

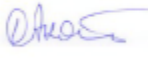


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**PROGRAMME QUARTERLY PROGRESS REPORT**  
**Period (Quarter-Year): Q3 2017**

<b>Project Name</b>	Joint Programme for Sustainable Charcoal Reduction and Alternative Livelihoods (PROSCAL)
Gateway ID	00100442
Start date	01 April 2016
Planned end date (as per last approval)	31 March 2020
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Participating UN entities	FAO, UNDP and UNEP
PSG	4- Economic Foundations
Priority	Promote the sustainable development and management of natural resources by developing legal and regulatory frameworks and building capacity in key Natural Resources Management (NRM) institutions
Milestone	Not Applicable
Location	National
Gender Marker	2

<b>Total Budget as per ProDoc</b>	USD 6,068,329.00
MPTF:	USD 5,968,329.00
Non-MPTF sources:	PBF:
	TRAC: USD 100,000
	Other:

	PUNO	Report approved by:	Position/Title	Signature
1.	UNDP	David Akopyan	Deputy Country Director- Programme	 <small>Digitally signed by David Akopyan  DN: cn=David Akopyan, o=UNDP,  Somalia, ou=Programme,  email=david.akopyan@undp.org,  c=US  Date: 2017.07.23 13:15:58 +0300</small>

PUNO	Total MPTF Funds Received		Total non-MPTF Funds Received	
	Current quarter	Cumulative	Current quarter	Cumulative
UNDP	0	\$2,680,535	0	\$100,000
FAO	0	\$1,512,486	0	0
UNEP	0	0	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>\$4,193,021</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>\$100,000</b>



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JP Expenditure of MPTF Funds <sup>1</sup>			JP Expenditure of non-MPTF Funds	
PUNO	Current quarter	Cumulative	Current quarter	Cumulative
UNDP	\$197,760	\$609,438	\$23,240	\$71,072
FAO	\$85,682	\$794,383	0	0
UNEP	0	0	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$283,442</b>	<b>\$1,403,821</b>	<b>\$23,240</b>	<b>\$71,072</b>

**QUARTER HIGHLIGHTS**

1. Second Programme Steering Committee Meeting
2. Remote sensing by FAO in parts of South West and Jubaland State

**SITUATION UPDATE**

Unsustainable production of charcoal to meet the national and regional demands remains a major threat to environmental sustainability as well as security in Somalia. The Programme envisages to address both the demand and supply side of the charcoal value chain by promoting regional cooperation to check illegal exports of charcoal, taking to scale alternative sources of energy across main cities and towns in Somalia and helping the vulnerable groups (women and youth) directly linked to charcoal value chain to adopt alternative sources of livelihoods.

During the reporting period, an additional of USD 551,000 became available from Sweden with UN MPTF for programming. This will increase the funding for the Programme to USD \$6.6 million and Sweden’s contribution to USD \$1.8 million. The Programme Steering Committee approved the allocation of the very funds for UNEP lead activities. These funds will support the regional coordination, environment diplomacy and monitoring of charcoal trade. Also, an additional USD \$500,000 of the available budget has been approved by the Programme Steering Committee to cover the energy needs of vulnerable IDP communities in Somalia. The funds will support the procurement and distribution of Liquefied Petroleum Gas (LPG) and Energy Efficient Cooking Stoves.

Further resource mobilisation – including African Development Bank – activities on charcoal substitution is under discussion. However, the anticipated USD \$10m will be committed under the Infrastructure Development and implemented by the Ministry of Finance. MOLFR will receive a letter from Ministry of Finance to allocate AFDB funds through Charcoal Programme.

