Role of the S&R Section

The Stabilization & Recovery Section (S&R) supports to the Deputy Special Representative of the Secretary-General (DSRSG), Resident Coordinator (RC) and Humanitarian Coordinator (HC) in her responsibilities to lead the United Nations’ contribution to Mali’s reconstruction efforts.

S&R promotes synergies between MINUSMA, the UN Country Team and other international partners, in favour of communities most affected by the conflict, particularly in the north and center of Mali.

Through this monthly bulletin, we provide regular updates on stabilization & recovery developments and activities in the north of Mali. The targeted audience is the section’s main partners including MINUSMA military and civilian components, UNCT and international partners.

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Global overview since 2013

Number of projects by region
On 30 April 2017

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Donor Coordination and Partnerships

1. On 5 April, a European Union delegation visited Ménaka, led by the EU Special Representative for the Sahel, with the EU Ambassador for Mali, the Governor and the President of the Interim Authority, reasserting EU’s commitment to support the new region and the restoration of State Authority. During the visit, the Governor presented priorities for the region, including security, the rehabilitation of Ménaka City water distribution system, road infrastructures, health and education. The Governorate established sector-specific needs by Cercles, which will help the President of the Interim Authority set a priority actions plan and elaborate the Regional Stabilization and Recovery Plan for Ménaka.

2. On 21 April, Stabilization & Recovery Section participated in a meeting/consultation on interventions in central regions (Ségou/Mopti) within the framework of the Commission de Réhabilitation des Zones Post-Conflit (CRZPC) with a large representation of donors: Germany, European Union-ECHO, Switzerland, France and Agence Française de Développement (AFD), Sweden, Belgium, Luxembourg, Canada, Denmark; and international organizations: UNDP, WFP, UNICEF, FAO, WHO, World Bank, LuxDev, USAID. In order to strengthen the coordination, the meeting aimed at mapping the current PTF interventions, and defining further operating methods to be followed for the implementation of activities in the central regions of Mali in relation with recent instability. Recovery and development assistance partners conveyed on the necessity to intensify implementation and collaboration in a joint effort with public spheres to tackle socio-economic challenges. Particularly in the area of stabilization and security, and notably through the Plan de Stabilisation Intégrée pour la Sécurisation du Centre (PSIRC), a framework favorable to better civil-military coordination with the Malian Defense and Security Forces in the region.

3. On 28 April, both co-leads of the Commission de Réhabilitation des Zones Post Conflit (CRZPC), France and MINUSMA, organized jointly with the representatives of the Ministère de la Solidarité et de l’Aid Humanitaire (MSAH) and Agence de Développement du Nord Mali (ADNM) an opening workshop of the Synergie Nord platform in Bamako. The workshop was supported as well by the Pool Technique des PTF which provided technical & logistical inputs. The database tool will at terms reference donors’ aid & assistance support to northern regions of the country. The workshop was attended by a high level delegation of Malian Ministers as well as by ambassadors and heads of delegations and UN agencies. Mrs. Mbaranga Gasarabwe in her mandate of Resident Coordinator and Humanitarian Coordinator participated in the opening session. This was the occasion to recall on the approach of the MSAH and ADNM in relation to the reconstruction of the North as envisaged within the Peace agreement. Participants comprised public officers of the Government, NGOs, UN agencies as well as donor representatives and were all briefed in the use and update of the online tool during an interactive training session.

Culture

1. Relive with this video the plastering works of Djingareyber mosque in Timbuktu which took place last February:
https://youtu.be/ww4QZ1K_Xy8
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Financed by MINUSMA, Quick Impact Projects (QIPs) are community micro projects. These projects have a maximum cost of 50,000 USD and a maximum 6-months duration, in the areas of services and small public infrastructures rehabilitation, training and awareness-raising activities, employment and revenue creation. They must have both a quick and long lasting effect meeting priority needs of the population and aim at building confidence towards the peace process, the Mission and its mandate.

These projects benefit mainly to northern regions and support requests from the Malian Government, international and national NGOs, international agencies and civil society. All projects are executed through local partners and businesses.

