STRONGENGING LOCAL CAPACITY FOR RESILIENCE AND RECOVERY IN LIBYA

SEPTEMBER 2018 UPDATE

OVERALL

To respond to the many challenges people in Libya are facing, the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) approach focuses on putting the country on a more robust development path by helping the local authorities to restore essential services delivery, livelihoods opportunities, and community security.

With fund from the European Union (EU), UNDP is implementing the project “Strengthening Local Capacities for Resilience and Recovery.” A three-years initiative carrying out in close cooperation with national and international partners in Tripoli, Sabratha, Sebha, Murzuq, Benghazi and AlKufra. The Republic of Korea also contributes to the project to improve services delivery in Ajdabiya, East Libya.

The project aims at strengthen local capacities to serve people in Libya through:

- Providing basic services with access for vulnerable groups;
- Enforcing local stability and community security;
- Recovering local economy, including job creation and livelihoods.

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OUTPUT 01
ENHANCED LOCAL CAPACITY FOR SERVICE DELIVERY

1.1 Conflict-sensitive analysis/needs assessments by Peaceful Change Initiative (PCI)

25 July
Social Accountability
Sabratha
Tripoli

18 July
Social Accountability
Sebha
Murzuq

14 July
Social Accountability
18-21 July
Alkufra

Inception conflict analysis reports feeding into the rapid needs assessment.

Social Peace Assessment.
Consultation engaging in participatory development workshop through Social Peace Partnership.

Utilise existing local peace structures (Social Peace Partnerships) as consultative and enabling bodies in support of the Rehabilitation activities.

Development of local conflict reduction/peacebuilding plan.

Provision of small grants to key ‘social peace’ interventions; complementing the Rehabilitation activities, and managed by local social peace structures.

Introductory training of municipalities and dialogue facilitators.

PCI has established light-touch social accountability mechanisms in Benghazi, Sabratha, Murzuq, Sebha and AlKufra. Meeting were held in the different locations.

Meeting on Social Accountability in AlKufra.

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Enhanced Local Capacity For Service Delivery

1.2 Infrastructure

Sabratha Central Clinic is one of the infrastructures affected by the conflict that took over the city. It is located downtown, where several buildings and houses were damaged or completely ruined because of the war. Sabratha Central Clinic was established in 1972 to provide 24 hours health care to all the inhabitants of Sabratha and surrounding cities. The center has nine specialized departments. Two emergency rooms, a pharmacy and an operating room. Currently, only three departments are operatives and the clinic is open 10 hours per day. Due to the lack of facilities and equipment, patients need to pay health services in other expensive private clinics, while the country is facing a liquidity crisis.

Works finalized!
US$ 626,158
7 contracts ongoing ($1,166,651)

- Golden Clinic in Sebha
- Sabratha Central Clinic
- Rugby Field in Benghazi
- Alta Kaseh Hospital in Kufra
- University in AlKufra
- Al Mukhrar Clinic in AlKufra
- Libya Clinic in AlKufra

Nine new contracts for rehabilitation signed during June- August 2018.

Equipment valued at $1,022,860 contracted and 50% delivered.

- Six ambulances in Murzuq, Ajdabiya and AlKufra
- Four generators in Murzuq and AlKufra
- Seven water pumps in Murzuq

75% of the budget assigned for infrastructure (except Tripoli) is already processed.

Delivery of the sewage truck to Murzuq and three generators to Sebha pending security conditions.
OUTPUT 02
STRENGTHEN COMMUNITY SECURITY

2.1 Rule of Law/Security

Three deliverable were already submitted, in line with the workplan. About 50 people, including 20 women (40%) were involved as key informant interviewees. Other 25 people (10 women or 40%) participated in focus groups discussions for Tripoli and Sebha.

June 2018, Tripoli - Focus Group Discussion.

OUTPUT 03
LOCAL ECONOMIC RECOVERY

3.1 Tatweer Entrepreneurship Campus

TEC TALKS are back! The first session in this quarter was held July 11th and it was about “Women in Technology”.

