## UNITED NATIONS DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME Office of Audit and Investigations



#### **AUDIT**

OF

**DEVELOPMENT INITIATIVE FOR NORTHERN UGANDA**(Directly Implemented Project No.105035, Output No. 106347)

**IMPLEMENTED BY THE** 

UNITED NATIONS CAPITAL DEVELOPMENT FUND

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# Report on the Audit of Development Initiative for Northern Uganda implemented by the United Nations Capital Development Fund (Project No. 105035, Output No. 106347) Executive Summary

The UNDP Office of Audit and Investigations (OAI), through PKF Littlejohn LLP (the audit firm), from 31 May to 13 June 2022, conducted an audit of 'Development Initiative for Northern Uganda' (Project No.105035, Output No. 106347) (the Project), which is directly implemented and managed by the United Nations Capital Development Fund. The last audit of the Project was conducted by OAI, through PKF Littlejohn LLP in 2021 and covered project expenses from 1 January to 31 December 2020.

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 2021, the accompanying Funds Utilization statement<sup>1</sup> as of 31 December 2021 as well as Statement of Assets as of 31 December 2021. The audit did not include activities and expenses incurred or processed and approved in locations outside of the country (such as UNCDF Regional Offices and UNCDF Headquarters). The audit did not cover the Statement of Cash Position 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* of The Institute of Internal Auditors (The IIA).

#### **Audit results**

Based on the audit report submitted by the audit firm, the results are summarized in the table below:

Project Expenses*		Project Assets	
Amount (in \$ '000)	Opinion	Amount (in \$'000)	Opinion
6,294	Unmodified	79	Unmodified

\*Expenses recorded in the Combined Delivery Report were \$7,053,271. Excluded from the audit scope were transactions that related to expenses processed and approved by other UNCDF offices outside of the country amounting to \$759,056.

The audit did not result in any recommendations.

The previous audit (Report No. 2394, issued on 27 August 2021) did not result in any recommendations.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> 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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#### Management comments and action plan

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

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