

TERMINAL EVALUATION

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Project Name:	Enabling Kuwait to Prepare Its Second National Communication (SNC) and Biennial Update Report (BUR) to the UNFCCC
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I. Overview

A. Description

Project name

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Country

Kuwait, Regional

GEF ID

5590

Implementing Agency

UNEP

Executing Entity

Kuwait Environmental Public Authority (KEPA) with support from: UNEP Regional Office for West Asia (UNEP/ROWA), Kuwait University (KU), Kuwait Institute for Scientific Research (KISR), Kuwait Foundation for the Advancement of Science (KFAS)

Trust Fund

GET

Project Type

EA

Objective

To prepare the Second National Communication and first Biennial Update Report of the State of Kuwait and enable the country fulfill its obligations under the UNFCCC, in accordance with Articles 4.1 and 12.1 of the Convention while strengthening its capacity to integrate climate change concerns into national and sectoral development plans and priorities.

B. Key Dates

CEO Endorsement/Approval

3/10/2014

Agency Approval

3/10/2014

Implementation Start

10/7/2014

First Disbursement

3/20/2017

Expected MTR

MTR Submission

11/24/2025

Actual MTR

Expected Completion

12/31/2019

Actual Completion

7/24/2019

Actual TE

11/21/2025

TE Submission

11/24/2025

Final Disbursement

9/29/2020

C. Disbursements

Project Financing 932,940.00	Cumulative Disbursement 694,548.27
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II. PROGRESS STATUS AND ISSUES

A. Main Terminal Evaluation Findings

The project successfully prepared and submitted Kuwait's Second National Communication (NC2) and First Biennial Update Report (BUR1) to the UNFCCC in July and September 2019 respectively. It strengthened national capacity for climate reporting, mainstreamed climate considerations into Kuwait Vision 2035, and improved institutional coordination through the establishment of climate change focal points and committees. Despite challenges such as fragmented data and limited inter-agency collaboration, adaptive management strategies—including training workshops and enhanced coordination—enabled successful delivery. The project laid a foundation for future climate finance mobilisation and long-term sustainability.

B. Stakeholder Engagement

The project engaged a wide range of stakeholders, including government ministries, research institutions (KU, KISR, KFAS), civil society, private sector actors (e.g., Kuwait Petroleum Corporation), and regional organisations (ROPME). Participation was sought through consultations, technical workshops, and awareness campaigns. This inclusive approach strengthened ownership, improved data quality, and fostered collaboration across sectors.

Lessons Learned

- Institutional Coordination: Establishing focal points and committees improved alignment.
- Technical Capacity: Training reduced reliance on external consultants.
- Data Systems: Investments in sector-specific data improved transparency.
- Mainstreaming Climate: Integration into Kuwait Vision 2035 ensured policy coherence.
- Stakeholder Engagement: Inclusive participation strengthened ownership.
- Climate Finance: Early planning positioned Kuwait for future funding.
- Adaptive Management: Flexibility helped overcome institutional and technical barriers.

C. Gender Equality

The report does not provide a dedicated gender section, but stakeholder engagement included a broad range of institutions and sectors, which have supported gender balance and inclusion.

D. Knowledge Management

Knowledge management was achieved through:

- Development and dissemination of NC2 and BUR1 reports.
- Use of the eMISK Geo-environmental Database for data collection and analysis.
- Capacity-building workshops and technical seminars to institutionalise knowledge.

- Integration of climate considerations into national development frameworks.

III. Core Indicators

IV: Co Financing

Sources of Co-financing	Name of Co-financier	Type of Co-financing	Investment Mobilized	Anticipated at CEO(\$)	Materialized at MTR(\$)	Materialized at TE(\$)
GEF Agency	UNEP	In-kind		15,000.00		
Recipient Country Government	Govt. State of Kuwait	In-kind		650,000.00		
Total Co-financing				665,000.00	0.00	0.00

Comments

V: ENVIRONMENTAL AND SOCIAL SAFEGUARDS

Overall Project/Program Risk Classification

PIF	CEO Endorsement/Approval	MTR	TE
			Low

Measures to address identified risks and impacts

This was a low-risk project. No negative impacts were identified during project design and implementation. The project carried out regular risk monitoring and implemented relevant adaptive measures to address risks.

VI. ANNEX

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