management Group will be having joint meetings in the MoPR regularly. The first meeting was held 06 March 2013.

Altogether 49 MoPR officials received inductions in 3 different groups during Nov and Dec, 2012 and Feb 2013. Similarly, 40 MoPR officials have completed national exposure visit to 6 districts in 3 groups in Dec, 2012 and Jan and Feb, 2013. During this period, 10 MoPR officials had visited Thailand and Cambodia and 38 officials, in two groups, went to Thailand and Laos under the international exposure programme of the CDU.

## **6 Monitoring and Evaluation**

### **6.1 External Outcome Monitoring**

The external monitoring team from Scott Wilsons Nepal has completed third phase of external outcome monitoring, along with social audits of police units and LPCs and IDPs in 5 districts and submitted its final report in January 2013. Consecutively, they have started the fourth phase of outcome monitoring and social in new districts where NPTF projects are being implemented since February.

The monitoring report highlights some impressive outcomes of NPTF projects, points out certain drawbacks in the implementation of the projects and recommends actions for improvements. Along with the recommendations for MoPR at policy level and implementing agencies at the implementation level, following have been suggested for NPTF:

- NPTF should continue supporting MoPR in strengthening capacity of LPC with particular focus on the following:
  - Strengthen communication system and improve circulation
  - Provide orientation on roles and responsibilities of LPCs to support internalization of their role in peace building rather than being limited to CAP issues.
  - Organize region-wise frequent meetings for experience sharing of LPCs from various districts.
- It is important that NPTF encourages IAs to adopt special measures to increase the participation of disadvantaged group and remote area residents.

- NPTF is suggested to approve more projects for socially excluded and marginalized groups. This could be projects that allow participation of diverse group of people including youth and marginal groups with focus on involving them in dispute settlement and reconciliation rather than just confining in promotional activities.

## 6.2 Joint Monitoring Visit

NPTF's Joint Government Donor Monitoring Visit to Baitadi and Darchula districts took place from 3rd March to 9th March 2013. Five projects, located within NPTF clusters (3 Security and Transitional Justice; and 4 Elections, CA and Peace Building Initiatives at National and Local Levels), were visited during the monitoring mission: (1) Reconstruction of the Police Units - Phase I (3/01); (2) Reconstruction of the Police Units Phase II (3/03); (3) NAP 1325 and 1820: Partnership on Women Empowerment and Representation (3/05 and other NAP projects also relevant); (4) Strengthening Local Peace Committees (4/12); and (5) Continued Voter Registration Programme Phase II (4/14). In total, ten meetings with various stakeholders were scheduled for this purpose. Some of the main observations and recommendations include:-

- Reoccurring problems relating to the project on Police Unit reconstruction tended to focus around lack of continuity with staff transfers, as well as lack of proper monitoring of contractors and sub-contractors. In solving the latter problem in phases II and III, an alternative monitoring mechanism is needed. Monitoring needs to be more frequent and civil engineers need to be included in any monitoring/technical assistance team. Site determination and follow-up need a greater deal of addressing to not reproduce mistakes from Phase I.
- Knowledge of NAP and UN resolutions 1325 and 1820 was largely lacking in relevant institutions. The Ministry needs to set dates for training and orientation of WDOs for the near future, so that they may commence relevant activities.
- Further funding to programmes complementing NAP focusing on capacity/skill building amongst women to strengthen women's economic status in the community was requested and should be looked into.
- Investigations into discrimination in relief disbursements based on party affiliation should be prompted. Victim registries need updating and downward communication from the Ministry of Peace and Reconstruction should be improved. The suggestion to introduce a longer serving coordinator at LPCs not affiliated with any political party should be explored.
- More training for District Election Office staff for operating electronic voting machines is needed.



Joint monitoring team visits Women Development Office (left) and District Election Office (right) in Darchula district. Source: Peace Fund Secretariat

### **6.3 Perception Survey**

The Annual Perception Survey was conducted in February/March for the fourth time since 2010. As in previous years, representatives from three NPTF stakeholder groups, namely the MoPR, the group of Implementing Agencies as well as the group of 8 NPTF donors were asked for their assessment of NPTF's performance, contribution to the peace process and future perspectives.