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Newly approved projects

1. Support to livestock reconstitution in favor of vulnerable women of Tihoussey Association (Kidal Region)

The project aims at contributing to socioeconomic recovery of households affected by the crisis, the insecurity and recurrent drought. It foresees the purchase, treatment and distribution of 600 caprine heads to 90 vulnerable women in need of reconstituting their livestock in 9 localities of the region.

Implementing partner: Tihoussey Association
Sponsor in MINUSMA: Political Affairs Division
Budget: 33,429.67 USD

For more information (in French):
http://bit.ly/2psTSm4

Projects’ highlights

In Gao, two Quick Impact Projects were handed over end of April to local authorities and beneficiaries, namely the rehabilitation of the maison des Anciens Combattants de Gao (sponsored by UN Force for 42,592.35 USD) and the creation of a farm for youths in Gadeye neighborhood (sponsored by MINUSMA Civil Affairs Division for 43,339.50 USD). The first project will improve quality of services and amenities benefitting to 346 veterans, while the second initiative is reinforcing resilience of 45 at-risk youths through the development of 4900m² of vegetable garden, with a new borehole, henhouse and fish farming area, already producing satisfying volumes of crops.

For more information (in French):
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Quick Impact Projects (QIPs) - Overview

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Since 2013
Total: 10.2M USD

Timbuktu - Taoudénit

24%

Bamako
15%

Gao - Ménaka
25%

Mopti
20%

Kidal
16%

QIPs Budget Breakdown by Region Since 2013
Total: 10.2M USD
The UN Trust Fund in support of Peace and Security in Mali was created at the request of the Security Council (SC resolution 2085 (2012)). Member States can contribute earmarked and/or non-earmarked funds to the Fund, which aims to provide vital support to the Malian Defence and Security Forces (MDSF), assist the Malian Government in its efforts to ensure lasting peace and the return of State Authority and constitutional order, and support critical development and humanitarian interventions contributing to the immediate and long-term efforts by the international community to resolve the crisis in Mali.

Projects’ highlights

1. On 6 April, in presence of the Representative of the Norwegian Embassy, S&R attended the opening ceremony of the training of the Interim Authorities in Bamako. The Minister for Territorial Administration and Decentralization and the Deputy Special Representative of the Secretary-General for Political Affairs both praised the joint efforts of the Government of Mali, MINUSMA and UN Country Team supporting the installation and training of the Interim Authorities, which represent an important step in the implementation of the Peace Agreement. This 4-day training was foreseen under the Trust Fund project in support of the Interim Authorities, funded by the Norwegian contribution for the amount of 376,023 USD.

2. On 11 April, MINUSMA’s military component in Timbuktu region handed over to the Malian Armed Forces (FAMA) the second checkpoint reinforced by the UN Mission. Positioned north-west of Timbuktu entrance, this checkpoint is part of a project foreseeing the reinforcement of 6 checkpoints in total. Norway contributed 206,624 USD for its financing, through the Trust Fund.

3. On 13 April, the DSRSG/RC/HC led a high-level delegation to Kidal in the presence of the Ambassadors of Canada and Netherlands and representatives of France, Germany and the UN Country Team. The delegation visited two projects funded through the Trust Fund under the Danish contribution, the provision of 95 solar power street lights and the rehabilitation and equipment of 7 schools in Kidal region, and one project funded under the Dutch contribution for the rehabilitation of Intikoi dam. Additionally, funding for the 2nd phase of the construction of Etambar dam was announced, to be funded through the contribution of Canada. The visit was an opportunity for MINUSMA and the UNCT to reassert its commitment to support Kidal region. The delegation also met with the President of Interim Authority and congratulated on their establishment in the region. While meeting with representatives of the civil society, the DSRSG/RC/HC underlined its important role in the reinforcement of social cohesion, stabilization and recovery of the region.

4. End of April, 36 solar power street lights were installed in Youwarou (Mopti Region) in the frame of a Trust Fund project funded through the contribution of Denmark for 201,169 USD (which also foresees the installation of 36 street lights in Tenenkou at a later stage). Local populations already gave positive feedback about direct benefits of the initiative, such as improving security and allowing socio-economic activities at night. The implementing partner, NIS Foundation, had installed 72 solar power street lights a few weeks ago in Bourem and Bamba (Gao Region) with equally positive reception by local residents, in the frame of another Trust Fund project (funded through the Danish contribution for 200,000 USD). Handover ceremonies for these projects will take place in the upcoming weeks.