**QUARTERLY PROGRESS REPORT RESULTS MATRIX**

**OUTCOME STATEMENT**

Somali economy revitalized and expanded with a focus on livelihood enhancement, employment generation, and broad-based inclusive growth

**SUB-OUTCOME 1 STATEMENT**

<sup>1</sup> **Uncertified expenditures.** Certified annual expenditures can be found in the Annual Financial Report of MPTF Office (<http://mptf.undp.org/factsheet/fund/4SO00> )



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Promote the sustainable development and management of natural resources by developing legal and regulatory frameworks and building capacity in key Natural Resources Management (NRM) institutions.			
<b>Output 1.1: MOLFR supported to coordinate and implement inter-ministerial actions for Reducing Charcoal Production, Trade and Use</b>			
INDICATOR	TARGET	PROGRESS ON OUTPUT INDICATOR <sup>2</sup>	
		THIS QUARTER	CUMULATIVE
Office of the focal point for charcoal Programme in the Ministry of Livestock, Forest and Range (MOLFR) strengthened	Adequately resourced unit established in the MOLFR	Yes*	Yes, but was severely damaged by the recent attacks targeted with adjacent national prison building and rehabilitation work is of priority
Number of briefings, workshops, coordination meetings held by the MOLFRD	At least 3 briefing, coordination meetings or workshops held in six months	1	1 -Programme Steering Committee Meeting was held in Mogadishu in September,2017
First meeting of the International Charcoal Trade Regulatory Committee	At least two meetings of ICTRC held	0	0
UNDP ONLY: sources of evidence (as per current QPR): Staff contracts; procurement orders; workshop and meetings reports *: -A draft LOA for capacity building of MoLFR			
<b>Output 1.2: Draft National and Regional Policy for Reducing Charcoal Production, Trade and Use</b>			
Draft National and Regional Policy Document	Draft policy document available with the federal government	1	1, draft policy was finalised by UNEP in July 2017
UNDP ONLY: sources of evidence (as per current QPR): Contract for international expert			
<b>Output 1.3: National and International Stakeholders Mobilised to Support the Programme Objectives</b>			
International conference on Somalia Charcoal Reduction Programme held	2 strategic alliances formed	0	0

<sup>2</sup> Fill in only the numbers or yes/no; no explanations to be given here.



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	to support Somalia in addressing the charcoal issues		
Awareness raising workshops held in main towns and cities of Somalia	5 workshops held in main cities/towns	0	0
Programme Brochure, website and anti-charcoal campaign started	Print and electronic media engaged for mass awareness	No	No
Funds mobilised from potential donors and development partners for the full-scale joint Programme	Donors support confirmed to meet the total Programme budget	USD 6.6 million	USD 6.6 million
UNDP ONLY: sources of evidence (as per current QPR):			
<b>Output 1.4: Programme Management</b>			
Programme Management Staff recruited before the end of Programme initiation phase	Programme management staff on-board	Yes (On-going)	Yes (On-going)
Complete detailed work plan for the full-scale Programme	Work plan aligned with the available budget	Yes	Yes-Work plan with aligned budget approved during project steering committee in Q3 of 2017.
UNDP ONLY: sources of evidence (as per current QPR): National Project Manager Advertisement; Revised Programme document with additional funds			



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### *NARRATIVE*

Third quarter activities mainly focused on the hosting a Programme Steering Committee, resource mobilization, preparation of contracts with service providers for activity implementation and remote sensing activities by FAO SWALIM in parts of South West and Jubaland States.

The agenda and presentation documents for the second Programme Steering Committee were also prepared during the reporting period whilst the meeting happened on 18<sup>th</sup> September 2017. The meeting was attended by 27 participants representing key stakeholders from the Federal and Regional Member States (Puntland, Jubaland, Galmudug, South West and Hirshabelle) ministries (Ministry of Environment, Agriculture, Livestock, Forestry and Range, and Ministry of Marine and Fisheries) as well as donors (Sweden, EU and Italy) along with the implementing agencies (FAO & UNDP).

As part of the presentation, progress of planned activities, key challenges and issues for Programme Steering Committee decisions were presented by UNDP and FAO. The agreed recommendations and approved actions are part of the annex 2 under the monitoring and oversight sight section.

FAO Somalia conducted remote sensing activities between Dinsoor to Kuntawareey to the north of South West State to Badhaadhe to the south of Jubaland State. Overall analysis showed mass deforestation and an increase in charcoal production sites with an estimate loss of one tree every minute.

