FP137 Ghana Shea Landscape Emission Reductions Project

Annual Performance Report CY2021

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[APR CY2021] Section 1: General Information

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1.1 Please indicate if information provided in this APR is disclosable outside the Green Climate Fund. *

[X] Yes - The Accredited Entity agrees that the information reported is disclosable.

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Yes

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2022-03-01

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Please provide further explanation, if any:

1.3 Funded Activity Title (Project/Programme Title)

Ghana Shea Landscape Emission Reductions Project

1.4 Funding Proposal Reference Number

FP137

1.5 Board Meeting Number

26

1.6 Accredited Entity contacts for this APR

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1.7 Executing Entity(ies)

Full Name of Executing Entity

Ghana Forestry Commission of Ghana (Climate Change Directorate)

This value will be autopopulated from APR 2020.

Please write the name of the country where the Executing Entity is headquartered.

Ghana

1.8 Project Duration

From	To
2021-05-10	2028-05-10

Check if the extension request for the project duration was approved by the Secretariat during the reporting period.

Please reach out to the GCF portfolio managers if you need an extension

- [ ] Yes (it was extended)
- [X] No

1.9 Current Year of Implementation

1

Indicate the year number, e.g., '2'

1.10 Annual reporting period covered in this report

From	To
2021-01-01	2021-12-31

Confirmation and Acknowledgement of Information *

* This is a required question to submit section 1 of the Annual Performance Report (APR).

- [X] The accredited entity hereby confirms that the information provided in section 1 is complete and ready for submission.

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[APR CY2021] Section 2: Implementation Progress

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2.1 Overall (summary) project progress

2.1.1 Overall Progress Achieved Since Project Start

The Ghana Shea Landscapes Emission Reductions Proposal was considered by the Green Climate Fund at its 26th Board Meeting between 18-21 August 2020, under Agenda Item, as contained in document GCF/B.26/02/Add.09. The Board approved Funding Proposal 137 for the amount of US$ 30,100,000, submitted by the United Nations Development Programme subject to the conditions set out in Annex 1 and in the respective term sheet set out in document GCF/B.26/02/Add.19; as per Document GCF/B.26/09 in Decision B.26/02 (ix). Thereafter the Funding Activity Agreement (FAA) was drawn up on 9 February 2021 between UNDP, as the Accredited Entity (AE) and the GCF. The Notice of Effectiveness was accorded and dispatched by the GCF on 10 May 2021 after its acceptance of the evidence specified in Clause 7 of the FAA. The Project Document (Subsidiary Document) between the Government of Ghana and UNDP as the Accredited Entity was signed on 8 August 2021. The Project Duration is seven years and completion expected in November 2027. The first disbursement of US$ 2.3 million was received by the AE on 12 August 2021 fulfilling Clause 9.02 of the FAA. This project therefore commenced its activities in the last quarter of 2021, when funds became available to the Forestry Commission (FC) (Implementing Partner or Executing Entity) and this report covers and reflects activities which took place over three months. These activities were characterised by the due diligence, procurement and operational requirements to set up the project management arrangements in the Country in conformity with appropriate financial, operating and administrative practices as well a few activities in Outputs 1, 2 and 4. A number of activities were also realised through co-financing from UNDP and FC.

2.1.2 Progress Achieved in 2021: The key results were:

1. Project Board constituted and inaugurated with a first meeting held on 21 October to discuss the Terms of Reference for this body and approve an annual workplan for 2021 and (Q4)-2022

2. Inception meeting organized and held on the 21 October 2021, at the FC headquarters. It was jointly organized by FC and, Global Shea Alliance (GSA) as responsible party and the UNDP Ghana.

Output 1:

3. An assessment was carried out of seven existing Community Resource Management Areas to to confirm the (physical) baseline assessment . As required by the FAA and stakeholder engagement guidelines in Annex I of the Project Document (Subsidiary Document), FPIC principles, as related to local communities would be applied prior to active engagement and consultations once the activities begin in 2022.With reference to new CREMAs, potential areas have been identified and Shapefiles have been developed.

Output 2:

4. An outline for a Communications Manual was developed for Activity 2.1 to sensitize communities on the impacts of deforestation through mainly the dissemination of radio programmes. A procurement Notice was sent out for a consultant to complete the manual. The contract will reflect that the communications work integrates a gender approach within it.

5. Re-engagement with the twelve companies who will contribute co-financing through GSA began. The GSA also worked with four NGOs and nursery development organisations to discuss their capacity as well as opportunities to collaborate under GSLERP. Five of the companies (Naasakle, Oasis, R&R, Tungteiya and Charis) are women-led. Output 2.1/2.2 activities got onto a good start with the Call for Proposals published that underlies the public-private partnership approach between Private sector on the one hand and NGOs, GSA members and women groups on the other. The CFP pertains to NGO partners. This work will be underway in 2022 to select these partnerships.

6. The draft Operations Manual for these public-private partnerships, which outlines implementation processes, including a gender approach, staffing, resource use, M&E and reporting processes has been developed and is further being refined.

Output 3:

7. On Activity 3.2. The establishment of government plantations in the NSZ has begun through committed co-financing from the FC. These plantations support the carbon stock enhancement efforts which the GSLERP intend to achieve.

Output 4:

8. In October 2021 the first Project Board (referred to as Steering Committee – SC) was inaugurated and a Project Inception meeting held. The Work Plan and Budget for the last quarter of 2021 and 2022 was approved by the SC. The Project Director and her team are located at the FC headquarters in Accra whilst the remaining project management staff are located in Tamale at the RMSC. These regional staff have been recruited and onboarding begun in early December.

9. The procurement process for this regional team, was completed and for eight officers recruited, four of which are female and four are male. The same applies to the GSA project management office which is set up – with seven officers four female and three male. FC start-up procurements completed regarding furniture, IT equipment (laptops etc), three pickup vehicles, FC and GSA bank accounts opened.

