

# Africa Environmental Health and Pollution Management Project – Kenya

**Review CEO Endorsement and Make a recommendation**

## **Basic project information**

**GEF ID**

9853

**Countries**

Kenya

**Project Name**

Africa Environmental Health and Pollution Management Project – Kenya

**Agencies**

World Bank

**Date received by PM**

8/2/2018

**Review completed by PM**

4/8/2020

**Program Manager**

Ibrahima Sow

**Focal Area**

Chemicals and Waste

**Project Type**

FSP

**PIF**

**CEO Endorsement**

**Project Design and Financing**

**1. If there are any changes from that presented in the PIF, have justifications been provided?**

**Secretariat Comment at CEO Endorsement**

No changes from that presented in the PIF

**Response to Secretariat comments**

**March 16 2020:** Noted. Thank you. No response required.

**2. Is the project structure/ design appropriate to achieve the expected outcomes and outputs?**

**Secretariat Comment at CEO Endorsement** Yes. The project is aligned with Kenya's revised and updated National Implementation Plan (NIP).

**Response to Secretariat comments**

March 16 2020: Noted. Thank you.

**3. Is the financing adequate and does the project demonstrate a cost-effective approach to meet the project objective?**

**Secretariat Comment at CEO Endorsement** Yes

**Response to Secretariat comments**

March 16 2020: Noted. Thank you.

**4. Does the project take into account potential major risks, including the consequences of climate change, and describes sufficient risk response measures? (e.g., measures to enhance climate resilience)**

**Secretariat Comment at CEO Endorsement** Yes

**Response to Secretariat comments**

March 16 2020: Noted. Thank you.

**5. Is co-financing confirmed and evidence provided?**

**Secretariat Comment at CEO Endorsement**  
Evidence of co-financing needs to be provided

10 April 2020: There is no indication of Government's co-financing of \$300,000. Co-financing evidence must be uploaded in the Portal.

**Response to Secretariat comments**

April 16, 2020: A special request for Counterpart cofinancing letter prior to negotiations has been made, though not yet received. Given the COVID limitations and challenges, the team would like to request for consideration of technical clearance of CEO package to allow the team to proceed for negotiations clearances and

processing quickly. Negotiations are scheduled from April 24 till 28th., 2020. As per usual practice and procedure government cofinancing these will be confirmed at Negotiations. This will allow avoiding delay in Board approval. Owing to COVID emergency response priorities seeking a new board date increases the risk of an indefinite delay in effectiveness of the project.

**March 16 2020**: Proof of cofinancing attached and govt commitment will be confirmed at the time of negotiations. Thank you

**6. Are relevant tracking tools completed?**

### **Secretariat Comment at CEO Endorsement**

10 April 2020

Report on core indicators is missing: To report on Core Indicators, the Bank needs to use the Core Indicators table, not the GEBs table.

Should the Bank want to continue reporting on GEBs, that is fine, but in that case, the Bank will also have to prepare and present Tracking Tools.

30 April 2020: Comment cleared

### **Response to Secretariat comments**

**April 16, 2020** : As discussed bilaterally with and reported to the GEF PM, this is a system glitch and GEF- 7 core indicator data is not being reflected in the GEF Portal upon saving (indicator data is already inputed in the portal by the IA). GEF-7 Core indicator Worksheets aligned with the entries in the portal have been provided and are reattached to this submission. Thank you.

**7. Only for Non-Grant Instrument: Has a reflow calendar been presented?**

### **Secretariat Comment at CEO Endorsement NA**

### **Response to Secretariat comments**

**8. Is the project coordinated with other related initiatives and national/regional plans in the country or in the region?**

**Secretariat Comment at CEO Endorsement** Yes

**Response to Secretariat comments**

March 16 2020: Noted. Thank you.

**9. Does the project include a budgeted M&E Plan that monitors and measures results with indicators and targets?**

**Secretariat Comment at CEO Endorsement** Yes

**Response to Secretariat comments**

March 16 2020: Noted. Thank you.

**10. Does the project have descriptions of a knowledge management plan?**

**Secretariat Comment at CEO Endorsement** Yes.

**Response to Secretariat comments**

March 16 2020: Noted. Thank you.

