

GEF - PROJECT IMPLEMENTATION REPORT (PIR)

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UNEP GEF PIR Fiscal Year 2024
Reporting from 1 July 2023 to 30 June 2024

1 PROJECT IDENTIFICATION

1.1 Project Details

GEF ID: 10267	Umoja WBS: SB-017582
SMA IPMR ID: 83715	Grant ID: S1-32GFL-000688 / GP00000104
Project Short Title: GEF-CW.10267.ISLANDS Pacific	
Project Title: Implementing Sustainable Low and Non-chemicals Development in Small Islands Developing States (ISLANDS) Pacific Child Project	
Duration months planned:	60
Duration months age:	35
Project Type:	Full Sized Project (FSP)
Parent Programme if child project:	10185
Project Scope:	Regional
Region:	Asia Pacific
Countries:	Cook Islands,Fiji,Kiribati,Marshall Islands,Micronesia,Nauru,Niue Island,Palau,Papua New Guinea,Samoa,Solomon Islands,Tonga,Tuvalu,Vanuatu
GEF Focal Area(s):	Chemicals and Waste
GEF financing amount:	\$ 20,000,000.00
Co-financing amount:	\$ 94,178,245.00
Date of CEO Endorsement/Approval:	2021-05-17
UNEP Project Approval Date:	2021-05-28
Start of Implementation (PCA entering into force):	2021-07-23
Date of Inception Workshop, if available:	2022-03-09
Date of First Disbursement:	2021-08-23

Total disbursement as of 30 June 2024:	\$ 2,942,000.00
Total expenditure as of 30 June:	\$ 1,157,077.00
Midterm undertaken?:	No
Actual Mid-Term Date, if taken:	
Expected Mid-Term Date, if not taken:	
Completion Date Planned - Original PCA:	2025-09-30
Completion Date Revised - Current PCA:	
Expected Terminal Evaluation Date:	2026-09-30
Expected Financial Closure Date:	2027-03-30

1.2 Project Description

The objective of the project is to prevent the build-up of POPs and mercury materials and to manage and dispose of existing harmful chemicals and wastes across Pacific SIDS.

Component 1. Preventing the Future Build-Up of Chemicals Entering SIDS

Component 2. Safe Management and Disposal of Existing Chemicals, products and materials

Component 3. Safe Management of Products entering SIDs/Closing Material and Product loops for Products

Component 4. Knowledge Management and Communication

1.3 Project Contacts

Division(s) Implementing the project	Industry and Economy Division
Name of co-implementing Agency	
Executing Agency (ies)	SPREP, Waste Management & Pollution Control
names of Other Project Partners	GGKP, Swire Shipping
UNEP Portfolio Manager(s)	Kevin Helps

UNEP Task Manager(s)	Dickson Ho
UNEP Budget/Finance Officer	Edward Aput
UNEP Support Assistants	
Manager/Representative	Joshua Sam
Project Manager	Dean Solofa
Finance Manager	Renee Kamu
Communications Lead, if relevant	

2 Overview of Project Status

2.1 UNEP PoW & UN

UNEP Current Subprogramme(s):	Thematic: Chemicals and pollution action subprogramme
UNEP previous Subprogramme(s):	
PoW Indicator(s):	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pollution: (i) Number of Governments that, with UNEP support, are developing or implementing policies, strategies, legislation or action plans that promote sound chemicals and waste management and/or the implementation of multilateral environmental agreements and the existing framework on chemicals and waste • Pollution: (ii) Number of Governments developing or implementing policies, strategies and mechanisms to prevent or reduce waste and ensure environmentally sound waste treatment or disposal, including in the context of disaster or conflict-related environmental emergencies, with UNEP support • Pollution: (iii) Number of policy, regulatory, financial and technical measures developed with UNEP support to reduce pollution in air, water, soil and the ocean • Pollution: (iv) Reduction in releases of pollutants to the environment achieved with UNEP support • Pollution: Change in action by the private sector and civil society on pollution prevention and control as a result of UNEP action Progress in the chemicals- and pollution-related aspects of the 2030 Agenda on which UNEP focuses its work
UNSDCF/UNDAF linkages	The project fosters cooperation between governments and a broad range of stakeholders (regional centres, the private sector, and IGOs). It follows the guiding principles of an integrated and multi-dimensional programming approach, leaving no one behind, a human rights-based approach, gender equality and women's empowerment, and sustainability. The project is based on results-focused programming, capacity development, and coherent policy support.
Link to relevant SDG Goals	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Goal 12: Ensure sustainable consumption and production patterns
Link to relevant SDG Targets:	

2.2. GEF Core and Sub Indicators

GEF core or sub indicators targeted by the project as defined at CEO Endorsement/Approval, as well as results

Indicators	Targets - Expected Value			Materialized to date
	Mid-term	End-of-project	Total Target	
5.3- Amount of Marine Litter Avoided (retired)		28000.0	28000.0	
9.1-Solid and liquid Persistent Organic Pollutants		544.58	544.58	

Indicators	Targets - Expected Value			Materialized to date
	Mid-term	End-of-project	Total Target	
(POPs) removed or disposed (POPs type)				
9.2- Quantity of mercury reduced		3.5	3.5	
9.4- Countries with legislation and policy implemented to control chemicals and waste		10.0	10.0	
9.6- POPs/Mercury containing materials directly avoided		4338.0	4338.0	
10- Persistent organic pollutants to air reduced		8.0	8.0	
11- People benefitting from GEF-financed investments		200000.0	200000.0	700

Implementation Status 2024: 3rd PIR

2.3. Implementation Status and Risks

	PIR#	Rating towards outcomes (section 3.1)	Rating towards outputs (section 3.2)	Risk rating (section 4.2)
FY 2024	3rd PIR	MS	MS	M
FY 2023	2nd PIR	U	MU	M
FY 2022	1st PIR	MU	MS	M
FY 2021				
FY 2020				
FY 2019				
FY 2018				
FY 2017				
FY 2016				
FY 2015				

Summary of status

Overall Project Status: Delayed

Timeline Lapsed: 60% (12/20 quarters)

Total expenditure FY2023-2024: \$358,676 (23.6% of forecasted figure | variance: \$1,161,010 [Forecast: \$1,519,686])

Total expenditure to date: \$1,083,393 (5.4% total budget | remaining funds: \$18,916,607)

Achievement of outcomes: 0%

Achievement of outputs: 5%

Implementing Agency Management Action:

The Management Review of the GEF ISLANDS Project, which was referenced in the previous report, took place as scheduled. Following the review, UNEP and SPREP have agreed to several strategic actions to enhance project execution. These include the creation of additional positions within the Project Management Unit (PMU) to bolster project implementation efforts, the development of a revised work plan and budget that reschedules project activities to Q1 2025 and beyond, the conclusion of all outstanding project agreements in 2024, possible inclusion of PFAS contamination work, and possible project no-cost extension to 2028. The second Project Steering Committee has since convened and approved the revised work plan and budget. The Implementing Agency has stationed a team member in the Pacific Subregional office since the end of Q1 2024 to support the Executing Agency and increase monitoring & supervision of the project.

Project Management Challenges:

Since the last PIR report (July 2022 to June 2023), which detailed significant project management challenges, the GEF ISLANDS Project has continued to face difficulties. Key issues include the termination of the Procurement Specialist and the cessation of services from the Communication Consultant due to a payment dispute, leaving the project with only the Project Manager and the Finance and Administration Officer. Minimal progress was made in finalizing and signing project agreements with countries, resulting in no project implementation. In December 2023, the Project Manager resigned, and the project was placed under the care of an interim Project Manager, SPREP's Hazardous Waste Management Adviser.

In January 2024, the Project Manager role was advertised, and a new Project Manager was recruited, starting in July 2024. Additionally, job descriptions for two technical project roles have been completed and reviewed, with plans to post these positions in Q3 2024.

Project Status by Component:

Component 1: Preventing the Future Build-Up of Chemicals Entering SIDS

Activities in the planning phase: 90% (10/11)

Activities delayed (variance from updated PSC-approved workplan): 0% (0/11)

Activities that start after the reporting period: 90% (10/11)

Activities ongoing: 9% (1/11)

There has been a significant deviation from the original work plan schedule, and no targets were reached but there was one deliverable reported (National Hazardous Waste Management Strategy for FSM) under this component for this financial year. No changes from the previous report. Preparatory planning and legal groundwork are still being developed, and no activities have been started. Due to the inflexibility of the last project manager, a significant portion of the project's time and resources were used to develop detailed work plans before Letters of Agreement (LoA). Increasing the scope and requirements of the LoA created a roadblock to project expenditure and implementation schedule.

Corrective Actions Taken: A new project manager has been onboarded. The implementing agency increased meetings with the Executing Agency to the frequency of once per week. IA has stationed a team member in the UNEP Subregional Office for the Pacific for closer monitoring and improved support. IA has recommended that legal agreements with countries be prioritised and completed as soon as possible so activities can occur. Additionally, echoing the previous PIR report, it has been recommended that high-fidelity plans are not needed at the LoA stage.

Component 2: Safe Management and Disposal of Existing Chemicals, products and materials

Activities in the planning phase: 100% (15/15)

Activities delayed (variance from updated PSC-approved workplan): 0% 0/15)

Activities that start after the reporting period: 100% (15/15)

There has been a significant deviation from the original schedule, as many activities have not begun. No targets were reached or deliverables reported under this component for this financial year. In the previous PIR, it was agreed that due to the previous Project Manager's inability to move to Samoa from PNG, he would prioritise the POPs disposal in PNG. However, other colleagues at the Executing Agency and Implementing Agency performed this. The Implementing Agency developed TOR to dispose of DDT and PCB, and the IA and EA conducted a joint mission to PNG in Q2 2024 to push forward the LoA.

Challenge Encountered: During the scoping study in 2019, the previous Project Manager conducted field testing of PCB in used oil across PNG. Half the samples that tested positive did not reach the laboratory in Australia in a testable condition. All the samples from the second batch that tested positive in the field did not show a concentration of PCB above the detectable limit for PCB in the laboratory validation testing. The previous Project Manager had the laboratory results since 2020 and continued on the assumption that the transformer oils were PCB contaminated. However, it was not until the IA asked for the laboratory results and reviewed them in 2023 that the issue of no detectable PCB was found.

Action taken: The POPs in the PNG tender written predominantly by the IA include retesting of the transformer oils. The project has taken steps to pivot to addressing PFAS across the Pacific, beginning preliminary desktop studies and plans on PFAS investigation and monitoring in the Pacific.

Component 3. Safe Management of Products entering SIDs/Closing Material and Product loops for Products

Activities in the planning phase: 100% (16/16)

Activities delayed (variance from updated PSC approved workplan): 0% (0/16)

Activities that start after the reporting period: 100% (16/16)

Please refer to the comment in Component 1.

Component 4. Knowledge Management and Communication

Activities in the planning phase: 78% (11/14)

Activities delayed (variance from updated PSC approved workplan): 0% (0/14)

Activities that start after the reporting period: 78% (11/14)

Activities ongoing: 21% (3/14)

With regard to the knowledge management and communication component, a new Plastic Tide Turners Challenge coordinator has been recruited, and the project has reinitiated conversations with youth and sports organisations across the Pacific region.

Other Deliverables:

Adhering to the project governance structure defined by the Project Document, the project convened a Project Steering Committee confirming the workplan, forecast, and budget for 2024. National Technical Assistants for two additional countries were recruited under the project.

Regional Challenges Encountered:

Lack of institutional memory: Onboarding new staff on the project has proven to be difficult for a complex project such as the 10267 ISLANDS Pacific Child Project.

Action Taken: IA has stationed a team member in the UNEP Subregional Office for the Pacific to assist with onboarding new staff by transferring institutional knowledge.

Talent Drain in the Pacific: Labor mobility schemes have caused talent to move to OECD countries for better salaries and opportunities. There has been a significant loss of qualified talent remaining in the SIDS to undertake the work of the project. It has proven difficult to recruit new talent, as qualified people in the SIDS are already engaged.

Action Taken: Recruitment efforts are still ongoing. Shorter contracts at higher value are available to NPOs whose country's national tender is USD. IA has stationed a team member (who previously worked in the education sector) in the UNEP Subregional Office for the Pacific to build regional capacity.

