

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.

For more information:

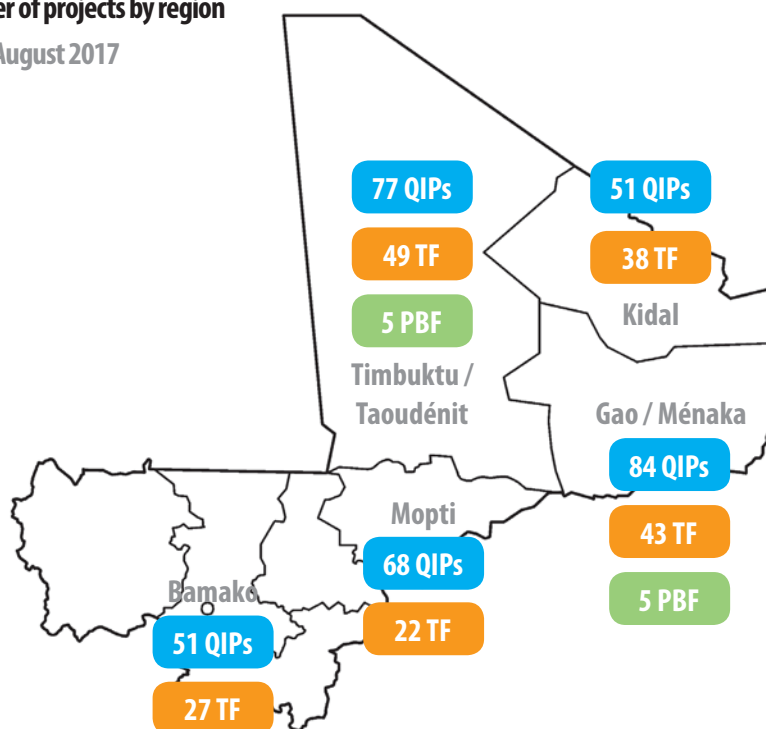
Temur SHAROPOV, Communication and Liaison Officer (S&R section) - sharopov@un.org



Global overview since 2013

Number of projects by region

On 30 August 2017



Find all S&R Monthly Bulletins on MINUSMA's website:
<https://minusma.unmissions.org/en/monthly-bulletin>

Highlights

- CRZPC: donors' concentration on PSIRC and on the Nexus approach
- Kidal: vocational training in mechanics for youths (QIP)
- Gao: newly rehabilitated water disposal system (TF)
- Mopti: training center dedicated to women rights (QIP)
- National campaign against violent extremism (QIP)
- More projects launched in northern regions

Main Figures

Quick Impact Projects (QIPs): 223 projects completed and 108 under implementation over a budget of 15.9 million USD (331 projects in total since 2013)

Peacebuilding Fund (PBF): 5 projects started in 2015 over 18 months for a total budget of 12,106,353 USD (3 projects extended)

Trust Fund (TF): 47 projects completed and 58 projects under implementation out of 105 projects approved for a cost of 36,016,665 USD over a budget of 43,760,062 USD (contributions from Australia, Canada, Denmark, Germany, Ireland, Italy, Luxembourg, the Netherlands, Norway, Switzerland, Turkey, the United Kingdom and UN DOCO)

Sectors

QIPs Quick Impact Projects

Security / Justice / Public Infrastructures / Agriculture / Health / Public Information / Education / Water / Handicraft / Culture / Sports / Conflict Management / Waste Management / Human Rights

TF Trust Fund

Peace Talks / Elections / Outreach / Gender / DDR / Cantonment / Rule of Law and Justice / Return of State Authority / SSR / Security / Electricity / Water & Sanitation / Social Cohesion

PBF Peacebuilding Fund

Education / Socio-economic Support / Reintegration of IDPs / Justice / Cantonment

