Volunteerism generates forms of social capital that are indispensable to peacebuilding, and plays an important role in aiding the development of national civilian capacities to accompany peacebuilding processes. For over four decades, UNV has played an integral part in supporting the work of the United Nations in peacebuilding. Since 1992, in particular, UNV has been supporting the implementation of Security Council-mandated peacekeeping and special political mission mandates, including peacebuilding offices.
Throughout, in promoting social cohesion and resilience in post-conflict affected areas, UN Volunteers assigned to United Nations missions helped mobilize local volunteers within communities by supporting inclusive and rights-based dialogue and inter-community engagement. Additionally, UNV is working with United Nations agencies, funds and programmes to implement rights-based programming initiatives in countries recovering from crisis. In post-conflict environments suffering from severe capacity deficits hampering the delivery of peace dividends, UNV has successfully supported the work of United Nations and national development partners in strengthening local governance structures as part of wider peacebuilding interventions.
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