



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

GEF ID:	4908		
Country/Region:	Chad		
Project Title:	GGWâ€“Agriculture Production Support Project (with Sustainable Land and Water Management)		
GEF Agency:	World Bank	GEF Agency Project ID:	131019 (World Bank)
Type of Trust Fund:	Multi Trust Fund	GEF Focal Area (s):	Multi Focal Area
GEF-5 Focal Area/ LDCF/SCCF Objective (s):	LD-3; CCA-1; BD-2; SFM/REDD+-1; Project Mana;		
Anticipated Financing PPG:	\$0	Project Grant:	\$9,259,259
Co-financing:	\$102,250,000	Total Project Cost:	\$111,509,259
PIF Approval:	May 26, 2011	Council Approval/Expected:	May 26, 2011
CEO Endorsement/Approval		Expected Project Start Date:	
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Review Criteria	Questions	Secretariat Comment at PIF (PFD)/Work Program Inclusion	Secretariat Comment At CEO Endorsement(FSP)/Approval (MSP)
Eligibility	1. Is the participating country eligible? 2. Has the operational focal point endorsed the project?	At PFD level, an indicative endorsement of GEF resources was mentioned pending completion of the National Portfolio Formulation Exercise. Actually, the mentioned amounts of GEF and LDCF resources are those planned in this project. Please, provide a full letter of endorsement. April 10, 2012 Addressed.	Addressed.
Agency's Comparative Advantage	3. Is the Agency's comparative advantage for this project clearly described and supported?		Addressed.
	4. If there is a non-grant instrument in the project, is the GEF Agency capable of managing it?		The WB is providing two soft loans (PAPA and LDSP II) each of \$25 million.

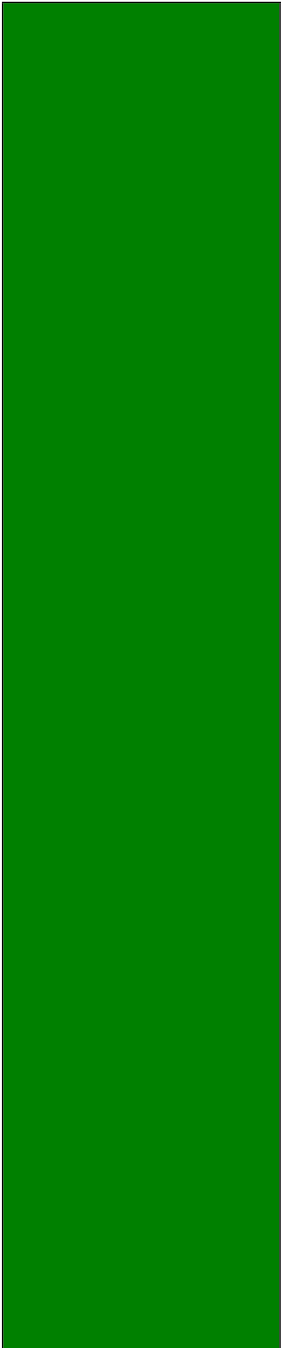
	5. Does the project fit into the Agency's program and staff capacity in the country?		Addressed. p. 24-25 of the CEO endorsement.
Resource Availability	6. Is the proposed Grant (including the Agency fee) within the resources available from (mark all that apply):		
	• the STAR allocation?		Addressed.
	• the focal area allocation?		Addressed.
	• the LDCF under the principle of equitable access		CCA: YES. The proposed grant (\$5 million) is available under the LDCF in accordance with the principle of equitable access.
	• the SCCF (Adaptation or Technology Transfer)?		
	• Nagoya Protocol Investment Fund		
	• focal area set-aside?		<p>The Project is leveraging SFM/REDD+ resources in a ratio of 1:4.</p> <p>We understand the expedited process for this project due to the emergent situation in Chad. However, reading the title and the project objective ("PSG " Agriculture production support project (with Sustainable Land and Water Management)" and "To support rural communities and producer organizations in increasing production of selected food crops and livestock in targeted zones while increasing the use of sustainable land and water management practices in climate vulnerable ecosystems", we need further details if the project has to do with existing forests and is appropriate for SFM objectives and funding. Please clarify.</p>