10. A team of consultants to develop the environmental and social impact assessment of the project began their contracts in late December. In addition, two international consultants (M&E and Safeguards) have been hired to support the monitoring framework and production of the environmental and social impact assessment.

11. For Output five, the micro-assessment of the Implementing financial and operations management policies, procedures, systems and internal controls was completed by Price Waterhouse Coopers. The results were positive as the overall risk rating for FC was categorised as ''Low'' in a four-tier risk framework (low, moderate, significant and high) in all material respects for its financial management systems and control framework in operation.

    - **Update on Project Risks**

The delayed start of project in 2021 (funds were received in August) was due to administrative and financial aspects related to signing of the subsidiary agreements and fund requests, brought on by the need to confirm co-financing and set in place the systems to transfer GCF funds to FC and GSA. It has taken a while for the modality for transfer of finances to become clear to all parties; and all parties are now engaged to streamline the various functions relating to administration and management and ensure that these processes are communicated and learnt. Seven quarters of work plan beginning as of in May 2021 through December 2022 have been re-organised into five quarters with one quarter starting in 2021. This quarter began the process of bringing the project schedule and execution back on track. Local currency devaluation due to inflation, and the time between preparation of the budget and project proposal approval affected some major purchases (project vehicles). Three out of the planned five vehicles have been purchased as the budget originally allocated only paid for three out of the five. Now there is need to explore how to pay for an additional two vehicles. Management has begun studying the workplan budget to suggest freeing up funds on other items based on a cost benefit analysis, for GCF for approval, such that the remaining two vehicles which are critical to project success can be purchased.

A Partner Capacity Assessment and a micro-assessment have been carried out for the Forestry Commission and Ghana Shea Alliance. No money laundering, terrorist financing, and prohibited practices risk were identified. (see section 2.1)

Provide a narrative report describing the overall progress on the implementation of the funded activity, focusing on implementation achievements, delays, and challenges according to the planned activities. As relevant, include references to other sections of this report (including Annexes or Attachments). Include a description of key milestones of the funded activity achieved during this reporting period including any deviations from original expectations. Also, describe challenges encountered and actions undertaken to resolve these challenges, and lessons learned during the implementation, including issues related to non-compliance with GCF standards or conditions, if any. In parallel, include positive achievements and better-than-expected results. If any issues have arisen in the last twelve (12) months of implementation that may result in a change to the scope and/or timing of the project, please provide a description of those items and how they have impacted the implementation period and final targets. Kindly make sure that this section just gives an overall summary and doesn't have overlap with other sections.

2.2 Performance against the GCF investment criteria (summary)

The Ghana Shea Landscape Emission Reduction Project speaks to six of the GCF's investment criteria: Impact potential, Paradigm shift, Sustainable development potential, Needs of the recipient, Country ownership and Efficiency and effectiveness. The project is yet to move into actual implementation of activities; however, it is expected that the all the related estimations made for each of the investment criteria remain valid and would be realized as detailed in the subsequent sub-sections.

For each investment criteria outlined below, please include an assessment of current status, changes, progress and impact of the project as well as any impact of project context on the project during this reporting period against the initial baseline scenario and planned activities as per the assessment presented in the approved Funding Proposal.

Provide a narrative report describing the progress on the funded activity's performance against the GCF investment criteria framework. The performance should be compared against the initial assessment provided in the Board-approved Funding Proposal (section E). The list of the investment criteria as per the current framework is provided below. For each investment criteria outlined below, please include an assessment of current status, changes, progress and impact of the project as well as any impact of project context on the project during this reporting period against the initial baseline scenario and planned activities as per the assessment presented in the approved Funding Proposal. This sub-section 2.2 is not applicable for REDD+ Results-Based Payments Projects. Please write 'Not Applicable' as the response.

Relevant Links

The GCF investment criteria framework

2.2.1 Impact Potential

The GSLERP project estimated its impact potential based on the estimated project mitigation and adaptation impacts as linked to the specific project outputs. Currently the baseline scenario presented in the funding proposal has not changed as there are no updated data yet. As the project moves into full implementation mode in the next reporting period, it is expected that information on how this data will be collected will be addressed. In addition, the GCF secretariat has signalled to UNDP that it may wish to review the ex-ante assessments of mitigation potential. There may be need to discuss potential changes to the approaches taken to estimate GHG emission reduction potential and the overall emission reduction targets.

Assessment and Changes

Currently there are no changes to the mitigation impacts as detailed below;

Mitigation Impacts

For mitigation impacts, the project has estimated impacts from two main areas– those directly associated with:

1. i) Outputs and Activities which focus on sustainable management of forests and carbon stock enhancement particularly Outputs 1,2 and 3 which focuses on working with CREMAs, restoring shea parklands and on Modified Taungya System. The Forestry Commission has already started engagements with existing CREMAs in the project designated areas on modalities to get them involved in the project and how to place those degraded areas under sustainable management as well initiate processes to establish an additional four CREMAs. The Forestry Commission through the Government Plantation Program, which is part of the Government of Ghana's co-finance, in the NSZ to support the carbon stock enhancement efforts which the project intends to achieve; and

2. ii) a series of cross-cutting impacts that are estimated to occur as a result of the full project implementation and which focus on reduced emissions from deforestation and forest degradation.

The mitigation impacts are expected as pre the calculation in the Funding Proposal. Some progress has been made with restoration of biomass through co-financing provided by the Forestry Commission, however it is too early to begin the monitoring, reporting and verification of these tree planting activities.