**Agency Responses**

**11. Has the Agency adequately responded to comments at the PIF stage from:**

**GEFSEC**

**Secretariat Comment at CEO Endorsement** Yes

**Response to Secretariat comments**

**STAP**

**Secretariat Comment at CEO Endorsement** Yes

**Response to Secretariat comments**

**GEF Council**

**Secretariat Comment at CEO Endorsement** Yes

**Response to Secretariat comments**

**Convention Secretariat**

**Secretariat Comment at CEO Endorsement**

**Response to Secretariat comments**

**Recommendation**

**12. Is CEO endorsement recommended?**

**Secretariat Comment at CEO Endorsement**

10 April 2020

Not yet, please address the following comments:

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- Report on core indicators is missing: To report on Core Indicators, the Bank needs to use the Core Indicators table, not the GEBs table.

Should the Bank want to continue reporting on GEBs, that is fine, but in that case, the Bank will also have to prepare and present Tracking Tools.

30 April 2020: Comments addressed. CEO endorsement is recommended.

**Response to Secretariat comments**

April 16, 2020 : See responses to both in specific boxes above.

The Project team kindly requests for technical clearance of CEO package quickly to allow for the project negotiations to take place in a timely manner. It is scheduled for April 24-28, 2020. Thank you.

March 16 2020: The full package is re-submitted for formal CEO endorsement following WB's internal decision review meeting.

**Review Dates**

**Secretariat Comment at CEO Endorsement**

**Response to Secretariat comments**

	<b>Secretariat Comment at CEO Endorsement</b>	<b>Response to Secretariat comments</b>
<b>First Review</b>		
<b>Additional Review (as necessary)</b>		
<b>Additional Review (as necessary)</b>		

**Secretariat Comment at CEO Endorsement**

**Response to Secretariat comments**

<b>Additional Review (as necessary)</b>		
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**CEO Recommendation**

**Brief Reasoning for CEO Recommendations**

E Environmental sound management of harmful chemicals and waste in urban cities and in areas with Artisanal gold mining activities – mainly rural areas - is a critical issue in most African countries due to the lack of technical, financial and managerial capacity to demonstrate results on the ground, and set up institutional mechanisms to promote innovative techniques, practices and approaches for the elimination and reduction of harmful chemicals and waste. Poverty and lack of alternative livelihood opportunities also attract a large percentage of rural poor to ASGM and to informal e-waste recycling.

The project is fully aligned with Kenya’s revised and updated NIP recently submitted to the Stockholm convention secretariat, and which shows the significance, and the priority attached to POPs releases from e-waste. The project will directly contribute to Kenya’s Vision 2030, which calls for providing clean and secure environment. The project is also well aligned with the Government of Kenya’s emerging drive to improve waste management in the country particularly, e-waste management strategies and plans.

The project will support a) capacity building activities which include benchmarking of key staff from the government to acquire best practices on waste management for reduction of releases of POPs from unsound e-waste management practices, and ensure appropriate skills transfer; b) sensitization workshops on waste management, including e-waste, with EEE and E-waste management stakeholders in the value chain country-wide; c) support relevant Government staff on waste and e-waste management regulations; and d) training of the customs and borders inspectorate to curtail entry of illicit e-waste. In addition, the project will ensure both national level stakeholders coordination and participation in the regional learning and knowledge sharing activities on the harmful chemicals agenda, contributing to strengthening the regional partnerships and collaboration.

Sustainability: The project will support the initiation of a pilot project in a selected county in Kenya on implementation of integrated waste management approach to reduce releases of POPs from e-waste through improving source reduction/reuse, collection, transportation, and disposal/recycling, and following Articles 5 and 6 of the Stockholm Convention and related COP guidelines and guidance. This will start with (a) analysis of the current plans, (b) inventory information on toxic substances like PBDEs



production, importation and usage and, (c) priorities and institutional capacity (including private sector) for the selected county. Such analysis and inventory will ensure that appropriate solutions are selected, and the basic waste management services are in place and operating, before more advanced approaches are considered. Based on the identified priorities, the infrastructure investments will be designed and implemented, focusing on addressing the gaps in the collection and disposal system.