Donor Coordination and Partnerships

- On 31 July, took place the **political level meeting of the CRZPC** (*Commission de Réhabilitation des Zones Post Conflit*) conveyed by the MSAH (*Ministère de la Solidarité et de l'Aide Humanitaire*). The ADN (Agence de Développement du Nord Mali), which implements the SynergieNord database, presented the level of completion to date of the PUR (*Plan d'Urgence et de Relèvement pour la Mise en Œuvre de l'Accord pour la Paix et la Réconciliation au Mali pendant la période Intérimaire 2015-2017*). Ending by June 2017, the PUR analyses the efforts of the government for the intensification of the reconstruction of the North. This political CRZPC was also the occasion to have the Ministry of Security and Civil Protection commenting on the PSIRC (*Plan de Sécurisation Intégré des Régions du Centre*). The objective sought through the PSIRC is a secure return of the administration in Mopti region and the north of Ségou region. The security component essentially involves the deployment of security personnel and their means of operation. For the socioeconomic development, governance and communication components, the relevant area of the two regions has been subdivided into "Secured Poles of Development and Governance". Lists of projects have been defined for each pole and require support from international donors.
- From 2 to 4 August, MINUSMA attended **Timbuktu CROCSAD** (*Comité Régional d'Orientation, de Coopération et de Suivi des Actions de Développement*), under the chairmanship of the Governor and in the presence of the President of the Interim Authority, the representatives of the donor community and technical services. This was the opportunity to present the rehabilitation project of Horo Lake hydraulic infrastructure in the frame of the *Contrat-Plan Etat-Région*. Partners also discussed regional orientations and perspectives in the frame of the *Schéma Régional d'Aménagement du Territoire* (SRAT), the *Plan Stratégique de Développement Régional* (PSDR 2016-2025), the *Programmes de Développement Economique, Social et Culturel* (PDESC 2016-2020), and the *Programme d'Actions Prioritaires* (PAP 2017-2018).
- On 8 August, following the endorsement by the *Groupe Exécutif de Coopération* (GEC) of the Nexus approach proposed by the *Commission Réhabilitation Zone Post-Conflit* (CRZPC), OCHA facilitated a **meeting between heads of PTF Thematic Groups and Cluster Leads (representing Agencies/NGOs)** of the four sectors concerned WASH, Health/Nutrition, Food Security, and Education. During the meeting, the co-leadership of the CRZPC (France, MINUSMA) recalled on the pragmatic approach advocated by the GEC, and recommended that binomials (Thematic Group & Cluster) get organized as soon as possible to take stock of the sectoral strategies and elaborate further bridges between Humanitarian and Development.
- On 24 August, took place the **monthly PTF/ONG CRZPC meeting** (*Commission de Réhabilitation des Zones Post Conflit*) which aims at mobilizing the involvement of the international community and MSAH with a focus on social services in the North. The Health Cluster presented key issues linked to free health care in the North and the challenges of transitioning toward a more sustainable system. The *Ministère de la Réconciliation Nationale* briefed on the official *Mission d'Appui à la Réconciliation Nationale* (MARN), which plans to reinforce capacities of Malian communities in conflict prevention and will be supported by teams based in the regions. Partners also gave an update on the next PSIRC developments. CRZPC co-leads (France/MINUSMA) also recalled on the next calendar & deadlines within the Nexus initiative.

Culture

- El-Boukhari Ben Essayouti, chief of the cultural mission in Timbuktu and partner on the cultural component of MINUSMA mandate, reflects on **heritage preservation efforts in Timbuktu** since the crisis. Find out the interview (in French) on RFI radio of this Mission partner: <http://bit.ly/2vsiOR2> ►