5. On 19 April, MINUSMA Justice & Corrections Section (JCS), in collaboration with the Union des radiodiffusions et télévisions libres (URTEL) of Mali, sensitized 20 media reporters and radio hosts on their role in the access of population to information and justice. This workshop is part of a project aiming at strengthening the penal chain to information and justice.

6. On 25 April, a borehole was officially handed over to local communities of Teherdje, Timbuktu region, in the presence of the President of Timbuktu Interim Authority, of the Governor, as well as of UNHCR and WFP representatives, in the frame of a Trust Fund project funded through the contribution of Denmark for 83,028 USD. MINUSMA equally took this opportunity to hand over 20 solar power kits for the school and Community Health Center (CSCOM) of the locality, also funded by Denmark.

It is supported by voluntary contributions from the following donors: Australia, Canada, Denmark, Germany, Ireland, Luxembour, the Netherlands, Norway, Switzerland, Turkey, the United Kingdom and UN DCOQ. The Fund’s budget currently amounts to approximately 31.3 million USD, of which some 72.6 per cent has been attributed to projects.

Immediate and long-term efforts to resolve the crisis in Mali

Equipment and Logistical Support to Malian Defence and Security Forces (MDSF)

Capacity building of Malian Security Forces (MSF)

Return of State Authority, Rule of Law and DDR-SSR

Restoration of Constitutional Order, National Unity and Support for Elections

Budget Breakdown

by Objective

Since 2013

Total: 22.7M USD

40%

21%

35%

4%

0%

A

B

C

D

E

Trust Fund

By Region

Ménaka

Taoudénit

Gao

Bamako

Kidal

Mopti

Timbuktu

National

2%

9%

7%

17%

29%

21%

4%

0%

13%

40%

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35%

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Trust Fund

Budget Breakdown

by Region

Since 2013

Total: 22.7M USD

For more information (in French): http://bit.ly/2oK8P6d


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To deal with the political, institutional and security crisis that deeply destabilized Mali since 2012, the Malian Government and the United Nations System in Mali resorted to the Peacebuilding Fund (PBF) in order to support peacebuilding and reconciliation. The Government of Mali submitted an eligibility request to the Peacebuilding Support Office (PBSO) on 24th of February 2014 which was approved by Secretary-General of the United Nations on 2nd of April 2014. In this context, the intervention of the PBF programme in Mali represents in its first phase 12.4 million USD, of which 12.1 have been attributed to 5 projects undertaken by UN agencies and MINUSMA. A Steering Committee oversees the whole programme and gathers the Malian Government, the civil society, international donors and the United Nations. The remaining 0.3 million USD goes to the Steering Committee Support Office. The 5 projects were implemented from January 2015 to June 2016 and 3 of them (*) have been granted extensions between January and March 2017.

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1. **Education project for peacebuilding in the north of Mali (*)**
   **UNICEF**
   The agency and its partners implement a speed school strategy for not attending and out-of-school children. Fora for inclusive community dialogue are also set up for social cohesion at school, within the family and community.

2. **Support to capacity-building in conflict resilience for women and youth in Gao and Timbuktu regions (*)**
   **UNDP, UNIDO**
   This joint project accompanies national reconciliation and dialog promotion creating economic opportunities in favor of vulnerable women and at-risk youths.

3. **Confidence-building through support to the Cantonment process**
   **UNOPS**
   Operations strengthen mutual trust between peace agreement signatories and favor security climate appeasement. Rooting of the disarmament process in the country goes through fighters’ cantonment, among other steps. UNOPS is in charge of the construction and management of camps intended for this purpose.

4. **Solutions for a sustainable and peaceful reintegration of internally displaced people (IDPs) and repatriated refugees in Gao and Timbuktu regions**
   **IOM, UNHCR**
   This project consists in providing IDPs and repatriated refugees access to basic social services and reinforcing peaceful cohabitation between local communities in a climate of increased trust in the peace process.

5. **Programme for a better access to justice and security for women victims of SGBV in the peacebuilding process in Mali (*)**
   **UN Women, UNFPA, MINUSMA**
   Both agencies and the Mission assist SGBV victims facilitating access to justice and holistic care. The project also supports capacity-building of care services and judicial system in terms of SGBV.