

# GEF - PROJECT IMPLEMENTATION REPORT (PIR)

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Reporting from 1 July 2023 to 30 June 2024

## 1 PROJECT IDENTIFICATION

### 1.1 Project Details

<b>GEF ID:</b> 10228	<b>Umoja WBS:</b> GFL-11207-14AC0003-SB-018096
<b>SMA IPMR ID:</b> 89580	<b>Grant ID:</b> S1-32GFL-000711
<b>Project Short Title:</b> South Sudan ABS Project	
<b>Project Title:</b> Capacity support for accession to and implementation of the Nagoya Protocol on Access to Genetic Resources and the Fair and Equitable Sharing of Benefits Arising from their Utilization in South Sudan	
<b>Duration months planned:</b>	36
<b>Duration months age:</b>	36
<b>Project Type:</b>	Medium Sized Project (MSP)
<b>Parent Programme if child project:</b>	
<b>Project Scope:</b>	National
<b>Region:</b>	Africa
<b>Countries:</b>	South Sudan
<b>GEF Focal Area(s):</b>	Biodiversity
<b>GEF financing amount:</b>	\$ 863,242.00
<b>Co-financing amount:</b>	\$ 6,450,000.00
<b>Date of CEO Endorsement/Approval:</b>	2021-06-08
<b>UNEP Project Approval Date:</b>	2021-05-03
<b>Start of Implementation (PCA entering into force):</b>	2022-01-10
<b>Date of Inception Workshop, if available:</b>	2022-05-10
<b>Date of First Disbursement:</b>	2022-02-01
<b>Total disbursement as of 30 June 2024:</b>	\$ 526,610.00

<b>Total expenditure as of 30 June:</b>	\$ 526,610.00
<b>Midterm undertaken?:</b>	n/a
<b>Actual Mid-Term Date, if taken:</b>	
<b>Expected Mid-Term Date, if not taken:</b>	2024-09-01
<b>Completion Date Planned - Original PCA:</b>	2025-12-31
<b>Completion Date Revised - Current PCA:</b>	2025-12-25
<b>Expected Terminal Evaluation Date:</b>	2026-01-09
<b>Expected Financial Closure Date:</b>	2026-12-01

## 1.2 Project Description

The Nagoya Protocol on Access and Benefit Sharing (ABS) has the potential to reduce loss of biodiversity through access and benefit sharing arrangements that promote the conservation and sustainable use of biodiversity. However, South Sudan is not yet a Party to the Nagoya Protocol, whose objective is the fair and equitable sharing of benefits arising from the utilization of genetic resources, including by appropriate access to genetic resources and by appropriate transfer of relevant technologies, taking into account all rights over those resources and to the technologies. This project has been conceived to provide key information to allow the legislative bodies and key stakeholders, including policy-makers to take informed decision on the implication and opportunities of acceding to the Nagoya Protocol, which in turn will permit the establishment of a national ABS policy, legislative and institutional framework in the country. The project objective is to assist South Sudan to prepare all necessary documentation to accede to the Nagoya Protocol and subsequently to establish conditions for enabling South Sudan to fully implement its obligations as a Party to the Protocol. The project will support several activities that will be implemented under three components, namely: 1) Strengthening policy and legislative frameworks upon accession to the Nagoya Protocol to allow for implementation of and compliance with the obligations of the Protocol; 2) Establishing institutional arrangements and administrative systems to implement the Nagoya Protocol; and 3) Awareness raising, and capacity building of all stakeholders to contribute to implementation of the Nagoya Protocol. The first component aims at undertaking activities to accede to the Nagoya Protocol and to review and update existing legal, and consolidate policy framework related to ABS, to regulate the access to genetic resources and the fair and equal benefit sharing resulting from use in South Sudan, while the second component aims at establishing relevant institutions necessary for domesticating the Nagoya Protocol and the third component aims at increasing awareness and capacity building of relevant institutions and stakeholders to support implementation of the Nagoya Protocol. The project-executing agency is the Ministry of Environment and Forestry, the project partners includes Ministry of Wildlife Conservation and Tourism, Ministry of Agriculture and Food Security, Ministry of Animal Resources and Fisheries, University of Juba School of Natural Resources and Environmental Studies.

