

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

GEF ID:	5750		
Country/Region:	Global		
Project Title:	Mainstreaming Sustainable Management of Tea Production Landscapes		
GEF Agency:	UNEP	GEF Agency Project ID:	
Type of Trust Fund:	GEF Trust Fund	GEF Focal Area (s):	Land Degradation
GEF-5 Focal Area/ LDCF/SCCF Objective (s):		LD-1; LD-1; LD-3; LD-3; LD-4;	
Anticipated Financing PPG:	\$0	Project Grant:	\$1,999,601
Co-financing:	\$12,140,000	Total Project Cost:	\$14,139,601
PIF Approval:		Council Approval/Expected:	
CEO Endorsement/Approval		Expected Project Start Date:	
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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 ?		03/13/2014 UA: Yes, the countries participating in this global project are all eligible.
	2. Has the operational focal point endorsed the project?		03/13/2014 UA: N/A for a global project.
Resource Availability	3. Is the proposed Grant (including the Agency fee) within the resources available from (mark all that apply):		
	 the STAR allocation? the focal area allocation?		n/a n/a
	• the LDCF under the principle of equitable access		n/a
	• the SCCF (Adaptation or Technology Transfer)?		n/a

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

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¹ Work Program Inclusion (WPI) applies to FSPs only . Submission of FSP PIFs will simultaneously be considered for WPI. FSP/MSP review template: updated January 2013

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	• the Nagoya Protocol Investment Fund		n/a
	• focal area set-aside?		03/13/2014 UA: Yes.
Strategic Alignment	4. Is the project aligned with the focal area/multifocal areas/ LDCF/SCCF/NPIF results framework and strategic objectives? For BD projects: Has the project explicitly articulated which Aichi Target(s) the project will help achieve and are SMART indicators identified, that will be used to track progress toward achieving the Aichi target(s). 5. Is the project consistent with the recipient country's national strategies and plans or reports		03/13/2014 UA: Yes. Fully aligned with LD-1 and LD-3. 03/13/2014 UA: Yes.
	and assessments under relevant conventions, including NPFE, NAPA, NCSA, NBSAP or NAP?		
	6. Is (are) the baseline project(s) , including problem(s) that the baseline project(s) seek/s to address, sufficiently described and based on sound data and assumptions?		03/13/2014 UA: Yes.
	7. Are the components, outcomes and outputs in the project framework (Table B) clear, sound and appropriately detailed?		03/13/2014 UA: Yes.
Project Design	8. (a) Are global environmental/ adaptation benefits identified? (b) Is the description of the incremental/additional reasoning sound and appropriate?		03/13/2014 UA: Yes.

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	9. 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?		03/13/2014 UA: Yes. Adequately described in the project document.
	10. Is the role of public participation, including CSOs, and indigenous peoples where relevant, identified and explicit means for their engagement explained?		03/13/2014 UA: Yes. CSOs and private sector businesses will be actively participating.
	11. Does the project take into account potential major risks, including the consequences of climate change, and describes sufficient risk mitigation measures? (e.g., measures to enhance climate resilience)		03/13/2014 UA: Yes.
	12. Is the project consistent and properly coordinated with other related initiatives in the country or in the region?		03/13/2014 UA: Yes. Further coordination efforts are expected in the inception phase.
	 13. Comment on the project's innovative aspects, sustainability, and potential for scaling up. Assess whether the project is innovative and if so, how, and if not, why not. Assess the project's strategy for sustainability, and the likelihood of achieving this based on GEF and Agency experience. Assess the potential for 		 O3/13/2014 UA: Innovation: Incentive and certification approach to changing land management practices. Sustainability: Provided through application of Sustainable Agricultural Network (SAN) standards. Scaling-up: Likely through Rainforest Alliance Certification schemes.

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	scaling up the project's intervention.		
	14. Is the project structure/design sufficiently close to what was presented at PIF, with clear justifications for changes?		03/13/2014 UA: This is a one-step approval MSP that has benefitted from upstream consultation with GEFSEC.
	15. Has the cost-effectiveness of the project been sufficiently demonstrated, including the cost-effectiveness of the project design as compared to alternative approaches to achieve similar benefits?		03/13/2014 UA: Yes.
	16. Is the GEF funding and co- financing as indicated in Table B appropriate and adequate to achieve the expected outcomes and outputs?		03/13/2014 UA: Yes.
Project Financing	17. At PIF: Is the indicated amount and composition of co-financing as indicated in Table C adequate? Is the amount that the Agency bringing to the project in line with its role? At CEO endorsement: Has co-financing been confirmed?		03/13/2014 UA: Yes. The total amount of \$12.4 million is adequate and includes a variety of sources confirming a solid baseline funding.
	18. Is the funding level for project management cost appropriate?		03/13/2014 UA: Yes.
	19. At PIF, is PPG requested? If the requested amount deviates from the norm, has the Agency provided adequate justification that the level requested is in line with project design needs? At CEO endorsement/ approval, if PPG is completed, did Agency report on the activities using the PPG fund?		n/a

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	20. If there is a non-grant instrument in the project, is there a reasonable calendar of reflows included?		n/a
Project Monitoring and Evaluation	21. Have the appropriate Tracking Tools been included with information for all relevant indicators, as applicable?		03/13/2014 UA: Yes. LD tracking tool submitted.
	22. Does the proposal include a budgeted M&E Plan that monitors and measures results with indicators and targets?		03/13/2014 UA: Yes.
Agency Responses	23. Has the Agency adequately responded to comments from:STAP?		n/a
	 Convention Secretariat? The Council? Other GEF Agencies? 		n/a n/a n/a
Secretariat Recommer			
Recommendation at PIF Stage	24. Is PIF clearance/approval being recommended? 25. Items to consider at CEO endorsement/approval.		
Recommendation at CEO Endorsement/	26. Is CEO endorsement/approval being recommended?		03/13/2014 UA: Yes. program Manager recommends this one-step MSP for CEO approval.
Approval	First review* Additional review (as necessary)		March 13, 2014
Review Date (s)	Additional review (as necessary)		

^{*} 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.