

Assistance by the United Nations Trust Fund for Human Security to the project
“Strengthening Human Security by fostering Peaceful Coexistence and Improving
Citizen Security in 3 Municipalities in the Department of Sonsonate”

5. The Government of Japan and the United Nations (UN) decided to extend assistance totalling 2,162,000 US dollars (approximately 250.79 million yen), through the Trust Fund for Human Security to a project entitled “Strengthening Human Security by fostering Peaceful Coexistence and Improving Citizen Security in 3 Municipalities in the Department of Sonsonate” that will be implemented by the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP), United Nations Children’s Fund (UNICEF), Pan-American Health Organization (WHO/PAHO) and International Labour Organization (ILO) in the Republic of El Salvador.

6. Security issues are one of the most critical problems that the Salvadoran society faces. Especially, social insecurity caused by high incidence of crime, including homicide, gender-based violence and other factors hampers social development in the Sonsonate Department. This project aims to address social insecurity by activities, including restoring order, protection of children, adolescents and youth, improving sexual discrimination. Under this project the following activities will be implemented:

- Designing and implementing citizen security and coexistence and training stakeholders such as municipalities, police and prosecutor’s office;
- Designing and implementing policy, providing vocational training raising awareness for the purpose of protection of children, adolescents and youth;
- Restricting arms-bearing to prevent and reduce violence using arms;
- Raising awareness, setting up professional and victims’ group establishing network to prevent sexual and intrafamilial violence and human trafficking; and
- Improving sexual discrimination through providing technical assistance on design and adoption of policy, providing opportunities of employment and representation in decision-making processes to women for the purpose.

5. This project is expected to ensure citizen security and coexistence, and improve Human Security, and the guarantee of human rights in the Sonsonate Department.

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