# Consolidated Annual Financial Report of the Administrative Agent for the JP oPt Rule of Law II Fund

for the period 1 January to 31 December 2019

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# **PARTICIPATING ORGANIZATIONS**



United Nations Development Programme



UNWOMEN

# **CONTRIBUTORS**



NETHERLANDS, Government of



SWEDISH INT'L DEVELOPMENT COOPERATION



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#### **DEFINITIONS**

#### Allocation

Amount approved by the Steering Committee for a project/programme.

#### **Approved Project/Programme**

A project/programme including budget, etc., that is approved by the Steering Committee for fund allocation purposes.

#### **Contributor Commitment**

Amount(s) committed by a donor to a Fund in a signed Standard Administrative Arrangement with the UNDP Multi-Partner Trust Fund Office (MPTF Office), in its capacity as the Administrative Agent. A commitment may be paid or pending payment.

#### **Contributor Deposit**

Cash deposit received by the MPTF Office for the Fund from a contributor in accordance with a signed Standard Administrative Arrangement.

### **Delivery Rate**

The percentage of funds that have been utilized, calculated by comparing expenditures reported by a Participating Organization against the 'net funded amount'.

#### **Indirect Support Costs**

A general cost that cannot be directly related to any particular programme or activity of the Participating Organizations. UNDG policy establishes a fixed indirect cost rate of 7% of programmable costs.

#### **Net Funded Amount**

Amount transferred to a Participating Organization less any refunds transferred back to the MPTF Office by a Participating Organization.

#### **Participating Organization**

A UN Organization or other inter-governmental Organization that is an implementing partner in a Fund, as represented by signing a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the MPTF Office for a particular Fund.

#### **Project Expenditure**

The sum of expenses and/or expenditure reported by all Participating Organizations for a Fund irrespective of which basis of accounting each Participating Organization follows for donor reporting.

#### **Project Financial Closure**

A project or programme is considered financially closed when all financial obligations of an operationally completed project or programme have been settled, and no further financial charges may be incurred.

#### **Project Operational Closure**

A project or programme is considered operationally closed when all programmatic activities for which Participating Organization(s) received funding have been completed.

#### **Project Start Date**

Date of transfer of first instalment from the MPTF Office to the Participating Organization.

#### **Total Approved Budget**

This represents the cumulative amount of allocations approved by the Steering Committee.

#### **US Dollar Amount**

The financial data in the report is recorded in US Dollars and due to rounding off of numbers, the totals may not add up.

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#### **INTRODUCTION**

This Consolidated Annual Financial Report of the JP oPt Rule of Law II Fund is prepared by the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) Multi-Partner Trust Fund Office (MPTF Office) in fulfillment of its obligations as Administrative Agent, as per the terms of Reference (TOR), the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) signed between the UNDP MPTF Office and the Participating Organizations, and the Standard Administrative Arrangement (SAA) signed with contributors.

The MPTF Office, as Administrative Agent, is responsible for concluding an MOU with Participating Organizations and SAAs with contributors. It receives, administers and

manages contributions, and disburses these funds to the Participating Organizations. The Administrative Agent prepares and submits annual consolidated financial reports, as well as regular financial statements, for transmission to contributors.

This consolidated financial report covers the period 1 January to 31 December **2019** and provides financial data on progress made in the implementation of projects of the **JP oPt Rule of Law II Fund**. It is posted on the MPTF Office GATEWAY (http://mptf.undp.org/factsheet/fund/JPS10).

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#### **2019 FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE**

This chapter presents financial data and analysis of the JP oPt Rule of Law II Fund using the pass-through funding modality as of 31 December 2019. Financial information for this Fund is also available on the MPTF Office GATEWAY, at the following address:

http://mptf.undp.org/factsheet/fund/JPS10.

# 1. SOURCES AND USES OF FUNDS

As of 31 December **2019**, **2** contributors deposited US\$ **11,272,149** in contributions and US\$ **7,811** was earned in interest.

The cumulative source of funds was US\$ 11,279,960

Of this amount, US\$ 11,159,407 has been net funded to 3 Participating Organizations, of which US\$ 6,423,184 has been reported as expenditure. The Administrative Agent fee has been charged at the approved rate of 1% on deposits and amounts to US\$ 112,721. Table 1 provides an overview of the overall sources, uses, and balance of the JP oPt Rule of Law II Fund as of 31 December 2019.

