

GEF - PROJECT IMPLEMENTATION REPORT (PIR)

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1 PROJECT IDENTIFICATION

1.1 Project Details

GEF ID: 9409	Umoja WBS:GFL-11207-14AC0003-SB-008095.05
SMA IPMR ID:34679	Grant ID:S1-31GFL-000622
Project Short Title:	
Healthy Landscapes Project	
Project Title:	
Healthy Landscapes: Managing Agricultural Landscapes in Socio-ecologically S	Sensitive Areas to Promote Food Security, Well-being and Ecosystem Health
Duration months planned:	36
Duration months age:	63
Project Type:	Medium Sized Project (MSP)
Parent Programme if child project:	
Project Scope:	National
Region:	Asia Pacific
Countries:	Sri Lanka
GEF Focal Area(s):	Biodiversity, Land Degradation
GEF financing amount:	\$ 2,000,000.00
Co-financing amount:	\$ 13,354,341.00
Date of CEO Endorsement/Approval:	2018-04-29
UNEP Project Approval Date:	2018-04-30
Start of Implementation (PCA entering into force):	2019-04-01
Date of Inception Workshop, if available:	2019-09-20
Date of First Disbursement:	2020-09-03
Total disbursement as of 30 June 2024:	\$ 1,932,031.00
Total expenditure as of 30 June:	\$ 1,853,400.00

Midterm undertaken?:	Yes
Actual Mid-Term Date, if taken:	2022-09-19
Expected Mid-Term Date, if not taken:	
Completion Date Planned - Original PCA:	2023-09-30
Completion Date Revised - Current PCA:	2024-06-30
Expected Terminal Evaluation Date:	2024-12-01
Expected Financial Closure Date:	2025-06-30

1.2 Project Description

The project aims to strengthen the restoration and sustainable management of selected Village Tank Cascade Systems (VTCS) in Sri Lanka for the enhanced provision of ecosystem services and the protection of biodiversity. By promoting the greater integration and use of agrobiodiversity as well as associated ecological knowledge and sustainable agricultural practices in pilot sites, the project will improve sustainable management in cascade landscapes and address some of the human health-related challenges that characterize the Dry Zone of Sri Lanka, while strengthening food and nutrition security, adaptability, and resilience. Furthermore, by developing and validating a model VTCS management system and the concept of cascade ecology, the project will bring to local and national attention the importance of healthy cascade ecosystems for human health and well-being. The project will be executed locally by the South Asia Cooperative Environment Programme (SACEP), in collaboration with the Ministry of Environment, and the Ministry of Agriculture. Overall supervision is provided by the Alliance of Bioversity International and CIAT.

1.3 Project Contacts

Division(s) Implementing the project	Ecosystems Division	
Name of co-implementing Agency		
Executing Agency (ies)	Bioversity International	
names of Other Project Partners	Ministry of Mahaweli Development and Environment Mahaweli Authority of Sri LankaMinistry of	
	Agriculture, Department of AgricultureSouth Asia Co-operative Environment Programme (SACEP)	
UNEP Portfolio Manager(s)	Johan Robinson	
UNEP Task Manager(s)	Kavita Sharma	
UNEP Budget/Finance Officer	Paul Vrontamitis	
UNEP Support Assistants	Peerayot Sidonrusmee	
Manager/Representative	Verna Jessa Marcelo	

Project Manager	Danny Hunter
Finance Manager	Maria Gehring
Communications Lead, if relevant	

2 Overview of Project Status

2.1 UNEP PoW & UN

UNEP Current Subprogramme	(s): Thematic: Nature action subprogramme		
UNEP previous			
Subprogramme(s):			
PoW Indicator(s):	 Nature: (iii) Number of countries and national, regional and subnational authorities and entities that incorporate, with UNEP support, biodiversity and ecosystem-based approaches into development and sectoral plans, policies and processes for the sustainable management and/or restoration of terrestrial, freshwater and marine areas Nature: (iv) Increase in territory of land- and seascapes that is under improved ecosystem conservation and restoration 		
UNSDCF/UNDAF linkages	The project contributes to UNSDCF/UNDAF targets by promoting environmental sustainability, enhancing climate resilience, and supporting socio-economic development. By revitalizing these ancient water management structures, the project improves water conservation, agricultural productivity, and biodiversity, aligning with targets related to sustainable resource management and food security. Additionally, the project strengthens community resilience to climate impacts by mitigating drought and flood risks, thus contributing to climate adaptation and disaster risk reduction goals. Through community engagement and capacity building, the initiative also supports inclusive and sustainable economic growth, ensuring that local communities, particularly women and marginalized groups, benefit from improved livelihoods and environmental stewardship. Specifically, the project significantly contributes to UNDAF Pillar 4: Environmental Sustainability, Climate Change, and Disaster Risk Reduction. By improving water availability and resilience against droughts and floods, the project helps mitigate the impacts of climate change. Furthermore, it supports community-based disaster risk reduction strategies, fostering local capacity to manage environmental challenges effectively. Thus, it aligns with the goals of sustainable development and resilience-building, ensuring long-term environmental health and community well-being.		
Link to relevant SDG Goals	 Goal 2: End hunger, achieve food security and improved nutrition and promote sustainable agriculture Goal 3: Ensure healthy lives and promote well-being for all at all ages Goal 5: Achieve gender equality and empower all women and girls Goal 6: Ensure availability and sustainable management of water and sanitation for all 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 		
Link to relevant SDG Targets:	 2.1 By 2030, end hunger and ensure access by all people, in particular the poor and people in vulnerable situations, including infants, to safe, nutritious and sufficient food all year round 2.2 By 2030, end all forms of malnutrition, including achieving, by 2025, the internationally agreed targets on stunting and 		

wasting in children under 5 years of age, and address the nutritional needs of adolescent girls, pregnant and lactating women
and older persons
• 2.3 By 2030, double the agricultural productivity and incomes of small-scale food producers, in particular women, indigenous
peoples, family farmers, pastoralists and fishers, including through secure and equal access to land, other productive resources
and inputs, knowledge, financial services, markets and opportunities for value addition and non-farm employment
• 2.4 By 2030, ensure sustainable food production systems and implement resilient agricultural practices that increase
productivity and production, that help maintain ecosystems, that strengthen capacity for adaptation to climate change, extreme
weather, drought, flooding and other disasters and that progressively improve land and soil quality
 3.d Strengthen the capacity of all countries, in particular developing countries, for early warning, risk reduction and management of national and global health risks
• 5.a Undertake reforms to give women equal rights to economic resources, as well as access to ownership and control over land
and other forms of property, financial services, inheritance and natural resources, in accordance with national laws
• 5.c Adopt and strengthen sound policies and enforceable legislation for the promotion of gender equality and the
empowerment of all women and girls at all levels
• 6.4 By 2030, substantially increase water-use efficiency across all sectors and ensure sustainable withdrawals and supply of
freshwater to address water scarcity and substantially reduce the number of people suffering from water scarcity
 6.5 By 2030, implement integrated water resources management at all levels, including through transboundary cooperation as appropriate
 6.6 By 2020, protect and restore water-related ecosystems, including mountains, forests, wetlands, rivers, aquifers and lakes
 6.b Support and strengthen the participation of local communities in improving water and sanitation management
 15.2 By 2020, promote the implementation of sustainable management of all types of forests, halt deforestation, restore
degraded forests and substantially increase afforestation and reforestation globally
• 15.3 By 2030, combat desertification, restore degraded land and soil, including land affected by desertification, drought and
floods, and strive to achieve a land degradation-neutral world
• 15.5 Take urgent and significant action to reduce the degradation of natural habitats, halt the loss of biodiversity and, by 2020,
protect and prevent the extinction of threatened species
 15.9 By 2020, integrate ecosystem and biodiversity values into national and local planning, development processes, poverty reduction strategies and accounts

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

		Targets - Expected Value		
Indicators	Mid-term	End-of-project	Total Target	Materialized to date
4- Area of landscapes under improved practices	750	2000	2000	1000
(excluding protected areas)				
11- People benefitting from GEF-financed	100	200	200	200
investments				

Implementation Status 2023: Final 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	Final PIR	MS	S	L
FY 2023	4th PIR	MS	MS	Μ
FY 2022	3rd PIR	U	MS	S
FY 2021	2nd PIR	U	MS	S
FY 2020	1st PIR	MS	MS	Μ
FY 2019				
FY 2018				
FY 2017				
FY 2016				
FY 2015				

Summary of status

Since the last reporting period, the project has stepped up its efforts and achieved almost all the outcomes and outputs set out during the MTR. SLM measures were adopted on 100% of the target sites, species diversity on farm increased and >300 households (above the end-of-project target) adopted agroecological approaches. Further, a significant body of knowledge was produced to capture these successes and used to raise awareness of the cascade systems among technical and non-technical audiences. With the establishment of the one-stop shop in Thirappane and the development of ecotourism activities in Hiriwadunna, within the Horiwila cascade landscape, market opportunities for landscape communities have increased. More importantly, practices and lessons learned from the project have been documented and an enabling environment for the sustainable management of cascade ecosystems has been established amongst policy makers, academics and researchers, and government line agencies.

2.4 Co Finance

Planned Co-	\$ 9,047,865
finance:	
Actual to date:	13,354,341
Progress	Justify progress in terms of materialization of expected co-finance. State any relevant challenges:
	After Sri Lanka's initial political and economic challenges, planned co-finance for the project has been met and exceeded.

2.5. Stakeholder

Date of project steering	2023-09-26
committee meeting	
Stakeholder engagement (will be	The 4th project steering committee meeting was held on 26 September 2023 to evaluate project progress based on MTE
uploaded to GEF Portal)	recommendations. Despite good progress in all components, during the meeting it was agreed that the number of tanks be further
	reduced to 04 due to funding constraints. The request for a NCE until 30 June 2024 was also put forward to allow the NPMU to complete
	project activities. A follow up visit to monitor progress was undertaken by the GPMU in late December 2023, back-to-back with
	participation in the international conference ICEN 2023, which took place from December 19-21, 2023.