Adaptation Impacts

As the project starts full implementation, the expected adaptation benefits which include increases in ecosystem services (through restoration of trees and fire management), increasing incomes to families and accessing natural resources, positively affects 100,00 direct beneficiaries (66% female) and 540,200 indirect beneficiaries (49% female and 51% male). Through the implementation of the specific outputs, the project would help to bring about resilience to environmental shocks such as droughts and floods through the restoration of forests and planting of trees throughout the landscape. It will also help secure the supply of energy sources – reducing the need to access and degrade forest areas for wood fuels.

2.2.2 Paradigm shift potential

In terms of paradigm shift, the project is expected to contribute directly to the implementation of Ghana's REDD+ Strategy and its NDC by focusing on the NSZ. The realization of the sub-national programmes which is part of Ghana's NDC target will demonstrate significant progress in the attainment of that target. As indicated, the relevant project activities are set for full implementation with the recruitment of the Project staff whose contracts began in in December 2021.

Assessment and changes

The project during this reporting has developed shapefiles for the proposed new sites of the new CREMAs. This will allow a beginning of a process to demarcate the relevant geographical areas and to begin the analysis on how these can be set up. The CREMAs would be set up to be financially viable forest based green "enterprises". New communities can adopt these models as best practices will be evident and they can draw these without having to figure out the design and implementation modalities. In this way, the project will be able to greatly scale up community management of forest resources in NSZ.

Within the selected existing CREMAs, one of the flagship government initiatives, the Youth in Afforestation Program (YAP) has contributed to the development of over 789Ha of community forest and parkland reforestation, over 29Ha of Community Wood Lot establishment as well as over 16km of Amenity planting. Communities within which these activities were undertaken include: Bepona, Wiaga Kadema, Kajelo, Dedoro, Tankara, Saboro, Tankwidi, Asablika, Sankpala, Jukuku, Sheri, Kpabuso, Mpaha Junction, Mpaha, Ntereso, Kawankura, Daboya Lingbinsi, Tamale Polytechnic, Tamale Secondary School, Islamic S. H. S, Education Ridge all in Tamale, Gambaga, Nalerigu, Namasim, Gbangu, Sakogu. The activities of the YAP provide socio-economic benefits to the CREMA community members and youth and serves as on the co-funded activities for this project.

The project has incorporated knowledge sharing and learning opportunities across the various components and has also hired a Communication Specialist who will lead knowledge sharing and learning as part of the communications strategy of the project. For example, a significant issue is the period from planting a shea seedling to the time it produces shea kernels that can be harvested. Discussions took place at the inception meeting to again highlight this issue. The CRIG's ongoing research, including culturing plants that are resilient to caterpillar and climate challenges was mentioned. Inputs and collaboration with the Ministry of Food and Agriculture (MoFA) research stations (CRIG) and academic institutions was stressed to enable the project to consider the latest scientific advances (eg. germplasm technology) and incorporate this into field testing. Part of this process is germplasm development to enable the vast numbers of trees to be planted as envisaged in the project outputs.

The project, during the subsequent reporting periods, seeks to create an enabling environment for women and communities. For example, by increasing the number of easily accessible shea trees, which will in turn increase the quantity of shea that women collectors can sell in the market, increasing their incomes as well as the availability of shea supply for food and cosmetic products. Additionally, the public private partnership model, that the project is built on, brings in substantial financial resources leveraged by GCF funding. GSA members are contributing USD 9 million and may invest or are investing USD 50 million in shea downstream industrial facilities. Interactions have begun with twelve of the partners.

As part of the co-financing from UNDP to enhance the work of the women working in the shea value chain, UNDP, through its Regional Bureau for Africa has made available $100,000 dollars to assist in providing mechanization to the women groups involved in shea butter production in the Northern Savanna Zone. For instance, this involves reducing the laborious and demanding task of crushing the shea kernels which reduces the number of the various heating stages of kernel saving fuelwood and water. To move this forward UNDP has facilitated engagement with women cooperatives in Shea Value Chain in the project districts in the Northern Region of Ghana. An agreement has been signed with a private company at a contract value of USD 95,050(in cash) to support the acquisition of improved technologies in shea butter production and train women in sustainable organic shea production in the project districts as part of efforts to achieve output 2 of the Project. As more is learnt about how to process shea butter with less demands on labour, water and energy, this will contribute to the knowledge sharing and learning impact area.

Building on lessons learnt from previous experiences in the country and the region, the project will support the government in undertaking policy reforms, to legislate CREMA in the Wildlife Resources Management Bill, which has been approved by the cabinet of Ghana for parliamentary consideration and approval in November 2021. The bill, primarily, seeks to revise and consolidate all laws relating to wildlife and protected areas and aims at bringing new legislation into conformity with existing policies in the sector and to provide for the implementation of international conventions on wildlife to which Ghana is a signatory.

The current legislation that governs wildlife and protected areas in Ghana, includes, the Wild Animals Preservation Act, 1961 (Act 43), the Wildlife Conservation Regulations, 1971 (L.I. 685) and the Wildlife Reserves Regulations, 1971 (L.I. 710). These were enacted some 50 years ago and are now not in tune with current international best practices for wildlife protection and management. The Bill provides for a new management structure to give legal backing to the involvement of local communities in wildlife management through the creation of Community Resources Management Areas (CREMAs) and provide higher penalties and sanctions regime for wildlife offenses, deterrent enough to protect our wildlife resources. This makes the cabinet approval a key milestone, not just for wildlife conservation but also for Output 1 of this project, as it seeks to strengthen the authority of CREMAs. The project will also seek to create enabling conditions for scaling up, in the area of tree tenure and benefit sharing.

The project will contribute directly to the implementation of Ghana's REDD+ Strategy and its NDC by focusing on the NSZ.

2.2.3 Sustainable development potential

The project is in its initial stages of implementation and hence actual co-benefits on the ground are not available at this stage. The project's ESMF approved with the funding proposal however highlights a number of areas where the sustainable development potential of the project would be realized.

