

## Global Environment Facility

### Enabling Activity Add - on Component

Country	:	SUDAN
Project Title	:	Strengthening the National Clearing House Mechanism Focal Point for Participation in the Pilot Phase of the CHM of the CBD
GEF Focal Areas	:	Biodiversity
Country Eligibility	:	Ratified the CBD
GEF Financing Requested	:	US\$ 14,000
GEF Implementing Agency	:	UNEP
National Implementing Agency:		Higher Council for Environment and Natural Resources
National CHM Focal Point Designated	:	Yes
Project Duration	:	Up to the end of Pilot Phase of the CHM of the CBD.

#### **Background / Context:**

In line with Decision 11/7 and 11/17 of the Second Meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the CBD, the Higher Council for the Environment and Natural Resources [HCENR] is implementing a GEF funded project for the preparation of a national Biodiversity strategy, action plan and the first national report to the CBD [BSAP].

Facilitating capacity-building in relation to the operation of the Clearing House Mechanism (CHM) of the CBD in developing country parties is one of the enabling activity components stipulated in the GEF Operational Criteria for Biodiversity Enabling Activities Pursuant to

Decisions 11/3 and 111/4 of the Cop. This proposal requested as an add-on component to the BSAP enabling activity, will permit Sudan to participate in the pilot phase of the CHM and to fulfill the requirement of Decisions 1/3, 11/3 and 111/4 of the COP.

The requested budget for this activity is shown in the following table:

Item	GEF Estimated Cost Norm (US\$)	Country Actual Proposed (US\$)
- Hardware (PC of appropriate configuration)	0-4,000	4,000
- Software (Internet browser and required software)	0-1,000	1,000
- Modem	0-500	500
- Recurrent Access Costs to Internet Service Provider (up to end of CHM Pilot Phase 1998)	0-3,800	3,800
- Technician Set-up Fees	500-700	700
- Internet and E-mail Training for CHM Focal Point **	1,000-4,000	4,000
Total	1,500-14,000	14,000

\* Group 1 country, option A:-

SUDAN has the required telecommunications infrastructure and Internet connecting. It has designated a Focal Point for the CAM, i.e. Dr. Nadir Mohamed Awad, Secretary General, HCENR, who will be directly responsible for the operations of the CHM of the CBD.

The HCENR is also the national implementing agency for the "National Biodiversity Strategy, Action Plan and First National Report to the CBD" Project endorsed by the GEF in February 1998.

\* Training for the CHM Focal Point will be carried out under an agreement with the suppliers of the hardware/software that will be purchased under the project.

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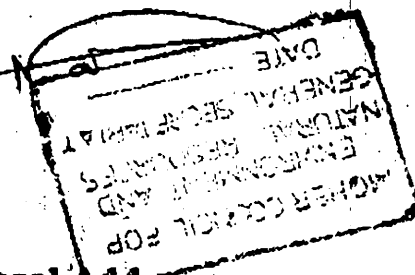
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Subject : Enabling Activity Proposal Add-on Component

Attached herewith, is the proposal for the above mentioned subject. I will appreciate it if you kindly submit this proposal to the GEF Secretariat.

Best regards.