2.6. Gender

Does the project have a gender	Νο
action plan?	
Gender mainstreaming (will be	The HLP project document includes a gender mainstreaming strategy with relevant objectives, activities and targets and a gender
uploaded to GEF Portal):	equality and women's empowerment strategy. These documents were developed to guide project implementation at all stages. Progress
	in gender-related actions in the reporting period included the identification of the location for a True Food of Sri Lanka 'Hela-bojun'
	outlet which involves the establishment of women's groups to prepare and sell local food products. This represents a gender-sensitive
	value chain. The project continues to track the proportion of women involved as project beneficiaries through capacity and skills building
	and to promote gender-sensitive agroecological and SLM approaches in target sites. The project is working with Women's' Agricultural
	Societies already established under both the DAD and PDOA. In the reporting period a project policy brief was produced on gender
	mainstreaming in village tank cascade systems.

2.7. ESSM

Moderate/High risk projects (in	Was the project classified as moderate/high risk CEO Endorsement/Approval Stage?
terms of Environmental and	Νο
social safeguards)	If yes, what specific safeguard risks were identified in the SRIF/ESERN?
New social and/or	Have any new social and/or environmental risks been identified during the reporting period?
environmental risks	No
	If yes, describe the new risks or changes?
Complaints and grievances	Has the project received complaints related to social and/or environmental impacts (actual or potential) during the reporting period?
related to social and/or	No
environmental impacts	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	In the reporting period, the project continued to monitor the ESERN document in relation to environmental and social safeguards. During
	implementation, the project prioritized the protection of local ecosystems and biodiversity, ensuring that tank restoration activities did

not disrupt existing habitats or exacerbate soil erosion. Social safeguards focused on inclusive stakeholder engagement, particularly
involving local communities and marginalized groups at project sites (e.g., by promoting ecotourism development) to secure their
livelihoods and preserve cultural heritage. Through continuous monitoring and adaptive management by the NPMU and the GPMU, the
project supported sustainable outcomes to enhance water security, support agricultural productivity, and build resilience to climate
change while maintaining the delicate balance between environmental integrity and social well-being.

2.8. KM/Learning

Knowledge activities and products	During the reporting period, the project has produced a significant body of knowledge on cascade landscapes for a variety of audiences. Targeting the public, blogposts, 3D documentaries, and field guides were published, among others, to familiarize audiences with the concept of VTCS and the importance of restoring these manmade tanks including for food security and livelihood improvement. For a global technical audience, sourcebooks, short courses and training materials were produced to be used now and, in the future, to teach about the design and functioning of VTCS. For policy audiences and decision-makers science-based information material was produced as a means to achieve greater consideration and recognition of VTCS in national policy.
Main learning during the period	There is also significant global interest in cascade systems as an example of a resilient socioecological system not only for landscape biodiversity but also their multiple ecosystem services which contribute to human health and wellbeing. This interest could be capitalized for ongoing work in cascade systems

2.9. Stories

Stories to be	In the reporting period, several blogposts were published on the Alliance website: Mendonce, S. (2023) 'Forget me not!' - Reviving the use of traditional
shared	vegetables in rural Sri Lanka for delicious and nutritious meals https://alliancebioversityciat.org/stories/reviving-use-traditional-vegetables-rural-sri-lanka
	Mendonce, S. (2024) The Big Picture: Can drones improve farmer livelihoods in Sri Lanka? https://alliancebioversityciat.org/stories/big-picture-can-
	drones-improve-farmer-livelihoods-sri-lanka; Cutrin, A., Mendonce, S. and Mosquera Echeverry, E.E. (2024) Un Antiguo Sistema de Gestión del Agua en Sri
	Lanka Vuelve a la Vida: He Aquí el Porqué https://alliancebioversityciat.org/es/stories/antiguo-sistema-gestion-agua-sri-lanka-vuelve-vida (in Spanish). A
	forthcoming blogpost will feature the Legacy Product currently under review.

3 Performance

3.1 Rating of progress towards achieving the project outcomes

Project Objective and	Indicator	Baseline level	Mid-Term Target	End of Project	Progress as of	Summary by the EA of attainment of the	Progress
Outcomes			or Milestones	Target	current	indicator & target as of 30 June	rating
					period(numeric	,	
					percentage, or		
					binary entry		
					only)		
Outcome 1: Sustainable	# farming households in 03	Low levels of	25% increase in	50% increase in	100%	Measurements at the landscape level	S
landscape management	villages adopting gender-	crop diversity in	crop diversity	crop diversity		showed an increase in the crop diversity	
approaches in support of	sensitive agroecological	both landscapes				index, which has reached 52% in the test	
improved ecosystem services	approaches					sites, helping to meet the	
and ecohealth outcomes						end-of-project target set during the	
adopted in prominent socio-						MTR. Following the project interventions	
ecological sensitive areas of						and the provision of planting material,	
Village Tank Cascade Systems						including of underutilized fruit trees,	
(VTCS)						in most project sites it was observed	
						that farmers' awareness of the	
						importance of agrobiodiversity and	
						on-farm diversity has increased. By	
						adding just one crop to their	
						home gardens, farmers with 3 crops were	
						able to increase their crop diversity by	
						33% [(4-3)/3 x 100]. This	
						straightforward concept is easily	
						grasped by farmers. Further,	
						collaboration with the DoA allowed the	
						use of a drone-based AI tool to assess	
						crop diversity in some project areas	
						(sample size = 72). Beyond the project,	
						farmers are now actively seeking more	
						fruit trees, root and tuber crops and	

Project Objective and	Indicator	Baseline level	Mid-Term Target	-	Progress as of	Summary by the EA of attainment of the	Progres
Outcomes			or Milestones	Target	current period(numeric, percentage, or binary entry	indicator & target as of 30 June	rating
					only)		
						leafy vegetable to plant in their	
						home gardens for greater resilience.	
		Few farming	At least 50	At least 200	100%	More than 300 households across the	S
		households in	farming	farming		project sites are adopting	
		03 villages	households in 03	households in 03		gender-sensitive agroecological	
		adopting	villages adopting	villages adopting		approaches. Home garden development, crop	
		gender-sensitive	gender-sensitive	gender-sensitive		diversification, smart agriculture	
		agroecological	agroecological	agroecological		techniques, good agriculture practices	
		approaches	approaches	approaches		(GAP), farmer awareness programs and	
						organic farming were identified as	
						suitable SLM practices for food security	
						and food quality enhancement in the	
						project landscapes during a planning	
						workshop held in June 2023. Proposed	
						activities in the project sites include	
						building community capacity for seed	
						production, certification schemes and	
						labelling of goods as well as	
						identifying sustainable village models.	
						Seven (07) capacity building programs	
						were conducted including seed	
						production, certification and training	
						on SLM. Four (04) training programs were	
						undertaken on GAP.	
	Sustainable ecohealth	No sustainable	At least 01	At least 03	100%	Four sustainable ecohealth village	S
	village models established	ecohealth village	sustainable	sustainable		models were established in Udakadawala,	
	in project landscapes	-	ecohealth village	ecohealth village		Thibalawa, Galkadawala and Wannammaduwa.	
		project	model established	-			
		landscapes	in project	established in			

Project Objective and	Indicator	Baseline level	Mid-Term Target	-		Summary by the EA of attainment of the	Progress
Outcomes			or Milestones	Target		indicator & target as of 30 June	rating
					period(numeric,		
					percentage, or binary entry		
					only)		
			landscapes	project			
				landscapes			
	Gender-sensitive markets	No such markets	Markets	Markets	100%	With support from the Department of	S
	identified and developed	yet identified in	identified for at	developed for at		Agrarian Development (DAD), a Hela bojun	
	for goods and services of	project	least 01 VTCS	least 01 VTCS		cum central market was established in	
	VTCS in project landscapes	landscapes	goods or products	goods or products		Thirappane. Aimed at preserving Sri	
						Lanka's culinary heritage while	
						empowering local communities (especially	
						women), this one-stop facility provides	
						a space for farmers to sell products	
						from the VTCS (e.g., woven mats, hats	
						and baskets) as well as local foods. In	
						the reporting period, several training	
						and promotional programs on traditional	
						food preparation were conducted, and	
						participants will have the opportunity	
						to sell their foods and products here.	
						DAD has indicated it will maintain the	
						facility with community participation	
						beyond project completion.	
	Tank headworks, bunds,	Many tanks	03 tanks	06 tanks	90%	08 tanks were singled out for	MU
	spills repaired and	need repairing	prioritized,	prioritized,		restoration work out of an initial list	
	renovated; boundary and	and restoration	repaired, and	repaired, and		of 40 (prioritized using participatory	
	tank bed surveys	in the project	restored in the	restored in the		rural appraisal - Activity 1.2.1). The	
	undertaken, sedimentation		project	project		number was reduced to 06 during the MTR.	
	surveys undertaken as well			landscapes		Of these, only 5 were fully restored due	
	as partial de-silting of tanks		,			to funding constraints. Tank boundary	
						and bund surveys as well as	
						sedimentation surveys were completed for	