The project, over the course of implementation, is expected to directly strengthen the livelihoods and climate resilience of 100,200 people (78,850 women and 21,350 men). Restoration of trees, decreased deforestation and fire management covering almost 500,000 hectares will indirectly contribute to the retention of soil moisture, the reduction of evapotranspiration and maintenance of soil fertility.

GCF funds and co-finance will support women collectors to re-stock 1.75 million trees in the parklands with higher and quicker yielding varieties of shea ensuring future supply, aggregation, and direct marketing through performance-based contracts between NGOs who are members of the Global Shea Alliance and women's groups. Shea trees have a lifetime of hundreds of years and bear abundant crops during much of their lifetime. 400,000 other high value trees within CREMA and agroforestry systems will also be planted and nurtured providing a wide range of ecosystem services, timber and non-timber products.

Progress in these areas will be reported on in the subsequent APRs.

2.2.4 Needs of the recipient

The setting up of the project management team and project framework already starts to bring visibility to the NSZ. As work progresses on the monitoring framework, data from the NSZ can start to be integrated into the national forest monitoring system and work to update the forest reference level.

2.2.5 Country Ownership

The project's focus and alignment with existing national plans has not changed. The project is still coherent with the following existing national plans and policies;

National Climate Change Policy, in particular Focus Area 4 (increase carbon sinks) which aims to minimize the loss of carbon sinks by reducing activities that lead to the destruction of natural ecosystems, especially forest degradation and deforestation; and to enhance carbon stocks through programmes that restore degraded forests and ecosystems.

Nationally Determined Contribution (NDC): the project directly relates the Policy and Action on "promoting sustainable utilization of forest resources through REDD+" in the NDC, and its related Programmes of Action on "reforestation/afforestation of degraded lands translating to 20,000 ha on annual basis" and "wildfire management in the transition and savannah dry lands in Ghana". Investments in these policies and sanctions are conditional to access to international sources of finance. Ghana submitted an update to its NDC in December 2021, but did not adjust the programmes of action relating to forests, which remain the same. The NDC notes that institutional arrangements, public participation and engagement with local communities and indigenous peoples and sustainable forest management to be undertaken in a gender-responsive manner; these elements are reflected in the stakeholder engagement plan as part of the ESMF.

National REDD+ Strategy: The strategy is to implement REDD+ at a national scale, and to roll out concerted actions and activities at sub-national landscape scales. One of the sub-national jurisdictional REDD+ programmes identified in the strategy is the "The Emission Reductions Programme for the Shea Landscape of the Northern Savannah Woodland (The Shea Savannah Woodland Programme)". The GSLERP contributes to three elements of the REDD+ Strategy to:

1. a) Significantly reduce emissions from deforestation and forest degradation, while enabling carbon stock enhancement through sustainable forest management and forest restoration; b) Transform the approaches for the production of Ghana's major agricultural commodities into climate-smart production systems and landscapes; and c) Expand platforms for cross-sector and public-private collaboration and sustainable economic development. All the four Outputs are consistent with the National REDD+ Strategy.

The **National Climate Change Adaptation Strategy** intends for a consistent, comprehensive and a targeted approach to increasing climate resilience and decrease vulnerability of the populace, sensitize Ghanaians on the critical role of adaptation in national development efforts, raise funds by demonstrating the needs and mainstream disaster risk reduction and adaptive actions into programmes.

Ghana also developed, and is seeking funding for, a NAMA to improve the sustainability of the charcoal value chain. In this regard, the project will support community enterprise development for sustainable production and marketing of wood-fuels.

The revised **Forest and Wildlife Policy (2012)** is the overall sector policy for conservation and sustainable development of forest and wildlife resources in Ghana. A Wildlife Resources Management Bill has also been developed to support the policy and includes provisions for CREMA. Passing the Bill means that the CREMA can be established into law, thus formalizing the role of communities in CREMA. The project will provide policy support to advance the bill, which has currently received cabinet approval, into law.

Ghana Forestry Development Master Plan (2016-2036). The vision of the FDMP is to achieve a just, prosperous, and sustainable forestry sector that inclusively and continuously optimizes welfare and provides adequate means of livelihoods to all Ghanaians, in tandem with the 2012 Forest and Wildlife Policy.

Ghana Forest Plantation Strategy (2016-2040) seeks to achieve sustainable supply of planted forest goods and services to deliver a range of economic, social and environmental benefits through five strategic objectives to: create job opportunities through MTS, improve governance, promote investments in the regulation and management of forest plantations as well as provide sustainable supply of timber and non-timber forest products (NTFPs).

The National Gender Policy

The GSLERP is also fully aligned with the national policy on gender, which integrates gender perspectives on decision making on land access and ensures adequate women's representation and involvement in decision making on natural resources. This is key for the project when it comes to ensuring gender balance in the areas of leadership of CREMAs, access to land for shea plantations for women-led cooperatives and access to land for plantations under the modified taungya scheme.

The project is fully aligned to the United Nations Sustainable Development Partnership (UNSDP) 2018-2022, which reflects Ghana's national goals and its commitments to global development initiatives and sets out the UN system's collective contributions to help the government and other stakeholders achieve these goals.

2.2.6 Efficiency and Effectiveness

Appropriateness of financial structure and efficiencies

The project's design is based on using cost-effective and efficiency options to implement the proposed activities, building on and using existing approaches to enable beneficiaries to establish and maintain their forests. These approaches were described in the funding proposal and are still valid and will be confirmed as implementation progresses.

Co-financing is available and has already been deployed to advance the preparatory work required for the CREMA at scale in the Northern Savannah Zone. Under Output 2, co-financing has been allocated to work to support a shea women's cooperative and some of the funds expended.

2.3 Project Outputs Implementation Status

Please note the below fields are mandatory but only a one-time activity. Please fill out the project output details regardless of any progress made so far, which will be auto-populated in the next APR and on wards.