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### 1.3 Project Contacts

<b>Division(s) Implementing the project</b>	Ecosystems Division
<b>Name of co-implementing Agency</b>	
<b>Executing Agency (ies)</b>	Ministry of Environment and Forestry
<b>names of Other Project Partners</b>	Ministry of Wildlife Conservation & Tourism, Ministry of Animal Resources and Fisheries, Ministry of Agriculture and Food Security, Ministry of Interior ( Directorate of Customs) University of Juba
<b>UNEP Portfolio Manager(s)</b>	Johan Robinson
<b>UNEP Task Manager(s)</b>	Jane Nimpamya
<b>UNEP Budget/Finance Officer</b>	George Saddimbah
<b>UNEP Support Assistants</b>	Ruth Igamba & Evelyn Machasio
<b>Manager/Representative</b>	Joseph Africano Bartel
<b>Project Manager</b>	Paul Lado Demetry
<b>Finance Manager</b>	Jackson Juma Elisapa
<b>Communications Lead, if relevant</b>	Paul Lado Demetry

## 2 Overview of Project Status

### 2.1 UNEP PoW & UN

<b>UNEP Current Subprogramme(s):</b>	Thematic: Nature action subprogramme
<b>UNEP previous Subprogramme(s):</b>	
<b>PoW Indicator(s):</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Nature: (i) Number of national or subnational entities that, with UNEP support, adopt integrated approaches to address environmental and social issues and/or tools for valuing, monitoring and sustainably managing biodiversity.</li> </ul>
<b>UNSDCF/UNDAF linkages</b>	The UNSDCF 2023-2025 for South Sudan articulates UN support of national priorities across the PHD domains, as S.Sudan Vision 2040 and national planning documents, including the R-ARCSS and R-NDS. The project links to Strategic Priority on Sustainable Economic Growth & Diversification (in support of SDGs 2, 8, 9 & 13) and Planet (SDGs 6, 12, 13, 14 & 15)
<b>Link to relevant SDG Goals</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Goal 15: Protect, restore and promote sustainable use of terrestrial ecosystems, sustainably manage forests, combat desertification, and halt and reverse land degradation and halt biodiversity loss</li> </ul>
<b>Link to relevant SDG Targets:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>15.6 Promote fair and equitable sharing of the benefits arising from the utilization of genetic resources and promote appropriate access to such resources, as internationally agreed</li> </ul>

### 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	
11- People benefitting from GEF-financed investments	50 women /50 men	1,750 women/ 1,750 men	3,500	500 women /500 men

Implementation Status 2024: 2nd 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	2nd PIR	S	S	L
FY 2023	1st PIR	S	S	L
FY 2022				
FY 2021				
FY 2020				
FY 2019				
FY 2018				
FY 2017				
FY 2016				
FY 2015				

#### Summary of status

##### The Instrument of Accession to the Nagoya Protocol

The instrument of accession has been prepared and signed by the Minister, Ministry of Foreign Affairs and international cooperation and is in the final communications stages before the legal documents (accession instrument, declaration, technical and legal justification) are Lodged with the depository (UN Secretariat).

##### Recruitment of Consultant (s):

The PMU recruited of a consultant to undertake the review of existing national legal, policies and Institutional framework and cost benefit analysis on accession to the Nagoya protocol in South Sudan under the national ABS project, Gender Mainstreaming, stakeholder and exit stratgey. Inception reports, Inception/consultation workshops. The consultants developed the following deliverables: Analysis of Existing Policy, legal and institutional framework and cost benefit analysis on accession to the Nagoya Protocol, stakehloder Assessment and stakehloder engannement plan including grievance response mechanism, Gender analysis and gender Action Plan, Sustainability Plan and Exist Strategy.