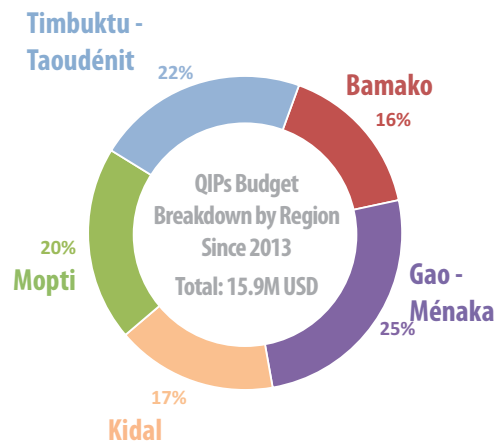
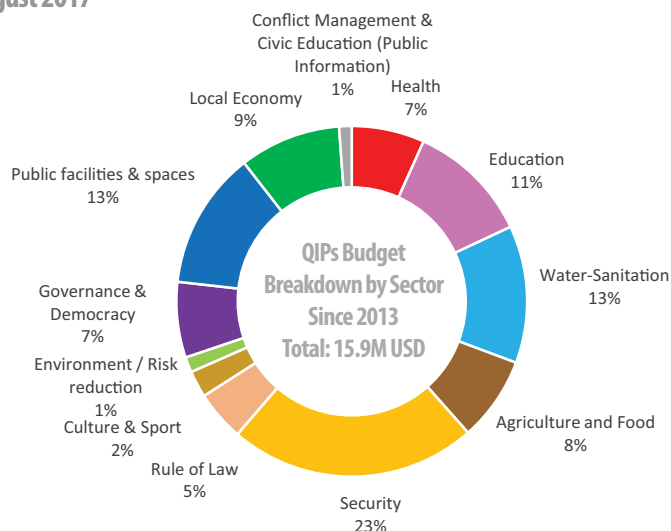


Financed by MINUSMA, Quick Impact Projects (QIPs) are community micro projects. These projects have a maximum cost of 50,000 USD and a maximum 6-months duration, in the areas of services and small public infrastructures rehabilitation, training and awareness-raising activities, employment and revenue

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.

On 30 August 2017



Projects' highlights

1. On 1 August, MINUSMA officially launched in Kidal a QIP for the provision of **vocational training in automobile mechanics**, in favor of youths from the region. The ceremony was held in the presence of local authorities, young beneficiaries, their parents and representatives of partner NGOs, including GARDL. For a total cost of 43,590.10 USD, this project will contribute to the socio-economic integration of 20 youths from Kidal and Tin-Essako cercles. Four mechanic workshops will be created, as well as local employment opportunities. For more information (in French): <http://bit.ly/2iINcQU>

4. On 24 August, two QIPs projects aiming at providing **6 moto-pumps to the Direction Régionale de la Protection Civile de Gao** were handed over during an official ceremony attended by regional and local authorities, heads of Malian security forces and MINUSMA Head of Regional Office and components. These two UNPOL-sponsored QIPs were funded for a total of over 40,000 USD and come in complement of previous projects including the provision of equipment, vehicles and trainings to the *Protection Civile* in Gao. The Governor representative thanked MINUSMA for its continued commitment to reinforce Malian security forces' operational capacities.

2. On 10 August, a QIP project was officially launched for the **development of gardening activities in Kidal** in the benefit of 260 women. Funded for a total of 28,150.06 USD and sponsored by MINUSMA Regional Office in Kidal, the initiative aims at strengthening the technical capacity and reinforcing production means in market gardening for three local women associations of Kidal, through the provision of equipment and distribution of vegetable seeds. For more information (in French): <http://bit.ly/2w0wgmq>

5. Leading a QIP project sponsored by the MINUSMA component specialized in Security Sector Reform (SSR), partner NGO Think Peace implemented a **national campaign to empower local actors in the fight against violent extremism** in Mali. Watch the videos produced in this framework (in French) by Think Peace on topics like interreligious dialogue and radicalization:

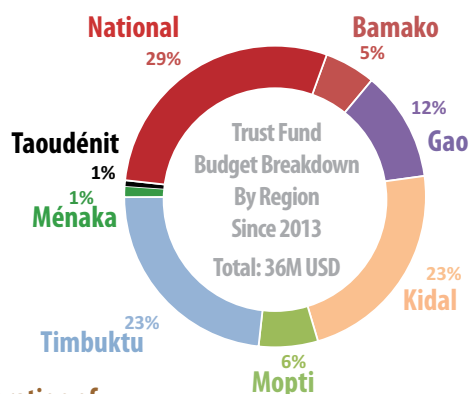
- <https://youtu.be/zGH2YpBA4r4>
- <https://youtu.be/EDcPuAu14jo> ▶

3. On 17 August, two QIPs were handed over in Mopti during official ceremonies chaired by Mopti Governor, and in the presence of several regional authorities, representatives of Malian Defense and Security Forces, beneficiaries and MINUSMA. The first project consists in the **construction and equipment of a Gendarmerie station in Dioura (Tenenkou Cerde)** for approx. 30,000 USD and aims at creating favorable conditions for the progressive return of populations and public administration in the area. For a budget of approx. 40,000 USD, the second project includes the rehabilitation, construction and equipment of a **training center dedicated to the promotion of the rights of young and vulnerable women** in Sévaré.