		<p>April 10, 2012 Apparently, this comment above was merged with another cell and a comment from the LDCF. The point has not been addressed.</p> <p>Moreover, we find discrepancies in the total of GEFTF and LDCF resources in the table B, as well as for the cofinancing. Please, correct.</p>
Project Consistency	7. Is the project aligned with the focal /multifocal areas/ LDCF/SCCF/NPIF results framework?	Yes. The proposed project is aligned with the LDCF/SCCF and the multifocal area results framework.
	8. Are the relevant GEF 5 focal/ multifocal areas/LDCF/SCCF/NPIF objectives identified?	<p>Not clear for the GEF Trust Fund and notably the BD allocation: According to the Table A, the proposed GEF-BD grant would contribute to outcome 2.1 in developing national and sub-national land-use plans that incorporate biodiversity and ecosystem service valuation, therefore, please further detail the activities which would contribute to highlight the integration of the ecosystem services valuation.</p> <p>CCA: NOT CLEAR. According to the Focal Area Strategy Framework (Table A), the proposed LDCF grant would contribute towards CCA-2 and, specifically outcomes 2.2 and 2.3, through outputs 2.2.1 "adaptive capacity of regional and national centers and networks strengthened to rapidly respond to extreme weather events; and 2.3.1 "targeted population groups participating in adaptation and risk reduction awareness activities".</p> <p>The focal area objectives identified do not appear to correspond well with the</p>

			<p>financing. According to the CEO Endorsement Request, the latter would include tangible investments in climate-resilient water management and agricultural production, which would appear to contribute towards CCA-1.2 or CCA-3.1. Consequently, CCA-2.2 and 2.3 do not appear to capture the full range of adaptation measures supported.</p> <p>RECOMMENDED ACTION: Upon addressing CCA recommendations under sections 13, 14 and 15 below, please ensure that Table A of the CEO Endorsement Request captures the most relevant LDCF/SCCF objectives, outcomes and outputs towards which the proposed project would contribute.</p> <p>04/09/2012 -- CCA: YES. The Focal Area Strategy Framework has been clarified as recommended. The proposed LDCF grant will contribute towards CCA-1.2 and, specifically, Output 1.2.1 on strengthening vulnerable physical, natural and social assets in response to climate change impacts, including variability.</p> <p>April 10, 2012 GEFTF: Addressed.</p>
	<p>9. 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?</p>		<p>Addressed.</p> <p>CCA: YES. The proposed project would support climate-resilient micro-projects in agricultural and rural development, as well as capacity building for climate-resilient agricultural production. Through such</p>

			<p>would address several of Chad's NAPA priorities. Moreover, the project is consistent with Chad's National Food Security Program.</p>
	<p>10. Does the proposal clearly articulate how the capacities developed, if any, will contribute to the sustainability of project outcomes?</p>		<p>Sustainability and long term impact issues have been included in the project, notably through a comprehensive capacity building strategy targetting key ministries, their related decentralized services, and apex producer organizations.</p> <p>CCA: YES. The proposed project appears to strike a sound balance between concrete, demand driven investments and capacity building for climate-resilient agricultural production.</p> <p>Addressed.</p>
<p>Project Design</p>	<p>11. 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?</p>		<p>- p. 11 (Request for CEO endorsement): It is mentioned that the baseline is provided by three WB projects. Please, clarify.</p> <p>Yes. Baseline projects are provided by the Agricultural Support Project (PAPA) and the Second Local Development Program Support Project for Chad (LDSP2 or PROADEL2). Both projects are well described. The GEF and LDCF grants would be fully blended in the latter and the LDCF grant would enhance the climate resilience of demand driven micro-projects carried out in the framework of both baseline initiatives.</p> <p>April 10, 2012 Addressed.</p>