By and large, the results provide a very positive feedback to the PFS. With regards to its overall performance to administer the NPTF professionally, 20 out of the 24 respondents feel that the NPTF is doing 'well', 2 assess it as "brilliantly" with only 2 stating "fairly".

When asked what level of change they observe as compared to the previous year, 22 respondents see positive change, with 12 observing "marginal" and 9 respondents even seeing "substantial improvements". Only 2 respondents see "no change", no one observes "deterioration". It can be safely assumed that this very positive overall assessment is largely due to the sincere efforts of the PFS finance management group and its Technical Advisors to improve its procedures, train its staff, develop safeguards for fiduciary risks and improve financial reporting in line with the Joint Financing Agreement.

The results of the Perception Survey 2013 have already fed into the "Review of the TC-Pool" in March as well as the NPTF Annual Priority Setting Workshop in May. The detailed results of the survey along with an interpretation of changes over the last four years is under preparation and will be made available on the NPTF website.

## **7 Communications**

PFS/NPTF's draft communication strategy was developed by a national consultant and presented to PFS. Monthly Newsletter of the PFS is regularly published (5 Editions published in between this period). Website is regularly updated. The website offers important information on news, reports, strategic documents, gallery of photographs of NPTF activities and more importantly, a link to YouTube videos of interviews with NPTF related government officials, donors and beneficiaries. Press statement is regularly released after every Board Meeting of the NPTF. Every event of the PFS was regularly visually documented through still pictures. It was also initiated to communicate to the Implementing Agencies of the PFS funded projects to improve internal communication between NPTF stakeholders.

## **8 Public Financial Management (PFM)**

The PFM intervention at the PFS made progress in collating, compiling and presentation of the financial data. PFS will continue working to improve the budgeting and monthly financial reporting of the Implementing Agencies.

# Annexes

**Annex 1:** Government – Donor Group Meeting Decisions

**Annex 2:** Core Cluster Meeting Minutes

**Annex 3:** Completed Projects Funded by NPTF

**Annex 4:** List of projects in pipeline

## **Annex 1: Government – Donor Group Meeting Minutes**

Meeting No: 20

Day/Date: Monday, 03 December 2012 (18 Mangsir 2069)

### **Summary of conclusions**

1. Donor's new pledges to the NPTF and TC Pool shall be around NPR 2.2 million, which may increase or decrease depending upon holding of the upcoming election.
2. NPTF Board shall be updated on the progresses made by PFS on the NPTF Action Plan (external review recommendations). This updated table will be sent to the Donor Group as soon as possible.
3. PFS shall immediately make a request to Denmark to disburse NOK 8 million to the NPTF.
4. PFS will request a release of funds from the FCA immediately after the Board meeting.
5. A status report on LPCs will be provided to the next GoN-DG meeting.
6. The MoPR will circulate to all its written response to NOR letter regarding the progress in addressing the issue of sexual violence and against women and girls.

Meeting No: 21

Day/Date : Friday, 22 Feb (11 Falgun) extended to Wednesday, 27 Feb 2013 (16 Falgun 2069)

