



# PSEA Community Outreach and Communication Fund 2022 Project Summaries



## Introduction

This Fund was established in 2020 as a deliverable of the <u>High Commissioner's IASC Championship on Protection from Sexual Exploitation and Abuse (PSEA) and Sexual Harassment</u> (September 2019 to December 2020). A joint initiative of UNHCR and the International Council of Voluntary Agencies (ICVA), the Fund supports the critical work of NGOs in preventing sexual exploitation and abuse by ensuring all affected people know that humanitarian assistance is never conditional on transactions or exchanges of any kind. Moreover, the Fund invests in community-led efforts to ensure that communities and SEA survivors know how and where to safely report allegations of sexual abuse and exploitation.

In 2020, the Fund generated tremendous interest from NGOs, community-based organizations, safeguarding experts and other humanitarian actors involved in PSEA activities, with over 1,500 applications received from NGOs worldwide, operation in all regions and humanitarian contexts. You can read more about the 19 selected projects funded in 2020 <a href="https://example.com/here/bene/memory-applications-new-mailto-selected-projects-selected-pr

In light of the successful first round undertaken in 2020, the Fund was opened for a second call for applications in 2021, attracting a wide interest in the form of more than 1,000 applications. In total, 15 grants

were awarded to <u>projects in all regions</u>. The deliverables created through the PSEA Fund projects are available and can be accessed on the <u>Deliverables Database</u>.

In 2022, now in its third round, the PSEA Fund was again met with considerable interest, receiving more than 1,000 applications. As in the years before, all eligible applications were reviewed and scored by an interagency steering group of PSEA experts, which in 2022 included representatives from IOM, UNICEF, Care International, World Vision International and the Communicating with Disaster Affected Communities (CDAC) Network, as well as ICVA and UNHCR. These projects, summarized below, aim to strengthen engagement with key groups such as adolescent girls, language minorities, persons with disabilities, persons of diverse sexual orientation and gender identity (SOGI), people in geographically isolated areas and communities where risks of transactional sex are known to be high. All selected projects incorporate dedicated attention to SEA risks posed by the COVID-19 pandemic, and each has received technical support and advice from the interagency steering group in developing their respective initiatives.

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# **Africa**

#### Femme Congolaise pour le Développement (FECONDE), DRC

Targeting 12,058 refugees, returnees and host communities, of which 2,462 men, 3,596 women and 4,607 children, living in the province of Ituri (Bunia, Marabo, Komanda and Mabasa Center), FECONDE will produce communication tools and messages in French and Swahili to build the capacity of girls, boys, women and men to understand and prevent SEA as well as promote available reporting mechanisms, such as the green line number 49555. FECONDE will develop and produce 4 image boxes, 4 posters, 1,000 leaflets and stickers which will be distributed in schools, health centres and other community centres. The NGO will train CBCM members and PSEA Focal Points among the beneficiaries of assistance, including IDPs, returnees and host populations, on PSEA key concepts, safe procedures for reporting cases and reporting channels in order to ensure the continuity of the PSEA response at the community level. The trained CBCM members and PSEA Focal Points will then conduct regular awareness sessions with communities, including schools, youth clubs, churches and/or health facilities and IDP sites, in collaboration with local leaders. The NGO will also produce 32 radio and 8 TV programs and spots to promote the toll-free number.

## **Super Buddies Club, Eswatini**

By targeting 1,690 women, 1,350 men, 1,392 girls, 1,240 boys, as well 422 adolescents and 402 adults with disabilities living in the Nkilongo Constituencies in the Lubombo Region of Eswatini, Super Buddies Club will develop IEC materials in English and Siswati, including 2,500 leaflets and 4 audio materials, on what constitutes SEA, the obligations of all actors to prevent and address such acts, the protection of witnesses and where survivors can report violations in order to get assistance. The NGO will hold 3 community dialogues with parents/caregivers, traditional leaders, and community members, to create awareness on PSEA. In addition, the NGO will

develop a protocol for reporting and referral tools of SEA cases which will be used as a guide on how SEA violation is reported and should be reported and referred. Staff, volunteers, and subcontractors will be trained on PSEA protocol and referral tools in order to provide them with the practical guide of reporting and referring SEA cases.

