



## GEF SECRETARIAT REVIEW FOR AN ENABLING ACTIVITY

GEF ID:	<b>5189</b>		
Country/Region:	<b>Bangladesh</b>		
Project Title:	<b>Third National Communication to the UNFCCC</b>		
GEF Agency:	<b>UNDP</b>	GEF Agency Project ID:	<b>5170 (UNDP)</b>
Type of Trust Fund:	<b>GEF Trust Fund</b>	GEF Focal Area (s):	<b>Climate Change</b>
GEF-5 Focal Area/ LDCF/SCCF Objective (s):			
Anticipated Financing PPG:	<b>\$0</b>	Project Grant:	<b>\$456,621</b>
Co-financing:		Total Project Cost:	<b>\$456,621</b>
PIF Approval:		Council Approval/Expected:	
CEO Endorsement/Approval		Expected Project Start Date:	
Program Manager:	<b>Rawleston Moore</b>	Agency Contact Person:	<b>Yanil Bonduki</b>

Review Criteria	Questions	Secretariat Comment
Eligibility	1. Is the participating country eligible?	Bangladesh is eligible to receive resources. (26th October 2012 RM)
	2. Has the operational focal point endorsed the project? * <sup>1</sup>	The operational focal point has provided an endorsement letter which is on file.
Agency's Comparative Advantage	3. Is the Agency's comparative advantage for this project clearly described and supported? *	UNDP has considerable experience with enabling activities, and has comparative for this kind of activity.
	4. Does the project fit into the Agency's program and staff capacity in the country? *	The project fits into the agency's program and staff capacity in the country. There are a number of climate change projects in Bangladesh being implemented by UNDP.
Resource Availability	5. Is the proposed Grant (including the Agency fee) within the resources available from (mark all that apply):	
	• the STAR allocation?	
	• the focal area allocation?	
	• focal area set-aside?	The resources are available in the focal are set-aside, for national communications.

<sup>1</sup> Questions 2, 3, 4, 18 and 19 are applicable only to EAs submitted through Agencies.  
EA review template: updated June 7 2011

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Project Consistency	6. Is the project aligned with the focal areas results framework?	The project is aligned with the focal areas result framework. This project will allow for Bangladesh to prepare its national communications.
	7. Are the relevant GEF 5 focal areas objectives identified?	The project is aligned with focal area objective CCM 6.
	8. 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?	The project will allow Bangladesh to prepare its national communications and submit it to the UNFCCC.
	9. Does the proposal clearly articulate how the capacities developed, if any, will contribute to the sustainability of project outcomes?	The project will enhance capacity within the Government of Bangladesh institutions, and strengthen the coordination and information flows among ministries and different level of government and civil society.
	10. Is the project framework sound and sufficiently clear?	For the most part the project framework is sound and sufficiently clear. However there is a need for a few clarifications. For the greenhouse gas inventory the project proposes to use both the IPCC 1996 and 2006 guidelines. Clarification is requested on this issue.  Output 4.5 Nature and framework of a national CDM network to be suggested and elaborated is currently not eligible to receive GEF resources.
	11. Is there a clear description of how gender dimensions are being considered in the project design and implementation?	Clarification should be provided as to whether gender dimensions will be considered for example in the National Steering Committee or the Core national team.
	12. Is public participation, including CSOs and indigenous people, taken into consideration, their role identified and addressed properly?	Yes.
	13. Is the project consistent and properly coordinated with other related initiatives in the country or in the region?	The project is consistent with other climate change projects currently being implemented by UNDP in Bangladesh.
	14. Is the project implementation/ execution arrangement adequate?	The project implementation/execution arrangements are adequate. The project will be implemented by the Ministry of Environment and Forests, through its technical wing, the Department of the Environment.
	15. Is the itemized budget (including consultant fees, travel, office facilities, etc) justified?	The itemized budget is justified.

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Project Financing	16. Is funding level for project management cost appropriate?	The funding level for project management cost is appropriate.
	17. Is the funding and co-financing per objective appropriate and adequate to achieve the expected outcomes and outputs?	N/A
	18. Is indicated co-financing appropriate for an enabling activity?	The project is financed at full cost and thus does not require cofinancing.
	19. Is the co-financing amount that the Agency is bringing to the project in line with its role?*	There is no cofinancing being provided by the agency for this project.
	20. Comments related to adequacy of information submitted by country for financial management and procurement assessment.	
Agency Responses	21. Has the Agency responded adequately to comments from:*	
	• STAP?	
	• Convention Secretariat?	
	• Other GEF Agencies?	

Secretariat Recommendation		
Recommendation	<b>22. Is EA clearance/approval being recommended?</b>	<p>26th October 2012</p> <p>EA clearance is not being recommended at this moment.</p> <p>For the greenhouse gas inventory the project proposes to use both the IPCC 1996 and 2006 guidelines. Clarification is requested on this issue.</p> <p>Output 4.5 Nature and framework of a national CDM network to be suggested and elaborated is currently not eligible to receive GEF resources. Please remove this item.</p> <p>The second national communications of Bangladesh has not yet been submitted, and there is no suggested date for submittal of the second national communication. The project cannot be approved unless the second national communication of Bangladesh is submitted. The Agency is requested to clarify the submission date of the second national communication with the country. Please convey this information to the GEF Secretariat, so that a follow-up discussion on the timing of the EA approval can be held.</p> <p>March 1st 2013. (RM)</p> <p>The clarifications which have been provided are satisfactory. Confirmation has been received from UNFCCC that Bangladesh submitted its national communications in December 2012. EA clearance and approval is recommended.</p>
	First review**	
	Additional review (as necessary)	
	Additional review (as necessary)	
Review Date (s)		

**\*\* This is the first time the Program Manager provides full comments for the project. Subsequent follow-up reviews should be recorded. For specific comments for each section, please insert a date after comments. Greyed areas in each section do not need comments.**