2.4 Co Finance

Planned Co-finance:	\$ 94,178,246
Actual to date:	11,742,309
Progress	<p>Justify progress in terms of materialization of expected co-finance. State any relevant challenges:</p> <p>Percentage of total project cofinance reported: 12% Co-finance Reported this FY: \$11,742,309 Co-finance Reported To Date: \$11,742,309</p> <p>Despite the project's slow progress, the chemicals and waste space regionally has been active, with \$11,742,309 USD reported co-finance. Potential avenues with SPREP have been identified as co-finance towards greening events and games in the Pacific.</p> <p>Co-Finance Break Down by value and % of value committed in the cofinance letter:</p> <p>SPREP \$9,172,988 (28%) Samoa: \$2,051,387 (227%) Cook Islands: \$234,184 (34%) FSM: \$100,000 (100%) Kiribati: \$93,750 (25%) RMI: \$90,000 (100%) PNG: \$20,940 (1.3%)</p>

2.5. Stakeholder

Date of project steering committee meeting	2024-02-16
Stakeholder engagement (will be uploaded to GEF Portal)	<p>Pacific Islanders are their land's traditional and modern stewards. Although they have had a colonial history, the Indigenous people in all the countries that the ISLANDS Pacific Child Project supports currently hold sovereignty over their countries and territories. Therefore, all project stakeholders, staff, and the vast majority of beneficiaries are indigenous to the Pacific Islands, except for the implementing agency, donor, and private sector partners - who hold the oversight role but, in function, provide support, capacity building, and technical advice to the Pacific Islanders. The ISLANDS Pacific project is both governed and executed by Indigenous people for Indigenous people and their environment.</p> <p>The ISLANDS Pacific Project has actively engaged with stakeholders through multiple avenues, including the Second Project Steering Committee (PSC) Meeting, a regional consultation meeting, several country missions, and regular interactions with key partners and development agencies.</p> <p>The Second PSC Meeting was held in Auckland, New Zealand, on February 16, 2024, immediately following the fourth Pacific preparatory meeting of the Intergovernmental Negotiation Committee to develop an international legally binding instrument on plastic pollution (INC 4). This strategic scheduling aimed to share logistical costs and resources with the INC. Representatives from 14 participating countries gathered to discuss the progress and challenges of the GEF ISLANDS Pacific Project. The meeting underscored several pressing challenges, including the resignation of the Project Manager and the limited capacity of the Project Management Unit (PMU), and led to the approval of the project's revised work plan and budget. Notably, the participation of the Federated States of Micronesia and Palau representatives virtually demonstrated commitment to overcoming geographical and logistical barriers.</p> <p>Before the PSC meeting, a regional consultation was held in Palau on October 16-17, 2023. This consultation aimed to finalize country work plans and address common challenges. Key outcomes included agreement on regional and individual country work plans and strategies to overcome obstacles to project implementation. This meeting provided an essential platform for engaging stakeholders, ensuring their input and agreement on critical project components.</p> <p>In addition, several country missions were conducted by the acting project manager and finance officer, which were crucial for stakeholder engagement and finalizing key details on national projects. These missions included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kiribati: May 2024 • PNG: May 2024

	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Tonga: June 2024• Cook Islands: June 2024 <p>During these missions, critical details on national projects were decided, and agreements were finalized, emphasizing the importance of direct stakeholder engagement in driving project success.</p> <p>The project also engaged regularly with Swire Shipping, a major stakeholder. Initially, virtual meetings were held every two weeks, later reduced to monthly calls. However, these meetings tapered off due to the retirement of Swire Shipping's leader and the departure of another critical contact who left to pursue postgraduate studies, affecting the continuity of engagement.</p> <p>Furthermore, the project has maintained regular engagement with various projects at SPREP to explore synergies and with projects funded by other donors such as the World Bank, EU, AusAid, NZ DFAT, PRIF, and the Asian Development Bank. These interactions have been crucial for identifying opportunities for collaboration and leveraging resources to enhance project outcomes.</p> <p>The project has actively engaged key stakeholders through the PSC meeting, the regional consultation meeting, country missions, and regular interactions with Swire Shipping and other development partners. These efforts have helped foster collaboration and ensure that the project continues progressing. Detailed discussions and deliberations from these engagements have been documented, providing a comprehensive record of the proceedings and the agreed-upon action points to reinvigorate the project and steer it towards achieving its intended outcomes.</p>
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2.6. Gender

Does the project have a gender action plan?	Yes
Gender mainstreaming (will be uploaded to GEF Portal):	<p>All project activities are in line with SPREP's gender policy. It was reported in previous PIRs that a SPREP-wide Gender Action Plan is being drafted as this effort needed to tap into project funding. However, this work is currently on hold. The hold is because SPREP has found a potential donor to cover the expense and recruit a gender expert for this effort.</p> <p>The Tide Turners Plastic Challenge aims to unleash a youth movement that will seek to reduce plastic waste where it matters the most by: Building knowledge and understanding of Single-Use Plastics (SUPs), Promoting actions to facilitate behaviour change, and Influencing local stakeholders through advocacy on sustainable practices.</p> <p>Brown Girls Woke (BGW) awarded a contract to implement the Tide Turners Challenge in Samoa and the No Pelesitiki Campaign (NPC) in Tonga to engage and empower youth around the issues of marine plastics. Under the BGW contract, BGW has begun implementing the Training of the Trainers program to empower youth and teachers to lead others through the Tide Turners Plastic Challenge. BGW has partnered with Rugby Plus Samoa to deliver the ToT programme to 10 more schools. NPC is currently engaging with 2 communities and is expected to reach over 1000 youth.</p>

2.7. ESSM

Moderate/High risk projects (in terms of Environmental and social safeguards)	<p>Was the project classified as moderate/high risk CEO Endorsement/Approval Stage?</p> <p>Yes</p> <p>If yes, what specific safeguard risks were identified in the SRIF/ESERN?</p> <p>GP: 1,2,4,5,6,7,8,9SS: 2.1,2.2,2.3,3.3,4.5,4.6,7.1,8.1,8.4</p>
New social and/or environmental risks	<p>Have any new social and/or environmental risks been identified during the reporting period?</p> <p>No</p> <p>If yes, describe the new risks or changes?</p> <p>Volcanic activity: disruptions due to damage to the under sea fibre optic cables for global connectivity.</p>

Complaints and grievances related to social and/or environmental impacts	Has the project received complaints related to social and/or environmental impacts (actual or potential) during the reporting period? No If yes, please describe the complaint(s) or grievance(s) in detail, including the status, significance, who was involved and what actions were taken?
Environmental and social safeguards management	<p>As most project activities have not begun, the project has not caused any on-the-ground environmental or social changes. Future PIRs will include: specific risks identified, the safeguard recommendations provided and how the project is managing the risks. Systemic Safeguards Management Measures Implemented: The Executing Agency completes the day-to-day safeguards. All country priority frameworks, including considerations for environmental and social impacts, are addressed systematically across the project. All project activities must comply with SPREP environmental (including biodiversity (SRIF Safeguard Standard (SS) 1), climate disaster (SRIF SS 2)) and social safeguard policies. Economic Study Feasibility Study and local consultations highlighted the importance of managing biosecurity (SRIF SS 1). Considerations were given to Stockholm Convention guidelines in DDT destruction ToR (SRIF SS3). All meetings conducted had a (partial or complete) virtual element for digital participation to minimise COVID-19 risks (SRIF Supplementary guidance to respond to COVID-19). Specific Safeguard Management Measures Implemented: A feasibility study was completed to assess the management of hazardous components in End-of-Life Vehicles (SRIF SS Action 3.2). Hazardous waste is to be managed in an environmentally sound manner per the Stockholm Convention. Where possible, managers, staff, and consultants engaged are Indigenous and local people (SRIF SS 7). Gender training was provided to all Project Steering Committee members and Project staff (SRIF SS8.7). See attached.</p>

2.8. KM/Learning

Knowledge activities and products	<p>Due to the lack of project implementation, there are no knowledge activities or products to share for this PIR. This issue has been exacerbated by changes at the CCKM Project, which has been providing overall direction for the project's knowledge management. Additionally, the continued non-engagement of the project's Communication Consultant due to a dispute has further hindered progress.</p> <p>However, the project hosted a side event at the SPREP meeting in September 2023 to launch its Mercury Free Pacific Campaign. During this event, several presentations on different topics were made by countries, an NGO, and SPREP's international consultants who had executed the MIA project. The presentations were as follows:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Snapshot of MIA findings in the Pacific - Biological Research Institute 2. Mercury in dentistry - World Alliance on Mercury Free Dentistry
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	<p>3. Mercury in products - Samoa 4. Mercury in Artisanal and Small-Scale Gold Mining - PNG</p> <p>A very engaging Q&A session then followed the presentations.</p>
Main learning during the period	<p>The primary learning during the period is limited to the side event on mercury, which is the project's lone knowledge and learning activity for this PIR. Key takeaways from the side event include:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Mercury can be natural or anthropogenic. 2. While the Pacific does not have a mercury industry, imports of mercury-containing products and their disposal are a significant source of mercury in the region. These products are mainly electrical switches, relays, batteries, and dental amalgams. 3. Fish from the sea, a major food source in the Pacific, can also be a major source of methylmercury. 4. Habitats at great risk from methylmercury include wetlands, mangroves, and aquatic habitats. 5. Fish and wildlife at most significant risk from methyl mercury: Albatross, Cormorants, Frigatebirds, Petrels, Terns

2.9. Stories

Stories to be shared	No stories to share this PIR as this was a task delegated to the Communication consultant whose services have been halted pending a dispute.
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3 Performance

3.1 Rating of progress towards achieving the project outcomes

Project Objective and Outcomes	Indicator	Baseline level	Mid-Term Target or Milestones	End of Project Target	Progress as of current period (numeric, percentage, or binary entry only)	Summary by the EA of attainment of the indicator & target as of 30 June	Progress rating
To prevent the build-up of POPs and mercury materials and to manage and dispose of existing harmful chemicals and wastes across Pacific SIDS.	Pacific SIDS have the capacity to manage past, current, and future hazardous chemicals and waste, and is supported by global best practises across SIDS.	The extensive review and baselining of national situations and regional activities undertaken during the project preparatory phase highlights the need for further strategic and coordinated work on several aspects of chemical and waste management in the Pacific. The key findings of the baseline review included that:- Regional				Deferred to 2025 in the revised Workplan and Budget	MS

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		coordinated approach required for chemicals and waste management- Regional assistance required for legacy issues- Regional assistance required to open up access to recycling markets- Regional assistance required to improve healthcarewaste management- Pacific countries lack hazardous waste management strategies- All Pacific countries require legislative					

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		support					
Pacific SIDS have in place effective mechanisms to control the import of chemicals, and products that lead to the generation of hazardous waste	No. of Pacific SIDS with policies, strategies, laws, regulations to control the import of chemicals, and products that lead to the generation of hazardous waste, including the number that address gender	Pacific SIDS have varying levels of environmental legislation and controls in place to control imports of chemicals and the generation of hazardous wastes. Levels of capacity to develop, draft, enact, implement and enforce. A thorough review of the situation in each Pacific country was undertaken concurrently with the preparatory process of this project, through PWP. Information on	3 x specific legislative revisions for Pacific countries 1 x strategy to reduce hazardous imports 4 x legislative references to gender	1 x generalized model legislation to control mercury and associated drafting instructions (to support Mercury Free Pacific campaign) 6 x specific legislative revisions for Pacific countries 6 x references to gender		Most activities under this indicator is scheduled to begin after the reporting period according to the updated PSC approved work plan. One activity is under progress and was scheduled to begin in Q2 2024 - TOR has been drafted for NHWMS consultant to conduct the work.	MS

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		gaps and capacity constraints have informed the development of project activities.					
Harmful chemicals and materials present and/or generated in SIDS are being disposed of in an environmentally sound manner	No. of Pacific countries implementing Sustainable Best Practices in WCP (or legacy chemicals and other hazardous wastes).	Pacific countries lack facilities to dispose of hazardous and bulky wastes including in country. These include POPs chemicals and products containing mercury; end of life vehicles. Pacific countries with low lying atoll geography, also lack adequate facilities to dispose of non-hazardous waste in an environmentally	7 Pacific countries with Improved management of harmful chemicals and waste.	14 Pacific countries with Improved management of harmful chemicals and waste		No activities under this indicator is scheduled to begin for this reporting period according the updated PSC approved work plan.	MS

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		sound manner. As a result, high quantities of plastic wastes are burned, created dioxins and furans, or released directly into the marine environment, as dumpsites are inundated with seawater during storm surges.					
Harmful chemicals and materials present and/or generated in SIDS are being disposed of in an environmentally sound manner	No. of tonnes of DDT repackaged and disposed of in an environmentally sound manner.	Papua New Guinea historically used DDT for vector borne disease control. Since PNG stopped using DDT stocks have been stored in various location around the country. Said stocks have often been looted, and DDT	15 tonnes of DDT disposed of 11 tonnes of PCB contaminated oil disposed of	2 of tonnes of mercury containing products disposed of	0	No progress in this PIR. Activity schedule to start in Q3 2024.	MS

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		has been used by local communities used for gardening and fishing. During the project preparation phase the project team inventoried and secured remaining 15 tonnes of stocks.					
Harmful chemicals and materials present and/or generated in SIDS are being disposed of in an environmentally sound manner	No. of tonnes of mercury containing products disposed of	Baseline information is missing from ProDoc (Project Results Framework)	Mid-Term Target and Monitoring Milestones missing from ProDoc	2 of tonnes of mercury containing	0	No activities under this indicator are scheduled to begin for this reporting period (according to the updated PSC-approved work plan).	MS
Build-up of harmful materials and chemicals is prevented through establishment of effective circular and life-cycle management systems in partnership with the private sector	No. of Pacific SIDS meeting the CP2025 target of 75% recycling of e-waste and used oil.	According to the Midterm review of the Cleaner Pacific 2025, the Pacific aims to have 8 e-waste and 10 used oil collection systems in place		End of project 8 Pacific SIDS meeting CP2025 target of 75% of e-waste recycled 10 Pacific SIDS	0	No progress at this PIR. Activities scheduled to start in 2025.	MS

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		by 2025. As of 2020 however there are only 2 e-waste recycling systems and 4 used oil systems. Current recycling rates in the Pacific are low, reported to be below 32% in 2014. The region has a target recycle rate of 75% by 2025.		with used oil collection systems in place			
Build-up of harmful materials and chemicals is prevented through establishment of effective circular and life-cycle management systems in partnership with the private sector	No. of tonnes of e-waste recycled with project support	There are currently 2 e-waste management systems in operation in the region according to the review of the Clean Pacific 2025.	100 tonnes of e-waste recycled 8 TEQ of POPs prevented through reduction in opening burning	100 tonnes of e-waste recycled 8 TEQ of POPs prevented through reduction in opening burning		No progress during this PIR. Activities scheduled to start in 2025.	MS
Knowledge generated by the	No. of knowledge assets	Knowledge	25	Project	1	The project delivered a side event on	S

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programme is disseminated to, and applied by, SIDS in all regions	generated and disseminated to Pacific SIDS	generated by projects and activities in SIDS is not currently shared, disseminated or communicated in a systematic way. As a result, and fuelled by geographic isolation, Pacific SIDS rarely learn from each other, nor from the experiences of other SIDS.	Knowledge products disseminated to PICs	activities communicated to all SIDS Over 70,000 youth engaged in improved waste management through Tide Turners		mercury at the 31 SPREP Meeting, disseminating information about mercury in dental amalgams, products and artisanal and small-scale gold mining. All other activities under this indicator is scheduled to begin after this reporting period (according the updated PSC approved work plan).	