##### ENR Consultancy firm

The Ministry of Environment and Foresry through the PMU had contracted the ENR Firm to undertake the following output/activities under the ABS Project:

- Output 1.1.4: National ABS law and regulations drafted and submitted for approval to relevant authorities
- Output 1.1.5: National ABS strategy and action plan developed, submitted and validated in a coordinated and participatory approach
- Output 2.1.1: Competent National Authorities (CNA) on ABS designated and their mandate, roles and responsibilities in line with ABS rules set out
- Output 2.1.2: Analysis and assessment of institutional frameworks and coordination to implement the provisions of the Nagoya Protocol, including research institutes adding value to genetic resources; undertaken and a report shared with all key stakeholders
- Output 2.1.3: Operational procedures and coordination mechanisms between CNA, National Focal Point and sectoral agencies facilitating access to genetic resources developed and validated for application
- Output 2.1.4: Check points/customs for monitoring the access and utilization of genetic resources identified and designated

Stakeholder Consultation Workshop policies, legal, institutional, and regulatory frameworks

The Ministry of Environment and Forestry conducted stakeholder consultation workshop on 28th June 2024 at Imperial Plaza Hotel, Juba. The objectives of the workshop was to review of the existing national policies, legal, institutional, and regulatory frameworks that relate to the implementation of the Nagoya Protocol obligations in south Sudan.

The consultant had submitted two draft reports on ABS Policy, legal, Institutional and regulatory frameworks:

- A detailed background and perspective documentation analysis of existing laws, policies, institutions, and regulation to identify gaps and barriers relating to ABS in South Sudan.
- A report on implications and opportunities of accession and implementation of the Nagoya protocol on ABS in South Sudan

## 2.4 Co Finance

<b>Planned Co-finance:</b>	\$ 2,150,000
<b>Actual to date:</b>	1,639,778
<b>Progress</b>	<p><b>Justify progress in terms of materialization of expected co-finance. State any relevant challenges:</b></p> <p>The project partners contributed co-finances to support the implementation of the project. The co-finance from the project partners contributed to the three project components, project monitoring and evaluation, and finally project management cost. The co-finance are in terms of office space for the staffs, Staff time, fuel for vehicle and generator and meeting boards to deliver ABS project successfully. No any challenges had been recorded so far during this reporting period.</p>



## 2.5. Stakeholder

<b>Date of project steering committee meeting</b>	2023-03-16
<b>Stakeholder engagement (will be uploaded to GEF Portal)</b>	<p>The project involves a wide range of stakeholders in South Sudan, ranging from Government authorities to communities living alongside genetic resources, and academia researchers and scientists to the private sector and other non state actors. The roles and responsibilities of these stakeholders were all stated in the stakeholder engagement plan in the GEF CEO endorsement</p> <p>The engagement process will ensure their meaningful consultation in order to facilitate their informed participation on matters that affect them directly, proposed mitigation measures, the sharing of development benefits and opportunities, and implementation issues. stakeholder Assessment and stakeholder engagement plan including grievance response mechanism has been developed.</p>

## 2.6. Gender

<b>Does the project have a gender action plan?</b>	Yes
<b>Gender mainstreaming (will be uploaded to GEF Portal):</b>	The project has integrated elements of gender mainstreaming as a critical component of social sustainability and mainstreaming of gender in ABS. Gender considerations were mainstreamed in all project activities . Gender mainstreaming had been developed.

## 2.7. ESSM

<b>Moderate/High risk projects (in terms of Environmental and social safeguards)</b>	<p><b>Was the project classified as moderate/high risk CEO Endorsement/Approval Stage?</b></p> <p>No</p> <p><b>If yes, what specific safeguard risks were identified in the SRIF/ESERN?</b></p>
<b>New social and/or environmental risks</b>	<p><b>Have any new social and/or environmental risks been identified during the reporting period?</b></p> <p>No</p> <p><b>If yes, describe the new risks or changes?</b></p>
<b>Complaints and grievances related to social and/or environmental impacts</b>	<p><b>Has the project received complaints related to social and/or environmental impacts (actual or potential) during the reporting period?</b></p> <p>No</p> <p><b>If yes, please describe the complaint(s) or grievance(s) in detail, including the status, significance, who was involved and what actions were taken?</b></p> <p>Not applicable</p>

<b>Environmental and social safeguards management</b>	<p>Environmental safeguards: The project is contributing to enhance effective sustainable conservation and utilization of genetic resources that will have a positive impact on the environment in South Sudan. During the project implementation, potential environmental and social impacts were examined in accordance with National Environmental Policy and as well as UN Environmental and Social Sustainability Framework (ESERN) procedure. No specific environmental concerns were raised so far.</p> <p>Social safeguards: The project is addressing local community involvement in the conservation of the genetic resources and fair and equitable access to genetic resources and sharing of benefits arising out of their utilization at national institutional and community levels. The Social safeguards for a project aim to ensure that the rights and well-being of the local communities are respected and protected. The benefit-sharing mechanisms are being developed to ensure that these communities receive a fair share of the benefits arising from the utilization of genetic resources, enhancing their economic and social well-being. These will enable the local communities to actively participate in decision-making processes.</p> <p>Progress and challenges: The project does not have environmental or social safeguard issues; instead, it aims to enhance the effective management and conservation of the genetic resource and fair share of the benefits arising from the utilization of genetic resources at national at state level.</p>
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## 2.8. KM/Learning

