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Subject: Endorsement of PIF of the Project: Expanding coverage and management effectiveness of the subsystem of forest protected areas in the national system of protected areas

Dear Mr. Ayub,

With reference to the above mentioned Project, please find enclosed a copy of the endorsement letter which has been endorsed by Prof. Dr. Hasan Zuhuri SARIKAYA, Undersecretary of Environment and Forestry, as the GEF Operational Focal Point of Turkey.

We would look forward to your kind consideration in these matters.

Yours sincerely,

Dr. Mustafa ER
Acting Head of Department
On Behalf of Minister

Enc.: Copy of the Endorsement Letter (1 page)



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ENDORSEMENT LETTER

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Subject: Endorsement of PIF of the Project: Expanding coverage and management effectiveness of the subsystem of forest protected areas in the national system of protected areas

Dear Mrs. Barbut,

On behalf of the Government of Turkey and in my capacity as GEF Operational Focal Point, I hereby endorse the PIF of the project "Expanding coverage and management effectiveness of the subsystem of forest protected areas in the national system of protected areas" to be presented through the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) to the Global Environment Facility (GEF). Also, I hereby declare that the Ministry of Environment and Forestry is fully dedicated to participate as a partner in the implementation of the above mentioned project.

With this project, Turkey is committed to use US\$ 1.1 million of its RAF allocation under Biodiversity Focal Area (inclusive of IA fee) for the implementation of this project.

Looking forward to your kind consideration in this matter.

Yours Sincerely,

Prof. Dr. Hasan Zuhuri SARIKAYA
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LETTER OF CO-FINANCING

To: Mahmood A. AYUB
UNDP Resident Representative - Turkey
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06610 Çankaya, Ankara

Re: Enhancing coverage and management effectiveness of the subsystem of forest protected areas in Turkey's national system of protected areas

Dear Mr. AYUB,

This is to express our commitment to the above mentioned project.

The Government of Turkey is committing: US\$ 1,396,000 (160,000 in cash and 1,236,000 in kind) for the implementation of the project "Enhancing coverage and management effectiveness of the subsystem of forest protected areas in Turkey's national system of protected areas" starting with 2008.

I look forward to a very successful collaboration with the UNDP - GEF.

Sincerely,

Prof. Dr. Hasan Zuhuri SARIKAYA
Undersecretary
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Subject: Enhancing coverage and management effectiveness of the subsystem of forest protected areas in Turkey's national system of protected areas

Dear Mr. Ayub,

We are pleased to hear the GEF Secretariat's approval of Project Identification Form (PIF) for the project above. Since we were involved in its designation, we are strongly willing to work with your organization and the Ministry of Environment and Forestry in a project, which would further the development of the Kure Mountains National Park. We also believe that this project would be critical in ensuring the conservation of other forest protected areas in the country, which are among our priority sites for conservation.

With proven experience of 30 years in nature conservation in Turkey; we would like to contribute to the implementation of this project, by providing advisory role as well as by taking active responsibility. Having access to international know-how within the global WWF network, we would be able to bring in innovative concepts, tools and methodologies for effective protected area management and sustainable resource use, such as, PAN Parks, High Conservation Value Forests, Protected Area Tracking Tool, etc. WWF-Turkey could also act as an active stakeholder in implementing almost all the project components and in carrying out various project activities, including development of a volunteer support program, elaboration of a sustainable tourism development strategy, advocacy and awareness raising, strengthening the capacity of local NGOs, sustainable forest management.

We, hereby, are pleased to allocate a certain amount of in-kind support as much as our financial capacity permits. More specifically, our contribution will be allocation of a vehicle which could be used in implementing the project activities, in which WWF-Turkey will be involved. Estimated value of this contribution would be US\$ 36.000, throughout the project duration. While extending our appreciation to your generous contribution, we hope our commitment would be an additional asset for realizing this project, which will enable us to demonstrate a fruitful cooperation between an NGO and a GO as well as other stakeholders.

Yours sincerely,

Filiz Demirayak
Chief Executive Officer