

GEF SECRETARIAT REVIEW FOR DIRECT ACCESS TO ENABLING ACTIVITY

GEF ID:	5862			
Country/Region:	China			
Project Title:	Minamata Convention Initial Assessment in the People's Republic of China			
GEF Agency:	UNIDO	GEF Agency Project ID:		
Type of Trust Fund:	GEF Trust Fund	GEF Focal Area (s):	POPs	
GEF-5 Focal Area/ LDCF/SCCF Objective (s):				
Anticipated Financing PPG:	\$0	Project Grant:	\$1,000,000	
Co-financing:	\$975,000	Total Project Cost:	\$1,975,000	
PIF Approval:		Council Approval/Expected:		
CEO Endorsement/Approval		Expected Project Start Date:		
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Review Criteria	Questions	Secretariat Comment
Eligibility	 1.Is the participating country eligible? 2.Has the operational focal point endorsed the project?*¹ 	Yes, China signed the convention. Yes.
Agency's Comparative Advantage	 3. Is the Agency's comparative advantage for this project clearly described and supported? * 4. Does the project fit into the Agency's program and staff capacity in the country?* 	Yes. Yes.
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? 	Yes.
	6. Is the project aligned with the focal areas results framework?	Yes.

 $^{^1}$ Questions 2, 3, 4, 18 and 19 are applicable only to EAs submitted through Agencies. $\rm EA$ review template: updated June 7 2011

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	 7. Are the relevant GEF 5 focal areas objectives 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, this is an enabling activity.
	9. Does the proposal clearly articulate how the capacities developed, if any, will contribute to the sustainability of project outcomes?	Yes. This is an initial assessment.
Project Consistency	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, gender is included.
	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?	Yes, it is consistent with the 2 other GEF funded mercury projects in China.
	14. Is the project implementation/ execution arrangement adequate?	Yes.
	15. Is the itemized budget (including consultant fees, travel, office facilities, etc) justified?	Yes.
	16. Is funding level for project management cost appropriate?	Yes.
Project Financing	17. Is the funding and co-financing per objective appropriate and adequate to achieve the expected outcomes and outputs?	Yes.
	18. Is indicated co-financing appropriate for an enabling activity?	Yes, co-financing is not required but is provided.
	19. Is the co-financing amount that the Agency is bringing to the project in line with its role?*	Yes.
	20. Comments related to adequacy of information submitted by country for financial management and procurement assessment.	

Review Criteria	Questions	Secretariat Comment
Agency Responses	21. Has the Agency responded adequately to comments from:*	
	• STAP?	none
	Convention Secretariat?	none
	Other GEF Agencies?	none

Secretariat Recommendation				
	22. Is EA clearance/approval being	Yes. Clearance is recommended.		
Recommendation	recommended?			
	First review**	June 04, 2014		
Review Date (s)	Additional review (as necessary)			
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^{**} 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.