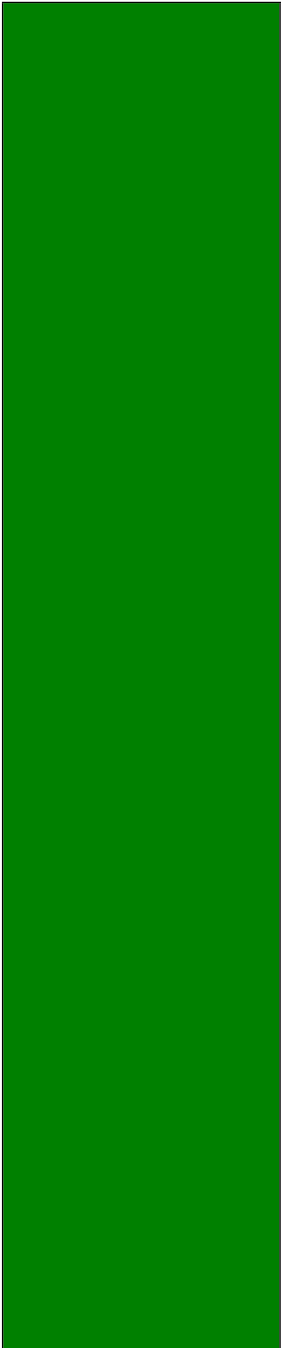
	<p>12. Has the cost-effectiveness been sufficiently demonstrated, including the cost-effectiveness of the project design approach as compared to alternative approaches to achieve similar benefits?</p>		<p>CCA: YES. Given the community-driven nature of the micro-projects towards which the LDCF grant would contribute, the specific adaptation measures promoted cannot be fully assessed at this stage. However, based on the priority needs and responses identified, the Project Appraisal Document provides an economic and financial analysis of the project, which adequately demonstrates the cost-effectiveness of the approaches adopted.</p>
	<p>13. Are the activities that will be financed using GEF/LDCF/SCCF funding based on incremental/additional reasoning?</p>		<p>We agree on the main reasoning, but some points need to be clarify.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Under the sub-component 3.2. on ecosystem management, "direct support to conservation and restoration of ecosystem biodiversity, including in forests through reforestation" is mentioned. Please, take note that biodiversity restoration is not an eligible activity per se under the GEF5 BD strategy. It does not seem a problem as most of BD resources seem linked to mainstreaming activities. However, vegetation and soil restoration is possible under the LD restoration. For reforestation, please confirm that basic ecosystem based approach principles will be applied (no exotic species for instance). - Please better explain in the text and justify what species are in the plantations. - Please better explain what activities are to be conducted regarding



- CCA: NOT CLEAR. Sub-component 2.1 of the proposed project would mobilize LDCF resources (\$2.88 million) to address NAPA priorities on the retention of surface water and for agriculture and livestock feed, as well as the diversification and intensification of crop production in Sudanese and Sahelian areas. The component would work through community-driven micro-projects and, depending on demand, it could contribute towards several other NAPA priorities.

Given that the sub-component targets 260 micro-projects, the CEO Endorsement Request should clarify the criteria adopted for providing additional LDCF support to enhance the resilience of such projects. Will LDCF support be based on the vulnerability of the targeted beneficiaries, and how will this vulnerability be determined?

With respect to Component 3, the description of LDCF support is somewhat inconsistent. According to the project framework (Table B), LDCF resources (\$1.4 million) would be mobilized in support of a capacity building and training program on climate-resilient agricultural production under outcome 3.2. According to Section B.2 of the CEO Endorsement Request and the PAD, however, the LDCF would provide (\$1.48 million) in support of sustainable land



component 3.1. Due to these inconsistencies, the additional reasoning for Component 3 cannot be adequately assessed at this stage.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Please describe the criteria based on which additional LDCF resources will be awarded to enhance the resilience of community-based micro-projects under Component 2; and ensure that LDCF grant amounts and associated activities are consistently described across the documentation.

04/09/2012 -- CCA: YES. The re-submission (p.;16) clarifies that, while all targeted communities are highly vulnerable, LDCF financing under Component 2 will be made available based on (i) the level of exposure to the extreme effects of climate change; (ii) population density and the proportion affected; (iii) potential for poverty reduction and enhanced resilience; (iv) level of infrastructure at risk; balanced with (v) cost-effectiveness, financial cost and implementation risks. Priority would be given to micro-projects with high likelihood of sustainability and potential for synergies and replication.