Use 'Add Row' button to add multiple outputs and/or activities reported against one output

Project Output Name *

Output 1: Off-reserve, degraded, savanna forests restored under self-financing community management

The output name should match with the output reported in the sub-section 2.4.3. If you have multiple activities to be reported against one output, you need to write down the same output name for every activity.

Project Activity Name *

Project Activity 1.1 Structure and empower communities for savannah forest management

Status *

Activity started - progress on track

Implementation Progress *

10 %

Original timeline planned for this activity *

Q4 of 2021 to Q4 of 2023

Please refer to the Implementation Timetable in the log-frame

Progress for the relevant reporting period

• The Forestry Commission conducted an assessment of the existing CREMA to confirm baseline information. The team also engaged the CREMA Executive Committee (CEC) members specifically, to agree on the communication channels to be employed during meetings and programs, how information/feedback would be disseminated to the communities they represent, the challenges they face in executing their duties, and the gaps in the governance structure of the CREMAs. It was also to ascertain how the objectives of GSLERP fits into the work of the CREMAs and how best there can be synergy between GSLERP, and the CREMAs
• The Shapefiles with digital vectors for geographic location and associated attributes for the information of proposed new sites were developed and uploaded onto Google Earth and the analysis of the maps have begun.
• Terms of reference are designed to develop the maps shape files for the new CREMA; two designated and two proposed mapping processes is ongoing. .
• These were initial consultations to verify the baseline. The CREMA were chosen in 2018/2019 and the Forestry Commission carried this assessment out, to ascertain if anything had changed with respect to baseline data. This required speaking with CEC/district officials, but not yet with communities. The CREMA that were visited were given prior and clear notice of these meetings for which they accepted to meet with the staff of the Forestry Commission. As required by the FAA and stakeholder engagement principles in Annex I of the Project Document, FPIC principles, as related to local communities would be applied prior to active engagement and consultations once the activities begin in 2022.

The CREMA communities visited included; Murugu-Mognori CREMA in West Gonja District; the Bawena-Kpulumbo CREMA, Yazori Kumbo CREMA and Gurubagu-Wawato CREMA, all in the North Gonja District; the Jelinkon CREMA in the Sawla Tuna Kalba District, Chakali Sagmaluu CREMA in Duccie – Wa East District, and the Zukpiri CREMA in Kaleo-Nadowli District (Upper West Region).

Gender Dimension
Project community Total Participants Male % Female %
Murugu 13 11 84.6 2 15.4
Bawena 15 13 87 2 13
Yazori 12 9 75 3 25
Jelinkon 19 17 89 2 11
Chakali 20 18 90 2 10
Zukpiri 34 29 85 5 15
Wawato/Grubagu 15 11 73.3 4 26.7

Provide an updated progress on this project activity for the relevant reporting period, including delays and issues encountered, the reason for differences between the planned implementation progress and actual implementation progress, key milestones reached, and lessons learned, including issues related to non-compliance with GCF standards or conditions, vis-à-vis expectations, if any. In parallel, include positive achievements and better-than-expected results.

Key milestones and deliverables for the next reporting period

• Analyze five candidate sites to confirm new CREMAs and conduct stakeholder engagement applying FPIC principles.
• Engage seven existing CREMAs on their involvement in the project
• Develop ToR and engage consultants to develop a communication strategy, incorporating a gender approach, on Fire (For Output 1.3)

Please include a list of key milestones and deliverables expected to be executed in the next reporting period.

Project Output Name *

Output 2: Degraded shea parklands restored through public private partnerships

The output name should match with the output reported in the sub-section 2.4.3. If you have multiple activities to be reported against one output, you need to write down the same output name for every activity.

Project Activity Name *

Project Activity 2.1: Develop a communication and extension plan based on key messages and incentives needed for restoration of the shea parklands

Status *

Activity started - progress on track

Implementation Progress *

10 %

Original timeline planned for this activity *

Q2 2021 to Q4 2027

Please refer to the Implementation Timetable in the log-frame

Progress for the relevant reporting period

A draft Communications and Extension
• An outline was developed to sensitize communities on the impacts of deforestation through mainly the dissemination of radio programmes. The objective is to lead to a change in behavior regarding shea tree protection and removal. During the period, GSA compiled existing research to guide the content that should be covered by the manual. A procurement notice was sent out for a consultant to finalize the messaging based on additional research and this outline.

Provide an updated progress on this project activity for the relevant reporting period, including delays and issues encountered, the reason for differences between the planned implementation progress and actual implementation progress, key milestones reached, and lessons learned, including issues related to non-compliance with GCF standards or conditions, vis-à-vis expectations, if any. In parallel, include positive achievements and better-than-expected results.

Key milestones and deliverables for the next reporting period

• Establish Public Private Partnerships
• Execute Communications Plan: community engagement with focus groups discussions to ensure proper consultation as per stakeholder engagement guidelines in the ESMF, on the messaging and to ensure relevance to local conditions. The contract will reflect that the communications work integrates a gender approach within it.
• In order to meet the conditions of the second disbursement, The Project Board proposes to hire a consultant over to drive the work on the sustainability report, in conjunction with the implementing institutions, project management unit, and the key stakeholders.

Please include a list of key milestones and deliverables expected to be executed in the next reporting period.

Project Output Name *

Output 2: Degraded shea parklands restored through public private partnerships

The output name should match with the output reported in the sub-section 2.4.3. If you have multiple activities to be reported against one output, you need to write down the same output name for every activity.