<b>Knowledge activities and products</b>	The participation of the stakeholders in the meetings and workshop have raise the level awareness regarding ABS among the project partners.
<b>Main learning during the period</b>	The integrated approach (inclusion of all stakeholders) from the start of the project implementation which lead to the acceptance and active participation promotes sharing and exchange of information.

## 2.9. Stories

<b>Stories to be shared</b>	The project implementation has little to report about the success stories; however, we expect to have success stories for this section during the next PIR reporting.
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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
Objective: To accede to the Nagoya Protocol and establish conditions for enabling South Sudan to fully implement its obligations as a Party to the Protocol.	Objective indicator 1: Accession to Nagoya Protocol and existence of an effective ABS regime	Nagoya Protocol not yet acceded to	Nagoya Protocol acceded to and operationalisation initiated	Nagoya Protocol under full implementation	50%	Accession instruments were drafted by the International Consultant and Submitted to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation	S
	Objective indicator 2: Existence of gender responsive policies, legal and regulatory frameworks for implementation of ABS in compliance with the Nagoya Protocol	No framework in place. Some individual policies, laws and regulations identify specific types of GR in ways that could be integrated into, a national ABS framework.	Existing policy, legal and regulatory frameworks are reviewed and updated to align with the Nagoya Protocol	Draft gender responsive ABS policy under government approval processed; gender sensitive ABS regulations and guidelines are in place and operational	50%	The ToR for the consultant to analyse the existing policies were produced and approved by the Steering Committee, and a consultant was recruited. Drafting of the Gender Responsive Policy, legal and regulatory frameworks is pending the Analysis of existing Policy.	S
	Objective indicator 3: Existence of gender responsive institutional frameworks & administrative systems for implementation of ABS in compliance with the Nagoya Protocol	No specific ABS institutional framework in place. The CBD and ABS Focal Points are in place and operational	Existing institutional frameworks are reviewed and updated to align with the Nagoya Protocol	Gender responsive ABS Institutional frameworks and administrative systems are in place and	50%	The ToR for the consultant to produce the Gender Responsive Policy, legal and regulatory frameworks were produced and approved by the Steering Committee, and a consultant was recruited. Drafting of the Gender Responsive Policy, legal and regulatory frameworks is pending the Analysis of existing Policy.	S

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
				operational			
	Objective indicator 4: Level of public awareness on issues and processes related to access to genetic resources and benefit sharing (ABS)	Only about 5% of the public are aware of issues & processes related to access to genetic resources and benefit sharing	At least 30% of the general public are aware of ABS issues and processes	At least 30% of the general public are aware of ABS issues and processes; South Sudan fulfils 70% of her required reporting under the Nagoya Protocol	50%	This activity is a continuous process. Sensitization of civil servants and staff of relevant institutions has been conducted through various meetings including inception meeting, PSC meetings, and technical working group meetings.	S
Outcome 1. Existing policy, legal and regulatory frameworks are reviewed and updated and operationalization of the Nagoya protocol initiated	Indicator 1 of outcome 1: Requisite instruments are available for accession to the Nagoya Protocol	Currently the country has not yet acceded to the Nagoya Protocol	Instruments for accession to the Nagoya Protocol endorsed and submitted to the UN	The Nagoya Protocol acceded to and under full implementation	50%	The Consultant to do Existing policy, legal and regulatory frameworks was recruited, and currently working on the first draft report.	S
	Indicator 2 of outcome 1: Number of gender responsive existing policy, legal and regulatory frameworks reviewed and updated	Existing policy, legal and regulatory frameworks are not aligned to the NP	At least three relevant gender responsive policy, legal and regulatory frameworks reviewed and updated	All reviewed and updated relevant gender responsive policy, legal and regulatory frameworks in place and under use	50%	The ToR for the consultant to produce the Gender Responsive Policy, legal and regulatory frameworks were produced and approved by the Steering Committee, and a consultant was recruited.	S