The re-submission clarifies that, under Component 3, LDCF resources would be allocated in support of two sub-components, namely 3.2.1 Capacity building and training program on climate resilient agricultural techniques and tools at community and department level (\$490,000); and 3.3.1 Local

			<p>land and water resources in response to climate change impacts, including variability (40) (\$1 million).</p> <p>The LDCF investment towards Output 3.2.1 would help improve the efficiency, sustainability, and climate resilience of the agricultural investments carried out under Component 2, by financing activities that promote better management of the natural resource base on which agriculture relies. Output 3.2.2, in turn, will support the implementation of Chad's fourth NAPA priority on information, education and communication on adaptation to climate change.</p> <p>April 10, 2012 Addressed.</p>
	<p>14. Is the project framework sound and sufficiently clear?</p>		<p>CCA: NOT CLEAR. Please refer to Section 13 above.</p> <p>- The project will support restoration and protection of 36,000 ha of natural resources in four region including PAs; could you please confirm that no activities will be undertaken in the PA. Furthermore, please confirm the involvement of the local authorities and the Park management staff in the activities developed around PA and their consistence with the activities of the PAs. The project aims to promote natural resources management notably in developing reforestation/forestation, agro-forestry, restoration of natural/near natural vegetation. These activities do not comply with GEF</p>

		<p>adjust the activities or clarify their scope. Finally, could you please provide more information on the sustainable technologies expected to be developed?</p> <p>04/09/2012 -- CCA: YES. Please refer to Section 13 above.</p>
	<p>15. Are the applied methodology and assumptions for the description of the incremental/additional benefits sound and appropriate?</p>	<p>One of the GEB is "increase in carbon stocks in soil and vegetation as a result of better managed forest and improved soil conservation and avoided deforestation in the project area. Please clarify how this GEB will be monitored.</p> <p>Please, remind that the use of the SFM incentive needs to be justified giving some estimations of carbon benefits.</p> <p>CCA: NOT CLEAR. Please address CCA recommendations under Section 13 above. Given that the CEO Endorsement Request has yet to provide a coherent and consistent description of the activities financed under the LDCF, as well as an adequate additional reasoning, the adaptation benefits cannot be fully assessed at this stage.</p> <p>04/09/2012 -- CCA: YES. The proposed project will generate direct adaptation benefits to vulnerable communities through (i) climate-resilient micro-projects aiming to enhance agricultural production and productivity; (ii) measures to enhance the resilience of the natural assets that underpin agricultural development; and</p>

			April 10, 2012. Cleared.
	16. 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?		Addressed.
	17. Is public participation, including CSOs and indigeneous people, taken into consideration, their role identified and addressed properly?		Addressed
	18. Does the project take into account potential major risks, including the consequences of climate change and provides sufficient risk mitigation measures? (i.e., climate resilience)		Addressed.
	19. Is the project consistent and properly coordinated with other related initiatives in the country or in the region?		Yes. The work notably done with AFD to develop complementary approaches is much appreciated.
	20. Is the project implementation/ execution arrangement adequate?		Regarding the activities under the component 3, the implementation arrangement has to guarantee the sustainability of the activities and the involvement of the concerned stakeholders. Therefore, please further detail the selection criteria for the recruitment of the service providers. Furthermore, please, be more specific about the implementation arrangement set-up with the MEF regarding the component 3. April 10, 2012 Cleared.