### **Summary of conclusions**

- 1 On upcoming elections to the Constituent Assembly:
  - NPTF shall prioritize and work intensively supporting upcoming elections. Thus, NPTF financing to other projects in pipeline may also be differed as required.
  - An internal meeting shall be organized immediately after the announcement of dates of elections to discuss on the implementation of NPTF approved Election Commission's project and management of funds that are required for the elections.
  - NPTF should make attempts taking lead in coordinating other donor supports channeled to the ECN for elections purposes.
  - The citizenship certificate distribution project shall be coordinated with MoHA and fast tracked for approval.
- 2 A meeting shall be organized involving DG Secretariat to review and recommend further actions to resolve impending issues highlighted by external monitoring report of the NPTF and redesigning of the project on CAPwD as appropriate.
- 3 MoPR/PFS shall collaborate with MoF to resolve the complexities regarding provisions of the donor funds and expenditures to NPTF in the Red Book.
- 4 MoPR should coordinate with MoGA and ensure retention of its trained staff.
- 5 MoPR should concentrate on speedy implementation of the NPTF financed project on LPCs during the remaining period to significantly improve from the present level of only 10% progress.
- 6 PFS furnishes an updated version of the Annual Work Plan showing progresses in implementation of each activities linked with recommendations of the NPTF Review and the PFM.
- 7 DG Secretariat furnishes written responses to the follow up action plan submitted by the PFS on audit observations on NPTF.
- 8 The pilot initiative to involve NSAs in NPTF/TC Pool related functions should be expedited.
- 9 The final report of the NPTF perception survey shall be presented to the next GoN-DG meeting.

## Annex 2: Core Cluster Meeting Minutes

Date: 07.11.2012

Meeting No.: 17

### Status of NPTF Project Pipeline

#### Cluster 1: Cantonment Management and Integration/Rehabilitation of Combatants

No	Proposed Title of Project	Potential Applicant	Tentative Budget (NPRmn)	Status	Agreements Core Cluster, 07.11.2012
1.	Utilization of vacated cantonments.	MoPR	TBD	Project Idea	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>OPMCM is in consultation with concerned agencies to finalize the utilization of the vacated cantonments.</li> <li>MoPR is following up with OPMCM regarding utilization of the vacated cantonments.</li> </ul>

#### Cluster 2: Conflict Affected Persons and Communities

No	Title of Project	Potential Applicant	Tentative Budget (mn)	Status	Agreements Core Cluster, 07.11.2012
1	Employment and Income generation program for CAPs - Youth for Peace	MOYS	260	3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>On hold until MoYS takes initiative to submit the proposal.</li> <li>A concept note of similar project (Youth Employment Solution- YES) by MoLE discussed in this Core Cluster.</li> </ul>
2	Reparation Fund, Truth & Reconciliation Commission, Commission on Disappeared Persons	TRC/CoDP	tbd	1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Keep on hold till TRC/CoDP is established</li> </ul>
3	National Rehabilitation Program for CAPs and combatants, living with disabilities	MOPR, jointly with MOHP, MOWCSW,	tbd later	Project Idea	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Strategy is being developed by MoWCSW, MoPR to provide comments on draft strategy</li> </ul>
4	Development of policies/ programs for excluded categories (Victims of Torture and Victims of Sexual Violence) of CAP	Legal Division, MOPR in collaboration with UN	3-5	Project Idea	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>MoPR to initiate development of policy to support victims of torture and SV</li> <li>UNFPA and UNICEF: have prepared draft concept note for a potential GoN SV project; finalizing SV project analysis for use in advocacy.</li> <li>Approach TC Pool for the development of policy</li> </ul>
5	Establish CAP ID card system	MOPR RRU	80	Project Idea	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>On hold till the ID card distribution guidelines are approved.</li> </ul>



6	Psychosocial services including trauma healing for CAP	MoPR, MoHP	TBD	Project Idea	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Guidelines drafted by EPSP for approval by the MoPR and MoPR has asked for comments and suggestions from relevant ministries.</li> <li>IOM interested to provide technical support through UNPFN.</li> </ul>
7	Awareness campaign about right and obligation for Handicaps and authorities at local level (LPCs, NGOs, Local Level authorities)	National Disabled Fund, BPKHIS/N FDN	TBD	Project Idea	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>On hold till the national rehabilitation strategy drafted by MoWCSW is approved</li> </ul>
8	Youth Employment Solution (YES) Project- Youth for Peace	MoLE	55.69	2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Concept Note discussed</li> <li>Comments to be provided</li> <li>Project concept to be revised following the Core cluster comments.</li> </ul>

