# TRIANGULAR PARTNERSHIP

# BACKGROUND

With some 100,000 peacekeepers deployed over 7 million square kilometres in mostly remote, often non-permissive and land-locked areas lacking infrastructure, UN Peacekeeping missions operate in difficult and complex environments.

As direct outcome of the 2014 UN Peacekeeping Summit, the Triangular Partnership Project was established in 2015 to enhance the preparedness and effectiveness of peacekeeping missions. Following the recommendations of the High-Level Independent Panel on UN Peace Operations (HIPPO) and the UN General Assembly's Special Committee on Peacekeeping Operations (C34), the Project aims to support peacekeeping operations by strengthening the capacity of military engineering, medical, and signals units in these demanding situations through professional training and equipment.

Now in its fifth year, the Project has expanded to include field medics and signals trainings, engineering training courses in French language, and extended its scope to Asia and its surrounding regions.

## **OBJECTIVES**

The Triangular Partnership Project aims to enhance capacity of engineering, medical and signals uniformed personnel through training and equipment. These trained troops will deliver high value requirements on high priority, thus improving the ability of UN missions to operate more effectively on the ground.

#### **TRAIN**

- Rapid Deployment: Train units in horizontal engineering tasks, operating and maintaining heavy equipment, and delivering quick impact at short notice.
- Flexible: Offer support in static as well as mobile host-TCC setting, where the equipment will be rented or leased locally.

specific training on ICT field technologies to UN

Local/Regional Capacity: Provide Training-of-Trainers (TOT) at local and regional level. Signals Academy: Provide standardized and mission-

military and police signals personnel.

- - EQUIP
    - Heavy Engineering Equipment (HEE): Purchase equipment (as UNOE) and deploy it to peacekeeping missions. The goal is to procure both operational and training set(s) of equipment (subject to support from Member States).
    - Signals Academy: Procure UN-owned equipment and deploy to support operations in ongoing peacekeeping missions.

# IDENTIFIED CORE CAPABILITIES











preparation and repair

Transport, recovery and maintenance

### Ability to support the efficient deployment of mission facilities in complex environments Potential to replicate the concept to other

Enhanced performance and effectiveness of uniformed peacekeepers, in line with UN standard operational requirements









**Borehole** and welldrilling

#### TROOP CONTRIBUTING COUNTRIES

Supporting Member States

Contribute training equipment,

funding, and other support.

Opportunities to receive professional training and build increased capacity for stronger engineering, medical, and Signals capabilities

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Facilitates, plans,

and manages

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BENEFITS

#### **MEMBER STATES**

**TRIANGULAR MODEL** 

**TCCs** 

Receive profes-

sional training and

deploy their units

with enhanced

skills and equip-

ment to peace

keeping missions.

Opportunity to flexibly support enabling capacity in peacekeeping missions to establish missions better, advance security, promote stability, and thus fulfil mandated obligations



#### **UNITED NATIONS**

More effective peace operations due to enlarged pool of well trained and well-equipped military engineering, medical and Signals units

#### **CROSS-CUTTING BENEFITS**







### PROGRESS SO FAR PROJECT INCEPTION

- 2014: The Project was launched as an outcome of the firstever Heads of State-level Summit on UN peacekeeping.
- 2015: During a six-week trial, 10 trainees from Kenya, Uganda, Rwanda and Tanzania, were trained on how to operate and maintain heavy engineering equipment by 11 Japanese instructors at the Humanitarian Peace Support School (HPSS) in Nairobi.

#### **ENGINEERING TRAINING**

- 458 engineers from African, Asian and Pacific troopcontributing countries have been trained.
- 3 Member States (Japan, Switzerland, Brazil) have contributed trainers, equipment, course sponsorship, and/or Project funding.
- Courses are offered in 2 languages, English and French.
- 6 Course Modules are currently being conducted.
- Trainees have already been deployed, including to MINUSMA, MONUSCO, UNIFIL, UNMISS, and AMISOM.

#### SIGNALS ACADEMY

- 5,410 (12% women) trainees have undertaken training.
- 5 Member States (Japan, Canada, Denmark, Israel, U.S.) have contributed trainers, Training of Trainers, gender and e-learning, or Project funding.
- Women's Outreach Course: trained 155 women from 53 countries in Africa, Asia, Europe, and Latin America.
- 23 female graduates from the Women's Outreach Courses have been deployed to peacekeeping missions.
- Missions in Africa (UNSOS, MINUSMA, MINUSCA etc.) are the largest beneficiaries.

#### **FIELD MEDICS**

• Field Medics Assistant Course was launched in October 2019 for 29 field medics from MONUSCO and UNMISS with trainers from 3 Member States (Belgium, Germany, Japan) and support from Japan and Israel.

#### **PROJECT DEVELOPMENT**

- The pilot HEE operational training was conducted in Vietnam from 5 November to 14 December 2018 for 16 trainees from Bhutan, Cambodia, Fiji, Indonesia, Myanmar, Nepal, Singapore, Timor-Leste, Vietnam, supported by 20 Japanese trainers.
- The fifth Stakeholders' Planning workshop for the training was conducted in March 2019 in New York to expand partnerships and plan the 2019 and draft 2020 training schedule.
- The Signals Academy is now entering a new phase of expansion to establish a mock-up Missions Operation Centre in Entebbe to conduct situational awareness-related training.



### **TRAINING MODULES**



#### ENGINEERING PROJECT MANAGEMENT

Help military engineers build stronger foundations in managing projects in complex environments



# SURVEY AND DESIGN

Support military engineers with skills and knowledge for site surveying and camp design



### OPERATOR TRAINING

Train military engineers in operating modern equipment in demanding settings



MAINTENANCE AND RECOVERY Strengthen skills and knowledge for equipment

maintenance, transport, recovery and repair



#### TRAINING OF TRAINERS

Equip new trainers with the skills, knowledge, and technical assistance to impart engineering training in their own countries



#### Medical Training Provide training for Field Medics and Advanced Trauma



Signals Academy Provide ICT training on UN-owned equipment

### SUPPORT FOR THE PROJECT

Life Support.

The "Declaration of Shared Commitments on UN Peacekeeping Operations" mentions, "Collectively, we commit to better prepare, train and equip uniformed personnel by pursuing innovative approaches, including triangular partnerships and co-deployments." For sustainable development of the Project, the United Nations welcomes support from Member States in the form of funding for the Project's infrastructure, equipment, and operations, in-kind contributions of engineering, medical, and Signals equipment or simulators, provision of trainers and sponsoring of training courses.

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