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
	Indicator 3 of outcome 1: Extent of the operationalization of the Nagoya protocol	The Nagoya protocol is not operational yet	The Nagoya Protocol becomes fully operational after accession	ABS mainstreamed in access and utilization of genetic resources	50%	The instruments for the accession of Nagoya Protocol were produced and submitted to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs for signature	S
Outcome 2: Strengthened institutional framework, and administrative procedures are made operational for implementation of the Nagoya Protocol	Indicator 1 of outcome 2: Number of gender inclusive institutional frameworks and administrative systems in compliance with the Nagoya Protocol in place	The CBD National Focal Point is already designated and functional; There are no ABS CNAs designated at national/ sub-national levels; No ABS checkpoints designated	The Nagoya Protocol becomes fully operational after accession	Gender inclusive institutional framework (11 ABS Competent authorities, 15 check points, one set of administrative procedures and coordination mechanisms between CNA, NFP and sectoral agencies) in place	N/A	To be implemented in 2025	S
	Indicator 2 of outcome 2: Number of gender inclusive staff (personnel) recruited and trained to implement the Nagoya Protocol	The CBD National Focal Point is already functional; no staff yet recruited for	Personnel based on gender inclusiveness recruited for 11 ABS CNAs, 15 exit/entry check	At least 11 ABS CNAs, 15 exit/entry check points trained on procedures for	N/A	To be implemented in 2025	S

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
		implementation of the Nagoya Protocol pending accession	points	effective implementation of the Nagoya Protocol			
	Indicator 3 of outcome 2: Number of gender responsive administrative procedures that are operational for implementation of the Nagoya protocol	The CBD National Focal Point is already operational. Administrative procedures for implementation of the Nagoya Protocol are not yet developed	Personnel based on gender inclusiveness recruited for 11 ABS CNAs, 15 exit/entry check points	Nagoya protocol under full implementation through strong institutional framework, administrative procedures and coordination mechanisms	N/A	To be implemented in 2025	S
Outcome 3.1. Key stakeholders are aware of the implication and opportunities of acceding to the Nagoya Protocol; have increased understanding and capacity for domesticating the Nagoya Protocol	Indicator 1 of outcome 3.1: Number of gender inclusive trainers who are able to create understanding among stakeholders of the implications and opportunities of acceding to the Nagoya Protocol	There is insufficient knowledge about the importance and benefits of acceding to the Nagoya Protocol among stakeholders	50 trainers (comprising 50% women and 50% men) trained to train others on the implications and opportunities for acceding to the Nagoya Protocol	At least 50 trainers (comprising 50% women and 50% men) are actively creating awareness of the implications and opportunities for acceding to	0%	To be implemented in 2025	S

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
				the Nagoya Protocol			
	Indicator 2 of outcome 3.1: Number of gender inclusive stakeholders who demonstrate engagement in domestication to the Nagoya Protocol	Current capacity to domesticate the Nagoya Protocol is extremely limited as the subject is new.	50 trainers (comprising 50% women and 50% men) trained to train others on the implications and opportunities for acceding to the Nagoya Protocol	At least 100,000 people (50% women) are made aware of and have capacity to domesticate the Nagoya Protocol on ABS through mass media	0%	To be implemented in 2025	S
Outcome 3.2. Capacity of key stakeholders to contribute to implementation of the Nagoya Protocol built	Indicator 1 of outcome 3.2: Number of key stakeholders trained in the implementation of the Nagoya protocol	Current levels of stakeholder capacity is extremely low as the subject is new, with the possible exception of those already engaged in bio-exploitation initiatives.	At least 10 stakeholder institutions and 30 staff (50% of them women) of government agencies, IPLCs, research, academia and private sector trained on procedures, roles and responsibilities for implementation	At least 10 stakeholder institutions and 50 staff (50% of them women) from government, IPLCs, research, academia and private sector are able to implement the Nagoya protocol on ABS	0%	To be implemented in 2025	S

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
			of the Nagoya protocol on ABS				