Project Objective and Outcomes	Indicator	Baseline level	Mid-Term Target or Milestones	-	Progress as of current	Summary by the EA of attainment of the indicator & target as of 30 June	Progress rating
Outcomes			orivillestories	Target		-	rating
					period(numeric,	,	
					percentage, or		
					binary entry		
					only)		
						all tanks. Repair and renovation of tank	
						headworks is complete in Thumbikulama,	
						Bellankadawala, Hiriwadunna, Vidane wewa	
						and Bulugahawewa. Partial de-silting was	
						undertaken in Vidane wewa and	
						Bulugahawewa, but not in Thumbikulama,	
						Bellankadawala and Hiriwadunna due to	
						lack of approval from the relevant	
						authorities. In addition, the drainage	
						systems (kiul- ela) of Dumbuluwawala	
						tank and Kapugama tank were restored and	
						developed, meeting the end-of-project	
						target.	
	Integrated	Lack of	25	200	100%	Over 400 farming households in four	HS
	agrobiodiversity-improved	agrobiodiversity-	agrobiodiversity-	agrobiodiversity-		villages—Palugaswewa and Udakadawala	
	home gardens established	improved home	improved home	improved home		in Palugaswewa DS Division, and	
		gardens in the	gardens	gardens		Walagambahuwa and Wannammaduwa in	
		project areas	established in the	established in the		Thirappane DS Division—have	
			project areas	project areas		established agrobiodiversity-enhanced	
						home gardens. Acknowledging the	
						significant role of women farmers in	
						household income, the project provided	
						additional training for women in soap	
						making, sweet and snack making, Cadjan	
						weaving (roofing material from coconut	
						leaves), and mushroom cultivation.	
						Additionally, a mushroom mincing machine	
						for vegetarian sausage-making was	
						provided to the Kakulandala Young	

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Outcomes			or Milestones	Target	current	indicator & target as of 30 June	rating
					period(numeric,	,	
					percentage, or		
					binary entry		
					only)		
						Mushroom Development Group to encourage	
						value addition. In the project areas,	
						the HLP revitalized women's agricultural	
						societies under the DAD and PDoA,	
						organizing four food and handicraft	
						exhibitions to showcase and sell these	
						products. Most food items are made from	
						ingredients sourced from their home	
						gardens, village tanks, or the wild. The	
						project included training on seed	
						production, education and nutrition	
						targeting children (pre-school level),	
						and women (including pregnant mothers).	
						The HLP distributed 1,100 layer chicks	
						to 110 farmers in the project site, with	
						the majority of recipients being women	
						(>50%). During monitoring, one woman	
						farmer reported being able to raise 60	
						chicken from the 10 chicks provided by	
						the project. To support further	
						development, an incubator was given to	
						one woman farmer.	
	Ecotourism ventures linked	Lack of eco-	At least 01 eco-	At least 01 eco-	100%	Ecotourism and agrotourism development	S
	to the conservation and	tourism	tourism	tourism		in Hiriwadunna, within the Horiwila	-
	sustainable use in VTCS	ventures in the	destination in a	destination in a		cascade landscape, was completed.	
	promoted	VTCS		VTCS is developed		Thirteen traditional homesteads were	
						developed to offer tourists	
						accommodation and traditional meals made	
						from local ingredients, providing a	

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					percentage, or		
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					only)		
						culinary experience that celebrates	
						local cuisine and traditions.	
						Additionally, 150 ecotourism operators	
						received training on how to undertake	
						ecotourism development. Home garden	
						mapping was conducted, and the	
						Hiriwadunna tank was cleared of aquatic	
						invasive plants with community support	
						through a Shramadana campaign. Five	
						cross visits were completed. A study was	
						conducted to establish the economic	
						value of the cultural services provided	
						by the Hiriwadunna village tank, as well	
						as to identify good ecotourism practices	
						and lessons learned from the project. A	
						report is available.	
	# of hectares of agricultural	SLM measures	SLM measures	SLM measures	100%	SLM measures were implemented in 1,000	S
	lands under sustainable	currently	adopted on 200	adopted on 500		hectares in project areas, double the	
	land management and %	implemented on	ha, and	ha		size established by the end-of-project	
	increase in crop diversity as	a less than 10%	demonstrating an			target during the MTR. In the reporting	
	measured by richness and	of agricultural	increase in crop			period, SLM activities continued in the	
	evenness	lands	diversity			tanks renovated under the HLP, with	
						support provided by the Department of	
						Agrarian Development (DAD), the	
						Department of Irrigation (DOI) and by	
						the extension services of the Provincial	
						Department of Agriculture (PDOA). To	
						date, 300 farmers were trained in SLM	
						practices. It is expected that	

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Outcomes			or Milestones	Target	current	indicator & target as of 30 June	rating
					period(numeric,	,	
					percentage, or		
					binary entry		
					only)		
						activities will continue beyond project	
						end by the PDOA-NCP, DOI and DAD that	
						have indicated they will integrate SLM	
						within their annual programs thereby	
						assuring the sustainability of project	
						interventions.	
Outcome 2: Improved enabling	# of Multi-sectoral planning	No participation	Participation by	Participation by	100%	3 multisectoral platforms were	HS
environment for sustainable	platforms in project	by the HLP in	HLP in at least 01	HLP in at least 02		established at District and Divisional	
integrated landscape planning,	landscapes	any multi-	multi-sectoral	multi-sectoral		levels and the HLP meets with these	
management, and monitoring		sectoral	planning	planning		platforms on a monthly basis. The	
of ecohealth outcomes		planning	platforms	platforms		District level is the topmost or apex	
		platform				platform and is chaired by the District	
						Secretary - the ultimate decisionmaker	
						within the District for all	
						administrative, economic, social and	
						technical matters. All government	
						institutions participate in this	
						platform, including HLP stakeholders.	
						Lower down, the Divisional level	
						platforms are chaired by Divisional	
						Secretaries (i.e., a district is	
						divided into several Divisional	
						Secretariats represented by Divisional	
						Secretaries) who work at the grassroot	
						level and also include the HLP's	
						stakeholder agencies. All the District	
						level development programs and	
						activities are planned, operated and	
						monitored by these platforms and all	

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						Project activities have to be sanctioned	
						by these platforms prior to	
						implementation.	
	# of comprehensive	No	Comprehensive	Comprehensive	100%	In 2022, production guidelines were	S
	integrated landscape	comprehensive	integrated	integrated		distributed to 615 beneficiary farming	
	management plans and	integrated	landscape	landscape		households that were provided with seeds	
	frameworks developed and	landscape	-	management		to increase productivity, improve	
	implemented	management	-	planning		on-farm agrobiodiversity. Advice was	
		plans developed	framework for 01	frameworks in 02		also provided on how to prevent soil	
		and	VTCS drafted	VTCS developed		erosion and improve soil quality. The	
		implemented in		and implemented		program continued in the reporting	
		project		covering		period via the PDoA, in collaboration	
		landscapes		approximately		with DAD, and the Dept. of Export	
				500 ha		Agriculture, with the HLP undertaking	
						bi-weekly monitoring of the project	
						sites. In the second half of 2023, the	
						distribution of laying chicken continued	
						as was the provision of seeds/planting	
						material of maize, pepper, coconut,	
						perennial fruit trees and other field	
						crops with assistance from the	
						Divisional Secretariats. Objectives were	
						achieved, with integrated landscape	
						management implemented in 100% of the	
						target 500 ha within the project cascade	
						landscapes. After project completion,	
						activities will continued by the PDoA in	
						collaboration with other stakeholder	
						institutions.	

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					period(numeric,		
					percentage, or		
					binary entry		
					only)		
	Guidelines and policy	No such	Guidelines and	Guidelines and	100%	The HLP, in collaboration with the MoE,	S
	recommendations that	guidelines have	policy	policy		developed and published sustainable land	
	support sustainable	been developed	recommendations	recommendations		management (SLM) guidelines and policy	
	integrated landscape	for the	that support	that support		recommendations to support sustainable	
	planning and	(cascades)	sustainable	sustainable		integrated landscape management in	
	implementation developed	project	integrated	integrated		cascade ecosystems. These guidelines are	
		landscapes	landscape	landscape		set to be incorporated into existing	
			planning and	planning and		national policy guidelines during the	
			implementation	implementation		upcoming policy review and have been	
			drafted	published and		shared with relevant stakeholders	
				disseminated		through awareness programs organized by	
						the MoE at district and divisional	
						levels. A total of 150 policymakers and	
						implementers were sensitized on how to	
						integrate these guidelines into programs	
						and practices.	
Outcome 3: Improved evidence	Enhanced capacity of	Limited target	At least 100	At least 200	100%	Raising awareness and training in	HS
base, capacity and awareness	extension, research and	beneficiaries or	beneficiaries and	beneficiaries and		cascade ecology and ecohealth approaches	
on biodiversity-agriculture-	university staff, policy	stakeholders	stakeholders, at	stakeholders, at		was undertaken by Rajarata University of	
ecohealth linkages in cascade	makers and other	trained in	least 50% women,	least 50% women,		Sri Lanka (RUSL). An international	
landscapes	stakeholders	cascade ecology	made aware and	made aware and		conference on EcoHealth Nexus: Bridging	
		and ecohealth	trained by the	trained by the		Cascade Ecology and Human Well-Being	
		approaches	project	project		(ICEN 2023) took place from December	
						19-21, 2023, and attracted over 250	
						local and international participants	
						from various stakeholder organizations,	
						including policymakers, extension	
						officers, scientists, academics, and	
						students. Women comprised 50% of the	

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	Integration of cascade	No integration	Curricula and	Cascade ecology		participants and contributors. A total of 125 articles were presented and published in the conference proceedings. Additionally, a sourcebook on sustainable tank cascade management was published in both English and Sinhala. Furthermore, 250 MSc teachers, over 75% of whom were women, received training on cascade ecology and ecohealth approaches. Education curricula and two short	НS
	ecology and ecohealth approaches into targeted education courses including universities and schools	of cascade ecology and ecohealth approaches into targeted education courses including universities and schools at project outset	short courses in cascade ecology and ecohealth	and ecohealth approaches integrated into university and school courses		courses on cascade ecology and ecohealth approaches were developed by Rajarata University of Sri Lanka. In 2024, four courses were conducted: two for government officers (80 participants) and two for the cascade community (80 participants).	
		No such network in place	Concept for Sri Lanka cascade research and development network developed and approved	Sri Lanka cascade research and development network established and functional		The Sri Lanka Cascade research and development network was established during ICEN 2023. The network's knowledge portal is available at https://ctvsrednet.lk/cascade-ecology-da ta-portal/indexrednet.lk/	S