3.2 Rating of progress implementation towards delivery of outputs (Implementation Progress)

Component	Output/Activity	Expected completion date	Implementation status as of previous reporting period (%)	Implementation status as of current reporting period (%)	Progress rating justification, description of challenges faced and explanations for any delay	Progress Rating
1 Preventing the Future Build-Up of Chemicals Entering SIDS	Output 1.1: Legislative frameworks for sustainable finance in place in Pacific SIDS	2026-03-30	N/A - output begins after reporting period	N/A - output begins after reporting period	Activities in this output are not scheduled for this reporting quarter (according the the PSC approved work plan). Activities scheduled to begin in Q3 2024.	

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1 Preventing the Future Build-Up of Chemicals Entering SIDS	LogFrame Output: No. of Pacific SIDS supported to establish functioning sustainable finance systems for ewaste, used oil and bulky waste (Activities 1.1.1, 1.1.2, 1.1.3) (Indicator 4.1)	2026-03-30	N/A - output begins after reporting period	N/A - output begins after reporting period	Target: 5x Legislation & 4x Webinar Actual: 0x Legislation & 0x waste levy webinars Implementation Status: 0% Progress: N/A - output begins after reporting period (according to the PSC approved work plan)	
1 Preventing the Future Build-Up of Chemicals Entering SIDS	LogFrame Output: No. of Pacific SIDS supported to establish functioning sustainable finance systems for ewaste, used oil and bulky waste (Activities 1.1.1, 1.1.2, 1.1.3) (Indicator 4.1)	2026-03-30	N/A - output begins after reporting period	N/A - output begins after reporting period	Target: 1x Legislation Actual: 0x Legislation Implementation Status: 0% Progress: N/A - output begins after reporting period (according to updated PSC approved work plan)	
1 Preventing the Future Build-Up of Chemicals Entering SIDS	Activity 1.1.1 Development of legislation for a sustainable financing system for e-waste disposal/recycling in the Cook Islands and Vanuatu	2025-12-31	N/A - output begins after reporting period	N/A - output begins after reporting period	The project has undergone a revision, and this activity has been rescheduled to 2025. Delays in implementing this activity as initially planned were caused mainly by the delays in finalizing LOAs for both countries. Corrective actions taken: Prioritise LoA and reduce the level of detail in the work plan annex that was required by the previous Project Manager.	
1 Preventing the Future Build-Up of Chemicals Entering SIDS	Activity 1.1.2 Development of additional legislation for a sustainable financing system for used oil disposal/recycling in the four states of FSM	2025-12-31	N/A - output begins after reporting period	N/A - output begins after reporting period	The project has undergone a minor revision, and this activity has been rescheduled to 2025. Delays in implementing this activity as initially planned were caused mainly by the delays in finalizing FSM's LOA.	
1 Preventing the Future	Activity 1.1.3 Development of legislation for sustainable financing bulky waste/white goods disposal/recycling system in Niue	2025-12-31	N/A - output begins after	N/A - output begins after	The project has undergone a minor revision, and this activity has been	

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Build-Up of Chemicals Entering SIDS			reporting period	reporting period	rescheduled to 2025. Delays in implementing this activity as initially planned were caused mainly by the delays in finalizing LOAs for Niue. The LOA is currently being prepared for signing. Corrective actions taken: Prioritise LoA and reduce level of detail as required by the previous Project Manager.	
1 Preventing the Future Build-Up of Chemicals Entering SIDS	Activity 1.1.4 Legal drafting support to update the Litter Management Act in Fiji	2025-12-30	N/A - output begins after reporting period	N/A - output begins after reporting period	The project has undergone a minor revision, and this activity has been rescheduled to 2025. Delays in implementing this activity as planned were caused mainly by the minimal engagement of the Fiji Focal points with PMU. Four changes to Focal Points have been made in the last two years, dramatically impacting progress. Corrective action taken: Officers who were leaving the project took institutional memory with them and did not hand over project files and knowledge. SPREP created online drive for Fiji and met with new focal points to bring them up to speed. Exploring new and more stable focal points. Elections are now complete, and leadership seems more stable. Exploring option to partner with local Ministry that works with indigenous communities rather than Department of Environment.	

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1 Preventing the Future Build-Up of Chemicals Entering SIDS	Output 1.2: Strategies to improve waste management in Pacific SIDS	2026-03-30	0%	3%	Despite the lack of implementation recorded against the initial project commencement date, most of this output has been rescheduled to Q4 2024 in the revised workplan and budget approved by PSC 2. Draft TORs have been prepared and a RFT is expected in Q3 2024.	S
1 Preventing the Future Build-Up of Chemicals Entering SIDS	LogFrame Output: No. of Pacific SIDS supported with training, tools to draft national hazardous waste strategies (Activities 1.2.1, 1.2.3, 1.2.5) (Impact Indicator 4.2)	2026-03-30	0%	6.7%	Target: 14x Legislation & 1x digital training platform Actual: 1x Legislation & 0x digital training platform Implementation Status: 0% Progress: SPREP has completed MIAs for Cook Islands, Kiribati, Niue, Palau, Marshall Island, Tuvalu and Vanuatu. Tonga has sought an extension to complete their MIA which SPREP is facilitating. These MIAs will inform the development of model legislation on mercury for uptake by Parties to the Minamata Convention. This receives a MU rating because progress made in the last financial year is not on ISLANDS Pacific Project's outputs and is delayed by delays in previous projects run by the Executing Agency. Corrective Actions Taken: The Implementing Agency has stationed a team member in the Pacific Subregional Office to support and closely monitor and follow up on incomplete MIA.	MS

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1 Preventing the Future Build-Up of Chemicals Entering SIDS	LogFrame Output: No. of regional codes of conduct on hazardous management in the Pacific region (Activities 1.2.3, 1.2.4, 1.2.5, 1.2.6) (Impact Indicator 4.1)	2026-03-30	0%	N/A - output begins after reporting period	Target: 1x regional code of conduct Actual: 0x regional code of conduct Implementation Status: 0% Progress: Although no work has begun on the regional Codes of Practice, preparatory actions have been initiated. SPREP WMPC prepared a decision paper (Agenda item 9.3.4) that was tabled at the 31 SPREP Meeting in September 2023 to secure the endorsement of Pacific leaders for SPREP to develop a regional code of practice on hazardous wastes. The project has undergone a minor revision, and this activity has been rescheduled to 2025.	
1 Preventing the Future Build-Up of Chemicals Entering SIDS	Activity 1.2.1 Consultation, drafting and development of 14 national hazardous waste management strategies (NHWMS) (one for each Pacific country)	2026-03-30	0%	3%	ToR is under development for a consultant to conduct the NHWMS as per the decision made by the 1st PSC.	S
1 Preventing the Future Build-Up of Chemicals Entering SIDS	Activity 1.2.2 Drafting and development of a national strategy and action plan to reduce hazardous imports in Samoa	2026-03-30	N/A - output begins after reporting period	N/A - output begins after reporting period	The project has undergone a minor revision, and this activity has been rescheduled to after the reporting period (according the PSC approved work plan).	
1 Preventing the Future Build-Up of Chemicals Entering SIDS	Activity 1.2.3 Development of a digital training guide on NHWMS development	2026-03-30	N/A - output begins after reporting period	N/A - output begins after reporting period	The project has undergone a minor revision, and this activity has been rescheduled to after the reporting period (according the PSC approved work plan).	

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1 Preventing the Future Build-Up of Chemicals Entering SIDS	Activity 1.2.4 Development of a regional Code of Conduct on hazardous waste management	2026-03-30	N/A - output begins after reporting period	N/A - output begins after reporting period	The project has undergone a minor revision, and this activity has been rescheduled to after the reporting period (according the PSC approved work plan).	
1 Preventing the Future Build-Up of Chemicals Entering SIDS	Activity 1.2.5 Regional, quarterly webinars on NHWMS development	2026-03-30	N/A - output begins after reporting period	N/A - output begins after reporting period	The project has undergone a minor revision, and this activity has been rescheduled to after the reporting period (according the PSC approved work plan).	
1 Preventing the Future Build-Up of Chemicals Entering SIDS	Output 1.3: Model legislation to control mercury containing products for use by Pacific SIDS drafted and made available for adoption (regional)	2026-03-30	N/A - output begins after reporting period	N/A - output begins after reporting period	The project has undergone a minor revision, and this activities for this output has been rescheduled to after the reporting period (according the PSC approved work plan).	
1 Preventing the Future Build-Up of Chemicals Entering SIDS	LogFrame Output: No. of model legislation on mercury and mercury containing products available for Pacific SIDS (Activities 1.3.1, 1.3.2, 1.3.3) (Impact Indicator 4.1)	2026-03-30	N/A - output begins after reporting period	0%	Target: 1x model legislation & 10x webinars Actual: 0x model legislation & 0x webinars Implementation Status: 0% Progress: preparatory activities have begun, work on the model legislation and webinars has not begun. SPREP has completed MIAs for Cook Islands, Kiribati, Niue, Palau, Marshall Island, Tuvalu and Vanuatu. Tonga has sought an extension to complete their MIA which SPREP is facilitating. These MIAs will inform the development of model legislation on mercury for uptake by Parties to the Minamata Convention.	MU

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1 Preventing the Future Build-Up of Chemicals Entering SIDS	LogFrame Output: No. of drafting instructions on mercury and mercury containing products available to Pacific SIDS (Impact Indicator 4.1)	2026-03-30	N/A - output begins after reporting period	N/A - output begins after reporting period	Target: 1x Drafting instructions Actual: 0x Drafting instructions Implementation Status: 0% Progress: preparatory activities have begun, work on the drafting instructions has not begun	MU
1 Preventing the Future Build-Up of Chemicals Entering SIDS	Activity 1.3.1 Development of model legislation and drafting instructions on elemental mercury, and mercury containing products to be used across the Pacific region	2026-03-30	N/A - output begins after reporting period	N/A - output begins after reporting period	The project has undergone a minor revision, and this activity has been rescheduled to after the reporting period (according the PSC approved work plan).	
1 Preventing the Future Build-Up of Chemicals Entering SIDS	Activity 1.3.2 Regional, quarterly webinars on approaches to mercury legislation, including case studies from other SIDS	2026-03-30	N/A - output begins after reporting period	N/A - output begins after reporting period	The project has undergone a minor revision, and this activity has been rescheduled to after the reporting period (according the PSC approved work plan).	
2 Safe Management and Disposal of Existing Chemicals, products and materials	Output 2.1 Pacific SIDS supported in sound repackaging, shipping, collection, and disposal of POPs and mercury waste	2026-03-30	N/A - output begins after reporting period	N/A - output begins after reporting period	The project has undergone a minor revision, and activities under this output have been rescheduled to after the reporting period (according to the PSC-approved work plan).	
2 Safe Management and Disposal of Existing Chemicals, products and	LogFrame Output: No. of tonnes of DDT repackaged and disposed of in an environmentally sound manner. (Activities 2.1.1, 2.1.2) (Impact Indicator 1.1)	2026-03-30	N/A - output begins after reporting period	N/A - output begins after reporting period	Target: 15x tonnes DDT Actual: 0x tonnes DDT Implementation Status: 0% Progress: Preparatory works for this activity began in 2022 and wrapped up in May 2024. SPREP undertook a re-validation visit to Papua New Guinea's (PNG) East	

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materials					New Britain Province in September 2023 to ensure the DDT stocks safeguarded during the PPG phase were still intact. UNEP engaged the services of a technical expert to draft Terms of Reference for the tender which have been circulated for review. SPREP undertook a mission to PNG in June 2024 to meet with stakeholders and agree on finer details of the TOR. PNGs Letter of Agreement is currently being routed through SPREP for signing which will technically allow this activity to commence. It has been rescheduled to start in Q4 2024 with request for tenders to be advertised in Q3 2024.	
2 Safe Management and Disposal of Existing Chemicals, products and materials	LogFrame Output: No. of tonnes of mercury containing products disposed of f (Activity 2.1.3) (Impact Indicator 1.1)	2026-03-30	N/A - output begins after reporting period	N/A - output begins after reporting period	Target: 2x tonnes mercury-containing products Actual: 0x tonnes mercury-containing products Implementation Status: 0% Progress: SPREP has completed MIAs for Cook Islands, Kiribati, Niue, Palau, Marshall Island, Tuvalu and Vanuatu. Tonga has sought an extension to complete their MIA, which SPREP is facilitating. These MIAs will inform the planning and investment required under this activity.	
2 Safe Management and Disposal of	Activity 2.1.1 Repackaging of PCB contaminated oil, together with DDT waste, ready for export	2026-03-30	N/A - output begins after reporting period	N/A - output begins after reporting period	The project has undergone a minor revision, and activities under this output have been rescheduled to after	

