



United Nations Peace Fund For Nepal

– Fact Sheet –

Key Features of the United Nations Peace Fund for Nepal (UNPFN):

- Delivering focused, time-limited support for urgent peace process and early recovery tasks
- Complementing the Nepal Peace Trust Fund and other existing mechanisms by focusing only on tasks that cannot be funded or implemented through existing Government mechanisms
- Ensuring governance arrangements are the same as the Nepal Peace Trust Fund to promote a harmonised and coherent approach
- Providing rapid and flexible responses to requests whilst ensuring a strategic UN approach that is sensitive to the unique needs of Nepal's transitional environment
- Enhancing UN and donor coordination and alignment to ensure more coherent international support to Nepal

Significant achievements of UNPFN so far:

Elections/ Governance/ Mediation

- Supporting the Election Commission of Nepal to prepare and administer the 2008 Constituent Assembly elections. This contributed to a relatively smooth electoral process, recognised to be in line with international standards.
- Established an Electoral Observation Resource Centre which accredited 14,847 domestic and 783 international observers, and ensured more coordinated and verifiable electoral observation. This contributed to the peace process by reinforcing public perceptions that the electoral process was fair and transparent.

Cantonment/ Reintegration

- Collecting, analysing and managing the registration and verification of all Maoist Army personnel.
- Assisting the Ministry of Peace and Reconstruction to design reintegration assistance packages for Maoist Army personnel that are to be discharged.
- Supporting the Joint Monitoring Coordination Committee to assist parties in implementing the 'Agreement on Monitoring of the Management of Arms and Armies'.
- Auditing the arms and ammunitions stored and in use by Maoist Army personnel, and augmenting the surveillance of weapon containers, ammunition stores and improvised explosive device sites.

Security

- Training 122 Nepal Army de-miners to international standards.
- Clearing 11 mine fields and 60 improvised explosive device fields to improve public safety and security, as well as returning valuable land to local communities.
- Safely destroying over 18,500 Maoist explosive items and ensuring the safe storage of the remaining 40,000 items which are to be destroyed in the short term.

Rights and Reconciliation

- Collecting and analysing field data on vulnerability, public security, election awareness, land issues, internally displaced people and basic service delivery to support food security programs, and provide customised mapping to support peace building.

Governance Structure

Steering Committee includes:

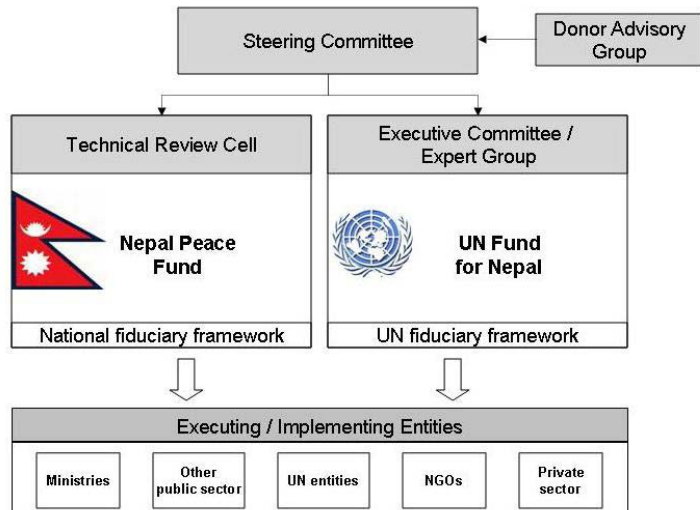
Minister for Peace and Reconstruction, Minister for Finance, Minister for Physical Planning and Works, two other Ministers designated by the PM, Vice-Chair from NPC, Secretary Ministry of Home Affairs, Secretary Ministry of Finance, Secretary Ministry of Peace and Reconstruction.

UN Peace Fund Executive Committee includes:

UN Resident Coordinator as Chair, Representative of the Secretary General as Vice-Chair, DAG Representative, and Government Representatives from the Ministry of Peace and Reconstruction and Ministry of Finance as members.