#### Concern for Women and Children Development Foundation, Nigeria

Concern for Women and Children Development Foundation will first conduct a rapid need assessment in the targeted locations of Marri, Gwange and Modusulumri wards of Maiduguri, Borno state; this will inform the program team on how best to implement the project with the rights-based approach that is needed. Then, targeting 200 persons (equal male and female), the NGO will conduct 3 advocacy visits on SEA and appropriate response in each ward during one month to relevant stakeholders, which will include community and religious leaders, relevant state ministries and agencies, traditional leaders, women, and youth groups as well as representatives of persons with disabilities. Concern for Women and Children Development Foundation will also organize awareness and sensitization sessions in host communities and IDP camps during 3 months in the 3 identified wards on a safe and accessible system of reporting SEA, which will be conducted in the form of communitybased focus group discussions (FGD), targeting 1,200 people from the three target locations, equal number of men, women, girls, and boys. 10,000 posters, flyers and handbills containing information on PSEA will also be shared in local languages, such as Hausa, Kanuri, and English. Lastly, the NGO will organize radio jingle programs to be broadcasted for 3 months, targeting 20,000 persons (equal male and female).

#### Danwadaag Relief Alliance (DRA), Somalia

DRA will develop community PSEA awareness-raising materials in Somali, English and Arabic, including 2,000 posters, 2 banners, radio messaging and a mobile communication unit (vehicle, microphone and speaker) - all communicating SEA prevention, reporting, response and referral pathways to 1,800 IDPs and 300 persons from the host communities living in Dhobley and Afmadhow, Lower Juba. The NGO will also organize a training workshop with 20 humanitarian actors in the Lower Juba region, which aims to create key linkages as well as elaborate and enrich key PSEA messaging among humanitarian workers and community members. An additional communitybased training workshop will be carried out, which targets 30 community gatekeepers, identified by the community. Among these community gatekeepers, the project will select key community facilitators, who will act as community-based PSEA focal points. The project will also develop community engagement tools, geared towards enhancing the capacity of communitybased PSEA focal points such as community elders, humanitarian workers and local law enforcement. The tools will include training outlines and facilitators' guides. To ensure continuity, the community-based PSEA focal points will be trained and empowered to organize community conversations and enhance PSEA messaging in the community. DRA, in partnership with other humanitarian organizations in the region, key government institutions and local authorities, will convene two stakeholder meetings. The meetings will aim at establishing and strengthening the PSEA reporting channels in Lower Juba.

## Rural Initiative for Peace and Development Organization (RIPDO), South Sudan

RIPDO will organize and conduct 8 inclusive community awareness-raising sessions in collaboration with 2 community-based organizations (CBOs) dedicated to serving the interest of the vulnerable populations in Eastern Equatoria State to increase zero tolerance to SEA committed by humanitarian staff and those in government and community office positions. This will enable

community members to get clear preventive messages and response mechanisms through the establishment of community mobilization and sensitization committees. The NGO will also conduct PSEA messaging dissemination through radio talk shows and radio jingles in order to address key knowledge gaps in PSEA prevention, response and reporting channels. RIPDO will then organize and conduct 6 PSEA workshops for refugee returnees, internally displaced persons, host communities, adolescent girls and working-class women, CBOs and their staff, community leaders, local government authorities and national NGO humanitarian staff. Finally, the NGO will organize and print PSEA awareness-raising materials including 30 posters, 3 banners, 35 T-shirts and 60 booklets to ensure the operationalization of PSEA communication materials and awareness strategies within the targeted communities. The printed posters shall be used as learning and teaching aids in the targeted communities, government and church institutions as well as in humanitarian hubs. With this project, 1,200 refugees, returnees and IDPs (500 men, 600 women and 100 Persons with Disabilities) living in Ikwoto, Torit and Magwi are targeted and the activities and materials will be developed and conducted in English, Arabic and the following local languages: Lango, Lotuko, Madi and Acholi.

