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New Post-Conflict Peace-Building Strategy for Bougainville



UNDP was part of a recent planning workshop in Bougainville which highlighted the National Government's efforts to give clear purpose and practical support for peace-building in Bougainville.

The workshop was held to follow up on Cabinet's decision to add a special chapter on post-conflict peace-building to the National Medium-Term Development Strategy (MTDS) to address the post-conflict situation in Bougainville.

UP COMING EVENTS

12 November 2008

Launch of the State of the World Population Report

1st December 2008

World Aids Day

It is intended to ensure the Government takes an integrated, whole-of-government approach, working in close consultation and co-operation with the Autonomous Bougainville Government (ABG), and Papua New Guinea's development co-operation partners.

Participants in the workshop included senior officials from key national departments and agencies—the Department of planning and Monitoring, Personal Management, Health, Lands, the National Co-ordination Office for Bougainville Affairs, the Acting Chief Administrator and divisional heads of the Bougainville Administration and representatives of some of PNG's foreign aid donors including Australia and UNDP.

COMMON ADVOCACY CORNER

UNDP in Motion—Retreat at Madang



UNDP is in motion; it has grown steadily in the past years and will continue to expand using more resources to support new programme interventions. UNDP staff members were told during their retreat in Madang from the 3-7 November 2008.

The retreat was not just fun and relaxation for the staff. It was an opportunity to build relationships among staff and management. Most importantly the Belbin exercise shed light on strengths and weaknesses of individuals and teams.

In another exercise staff were divided into four groups to discuss main challenges of programme delivery and come up with possible solutions. The solutions have been documented as action points and will be part of the management work plan for 2009.

While congratulating the UNDP Staff for a successful retreat, RR Dr Jacqui Badcock said she was impressed with the wealth of ideas expressed during discussions. "Staff are more assertive, voicing their ideas and giving solutions; this is a testimony that UNDP has grown in the past year and relationship between staff and management is improving all the time." said Dr Jacqui Badcock.

Dr Badcock also specially thanked the project teams who for the first time joined in the retreat.



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