Technical Expert Groups include:

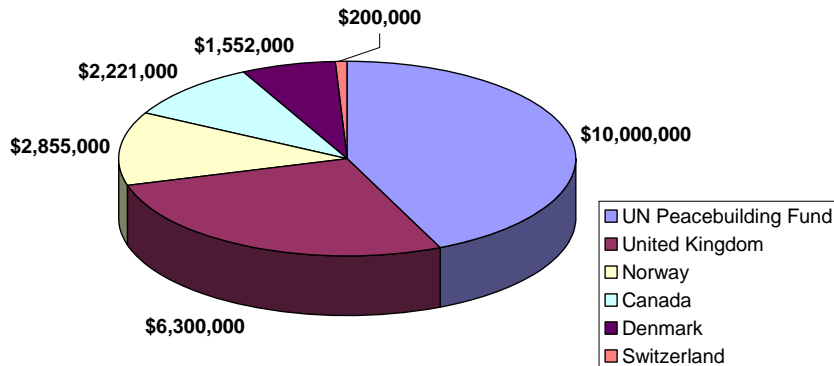
Representatives from the Nepal Peace Trust Fund Cluster Groups, UN agencies, and external experts.



Contributions

The UNPFN has received contributions from: The United Kingdom; Norway; Canada; Denmark; Switzerland; and the United Nations Peacebuilding Fund (which has 45 donors).

The chart below illustrates the contributions provided to the UNPFN in USD.



Total: USD 23 million

Application and allocation process

When there are sufficient un-earmarked funds available, the following process is followed to promote transparency, effectiveness and coordination of UN peace building activities:

- Step 1.** In consultation with the Ministry of Peace and Reconstruction, the Ministry of Finance and donors, a limited number of outcomes are selected for the funding round, and UNCT members are invited to apply.
- Step 2.** UN agencies provide the UNPFN secretariat with short concept notes outlining their proposed projects which will contribute to these outcomes (2 pages including log frame and budget).
- Step 3.** The UNPFN Executive Committee convenes to agree on notional allocations to the best concepts.
- Step 4.** Successful applicants are given ten weeks to prepare the expanded project proposal in close consultation with the UNPFN secretariat, which needs to see a draft no later than eight weeks. The secretariat may draw upon Expert Group members where required to help strengthen these proposals.
- Step 5.** Proposals are formally reviewed by the UNPFN secretariat and Expert Group for constructive technical assessment based on specified criteria.
- Step 6.** The UNPFN Executive Committee approves the final project proposals and submits the approved project for release of funds from the Administrative Agent, the UNDP Multi-Donor Trust Fund Office.

UNPFN Projects (budget in million USD):

<p>Approved:</p> <p>Mine Action (UNOPS) Support to IEDD/EOD Operations in Nepal & Capacity Building of Nepal Army (incl. 5 extensions) Budget: \$4,1</p> <p>Verification (UNDP) Verification of the Maoist Army combatants in the cantonment sites (incl. 1 extension) Budget: \$1,2</p> <p>Discharge Strategy (UNDP) Support Discharge of Adult Maoist Army Personnel Budget: \$1,8</p> <p>Female reintegration (UNFPA) Support to Female Members of Maoists army Communities in the Reintegration and Peace Building Processes Budget: \$0,2</p> <p>Conflict affected Children (UNICEF) Program for Support for Children and Adolescents Affected by the Conflict Budget: \$0,1</p> <p>Election (UNDP) Electoral Observation Resource Centre (incl. 1 extension) Budget: \$0,2</p> <p>Provision of Specialised Electoral Assistance to the Election Commission of Nepal Budget: \$0,4</p> <p>Support to Civil Affairs (WFP/OCHA) Surveillance and Programme Targeting for Post-Conflict Reconciliation (incl. 1 extension) Budget: \$0,9</p> <p>Youth Employment (ILO, FAO) Jobs for Peace Budget: \$ 2,7</p> <p>Transitional Justice (OHCHR) Support to Transitional Justice Institutions Budget:\$2,0</p>	<p>Pipeline:</p> <p>Discharge & Reintegration (UNDP) Discharge & Reintegration Budget: \$1,7</p> <p>Local Peace Capacity (UNDP, UNFPA, UNIFEM) Building Local Capacities for Peace Budget: \$1,4</p> <p>Housing/Land Issues (UN HABITAT, FAO, OHCHR) TA for resolving Housing, Land and Property Rights issues Budget: \$1,0</p> <p>Female reintegration (UNFPA) Support to Female Members of Maoists army Communities in the Reintegration and Peace Building Processes Budget: \$0,8</p> <p>Conflict affected Children (UNICEF) Program for Support for Children and Adolescents Affected by the Conflict Budget: \$1,0</p>
<p>In Total: <u>\$13,5</u></p>	<p>In Total: <u>\$5,9</u></p>

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