PROGRAM PROGRESS MONITORING REPORT (PPMR)

I OVERVIEW

A. Description

Program name:	Eliminating hazardous chemicals from supply chains		
Countries:	Cambodia, Costa Rica, Ecuador, India, Mongolia, Pakistan, Peru, Trinidad and Tobago		
GEF ID:	11169	Implementing Agency:	UNEP
Objective:	To transition Fashion and Construction supply chains toward green by design and strengthen the enabling environment necessary to support this transformation		
Fiscal Year of Reporting:	FY 2025	Program Approval Date:	6/2/2023

II OUTCOME PROGRESS

A. Progress by Component

In FY 2025, the Supply Chains Integrated Programme global launch took place in December 2024 and the IP was in its inception phase.

The IP and global child project officially launched in December 2024 in Siem Reap, Cambodia, with the inaugural Project Steering Committee meeting of the global child project taking place during the event. Subsequently, Costa Rica convened its inception workshop in June 2025, with remaining country child project launches planned for later in the year.

The Global Child Project (GCP) made significant strides in advancing programme coordination and knowledge management. Key achievements include conducting an online knowledge needs assessment, drafting a summary report outlining priority knowledge products, and designing the structure for the knowledge platform. The GCP also finalised a one-year action plan, drafted a social media strategy, and played an active role at the 2025 World Circular Economy Forum, as well as other major sectoral events. Bilateral exchanges were initiated with other GEF-8 IPs, and the first draft Terms of Reference for the Programme Advisory Group were circulated.

The programme consists of six core components: design and business models, innovative materials, cleaner production, sustainable consumption, post-use 9Rs, and programme knowledge management. During the current reporting period, progress at the activity level remains limited, as only the Costa Rica country project has commenced its implementation phase. The Trinidad and Tobago project launch is anticipated for July 2025 with the other project countries expected to launch in the months following that. Consequently, implementation activities for the other country child projects have not yet begun.

B. Progress on Cross-cutting Priorities

Gender integration and inclusion: A robust gender action plan has been established, with plans to recruit both a gender and an IPLC consultant in Q4 2025 to drive its implementation at the programme level. In addition, country child projects have developed their own gender action plans, which will be put into action, monitored, and refined following the launch of these projects and the recruitment of national gender consultants in the next reporting period.

Stakeholder engagement: A dedicated stakeholder engagement consultant is in place, and comprehensive engagement plans have been prepared for both programme-wide and country-level activities. These plans will be updated and enacted as country child projects get underway. Notable progress includes the official launch of the IP and the global child project in December 2024 in Siem Reap, Cambodia, marked by the first meeting of the Global Child Project's Steering Committee. The GCP has actively contributed to prominent events such as the 2025 World Circular Economy Forum and other major sectoral gatherings, and has initiated bilateral exchanges with other GEF-8 Integrated Programmes to foster collaboration and mutual learning. The Programme Advisory Group's terms of reference have been approved, with next steps involving outreach to relevant stakeholders for group membership.

Private sector engagement: Initial groundwork has been laid to identify potential avenues for collaboration with private sector partners. Participation in high-profile sectoral events has enabled the global child project to build connections and explore joint initiatives, establishing a foundation for deeper engagement as country-level projects advance.

Knowledge management: A Knowledge Management and Communications consultant has been appointed, driving substantial progress in this area. Achievements include the completion of an online needs assessment and a summary report that highlights priority knowledge products. The development of the knowledge platform's architecture and a targeted social media strategy have significantly increased outreach and visibility. A comprehensive one-year action plan is guiding the ongoing knowledge management efforts.

Capacity building: Capacity building is woven throughout the programme's workstreams, with steps underway to establish an updated monitoring and reporting framework that supports continuous improvement. As country-level child projects are launched and move into implementation, tailored capacity building initiatives will be introduced to empower local teams and ensure effective achievement of the IP's objectives.

C. Contribution to the Levers for Change

This section is specific to GEF-7 Impact Programs and GEF-8 Integrated Programs.

The four transformation levers - governance and policies, innovation and learning, financial leverage, and multi-stakeholder dialogue - form an integral part of the theory of change and are embedded within the objectives and outputs of each child project. During the reporting period, progress on the four transformation levers was primarily driven by activities at the global level, as only the Global Child Project and the Costa Rica Child Project have been launched to date. Additional country-level projects are anticipated to commence later in the year, and updates from these will follow once their implementation phases begin.