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					percentage, or		
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					only)		
	Cascade ecology database	No such	01 database and	01 database and	100%	01 project website, and 01 database and	S
	and web-based knowledge	database and	web-based	web-based		knowledge portal are established. The	
	portal developed	web-based	knowledge portal	knowledge portal		project website is available in both	
		knowledge	planned	created		English and Sinhala for maximum reach	
		portal available				(https://www.healthylandscapesproject.or	
						g/). Maintenance of the website for	
						another 5 years beyond project end has	
						been ensured. The knowledge portal and	
						database are available at:	
						https://ctvsrednet.lk/. While the	
						website includes sections on the	
						history, ecosystem services and	
						importance of sustainable management of	
						the VTCSs -along with an expansive	
						collection of resources on cascade	
						systems- the data portal contains a	
						wealth of information and data on remote	
						sensing and GIS to conduct spatial	
						analysis and VTCS research.	
	Access to project	Poor access to	Project website	Knowledge	100%	Updates on project activities, as well	HS
	knowledge products on	knowledge	and knowledge	products and		as communication and knowledge products	
	cascade ecology and	products at	hub/portal	lessons learned		developed for the general public, are	
	ecohealth approaches	project outset	established	shared with a		primarily shared through the project's	
	enhanced			variety of		Facebook page. Updates are also often	
				audiences and		featured in the Mawbima newspaper (in	
				stakeholders		Sinhala) and the Rupavahini channel (the	
						national television network and largest	
						television broadcaster in Sri Lanka).	
						Meanwhile, the project's knowledge	

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					percentage, or		
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					only)		
						products targeting a technical audience	
						(such as research articles) were	
						uploaded onto CGSpace- an online	
						repository of agricultural research	
						outputs. Further, several knowledge	
						products were published in English,	
						Sinhala and Tamil in the reporting	
						period. This includes 3 booklets	
						(Annexes 3.13.3), 1 sourcebook (Annex	
						4), 3 leaflets (Annex 11.1), 5 posters	
						(Annex 11.2), a compendium of policy	
						briefs, several assessment reports and	
						training materials developed and	
						published at national level and a legacy	
						product produced by Bioversity	
						International that brings together	
						national and international knowledge of	
						VTCS.	
Outcome 4: Project	M&E system ensuring	No M&E system	M&E system in	M&E providing	100%	In the reporting period, the 4th PSC was	S
implementation based on	timely delivery of project	is in place	, place and	systematic		held in Sept 2023 as well as monitoring	
results-based management and			operational	information on		visits by the GPMU (Dec 2023). Regular	
application of project lessons				project progress		communication was maintained with the	
learned in future operations						NPMU to assess project progress. Updates	
facilitated						are conveyed to UNEP in a systematic	
						way.	
	Sourcebook and guidelines	No sourcebook	Draft sourcebook	Sourcebook and	100%	, The sourcebook, developed by RUSL, was	S
	on enhancing ecosystem	or guidelines	and guidelines on			published in English and Sinhala (Annex	

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					binary entry		
					only)		
	and ecohealth	available for	enhancing	enhancing		4) and distributed to relevant	
	considerations in cascade	cascade	ecosystem and	ecosystem and		stakeholders. Guidelines and a training	
	tank restoration developed	ecosystems	ecohealth	ecohealth		module on enhancing ecological	
			considerations in	considerations in		restoration and eco-health	
			cascade tank	cascade tank		considerations in tank cascades were	
			restoration	restoration		also finalized (Annex 16).	
			developed	finalized			
	Policy briefs to promote	Lack of policy	05 policy briefs	12 policy briefs	100%	18 policy briefs were developed,	HS
	and support cascade	support to	prepared	prepared		compiled and published in a compendium	
	landscape restoration and	promote				entitled "Way Forwards to Revitalize	
	management developed	cascade				Village tank Cascade system" (Annex 17).	
		landscape				750 hard copies were printed and	
		restoration and				distributed among relevant stakeholders.	
		management					
	National public education	Lack of public	01 media	02 media	100%	During the reporting period, 05 media	HS
	and awareness program on	education and	program	programs		programs were produced and promoted	
	cascades using mass media	awareness	developed	developed		(Activity 4.3.2). One program was	
	developed and	programs on				created in partnership with the Sri	
	implemented	cascades among				Lanka Broadcasting Corporation, while	
		the wider				another was jointly produced with the	
		audience				CGIAR and the BBC. A 3D animation video	
						explaining cascade systems and their	
						functions was produced in both Sinhala	
						and English and uploaded to various	
						websites for broader dissemination.	
						Additionally, a documentary on the	
						Thumbikulama Cascade was produced in	
						Sinhala. A field guide to the plants	
						(including medicinal plants) and animals	

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					only)		
						of the Thumbikulama Cascade was also	
						published (Annex 21).	
	Cascade awareness	No such	02 cascade	05 cascade	100%	05 cascade awareness programs were	S
	program for master	programs	awareness	awareness		delivered to 250 masters' teachers,	
	teachers in the education	undertaken in	programs for	programs for		science teachers and 12 journalists.	
	system undertaken	the district	masters' teachers	masters' teachers			
			in the education	in the education			
			system	system			
			undertaken	undertaken			

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			period (%)	period (%)		
-1	Output 1.1 Socio-ecological and biophysical system properties	2024-06-30	50	100		S
Implementation	mapped and defined in two Project landscapes					
of biodiversity-	Activity 1.1.1 Undertake comprehensive baseline assessments	2024-06-30	100	100	Comprehensive baseline evaluations	S
based options	(including gender, human health) in two project landscapes				including land degradation and ecosystem	
that improve					services assessments, biodiversity	
sustainable					assessments, and food security and human	
landscape					health assessments were completed, and	
management in					reports submitted in April 2021. A	
socio-ecological					summary of results was included as part	
sensitive areas					of the six-monthly progress report	
					(July-Dec 2020). Land use system (LUS)	
					maps and field maps were developed for	
					project landscapes, demarcating sampling	
					areas for further field data collection.	
					All of this knowledge and information	
					were uploaded to the HLP web portal.	
	Activity 1.1.2 Continue to support the generation of peer-reviewed	2024-06-30	Ongoing	100	2 peer-review papers (Annex 2) were	S
	papers and reports stemming from Activity 1.1.1 and the Cascade				published in scientific journals along	
	Ecology and Management Symposium (CEM2021)				with 1 project flyer and 4 blogs	
					published on the Alliance website. A	
					number of reports were developed, 4 of	
					which are in English, Sinhala and Tamil	
					(Annex 3). Other publications include, a	
					sourcebook on VTCS (Annex 4) and a	
					compendium of policy briefs. Three	
					extended abstracts on the assessment of	
					cultural services, capacity of	
					professional services and regulatory	

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					services provided by VTCS were presented	
					and published in the proceedings of 20th	
					Agricultural Research Symposium	
					(AGRES)(Annex 5). An additional six	
					conference papers were presented and	
					published in AGRES22 organized by the	
					Faculty of Agriculture and Plantation	
					Management of WUSL (Annex 6). One poster	
					on nature-based solution for climate	
					resilience in Sri Lanka's dry zone was	
					accepted for presentation at the	
					upcoming Tropentag 2024, to be held on	
					11-13 September 2024 in Vienna, Austria.	
	Output 1.2 Physical and ecological components of selected VTCSs	2024-06-30	50	100	All activities under this Output have	S
	restored as pilot models				now been completed	
	Activity 1.2.1 Participatory planning of rehabilitation and restoration	2024-06-30	50	100	Participatory Rural Appraisals (PRA)	S
	of VTCSs				involving VTCS farmers and relevant	
					officers from the DAD, Dept. of	
					Irrigation, and the two Thirappane and	
					Palugasweva Divisional Secretariats	
					identified more than 40 tanks in need of	
					rehabilitation and restoration within	
					the HLP project area. A prioritization	
					exercise led to reducing this number to	
					10 tanks for which restoration estimates	
					were obtained. In 2023, the MoE approved	
					plans and budgets for the restoration	
					and rehabilitation of only 6 tanks. Out	
					of these six, five are fully restored.	
					In Vidane wewa, Bulugahawewa,	

Component	Output/Activity	completion date	status as of previous reporting period (%)	status as of current reporting period (%)	Progress rating justification, description of challenges faced and explanations for any delay Thumbikulama, Bellankadawala and Hiriwadunna rehabilitation and restoration work is now complete. In the Kapugama and Dumbuluwawala tanks only the drainage system was restored.	
	Activity 1.2.2 Repair and renovation of tank headworks, bunds, spills and carryout tank boundary surveys, tank bed surveys, sedimentation surveys and do partial de-silting of tanks	2024-06-30	50		The end-of-project target was only partially achieved due to funding limitations. The repair, restoration, and improvement of tank headworks were completed, and tank boundary, bund, and sedimentation surveys were conducted for all six tanks. However, repair and renovation of tank headworks, bunds, and spillways were completed for 05 tanks only. Partial desilting was performed in Bulugahawewa and Vidanewewa. Budget constraints also prevented the complete ecological restoration of all six tanks. To boost the fish population and the income of tank communities, 75,000 Mozambique and Nile tilapia fingerlings were released into the Thumbikulama tank, and 150,000 were released into Bellankadawala. Additionally, to enhance biodiversity, 3,500 fingerlings of the endemic and critically endangered cyprinid Labeo lankae were released into the Thumbikulama tank.	MS
	Activity 1.2.3 Development of downstream water management system	2024-05-30	100	80	Last year's rating for this output was mistakenly overrated at 100% when the	MS

