

Development of National Action Plan for Artisanal and Small-Scale Gold Mining in the Islamic Republic of Pakistan

Review CEO Endorsement and Make a recommendation

Basic project information

GEF ID

10940

Countries

Pakistan

Project Name

Development of National Action Plan for Artisanal and Small-Scale Gold Mining in the Islamic Republic of Pakistan

Agencies

UNEP

Date received by PM

3/24/2022

Review completed by PM

4/8/2022

Program Manager

Yuki Shiga

Focal Area

Chemicals and Waste

Project Type

EA

Expedited Enabling Activity req (CEO)

Part 1: Project Information

Focal area elements

Is the enabling activity aligned with the relevant GEF focal area elements as indicated in Table A and as defined by the GEF 7 Programming Directions?

Secretariat comment at CEO Endorsement Request

04.08.2022:

Cleared.

Yes. This is an enabling activity for the Minamata Convention.

However, please check the submission date which is indicated as '6/30/2024'.

Agency Response

April 4, 2022:

The submission date was corrected to 24 March 2022 corresponding to the date of the initial submission.

Response to GEF Sec comment on 04.29.2022 (in the recommendation section):

Please note that the Social and Environmental Screening was uploaded to the portal in the initial submission under Appendix D as part of the compiled project document titled "NAP Pakistan_Prodoc Package_March 2022" uploaded on 3/14/2022 5:21 AM.

The Social and Environmental Screening is now uploaded as a stand-alone document for ease of reference.

Project description summary

Is the project structure/design appropriate to achieve the expected outcomes and outputs as in Table B and described in the project document?

Secretariat comment at CEO Endorsement Request

04.08.2022:

Cleared.

Components 1-3 seem to have same Outcomes. In addition, they appear to be more 'objective' rather than 'outcome'.

Please further elaborate, or revise.

Agency Response

April 4, 2022:

This enabling activity has one outcome only, which was repeated. This is now corrected. The wording of the outcome is in line with UNEP's NAP agreed template, and is used across all NAPs including the recently submitted ones.

Co-financing

Are the confirmed expected amounts, sources and types of co-financing adequately documented, with supporting evidence and a description on how the breakdown of co-financing was identified [and meets the definition of investment mobilized, and a description of any major changes from PIF, consistent with the requirements of the Co-Financing Policy and Guidelines?]

Secretariat comment at CEO Endorsement Request No co-financing is required for this EA.

Agency Response

GEF Resource Availability

Is the proposed GEF financing in Table D (including the Agency fee) in line with GEF policies and guidelines?

Secretariat comment at CEO Endorsement Request

Yes

Agency Response

**Are they within the resources available from:
The STAR allocation?**

Secretariat comment at CEO Endorsement Request

Agency Response

The focal area allocation?

Secretariat comment at CEO Endorsement Request Yes. It is within the recommended budget of \$500,000.

Agency Response

The LDCF under the principle of equitable access

Secretariat comment at CEO Endorsement Request

Agency Response

The SCCF (Adaptation or Technology Transfer)?

Secretariat comment at CEO Endorsement Request

Agency Response

Focal area set-aside?

Secretariat comment at CEO Endorsement Request

Agency Response

Is the financing presented adequate and demonstrate a cost-effective approach to meet the project objectives?

Secretariat comment at CEO Endorsement Request Yes.

Agency Response

Part 2: Enabling Activity Justification

Background and Context.

Are the achievements of previously implemented enabling activities cited since the country(ies) became a party to the Convention?

Secretariat comment at CEO Endorsement Request This is the first National Action Plan for ASGM.

Agency Response

Goals, Objectives, and Activities.

Is the project framework sufficiently described?

Secretariat comment at CEO Endorsement Request Yes.

Agency Response

Stakeholders.

**Does the project include detailed report on stakeholders engaged during the design phase?
Is there an adequate stakeholder engagement plan or equivalent documentation for the implementation phase, with information on Stakeholders who will be engaged, the means of engagement, and dissemination of information?**

Secretariat comment at CEO Endorsement Request Yes.

Agency Response

Gender equality and women's empowerment.

Has the gender analysis been completed? Did the gender analysis identify any gender differences, gaps or opportunities linked to project/program objectives and activities? If so, does the project/program include gender-responsive activities, gender-sensitive indicators and expected results?

Secretariat comment at CEO Endorsement Request Yes.

Agency Response

Monitoring and Evaluation.

Does the project include a budgeted M&E Plan?

Secretariat comment at CEO Endorsement Request Yes.

Agency Response
Cost Effectiveness.

Is the project cost effective?

Secretariat comment at CEO Endorsement Request Yes.

Agency Response
Cost Ranges

If there was a deviation in the cost range, was this explained?

Secretariat comment at CEO Endorsement Request

Agency Response
Part III. Endorsement/Approval by OFP

Country endorsement

Has the project been endorsed by the country's GEF Operational Focal Point and has the name and position been checked against the GEF database?

Secretariat comment at CEO Endorsement Request Yes.

Agency Response
Response to Comments

Are all the comments adequately responded to? (only as applicable)

GEF Secretariat Comment

Agency Response
Other Agencies comments?

Secretariat comment at CEO Endorsement Request

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Council comments

Secretariat comment at CEO Endorsement Request

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STAP Comments

Secretariat comment at CEO Endorsement Request

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Convention Secretariat comments

Secretariat comment at CEO Endorsement Request

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CSOs comments

Secretariat comment at CEO Endorsement Request

Agency Response
GEFSEC DECISION

RECOMMENDATION

Is CEO Endorsement/approval recommended?

Secretariat comment at CEO Endorsement Request

05.06.2022:

This EA is recommended for technical clearance.

04.29.2022:

Not yet.

There seems to be no Social and Environmental Screening information of the project. If the project is exception of ESS policy in UNEP procedure, please provide information about exception.

Review Dates

	Secretariat Comment at CEO Endorsement	Response to Secretariat comments
First Review	3/28/2022	4/5/2022
Additional Review (as necessary)	4/8/2022	5/5/2022
Additional Review (as necessary)	4/29/2022	
Additional Review (as necessary)	5/6/2022	
Additional Review (as necessary)		

CEO Recommendation

Brief reasoning for CEO Recommendations