#### Action for Rural Women's Empowerment (ARUWE), Uganda

ARUWE will conduct 4 monthly stakeholders' dialogue meetings bringing on board key stakeholders, duty bearers and community representatives, to discuss issues pertaining PSEA. Participants will include community opinion leaders, representatives of local government, office bearers of key referral pathway system, representatives of NGOs, cultural and religious leaders. The stakeholders' meetings will be instrumental in garnering common positions on PSEA and will task each stakeholder to multiply the project impact, agitate for cultural reforms, as well as increase vigilance on SEA. Arising from the stakeholders' meeting, the NGO will form a coalition on PSEA. This coalition will enrol individual members and representatives of institutions, and this will form the think-tank for project implementation. The coalition will meet every month to plan and evaluate project activities, as well as generate appropriate

and locally adaptive communication materials. ARUWE will produce a series of communication materials, mostly in the local language Alur as well as in English. A total 3,000 PSEA materials including banners, posters, flyers, arts and T-shirts will be produced and disseminated among partner organizations, government offices, schools, communities and private sector. The NGO will also organise a PSEA Drama Group, by working with an already existing drama group in Jupangira primary school, and further engaging with local artists, the NGO will design and develop various pieces of PSEA promotional materials through music, dance and drama. These will be fully developed into audio and/or video CDs which will be disseminated to media houses, locally and nationally. Besides producing CDs, the drama group will organize at least 3 live concerts within the communities. Through this project, 20 local government authorities/duty bearers, 20 cultural leaders, 20 religious leaders, 20 community opinion leaders, 20 NGO fraternity and 40 children in the drama group from the Nebbi District in the West Nile Region will be directly targeted.

#### Zambia National Women's Lobby (ZNWL), Zambia

ZNWL will print and disseminate 5,000 IEC materials in English, Nyanja and Tonga, including pop-ups, posters, brochures and leaflets, to 60 women, 15 men, 15 youth and 30 Persons with Disabilities in Lusaka in the Lusaka province and Kalomo and Livingstone in the Southern province. The NGO will involve 90 of its own staff and volunteers in a PSEA training by holding a 1-day training to raise awareness and knowledge on PSEA. Also, 30 persons with disabilities who are ZNWL beneficiaries will be trained on PSEA through a 1-day training that will explore their vulnerability to sexual exploitation and abuse and how they can identify and report the exploitation and abuse. ZNWL will produce 12 series (4 in each target district) of community radio programmes in local languages focusing on PSEA issues and hold 6 drama sessions (2 per target district) which aim to increase awareness on PSEA in the community. Through the radio programmes and community drama sessions, 50,000 community members are expected to be reached.

## **Americas**

#### Corporación Colectiva Justicia Mujer (CCJM), Colombia

Targeting 5,000 refugee, migrant, and displaced women as well as members of the host communities living in the department of Antioquia and Chocó, CCJM will produce a series of 4 radio programmes, 10 e-cards and 3 infographics on what constitutes PSEA, what are the main risks and where to report. These materials will be disseminated through social media and radio channels. The NGO will also develop a digital guide focusing on how to develop and put in place PSEA policies, which is aimed at humanitarian workers. Meetings will be held with 20 humanitarian workers from humanitarian NGOs and UN agencies to discuss how to design PSEA materials such as radio programmes, infographics, and guides, that are appropriate for the affected communities.

#### Fundación Lunita Lunera (FULULU), Ecuador

Building on their 2020 PSEA Fund project, with this project Fundación Lunita Lunera will target 5,256 persons comprised of Venezuelan refugees and migrants, host communities with a particular focus being placed on unaccompanied youth, Persons with Disabilities and LGBTQ+ persons living in the departments of Carchi, El Oro y Manabí. The NGO will promote the 4 radio spots produced in 2020 to cover prevention and response to PSEA in the above-mentioned regions and adapt the comic developed in 2020 into an audio version. In addition, FULULU will produce 3 animated videos which will present different situations, and which will show the complexity of SEA by integrating intergenerational, diversity and disability perspectives. The NGO will also produce a poster which will showcase the existing reporting channels.

# Asia

## **Access Bangladesh Foundation, Bangladesh**

Access Bangladesh Foundation will organise a training on safeguarding and SEA for development/humanitarian aid leaders including women-headed NGOs, Organizations of Persons with Disabilities (OPDs), leaders of women-lead OPD networks and women networks. In addition, the NGO will produce and broadcast 10 events through 35 community radio operating country-wide to raise awareness on SEA and develop and disseminate 200 pens, 2,000 stickers, 1,000 posters, 16 social media posts, 8 video clippings, 500 T-shirts and 1,000 leaflets in Bangla and prepare and distribute promotional materials like tea-shirts, hats and mugs. Finally, Access Bangladesh will develop a short report which will capture gaps in PSEA campaigns and communication materials and put forward recommendations on how to make PSEA campaigns more inclusive. The proposed project targets general people across the country (91,850 persons) with a special focus on persons with disabilities, boys, girls, women and Rohingya migrants.