On resource mobilisation, an additional fund of USD \$551,000 were received from Sweden MPFT funds, while further resource mobilisation efforts are underway with AFDB and an estimated amount of USD \$10m is expected to be channelled through the UN Joint Programme on Charcoal.

**Photos Showing the events of second Programme Steering Committee Meeting in Mogadishu MIA AMISOM VIP Conference Room**



**Other Key Achievements**



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- Unsustainable Production, Use and Trade of Charcoal highlighted at regional foras by UNEP. UNEP annual report also featured Somalia’s Charcoal as the root cause of environmental degradation and lack of security
- Preparation of draft national and regional policy on Somalia charcoal trade and use was completed by UNEP in July 2017.
- New Letter of Agreements (LOAs) with the MOLFR is being finalised to support capacity needs of the Federal Ministry and the Focal Ministries of Member States, including Somaliland.
- Selection of monitoring team by the Jubaland Ministry of Environment and Tourism completed. The Monitors will be engaged in the baseline assessments and selection of beneficiaries for the alternative livelihoods under component three.

**Challenges (incl: Delays or Deviations) and Lessons Learnt:**

- There have been notable delays in holding the second Programme Steering Committee due to cancellation by the Federal Ministry for Livestock, Forest and Range. This has significantly slowed down implementation of the on-ground activities,
- Plans to hold an International Conference could not materialise because of the diplomatic stand-off among Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC) members. Programme Steering Committee recommended Nairobi, Kenya as the alternative venue for hosting International Conference on Charcoal Reduction. The timing of the International Conference will be second half of January 2018
- The current political tensions between the Federal Member States and Federal Governments is foreseen to undermine efforts on awareness raising as well setting up of national and regional policies/legal frameworks on charcoal reduction.
- Cycles of repeated drought, limited livelihood opportunities and Inadequate sources of energy to meet the basic needs significantly accelerates the charcoal trade and domestic consumption.
- Conflict sensitive programming and meeting the demand side are of priority to safeguard the needs of vulnerable groups (women, youth and IDPs) in the charcoal value chain.
- An increase in the charcoal production sites and limited livelihood options has substantially triggered the deforestation rate in Somalia as from FAO SWALIM analysis, one tree is cut down every minute for charcoal production.

**Peacebuilding impact:** Not Applicable

**Catalytic effects :** Not Applicable

**Gender**

The Programme has an overall rating of Gender Maker 2, and though the Programme is on full scale implementation, gender specific outputs have not yet been achieved but would be addressed while promoting alternative energy and livelihoods. Also based on the UNDP Country Office Gender Strategy



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and principles of inclusiveness, women interns are part of part of the Letter of Agreement between UNDP and MOLFR. Furthermore, the ongoing recruitment of National consultants and Programme Management staffs to work on National and Regional Charcoal Policy include both women and men. However, gender response will be reported in gender desegregated data when implementation of alternative energy and livelihoods interventions starts in full gears.

Proportion of gender specific outputs in Joint Programme <sup>3</sup>	<b>Total no. of Joint Programme Outputs</b>	<b>Total no. of gender specific Outputs</b>
	<i>17</i>	<i>3</i>
Proportion of Joint Programme staff with responsibility for gender issues <sup>4</sup>	<b>Total no. of Staff</b>	<b>Total no. of staff with responsibility for gender issues</b>
	<i>Pending finalization of recruitment process ongoing</i>	<i>Pending finalization of recruitment process ongoing</i>

**Human Rights**

To be reporting in upcoming quarters after the initiation of on-ground activities

Has the Joint Programme included a protection risk assessment in its context analysis, including on gender issues, and taken measures to mitigate these risks to ensure they are not exacerbated or new risks created?	<b>Result (Yes/No)</b>
	<i>Yes</i>
No. of Joint Programme outputs specifically designed to address specific protection concerns.	<b>Result (No.)</b>
	<i>10</i>
No. of Joint Programme outputs designed to build capacity of duty bearers to fulfil their human rights obligations towards rights holders.	<b>Result (No.)</b>
	<i>0</i>