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					realistic rating was most likely 65%. At	
					project end, funds were insufficient for	
					the downstream development of all 6	
					tanks. With technical support from the	
					DOA and DAD, work was completed in	
					Bellankadawala, where a maintenance	
					agreement was signed between the DOI and	
					the farmer organization "Kelewa Nawa	
					Govi Sanvidhanaya". Downstream water	
					management systems are also in place in	
					Vidanewewa, Bulugahawewa, Kapugama and	
					Dumbuluwawala. Despite upstream	
					development and tank headworks being	
					restored in Thumbikulama, downstream	
					development was interrupted due to	
					unresolved land issues. In total, more	
					than 2500 farmers benefited from these	
					restoration activities.	
	Activity 1.2.4 Promote conservation practices in immediate upstream	2024-06-30	40	100	Conservation practices were implemented	S
	landscapes				in the upstream VTCS landscapes of	
					Thumbikulama, Vidane weva, Bulugahaweva	
					and Kelewa weva in the Palugaswewa DS	
					Division, and in Ittikattiya weva and	
					Paindikulamaweva in the Thirappane DS	
					Division. In November 2023, in	
					collaboration with the Forestry	
					Department (FD), tree planting was	
					undertaken to increase richness along	
					with infill planting to regenerate	
					native species, increasing the amount of	

omponent	Output/Activity		Implementatio	onImplementatio	on Progress rating justification, description of	Progres
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					habitat that provides food supplies for	
					native birds and insects, and reducing	
					space for pest plants to establish. The	
					end-of-project target of 500 ha of	
					forests restored was fully achieved.	
	Activity 1.2.5 Collection of tree and other planting materials and	2024-04-30	100	100	With help from the PDOA, the following	S
	establishment of community nurseries				quantities of seed from different crop	
					varieties were distributed to farmers in	
					the project sites: 0.45 tons (t) of	
					cowpea seeds, 0.4 t of green gram seeds,	
					4.5 t of paddy seeds, 15 kg of finger	
					millet seed, 20.7 kg of big onion. In	
					addition, the following were distributed	
					to establish community seed banks, to	
					overcome seed material shortages and	
					increase farmer income: 2.5 t of cowpea	
					seeds, 2 t of green gram seeds, 5.6 t of	
					paddy seeds, 15 kg of finger millet	
					seeds, 571 kg of big onion seeds.	
					Collection of trees and other planting	
					material was also undertaken by the FD	
					in collaboration with VTCS communities.	
					10 community nurseries were established	
					reaching the end-of-project target.	
	Activity 1.2.6 Restoration of godawala, kiul-ela, iswetiya and yathuru	2024-05-31	20	100	The restoration of tank components was	S
	wala and establishment of medicinal and underutilized plants				completed in the Thumbikulama,	
					Vidanewewa, Bellankadawala, Kapugama and	
					Dumbuluwalala tanks. Kumbuk (Terminalia	
					arjuna), Mee tree (Madhuca longifolia),	
					Neem (Azadirachta indica), Ceylon ebony	

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		date	status as of previous reporting period (%)	status as of current reporting period (%)	challenges faced and explanations for any delay	Kating
					(Diospyros ebenum) and Ceylon Stain Wood tree (Chloroxylon swietenia) were planted in the target sites (merged with activity 1.2.2 and 1.2).	
	Activity 1.2.7 Tree planting program through shramadana campaigns in kattakaduwa, kiul-ela, godawala, gasgommana, homegardens and herbal gardens and spice crop gardens	2024-05-31	. 20	100	Linked with Activity 1.2.4 and 1.2.6. Tree planting was carried out in the six tanks where restoration work was undertaken with support from various stakeholders including community members, school children, universities, teachers and MoE staff.	S
	Activity 1.2.8 Generation of case study of the process and assessment of cost-benefit of VTCS restoration	2020-06-30	10		The case study on the process and assessment of cost benefit analysis of VTCS restoration was completed using the Thumbikumala tank as an example (Annex 7). A second activity, recommended by the MTR, on the assessment of ecosystem services offered by VTCS for human wellbeing was also successfully completed (Annex 8).	S
	Output 1.3 Biodiversity-based agroecological and sustainable integrated land management practices promoted in the two selected VTCS pilot schemes	2024-06-30	70	100	All activities under this output were completed.	S
	Activity 1.3.1 Identify and pilot suitable sustainable land management practices to minimize human-elephant conflict in VTCS	2024-05-30	100		The HLP worked with the District Secretariat (DS) of Anuradhapura and with technical support from the Dept of Wildlife Conservation (DWC) to set up 25 km of electric fence paths that link to the National Electric Fence system,	S

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					while coordinating the establishment of	
					an additional 11 km. This system	
					protects approximately 12,000 ha (about	
					8000 households) of landscape in the	
					Palugaswewa and Thirappane DS Division	
					from elephant damage. The plan was	
					endorsed by both Divisional Agriculture	
					Committees (Thirappane and Palugaswewa	
					DS) and the Anuradhapura District	
					Agriculture Committee. In addition, 3	
					self-managed village fences	
					(Walagambahuwa, Sivalagala and Dayagama	
					fences) and 3 mobile fences	
					(Thalakolawewa, Kapugama and Panweliyaya	
					fences) were established benefiting	
					6,000 households.	
	Activity 1.3.2 Identify a package of agroecology and SLM practices for	^r 2024-05-31	100		In June 2022, home garden development,	S
	agriculture in project landscapes (Mahakanumulla and Galkadawala				crop diversification, good agricultural	
	areas)				practices (GAP), farmer awareness	
					programs, and organic farming were	
					identified as suitable sustainable land	
					management (SLM) practices to enhance	
					food security and quality in the project	
					landscapes. The end-of-project target	
					established during the mid-term review	
					(MTR) included 300 hectares under soil	
					conservation, the establishment of 10	
					plant nurseries, and the distribution of	
					13,000 pepper plants, 20,000 coconut	
					plants, 500 banana plants, 500 cashew	

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					plants, and 1,000 mango plants. These	
					targets were met and surpassed, with 350	
					ha covered and the additional	
					distribution of 6,000 pepper and 1,000	
					mango plants, roselle, bay leaf, and	
					pomegranate plants distributed to 30	
					households. Seven capacity-building	
					programs targeting VTCS communities were	
					conducted, focusing on seed production,	
					seed certification, and sustainable land	
					management. Three programs on GAP, food	
					preparation, mushroom cultivation, and	
					backyard poultry management specifically	
					targeted women groups. In the reporting	
					period, a biodiversity assessment in	
					Thumbikulama was carried out to monitor	
					the implementation of SLM approaches on	
					selected farms and to measure the	
					results and impacts of these	
					interventions (Annex 19). The project	
					also provided financial support to 145	
					farmers for establishing soil bunds	
					covering 155 acres, and contributing to	
					soil conservation at the project sites.	
	Activity 1.3.3 Integrate agrobiodiversity improvement in home	2024-05-31	35	100	The project has established 200	S
	gardens, including medicinal and underutilized species and practices,				agrobiodiversity-based homegardens, 10	
	and improve nutrition and human health in cascade landscapes and				plant nurseries and held 24 health and	
	food production systems				nutrition camps with the support of the	
					PDOA, Dept. of Ayurveda, DSD and the	
					private sector. With community support,	

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					the distribution and planting of 2,500	
					underutilized fruit trees was also	
					undertaken. To empower women in the	
					project areas, and improve food security	
					in the VTCS, 1,200 kg of maize seeds	
					were distributed to two women's farmer	
					groups, Sithamu and the Farm Women	
					Agriculture Extension Programme, which	
					are respectively affiliated with DAD and	
					PDOA. The cultivation of 120 acres of	
					maize provided women farmers with	
					dividends of 25 million LKR (USD	
					82,000).	
	Output 1.4 Goods, services and functions of VTCS ecosystems	2024-06-30	40	90	While the activities were mostly	S
	identified and mainstreamed				completed, funding constraints limited	
					the project reach and only 1 of the 2	
					targeted sites for ecotourism	
					development was successfully completed.	
	Activity 1.4.1 Promote ecotourism linked to conservation and	2024-06-30	50	80	During the reporting period, the	S
	sustainable use in VTCS including cultural values e.g., visiting and				development of the	
	lodging facilities, safety equipment, promoting and enhancing fruit				ecotourism/agrotourism site in	
	and vegetable diversity within home gardens in targeted eco- and				Hiriwadunna was successfully completed	
	agrotourism development villages at Hiriwadunna, and Manewa				with support from ecotourism operators	
	Kanda ecotourism sites				and the PDOA. The tank was cleared of	
					invasive aquatic plants thus	
					facilitating the movement of tourist	
					boats and stabilizing the site. Five	
					cross visits were undertaken to promote	
					the ecotourism practices taking place at	
					the tank. The process was documented to	

Component	Output/Activity	-		Implementation		Progress
		completion	status as of	status as of	challenges faced and explanations for any delay	Rating
		date	previous	current		
			reporting	reporting		
			period (%)	period (%)		
					understand issues, challenges, and	
					further needs as well as to estimate the	
					recreational value of developing such	
					sites (Annex 20). Due to funding	
					constraints, however, the HLP was unable	
					to establish ecotourism facilities at	
					the other sites originally identified	
					for this purpose. However, to support	
					future ecotourism development, awareness	
					raising activities were undertaken in	
					Udakadawala and Manewa Kanda, where, in	
					collaboration with the MoE (Biodiversity	
					Secretariat), FD and the Dept. of	
					Archeology, a commemorative program was	
					organized on International Mountain Day	
					(11 Dec 2023) followed by an awareness	
					campaign about ecotourism in VTCS.	
	Activity 1.4.2 Establish market centers for local products (at least 01	2024-06-30	45	100	Thanks to collaboration with DAD, the	S
	Helabojun or one stop shop center) and value chains for prioritized				end-of-project target was achieved with	
	agricultural food and medicinal products in VTCS				the establishment of a traditional food	
					outlet (Hela Bojun) cum central market	
					center in Thirappane. A study to	
					identify VTCS-based value chains for	
					improved livelihood options was	
					completed (Annex 9). Additionally, a	
					training module on community-based value	
					chain analysis was conducted with 50	
					participants, including university	
					students, academics, policymakers, HLP	
					staff, and community members. A training	