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Existing Chemicals, products and materials					the reporting period (according to the PSC-approved work plan).	
2 Safe Management and Disposal of Existing Chemicals, products and materials	Activity 2.1.2 Export and environmentally sound treatment and disposal of 15 tonnes of DDT and 532 metric tons of PCB contaminated oil that cannot be treated in PNG	2026-03-30	N/A - output begins after reporting period	N/A - output begins after reporting period	The project has undergone a minor revision, and activities under this output have been rescheduled to after the reporting period (according to the PSC-approved work plan).	
2 Safe Management and Disposal of Existing Chemicals, products and materials	Activity 2.1.3 Export and phased-out mercury containing products or wastes	2026-03-30	N/A - output begins after reporting period	N/A - output begins after reporting period	The project has undergone a minor revision, and activities under this output have been rescheduled to after the reporting period (according to the PSC-approved work plan).	
2 Safe Management and Disposal of Existing Chemicals, products and materials	Output 2.2 Technical assistance and support for shipping and disposal of end of life vehicles (ELVs) from Pacific SIDS to Asian recycling markets	2026-03-30	N/A - output begins after reporting period	N/A - output begins after reporting period	The project has undergone a minor revision, and activities under this output have been rescheduled to after the reporting period (according to the PSC-approved work plan).	
2 Safe Management and Disposal of Existing	LogFrame Output: No. of partnership agreements established (Activity 2.2.2) (impact indicator 11.1)	2026-03-30	50%	50%	Target: 1x ELV private sector partnership & 1x Feasibility Study Actual: 0x ELV private sector partnership & 2x Feasibility Study	S

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Chemicals, products and materials					Implementation Status: 50% (0% partnership + 100% feasibility study) Progress: Two key preparatory activities have been completed including the scoping study and economic viability study on ELV recycling in the Pacific.Swire Shipping, our major partners in this activity, used the outcomes of these studies to develop a business case which was submitted to their board in Q4 2023. The feedback received from Swire board is one of uncertainty due to the lack of advance recovery fees and deposit legislation in the Pacific to enable ELV recycling.	
2 Safe Management and Disposal of Existing Chemicals, products and materials	LogFrame Output: No. of people trained in vehicle dismantling (Activities 2.2.1, 2.2.3, 2.2.4) (Impact Indicator 10.1)	2026-03-30	N/A - output has project dependencies that have not started	N/A - output begins after reporting period	Target: 100x people trained (50% women) Actual: 0x people trained Implementation Status: 0% Progress: Preparatory work around confirming country priorities on ELVs management has been initiated, however, there has been no work on the training. The project has undergone a minor revision, and this activity has been rescheduled to after the reporting period (according the PSC approved work plan).	U
2 Safe Management and Disposal of Existing	LogFrame Output: No. of people employed in vehicle dismantling (Activities 2.2.3, 2.2.4) (Impact Indicator 6.1)	2026-03-30	N/A - output has project dependencies that have not	N/A - output begins after reporting period	Target: 20x people employed Actual: 0x people employed Implementation Status: 0% Progress: preparatory activities have begun, work on the ELV dismantling	U

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Chemicals, products and materials			started		facility has not begun. The project has undergone a minor revision, and this activity has been rescheduled to after the reporting period (according the PSC approved work plan).	
2 Safe Management and Disposal of Existing Chemicals, products and materials	LogFrame Output: No. of tonnes of POPs contaminated car parts disposed of (Activity 2.2.4) (Impact Indicator 1.1)	2026-03-30	N/A - output has project dependencies that have not started	N/A - output begins after reporting period	Target: 170x tonnes POPs Actual: 0x tonnes POPs Implementation Status: 0% Progress: preparatory activities have begun, including confirming country priorities on ELVs management. So far Cook Islands, Kiribati Samoa and Tonga have indicated their plans on ELVs which have been captured in LOAs. Work on the ELV dismantling facility has not begun. The project has undergone a minor revision, and this activity has been rescheduled to after the reporting period (according the PSC approved work plan).	U
2 Safe Management and Disposal of Existing Chemicals, products and materials	Activity 2.2.1 Feasibility study looking at the process, procedures, viability and environmental issues related to collecting and transporting used vehicles for dismantling in Fiji	2026-03-30	N/A - output begins after reporting period	N/A - output begins after reporting period	The project has undergone a minor revision, and this activity has been rescheduled to after the reporting period (according the PSC approved work plan).	
2 Safe Management and Disposal of Existing	Activity 2.2.2 A recycling partnership established with private sector to export ELV from Pacific countries, disposing of the POPs wastes from vehicles in an environmentally sound manner	2026-03-30	N/A - output has project dependencies that have not	N/A - output begins after reporting period	The project has undergone a minor revision, and this activity has been rescheduled to after the reporting period (according the PSC approved work	U

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Chemicals, products and materials			started		plan).	
2 Safe Management and Disposal of Existing Chemicals, products and materials	Activity 2.2.3 Training for local operators in vehicle dismantling to remove POPs contaminated components, and prepare vehicles for crushing and scrapping	2026-03-30	N/A - output has project dependencies that have not started	N/A - output begins after reporting period	The project has undergone a minor revision, and this activity has been rescheduled to after the reporting period (according the PSC approved work plan).	
2 Safe Management and Disposal of Existing Chemicals, products and materials	Activity 2.2.4 Disposal of POPs component of ELVs in line with Basel Guidance on PBDEs	2026-03-30	N/A - output has project dependencies that have not started	N/A - output begins after reporting period	The project has undergone a minor revision, and this activity has been rescheduled to after the reporting period (according the PSC approved work plan).	
2 Safe Management and Disposal of Existing Chemicals, products and materials	Output 2.3: Technical assistance and support for shipping and disposal of end of life vehicles (ELVs) from Pacific SIDS to Asian recycling markets	2026-03-30	N/A - output begins after reporting period	N/A - output begins after reporting period	The project has undergone a minor revision, and the activities for this output have been rescheduled to after the reporting period (according to the PSC-approved work plan).	
2 Safe Management and Disposal of Existing Chemicals,	LogFrame Output: No of landfills climate proofed in Tonga (Activities 2.3.1, 2.3.2) (Impact Indicator 3.1)	2025-12-25	0%	0%	Target: 2x climate-proofing designs & 2x landfills rehabilitated and climate-proofed Actual: 0x designs & 0x landfills Implementation Status: 0% Progress: preparatory activities have	

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products and materials					<p>begun; work has not begun. This activity will be done synergistically with JPRISM 3 in Tonga and ADB in Marshall Islands. The work in Tonga has been scheduled to align with JPRISM 3 because they will be undertaking feasibility studies for both sites (Ha'apai and Eua). JPRISM have however confirmed their flexibility to bring their activities forward should ISLANDS request it. SPREP did a mission to Tonga in June 2024 as part of preparations. It was discovered during the mission that the land on which the landfill is situated on Ha'apai is under a dispute, so the project has asked Tongan authorities to have the issue sorted before any work can start. Work will therefore commence in Eua for the which the govt has a clear title to the land. Dialogue with RMI has been difficult so details of any synergy with the ADB are yet to be decided.</p>	
2 Safe Management and Disposal of Existing Chemicals, products and materials	LogFrame Output: No. of compost facilities established in Nauru (Activities 2.3.3, 2.3.4) (Impact Indicator 3.3)	2026-03-30	N/A - output begins after reporting period	N/A - output begins after reporting period	<p>Target: 1x feasibility study & 1x compost facility Actual: 0x designs & 0x facility Implementation Status: 0% Progress: Nauru have approached the Asian Development Bank (ADB) to undertake a similar project on composting, so this has delayed the signing of their LOA and the start of</p>	

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					this activity. SPREP, ADB and Nauru met in June 2024 to discuss how both projects can complement each other and assist Nauru achieve more for their national plans on composting. Corrective Action: It was decided that ADB would provide details of their project so SPREP could decide on where ISLANDS can invest. ADB are yet to respond to SPREP at the drafting of this PIR.	
2 Safe Management and Disposal of Existing Chemicals, products and materials	Activity 2.3.1: Feasibility and design studies undertaken to detail a blueprint for the rehabilitation and climate proofing of Tongan landfills	2026-03-30	N/A - output begins after reporting period	N/A - output begins after reporting period	The project has undergone a minor revision, and this activity has been rescheduled to after the reporting period (according the PSC approved work plan).	
2 Safe Management and Disposal of Existing Chemicals, products and materials	Activity 2.3.2: Landfills in Tonga rehabilitated and climate proofed using methodology piloted by JICA	2026-03-30	N/A - output begins after reporting period	N/A - output begins after reporting period	The project has undergone a minor revision, and this activity has been rescheduled to after the reporting period (according the PSC approved work plan).	
2 Safe Management and Disposal of Existing Chemicals, products and materials	Activity 2.3.3: A feasibility study and design of national composting system in Nauru	2026-03-30	N/A - output begins after reporting period	N/A - output begins after reporting period	Activity likely to change due to ADB stepping in to do the composting work.	

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materials						
2 Safe Management and Disposal of Existing Chemicals, products and materials	Activity 2.3.4: A national composting facility established in Nauru	2026-03-30	N/A - output begins after reporting period	N/A - output begins after reporting period	The project has undergone a minor revision, and this activity has been rescheduled to after the reporting period (according the PSC approved work plan).	
2 Safe Management and Disposal of Existing Chemicals, products and materials	Output 2.4 Feasibility analysis and design of waste management systems for atolls completed and made available to all Pacific SIDS	2026-03-30	N/A - output begins after reporting period	N/A - output begins after reporting period	The project has undergone a minor revision, and the activities for this output have been rescheduled to after the reporting period (according the PSC approved work plan).	
2 Safe Management and Disposal of Existing Chemicals, products and materials	LogFrame Output: No. of atoll appropriate landfill designs completed and made available (Activities 2.4.1, 2.4.2) (Impact Indicator 4.1)	2025-06-30	N/A - output begins after reporting period	N/A - output begins after reporting period	Target: 1x feasibility study (Kiribati) & 1x landfill (Kiribati) Actual: 0x designs & 0x landfills Implementation Status: 0% Progress: preparatory activities have begun; work has not begun due to the delays in signing the LOA. SPREP did a mission to Kiribati in May 2024 as part of preparations. Kiribati confirmed this activity and requested that the activity include detailed plans, engineering considerations, and a cost analysis encompassing construction, operation, and long-term maintenance. A draft TOR for the design of the atoll-appropriate	

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					landfill has been developed and will be released in Q3 for this activity to start.	
2 Safe Management and Disposal of Existing Chemicals, products and materials	LogFrame Output: No. of comprehensive waste management systems for outer islands (Activity 2.4.3) completed and made available (Impact Indicator 4.2)	2026-03-30	N/A - output begins after reporting period	N/A - output begins after reporting period	Target: 10x waste management systems Actual: 0x waste management systems Implementation Status: 0% Progress: preparatory activities have begun, work has not begun. Preparatory work included missions to Kiribati, Cook Islands and Tonga where improvements to waste management systems in outer islands have been proposed in country priorities. Kiribati have requested their activity be made redundant as there is no government supported waste management activity in outer islands. SPREP have discussed this with UNEP and a decision made to drop this activity from their workplan. The delays have largely been due to delays in completing LOAs.	
2 Safe Management and Disposal of Existing Chemicals, products and materials	Activity 2.4.1: Feasibility study for an improved national solid waste management system, and an atoll appropriate landfill designed in Kiribati	2026-03-30	N/A - output begins after reporting period	N/A - output begins after reporting period	The project has undergone a minor revision, and this activity has been rescheduled to after the reporting period (according the PSC approved work plan).	
2 Safe Management and Disposal of	Activity 2.4.2: Detailed design and costing for atoll appropriate landfill	2026-03-30	N/A - output begins after reporting period	N/A - output begins after reporting period	The project has undergone a minor revision, and this activity has been rescheduled to after the reporting	

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Existing Chemicals, products and materials					period (according the PSC approved work plan).	
2 Safe Management and Disposal of Existing Chemicals, products and materials	Activity 2.4.3 Design of recycling management system for management of recyclable component of waste on atolls	2026-03-30	N/A - output begins after reporting period	N/A - output begins after reporting period	The project has undergone a minor revision, and this activity has been rescheduled to after the reporting period (according the PSC approved work plan).	
3 Safe Management of Products entering SIDs/Closing Material and Product loops for Products	Output 3.1 Tools, TA and training for the Establishment of e-waste dismantling and recycling system (national and regional), results documented and made available to all Pacific SIDS	2026-03-30	N/A - output begins after reporting period	N/A - output begins after reporting period	The project has undergone a minor revision, and the activities for this output have been rescheduled to after the reporting period (according the PSC approved work plan).	
3 Safe Management of Products entering SIDs/Closing Material and Product loops for Products	LogFrame Output: No of ewaste dismantling facilities and recycling systems in Pacific Island countries (Activities 3.1.1, 3.1.2, 3.1.3, 3.1.4) (Impact Indicator 3.1)	2026-03-30	N/A - output begins after reporting period	N/A - output begins after reporting period	Target: 3x facilities and recycling systems Actual: 0x facilities and recycling systems Implementation Status: 0% Progress: preparatory activities have begun. The project has undergone a minor revision, and this activity has been rescheduled to after the reporting period (according the PSC approved work plan).	
3 Safe	LogFrame Output: No of ewaste dismantling facilities and recycling	2026-03-30	N/A - output	N/A - output	Target: 1x pilot remaking workshop	

