



International Organization for Migration (IOM)  
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## EVALUATION BRIEF

### Final internal evaluation of the “The UN COVID-19 Response and Recovery Multi-Partner Trust Fund” (UN COVID-19 MPTF)

This evaluation brief presents a summary of the key findings, conclusions, and recommendations, as identified by the evaluator(s) for use by key stakeholders, including internally by IOM staff and externally by project partners. More details can be found in the full evaluation report.

*Evaluation type:* Internal Independent process evaluation

*Evaluator:* Andre Kagwa, project officer -IOM Togo.

*Field visit dates:* 06 – 10 September 2021

*Final report date:* November 2021

### PROJECT INFORMATION

<b>Project title</b>	Enabling Guinea Bissau to timely respond and stop COVID-19 transmission
<b>Project timeframe</b>	12 months - Start Date: May 2020 - April 2021
<b>Project Extension</b>	May 2021 - September 2021
<b>IOM Project code</b>	GW10P0504/MP.0490
<b>IOM managing mission</b>	IOM Guinea Bissau
<b>IOM Project Manager</b>	KEMOKO Fatima
<b>Donor</b>	UN COVID-19 MPTF

***Evaluation purpose:*** To determine the relevance and level of the achievement of the project objective, development effectiveness, efficiency, impact, and sustainability of the project intervention. In addition, the evaluation was conducted to assess performance and gather lessons learned for future similar programming and activities.

***Evaluation criteria:*** relevance, effectiveness, efficiency, impact, appropriateness, coherence, coverage, and as well as the questions related to gender and human rights.

***Evaluation methodology:*** Participatory approach was used with qualitative techniques to capture all aspects as proposed in the study objectives. The qualitative aspect was addressed through a review of the project document and project reports; review of monitoring data; focus group discussions, direct observation through field visits, and Key informant interviews.

### KEY FINDINGS & CONCLUSIONS

Based on the evidence and testimonies collected, the SUITABILITY ANALYSIS of the evaluation concludes that the activities planned and implemented in the project were highly relevant to address the needs of the target communities.

The project's ADAPTABILITY in the face of the thoughtful health situation caused by Covid-19 stands out mainly. Likewise, it is worth highlighting the incorporation of the gender approach in the planning

of project activities which contribute to mitigating the vulnerabilities of women from the communities and achieve IOM's goal of promoting a safe, humane, and orderly migration for all.

Regarding the choice of one of the project's intervention areas,

It was evident that there are the gap of infection prevention and control (IPC) materials in the PoE like wash devices or masks, lack of facilities to isolate suspected cases until the arrival of the health team; risk communication materials (e.g.: posters), and lack of SOPs for detection, notification, isolation, and initial management.

Regarding the results achieved, the satisfaction levels expressed by the beneficiaries, the EFFECTIVENESS ANALYSIS of the evaluation concludes that the project has been effective in achieving, the planned goals.

Observing the results of the satisfaction surveys and the testimonies of the interviewees, a high degree of satisfaction of the target population, with good satisfaction levels, was observed concerning materials and hygiene kit provided.

In relation to the COVERAGE ANALYSIS, it is concluded that the project activities reached the people who live in the most vulnerable geographic areas.

However, based on the problems derived from the pandemic, the program kits and material delivered to the target population was not enough because during the evaluation it was revealed that more effort is needed to provide more hygiene kits and hand washing facilities to the vulnerable people

With regard to the EFFICIENCY ANALYSIS, it is concluded that despite its delays, the project managed to achieve its intended goals.

## **KEY RECOMMENDATIONS**

- Using the Implementation partners for the implementation of activities must be foreseen in the project budget and the workplace; to allow the results achieved by the intervention to be properly assessed.
- The project should start on time to avoid the delay that has affected negatively the project timeline. The project has had no cost extension as a result of delays in project implementation
- The implementation partner should receive installments according to the timeline stated in the contract to avoid delays in the implementation at the initial phase of the project. it was noticed that the delay of the first installment to the implementation partners had caused a slight delay in the implementation of certain activities, according to the initially established schedule.
- The Implementation partners would be given a realistic implementation period to carry out activities' implementation.
- The project had provided and installed the hand washing station facilities at the borders but these are not well maintained and are no more used by the travelers. It would be better for the stakeholders to take full responsibility to ensure the maintenance of the facilities provided by the donors for public use.