



MONTHLY UPDATE

16 NOVEMBER TO 15 DECEMBER 2010

Highlights:

- The Stabilization Funding Board approved three new projects for financial support from the Peacebuilding Fund: military justice; civilian justice; and disarmament and demobilisation of residual combatants.
- *Formation de base* launched for civil administrators in 15 ISSSS focus areas. This paves the way for handover of newly finished infrastructure in the coming months.
- STAREC thematic sub-commissions have now been established in North Kivu and South Kivu. The groups have made considerable progress in identifying concrete, actionable priorities for 2011 and “programming” these with *fiches de projet*.
- The new Stabilization Team Leader, Bruno Donat, arrived in post. He will lead the Stabilization Support Unit, with responsibility to coordinate implementation of the International Security and Stabilization Support Strategy (ISSSS), to further the Government’s Stabilization and Reconstruction Plan for the East (STAREC).

LOCATIONS: NK North Kivu; SK South Kivu; IT Ituri; REG Eastern DRC

COMPONENT 1: SECURITY

New project for disarmament and demobilisation in the Kivus

<p>NK SK</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ The Stabilization Funding Board approved \$0.64m from the Peacebuilding Fund to disarm and demobilise 4,000 combatants from “residual” armed groups in the Kivus. ▪ Project will be executed by MONUSCO DDR/RR section. It seeks to capitalise on strong pressure from the Government for disarmament, and is critically important to help isolate foreign armed groups. ▪ Demobilisation will be linked with community reintegration projects to be executed by UNDP. Funding for this caseload of 4,000 combatants is still to be mobilised.
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COMPONENT 2: POLITICAL DIALOGUE

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COMPONENT 3: STATE AUTHORITY

Basic training launched for civil administrators in ISSSS target areas

<p>NK SK IT</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Five days basic training delivered for 225 civil administrators in ISSSS focus areas. Training focused on functioning of decentralised government, principles of administration and conflict management, ▪ Training is preparatory for handover of the new facilities constructed in 15 localities, and was delivered by provincial Ministries, CAS and UNDP. Additional modules will be delivered <i>in situ</i> for specific technical areas.
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New project to strengthen criminal justice system

NK	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Stabilization Funding Board approved \$1.67m support from Peacebuilding Fund for project to strengthen criminal justice in ISSSS target areas. (This leaves an additional \$2.6m to be mobilised.) ▪ Work under the project comprises training and post-deployment support to 190 staff for the eight new facilities already underway; supplementary works for these facilities; and improvements to the Central Prisons in ISSSS target provinces. ▪ Project will be implemented by UNDP; MONUSCO Rule of Law; UNOPS; and IOM.
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Désenclavement of remote areas

ISSSS road works currently in progress:

NK	Sake – Masisi (57km)	Works under UNOPS rehabilitation project to be finished end December 2010. Flash floods continue to cut the road periodically; MONUSCO's South African engineering contingent continues to make emergency repairs as needed.
SK	Bukavu – Hombo (93km)	Road remains open. The last major works are: (i) the bridge at Hombo (UNOPS, to be delivered April 2011), and (ii) drainage works implemented by MONUSCO's Uruguayan engineering contingent (nearly completed).
	Burhale – Shabunda (304km)	MONUSCO's Bangladeshi engineering contingent, the Office de Routes and UNOPS continue to work at both ends of the road. Opening is foreseen for end of December 2010, with works to continue through 2011.

Deployment of GoDRC officials

Status of infrastructure works with confirmed funding:

	Total	In use	Finished	En cours	Planning
<i>Police Territoriale (stations)</i>	14	1	9	4	
<i>Police Territoriale (housing)</i>	12				12
FARDC garrisons	2			2	
Civil administration	21		9	8	4
Prison	4		1	3	
Tribunal de Paix	4		3	1	
Centre de Negoce	5			4	1
TOTAL	62	1	22	22	17

Handover to partners :

- Police & civil administration: In North Kivu, joint missions with provincial Ministries have green lit the handover of most facilities and this is now planned for the coming weeks. Handover for South Kivu is not yet scheduled and is expected to occur in early 2011.
- Prisons and *tribunaux de paix*: As noted above, funding has now been secured for training and post-deployment support of officials. This should be rolled out in early 2011, with handover to follow.

COMPONENT 4: RETURN, REINTEGRATION & RECOVERY

Review meeting held for 2010

REG	Agencies working under 4 th component met on 14 December in Kinshasa. Key points included:
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Analysis of results obtained under joint projects in Ituri, North Kivu and South Kivu, and lessons learned going forward. ▪ Planning for areas and types of interventions for 2011-12. Focused on adaptation of programmes to more stable / peripheral / less stable areas. ▪ Interaction with other components of the ISSSS was highlighted as a key challenge.
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Managing return of displaced persons

NK	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Following the prolongation of the STAREC by Ordinance 09/051: UNHCR, UNDP and Ministers of Justice / Planning have agreed on a provincial coordination structure to link together and support the local-level Permanent Conciliation Committees (CLPCs). ▪ Project had previously been held up by abolition of the provincial Pacification Commission in October. Partners now expect to start setting up the CLPCs in January 2011.
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COMPONENT 5: SEXUAL VIOLENCE

Planning workshop with key partners

NK	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Partners working under the Comprehensive Strategy on Sexual Violence convened in Goma on 30 November and 1 December. ▪ Workshop focused on the project development process for the Comprehensive Strategy. Particular emphasis was placed on streamlining project development for allocations from the Stabilization and Recovery Fund.
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PARTNERSHIPS & COORDINATION

Coordination of STAREC / ISSSS activities

REG	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ The new Stabilization Team Leader, Bruno Donat, arrived in post in Goma on 23 November. He will head the Stabilization Support Unit: comprising the regional team in Goma, plus Coordination Officers for ISSSS target provinces and Kinshasa. ▪ Initial discussions have been held with the MONUSCO Senior Management Team and substantive sections; plus key staff from the UN Country Team at Kinshasa level and in the provinces.
SK	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ The STAREC thematic sub-commissions for Humanitarian & Social Affairs and Economic Recovery convened; the Roads Coordination Group continues to meet weekly. Each group has made considerable progress in identifying specific, actionable priorities for 2011. ▪ The last remaining sub-commission for Security & State Authority has now been established, under the provincial Minister of Interior.
NK	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ The STAREC Joint Technical Committee (CTC) met on 8 December, chaired by the Governor and MONUSCO Head of Office. Discussions focused on priorities identified by the thematic <i>sous-commissions</i> for 2011. ▪ The thematic sub-commissions for Humanitarian & Social Affairs, State Authority and Economic Recovery all met during the reporting period. In addition, a Roads Coordination Group has now been established under the chair of the Minister for Transport and Public Works. ▪ Sub-commission for Economic Recovery sponsored an Economic Forum for North Kivu to identify strategic orientations.

Resources & external support

REG	The Stabilization Funding Board met on 13 December. Key points:
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Peacebuilding Fund: Confirmed \$0.96m funding to support military justice; \$1.67m to support civilian justice; \$0.64m to support disarmament and demobilisation of residual armed groups. Commitment of the PBF allocation now stands at USD 17.175m out of USD 20m or about 85%. ▪ Stabilization and Recovery Fund: \$4m allocated to Maniema province to support the 4th component of the I4S (Return, Reintegration & Reconciliation).
	<p>Contributions to Stabilization and Recovery Fund:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Norway contributed NOK 5,000,000 (~ USD 900,000) for the Sexual Violence component.

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