



PROJECT PREPARATION GRANT (PPG)
PROJECT TYPE: FULL SIZE PROJECT
THE GEF TRUST FUND

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GEF AGENCY PROJECT ID: 4816

COUNTRY: Eritrea

PROJECT TITLE: Integrated Semenawi And Debubawi Bahri-Buri-Irrori- Hawakil Protected Area System For Conservation Of Biodiversity And Mitigation Of Land Degradation

GEF AGENCY: UNDP

GEF FOCAL AREA (S): BD

A: PROJECT PREPARATION TIMEFRAMES

Start date of PPG	09/01/2011
Completion date of PPG	02/28/2013

B: PROPOSED PROJECT PREPARATION ACTIVITIES

Describe the PPG activities and provide justification. The Project Preparation Grant will generate specific outputs that will support finalization of a full project document. These outputs include a series assessments to establish baselines and intervention options concerning Policy, institutional, stakeholder, financial, knowledge management, climate due diligence, and biophysical dimensions at national and local levels. The outputs will also be used to meet UNDP safeguard processes. In addition, the grant is essential to allow for stakeholder consultations necessary to identify partnerships and ensure synergies and complementarities across sectors and actors involved in PA management in the country. Specifically, the grant will support the activities outlined and costed in the table below, and further described in Annex A

List of proposed PPG activities	Output of the PPG activities	Trust Fund	Grant amount	Co-fin	Total
1) Sample biophysical assessments (biodiversity, resource/land degradation, climate change and variability threats and opportunities)	For one or two sample communities/villages, the PPG will deliver the following information which will be used to develop the CEO request: I) Updated information on species, numbers, and (where possible) conservation status (fauna and flora); b) Updated information on land and forest management issues (degradation, erosion / sedimentation levels, changes in tree-cover and soil fertility); c) Updated information on climate change and mitigation potential -- review the vulnerability to climate change for the sample community and identify potential adaptation and mitigation opportunities d) A list of potential SLM technologies and techniques to be adopted e) Updated preliminary root-cause and barrier analysis (based on the outline within the PIF).	GEF TF	40,000	40,000	80,000

<p>2) Policy and institutional assessments: The PPG will evaluate the capacity of the different institutions and identify the optimum institutional arrangement for effective national and local level PA management as well as for delivering the project effectively.</p>	<p>A) Updated national Policy review and local regulations related to BD conservation and PA management. Report will identify both incentives and disincentives as well as generate recommendations b) Assessment of systemic and individual capacities for a sample Zoba and Woreda and recommendations c) Updated review of the local resource management governance systems for a sample Woreda -- including an assessment of the traditional institutions and their efficacy in the current set up, and recommendations; d) Updated threat root-cause barrier section on institutions and policies and governance.</p>		10,000	10,000	20,000
<p>3) Providing information and baselines on socio-economic conditions and opportunities for income generating activities (for a sample woreda/community/village);</p>	<p>For one or two sample communities/villages, the PPG will deliver the following information which will be used to develop the CEO request: A) Overview of socio-economic conditions -- demographics (population size, densities, structure); b) Overview of local economies (economic activities, household incomes, poverty levels); c) An assessment of opportunities for income generating activities and conditions necessary for their successful adoption, and recommendations; d) Updated threat root-cause barrier analysis related to the state of socio-economic conditions</p>		40,000	40,000	80,000
<p>4) Identifying opportunities and arrangements for protected area Financing</p>	<p>The activity will provide: i) an analysis of the costs of running the protected areas sustainably, with clear projections of costs expected in the next ten years. ii) analysis of business opportunities that can be operationalized to provide funds towards some of the costs of running the PAs. iii) Analysis of financing gaps with recommendations of the appropriate sources of bridging the gaps; iv); Suggestions for a business plan for managing the protected areas profitably for the next ten years</p>		35,000	35,000	70,000
<p>5) Travel</p>	<p>The budget will support travel in and outside the country; for consultants and other partners involved in baseline data collection and analysis</p>		25,000	25,000	50,000
<p>Total</p>			150,000	150,000	300,000

C: FINANCIAL PLAN SUMMARY FOR PROJECT PREPARATION GRANT (\$)

	Project Preparation	Agency fee
Grant amount	150,000	15,000
Co-Financing	150,000	
Total	300,000	15,000