### Cluster 3: Security and Transitional Justice

No	Title of Project	Potential Applicant	Tentative Budget (mn)	Status	Agreements Core Cluster, 07.11.2012
1	Implementation of NAP	MoD	8.19	3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Draft prodoc from MoD and NWC received and commented by PFS</li> <li>PFS follow-up with MoA and MoHP on the draft that has already been prepared.</li> </ul>
1a	for UNSCR 1325 and	MoA		3	
1b	1820	MoHP		3	
1c	(Women, Peace and Security)	NWC	17.592	3	
2	Empowering Conflict Affected Women and Girls Through Literacy and Livelihood skills	Min of Education, NFEC	84.080	3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>This project has been shifted here from cluster 3.</li> <li>Project document received. Sectoral Cluster to be planned.</li> </ul>
3	Support to Establishment of Commission on Truth, Reconciliation & Enforced Disappeared Persons	Legal Division, MoPR	tbd	4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Keep on hold until commissions are established</li> </ul>
4a	Implementation of NAP	MoPR		3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Sectoral cluster reviewed the prodoc received from MoE and MoWCSW and requested for further updating of the proposal. PFS awaiting update proposal.</li> <li>PFS to follow-up with MoI to finalize the draft prodoc available with them and sent to PFS</li> <li>Other Project documents being developed (with support from UNICEF) and expected to be submitted to PFS by end January 2013</li> </ul>
4b	for UNSCR 1325 and	MoWCSW/CCWB	382.51	5	
4c	1820	MoE	214.60	5	
4d	(Women, Peace and	MoHP		3	
4e	Security)	MoI		3	
5	Access to Justice	Nepal Police, Nepal Bar Association, Supreme Court, Attorney General	TBD	Project Idea	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>MoPR/UN RCHCO to organize a roundtable / workshop involving NP, NBA, SC AG, NSAs, UN and donors to develop project ideas for potential submission</li> </ul>
6	National Human Rights	OPMCM, NHRC	117	7	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Project Document approved by the</li> </ul>

	Action Plan				Board of 19 <sup>th</sup> December 2012
7	Strengthening Policing as complementary to Reconstruction of Police Posts. (such as trainings on gender sensitivity, conflict sensitivity, human rights issues, strengthening the women and children cell of NP)	Nepal Police	TBD	Project Idea	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>PFS do follow-up with Nepal Police for a concept note.</li> </ul>
8	Strengthening of Nepal Police to implement UNSCR 1325 and 1820 for Contributing in Peace Process	Nepal Police	250	3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Concept note approved.</li> <li>Comments to be provided to Nepal Police.</li> <li>Project Document to be prepared by Nepal Police.</li> </ul>

#### Cluster 4: CA and Peace Building Initiatives on National and Local Levels

No	Title of Project	Potential Applicant	Tentative Budget (mn)	Status	Agreements Core Cluster, 05.02.2013
1	Support to EC to prepare and hold elections	Election Commission	3,420.56	7	Approved by the board of 19 <sup>th</sup> December, 2012.
2	Support to land reform (Scoping of technical and legal requirements for future land reform programmes)	Ministry of Land Reform, MoPR MoLJ, UN, MoLD, MoHA	TBD	1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>FAO and UN-HABITAT currently consulting MoLR and MoPR to project concepts</li> </ul>
3	Confidence Building of corporate/entrepreneur sector in peace process.	TBD		Project Idea	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Potential projects to be dealt under NSA pilot initiative.</li> </ul>
4	Mobilize civil society for peace building, rehabilitation of CAP, psychosocial counseling, social mobilization, reparation.	TBD	TBD	Project Idea	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Potential projects to be dealt under NSA pilot initiative.</li> </ul>
5	Rapid Support to local peace building	LPCs, NGOs, DAOs	TBD	Project Idea	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Cluster Convener 4 organizes meeting with UNPFN to explore potential project concepts.</li> <li>PFS to follow up.</li> </ul>
6	Peace Promotion campaign through media mobilization	RN	100	3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Concept note approved with comments.</li> <li>Radio Nepal requested to take into account the findings of mid-term external monitoring report while developing a project document for the second phase.</li> </ul>
7	Peace Building for reconciliation, Coexistence and Socioeconomic Reconstruction through Television Campaign.	NTV	120	3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Concept note approved</li> <li>Comments to be provided to NTV</li> <li>Project document to be prepared by NTV</li> </ul>