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Management of Products entering SIDs/Closing Material and Product loops for Products	systems in Pacific Island countries (Activities 3.1.1, 3.1.2, 3.1.3, 3.1.4) (Impact Indicator 3.1)		begins after reporting period	begins after reporting period	Actual: 0x pilot remaking workshop Implementation Status: 0% Progress: This activity has been delayed due to land issues. Samoa Focal Point have indicated the current site is under lease to an individual who is willing to forfeit the lease for the project. SPREP and Samoa are working to sort out the issue before work can commence. Another issue that has contributed to the delay in starting this activity has been the changes to Samoa's project under EU funded PacWaste Plus (PWP) project. This activity was designed to complement Samoa's e-waste project under PWP but Samoa has changed partners to Blue Orca, resulting in a re-design under PWP. Corrective Action taken: ISLANDS has met with Blue Orca to ensure this activity is not affected by the change. Blue Orca will be undertaking all actions that PWP were to undertake so nothing changes for ISLANDS.	
3 Safe Management of Products entering SIDs/Closing Material and Product loops	LogFrame Output: No. of trainees trained in e-waste dismantling (Impact Indicator 10.1)	2026-03-30	N/A - output has project dependencies that have not started	N/A - output begins after reporting period	Target: 40x people trained (50% women) Actual: 0x people trained Implementation Status: 0% Progress: preparatory activities have begun, work has not begun. The project has undergone a minor revision, and this activity has been rescheduled to after the reporting	

Component	Output/Activity	Expected completion date	Implementation status as of previous reporting period (%)	Implementation status as of current reporting period (%)	Progress rating justification, description of challenges faced and explanations for any delay	Progress Rating
for Products					period (according the PSC approved work plan).	
3 Safe Management of Products entering SIDs/Closing Material and Product loops for Products	Activity 3.1.1: Establishing e-waste repair, dismantling facilities and recycling systems in the Cook Islands and Vanuatu, in cooperation with private sector partners and the national recycling associations	2026-03-30	N/A - output begins after reporting period	N/A - output begins after reporting period	The project has undergone a minor revision, and this activity has been rescheduled to after the reporting period (according the PSC approved work plan).	
3 Safe Management of Products entering SIDs/Closing Material and Product loops for Products	Activity 3.1.2: Establishing e-waste repair, dismantling facilities and recycling systems in the Solomon Islands, in cooperation with private sector partners and the national recycling associations	2026-03-30	N/A - output has project dependancies that have not started	N/A - output begins after reporting period	The project has undergone a minor revision, and this activity has been rescheduled to after the reporting period (according the PSC approved work plan).	
3 Safe Management of Products entering SIDs/Closing Material and Product loops for Products	Activity 3.1.3: Export of e-waste from Cook Islands, Solomon Islands and Vanuatu for recycling	2026-03-30	N/A - output begins after reporting period	N/A - output begins after reporting period	The project has undergone a minor revision, and this activity has been rescheduled to after the reporting period (according the PSC approved work plan).	
3 Safe Management of Products	Activity 3.1.4: Review of recycling activities in Samoa and development of plan to reduce residual waste from recycling	2026-03-30	N/A - output begins after reporting period	N/A - output begins after reporting period	The project has undergone a minor revision, and this activity has been rescheduled to after the reporting	

Component	Output/Activity	Expected completion date	Implementation status as of previous reporting period (%)	Implementation status as of current reporting period (%)	Progress rating justification, description of challenges faced and explanations for any delay	Progress Rating
entering SIDs/Closing Material and Product loops for Products					period (according the PSC approved work plan).	
3 Safe Management of Products entering SIDs/Closing Material and Product loops for Products	Activity 3.1.5: Attendance of Cook Islands, Solomon Islands and Vanuatu representatives at the PWP training on e-waste dismantling in Samoa	2026-03-30	N/A - output begins after reporting period	N/A - output begins after reporting period	The project has undergone a minor revision, and this activity has been rescheduled to after the reporting period (according the PSC approved work plan).	
3 Safe Management of Products entering SIDs/Closing Material and Product loops for Products	Activity 3.1.6: Establishment of an electronic repair shed in Samoa	2026-03-30	N/A - output begins after reporting period	N/A - output begins after reporting period	The project has undergone a minor revision, and this activity has been rescheduled to after the reporting period (according the PSC approved work plan).	
3 Safe Management of Products entering SIDs/Closing Material and Product loops for Products	Output 3.2: Operationalisation of waste transfer and sorting stations for bulky waste and recycling results documented and made available to all Pacific SIDS	2026-03-30	N/A - output begins after reporting period	N/A - output begins after reporting period	The project has undergone a minor revision, and the activities for this output have been rescheduled to after the reporting period (according the PSC approved work plan).	

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3 Safe Management of Products entering SIDs/Closing Material and Product loops for Products	LogFrame Output: No. of waste transfer stations established and operationalized (Activities 3.2.1, 3.2.3) (Impact Indicator 3.3)	2026-03-30	N/A - output begins after reporting period	N/A - output begins after reporting period	Target: 5x transfer stations Actual: 0x transfer stations Implementation Status: 0% Progress: preparatory activities have begun, work has not begun. The delay is mainly due to finalization of LOAs for countries that are undertaking this activity.	
3 Safe Management of Products entering SIDs/Closing Material and Product loops for Products	LogFrame Output: No. of tonnes of waste prevented from entering landfill (Activity 3.2.2) (Impact Indicator 1.3)	2026-03-30	N/A - output begins after reporting period	N/A - output begins after reporting period	Target: 1,000x tonnes of waste diverted from landfill Actual: 0x tonnes of waste diverted from landfill Implementation Status: 0% Progress: preparatory activities have begun, but work has not begun due mainly to slow progress on the completion of LOAs	
3 Safe Management of Products entering SIDs/Closing Material and Product loops for Products	LogFrame Output: No. of plastics and bulky waste recycling systems in place (Activity 3.2.4) (Impact Indicator 4.1)	2026-03-30	N/A - output begins after reporting period	N/A - output begins after reporting period	Target: 5x plastics and bulky waste recycling systems Actual: 0x plastics and bulky waste recycling systems Implementation Status: 0% Progress: The project has undergone a minor revision, and this activity has been rescheduled to after the reporting period (according the PSC approved work plan).	
3 Safe Management of Products entering SIDs/Closing	Activity 3.2.1: Establishment of operationalisation of waste transfer and sorting stations in outer islands of Kiribati, Tonga and Tuvalu	2026-03-30	N/A - output begins after reporting period	N/A - output begins after reporting period	The project has undergone a minor revision, and this activity has been rescheduled to after the reporting period (according the PSC approved work plan).	

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Material and Product loops for Products						
3 Safe Management of Products entering SIDs/Closing Material and Product loops for Products	Activity 3.2.2: Scale up of national recycling activities in Kiribati, Tonga and Tuvalu, in partnership with the private sector	2026-03-30	N/A - output begins after reporting period	N/A - output begins after reporting period	The project has undergone a minor revision, and this activity has been rescheduled to after the reporting period (according the PSC approved work plan).	
3 Safe Management of Products entering SIDs/Closing Material and Product loops for Products	Activity 3.2.3: Establishment of operationalisation of waste transfer and sorting stations in Nauru	2026-03-30	N/A - output begins after reporting period	N/A - output begins after reporting period	The project has undergone a minor revision, and this activity has been rescheduled to after the reporting period (according the PSC approved work plan).	
3 Safe Management of Products entering SIDs/Closing Material and Product loops for Products	Activity 3.2.4: Establish plastics and bulky waste recycling systems in Tonga and Niue	2026-03-30	N/A - output begins after reporting period	N/A - output begins after reporting period	The project has undergone a minor revision, and this activity has been rescheduled to after the reporting period (according the PSC approved work plan).	
3 Safe Management	Output 3.3: Establishment of used oil management of used oil management systems in SIDS results documented and made available	2026-03-30	N/A - output begins after	N/A - output begins after	The project has undergone a minor revision, and the activities for this	

Component	Output/Activity	Expected completion date	Implementation status as of previous reporting period (%)	Implementation status as of current reporting period (%)	Progress rating justification, description of challenges faced and explanations for any delay	Progress Rating
of Products entering SIDs/Closing Material and Product loops for Products	to all Pacific SIDS		reporting period	reporting period	output been rescheduled to after the reporting period (according the PSC approved work plan).	
3 Safe Management of Products entering SIDs/Closing Material and Product loops for Products	LogFrame Output: No. of used oil storage facilities (Activity 3.3.1) (Impact Indicator 3.3)	2026-03-30	N/A - output begins after reporting period	N/A - output begins after reporting period	Target: 3x used oil storage facilities Actual: 0x used oil storage facilities Implementation Status: 0% Progress: preparatory activities have begun, work has not begun mainly due to delays in finalizing FSM's LOA. This has since been cleared and it is currently being prepared for signing.	
3 Safe Management of Products entering SIDs/Closing Material and Product loops for Products	LogFrame Output: No. of tonnes of oil recycled. (Activity 3.3.2) (Impact Indicator 1.3)	2026-03-30	N/A - output begins after reporting period	N/A - output begins after reporting period	Target: 900x Litres used oil disposed of/recycled Actual: 0x Litres of used oil disposed of/recycled Implementation Status: 0% Progress: preparatory activities have begun, work has not begun due to delays in finalizing FSMs LOA.	
3 Safe Management of Products entering SIDs/Closing Material and Product loops for Products	LogFrame Output: No. of used oil management guides (Activities 3.3.3, 3.3.4) (Impact indicator 4.1)	2025-07-30	N/A - output begins after reporting period	N/A - output begins after reporting period	Target: 1x guide Actual: 0x guide Implementation Status: 0% Progress: preparatory activities have begun, work has not begun due to delays in finalizing FSMs LOA.	

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3 Safe Management of Products entering SIDs/Closing Material and Product loops for Products	Activity 3.3.1: Establishing used oil management and used oil collection systems in four states of FSM	2026-03-30	N/A - output begins after reporting period	N/A - output begins after reporting period	The project has undergone a minor revision, and this activity has been rescheduled to after the reporting period (according the PSC approved work plan).	
3 Safe Management of Products entering SIDs/Closing Material and Product loops for Products	Activity 3.3.2: Technical assistance with the disposal of used oil from Chuuk, Kosrae, and Yap, including identifying and negotiating with buyer for used oil	2026-03-30	N/A - output begins after reporting period	N/A - output begins after reporting period	The project has undergone a minor revision, and this activity has been rescheduled to after the reporting period (according the PSC approved work plan).	
3 Safe Management of Products entering SIDs/Closing Material and Product loops for Products	Activity 3.3.3: Technical assistance with management of used oil into the future, including through the assessment and of the feasibility of using used oil as a diesel extender on Kosrae and potentially in other states	2026-03-30	N/A - output begins after reporting period	N/A - output begins after reporting period	The project has undergone a minor revision, and this activity has been rescheduled to after the reporting period (according the PSC approved work plan).	
3 Safe Management of Products entering SIDs/Closing Material and	Activity 3.3.4: The development of a national used oil management to guide and communicate plans for long-term management of used oil in FSM	2026-03-30	N/A - output begins after reporting period	N/A - output begins after reporting period	The project has undergone a minor revision, and this activity has been rescheduled to after the reporting period (according the PSC approved work plan).	