With respect to multi-stakeholder dialogue, the Global Child Project played a pivotal role by convening an accelerator session at the 2025 World Circular Economy Forum in Brazil. This event was also supported by speakers from 2 of the Programmes 2 other co-Implementing Agencies, UNIDO and UNDP, as well as the Peru child project. This session facilitated knowledge exchange and collaborative discussions among key stakeholders. Furthermore, a calendar of significant events for engagement throughout 2025 was developed. The programme also organised side events linked to relevant sectors at the Global Framework on Chemicals Open-Ended Working Group (OEWG) event in June 2025, with the support of the Costa Rica child project's

executing agency, and at the Basel, Rotterdam and Stockholm (BRS) Conventions Conference of the Parties (COPs) in May 2025, enhancing cross-sectoral collaboration and visibility.

Bilateral exchanges with other GEF-8 Integrated Programmes were initiated, fostering shared learning and partnership.

D. Partnerships and Trends

This section is specific to GEF-7 Impact Programs and GEF-8 Integrated Programs.

During the reporting period, the IP actively engaged with a broad spectrum of organizations and partners to drive progress on key strategic themes that reflect global priorities for sustainable transformation. Collaboration efforts included participation in the 2025 World Circular Economy Forum in Brazil, where the Global Child Project led an accelerator session to promote knowledge sharing and foster meaningful dialogue among stakeholders across sectors. In addition, a comprehensive calendar of high-impact engagement opportunities was established for 2025, supporting continuous partnership building and cross-sectoral collaboration.

The IP further increased its visibility and influence by organizing side events at the Global Framework on Chemicals Open-Ended Working Group (OEWG) event in June 2025, and the Basel, Rotterdam and Stockholm (BRS) Conventions Conference of the Parties (COPs), reaching diverse audiences and strengthening multi-stakeholder dialogue. Proactive bilateral exchanges with other GEF-8 Integrated Programmes were launched to encourage shared learning and deepen collaborative relationships. Notably, with the plastics reboot IP and the NZNPA IP, underscoring the Program's commitment to integrated, system-wide solutions. Through these initiatives, the Program demonstrated leadership in advancing collaborative innovation and reinforcing strategic alliances that contribute to global sustainable development objectives.

III IMPLEMENTATION PROGRESS

A. Challenges and Adaptive Management

During the reporting period, only the Global Child Project and the Costa Rica Child Project were launched. Both projects have entered their initial implementation phases and are currently progressing according to their respective workplans. Other projects, such as the one in Pakistan, experienced delays due to political unrest, while the Mongolian project was postponed following government restructuring.

B. Proposed Actions

In the coming year, the IP will focus on improving coordination across projects, developing knowledge products on sustainability standards, transparency and traceability, access to finance in the construction sector, creating an Indigenous Peoples and Local Communities (IPLC) engagement plan, and launching an online knowledge platform. Additional actions include enhancing communications, updating the stakeholder

engagement plan, convening the first Project Advisory Group meeting, and standardizing monitoring and evaluation tools to ensure effective implementation and risk management.

C. Child Project Implementation Progress

GEF ID - Project Name	Country	Agency	Rating (IP|DO)	Financing	Disbursed	CEO Endrst. Date	MTR date	Completion Date	Expected Completion Date	TE Date
11173 - Eliminating Hazardous Chemicals from Supply Chains in Peru	Peru	UNDP		4,566,500.00	0.00	01/07/2025			01/12/2031	
11174 - Eliminating Hazardous Chemicals from Supply Chains in Costa Rica	Costa Rica	UNIDO		4,566,500.00	0.00	12/13/2024			12/18/2030	
11175 - Eliminating hazardous chemicals from supply chains in Ecuador	Ecuador	UNDP		6,066,500.00	0.00	01/07/2025			01/12/2031	
11176 - Elimination of Hazardous chemicals from Supply Chains Integrated Programme in Trinidad and Tobago	Trinidad and Tobago	UNEP		2,891,000.00	202,177.00	12/21/2024			12/26/2030	
11178 - Eliminating hazardous chemicals from textile fashion supply chains in India	India	UNIDO		8,511,998.00	0.00	12/10/2024			12/15/2030	
11170 - Eliminating hazardous chemicals from supply chains - Eliminating hazardous chemicals from supply chains in Cambodia	Cambodia	UNEP		6,567,250.00	709,660.00	12/12/2024			12/17/2030	
11171 - Eliminating hazardous chemicals from supply chains in Mongolia	Mongolia	UNDP		3,566,500.00	0.00	12/20/2024			12/25/2030	
11172 - Bananas in Pakistan's Bioeconomy: Transforming Waste into Textile	Pakistan	FAO		3,566,500.00	0.00	12/10/2024			12/15/2030	
11177 - Global replication to eliminate hazardous chemicals from supply chains		UNEP		9,483,000.00	1,301,735.00	06/13/2024			06/18/2030	