### 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 Component 1 Strengthening policy, legislative and regulatory frameworks upon accession to the Nagoya Protocol and compliance with the obligations arising from the Protocol.	Output 1.1.1. Stocktaking and analysis of the existing policy, legal and regulatory frameworks on ABS is undertaken and the report is accessed by key stakeholders	2024-12-31	30%	30%	The consultant had submitted draft reports on ABS Policy, legal, Institutional and regulatory frameworks	S
	Output 1.1.2. An analysis of the implications and opportunities of accession to the Nagoya Protocol is conducted and the report is presented to and discussed by key stakeholders.	2024-09-10	10%	80%	The consultant had submitted draft reports on analysis of the implications and opportunities of accession to the Nagoya Protocol.	S
	Output 1.1.3. Legal documents of accession to the Nagoya Protocol drafted, submitted for approval and deposited.	2024-09-10	10%	80%	The instruments of Accession was signed by the Minister for Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation.	S
	Output 1.1.4. National ABS law and regulations drafted and submitted for approval to relevant authorities.	2024-12-10	0%	10%	The Ministry of Environment and Forestry through the PMU had contracted the ENR Consulting Firm to undertake the following output/activities under these outcome	S
	Output 1.1.5. National ABS strategy and action plan developed, submitted and validated in a coordinated and participatory approach.	2024-12-10	0%	10%	The Ministry of Environment and Forestry through the PMU had contracted the ENR	S



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
					Firm to undertake the following output/activities under these outcome	
2 Component 2: Establishing institutional arrangements and administrative systems to implement the Nagoya Protocol.	Output 2.1.1. Competent National Authorities (CNA) on ABS designated and their mandate, roles and responsibilities in line with ABS rules are set out.	2024-12-31	30%	30%	The Ministry of Environment and Forestry through the PMU had contracted the ENR Firm to undertake the following output/activities under these outcome	S
	Output 2.1.2. Analysis and assessment of institutional frameworks and coordination to implement the provisions of the Nagoya Protocol, including research institutes adding value to genetic resources; undertaken and a report shared with all key stakeholders.	2024-12-10	0%	10%	The Ministry of Environment and Forestry through the PMU had contracted the ENR Firm to undertake the following output/activities under these outcome	S
	Output 2.1.3. Operational procedures and coordination mechanisms between CNA, National Focal Point and sectoral agencies facilitating access to genetic resources developed and validated for application.	2024-12-10	0%	10%	The Ministry of Environment and Forestry through the PMU had contracted the ENR Firm to undertake the following output/activities under these outcome	S
	Output 2.1.4. Check points/customs for monitoring the access and utilization of genetic resources identified and designated	2024-12-10	0%	10%	The Ministry of Environment and Forestry through the PMU had contracted the ENR Firm to undertake the following output/activities under these outcome	S
	Output 2.1.5. Relevant information and documents (laws, decrees, regulations) on ABS system populated through the ABS Clearing-House Mechanism (ABS-CH) of CBD Secretariat		0%	10%	The Ministry of Environment and Forestry through the PMU had contracted the ENR Firm to undertake the following output/activities under these outcome	S
3 Component 3 : Awareness raising, and capacity building of all stakeholders to contribute to	Output 3.1.1. Public awareness and communication materials on the provisions of the Nagoya Protocol developed and distributed.	2024-12-31	30%	30%	The Ministry of Environment and Forestry through the PMU had contracted the ENR Firm to undertake the following output/activities under these outcome	S
	Output 3.1.2. Key stakeholders including IPLCs have been made aware of relevant information on the provisions and opportunities of the Nagoya protocol	2024-12-31	30%	30%	The Ministry of Environment and Forestry through the PMU had contracted the ENR Firm to undertake the following	S

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
implementation of the Nagoya Protocol.					output/activities under these outcome	
	Output 3.1.3. National ABS Action Plan on awareness raising, communication and capacity building for targeted stakeholders, including the production of materials on how to document TK associated with genetic resources developed and implemented	2025-05-10	0%	10%	The Ministry of Environment and Forestry through the PMU had contracted the ENR Firm to undertake the following output/activities under these outcome	S
	Output 3.1.4. Training of trainers' workshops on awareness-raising and communication strategy to facilitate implementation of the Nagoya Protocol and to guide its national outreach activities conducted	2025-12-10	0%	10%	The Ministry of Environment and Forestry through the PMU had contracted the ENR Firm to undertake the following output/activities under these outcome	S
	Output 3.2.1. Training on ABS procedures conducted for key stakeholders' groups regarding their roles and responsibilities to facilitate the implementation of the Nagoya Protocol	2025-12-10	30%	30%	The Ministry of Environment and Forestry through the PMU had contracted the ENR Firm to undertake the following output/activities under these outcome	S