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Product loops for Products						
3 Safe Management of Products entering SIDs/Closing Material and Product loops for Products	Output 3.4: Technical backstopping provided to manage healthcare waste to Pacific SIDS	2026-03-30	N/A - output begins after reporting period	N/A - output begins after reporting period	The project has undergone a minor revision, and this activity has been rescheduled to after the reporting period (according the PSC approved work plan).	
3 Safe Management of Products entering SIDs/Closing Material and Product loops for Products	No. of Pacific countries assisted through technical backstopping facilities for healthcare waste management (Activities 3.4.1, 3.4.2) (Impact Indicator 3.1)	2026-03-30	N/A - output begins after reporting period	N/A - output begins after reporting period	Target: 14x countries assisted Actual: 0x countries assisted Implementation Status: 0% Progress: SPREP has made 3 pitches to get this activity started but there have been no uptakes by donors and development partners. Need a rethink of how this can be made attractive to donors and ultimately countries.	
3 Safe Management of Products entering SIDs/Closing Material and Product loops for Products	LogFrame Output: Reduction in dioxin and furan emissions from incomplete combustion of healthcare waste (Activities 3.4.1, 3.4.2) (Impact Indicator 1.2)	2026-03-30	N/A - output begins after reporting period	N/A - output begins after reporting period	Target: 14x countries with emissions reduced Actual: 0x countries with emissions reduced Implementation Status: 0% Progress: preparatory activities have begun, work has not begun. The project has undergone a minor revision, and this activity has been rescheduled to after the reporting period (according the PSC approved work plan).	
3 Safe	Activity 3.4.1: Establish technical backstopping facility for	2026-03-30	N/A - output	N/A - output	The project has undergone a minor	

Component	Output/Activity	Expected completion date	Implementation status as of previous reporting period (%)	Implementation status as of current reporting period (%)	Progress rating justification, description of challenges faced and explanations for any delay	Progress Rating
Management of Products entering SIDs/Closing Material and Product loops for Products	management for healthcare waste in the Pacific.		begins after reporting period	begins after reporting period	revision, and this activity has been rescheduled to after the reporting period (according the PSC approved work plan).	
3 Safe Management of Products entering SIDs/Closing Material and Product loops for Products	Activity 3.4.2: Provision of ongoing technical support to maintain healthcare waste incinerators in the Pacific region	2026-03-30	N/A - output begins after reporting period	N/A - output begins after reporting period	The project has undergone a minor revision, and this activity has been rescheduled to after the reporting period (according the PSC approved work plan).	
4 Knowledge Management and Communication	Output 4.1 Communication of national systems on sustainable financing	2026-03-30	N/A - output begins after reporting period	N/A - output begins after reporting period	The project has undergone a minor revision, and the activities for this output have been rescheduled to after the reporting period (according the PSC approved work plan).	
4 Knowledge Management and Communication	Logframe Output: No. of Pacific countries with communities consulted on sustainable financing measures in place (% of women in community consultations)(Activities 4.1.1, 4.1.2, 4.1.3, 4.1.4, 4.1.5) (Impact Indicator 12.3)	2026-03-30	N/A - output begins after reporting period	N/A - output begins after reporting period	Target: 4x countries consulted Actual: 2x countries consulted Implementation Status: 50% Progress: No further progress for this reporting quarter. The project has undergone a minor revision, and this activity has been rescheduled to after the reporting period (according the PSC approved work plan).	
4 Knowledge	Activity 4.1.1 National communications of: new measures for e-waste	2026-03-30	N/A - output	N/A - output	The project has undergone a minor	

Component	Output/Activity	Expected completion date	Implementation status as of previous reporting period (%)	Implementation status as of current reporting period (%)	Progress rating justification, description of challenges faced and explanations for any delay	Progress Rating
Management and Communication	recycling and management in the Cook Islands		begins after reporting period	begins after reporting period	revision, and this activity has been rescheduled to after the reporting period (according the PSC approved work plan).	
4 Knowledge Management and Communication	Activity 4.1.2 State-based communications on oil recycling levy and take back system in the four states of FSM	2026-03-30	N/A - output begins after reporting period	N/A - output begins after reporting period	The project has undergone a minor revision, and this activity has been rescheduled to after the reporting period (according the PSC approved work plan).	
4 Knowledge Management and Communication	Activity 4.1.3 National communications of new composting and recycling system in Nauru	2026-03-30	N/A - output begins after reporting period	N/A - output begins after reporting period	The project has undergone a minor revision, and this activity has been rescheduled to after the reporting period (according the PSC approved work plan).	
4 Knowledge Management and Communication	Activity 4.1.4: National communication and outreach on the introduction of import levies to fund recycling of bulky wastes in Niue	2026-03-30	N/A - output begins after reporting period	N/A - output begins after reporting period	The project has undergone a minor revision, and this activity has been rescheduled to after the reporting period (according the PSC approved work plan).	
4 Knowledge Management and Communication	Activity 4.1.5 Detailed case studies and fact sheets on each of the national activities will also be developed as knowledge assets	2026-03-30	N/A - output begins after reporting period	N/A - output begins after reporting period	The project has undergone a minor revision, and this activity has been rescheduled to after the reporting period (according the PSC approved work plan).	
4 Knowledge Management and Communication	Output 4.2: Community education activities and programmes on waste management behaviour designed and conducted	2026-03-30	N/A - output begins after reporting period	2%	The project has undergone a minor revision, and all but one activity for this output has been rescheduled to after the reporting period (according the PSC approved work plan). For	MS

Component	Output/Activity	Expected completion date	Implementation status as of previous reporting period (%)	Implementation status as of current reporting period (%)	Progress rating justification, description of challenges faced and explanations for any delay	Progress Rating
					Activity 4.2.2 the project has consulted with the CCKM project on the Mercury Free Pacific campaign. Additionally, a mercury free pacific campaign launch was completed on the sidelines of the 31st SPREP meeting in 2023.	
4 Knowledge Management and Communication	Logframe Output: No of Pacific countries signed up to mercury free Pacific pledge (Activities 4.2.4, 4.2.5)	2026-03-30	N/A - output begins after reporting period	N/A - output begins after reporting period	Target: 14x countries signed up Actual: 0x countries signed up Implementation Status: 0% Progress: The project has undergone a minor revision, and this activity has been rescheduled to after the reporting period (according the PSC approved work plan).	
4 Knowledge Management and Communication	Logframe Output: No. of regional strategies in place for Mercury free Pacific (Activities 4.2.1, 4.2.2, 4.2.3) (Impact Indicator 4.1)	2026-03-30	N/A - output begins after reporting period	N/A - output begins after reporting period	Target: 1x regionally endorsed mercury-free Pacific strategy in place Actual: 0x regionally endorsed mercury-free Pacific strategy in place Implementation Status: 0% Progress: no scheduled activities for the reporting period	
4 Knowledge Management and Communication	Logframe Output: No. of community education activities on waste management behaviour (Activities 4.2.4, 4.2.5) (Impact Indicator 8.1)	2026-03-30	N/A - output begins after reporting period	N/A - output begins after reporting period	Target: 60x community activities on waste management Actual: 0x community activities on waste management Implementation Status: 0% Progress: no scheduled activities for reporting period	
4 Knowledge Management and	Activity 4.2.1 Extensive regional campaign to promote a “Mercury Free Pacific” related to phasing out mercury medical devices and dental amalgam throughout the region	2026-03-30	N/A - output begins after reporting period	N/A - output begins after reporting period	The project has undergone a minor revision, and this activity has been rescheduled to after the reporting	

Component	Output/Activity	Expected completion date	Implementation status as of previous reporting period (%)	Implementation status as of current reporting period (%)	Progress rating justification, description of challenges faced and explanations for any delay	Progress Rating
Communication					period (according the PSC approved work plan).	
4 Knowledge Management and Communication	Activity 4.2.2 A regional action plan action plan will be developed to phase out products from 2022-2025	2026-03-30	N/A - output begins after reporting period	2%	Mercury Free Pacific Campaign launch event held on the sidelines of the 31st SPREP meeting. Consultation with CCKM global ISLANDS child project on campaign structure. Actions planned for the next reporting period: Gather MIA data and compile. Roll out the campaign with eligible countries.	MS
4 Knowledge Management and Communication	Activity 4.2.3 A detailed mercury case study and fact sheet will also be developed as knowledge assets and shared (Regional)	2026-03-30	N/A - output begins after reporting period	N/A - output begins after reporting period	The project has undergone a minor revision, and this activity has been rescheduled to after the reporting period (according the PSC approved work plan).	
4 Knowledge Management and Communication	Activity 4.2.4 Behavioural change activities and community education in Tuvalu	2026-03-30	N/A - output begins after reporting period	N/A - output begins after reporting period	The project has undergone a minor revision, and this activity has been rescheduled to after the reporting period (according the PSC approved work plan).	
4 Knowledge Management and Communication	Activity 4.2.5 Detailed case studies and fact sheets will also be developed as knowledge assets and shared (National)	2026-03-30	N/A - output begins after reporting period	N/A - output begins after reporting period	The project has undergone a minor revision, and this activity has been rescheduled to after the reporting period (according the PSC approved work plan).	
4 Knowledge Management and Communication	Output 4.3 Widespread engagement of youth through Tide Turners program (regional)	2026-03-30	N/A - output begins after reporting period	3%	Contracts awarded for Brown Girl Woke in Samoa, and for the no plastic campaign in Tonga. Tide Turners consultant resigned, and there was a long delay in	U

Component	Output/Activity	Expected completion date	Implementation status as of previous reporting period (%)	Implementation status as of current reporting period (%)	Progress rating justification, description of challenges faced and explanations for any delay	Progress Rating
					finding a replacement due to the slow speed of the administrative staff at the internally executed component of the project. Corrective Actions Taken: The implementing Agency stepped in to fill the void and improve relationships with project partners. IA consistently pushed the internal executing partner to advertise and hire the position again. IA stationed a team member in Samoa to identify potential candidates. IA found a potential candidate in the youth engagement space and suggested the direct hiring route. IA onboarded new Tide Turners staff and introduced him to the project partners.	
4 Knowledge Management and Communication	Logframe Output: No of youth participating in Tide Turners program (Activities 4.3.1, 4.3.2) (Impact Indicator 8.2)	2026-03-30	N/A - output begins after reporting period	0.46%	Target: 150,000 x youth Actual: 700x youth Implementation Status: 0% Progress: - Tonga: 400 youth (No Pelestiki Campaign)- Samoa: 300 youth (Brown Girl Woke)Rating MS - given the time restrains and lack of staffing work continued via external partners and was managed by NPOs. Corrective Actions taken: IA stepped in to fill the void until the internal partner filled the position for 6-8 months.	MS
4 Knowledge Management and	Activity 4.3.1: Widespread rollout of the UNEP Youth Tide Turners programme	2026-03-30	N/A - output begins after reporting period	0.46%	Brown Girl Woke (Samoa) completed two deliverables. BGW has 300 youth reached to-date. In Tonga, engagement efforts	MS

Component	Output/Activity	Expected completion date	Implementation status as of previous reporting period (%)	Implementation status as of current reporting period (%)	Progress rating justification, description of challenges faced and explanations for any delay	Progress Rating
Communication					with the No Pelestiki Campaign have reached 400 youth so far, with ongoing efforts to exceed the target of 1,000 youth. Total youth reached is 700. MS Rating is due to delays caused by the administrative team at the EA of the internally executed component in replacing staff that left.	
4 Knowledge Management and Communication	Activity 4.3.2: Detailed case studies and fact sheets will also be developed as knowledge assets and shared	2026-03-30	N/A - output has project dependancies that have not started	N/A - output begins after reporting period	The project has undergone a minor revision, and this activity has been rescheduled to after the reporting period (according the PSC approved work plan).	
4 Knowledge Management and Communication	Output 4.4: Best practices in Pacific SIDS on hazardous waste management documented and made available reporting through the global component	2026-03-30	N/A - output begins after reporting period	N/A - output begins after reporting period	The project has undergone a minor revision, and the activities for this output have been rescheduled to after the reporting period (according the PSC approved work plan).	
4 Knowledge Management and Communication	Logframe Output: No. of quarterly Programmatic update reports provided to the Coordination, Communications and Knowledge Management project (Activities 4.4.1, 4.4.2)	2026-03-30	40%	40%	Target: 10 x quarterly updates Actual: 4x quarterly updates Implementation Status: 40% Progress: CCKM project has not been engaged with the Pacific Child Project this Reporting Period due to restructure and staffing. No reports sent to CCKM from child project this reporting period. MU rating is due to lack of proactivity of the EA to submit quarterly reports to CCKM despite lack of engagement.	MU

Component	Output/Activity	Expected completion date	Implementation status as of previous reporting period (%)	Implementation status as of current reporting period (%)	Progress rating justification, description of challenges faced and explanations for any delay	Progress Rating
4 Knowledge Management and Communication	Activity 4.4.1: Regularly quarterly reporting to the Communication, Coordination and Knowledge Management Project on project activities	2026-03-30	40%	40%	CCKM project has not been engaged with the Pacific Child Project this Reporting Period due to restructure and staffing. No reports sent to CCKM from child project this reporting period. Corrective Actions Taken: IA has replaced Project Manager for the CCKM project, and is currently undertaking a MTR to update the CCKM project's priorities. MU rating is due to lack of proactivity of the EA to submit quarterly reports to CCKM despite lack of engagement.	MU
4 Knowledge Management and Communication	Activity 4.4.2: Regular receipt of information, knowledge assets and information from Communication, Coordination and Knowledge Management Project packaged and read for distribution to relevant stakeholders	2026-03-30	N/A	N/A	CCKM project has not been engaged with the Pacific Child Project for a large portion of this Reporting Period due to restructure and staffing.	

The Task Manager will decide on the relevant level of disaggregation (i.e. either at the output or activity level).

4 Risks

4.1 Table A. Project management Risk

Please refer to the Risk Help Sheet for more details on rating

Risk Factor	EA Rating	TM Rating
1 Management structure - Roles and responsibilities	Moderate	Moderate
2 Governance structure - Oversight	Low	Moderate
3 Implementation schedule	Substantial	Substantial
4 Budget	Substantial	Substantial
5 Financial Management	Low	Low
6 Reporting	Substantial	Substantial
7 Capacity to deliver	Substantial	Substantial

If any of the risk factors is rated a Moderate or higher, please include it in Table B below

4.2 Table B. Risk-log

Implementation Status (Current PIR)

Insert ALL the risks identified either at CEO endorsement (inc. safeguards screening), previous/current PIRs, and MTRs. Use the last line to propose a suggested consolidated rating.

Risks	Risk affecting: Outcome / outputs	CEO ED	PIR 1	PIR 2	PIR 3	PIR 4	PIR 5	Current PIR	Δ	Justification
Due to COVID-19 travel ban. Project Coordinator cannot travel to Samoa to begin post	Outcome 1-4	H	M	L	L				=	There are no COVID related travel bans in the Pacific. The new Project Manager is a Samoan national thereby negating any risk.

