

human rights; and to monitor and report on the human rights situation in the country.

By 2010, thanks to the combined efforts of the Haitian authorities, the United Nations, and the international community, there had been certain changes for better in Haiti: violence and crime reduction, public security restoration, positive constitutional amendments and certain economic growth but a devastating 7.0 magnitude earthquake hit Haiti on 12 January 2010 and resulted in more than 220,000 people dead, including 102 UN personnel, many thousands injured or permanently disabled, and 1.5 million left homeless. The catastrophe interrupted a period of relatively smooth progress towards legislative, presidential, and municipal elections previously scheduled to be held in February 2010. MINUSTAH acted decisively to respond to post-earthquake needs within its mandate.

In 2016, powerful Hurricane Matthew passed through Haiti causing hundreds of deaths, widespread damage, flooding, and displacement. The hurricane has resulted in the largest humanitarian crisis in Haiti since the 2010 earthquake. Roads, basic infrastructure, hospitals, schools, and thousands of homes were damaged or completely destroyed. At the time of the hurricane, cholera incidence rates had already surpassed those of previous years and the damage to water infrastructure and severe flooding increased the risk of a spike in infection rates. Humanitarian partners in Haiti responded to the most urgent humanitarian needs caused by the hurricane.

The United Nations plays an important role in the maintenance of overall security and stability in Haiti and continues to support the process of restoring law and order and promoting peace in the country.

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FEMALE BANGLADESH POLICE IN THE UN PEACEKEEPING MISSIONS

Since its commencement to serve in different UN peacekeeping missions, Bangladesh Police have now been the 2nd police contributing country in the world with remarkable commitments of 1120 personnel for the date of May 2016 of its own to the UN Mandate. It all began in 1989 by participating in the peacekeeping mission in African state named Namibia. Ever since we have total number of 16,777 personnel in 21 UN missions for today.

Responding to the challenges in implementing the UN Mandate in the field of gender issues, women and children affairs, Bangladesh Police has

sent 2 Female Police Units (FPU) to Haiti and Congo. Bangladesh, being of the top contributor of female police officers to the UN Peacekeeping Operations, has become the crucial partner in the transition from war to peace. Bangladesh female peacekeepers have placed them as key driving force to reduce gender-based violence, conflict and confrontation, providing sense of security especially for women and children, mentoring female police officer in the local area and thus empowering women in the host country and promoting social cohesion. If we go to the details of range of measures at time of peace building efforts to reduce the risk of relapsing into conflict by strengthening national capacity at all levels for conflict management, first and foremost it is emphasizing on basic safety security and the rule of law which includes protection of property and lives, enforcement of law and order, capacity building of local police, reform of the security and training of local police forces and ensuring the respect for human rights for achieving sustainable peace. FPU's peacekeepers have all the qualities to implement peace building tasks by providing security umbrella, training for the local police to build up their capacity in collaboration with other partners. It is identified that to respond to the challenges posed by the contemporary conflicts, police must be mobile, trained, flexible, productive and sustainable.

As the role of UN police has been expanded from monitoring and advising function to reforming, restructuring and institutional building of local police services, experience of Bangladesh police women in the field of responsive policing, accountable policing, community policing, electoral assistance has proven its importance in the UN peace keeping operations resulting in wide scopes to work in international arena.

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THE MISSION OF THE UNITED NATIONS CIVILIAN POLICE IN BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA

The experience shows that the settlement of local conflicts depends on the security environment. According to the existing mandate there are follow peacekeeping missions:

1. Monitoring missions which carry out only observation.
2. Traditional missions which have police powers in buffer zones and assist in the negotiation on the peace agreement.
3. The multidimensional missions which carry out economic reconstruction, institutional transformation (the reform of the police, the army, the judicial system, the holding of elections).