Component			Implementation status as of		Progress rating justification, description of challenges faced and explanations for any delay	Progres
		completion				Rating
		date	previous	current		
			reporting	reporting		
			period (%)	period (%)		
					manual, along with reports on the	
					baseline status of VTCS value chains and	
					value chain development were prepared	
					(Annex 10).	
2 Strengthened	Output 2.1 Awareness raising and capacity building of key partner	2024-05-31	40	100	All activities under this output were	S
nstitutions,	institutions, local organizations and communities in participatory				successfully completed	
policies, and	integrated landscape management planning of VTCS for improved					
ntegrated	eco-health outcomes					
andscape	Activity 2.1.1 Identify key experts, trainers and awareness raising and	2024-04-30	60	100	Training materials and knowledge	S
planning of	training materials and create awareness and build capacity among				products were developed in 3 languages:	
village tank	higher level officers of key stakeholders and institutions on policies,				English, Sinhala and Tamil (Annex 11).	
cascade	legislation, guidelines and the rationale of participatory integrated				Relevant high level officers from key	
systems in	sustainable landscape planning and management of VTCS and their				institutions were invited to attend	
socio-ecological	multiple benefits				awareness and capacity building events	
sensitive areas					on policy, legislation, guidelines and	
					the rationale of participatory	
					sustainable integrated landscape	
					planning and management of VTCS and	
					their multiple benefits. Five training	
					programs were organized: one at national	
					level, one at district level and three	
					at the Divisional Secretariat level	
					(including field officers of the LUPPD	
					of the North Central Province). In	
					addition, three 3D replica models of a	
					VTCS were produced; two were placed in	
					RUSL and one in the MoE offices in	
					Colombo. To allow the continuation of	
					activities beyond project end, some	
					field equipment was distributed to	

Component	Output/Activity				Progress rating justification, description of	Progress
		completion	status as of	status as of	challenges faced and explanations for any delay	Rating
		date	previous	current		
			reporting	reporting		
			period (%)	period (%)		
					relevant institutions at the project	
					sites. A biodiversity survey of	
					Thumbikulama tank was also undertaken to	
					document the status of biodiversity	
					following tank restoration and to guide	
					future ecological restoration planning	
					(Annex 19).	
	Activity 2.1.2 Field study visits/cross visits across target landscapes	2023-08-31	20	100	The end-of-project target was met, with	S
	conducted for key strategic stakeholders on integrated landscape				six additional cross visits and study	
	planning and management				tours occurring during the reporting	
					period. This includes: visits to the	
					Thumbikulama and Bellankadawala tanks by	
					university students of the Faculty of	
					Agriculture, University of Peradeniya,	
					and of the Gampaha Wikramaarachchi	
					University of Indigenous Medicine; media	
					program on cascade ecology and	
					restoration and rehabilitation of	
					degraded tanks; visit of LUPPD officers	
					to Thumbikulama; tree planting program	
					in 5 tanks with the participation of	
					teachers, students, university staff and	
					students, MoE officials, in	
					collaboration with the FD; visit of the	
					DAD Deputy Commissioners stationed	
					island-wide to Thumbikulama tank. Over	
					965 people visited the project sites	
					during the entire project period. Among	
					them are university students, teachers,	
					reports and media specialists, over 200	

Component	Output/Activity	Expected completion	Implementation status as of		Progress rating justification, description of challenges faced and explanations for any delay	Progress Rating
		date	previous reporting period (%)	current reporting period (%)		
			21 45		project stakeholders and partner representatives, volunteers, ICEN2023 conference participants, and MoE officers.	
	Output 2.2 Relevant national policies and legislation for enabling environment for the sustainable integrated landscape management reviewed and revisions recommended to Government	2024-05-31	. 45		All activities under this Output were completed	S
	Activity 2.2.1 Synthesis of learning from past projects on integrated sustainable cascade landscape management (ICSLM) policies, strategies, and guidelines	2024-04-30	45		A synthesis report of learning from past projects on integrated sustainable cascade landscape management (ICSLM) policies, strategies, and guidelines was developed (Annex 12).	S
	Activity 2.2.2 Conduct/follow through awareness workshops for all line agencies towards a shared understanding of VTCS landscape management	2024-05-31	. 45		To reach a shared understanding of VTCS landscape management, in collaboration with LUPPD, awareness material was developed and three workshops were undertaken, targeting relevant line agencies and members of the District and Divisional level land use planning platforms.	S
	Output 2.3 Participatory sustainable integrated landscape management planning and coordination platforms developed at district and local level	2024-05-30	Ongoing		All activities under this Output were completed	S
	Activity 2.3.1 Advocacy and support existing district and divisional level platforms for sustainable landscape management, agrobiodiversity improvement and ecohealth benefits	2024-05-31	Ongoing		HLP supported, facilitated and participated in 03 such platforms throughout the project period. One was the District Agriculture Committee headed by the District Secretary; the other two were the Divisional	S

Component	Output/Activity					Progres
		completion	status as of	status as of	challenges faced and explanations for any delay	Rating
		date	previous	current		
			reporting	reporting		
			period (%)	period (%)		
					Agriculture Committees of Thirappane and	
					Palugaswewa, chaired by the respective	
					Divisional Secretaries. By being part of	
					these platforms, the HLP was able to	
					incorporate its concerns on matters	
					pertaining to project objectives into	
					district and divisional level policy	
					planning and technical inputs. Also	
					these platforms were used to introduce	
					project interventions and plan project	
					activities/targets.	
B Partnerships,	Output 3.1 Concept of Cascade Ecology established through	2024-06-30	60	100	All activities under this Output were	S
awareness	workshops, symposia and other knowledge products				successfully completed	
aising and	Activity 3.1.1 Establish a cascade ecology 'community of practice'	2024-06-30	60	100	On 19-21 Dec 2023, the symposium	S
capacity	(CoP) and promote the concept of cascade ecology among national				"Ecohealth Nexus: Bridging Cascade	
ouilding for	and international partners through a symposium				Ecology and Human Well-Being" was	
petter					organized by Rajarata University of Sri	
ntegrated					Lanka (RUSL). The symposium's	
andscape					proceedings were published and include	
nanagement in					131 articles (Annex 13). A policy forum,	
upport of					a practitioners' forum, an art	
mproved					exhibition and a field tour were held in	
cosystem					parallel to the meeting. Further, the	
ervices and					CoP was established at the 1st Annual	
eco-health					General Meeting (AGM) held on 20 Dec	
outcomes					2023 and organized by RUSL. The CoP	
					executive committee was established at	
					the AGM and is now in operation. The	
					CoP's constitution was finalized and	
					adopted during the AGM.	

Component	Output/Activity	-	status as of	status as of	Progress rating justification, description of challenges faced and explanations for any delay	Progress Rating
		date		current reporting period (%)		
	ecology with Bioversity International (Issues in Agrobiodiversity series) based on baseline assessments, CEM2021 and other project outputs	2024-06-30	20	 	There are two separate outputs under this activity: a legacy book being prepared by Bioversity International, and a scholarly book commissioned to Rajarata University of Sri Lanka (RUSL). The legacy book is completed. A final draft was sent for review to UNEP. Online publication is expected by the end of July 2024 at the very latest in PDF format. Authored by both national and international experts, the scholarly book was also finalized and published with CPC Press (Annex 14).	S
	Activity 3.1.3 Develop cascade ecology database and web-based knowledge portal and resources, including the HLP website	2024-05-31	90		The HLP website is online, in both English and Sinhala (https://www.healthylandscapesproject.or g/si/). The website includes sections on the history, ecosystem services and importance of sustainable management of the VTCSs. It also includes an expansive collection of resources (research articles, publications, blogs etc.) that has been developed with input from International Union for the Conservation of Nature (IUCN), International Water Management Institute (IWMI), Freie Universität Berlin and the Globally Important Agricultural Heritage Systems team at the FAO. The cascade ecology database, knowledge portal and	S

Component		-				Progress
		date	status as of previous reporting period (%)	status as of current reporting period (%)	challenges faced and explanations for any delay	Rating
					accompanying resources was also developed by RUSL and is available at https://ctvsrednet.lk/.	
	Output 3.2 Knowledge mainstreamed to national extension, research institutions, including universities, and policy makers and other stakeholders on cascade ecology and landscape management, ecosystem services and ecohealth approaches	2024-05-31	45	100	All activities under this Output were completed	S
	Activity 3.2.1 Undertake cascade awareness program for master teachers in the education system	2023-11-30	45	100	Five teacher training programs on cascade ecology were successfully organized and held. The last training was held 23-25 Nov 2023. Overall, across the five sessions, 221 schoolteachers (including MSc teachers) and 10 journalists from the North Central Province were trained.	S
	Activity 3.2.2 Development of relevant curricula and materials on cascade ecology and ecohealth approaches and provide support to conduct short courses for universities and extension workers	2024-05-31	45	100	In collaboration with RUSL, course outlines were prepared for 2 short courses on Cascade Ecology and Ecohealth. Two additional short courses were developed: one on the Sustainable management of tank cascade systems targeting community leaders and the public at large and a second called Advanced short course on sustainable tank cascade systems targeting government officers, private sector practitioners and university students. The courses were approved by the board of the Faculty of Agriculture and the Senate of RUSL. During the reporting	S