Risks	Risk affecting: Outcome / outputs	CEO ED	PIR 1	PIR 2	PIR 3	PIR 4	PIR 5	Current PIR	Δ	Justification
Restricted travel	Outcome 1-4	H	M	L	L				=	There are no travel restrictions in the Pacific.
Decreased local support due to shifted priorities	Outcome 1-3	L	L	L	M				↑	Local priorities have changed. However, mitigative action has been taken by the IA. Country consultation meeting held in Palau for all countries to set their priorities in stone for the project. Updated activities approved by PSC.
Negative impacts to SIDS economies (especially due to tourism and remittance reduction)	Outcome 1-3	H	H	H	M				↓	No more travel restrictions.
Rising sea levels	Outcome 1-3	H	H	H	H				=	No variation to climate risk. SIDS are close to sea level. For mitigation measures please see consolidated risk mitigation measure labeled in Table 3.2 under "Rising sea levels & Natural Disaster Risks (Climate change, cyclone, volcanic eruption)"
Infrastructure damage due to increased cyclone frequency and severity	Outcome 1-3	M	M	M	M				=	No variation in risk to infrastructure since FY2023. Project continues to include disaster risk into designs. For mitigation measures please see consolidated risk mitigation measure labeled in Table 3.2 under "Rising sea levels & Natural Disaster Risks (Climate change, cyclone, volcanic eruption)"
Increase in disaster waste due to increased	Outcome 1-3	M	M	M	M				=	No variation in risk to disaster waste

Risks	Risk affecting: Outcome / outputs	CEO ED	PIR 1	PIR 2	PIR 3	PIR 4	PIR 5	Current PIR	Δ	Justification
cyclone frequency										since FY2023. Project continues to include disaster risk into designs. For mitigation measures please see consolidated risk mitigation measure labeled in Table 3.2 under "Rising sea levels & Natural Disaster Risks (Climate change, cyclone, volcanic eruption)"
Political priorities. will and/or buy-in are not adequate for execution of key project activities	Outcome 1-3	M	M	M	M				=	Political changes have not impacted the project. For mitigation measures please see consolidated risk mitigation measure labeled in Table 3.2 under "Project ownership and Political priorities. will and/or buy-in are not adequate for execution of key project activities. OR Some countries make little progress. due to not prioritising the project "
Executing Agency procurement processes not capable of expending project funds in a timely manner	Outcome 1-3	H	H	H	M				=	SPREP has undergone a review of its procurement process that aims to improve its efficiency.
Centralized regional execution results in the project unable to achieve sufficient results at national level.	Outcome 1-3	M	S	S	M				↓	Change in Project Manager. New project manager has track record of working/established relationships with SIDS governments and networks through out the Pacific for project implementation.
Stockpiles of remaining POPs in PNG are unable to be located. and released to the	Outcome 2	L	L	L	L				=	Safeguarding work completed in 2019. Site was revisited this FY - still

Risks	Risk affecting: Outcome / outputs	CEO ED	PIR 1	PIR 2	PIR 3	PIR 4	PIR 5	Current PIR	Δ	Justification
environment										intact.
Duplication of effort by donors/projects	Outcome 1-4	L	L	L	M				↑	Due to slow progress of the project. Nauru has asked ADB to complete the work of the project. Mitigative action: EA is in discussion with Nauru and ADB on way forward.
Private sector and/or community support and behavioural change are not adequate	Outcome 1-4	L	L	L	M				↑	Due to increase in shipping costs. and decrease in value of ferrous metals. economic viability of the end of life vehicle recycling initiative is at risk of losing private sector interest. Mitigation Action: EA is working with SIDS governments on sustainable financing for ELVs. For mitigation measures please see consolidated risk mitigation measure labeled in Table 3.2 under "Private sector and/or community support and behavioural change are not adequate OR Recycling systems cannot be financed sustainably"
Some countries make little progress. due to not prioritising the project	Outcome 1-3	M	H	H	H				=	Project can't make progress - still held up in developing legal agreements. Countries committed to prioritise the project and the legal agreements. For mitigation measures please see consolidated risk mitigation measure labeled in Table 3.2 under "Project ownership and Political priorities. will

Risks	Risk affecting: Outcome / outputs	CEO ED	PIR 1	PIR 2	PIR 3	PIR 4	PIR 5	Current PIR	Δ	Justification
										and/or buy-in are not adequate for execution of key project activities. OR Some countries make little progress. due to not prioritising the project "
Recycling systems cannot be financed sustainably	Outcome 1-3	H	H	H	H				=	No variation in risk since last PIR. For mitigation measures please see consolidated risk mitigation measure labeled in Table 3.2 under "Private sector and/or community support and behavioural change are not adequate OR Recycling systems cannot be financed sustainably"
Inadequate data available to support activities	Outcome 1-4	M	M	L	M				↑	Risk found: Inaccuracy of POPs testing data conducted by the previous Project Manager in the scoping study in 2019 was found. Field testing showed high levels of PCB and samples sent to lab for verification. EA received laboratory data in 2020. IA asked for the data in late 2023. IA found that the laboratory data showed no detectable POPs in used oil. Mitigative Action: Tender for other POPs work in the country now includes PCB testing in used oil. Possible pivot to PFAS if results confirm no PCB in used oil.
Continued disregard for the environmental and health impacts of existing waste	Outcome 1-4	L	L	L	L				=	No variation in risk since last PIR.

Risks	Risk affecting: Outcome / outputs	CEO ED	PIR 1	PIR 2	PIR 3	PIR 4	PIR 5	Current PIR	Δ	Justification
management activities										
Economic displacement of informal sector workers through formalisation of chemicals and waste management systems	Outcome 1-3	L	L	L	L				=	No variation in risk since last PIR.
Volcanic activity: disruptions due to damage to the under sea fibre optic cables for global connectivity.	Outcome 1-4	N/A	N/A	M	M				=	No variation in risk since last PIR.
High turnover of Country Focal Points & staff in country. leading to a lack of institutional memory. The executing agency needs to start over.	Outcome 1-3	N/A	N/A	S	S				=	No variation in risk since last PIR.
COVID-19 lead to capacity drain in the Pacific SIDS to OECD countries. Inability to hire qualified people in the Pacific to execute work in country.	Outcome 1-4	N/A	N/A	S	S				=	No variation in risk since last PIR.
Stakeholder Engagement - voices and concerns of vulnerable groups and people not heard.	Outcome 1-4	N/A	N/A	M	M				=	No variation in risk since last PIR.
Gender - Gender Action Plan still in draft. no progress to meeting targets of Gender Action Plan.	Outcome 1-4	N/A	N/A	M	M				=	No variation in risk since last PIR.
Safeguards - project does not adapt to outcomes of the feasibility study.	Outcome 1-4	N/A	N/A	M	M				=	No variation in risk since last PIR.
		M	M	M	M				=	No variation in risk since last PIR. However, there is Substantial Project Management Risk.

4.3 Table C. Outstanding Moderate, Significant, and High risks

Additional mitigation measures for the next periods

Risk	Actions decided during the previous reporting instance (PIRt-1, MTR, etc.)	Actions effectively undertaken this reporting period	What	When	By Whom
Management structure - Roles and responsibilities	Review the management structure	After management review. PMU restructuring exercise was completed and it was decided additional staff should be added to the PMU to support project delivery through providing technical expertise and completing project deliverables. Countries were consulted in the meeting in Palau and was approved by PSC. Previous project manager resigned and has been replaced.	Fill old and new roles	Q4 2024	SPREP
Governance structure - Oversight	Review the Governance Structure	IA has increased supervision by placing a team member into the Pacific Subregional Office at the campus where the EA is.	Continue oversight and increased supervision until all LoAs are complete and project is up and running.	Q2 2025	UNEP
Implementation schedule	Review the implementation schedule. conduct a project redesign	Performance review completed in 2023 by IA. New implementation schedule proposed. Country consultation meeting took place and countries confirmed implementation schedule. Implementation	1. Adhere to implementation schedule set by the 2nd PSC meeting of the project. 2. Prioritise signing of LoAs so the project can begin in countries.	Q3-Q4 2024	SPREP

Risk	Actions decided during the previous reporting instance (PIRt-1, MTR, etc.)	Actions effectively undertaken this reporting period	What	When	By Whom
		<p>schedule proposed by EA and adopted by PSC. Additional roadblock is the legal agreement process at the EA. Previous project manager required countries to complete detailed workplans for legal agreement.</p> <p>Corrective action taken: Project manager replaced. Standard high level LoA reinstated by new project manager - details to be confirmed after LoA is signed.</p>			
Budget	Review the budget and undergo a budget revision process	<p>After management review of the project. it was determined that more capacity was needed at the executing agency for the project. Additionally. changes in country priorities required reallocation of funding across components - a major change is not required as total change is below the trigger threshold.</p> <p>Mitigative Action Taken:</p>	Ensure PMC to project delivery expenditure ratio is weighted more towards project delivery.	Q2 2025	SPREP

Risk	Actions decided during the previous reporting instance (PIRt-1, MTR, etc.)	Actions effectively undertaken this reporting period	What	When	By Whom
		Budget revision proposed at country consultation meeting. Feedback was given and taken on board. Budget revision was adopted at the second PSC.			
Reporting	Management Review	New practice in place - EA to send draft reports for review to team member in the Pacific Subregional Office 1-2 weeks prior to reporting deadline for review. After management review. PMU restructuring exercise was completed and it was decided additional administrative staff should be added to the PMU. Countries were consulted in the meeting in Palau and was approved by PSC.	Ensure all reports are completed and submitted on time. Hire administrative assistant.	Q4 2024	SPREP
Capacity to deliver	Review the capacity of the Executing Agency and seek other agencies in the Pacific to assist project execution in the Pacific.	Project management unit redesigned based on review of project activities and capacity assessment of the Executing Agency. IA has reallocated project funding to support the project	Fill old and new roles	Q4 2024	SPREP

Risk	Actions decided during the previous reporting instance (PIRt-1, MTR, etc.)	Actions effectively undertaken this reporting period	What	When	By Whom
		without increasing PMC - technical experts (engineering and policy) to advise the project. Budget revision complete. countries consulted during meeting in Palau. PSC approved in Feb 2024. TORs have been completed and ready for advertisement Q3 2024. IA has met with other potential EAs in the region.			
Rising sea levels & Natural Disaster Risks (Climate change, cyclone, volcanic eruption)	Where possible. knowledge and information sharing on climate-proofing landfills across SIDS. & Continue to leverage regional meetings or COPs to meet in-person when possible.	Where possible. knowledge and information sharing on climate-proofing landfills across SIDS. & Continue to leverage regional meetings or COPs to meet in-person when possible.	Where possible. knowledge and information sharing on climate-proofing landfills across SIDS. & Continue to leverage regional meetings or COPs to meet in-person when possible.	ongoing	SPREP
Executing Agency procurement processes not capable of expending project funds in a timely manner	Hire technical experts to help with TORs	Project management unit redesigned based on review of project activities and capacity assessment of the Executing Agency. IA has reallocated project funding to support the project without increasing PMC - technical experts	Fill old and new roles	Q4 2024	SPREP

Risk	Actions decided during the previous reporting instance (PIRt-1, MTR, etc.)	Actions effectively undertaken this reporting period	What	When	By Whom
		(engineering and policy) to advise the project. Budget revision complete. countries consulted during meeting in Palau. PSC approved in Feb 2024. TORs have been completed and ready for advertisement Q3 2024. IA has met with other potential EAs in the region.			
Recycling systems cannot be financed sustainably & Political priorities. will and/or buy-in are not adequate for execution of key project activities	Regularly meet with Private sector partner and follow up on Advanced Recovery Fee and Deposit Scheme implementation in SIDS. Engage stakeholder engagement consultant. Continue to push for ARFD legislation in the region. at meetings	PMU has met with private sector recycling organizations in Kiribati. Samoa and Tonga with the intention of supporting them.	Support recycling organizations in Kiribati and Tonga.	Q4 2024	SPREP
High turnover of Country Focal Points & staff in country. leading to a lack of institutional memory. The executing agency needs to start over.	Review the staffing arrangements in the Pacific & at SPREP to seek a solution & Continue to leverage regional meetings or COPs to meet in-person when possible.	The high turnover of staff at National Focal (NF) is beyond the control of PMU. PMU continues to push ahead with the recruitment of National Project Officers to take the burden off NF's and as a mechanism to keep	Recruit more National Project Officers	Q4 2024	SPREP

Risk	Actions decided during the previous reporting instance (PIRt-1, MTR, etc.)	Actions effectively undertaken this reporting period	What	When	By Whom
		project history and knowledge. Onboarded NPOs for Vanuatu and Tuvalu			
COVID-19 lead to capacity drain in the Pacific SIDS to OECD countries. Inability to hire qualified people in the Pacific to execute work in country. AND Negative impacts to SIDS economies (especially due to tourism and remittance reduction) AND Centralized regional execution results in the project unable to achieve sufficient results at national level.	Direct sourcing with the focal points. Possibility of providing Capacity Building. Review the staffing arrangements in the Pacific & at SPREP to seek a solution. Where possible. preference and consideration will be given to local consultants or contractors. however a fair process will be maintained. Inclusion of National Technical Assistant into PSC meetings.	Wide advertising of NPO job postings regionally and nationally. Held discussion with UNEP on the possibility of engaging a managing consultant to take on the NPO role for countries that continue to struggle to find an NPO.	Convene a meeting with consultant to start discussions on the proposal.	Q4 2024	SPREP
Stakeholder Engagement - voices and concerns of vulnerable groups and people not heard.	Engage Stakeholder Engagement Consultant. Develop and implement Stakeholder Engagement Plan. National Coordination Committees to be formed in each country involving vulnerable people groups.	Youth engagement officer recruited and Tide Turners Contracts awarded to youth organisations.	Engage Stakeholder Engagement Consultant. Develop and implement Stakeholder Engagement Plan. National Coordination Committees to be formed in each country involving vulnerable people groups.	Q2 2025	SPREP
Gender - Gender Action Plan still in draft. no	Engage Gender Consultant. Complete Gender Action	No progress to report on.	Engage Gender Consultant. Complete Gender Action	Q2 2025	SPREP