**Other**

Does the Joint Programmes have a national cost-sharing component (i.e. funds and/or other resources provided by the FGS and/or FMS (including in-kind contributions)? (if 'Yes', describe below).	<b>Results (Yes/No)</b>
	<i>No</i>
Have FMS(s) been engaged in one or more of the following: design, planning, implementation, coordination and/or monitoring of the Joint Programme.	<b>Results (Yes/No)</b>
	<i>No</i>

**Describe nature of cost sharing:**

**Support to Drought Response:**

**Communications & Visibility:**

<sup>3</sup> Gender Specific Outputs are those that are specifically designed to directly and explicitly contribute to the promotion of Gender Equality and Women's Empowerment.

<sup>4</sup> Staff members are those contracted to undertaken work for the Joint Programme including full time staff, consultants, advisors, interns, etc. Staff members with responsibility for gender issues are those who have gender related activities included in their Terms of Reference.



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### Looking ahead

- Training to staff of PROSCAL partner agencies on methodologies to collect data on charcoal production and utilization.
- Awareness raising and Programme Launch event to be held Mogadishu. Also, Simple alert messages are planned to be aired in the local TVs, Radios and Newsletters in the coming two months. Likewise, local artist would be engaged with on the awareness raising events to impart positive behaviors to the communities on the management of natural resources.
- Establishment of sub-committee taskforce to initiate the formulation of Somali lead Somali owned National and Regional Policy on Charcoal Production, Use and Trade.
- Distribution of Liquefied Petroleum Gas (LPG) and energy efficient cooking stoves to the vulnerable IDPs in Somalia.
- Completion of the mapping activities by the end of September-Mid October and analysing the results by the end of October.
- Training in Kismaayo on the methodology used to map the charcoal sites and derive the data by the end of October.
- Setting-up of an online monitoring tool using Google Earth Engine capabilities in collaboration with JRC and should be functional by the end of November; Full Report of the monitoring by the end of December.
- Implementation of PROSCAL activities by partners.
- Awareness creation campaigns/trainings at village level on the negative effects of charcoal production and its trade, and the alternatives in energy and livelihood sectors.
- Procurement of PROSCAL activities inputs.





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**ANNEX 1. RISK MANAGEMENT**

Type of Risk <sup>5</sup>	Description of Risk	Mitigating Measures
Financial	Lack of funding from the donors may cause substantial risk of not achieving the objectives of full joint programme.	Senior leadership of UN System and Federal Government were involved in raising funding to implement the programme. The currently available funding is USD 6.6 Million i.e. 29% of the full programme budget of USD 23.6 million. Also, second Programme Steering Committee approved the request for further resource mobilisation – including African Development Bank – activities on charcoal substitution. MOLFR to get a letter from Ministry of Finance to allocate AFDB funds through Charcoal Programme, and Senior Programme Management to follow up this with AFDB on further requirements
Political (new)	The Plans to hold International Conference may delay due to the diplomatic stand-off among GCC members.	The second Programme Steering Committee recommended Nairobi, Kenya as the alternative venue for hosting International Conference on Charcoal Reduction. The timing of the International Conference will be second half of January 2018
Social and Environmental Screening Risks	Duty-bearers do not have the capacity to meet their obligations in the Project	The programme is developing government capacity to formulate laws to curb charcoal trade, sensitize the custom, and law enforcement authorities about the issue and provide operational funds for the purpose. Further, the programme may recommend Government to call the support of Security Council to enforce illegal trade, if it does not stop. In addition, the second Programme Steering Committee approved the allocation of the additional USD 551,000 funds received through Sweden MPTF for UNEP lead activities. These funds will support the regional

<sup>5</sup> Environmental; Financial; Operational; Organizational; Political; Regulatory; Security; Strategic; Other.