Table 1. Financial Overview, as of 31 December 2019 (in US Dollars)

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	Annual 2018	Annual 2019	Cumulative			
Sources of Funds						
Contributions from donors	4,545,455	6,726,694	11,272,149			
Fund Earned Interest and Investment Income	-		7,811			
Interest Income received from Participating Organizations	-	-	-			
Refunds by Administrative Agent to Contributors	-	-	-			
Fund balance transferred to another MDTF	-	-	-			
Other Income	-	-	-			
Total: Sources of Funds	4,545,455	6,734,505	11,279,960			
Use of Funds						
Transfers to Participating Organizations	4,500,000	6,659,407	11,159,407			
Refunds received from Participating Organizations	-	-	-			
Net Funded Amount	4,500,000	6,659,407	11,159,407			
Administrative Agent Fees	45,455	67,267	112,721			
Direct Costs: (Steering Committee, Secretariatetc.)	-	-	-			
Bank Charges	-	35	35			
Other Expenditures	-	-	-			
Total: Uses of Funds	4,545,455	6,726,709	11,272,163			
Change in Fund cash balance with Administrative Agent	0	7,796	7,797			
Opening Fund balance (1 January)	0	0	-			
Closing Fund balance (31 December)	0	7,797	7,797			
Net Funded Amount (Includes Direct Cost)	4,500,000	6,659,407	11,159,407			
Participating Organizations' Expenditure (Includes Direct Cost)	1,329,257	5,093,927	6,423,184			
Balance of Funds with Participating Organizations			4,736,223			

#### 2. PARTNER CONTRIBUTIONS

Table 2 provides information on cumulative contributions received from all contributors to this Fund as of 31 December **2019**.

The JP oPt Rule of Law II Fund is currently being financed by 2 contributors, as listed in the table below.

The table below includes commitments made up to 31 December 2019 through signed Standard Administrative Agreements, and deposits made through 2019. It does not include commitments that were made to the fund beyond 2019.

Table 2. Contributors' Commitments and Deposits, as of 31 December 2019 (in US Dollars)

Contributors	Total Commitments	Prior Years as of 31-Dec-2018 Deposits	Current Year Jan-Dec-2019 Deposits	Total Deposits
NETHERLANDS, Government of	8,522,727	4,545,455	2,988,636	7,534,091
SWEDISH INT'L DEVELOPMENT COOPERATION	3,738,058	-	3,738,058	3,738,058
Grand Total	12,260,785	4,545,455	6,726,694	11,272,149

#### 3. INTEREST EARNED

Interest income is earned in two ways: 1) on the balance of funds held by the Administrative Agent (Fund earned interest), and 2) on the balance of funds held by the Participating Organizations (Agency earned interest) where their Financial Regulations and Rules allow return of interest to the AA.

As of 31 December **2019**, Fund earned interest amounts to US\$ **7,811**.

Details are provided in the table below.

Table 3. Sources of Interest and Investment Income, as of 31 December 2019 (in US Dollars)

Interest Earned	Prior Years as of 31-Dec-2018	Current Year Jan-Dec-2019	Total
Administrative Agent			
Fund Earned Interest and Investment Income		7,811	7,811
Total: Fund Earned Interest		7,811	7,811
Participating Organization			
Total: Agency earned interest			
Grand Total		7,811	7,811

# 4. TRANSFER OF FUNDS

Allocations to Participating Organizations are approved by the Steering Committee and disbursed by the Administrative Agent. As of 31 December **2019**, the AA has transferred US\$ **11,159,407** to **3** Participating Organizations (see list below).

#### **4.1 TRANSFER BY PARTICIPATING ORGANIZATION**

Table 4 provides additional information on the refunds received by the MPTF Office, and the net funded amount for each of the Participating Organizations.

Table 4. Transfer, Refund, and Net Funded Amount by Participating Organization, as of 31 December 2019 (in US Dollars)

Participating Prior Years as of 31-Dec-2018		Current Year Jan-Dec-2019			Total				
Organization	Transfers	Refunds	Net Funded	Transfers	Refunds	Net Funded	Transfers	Refunds	Net Funded
UNDP	2,880,000		2,880,000	4,444,575		4,444,575	7,324,575		7,324,575
UNICEF	720,000		720,000	1,082,494		1,082,494	1,802,494		1,802,494
UNWOMEN	900,000		900,000	1,132,338		1,132,338	2,032,338		2,032,338
<b>Grand Total</b>	4,500,000		4,500,000	6,659,407		6,659,407	11,159,407		11,159,407

# 5. EXPENDITURE AND FINANCIAL DELIVERY RATES

All final expenditures reported for the year **2019** were submitted by the Headquarters of the Participating Organizations. These were consolidated by the MPTF Office.

Project expenditures are incurred and monitored by each Participating Organization, and are reported as per the agreed upon categories for inter-agency harmonized reporting. The reported expenditures were submitted via the MPTF Office's online expenditure reporting tool. The **2019** expenditure data has been posted on the MPTF Office GATEWAY at http://mptf.undp.org/factsheet/fund/JPS10.

