



GEF SECRETARIAT REVIEW FOR FULL/MEDIUM-SIZED PROJECTS* THE GEF/LDCF/SCCF TRUST FUNDS

GEF ID:	5159		
Country/Region:	Myanmar		
Project Title:	Strengthening Sustainability of Protected Area Management		
GEF Agency:	UNDP	GEF Agency Project ID:	5162 (UNDP)
Type of Trust Fund:	GEF Trust Fund	GEF Focal Area (s):	Biodiversity
GEF-5 Focal Area/ LDCF/SCCF Objective (s):	BD-1; BD-1; Project Mana;		
Anticipated Financing PPG:	\$100,457	Project Grant:	\$6,027,397
Co-financing:	\$17,896,300	Total Project Cost:	\$24,024,154
PIF Approval:	February 20, 2013	Council Approval/Expected:	April 12, 2013
CEO Endorsement/Approval		Expected Project Start Date:	
Program Manager:	Ulrich Apel	Agency Contact Person:	Midori Paxton

Review Criteria	Questions	Secretariat Comment at PIF (PFD)/Work Program Inclusion ¹	Secretariat Comment At CEO Endorsement(FSP)/Approval (MSP)
Eligibility	1. Is the participating country eligible?	Yes.	Yes. 09/08/2014 UA
	2. Has the operational focal point endorsed the project?	Yes. Letter dated 7 Sep 2012.	
Agency's Comparative Advantage	3. Is the Agency's comparative advantage for this project clearly described and supported?	Yes.	Yes. 09/08/2014 UA
	4. If there is a non-grant instrument in the project, is the GEF Agency capable of managing it?	n/a	n/a
	5. Does the project fit into the Agency's program and staff capacity in the country?	Yes.	Yes. 09/08/2014 UA

*Some questions here are to be answered only at PIF or CEO endorsement. No need to provide response in gray cells.

¹ Work Program Inclusion (WPI) applies to FSPs only. Submission of FSP PIFs will simultaneously be considered for WPI.

FSP/MSP review template: updated 11-22-2010

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Resource Availability	6. Is the proposed Grant (including the Agency fee) within the resources available from (mark all that apply):		
	• the STAR allocation?	Yes.	Yes. 09/08/2014 UA
	• the focal area allocation?	Yes. The proposal uses all of the country's BD STAR.	Yes. 09/08/2014 UA
	• the LDCF under the principle of equitable access	n/a	n/a
	• the SCCF (Adaptation or Technology Transfer)?	n/a	n/a
	• Nagoya Protocol Investment Fund	n/a	n/a
	• focal area set-aside?	n/a	n/a
Project Consistency	7. Is the project aligned with the focal /multifocal areas/ LDCF/SCCF/NPIF results framework?	Yes.	Yes. 09/08/2014 UA
	8. Are the relevant GEF 5 focal/ multifocal areas/LDCF/SCCF/NPIF objectives identified?	BD-1	BD-1 09/08/2014 UA
	9. Is the project consistent with the recipient country's national strategies and plans or reports and assessments under relevant conventions, including NPFE, NAPA, NCSA, or NAP?	Yes. Consistent with Myanmar's NBSAP (2012)	Yes. Refer to comments at PIF stage. 09/08/2014 UA
	10. Does the proposal clearly articulate how the capacities developed, if any, will contribute to the sustainability of project outcomes?	Yes. Sustainability is being addressed within the institutional framework and participatory approach piloted.	Yes. Refer to comments at PIF stage. 09/08/2014 UA
	11. Is (are) the baseline project(s), including problem (s) that the baseline project(s) seek/s to	Yes. Current situation, the baseline project, and problems and threats are clearly described.	09/08/2014 UA: Yes. Refer to comments at PIF stage.