	21. Is the project structure sufficiently close to what was presented at PIF, with clear justifications for changes?		
	22. If there is a non-grant instrument in the project, is there a reasonable calendar of reflows included?		
Project Financing	23. Is funding level for project management cost appropriate?		5.95 percent is acceptable in such difficult conditions. We also take note that \$14,700,000 from the cofinancing is provided for management costs (16 percent of the cofinancing).
	24. Is the funding and co-financing per objective appropriate and adequate to achieve the expected outcomes and outputs?		CCA: NOT CLEAR. Please address CCA recommendations under Section 13 above. 04/09/2012 -- CCA: YES.
	25. At PIF: comment on the indicated cofinancing; At CEO endorsement: indicate if confirmed co-financing is provided.		- Please, take note that the breakdown of GEF resources in the table A does not match with the total that is mentioned (\$9,309,259 vs \$9,529,259). Please correct. If necessary, update other tables.
	26. Is the co-financing amount that the Agency is bringing to the project in line with its role?		Yes
Project Monitoring and Evaluation	27. Have the appropriate Tracking Tools been included with information for all relevant indicators, as applicable?		- In the SFM tracking tools, there is a reference to 1,500 ha planted with exotic species. We do not find any reference on this activity in the Request for CEO endorsement or the PAD. Please, clarify. CCA: NOT CLEAR. An Adaptation Monitoring and Assessment Tool (AMAT) has been completed and attached to the submission. The tool, however, includes only outcomes

			<p>awareness raising under CCA-2.2 and 2.3, without capturing the investments associated with the micro-projects proposed for LDCF financing under sub-component 2.1.</p> <p>RECOMMENDED ACTION: Upon addressing the CCA recommendation under Section 8 above, please provide a revised AMAT with appropriate indicators and baselines for all relevant CCA outcomes and outputs.</p> <p>04/09/2012 -- CCA: YES. A revised AMAT has been completed, providing relevant indicators with targets and baselines for CCA-1.2 and CCA-1.2.1.</p> <p>April 10, 2012 Cleared.</p>
	<p>28. Does the proposal include a budgeted M&E Plan that monitors and measures results with indicators and targets?</p>		<p>The M&E plan is compatible with the indicators expected in the GEF strategy. However, as mentioned above, clarify the carbon benefits and its measurements.</p> <p>For the SFM tracking tool, CO₂eq benefits must be reported along with the areas given in Part III. Currently the CO₂ benefits are listed as n/a. We note that the response to GEFSEC comments that "Thus, quantitative targets and spatial coverage will be provided for each project when it goes for CEO endorsement." An IPCC Tier 1 approach or factors from scientific documents can be used, but please document the source of the carbon emissions or sequestration factors. and provide CO₂ estimates.</p>

			April 10, 2012 Cleared.
Agency Responses	29. Has the Agency responded adequately to comments from:		
	• STAP?		Addressed.
	• Convention Secretariat?		
	• Council comments?		
	• Other GEF Agencies?		
Secretariat Recommendation			
Recommendation at PIF Stage	30. Is PIF clearance/approval being recommended?		
	31. Items to consider at CEO endorsement/approval.		
Recommendation at CEO Endorsement/ Approval	32. At endorsement/approval, did Agency include the progress of PPG with clear information of commitment status of the PPG?		
	33. Is CEO endorsement/approval being recommended?		<p>The project cannot be recommended yet. Please, revise the points above.</p> <p>CCA: NOT YET. Please provide a coherent and consistent description of the activities proposed for LDCF financing, the additional reasoning justifying these activities, and their expected adaptation benefits. While we recognize the urgency of the proposed project, we should ensure that LDCF resources be used in the most effective manner to reduce the vulnerability of targeted regions and beneficiaries to future, climate change-induced crises.</p> <p>04/09/2012 -- CCA: YES. All recommendations regarding the adaptation elements have been addressed and the project may be</p>

			<p>April 10, 2012 Please, address the comments in the cell. 6 and correct the numbers in the table B. Upon receipt of a revised document, the project will be recommended for clearance.</p> <p>April 13, 2012 The project is recommended for clearance.</p>
Review Date (s)	First review*		March 28, 2012
	Additional review (as necessary)		April 09, 2012
	Additional review (as necessary)		April 13, 2012
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REQUEST FOR PPG APPROVAL

Review Criteria	Decision Points	Program Manager Comments
PPG Budget	1. Are the proposed activities for project preparation appropriate?	
	2. Is itemized budget justified?	
Secretariat Recommendation	3. Is PPG approval being recommended?	
	4. Other comments	
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