



AUDIT

OF

UNDP PROGRAMME OF ASSISTANCE TO THE PALESTINIAN PEOPLE (PAPP)

Productivity and Urban Renewal in East Jerusalem
(Directly Implemented Project No. 87585, Output No. 94044)

Report No. 2250

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**Report on the Audit of UNDP Programme of Assistance to the Palestinian People (PAPP)
Productivity and Urban Renewal in East Jerusalem
(Project No. 87585, Output No. 94044)
Executive Summary**

The UNDP Office of Audit and Investigations (OAI), through Talal Abu-Ghazaleh & Co. (the audit firm), from 9 to 29 June 2020, conducted an audit of Productivity and Urban Renewal in East Jerusalem (Project No. 87585, Output No. 94044) (the Project), which is directly implemented and managed by the UNDP Programme of Assistance to the Palestinian People (the Office). The last audit of the Project was conducted by OAI, through Talal Abu-Ghazaleh & Co. in 2019 and covered project expenses from 1 January to 31 December 2018.

The audit firm conducted a financial audit, in accordance with the International Standards of Auditing (ISA), the 700 series, to express an opinion on whether the financial statements present fairly, in all material aspects, the Project's operations. The audit covered the Project's Combined Delivery Report, which includes expenses for the period from 1 January to 31 December 2019 and the accompanying Funds Utilization statement¹ as of 31 December 2019 as well as Statement of Assets as of 31 December 2019. The audit did not cover the Statement of Cash as no separate bank account was established and maintained for the Project.

The audit was conducted under the general supervision of OAI in conformance with the *International Standards for the Professional Practice of Internal Auditing*.

Audit results

Based on the audit reports and corresponding management letter submitted by the audit firm, the results are summarized in the table below:

Project Expenses				Project Assets	
Amount (in \$ '000)	Opinion	NFM* (in \$ '000)	Effect on CDR	Amount (in \$'000)	Opinion
647	Unmodified	(74)	Understatement	8	Unmodified

*NFM= Net Financial Misstatement

At the time this report was being issued, OAI was investigating complaints relating to parties involved with the Project.

The audit did not result in any recommendations.

Implementation status of previous OAI audit recommendations: Report No. 2071, 14 August 2019.

Total recommendations: 1
Implemented: 1

Management comments and action plan

Comments and/or additional information provided have been incorporated into the report, where appropriate.

¹ The Funds Utilization statement includes the balance, as at a given date, of five items: (a) outstanding advances received by the project; (b) undepreciated fixed assets used at the project level; (c) inventory held at the project level; (d) prepayments made by the project; and (e) outstanding commitments held at the project level.



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