Note: The rating scale for the Implementation Progress (IP) and Development Objective (DO) ratings is: Highly Satisfactory **(HS)**, Satisfactory **(S)**, Moderately Satisfactory **(MS)**, Moderately Unsatisfactory **(MU)**, Unsatisfactory **(U)**, Highly Unsatisfactory **(HU)** and Not Rated **(NR)**.

D. Program Results

Indicator Name (Unit of measure)	Latest value (Actual)	Closing target (Expected)
4 Area of landscapes under improved practices (Hectares)	-	2,890,999
4.1 Area of landscapes under improved management to benefit biodiversity (Hectares)	-	2,134,586
4.3 Area of landscapes under sustainable land management in production systems (Hectares)	-	756,413
6 Greenhouse Gas Emissions Mitigated (Tons)	-	10,665,818
6.1 Carbon Sequestered or Emissions Avoided in the AFOLU sector (Tons)	-	848,714
6.2 Emissions Avoided Outside AFOLU Sector (Tons)	-	9,817,104
6.5 AFOLU - Direct (Tons)	-	2,965,038
6.6 AFOLU - InDirect (Tons)	-	7,700,780
9 Chemicals of global concern and their waste reduced (Metric Tons)	-	53,414
9.1 Solid and liquid Persistent Organic Pollutants (POPs) removed or disposed (POPs type) (Metric Tons)	-	51,797
9.2 Quantity of mercury reduced (Metric Tons)	-	0
9.4 Number of countries with legislation and policy implemented to control chemicals and waste (Number)	-	5
9.5 Number of low-chemical/non-chemical systems implemented, particularly in food production, manufacturing and cities (Number)	-	4
9.7 Highly Hazardous Pesticides eliminated (Metric Tons)	-	1,617
9.8 Avoided residual plastic waste (Metric Tons)	-	26,938
10 Persistent organic pollutants to air reduced (Grams)	-	155
10.1 Number of countries with legislation and policy implemented to control emissions of POPs to air (Number)	-	1
10.2 Number of emission control technologies/practices implemented (Number)	-	1
11 People benefiting from GEF-financed investments (Number)	-	1,664,082
11.1 Female (Number)	-	840,334
11.2 Male (Number)	-	823,748

E. Program Co-financing

Co-financing Type	Latest amount disbursed (Actual)	Closing target (Expected)
In-kind	0.00	227,759,971.54
Grant	0.00	180,852,440.00
Equity	0.00	19,200,000.00
Loans	0.00	10,000,000.00
Total	0.00	437,812,411.54

Co-financing Source	Latest amount disbursed (Actual)	Closing target (Expected)
Recipient Country Government	0.00	130,963,880.54
Civil Society Organization	0.00	18,924,746.00
Others	0.00	16,832,480.00
GEF Agency	0.00	10,806,136.00
Private Sector	0.00	254,925,169.00
Donor Agency	0.00	5,360,000.00
Total	0.00	437,812,411.54

ANNEXES

A. Results Framework

During the reporting period, only the Global Child Project and the Costa Rica Child Project were launched. Both projects have entered their initial implementation phases and are currently progressing according to their respective workplans. As of now, no additional child projects have been initiated. The programme indicators, which largely align with the GEF Core Indicators, have been established. Additional programme indicators have also been included, such as the adoption of circularity practices, public participation in governance, and financial mobilisation. The updated indicative results framework will be provided as remaining child projects commence, and more data becomes available.

B. Uploaded document

Document Title

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