Component	Output/Activity	Expected	Implementation	Implementation	Progress rating justification, description of	Progres	
		completion	status as of	status as of	challenges faced and explanations for any delay	y Rating	
		date	previous	current			
			reporting	reporting			
			period (%)	period (%)			
					period, two advanced courses were		
					conducted for government stakeholders		
					(80 participants) and two courses for		
					the cascade community (80 participants).		
					RUSL continues to offer these courses		
					based on demand. A certificate from RUSL		
					is provided to participants upon		
					successful completion of the course.		
Knowledge,	4.1 Gender sensitive project monitoring system operating and	2024-06-30	100	100	All activities under this component and	S	
formation	providing systematic information on progress in reaching expected				output were completed		
lanagement,	outcomes and targets						
nd Monitoring	Activity 4.1.1 Finalize and disseminate project gender-sensitive	2023-02-28	100	100	The project's gender-sensitive M&E	S	
nd evaluation	Monitoring and Evaluation system				system was finalized at the start of the		
					project, and revisited after the MTR.		
					The system is available from the NPMU		
					upon request.		
	Activity 4.1.2 Establish reporting plan and requirements	2019-09-20	100	100	Reporting plans and requirements were	S	
					prepared and measures were put in place		
					to ensure that they were understood by		
					all project staff		
	Activity 4.1.3 Submit project and financial reports to UNEP	2024-09-30	100	100	Project and financial reports are	HS	
					regularly submitted to UNEP as per the		
					established reporting deadlines		
	Activity 4.1.4 Provide input to the project Mid-Term Evaluation (MTE)	2022-12-16	100	100	The MTE, which started in June 2022,	S	
					formally ended with the PSC meeting in		
					December 2022, where the MTR		
					recommendations were endorsed by the PSC		
	Activity 4.1.5 Provide input to the project Final Evaluation	2024-12-31	0	0	This activity is not yet due		
	Output 4.2 Project-related best practices, knowledge products and	2024-05-31	47	100	All activities under this Output are now	S	

Component		completion date	status as of previous reporting	status as of current reporting period (%)	Progress rating justification, description of challenges faced and explanations for any delay complete.	Progress Rating
	and stakeholder groups					
		2024-05-31	45		Outsourced to RUSL, the sourcebook was finalized. A two-day write shop was held in May 2024 bringing together 28 stakeholders from the VTCS landscapes. The source book was finalized, printed and published in English and Sinhala (Annex 4). Guidelines on enhancing ecological restoration were also developed by the former Director of NRMC of DOA (Annex 16). One training workshop on ecological restoration guidelines was undertaken for 30 practitioners.	S
	Activity 4.2.2 Develop policy briefs to promote and support cascade landscape restoration and management	2024-03-31	60		Eighteen policy briefs were prepared and compiled into a compendium published by the MoE with ISBN: 9786245817498 (Annex 17). 750 hard copies were printed and distributed among stakeholders. In addition, a study was undertaken on climate data analysis of Thirappane and Palugaswewa, facilitating science based decision-making on VTCS located in the North Central Province (Annex 18).	S
	Activity 4.2.3 Develop and implement a national public education and awareness program on cascades using mass media	2024-05-31	35	100	Mass media were used to educate and raise awareness of the importance of cascade landscapes. A 1-hour TV program was produced and aired on the Sri Lanka Rupavahini Corporation network (https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ggeytjM	5

Component	Output/Activity	Expected	Implementation	Implementation	Progress rating justification, description of	Progress
		completion	status as of	status as of	challenges faced and explanations for any delay	Rating
		date	previous	current		
			reporting	reporting		
			period (%)	period (%)		
					ySZ8&t=713s). A 3D animation documentary	
					(https://youtu.be/PoaekQsp8W8) was also	
					produced and uploaded on several	
					websites including SACEP web, the	
					Cascade Ecology Database and Knowledge	
					Management Portal, and the project	
					landing page on the website of the	
					Alliance of Bioversity and CIAT.	
					Further, the work of HLP was featured in	
					a joint CGIAR/BBC mini-series entitled	
					"The Climate and Us". The episode	
					focusing on the importance and efforts	
					to conserve the cascade system is	
					available at:	
					https://www.bbc.com/storyworks/the-clima	
					te-and-us/cgiar-tank-system. Additional	
					education material includes a field	
					guide to the plants and animals of the	
					Thumbikulama cascade system (Annex 21),	
					soil analysis (Annex 22) and water	
					quality testing reports (Annex 23), a	
					video documentary on Thumbikulama (in	
					Sinhala, available upon request),	
					herbarium sheets of the medicinal plants	
					found in Thumbikulama tank (Annex 24).	
					All information generated by the project	
					can be accessed on the project Facebook	
					page at:	1
					https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=	
					100083546243742&mibextid=ZbWKwL.	

Component	Output/Activity	Expected	Implementation	Implementation	Progress rating justification, description of	Progress
		completion	status as of	status as of	challenges faced and explanations for any delay	Rating
		date	previous	current		
			reporting	reporting		
			period (%)	period (%)		
5 Project Management	Activity 5.1 Establish arrangements for overall project administration and implementation infrastructure including coordination units	2024-09-30	100	1	Full staffing for the PMU, including recruiting of the new NPM took place in early 2022.	S
	Activity 5.2 Plan and undertake a full project inception meeting	2019-09-30	019-09-30100100A Project Inception meeting was undertaken in September 2019019-09-30100100A project budget and accounting system were set up by Bioversity International at project onset and are regularly used		A Project Inception meeting was	S
	Activity 5.3 Establish and operate project budgeting and accounting system	2019-09-30			were set up by Bioversity International	S
	Activity 5.4 Review and refine work plans with project coordinator and partners based on better understanding of local context	2023-02-28	100		In 2020, the work plan was reviewed based on findings stemming from the baseline assessment. A time-bound Action Plan was prepared in consultation with the TAC and the NSC and forwarded to UNEP for approval. The workplan and log frame were last reviewed and refined following the MTE in 2022 based on the evaluation's results and a better understanding of the project context.	S
	Activity 5.5 Establish Project Steering Committees and conduct regular meetings	2024-09-30	100		A PSC meeting was on 16 Dec 2022 to present key findings from the MTE and improve project implementation during the remainder of the project's time frame. The 4th PSC meeting was held on 26 Sept 2023 to review project progress in light of the MTE's recommendations. The final PSC meeting will be held in the second half of 2024.	S
	Activity 5.6 Establish Technical Advisory Committee to provide	2024-06-30	50	100	The TAC was established in June 2021 and	S

Component	Output/Activity	Expected	Implementation	Implementation	Progress rating justification, description of	Progress
		completion	status as of	status as of	challenges faced and explanations for any delay	Rating
		date	previous	current		
			reporting	reporting		
			period (%)	period (%)		
	backstopping and guidance to technical components				is composed of Prof. D.K.N.G.	
					Pushpakumara (Chair), Prof. Renuka De	
					Silva, Dr. Harsha Kadupitiya, Dr. Inoka	
					Suraweera and Prof. Keminda Herath. The	
					TAC meets once every four months or as	
					and when the need arises. Otherwise, the	
					HLP consults the TAC members according	
					to their expertise.	

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	Low	Low
responsibilities		
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 /	CEO	PIR 1	PIR 2	PIR 3	PIR 4	PIR 5	Current	Δ	Justification
	outputs	ED						PIR		
Delays arising because of political elections	All outcomes and outputs	N/A	Μ	Μ	М	L	L		\downarrow	This was an earlier identified risk for
and subsequent changes in senior positions										the project. The LOA agreement
(e.g Minister. Secretary) within Ministries										signed with SACEP in 2021 till present
is presenting implementation challenges and										has largely addressed this risk.

Risks	Risk affecting: Outcome /	CEO	PIR 1	PIR 2	PIR 3	PIR 4	PIR 5	Curren	tΔ	Justification
	outputs	ED						PIR		
delays to the project										
Delay in the approval of the current LOA with the Ministry of Environment is significantly impacting on the identification of national coordinator. support staff. the establishment of project management unit. and establishment of project steering committee and meetings	All outcomes and outputs	N/A	М	Η	м	L	L		¥	As above. In 2021 SACEP was identified as an alternative service provider. Following the signing of the LOA with SACEP. the national coordinator. support staff and the PMU was established. and project steering committees held.
COVID-19 significantly impacted project implementation through office closures and restrictions placed upon movements and gatherings of people. This exacerbated both the above problems.	All outcomes and outputs	N/A	М	S	L	L	L		\rightarrow	With the COVID-19 pandemic over. office work and travel could resume.
The Project is unable to tackle the complexity of institutional arrangements and policy mechanisms relating to water and land management in the proposed project landscape and which may limit intended project synergies and long-term impacts	All outcomes and outputs	М	М	Μ	М		L		=	Cognizant of this risk. the NPM and PMU have actively engaged relevant stakeholders and institutions especially at the district and provincial levels.
Political changes or changes in government administration in Sri Lanka may affect support for the project and reduce political will. commitment. and leadership. Agencies with different mandates and focus areas will find it difficult to adopt a landscape planning approach and the project activities may not have the expected synergy		Μ	Μ	м	м	М	L		¥	With the project at a close. the risk is averted. Advocacy at existing district and divisional level platforms and awareness workshops undertaken for all line agencies have built a shared understanding of VTCS landscape management.
Ecological approaches to linking environmental health and human health are	All outcomes and outputs	М	L	L	м	L	L		=	Cross-sectoral and integrated approaches to strengthen cascade