Project Activity Name *

Project Activity 2.2: Strengthen value chains for shea processing

Status *

Activity started - progress on track

Implementation Progress *

15 %

Original timeline planned for this activity *

Q2 2021 to Q4 2027

Please refer to the Implementation Timetable in the log-frame

Progress for the relevant reporting period

12 companies were engaged physically and virtually
• During the quarter, the GSA engaged with 12 private sector companies to present the GSLERP project and discuss how they can engage since more than two years had elapsed since they had committed to the project outputs and its co-financing. This engagement was conducted through one-on-one meetings, as well as through a public webinar advertised on social media, mail chimp, and other. The 12 companies engaged directly have reiterated their commitment to the project. Five of the companies (Naasakle, Oasis, R&R, Tungteiya and Charis) are women-led. The GSA also worked with four NGOs and nursery development organisations to discuss their capacity as well as opportunities to collaborate as part of the GSLERP.
• 28 (11 female, 17 male) participants were part of a webinar (mentioned above) to discuss the opportunity offered by the GSLERP, how it can fit into companies and NGOs sustainability and sourcing strategies, as well to as clarify application details. Click here for the Stakeholder Engagement Report.
• Call for proposal for the formation of a PPP arrangement between NGOs, GSA members and women groups published to develop the public-private partnerships that will implement activities related to Outputs 2.1 and 2.2, the GSA published a call for proposal on December 6, 2021. The Proposal focus on setting up of community nurseries tree planting, integration of gender actions, and parkland management training activities setting up cooperatives, sourcing programmes, constructing warehouse for aggregation and conducting quality control and business training through their direct funding.

Operations Manual drafted for Public Private Partnerships
• The project operations manual will guide all the operations regarding the implementation for GSA and the related activities to be undertaken under the project. It outlines implementation processes, staffing, resource use, M&E and reporting processes.

Provide an updated progress on this project activity for the relevant reporting period, including delays and issues encountered, the reason for differences between the planned implementation progress and actual implementation progress, key milestones reached, and lessons learned, including issues related to non-compliance with GCF standards or conditions, vis-à-vis expectations, if any. In parallel, include positive achievements and better-than-expected results.

Key milestones and deliverables for the next reporting period

• A Call for proposal inviting NGOs to submit proposals for the formation of Public Private Partnerships with GSA will be completed and thereafter pairing with private sector companies completed. The call for proposal will follow a two-step process: first interested NGOs that will implement activities for Output 2.1 will submit an Expression of Interest to outline their capacity, and experience. The Technical Review Committee, composed of representatives from the GSA, FC and UNDP, will review these and select the most qualified NGOs. Then, selected NGOs will be invited to pair with private sector companies to submit a full proposal that will detail activities to be implemented for Output 2.1 and 2.2. Again, proposals will be selected by the Technical Review Committee, and successful ones will be awarded a performance-based contract.
• The project operations manual will guide all the operations regarding the implementation. It outlines implementation processes, staffing, resource use, M&E and reporting processes.

Please include a list of key milestones and deliverables expected to be executed in the next reporting period.

Project Output Name *

Output 2: Degraded shea parklands restored through public private partnerships

The output name should match with the output reported in the sub-section 2.4.3. If you have multiple activities to be reported against one output, you need to write down the same output name for every activity.

Project Activity Name *

Project Activity 2.3: Enhance the enabling environment for climate-smart shea and upscaling of finance and investments

Status *

Activity started - progress on track

Implementation Progress *

20 %

Original timeline planned for this activity *

Q2 2021 to Q4 2027

Please refer to the Implementation Timetable in the log-frame

Progress for the relevant reporting period

To further enhance the work of the women working in the shea value chain and to provide an enabling environment for those in the sector, UNDP, through its Regional Bureau for Africa has made available $100,000 dollars to assist in providing mechanization to the women groups involved in shea butter production in the Northern Savanna Zone. To move this forward UNDP has facilitated engagement with women cooperatives in Shea Value Chain in the project districts in the Northern Region of Ghana. An agreement has been signed with a private company at a contract value of USD 95,050(in cash) to support the acquisition of improved technologies in shea butter production and train women in sustainable organic shea production in the project districts as part of efforts to achieve Output 2 of the Project.

Provide an updated progress on this project activity for the relevant reporting period, including delays and issues encountered, the reason for differences between the planned implementation progress and actual implementation progress, key milestones reached, and lessons learned, including issues related to non-compliance with GCF standards or conditions, vis-à-vis expectations, if any. In parallel, include positive achievements and better-than-expected results.

Key milestones and deliverables for the next reporting period

• Call for proposal completed and stakeholders educated on the GSLERP
• Improved technology equipment to be installed
• Women trained on technology use and organic shea butter production

Please include a list of key milestones and deliverables expected to be executed in the next reporting period.

Project Output Name *

Output 3: Modified Taungya System plantations and fire management in forest reserves

The output name should match with the output reported in the sub-section 2.4.3. If you have multiple activities to be reported against one output, you need to write down the same output name for every activity.

Project Activity Name *

Project Activity 3.2: Establish, maintain and monitor MTS Plantations

Status *

Activity started - progress on track

Implementation Progress *

10 %

Original timeline planned for this activity *

Q4 2021 to Q4 2024

Please refer to the Implementation Timetable in the log-frame

Progress for the relevant reporting period

• Some Forest Reserves where planting through the MTS were undertaken include: Kabampe FR, Sonyor FR, Grupe FR, Banda-Nkwanta FR, Dogli FR, Yakombo Lito A (CPT848), Yakombo Lito B (CPT848), Yakombo Lito C (CPT848), Damongo Scarp 1 (CPT24), Damongo Scarp2 (CPT24)

Output 3 activities were undertaken with committed co-financing from the Forestry Commission. No activities have been undertaken yet with project funds. The former were carried out through the Government Plantation Program in the NSZ to support the carbon stock enhancement efforts which the GSLERP intend to achieve.

Provide an updated progress on this project activity for the relevant reporting period, including delays and issues encountered, the reason for differences between the planned implementation progress and actual implementation progress, key milestones reached, and lessons learned, including issues related to non-compliance with GCF standards or conditions, vis-à-vis expectations, if any. In parallel, include positive achievements and better-than-expected results.