Risk	Actions decided during the previous reporting instance (PIRt-1, MTR, etc.)	Actions effectively undertaken this reporting period	What	When	By Whom
progress to meeting targets of Gender Action Plan.	Plan. & track progress towards mainstreaming targets of the Gender Action Plan to be highlighted in the next PIR.		Plan. & track progress towards mainstreaming targets of the Gender Action Plan to be highlighted in the next PIR.		
Safeguards - project does not adapt to outcomes of the feasibility study.	Where applicable. adapt to findings of the feasibility study on environmental and social safeguards.	No project implementation to report on.	Where applicable. adapt to findings of the feasibility study on environmental and social safeguards.	Q2 2025	SPREP
Decreased local support due to shifted priorities	N/A - risk raised to moderate this reporting period.	Country consultation meeting held in Palau to ensure priority shifts were covered by the project.	Finalise LoAs and develop workplans to address priorities.	Q2 2025	SPREP
Negative impacts to SIDS economies (especially due to tourism and remittance reduction)	N/A	Continue to pay salaries on time and provide DSA where applicable.	Continue to pay salaries on time and provide DSA where applicable.	Q2 2025	SPREP/UNEP
Project ownership and Political priorities. will and/or buy-in are not adequate for execution of key project activities. OR Some countries make little progress. due to not prioritising the project	N/A	Scope of work and workplan under development with country focal points. LoA negotiation underway.	Complete and sign LoAs including workplans.	Q4 2024	SPREP
Executing Agency procurement processes not capable of expending	N/A	Procurement processes at EA have improved.	Recruit procurement officer.	Q2 2025	SPREP

Risk	Actions decided during the previous reporting instance (PIRt-1, MTR, etc.)	Actions effectively undertaken this reporting period	What	When	By Whom
project funds in a timely manner					
Centralized regional execution results in the project unable to achieve sufficient results at national level.	N/A	Recruit national officers & continue to involve national governments in PSC.	Recruit national officers.	Q2 2025	SPREP
Duplication of effort by donors/projects	N/A	IA has employee at SPREP/UNEP Subregional office in the Pacific who coordinates and maintains relationships/communication with other donors in the region.	Continue communication between donors. Coordinate between project managers at SPREP to ensure there is no overlap.	Q2 2025	SPREP/UNEP
Private sector and/or community support and behavioural change are not adequate OR Recycling systems cannot be financed sustainably	N/A	Other parts of EA have completed initial work on ARFD.	Continue to push for ARFD for ELV initiative to create economic incentives for private sector.	Q2 2025	SPREP
Inadequate data available to support activities	N/A	Preparatory / Feasibility studies conducted by project	Continue to conduct preparatory / feasibility studies by project	Q2 2025	SPREP

High Risk (H): There is a probability of greater than 75% that assumptions may fail to hold or materialize, and/or the project may face high risks. Significant Risk (S): There is a probability of between 51% and 75% that assumptions may fail to hold and/or the project may face substantial risks. Moderate Risk (M): There is a probability of between 26% and 50% that assumptions may fail to hold or materialize, and/or the project may face only modest risks. Low Risk (L): There is a probability of up to 25% that assumptions may fail to hold or materialize, and/or the project may face only modest risks.

5 Amendment - GeoSpatial

Project Minor Amendments

Minor amendments are changes to the project design or implementation that do not have significant impact on the project objectives or scope, or an increase of the GEF project financing up to 5% as described in Annex 9 of the Project and Program Cycle Policy Guidelines. Please tick each category for which a change occurred in the fiscal year of reporting and provide a description of the change that occurred in the textbox. You may attach supporting document as appropriate

5.1 Table A: Listing of all Minor Amendment (TM)

Minor Amendments	Changes
Results Framework:	No
Components and Cost:	Yes
Institutional and implementation arrangements:	Yes
Financial Management:	No
Implementation Schedule:	
Executing Entity:	No
Executing Entity Category:	No
Minor project objective change:	No
Safeguards:	No
Risk analysis:	No
Increase of GEF financing up to 5%:	No
Location of project activity:	No
Other:	

Minor amendments

LIST OF MINOR AMENDMENTS:

- Country Priority Changes:** Due to delays to implementation, country priorities have shifted. In some cases, a higher-priority item has appeared, and in other cases, donors have stepped in to take on the project's priorities. Changes in country priorities led to a change in activities. All activities still fall within the scope of the project. For further details, please see below under the sections for management review, country consultation, and 2nd PSC.
- PMU Changes:** The implementation structure of the PMU at design was inadequate for implementation in the region, causing bottlenecks to the work. More capacity (including technical expertise) is required at SPREP to deliver the project. Two technical officers with backgrounds in engineering and policy, and an

administrative assistant has been added to the project. The finance and administration officer's role will be reassigned to finance and procurement to fill the vacant procurement officer position. Additionally, Communications, Gender and Stakeholder Engagement has been proposed to be combined into one officer to make salary competitive. For further details, please see below under the sections for management review, country consultation, and 2nd PSC.

- **Possible inclusion of PFAS:** The alarmingly high concentration of PFAS found in human breast milk in their country was an issue Kiribati raised during the 1st PSC and requested assistance from the project to address. Due to the lack of PCB in PNG (the previous project manager collected inaccurate data collection and false positive field testing - upon laboratory results show no PCB. PCB retesting will be done before EOFY 2026.), other POPs needed to be included into the project to achieve GEBs targets. A pivot to include PFAS in the project is upcoming.
- **Budget Revision:** To accommodate the changes above, a minor budget revision was conducted and approved by the PSC. For further details, please see below under sections for the management review, country consultation, and 2nd PSC.
- **Possible No-Cost Extension (not materialised yet):** The PSC socialised a possible project extension from 2026 to 2028, relieving countries' deadline stress. For further details, please see below under sections for the management review, country consultation, and 2nd PSC.

TIMELINE OF IMPLEMENTING AGENCY MANAGEMENT ACTION:

Based on the outcome of the previous PIR, the Implementing Agency undertook the following interventions and steps to improve the project's performance.

11-14 September: Management Review Meeting

Management Review of the ISLANDS Pacific Child Project occurred from 11-14 September 2023. Progress has been limited due to factors such as management change in SPREP, the delayed impact of the COVID-19 pandemic and travel restrictions in 2021. Five thematic sessions were held, covering project activity review, meetings with sister projects, discussions with SPREP administration departments, and next steps.

Many project activities have not yet started due to weak coordination, changes in priorities, turnover in project countries, unrealistic targets, and lack of capacity. Country plans were reviewed and finalized, with priority countries identified. Temporary technical staff are deemed necessary for the Project Management Unit (PMU), and any additional staff must possess contract management skills. A proposed PMU structure will be presented to the steering committee for approval. The budget was reviewed, and a revised project budget will be prepared with support from UNEP. A work plan with deadlines and responsibilities leading to a consultation meeting in Palau was outlined. The meeting aims to present a project redesign plan and gather feedback from project countries. Follow-up consultations between SPREP and UNEP are planned, including discussions on rescaling outputs and addressing issues like PFAS contamination.

15-17 October: Country Consultation Meeting

A country consultation meeting was convened with all 14 to reassess the assumptions made in the project design and to finalise country workplans. The meeting discussed the following items:

- Overview of the project and its design
- Context of the project and current status
- Countries fostering enabling environments for project execution
- New project management unit team structure and new positions to support project execution

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- Co-financing commitments
 - National Project Officers, their statuses and contractual modalities
 - Country workplans
 - Proposed date for the next project steering committee

The key outcomes of the meeting were:

- Country priorities and workplans were agreed.
- Agreement on PMU structure changes (finance & admin officer changed to finance & procurement, combining communications, gender, and engagement roles into one) and 3 new positions (engineering technical expert, policy & strategy technical expert, reporting and administration officer).
- A common understanding was reached for enabling environments for project success (countries to commit to supporting the project).
- A common understanding was reached for options for NPO recruitment and their requirements (recruited as temporary SPREP staff).
- Recognition of the need to report co-financing and commitment from the countries.
- Due to the change in project activities, it was decided that an adjustment of the previously decided PSC date and time was needed. However, as a working group cannot supersede the decisions made by the PSC, an Ad-Hoc PSC is to be held to decide on the change.

16 February: Second Project Steering Committee Meeting

The Second Project Steering Committee (PSC) Meeting for the GEF ISLANDS Pacific Project was held in Auckland, New Zealand, on February 16, 2024, following the fourth Pacific preparatory meeting of the Intergovernmental Negotiation Committee on Plastic Pollution (INC 4).

Representatives from 14 participating countries attended the meeting to address:

- Election of new PSC chair
- Status, changes, and challenges to the project
- 2024 Workplan, Forecast, and Procurement Plan
- Budget Revision
- Project extension
- Mid-Term Evaluation
- Workplans and LoAs
- National Officers

The pressing challenges included the resignation of the Project Manager and the limited capacity of the Project Management Unit, and the aim was to strategise the way forward for project success. Detailed discussions and action points were documented to guide project revitalisation efforts.

The key outcomes of the meeting were:

- Fiji elected as the new Chair of PSC
- Approval of ISLANDS workplan for 2024
- Approval of 2024 Forecast (US\$2,106,678)

- Approval of 2024 Procurement Plan (US \$3,389,695)
- Approval of Revised Budget (allowing for new PMU staff)
- Possible project extension was socialised at the PSC, relieving deadline stress from countries.
- Mid-Term Review delayed by 1 year due to lack of implementation raised by UNEP
- Legal agreements will be prioritised by both the countries and the executing agency for Q1 and 2
- Mobilising NPOs raised as a matter of priority to staff the work of the project and LoAs
- As there were no meeting minutes or reports for the first PSC, meeting minutes are to be completed and circulated this time.

5.2 Table B: History of project revisions and/or extensions (TM)

Version	Type	Signed/Approved by UNEP	Entry Into Force (last signature Date)	Agreement Expiry Date	Main changes introduced in this revision
Original Legal Instrument		2021-06-16	2021-07-23	2026-03-31	

GEO Location Information:

The Location Name, Latitude and Longitude are required fields insofar as an Agency chooses to enter a project location under the set format. The Geo Name ID is required in instances where the location is not exact, such as in the case of a city, as opposed to the exact site of a physical infrastructure. The Location & Activity Description fields are optional. Project longitude and latitude must follow the Decimal Degrees WGS84 format and Agencies are encouraged to use at least four decimal points for greater accuracy. Users may add as many locations as appropriate. Web mapping applications such as OpenStreetMap or GeoNames use this format. Consider using a conversion tool as needed, such as: <https://coordinates-converter.com> Please see the Geocoding User Guide by clicking here

Location Name	Latitude	Longitude	GEO Name ID	Location Description	Activity Description
Avarua. Cook Islands	-21.2070	-159.7710		Capital City	Please note. coordinates are not project sites. they only point to the country where activities are planned.
Suva. Fiji	-18.1333	178.4333		Capital City	Please note. coordinates are not project sites. they only point to the country where activities are planned.

Location Name	Latitude	Longitude	GEO Name ID	Location Description	Activity Description
Palikir. FSM	6.9178	158.1850		Capital City	Please note. coordinates are not project sites. they only point to the country where activities are planned.
South Tarawa. Kiribati	1.3333	172.9667		Capital City	Please note. coordinates are not project sites. they only point to the country where activities are planned.
Majuro. Marshall Islands	7.08971	171.38027		Capital City	Please note. coordinates are not project sites. they only point to the country where activities are planned.
Alofi. Niue	-19.0560	-169.9210		Capital City	Please note. coordinates are not project sites. they only point to the country where activities are planned.
Yaren. Nauru	-0.5477	166.9208		Capital City	Please note. coordinates are not project sites. they only point to the country where activities are planned.
Ngerulmud. Palau	7.5006	134.6242		Capital City	Please note. coordinates are not project sites. they only point to the country where activities are planned.
Port Moresby. PNG	-9.4789	147.1494		Capital City	Please note. coordinates are not project sites. they only point to the country where activities are planned.
Honiara. Solomon Islands	-9.43333	159.95		Capital City	Please note. coordinates are not project sites. they only

Location Name	Latitude	Longitude	GEO Name ID	Location Description	Activity Description
					point to the country where activities are planned.
Nuku'alofa. Tonga	-21.1347	-175.2083		Capital City	Please note. coordinates are not project sites. they only point to the country where activities are planned.
Funafuti. Tuvalu	-8.52425	179.19417		Capital City	Please note. coordinates are not project sites. they only point to the country where activities are planned.
Port Vila. Vanuatu	-17.7333	168.3167		Capital City	Please note. coordinates are not project sites. they only point to the country where activities are planned.
Apia. Samoa	-13.8333	-171.8333		Capital City	Please note. coordinates are not project sites. they only point to the country where activities are planned.

Please provide any further geo-referenced information and map where the project interventions is taking place as appropriate. *

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