Risks	Risk affecting: Outcome /	CEO	PIR 1	PIR 2	PIR 3	PIR 4	PIR 5	Current	tΔ	Justification
	outputs	ED						PIR		
relatively new in Sri Lanka and relevant government sectors. agencies and other institutions with different mandates and focus areas may find it difficult to adopt a landscape or ecological planning approach. This may limit commitment to cross-sectoral and integrated approaches thereby reducing opportunities and synergies from project										ecology. linking environmental health and human health and well-being. were undertaken engaging relevant government and other agencies. partners and stakeholders.
activities										
Climate change has established a rate and scale of ecological change to which the communities in cascade landscapes are unable to adapt	All outcomes and outputs	L	N/A	L	L	L	L		=	
Women's and youth participation in the project's implementation is weak.	Mostly outcomes 1 and 3	L	N/A	L	L	L	L		=	The project has demonstrated wide participation from women in all activities and at all levels
The current rate of economic development. urbanization and increasingly climate change impacts may limit the desired outcomes of an ecological approach to environmental health and human health (CEO #6)	Mostly outcomes 1 and 2	М	L	L	L	L	L		=	
During the project PPG. the ESERN identified Safeguard Standards 1. 2 and 3 as moderate risk. This rating received ongoing attention during project implementation.	All oucomes and outputs	M	N/A	N/A	М	L	L		=	The project continued to monitor these safeguards and to promote biodiversity mainstreaming and a precautionary and safety approach to tank rehabilitation
The economic crisis in Sri Lanka. the worst since its independence in 1948. has put the	All outcomes and outputs	N/A	N/A	N/A	S	М	L			This risk was averted and all project outcomes and activities achieved

Risks	Risk affecting: Outcome /	CEO	PIR 1	PIR 2	PIR 3	PIR 4	PIR 5	Current	Δ	Justification
	outputs	ED						PIR		
population at risk of food and nutrition security. The higher fuel prices and ensuing power cuts have affected daily operations.										
A1. Management structure. roles and responsibilities	All outcomes and outputs					М	L		\downarrow	Project has ended. No longer a risk
A2. Governance structure. oversight	All outcomes and outputs					М	L		\downarrow	Project has ended. No longer a risk
A3. Implementation schedule	Mostly outcomes 1 to 4					М	L		\downarrow	Project has ended. No longer a risk
A4. Budget	All outcomes and outputs					Н	L		\downarrow	Project has ended and national partners have executed the budget
A5. Reporting	All outcomes and outputs					Н	L		\downarrow	Project has ended. Reporting is largely completed.
A6. Capacity to deliver	All outcomes and outputs					М	L		\downarrow	The project has ended. Almost all targets have been met
		N/A	Μ	S	S	М	L		\downarrow	

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

Additional mitigation measures for the next periods

Risk	Actions decided during the	Actions effectively	What	When	By Whom
	previous reporting instance	undertaken this reporting			
	(PIRt-1, MTR, etc.)	period			

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:	No
Financial Management:	No
Implementation Schedule:	
Executing Entity:	Yes
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

The project received a no cost extension of 3 months during this reporting period (from 31/03/24 to 30/06/2024). The workplan and budget were amended to accomodate this extension.

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

Version	Туре	Signed/Approved by UNEP	Entry Into Force (last	Agreement Expiry Date	Main changes
			signature Date)		introduced in this
					revision
	Extension	2023-02-23	2023-02-24	2024-09-30	The NCE included
					changes to the timing of
					the legal instrument to
					allow Sri Lanka to
					complete project
					activities. Because of the
					recommendations
					around the reduction of
					pilot sites and target
					areas (see below). other
					targets were revised
					downwards.
	Revision	2022-12-16	2023-02-02	2024-09-30	Considering
					implementation progress
					at mid-term. the MTE
					recommended reducing
					the pilot sites from 5 to 2
					given the need for
					delivering outcomes at
					site level. It was also
					recommended that all
					efforts be directed to
					converge on 1 pilot site
					in each of the 2 target
					cascade sites (Finding 1
					and Recommendation 1
					in the MTR Report).
					Given the short time and

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			signature Date)		introduced in this
					revision
					limited resources
					available for the
					requested NCE. it was
					deemed unrealistic to
					target the original 10.000
					ha (from 5 landscapes)
					captured in the log frame
					designed and endorsed
					by GEF SEC. With the
					reduction from 5 to 2
					landscapes. and each
					tank restoration leading
					to the recovery of
					roughly 500 ha of arable
					land. the project reduced
					the landscape target by a
					factor of 5. The new
					targets were based on a
					realistic assessment by
					the MTE consultant. and
					by the on-the-ground
					assessments of the
					national project
					manager. The project
					also decreased the
					number of farming
					households targeted by
					the project to a more

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					realistic 200. The NCE
					and target revisions were
					officially approved during
					the PSC that took place
					in Colombo. Sri Lanka. on
					16 Dec 2022.
	Extension	2024-01-15	2024-01-17	2025-06-30	Minor changes - Revised
					budget and workplan

GEO Location Information:

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Location Name	Latitude	Longitude	GEO Name ID	Location Description	Activity Description
Bellankadawala Tank	8.009295	-80.681371			Renovation and
					rehabilitation activities
Thumbikulama Tank	8.01672	-80.704098			Tank restoration activities
Thumbikulama Tank	8.01672	-80.704098			Tank restoration activities
Rambawewa Tank	7.99438	-80.676171			Tank restoration and
					rehabilitation surveys
					activities in the
					Mahakanamulla CS
Siwalagala Tank	8.145879	-80.491195			Tank rehabilitation
Walagambahuwa Tank	8.154639	-80.506724			Tank rehabilitation
Pahalawewa Tank	8.155248	-80.498294			Tank rehabilitation

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Pahala Amanankattuwa	8.155448	-80.495597			Tank rehabilitation
Tank					
Kudagama Tank	8.190238	-80.495264			Tank rehabilitation
Wellamudewa Tank	8.200472	-80.483807			Tank rehabilitation
Punchikulama Tank	8.235287	-80.52455			Tank rehabilitation
Pindikulama Tank	8.164633	-80.482515			Tank rehabilitation
Mawatha wewa Tank	8.172048	-80.507548			Tank rehabilitation
Sembukulama Tank	8.203382	-80.503182			Tank rehabilitation
Kudakanumulla Tank	8.184615	-80.50369			Tank rehabilitation
Gulupeththa Tank	8.148622	-80.53101			Tank rehabilitation
Bulankulama Tank	8.165864	-80.526248			Tank restoration and rehabilitation activities in the Thirappane CS
Allisthanaa Tank	8.193361	-80.523408			Tank surveys and rehabilitation
Ittikattiya Maha Tank	8.144031	-80.539356			Tank restoration and rehabilitation activities in the Ulagalla CS
Ethini wetunuwewa Tank	8.146422	-80.562956			Tank surveys and rehabilitation
Thawalan Halmillewa Tank	8.114492	-80.564344			Tank rehabilitation
Pudukkulama Tank	8.171909	-80.549575			Tank rehabilitation
Diul wewa Tank	8.188523	-80.539141			Tank rehabilitation
Kudalugaswewa Tank	8.047136	-80.709805			Tank surveys. restoration and rehabilitation activities in the Palugaswewa CS
Thimbiriwewa Tank	8.608239	-80.654569			"
Palugaswewa Tank	8.067516	-80.707844			"
Yaak-adagaswewa Tank	8.054639	-80.717061			n

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Thalakolawewa Tank	8.04595	-80.691482			"
Udakadawala Tank	8.054223	-80.69776			"
Kapugama Tank	8.062378	-80.698958			II
Bulugahawewa Tank	8.009717	-80.670324			"
Rambawewa Tank	7.99438	-80.676171			"
Bellankadawala Tank	8.011159	-80.681205			n
Vidanage wewa	8.010782	-80.688504			n
Athawetuna wewa	8.008293	-80.692724			II
Demunnewa Tank	8.026486	-80.677132			"
Galkadawala Tank	8.029193	-80.691182			"
Pattiyawewa Tank	8.038745	-80.686512			"
Ulpathe wewa Tank	8.568063	-80.730916			"
Siyabala wewa	8.622749	-80.617281			n
Yakandagaswewa	8.054137	-80.716674			Establishment of mobile
					fences to limit elephant
					damage
Palugaswewa	8.064865	-80.687391			n
Udakadawala	8.056202	-80.704725			n
Udakadawala 2	8.054572	-80.706812			n
Udakadawala 3	8.051218	-80.707499			"
Wannammaduwa					Establishment of self-
					managed community fences
					to limit elephant damage
Allisthana	8.196199	-80.524799			II
Periyakulama	8.158546	-80.54201			"
Dyagama	8.158151	-80.513878			"
Siwalagala	8.149376	-80.498384			"
Walagambahuwa	8.156764	-80.504012			"
Thirappane DS Office	8.214234	-80.523053			Integrated Training program

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					on soil conservation. home
					garden development. crop
					diversification. smart
					agriculture techniques. GAP.
					farmer awareness programs
					organic farming.
Palugaswewa DS Office	8.064455	-80.708406			"
Udakadawala Temple	8.057588	-80.698831			Establishment of RO-plant
Udakadawala Temple	8.057936	-80.698778			Health and nutrition camp
					series
Welamudawa.	8.201478	-80.492218			n
Punchikulama					
Udakadawala VTCS	8.056482	-80.69306			Establishment of a model
					farm to improve livelihoods.
					establish VC models and link
					farmers to markets.
Provincial Department of	8.328509	-80.409533			GAP certification and
Agri-NCP					awareness programs
Udakadawala	8.052471	-80.69653			Ecotourism development
					program
Manewa Kanda	8.121202	-80.540292			Awareness of ecotourism
					development potential
					initiated
Thirappane	8.219424	-80.522315			Hela bojun and market
					centre
Rajarata University	8.360883	-80.503335			Program with RUSL

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