# **5.1 EXPENDITURE REPORTED BY PARTICIPATING ORGANIZATION**

In **2019**, US\$ **6,659,407** was net funded to Participating Organizations, and US\$ **5,093,927** was reported in expenditure.

As shown in table below, the cumulative net funded amount is US\$ 11,159,407 and cumulative expenditures reported by the Participating Organizations amount to US\$ 6,423,184. This equates to an overall Fund expenditure delivery rate of 58 percent.

The agencies with the three highest delivery rates are: UNDP (64%), UNWOMEN (48%) and UNICEF (43%)

Table 5.1. Net Funded Amount, Reported Expenditure, and Financial Delivery by Participating Organization, as of 31 December 2019 (in US Dollars)

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Participating Organization	Approved Amount	Net Funded Amount	Prior Years as of 31-Dec-2018	Current Year Jan-Dec-2019	Cumulative	Delivery Rate %
UNDP	7,324,575	7,324,575	893,629	3,773,853	4,667,482	63.72
UNICEF	1,802,494	1,802,494	100,618	682,779	783,397	43.46
UNWOMEN	2,032,338	2,032,338	335,010	637,295	972,305	47.84
<b>Grand Total</b>	11,159,407	11,159,407	1,329,257	5,093,927	6,423,184	57.56

#### **5.2 EXPENDITURE REPORTED BY CATEGORY**

Project expenditures are incurred and monitored by each Participating Organization and are reported as per the agreed categories for inter-agency harmonized reporting. See table below.

# **Expense Categories**

- 1. Staff and personnel costs
- 2. Supplies, commodities and materials
- 3. Equipment, vehicles, furniture and depreciation
- 4. Contractual services
- 5. Travel
- 6. Transfers and grants
- 7. General operating expenses
- 8. Indirect costs

Table 5.2. Expenditure by UNDG Budget Category, as of 31 December 2019 (in US Dollars)

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Category	Prior Years as of 31-Dec-2018	Current Year Jan-Dec-2019	Total	Percentage of Total Programme Cost
Staff & Personnel Cost	348,600	1,358,919	1,707,518	28.78
Suppl, Comm, Materials	2,199	12,133	14,332	0.24
Equipment, Vehicles, Furniture, Depreciation	3,200	4,309	7,509	0.13
Contractual Services	665,806	2,453,249	3,119,055	52.57
Travel	24,788	71,874	96,662	1.63
Transfers and Grants	40,513	406,868	447,382	7.54
General Operating	120,228	420,952	541,179	9.12
Programme Costs Total	1,205,334	4,728,304	5,933,638	100.00
<sup>1</sup> Indirect Support Costs Total	123,923	365,623	489,546	8.25
Total	1,329,257	5,093,927	6,423,184	

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> **Indirect Support Costs** charged by Participating Organization, based on their financial regulations, can be deducted upfront or at a later stage during implementation. The percentage may therefore appear to exceed the 7% agreed-upon for on-going projects. Once projects are financially closed, this number is not to exceed 7%.

#### **6. COST RECOVERY**

Cost recovery policies for the Fund are guided by the applicable provisions of the Terms of Reference, the MOU concluded between the Administrative Agent and Participating Organizations, and the SAAs concluded between the Administrative Agent and Contributors, based on rates approved by UNDG.

The policies in place, as of 31 December **2019**, were as follows:

- The Administrative Agent (AA) fee: 1% is charged at the time of contributor deposit and covers services provided on that contribution for the entire duration of the Fund. In the reporting period US\$ 67,267 was deducted in AA-fees. Cumulatively, as of 31 December 2019, US\$ 112,721 has been charged in AA-fees.
- Indirect Costs of Participating Organizations:
   Participating Organizations may charge 7% indirect costs. In the current reporting period US\$ 365,623 was deducted in indirect costs by Participating Organizations. Cumulatively, indirect costs amount to US\$ 489,546 as of 31 December 2019.

#### 7. ACCOUNTABILITY AND TRANSPARENCY

In order to effectively provide fund administration services and facilitate monitoring and reporting to the UN system and its partners, the MPTF Office has developed a public website, the MPTF Office Gateway (<a href="http://mptf.undp.org">http://mptf.undp.org</a>). Refreshed in real time every two hours from an internal enterprise resource planning system, the MPTF Office Gateway has become a standard setter for providing transparent and accountable trust fund administration services.

The Gateway provides financial information including: contributor commitments and deposits, approved programme budgets, transfers to and expenditures reported by Participating Organizations, interest income and other expenses. In addition, the Gateway provides an overview of the MPTF Office portfolio and extensive information on individual Funds, including their purpose, governance structure and documents. By providing easy access to the growing number of narrative and financial reports, as well as related project documents, the Gateway collects and preserves important institutional knowledge and facilitates knowledge sharing and management among UN Organizations and their development partners, thereby contributing to UN coherence and development effectiveness.