

GEF SECRETARIAT REVIEW FOR DIRECT ACCESS TO ENABLING ACTIVITY

GEF ID:	5884		
Country/Region:	Yemen		
Project Title:	Support to the Alignment of National Action Programme to the UNCCD 10 Years Strategy and Reporting Process		
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):			
Anticipated Financing PPG:	\$0	Project Grant:	\$136,986
Co-financing:	\$150,000	Total Project Cost:	\$286,986
PIF Approval:		Council Approval/Expected:	
CEO Endorsement/Approval		Expected Project Start Date:	
Program Manager:	Jean-Marc Sinnassamy	Agency Contact Person:	Adamou Bouhari

Review Criteria	Questions	Secretariat Comment
Eligibility	1.Is the participating country eligible?2.Has the operational focal point endorsed the project?*1	Party to UNCCD in 1996 Yes, a letter signed by the GEF OFP is available.
Agency's Comparative Advantage	3. Is the Agency's comparative advantage for this project clearly described and supported? *	Addressed.
	4. Does the project fit into the Agency's program and staff capacity in the country?*	Addressed.
Resource Availability	5. Is the proposed Grant (including the Agency fee) within the resources available from (mark all that apply):	
	• the STAR allocation?	NA
	• the focal area allocation?	Yes.
	• focal area set-aside?	Yes.
	6. Is the project aligned with the focal areas results framework?	Yes.

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	7. Are the relevant GEF 5 focal areas objectives	Yes. LD4.
	identified? 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?	Yes.
Project Consistency	9. Does the proposal clearly articulate how the capacities developed, if any, will contribute to the sustainability of project outcomes?	Yes.
	10. Is the project framework sound and sufficiently clear?	Yes.
	11. Is there a clear description of how gender dimensions are being considered in the project design and implementation?	Yes.
	12. Is public participation, including CSOs and indigeneous 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?	Addressed.
	14. Is the project implementation/ execution arrangement adequate?	OK.
Project Financing	15. Is the itemized budget (including consultant fees, travel, office facilities, etc) justified?	Addressed.
	16. Is funding level for project management cost appropriate?	Yes. 10 percent.
	17. Is the funding and co-financing per objective appropriate and adequate to achieve the expected outcomes and outputs?	Acceptable.
	18. Is indicated co-financing appropriate for an enabling activity?	Addressed.
	19. Is the co-financing amount that the Agency is	Acceptable.

 $^{^1}$ 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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	bringing to the project in line with its role?*	
	20. Comments related to adequacy of information	
	submitted by country for financial management	
	and procurement assessment.	
	21. Has the Agency responded adequately to	
	comments from:*	
Agency Responses	• STAP?	
	Convention Secretariat?	
	Other GEF Agencies?	

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Secretariat Recommendation		
	22. Is EA clearance/approval being	The request is recommended for approval.
Recommendation	recommended?	
	First review**	June 10, 2014
Review Date (s)	Additional review (as necessary)	
	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.

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