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	Low	Low
2 Governance structure - Oversight	Low	Low
3 Implementation schedule	Low	Low
4 Budget	Low	Low
5 Financial Management	Low	Low
6 Reporting	Low	Low
7 Capacity to deliver	Low	Low

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
Possible resumption of armed conflict	all the outcomes and outputs	L	L					L	=	
Indigenous peoples and local communities may oppose regulations that restrict their activities relevant to ABS	all the outcomes and outputs	L	L					L	=	
High turnover at ministerial and government institutions level and partner agencies and	all the outcomes and outputs	L	L					L	=	

Risks	Risk affecting: Outcome / outputs	CEO ED	PIR 1	PIR 2	PIR 3	PIR 4	PIR 5	Current PIR	Δ	Justification
loss of key staff initially involved and trained by the project										
Uncontrolled exploitation of biological resources continues to negatively impact valuable genetic resources	all the outcomes and outputs	L	L					L	=	
Target audiences for training, awareness raising, and other capacity development activities are not fully committed to actively participate in project activities and affected adversely by internal conditions (e.g., re-organization, public officers' rotation, budget cuts, among others)	all the outcomes and outputs	L	L					L	=	
Climate change is predicted to change rainfall patterns and exacerbate drought conditions, exacting an additional stress on the already vulnerable ecosystems	all the outcomes and outputs	L	L					L	=	
		L	L					M	=	

### 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
Possible resumption of armed conflict	N/A	The project activities had been implemented in stable and secured areas	The project activities will be implemented in the capital city and other two states which are stable and secure	Throughout the project implementation period	Ministry of Environment and Forestry and partners

<b>Risk</b>	<b>Actions decided during the previous reporting instance (PIRt-1, MTR, etc.)</b>	<b>Actions effectively undertaken this reporting period</b>	<b>What</b>	<b>When</b>	<b>By Whom</b>
Indigenous peoples and local communities may oppose regulations that restrict their activities relevant to ABS	N/A	Active engagement of the local communities in all project activities	Continues engagement of the PLCs	Throughout the project implementation period	Ministry of Environment and Forestry and partners
High turnover at ministerial and government institutions level and partner agencies and loss of key staff initially involved and trained by the project	N/A	The project will continue to support( capacity building) broad-based involvement of different but relevant government entities. NGO. CSO and the public.	Incentivization and retention strategy	Throughout the project implementation period	Ministry of Environment and Forestry and partners
Uncontrolled exploitation of biological resources continues to negatively impact valuable genetic resources	N/A	Awareness-raising and capacity development on sustainable use of biological resources	effective implementation of policies and regulation related to utilization of the biological resources	Throughout the project implementation period	Ministry of Environment and Forestry and partners
Target audiences for training, awareness raising, and other capacity development activities are not fully committed to actively participate in project activities and affected adversely by internal conditions (e.g., re-organization, public officers' rotation, budget cuts, among others)	N/A	Active engagement of the stakeholders and awareness-raising activities from the project at all levels.	Active engagement and incentive for the stakeholders to participate in the project activities	Throughout the project implementation period	Ministry of Environment and Forestry and partners

Risk	Actions decided during the previous reporting instance (PIRt-1, MTR, etc.)	Actions effectively undertaken this reporting period	What	When	By Whom
Climate change is predicted to change rainfall patterns and exacerbate drought conditions. exacting an additional stress on the already vulnerable ecosystems	N/A	The project will continue to empower the local communities through adaptation and mitigation measures	strengthen coordination with the meteorological authorities to provide the local communities with up to date information to response to climate change impact	Throughout the project implementation period	Ministry of Environment and Forestry and partners

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.

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## 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:	No
Institutional and implementation arrangements:	No
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:	No

Minor amendments

## 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

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
Juba	4.8594	31.5713	373303		

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

[Annex any linked geospatial file]

### Additional Supporting Documents:

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