Key milestones and deliverables for the next reporting period

• 3,000 hectares of MTS Plantation
• 12 additional nurseries set up
• 1,000 Taungya Farmers engaged

Please include a list of key milestones and deliverables expected to be executed in the next reporting period.

Project Output Name *

Output 4: Integrated monitoring system implemented and REDD+ Systems strengthened etc

The output name should match with the output reported in the sub-section 2.4.3. If you have multiple activities to be reported against one output, you need to write down the same output name for every activity.

Project Activity Name *

Project Activity 4.3: Support project level planning and review

Status *

Activity started - progress on track

Implementation Progress *

10 %

Original timeline planned for this activity *

Q4 2021 to Q1 2022

Please refer to the Implementation Timetable in the log-frame

Progress for the relevant reporting period

• Board meeting undertaken in October. Budget for 5 quarters from 2021 to 2022 approved.
• Inception meeting organized amongst key stakeholders. Inception report submitted.
• Work to perceive the monitoring systems have begun. A consultant was hired to develop a project monitoring system under direction from the FC and building on existing systems and with inputs from inputs from GSA. This would include reviewing and refining the indicators in the project's log frame including filling information of each on units of measures, data collection methods, frequency and timing of collection, data reporting, presentation, analysis and review, review of data and quality assessment. These indicators would also include safeguard and GAP indicators. Provide technical assistance in the implementation of the capacity building plan for M&E through videoconferences, virtual workshops and training as needed.
• Identify capacity gaps and develop a capacity building plan to implement recommendations. Consult in tandem with the Global Shea Alliance, as responsible party for output 2 on monitoring and reporting arrangements, including responsibilities of the responsible party.
• An safeguards and gender expert hired to provide support for the work on the environmental and social safeguards work

Provide an updated progress on this project activity for the relevant reporting period, including delays and issues encountered, the reason for differences between the planned implementation progress and actual implementation progress, key milestones reached, and lessons learned, including issues related to non-compliance with GCF standards or conditions, vis-à-vis expectations, if any. In parallel, include positive achievements and better-than-expected results.

Key milestones and deliverables for the next reporting period

• 2 board meetings a year

Please include a list of key milestones and deliverables expected to be executed in the next reporting period.

Project Output Name *

Output 5: Project management

The output name should match with the output reported in the sub-section 2.4.3. If you have multiple activities to be reported against one output, you need to write down the same output name for every activity.

Project Activity Name *

Project Activity 5: Project Management

Status *

Activity started - progress on track

Implementation Progress *

10 %

Original timeline planned for this activity *

Q2 2021 - Q2 2027

Please refer to the Implementation Timetable in the log-frame

Progress for the relevant reporting period

• Completion of the micro-assessment by Price Waterhouse Coopers of the Implementing Partner. This micro-assessment provided an overall assessment of the Forestry Commission's (Agency's) programme, financial and operations management policies, procedures, systems and internal controls. It included:
- A review of the legal status, governance structures and financial viability; programme management, organizational structure and staffing, accounting policies and procedures, fixed assets and inventory, financial reporting and monitoring, and procurement;
- A focus on compliance with policies, procedures, regulations and institutional arrangements that are issued both by the Government and the Implementing Partner.
The work took into account previous micro assessments conducted with the Implementing Agency. The overall risk rating for Forestry Commission was categorised as ''Low'' in a four-tier risk framework (low, moderate, significant and hight) in all material respects, for its financial management systems and control framework in operation. The definition of ''Low risk'' is the indication of a well-developed financial management system and functioning control framework with a low likelihood of potential negative impact on the IP's ability to execute the programme in accordance with the work plan.
• The same process was carried out for the Responsible Party for Output 2.1 and 2.2, the Global Shea Alliance (GSA) by the Price Waterhouse Coopers.
• Refurbishment office space for the Forestry Commission's field-based Project Management Unit (PMU) in Tamale based at the Resource Management Support Centre (RMSC). The RMSC is the research/technical wing of the Forestry Commission. It is responsible for the facilitation, institutionalization, and implementation and monitoring of effective and affordable forest and wildlife management systems in Ghana, in accordance with the national forest and wildlife policy.
• Hiring of Project staff for PMU completed. A total of 8 positions were hired on the project made up of 50% female and 50% male. The positions are:
o Project Manager- (Male)
o Assistant Project Manager- (Male)
o Training and Development Officer- (Male)
o Monitoring and Evaluation - (Female)
o Safeguards and Gender Officer- (Female)
o Communication Officer- (Male)
o Project Finance and Administration Officer (Tamale Office) - (Female)
o Project Finance and Administration (Accra Office) - (Female)
• Hiring of 5 Project positions (covering 7 persons; 4 females (57%) and 3 males (43%) for the Global Shea Alliance completed
GSA Project Staffing include:
o Aaron Adu (Managing Director) (Male)
o Olawunmi Osholake (Female) and Marie Veyrier (Female) (Private sector engagement managers
o Doris Anum-Dorhuso (Finance Director) (Female).
o Cindy Laird (Female) and Felix Oppong (Male) (Shea Technical Assistant)
o Shaibu Baanni Azumah (Shea Component and Gender Coordinator) - (Male)
The Work Plan and Budget for the last quarter of 2021 and four quarters of 2022 were deliberated on and approved by the SC. The budget was adjusted to take into account the delay in commencement of the Project. During November and December, substantive work was undertaken to renovate and prepare the Regional Project Offices in the town of Tamale where the Forestry Commission's Regional Management Services Centre is located, and where part of the project management staff will be housed. The Project Director and her team are located at the FC headquarters in Accra whilst the remaining project management staff are located in Tamale at the RMSC. The physical structures of the field offices in Tamale are ready, and procurement and installation of equipment will be completed in early 2022.