D: PPG AMOUNTS REQUESTED BY AGENCY, FOCAL AREA AND COUNTRY

Trust Fund	Agency	Focal Area	Country	In US\$		
				PPG	Agency Fee	Total
GEF TF	UNDP	Biodiversity	Eritrea	55,000	5,500	60,500
GEF TF	UNDP	Land Degradation	Eritrea	65,000	6,500	71,500
GEF TF	UNDP	Climate Change	Eritrea	30,000	3,000	33,000
Total PPG Amount				150,000	15,000	165,000

E: PPG BUDGET

Cost Item	Total estimated person weeks for Grant (PW)	Grant amount	Co-finance	Total
Local consultants	43.3	65,000	65,000	130,000
International consultants	20.3	60,000	60,000	120,000
Travel		25,000	25,000	50,000
Total PPG Budget		150,000	150,000	300,000

F. GEF AGENCY CERTIFICATION

This request has been prepared in accordance with GEF policies and procedures and meets the GEF criteria for project identification and preparation.	
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ANNEX A – CONSULTANTS FINANCED BY THE GEF PPG GRANT

Type of consultant	Position Titles	\$/person week	Estimated PW	Tasks to be performed
Local	Natural Resources/Biodiversity Expert/Climate change Team	1500	20	This will be a team of consultants comprising of a resource ecologist, biodiversity expert, SLM expert and climate change expert. The team will undertake biophysical assessments for a sample area/village to provide information on (biodiversity, resource degradation, climate change and variability threats and opportunities. They will i) assess land and forest management issues (degradation, erosion / changes in tree-cover and soil fertility) and provide sample potential LD interventions; ii) review the vulnerability to climate change for the sample community and identify potential adaptation and mitigation opportunities iv) use the information to update the root-cause and barrier analysis (based on the outline in the PIF).
Local	Protected Area Management Expert	1500	6.7	The consultant will i) update national policy review related to BD conservation and PA management ii) identify both incentives and disincentives; iv) generate recommendations for policy and local regulation changes to create a better environment for protected area management; v) undertake assessment of systemic and individual capacities for PA management for a sample Zoba and Woreda levels; vi) Updated threat root-cause barrier section on institutions and policies and governance
Local	Socio-Economic Expert	1500	13.3	Undertake socio-economic assessment for one sample community within the 4 PA sites and provide the following information: i) updated demographics (population size, densities, structure); ii) Overview of local economies, specifically economic activities of households, household incomes, poverty levels; iii) Identify opportunities for income generating activities and conditions necessary for their successful adoption; iv) Generate recommendations on possible initiatives to be undertaken by the project to improve household incomes sustainably; v) Updated threat root-cause barrier analysis related to the state of socio-economic conditions
Local	Protected Area	1500	3.3	This consultant will work with the international

	Financing Expert			<p>consultant on the protected area financing to:</p> <p>i) Assist with an analysis of the costs of running the protected areas sustainably, with clear projections of costs expected in the next ten years.</p> <p>ii) assist with an analysis of business opportunities that can be operationalized to provide funds towards some of the costs of running the PAs.</p> <p>iii) assist with an analysis of financing gaps with recommendations of the appropriate sources of bridging the gaps;</p> <p>iv); Provide suggestions for a business plan for managing the protected areas profitably for the next ten years</p>
International	Natural Resources/Biodiversity Expert/Climate Change Expert	3000	3.3	<p>This consultant will assist the local team of Biophysical assessment team. His/her input will be particularly with identifying best methodologies for data collection, consolidating lessons from the region (and the world) that should influence the findings, strengthening the analysis on climate change vulnerabilities and identification of mitigation options, in particular identifying carbon sequestration monitoring systems appropriate for local level use.</p>
International	Pa Financing Expert	3000	10	<p>The consultant will:</p> <p>i) undertake an analysis of the costs of running the protected areas sustainably, with clear projections of costs expected in the next ten years.</p> <p>ii) undertake analysis of business opportunities that can be operationalized to provide funds towards some of the costs of running the PAs.</p> <p>iii) undertake analysis of financing gaps with recommendations of the appropriate sources of bridging the gaps;</p> <p>iv); Provide suggestions for a business plan for managing the protected areas profitably for the next ten years</p>
International	Pa Management Socio-Economics Expert	3000	6.7	<p>This will be a regional consultant who will assist the local consultant undertaking the socio-economic studies. The Regional consultant will assist with identification of methodologies for data collection and analysis and in identifying regional and international lessons and best practices that should influence the analysis, particularly related to successful piloting of income generating activities associated with protected area management.</p>