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Project Design	address, sufficiently described and based on sound data and assumptions?		
	12. Has the cost-effectiveness been sufficiently demonstrated, including the cost-effectiveness of the project design approach as compared to alternative approaches to achieve similar benefits?		09/08/2014 UA: Yes.
	13. Are the activities that will be financed using GEF/LDCF/SCCF funding based on incremental/additional reasoning?	Yes. Incremental GEF support will create an expanded and better managed PA network.	09/08/2014 UA: Yes. Refer to comments at PIF stage.
	14. Is the project framework sound and sufficiently clear?	Yes.	09/08/2014 UA: Yes.
	15. Are the applied methodology and assumptions for the description of the incremental/additional benefits sound and appropriate?	Yes. Refer to table in section B2 of the PIF.	09/08/2014 UA: Yes. Refer to comments at PIF stage.
	16. Is there a clear description of: a) the socio-economic benefits, including gender dimensions, to be delivered by the project, and b) how will the delivery of such benefits support the achievement of incremental/additional benefits?	Yes. Refer to section B3 of the PIF.	09/08/2014 UA: Yes. Refer to comments at PIF stage.
	17. Is public participation, including CSOs and indigeneous people, taken into consideration, their role identified and addressed properly?	Yes. Refer to section B3 of the PIF. Further details on the participation of indigenous peoples are expected at CEO endorsement.	09/08/2014 UA: Yes. Further details are provided in the UNDP Project Document.
	18. Does the project take into account potential major risks, including the consequences of climate change and provides sufficient risk mitigation measures? (i.e., climate	Yes. Refer to section B4 of the PIF.	09/08/2014 UA: Yes. Refer to comments at PIF stage.

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	resilience)		
	19. Is the project consistent and properly coordinated with other related initiatives in the country or in the region?	Yes.	09/08/2014 UA: Yes. The project is now also coordinated with the GEF-5 GMS-FBP program.
	20. Is the project implementation/ execution arrangement adequate?	Yes. UNDP partners with MOECAAF and WCS.	09/08/2014 UA: Yes. Refer to comments at PIF stage.
	21. Is the project structure sufficiently close to what was presented at PIF, with clear justifications for changes?		09/08/2014 UA: Yes. The project is fully in line with what has been approved at PIF stage. Some minor changes have been justified.
	22. If there is a non-grant instrument in the project, is there a reasonable calendar of reflows included?		n/a
Project Financing	23. Is funding level for project management cost appropriate?	Yes. <5%	09/08/2014 UA: Yes. Refer to comments at PIF stage.
	24. Is the funding and co-financing per objective appropriate and adequate to achieve the expected outcomes and outputs?	Yes.	09/08/2014 UA: Yes. Refer to comments at PIF stage.
	25. At PIF: comment on the indicated cofinancing; At CEO endorsement: indicate if confirmed co-financing is provided.	Ratio of 3:1, in grant financing. This is accepted at PIF stage. Please make every effort to increase co-financing ratio during project preparation.	Confirmation of UNDP and GoM contributions has been requested.
	26. Is the co-financing amount that the Agency is bringing to the project in line with its role?	Yes. UNDP contributes \$12 million grant financing.	09/08/2014 UA: Yes. Refer to comments at PIF stage.

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Project Monitoring and Evaluation	27. Have the appropriate Tracking Tools been included with information for all relevant indicators, as applicable?		09/08/2014 UA: Yes. BD-1 Tracking Tool provided.
	28. Does the proposal include a budgeted M&E Plan that monitors and measures results with indicators and targets?		09/08/2014 UA: Yes.
Agency Responses	29. Has the Agency responded adequately to comments from:		
	• STAP?		09/08/2014 UA: Yes.
	• Convention Secretariat?		n/a
	• Council comments?		n/a
	• Other GEF Agencies?		n/a
Secretariat Recommendation			
Recommendation at PIF Stage	30. Is PIF clearance/approval being recommended?	03 October 2012 UA: Yes. This PIF has been technically cleared and may be included in an upcoming Work Program.	
	31. Items to consider at CEO endorsement/approval.	see #17 on the participation of indigenous people. see #25 on co-financing.	
Recommendation at CEO Endorsement/ Approval	32. At endorsement/approval, did Agency include the progress of PPG with clear information of commitment status of the PPG?		09/08/2014 UA: Yes.
	33. Is CEO endorsement/approval being recommended?		
Review Date (s)	First review*	October 03, 2012	September 08, 2014
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REQUEST FOR PPG APPROVAL

Review Criteria	Decision Points	Program Manager Comments
PPG Budget	1. Are the proposed activities for project preparation appropriate?	Yes.
	2. Is itemized budget justified?	Yes.
Secretariat Recommendation	3. Is PPG approval being recommended?	December 3, 2012 UA: Yes. The PM has technically cleared the PPG for subsequent CEO approval. Please note that PPG approval is pending CEO clearance of the PIF.
	4. Other comments	
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