



United Nations Development Programme

UNDP's work in Liberia is set out within the Country Programme Action Plan (CPAP) signed with the Government of Liberia (GoL) in 2008 (the mid-term review of the CPAPs was conducted in mid-2010). This is under the broad parameters of the Standard Basic Assistance Agreement, signed between the GoL and UNDP in 1977.

All UNDP programmes fall under pillars I (Peace and Security), III (Governance and Rule of Law) and, especially pillar IV (Rehabilitation of Infrastructure and Basic Services) of Liberia's Poverty Reduction Strategy and the United Nations Development Assistance Framework.

CURRENT PROGRAMMES

Pillar I

Pro-poor Growth & Economic Development

Duration: 01 Jan-31 Dec 2011

Budget: US\$10,162,669

Objectives: Specifically aims to strengthen national capacity through youth employment and empowerment, addressing gender equality and women's economic empowerment, and mainstreaming energy and environment in government policies. It also supports equitable, inclusive and sustainable growth with a focus on rehabilitation of basic infrastructure, energy and environment management, youth empowerment and employment and growth of an inclusive financial sector (Microfinance).

Results: Collaborates with the Ministries of Health; Youth & Sports; Internal Affairs; Gender & Development; Lands, Mines and Energy; Environmental Protection Agency, Federation of Liberian Youth; and the Central Bank of Liberia through various programmes to support government's Poverty Reduction Strategy and the UNDAF and UNDP CPAP in Liberia. Supports the establishment of an inclusive financial sector in the country under its Community Based Recovery Development Programs through assistance to microfinance organizations, establishment of village savings and loan associations (VSLAs) and support to sustainable livelihood programmes in the Counties. A National Youth Volunteer Service Programme under the Ministry of Youth and Sports has so far been very successful with regards to Youth Empowerment in Liberia. The Kokoyah Millennium Development Village Project which constructed and turned over two clinics this year, is ongoing and has 13 staff, while the CLOHRY Project is on-going in Klay, Bomi County with three UNDP staff. This project is implemented by the Ministry of Youth and Sports with support from UNDP. The Community Based Recovery Development (CBRD) field office in Gbarnga is responsible for monitoring on-going projects in Lofa, Bong and Nimba Counties.

Pillar II

Democratic Governance

Duration: 01 Jan—31 Dec 2011

Budget: US\$28,818,948

Objectives: Contribute to achieving UNDAF Outcome 3, by enhancing national and local capacity to articulate, formulate and implement policies and programmes in a participatory, gender sensitive and accountable manner, for the promotion of democracy, and the consolidation of peace and security.

Results: Support to the Governance Commission culminated into the formulation of the Public Sector Reform Policy Paper, endorsed by the Cabinet and the Decentralization Policy endorsed by all major stakeholders and forwarded to the Cabinet for approval. Institutional and logistical support to the Liberian Anti-Corruption Commission has contributed to its current functional state with over seven cases forwarded to the Justice Ministry following investigations. The Elections Basket Fund, with contributions from the European Union, Governments of Spain, Denmark, Japan, Sweden and Germany, support all aspects of Liberia's 2011 elections process technically and logistically from the preparation of the relevant laws for the vote to take place, while ensuring sensitivity to gender equity (49% of 1.7 million eligible voters registered are women) and conflict prevention, resolution of any electoral disputes that may occur, and the final reporting of the results. UNDP is supporting this through **Procurement Processes** (Materials for voters' registration, referendum and elections procured); **Training** (419 female aspirants trained so far and are participating in parties' primaries, while staff of NEC and Civil Society Groups have been selected to perform various functions, including civic and voters' education roles; as well as in other areas that require technical and logistical support.

UNDP has also assisted with the construction of Police depots and barracks in all 15 counties; provision of equipment and on-going rehabilitation/renovation to the National Police Training Academy; construction of a Magisterial Court in Nimba County and a Circuit Court in Lofa County; the construction and furnishing of the Women and Children Protection Unit at the LNP Headquarters in Monrovia, technical and financial support to the Liberia National Fire Service prevention strategy, the Law reform Commission as well as the Independent Human Rights Commission.

TOTAL BUDGET	US\$ 118,000,000 (2008—2012). <i>This does not include emergency funding.</i>		
TOTAL STAFF	200	FIELD PRESENCE	Bomi, Bong, Lofa, Montserrado and Sinoe Counties
IMPLEMENTING PARTNERS	Ministries of Internal Affairs, Foreign Affairs, Finance, Planning and Economic Affairs, Gender and Development, Commerce and Industry, Information, Culture and Tourism, Justice, Youth and Sports, CSOs and NGOs.		
COLLABORATING UN AGENCIES	UNFPA, UNICEF, UNMIL, World Bank, WFP		
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