

Project Evaluation Series

**Terminal evaluation of the project
“Sustainable management of
mountainous forest and land resources
under climate change conditions”**

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Management response

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<p>Recommendation 1.</p> <p>To FAO Kyrgyzstan and Forestry Service.</p> <p>Develop knowledge products that capture lessons learned through the application of new approaches to tree planting. – By June 2021.</p> <p>As mentioned in the conclusions, a few valuable experiences were not captured through the Project’s knowledge products. Documentation of results and experiences of these trials will increase the chances of their uptake by other projects – both inside and outside Kyrgyzstan.</p>	<p>Partially accepted</p> <p>Can be accepted in case if funding resources are partially provided by FAO side.</p>	<p>Development of knowledge products that capture lessons learned through the application of new approaches to tree planting should be implemented with a technical support of FAO and Forestry Service with financial partial support of FAO. Developed knowledge products should be disseminated to the staff of leskhozoes across the country.</p>	<p>FAO Kyrgyzstan</p>	<p>12-31-2025</p>	<p>Yes</p>
<p>Recommendation 2.</p> <p>To FAO.</p> <p>Consider supporting multi-focal projects through a team of LTOs with a complementary set of expertise to ensure that each focus area of the Project has sufficient thematic expertise.</p> <p>Presence of two LTOs with different thematic expertise (rather than a single LTO) worked quite well in the evaluated Project so this practice can be replicated in other projects (where appropriate) to ensure strategic and focused implementation under all focal areas included in the project.</p>	<p>Accepted</p>	<p>During appointment of projects LTOs process the project teams will offer to identify two LTOs with different thematic expertise, where applicable, for better project implementation.</p>	<p>FAO Kyrgyzstan</p>	<p>10-16-2024</p>	<p>Yes</p>

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Recommendation 3. To FAO and the Forestry Service. Re-visit the project sites in 5-10 years to check certain success factors, such as the tree survival rates. Note factors which affected the survival rates, and the geographic area variability. – 5-10 years from the project end.	Accepted	Revisiting the project sites in 5-10 years to monitor certain success factors, such as the tree survival rates should be implemented jointly by FAO and the Forestry Service, as well as to check the effectiveness of afforestation and reforestation activities implemented within the project.	FAO Kyrgyzstan	10-16-2031	Yes
Recommendation 4. To the Ministry of Agriculture, including the former SAEPF Department of Forest Ecosystem. Follow up on regulatory recommendations developed with the Project support, including results and recommendations of forest and agricultural policies, proposed amendments to Forest and Land codes, draft programmes and strategies.	Accepted	Specialists of Ministry of Agriculture, including the former SAEPF Department of Forest Ecosystem will follow up on regulatory recommendations developed within the Project support, including results and recommendations of forest and agricultural policies, proposed amendments to Forest and Land codes, draft programmes and strategies.	FAO Kyrgyzstan	No timeline	Yes
Recommendation 5. To the Forestry Service. Complete the development of the national Forestry Information System and ensure its full use by leskhozoes.	Partially accepted Can be accepted in case of appropriate funding from the State budget.	The development of the national Forestry Information System will be completed by the SAF (State Agency of Forestry) under Ministry of Agriculture specialists and its full use by leskhozoes will be ensured by conducting trainings of leskhozoes staff, in case if appropriate funding will be provided by Government or another projects	FAO Kyrgyzstan	10-16-2025	yes

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Provided the current cuts in the government budget, another development project may need to support this initiative.					
Recommendation 6. To the Forestry Service. Lobby for the budget provisions of funds to continue afforestation/ forest rehabilitation efforts using approaches piloted within the framework of this project.	Accepted	Ministry of Agriculture, including the Forestry Service will continue lobby for the budget provisions of funds to continue afforestation/ forest rehabilitation efforts using approaches piloted within the framework of this project.	FAO Kyrgyzstan	Ongoing	No

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