### Annex 3: Completed Projects Funded by NPTF

Projects	Total Project cost	NPTF Approved	Disbursed to IA	Expenses
1/01: Cantonment Access Roads	502.64	355.84	355.84	309.51
Basic Infrastructure including:	353.78	175.26	175.26	174.27
1/02: Roads and Causeways				
1/03: Physical Infrastructure (Houses and Containers)				
1/04: Water Supply				
1/05: Electricity				
1/06: Telephone				
1/08: Temporary Housing	106.00	106.00	106.00	106.00
1/09: Temporary Cantonment Infrastructure	138.26	138.26	138.26	144.44
1/10: Cantonment Health Management Programme (CHMP)	53.35	53.35	46.43	48.22
1/11 Emergency Health Management Program	3.50	3.50	3.50	3.50
1/12: CHMP Phase II	59.56	59.56	59.56	59.56
1/13: CHMP-Extended to all Satellite Cantonment Areas	28.25	28.25	28.25	28.25
1/14: Installation of Toilet Attached Biogas and Solar Systems in the Cantonments	25.42	25.42	25.42	25.33
1/15: CHMP Phase-III	83.79	83.79	83.79	79.75
1/16 Cantonment Management Project	101.12	101.12	10.70	10.70
1/19: CHMP IV	108.00	108.00	108.00	97.97
4/01: Voter Education	160.53	153.42	121.06	81.11
4/02: Election Officials and Employees Training	250.99	250.99	118.86	5.07
4/03: Voter Education Program for the CA election	219.21	219.21	39.95	167.65
4/04: Capacity Development of Election Officials	241.87	241.87	113.80	128.22
4/05: Deployment of Polling Officials on CA Election Day	1250.64	1250.64	1250.64	884.13
4/06: Administrative Budget of the Secretariat	1.88	1.88	1.24	1.10
4/07: Public Consultation for Constitution Making Phase I	300.78	300.78	300.78	116.11
4/08: Constituent Assembly by-Election- 2009	38.91	38.91	38.91	28.57
4/09: Efficient Management of Electoral Process	2725.45	380.00	380.00	197.30
<b>Total</b>	<b>6,652.81</b>	<b>3,974.97</b>	<b>3,495.55</b>	<b>2,686.06</b>

**Annex 4: List of Pipeline Projects**

A	In appraisal phase	Figures in NPR
1.	Strengthening Nepal Police to implement UNSCR 1325 and 1820 for contributing in peace process/NP	249,669,992.00
2.	Support to Election Project: Election Scenario 1/ECN	4,297,467,017.00
	<b>Sub Total (appraisal phase)</b>	<b>4,547,137,009.00</b>
B	At Sectoral Cluster and above	
1	Promoting Women's Participation in Peace-building Process and Economic Opportunities/MoD	138,388,694.00
2.	Empowering Conflict Affected Women and Girls Through Literacy and Livelihood skills/MoE	84,080,000.00
3.	Economic empowerment of conflict affected women and Girls through livestock-based Enterprises/MoA	154,459,000.00
4.	Enhancing Livelihood of Conflict affected Women and girls through Agro-based Enterprises/MoA	141,256,000.00
5.	Promoting Equal Participation of Women and Girls in Peace-Building Process/NWC	19,500,000.00
6.	Peace Building for Reconciliation, Coexistence and Socioeconomic Reconstruction through Television Campaign/NTV	120,027,000.00
7.	Peace Promotion through Radio- Phase II/RN	82,023,100 .00
	<b>Sub Total (sectoral cluster + above)</b>	<b>739,733,794.00</b>
	<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>5,286,870,803.00</b>