Renewable Energy Course concluded on June 28th and on July 4th the participants presented their project ideas in the renewable energy field. Participants with start-up ideas will be chosen to receive extensive advanced training on renewable energy to help them further develop their project.

The outlier program An entrepreneurship awareness program that targets university students to introduce them to entrepreneurship. The outlier program is designed to train 60 students on the basics of entrepreneurship. The training will be carried out in three phases, with 20 students per phase. The training is one week long (25 hours) and it covers introduction to entrepreneurship, lean startup model, business model, business plan, team management skills, communication skills, and design thinking and ideation. There was an introductory session on the program held at the University of Benghazi on July 4th, 2018 and the first phase of the outlier program started July 8th, 2018 and concluded July 12th.
3.2 Economic opportunities/vocational training

On 20 September, Toyota Libya hold the graduation of the 13th "Discover your Talent" Training Course, the first in partnership with UNDP and within the EU-funded project.

17 trainees received their certificate in a ceremony that took place at Toyota Libya headquarter in Misrata and in the presence of their families. One of the graduates, an IDP from Derna who joined the program thanks to a UNDP Facebook post calling for applications, gave a speech and thanked the European Union and UNDP their support.

"The skills, experience and knowledge that I gained here definitely help me to find a job and have a better future. I thank the European Union, Toyota Libya and UNDP for this precious opportunity."

Training period: From July 1 to Sep 20, 2018
Graduates: 17 (four IDPs)
Cities: eight (Azzawia, Benghazi, Derna, Misrata, Murzuq, Ubari, Sabratha, Sokna, and Tripoli).

The project partnered with the EU Delegation and the French Embassy in supporting the organization of the International Conference "Libya Today: Society, Politics and Space", which took place on 12-13 July in the National Library of Tunis.
FINANCIAL UPDATE

Total Budget: $19,607,400

- In Progress (29.96%)
- Contracted (66.15%)
- Operational cost (3.89%)

BUDGET COMMITTED

Output 1
- Total Budget: $11,260,000
- Committed: $4,097,436

Output 2
- Total Budget: $2,410,000
- Committed: $586,602.00

Output 3
- Total Budget: $4,900,000
- Committed: $1,724,976.80
IMPLEMENTATION OF THE VISIBILITY AND COMMUNICATION PLAN

In the Media
Since September 2017, Strengthening Local Capacity for Resilience and Recovery in Libya has been featured in 70 articles published in national and international outlets. UNDP Libya Communication Unit has sent a total of six press releases to international and national media. All the press releases have been published in the website.

Number of Articles per Month

Mentioning the European Union as funding partner, CNN covered the project component of promoting entrepreneurship in Libya. The Libya Observer also did a story, profiling a young woman who received support developing a food delivery app. UNDP as well as the project’s partner Tatweer Research gave visibility to the article through social media.

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AUG 11, 2018, UNDP Country Director visits Toyota Libya Training Center in Misrata

The United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) Country Director, Mr. Sultan Hajiyev, visited the Toyota Libya F.Z.C Training Center in Misrata to witness the learning process of the trainees sponsored by the EU-funded UNDP project for resilience. UNDP Libya sent out a press release about the event. 155 people read the press release in UNDP Libya website. UNDP Libya tweeted about the event earned six retweets and 20 likes.

In Social Media

From September 2017, UNDP Communication Unit posted regularly about the project in its social media platforms. The targeted municipalities have published several posts on their Facebook pages announcing handovers of project sites, deliveries, and completion of rehabilitation. As an example, 6 September 2018, Murzuq Municipality published on its Facebook page, photos of water pumps handover thanking UNDP and the European Union for its support. Tatweer Research is also giving visibility to the project and the European Union actively on social media.

In UNDP Website

Up to 31 August, 934 people visited the project web page at UNDP Libya website.