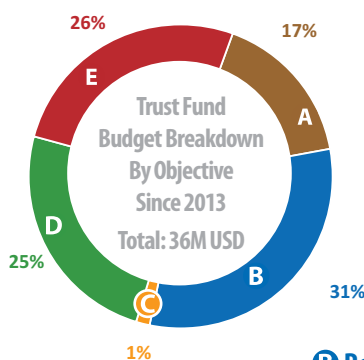
The UN Trust Fund in support of Peace and Security in Mali was created at the request of the Security Council (SC resolution 2085 (2012)). Member States can contribute earmarked and/or non-earmarked funds to the Fund, which aims to provide vital support to the Malian Defence and Security Forces (MDSF), 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.

It is supported by voluntary contributions from the following donors: Australia, Canada, Denmark, Germany, Ireland, Italy, Luxembourg, the Netherlands, Norway, Switzerland, Turkey, the United Kingdom and UN DOCO. The Fund's budget currently amounts to approximately 43.7 million USD, of which some 76 per cent has been attributed to projects.



On 30 August 2017

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



A Restoration of Constitutional Order, National Unity and Support for Elections

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

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

C Capacity building of Malian Security Forces (MSF)

Projects' highlights

1. Last month, on 7 July, MINUSMA and implementing partner NGO AADIS-Mali proceeded to the technical handover a **newly rehabilitated water drainage system in the city of Gao**. This project, funded for 270,551 USD under the contribution of Denmark to the Trust Fund, is already improving living conditions for Château neighborhood community. The ceremony was held in the presence of the *Préfet* of Gao Cercle, the Mayor, traditional leaders and members of the management committee.

For more information (in French): <http://bit.ly/2tWK2yt>

2. Two projects to support **access to drinking water to repatriated and displaced populations** returning to the municipalities of Ber and Alafia have recently been finalized and have resulted in the construction of 4 boreholes and two water-supply systems in Tiris, Almafrag, Jidide, Dar Salam, Tamjarat and Makabony. Built for the benefit of nearly 4000 people, more than half are women, these hydraulic infrastructures will facilitate access to water for conflict-affected populations. Management committees have been established and trained in infrastructure management to ensure fair and sustainable water access to populations. Sensitization sessions on hygiene practices were also conducted to optimize the health impact of these infrastructures. Both projects are funded through the contribution of Denmark to the Trust Fund for 253,472 USD. ▼

3. The project **strengthening access to drinking water in the regions of Gao and Menaka** is implemented by the NGO LVIA. It has already enabled 11 manual pumps to be installed in 11 sites for the benefit of 21,000 people belonging to isolated communities. This project will have a lasting impact for displaced and returned populations by providing sustainable access to safe drinking water. Management committees, trained by the implementing partner, will manage and maintain the infrastructure to be supported by the monthly contributions of the beneficiaries. The project is funded through the contribution of Denmark to the Trust Fund for 293,883 USD.

Newly approved projects

1. On 22 August, the **Trust Fund Project Review Committee** approved 2 projects, namely: (i) Reinforcement of the Gao penal chain – Phase II (for 122,796 USD, sponsored by MINUSMA Justice & Corrections Section and funded through the contribution of the Netherlands to the Trust Fund); and (ii) Provision of 102 solar power street lights for Tessalit (for 246,237 USD, sponsored by MINUSMA Civil Affairs Division and funded through the contribution of the Denmark).



August 2017, Almafrag

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.

On 28 February 2017

 **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.