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		<p>coordination, environment diplomacy and monitoring of charcoal trade by UNEP implement</p>
	<p>The Project involve harvesting of natural forests, plantation development, or reforestation</p>	<p>The project is embedding design to address the existing gap on environmental un-sustainability and promote the use of other source of energy other than charcoal i.e. solar, wind and biogas. For longer term sustainability capacity building on environmental protection and conservation will be enhanced at national and community level. Also, it's the aim of the project to support the charcoal traders with alternative source of livelihoods and empower them as well to remain in the very business for a longer time through provision of small business grants. The Project has also reforestation and plantation activities in the charcoal depleted forest to regenerate grazing land fertility and minimize further land degradation. Furthermore, USD 0.5Million of the available budget has been approved by the second Programme Steering Committee to cover the energy needs of the Vulnerable IDP communities in Somalia. The funds will support the procurement and distribution of Liquified Petroleum Gas (LPG) and Energy Efficient Cooking Stoves.</p>
	<p>Project would have adverse impacts on gender equality and/or the situation of women and girls</p>	<p>Women are the primary retailers of Charcoal and are likely to suffer impact in income as a result of Charcoal production. Understanding this need, project is prioritizing initiatives and opportunities for women, including access to start-up funds for alternative resources, engagement with women and CSOs to ensure women's needs and rights are met with.</p>



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**ANNEX 2. MONITORING AND OVERSIGHT ACTIVITIES**

Monitoring Activity	Date	Description & Comments	Key Findings / Recommendations
Second Programme Steering Committee Meeting	18/09/2017	Second Programme Steering Committee Meetings on the UN Joint Charcoal Reduction and Alternative Livelihoods (PROSACAL) to update Board Members on the Key Achievements, Challenges and discuss on key items for Approvals.	<p>The September, Programme Steering Committee Meeting has brought together key stakeholders to review progress, discuss key challenges, coordination mechanisms, and agree on items for Boards Decision. Key recommendations and approved decisions were as follows:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Establishment of sub-committee with National and Regional Charcoal Policy TORs approved and members to be drawn from the Ministry of Livestock, Forestry &amp; Range, Ministry of Energy &amp; Water, Ministry of Petroleum &amp; Minerals, Directorate of Environment (Office of the Prime Minister), Ministry of Agriculture, Ministry of Fisheries, Ministry of Internal Security, Ministry of Planning, Investment and Economic Development and Member States Ministries of Environment.</li> <li>2. Programme Steering Committee recommended Nairobi, Kenya as the alternative venue for hosting International Conference on Charcoal Reduction. The timing of the International Conference will be second half of January 2018.</li> <li>3. Programme Steering Committee approved the allocation of USD500,000 to cover the Setting up of market chain for fuel efficient stoves, LPG and Green Charcoal for the Vulnerable IDPs across Somalia Regions and selection of beneficiaries to be based on vulnerability status and regional balance</li> <li>4. Programme Steering Committee approved the allocation of the Un-earmarked funds of USD 551,000 from Sweden with MPTF allocated for UNEP led activities. These funds will support the regional coordination, environment diplomacy and monitoring of charcoal trade by UNEP, however UNEP should come up with a work plan for sourcing these funds and an operational plan to implement.</li> <li>5. Programme Steering Committee approved the request for further resource mobilisation – including African Development Bank – activities on charcoal substitution. MOLFR to get</li> </ol>



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			<p>a letter from Ministry of Finance to allocate AFDB funds through Charcoal Programme, and Senior Programme Management to follow up this with AFDB on further requirements</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>6. The workplan for the 2017 be circulated to the Programme Steering Committee members along with the minutes of the meeting.</li><li>7. Next Programme Steering Committee meeting to be held in end of February 2018.</li><li>8. For the longer-term sustainability, an investment on affordable alternative source of energy was the highlighted strategy to tackling the demand side of the Charcoal trade and domestic use.</li><li>9. Extensive resource mobilization, revisiting Annual Workplan and awareness raising strategies were recommended actions to boost up Programme Deliverables.</li></ol>
Third Programme Steering Committee Meeting (Planned)	End of February, 2017	Planned	To be reported in Q1 of 2018.



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**ANNEX 3. TRAINING DATA**

No trainings conducted over the reporting period

#	Target Group		Dates	# of participants			Title of the training	Location of training	Training provider
	Ministry. District or UN staff	Others		M	F	Total			
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