## Indonesian Society for Disaster Management (MPBI), Indonesia

With a national level target and specific emphasis on Aceh, West Sumatera, Java (Jakarta, Banten, West, Central, and East Java), NTT, Central Sulawesi, and Papua, MPBI will produce various IEC Materials related to PSEA: a set of 13 eposters, a comic about PSEA for children and young people and a short video. These IEC materials will be developed in Bahasa Indonesia and English. The NGO will also plan and conduct a webinar on PSEA (either fully virtual or hybrid) and a workshop with key stakeholders, including government agencies, members from key NGO networks, PSEAH network members, and senior NGO members, in order to have a clear pathway in responding and managing SEA cases and identifying resources available for organizations. The result of this workshop will be used during the development of PSEA IEC materials. Lastly, the NGO will also conduct PSEA focal point orientations for its member organizations to refresh their knowledge related to PSEA, in collaboration with the Indonesian PSEAH Network.

# Europe

#### SME SPOLU o.z., Slovakia

Through the production and dissemination of digital banners and posters and printed flyers in Ukrainian, Russian and English, SME SPOLU o.z. aims to increase the awareness on SEA as well as reporting and feedback mechanisms within the 36,500 members of the Ukrainian community, targeting in particular 2,000 Ukrainian refugees living in Bratislava and surroundings (1,300 woman, 400 girls, and 100 woman and girls with disabilities). The NGO also aims to provide training programmes, one for the 2,000 Ukrainian refugees living in Bratislava and another for humanitarian workers and volunteers, which will consist of surveys, interviews, group and individual meetings aimed at creating a better understanding of PSEA.

## **Middle East**

#### Hope Organization for Development and Improvement, Iraq

Implemented in the Mosul and Dohuk governorates, Hope Organization for Development and Improvement will establish a PSEA network at sub-national level with the aim to protect IDP women, girls, and children, especially women with special needs and minorities, such as Yazidi, against any sexual exploitation violations that they may face by aid workers or others by raising awareness, conducting individual interviews, conducting awareness-raising sessions and delivering materials and messages on protection, prevention, and prosecution for empowering, protecting, advocating, and educating victims and witnesses. The PSEA network will consist of lawyers, human rights defenders, and several local NGOs working within the humanitarian response and peacebuilding field in Mosul and Dohuk governorates, who will go to each governorate to implement 3 awareness raising sessions per month with 40 women, 18 girls and 8 men in each camp. The NGO will also hold an awareness raising campaign within the 2 camps, in cooperation with local NGOs, by installing banners showing the reporting hotlines, distributing IEC materials to 30 children and holding educational play performances with them.

#### Muzun for Humanitarian & Development (MHD), Syria

Targeting 9,000 beneficiaries composed of 6,000 women, 500 men, 1,100 boys, and 1,400 girls living in Idleb and Aleppo, MHD will develop print, audio and video materials to raise awareness on PSEA and reporting mechanisms. The printed materials will include posters, roll-ups, and leaflets, which will include hotline numbers and an explanation of complaints mechanisms. 2 animation videos directed at adults and one video directed at children as well as an audio file will also be produced which explain the main concepts, how to complain and how the complaints mechanisms work. MHD will also design a puppet and a puppet theatre play through which stories and cases are told in age-appropriate manners to raise awareness of children up to the age of 13. Lastly, the NGO will also hold PSEA training sessions for volunteers and organize workshops with 450 camp managers, local council members, humanitarian workers and NGO staff.

#### **SAWA Organization, Palestine**

Targeting 150'000 persons living in the West Bank, Gaza Strip and East Jerusalem, Sawa Organization will produce awareness-raising and communication materials in the form of digital and 3,000 printed comics in both Arabic and English, designed with two different approaches, having in

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mind two different target groups. The first set of materials (10 episodes of the series) will be produced in a comic that will target children, particularly girls aged 10-13. The second set of materials will be designed for adults and will be used in workshops with 200 humanitarian actors (120 from NNGOs and 80 from INGOs, of which 70% will be female). The comics will be designed by local artists and students through organised workshops.



# **Regional Hubs**

#### **Africa**

Nairobi, Kenya Dakar, Senegal

# Asia-Pacific

Bangkok, Thailand Islamabad, Pakistan

# MENA

Amman, Jordan

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