Procurement
• Procurement for the purchase of office furniture for PMU – Vendor identified for supply
• Procurement for the purchase of project vehicles (3 pickup trucks) for PMU/FC – Vendor identified for supply
• Procurement for the purchase of office IT equipment (Laptops, printers, etc.) for PMU – Vendor identified for supply
• Procurement of the consultants for the ESIA work (Contracts began at the end of December).

Provide an updated progress on this project activity for the relevant reporting period, including delays and issues encountered, the reason for differences between the planned implementation progress and actual implementation progress, key milestones reached, and lessons learned, including issues related to non-compliance with GCF standards or conditions, vis-à-vis expectations, if any. In parallel, include positive achievements and better-than-expected results.

Key milestones and deliverables for the next reporting period

• Successful, yearly financial and process audits
• Complementary local and or international consultants procured and installed
• Draft Project Implementation manual completed.
• Items procured as per list below

Please include a list of key milestones and deliverables expected to be executed in the next reporting period.

2.4 Progress Update on the Logic Framework Indicators

Values of Baseline, mid-term target and final targets should be the same from the approved funding proposals unless calculation methodologies were revised in agreements with the GCF. Please attach a supporting document(s) describing the calculation methodology of the current value of all the indicators in Section 5; the indicators cover core, impact, outcome, and output levels. If there is a change in the methodology, you need to include clear justifications for the change and changed values as compared to the previous year.

This sub-section 2.4 is not applicable for REDD+ Results-Based Payments Projects. Please write 'Not Applicable' as the response.

2.4.1 Core Indicators

Select applicable core indicators

- [ ] Mitigation Core Indicator 1 - Tonnes of carbon dioxide equivalent (tCO2eq) reduced as a result of GCF funded project/programme
- [ ] Mitigation Core Indicator 2 - Cost per tCO2eq decreased for GCF funded project/programme
- [ ] Mitigation Core Indicator 3 - Volume of finance leveraged by GCF funding (Disaggregated by public/private source)
- [ ] Adaptation Core Indicator 1 - Direct Beneficiaries of GCF funded project/programme
- [ ] Adaptation Core Indicator 2 - Indirect Beneficiaries of GCF funded project/programme
- [ ] Adaptation Core Indicator 3 - Number of total beneficiaries relative to total population

2.4.2 Impact Indicators

Select applicable impact indicators

- [ ] M1.1 Tonnes of carbon dioxide equivalent (tCO2eq) reduced or avoided as a result of increased low-emission energy access and power generation
- [ ] M2.1 Tonnes of carbon dioxide equivalent (tCO2eq) reduced or avoided as a result of increased access to low-emission transport
- [ ] M3.1 Tonnes of carbon dioxide equivalent (tCO2eq) reduced or avoided as a result of buildings, cities, industries and appliances
- [ ] M4.1 Tonnes of carbon dioxide equivalent (tCO2eq) reduced or avoided as a result of sustainable management of forests and conservation and enhancement of forest carbon stocks
- [ ] A1.1 Change in expected losses of lives and economic assets due to the impact of extreme climate-related disasters in the geographic area of the GCF intervention
- [ ] A1.2 Number of males and females benefiting from the adoption of diversified, climate resilient livelihood options (including fisheries, agriculture, tourism, etc.)
- [ ] A1.3 Number of Fund funded projects/programmes that supports effective adaptation to fish stock migration and depletion due to climate change
- [ ] A2.1 Number of males and females benefiting from introduced health measures to respond to climate-sensitive diseases
- [ ] A2.2 Number of food secure households (in areas/periods at risk of climate change impacts)
- [ ] A2.3 Number of males and females with year round access to reliable and safe water supply despite climate shocks and stresses
- [ ] A3.1 Number and value of physical assets made more resilient to climate variability and change, considering human benefits (reported where applicable)
- [ ] A4.1 Coverage/scale of ecosystems protected and strengthened in response to climate variability and change
- [ ] A4.2 Value of ecosystem services generated or protected in response to climate change

2.4.3 Project/Programme-level Outcome & Output Indicators

Please provide ex-post 'Current Value' on a cumulative basis. If you have multiple outputs to be reported against one outcome, you need to write down the same outcome name for every output. Likewise, if you have multiple indicators to be reported against one output, you need to write down the same output name and corresponding outcome name for every indicator.

Use 'Add row' button to add multiple outcomes, outputs and/or indicators.

Results Area Type	Outcome Name
Mitigation	M4.0 Reduced emissions from land use, reforestation, reduced deforestation, and through sustainable forest management and conservation and enhancement of forest carbon stocks

Output Name (under the afore-mentioned outcome)

Please write 'Not Applicable' if the below-mentioned indicator is to be reported directly at the outcome level.

Indicator Name

Tons of carbon dioxide equivalent (tCO2eq) reduced as a result of Fund-funded projects/programmes

Unit

tCO2

Baseline	Current Value	Mid-term Target	Final Target
0	0	1913000	6136000

Remarks (including changes, if any)

No change

Results Area Type	Outcome Name
Adaptation	A4.0 Improved resilience of ecosystems and ecosystem services

Output Name (under the afore-mentioned outcome)

Please write 'Not Applicable' if the below-mentioned indicator is to be reported directly at the outcome level.

Indicator Name

Direct Beneficiaries Improved resilience of ecosystems and ecosystem services

Unit

ha

Baseline	Current Value	Mid-term Target	Final Target
440,000	440,000	200,000	471,500

Remarks (including changes, if any)

No change

Results Area Type	Outcome Name
Adaptation	A1.0 Increased resilience and enhanced livelihoods of the most vulnerable people, communities, and regions

Output Name (under the afore-mentioned outcome)

Please write 'Not Applicable' if the below-mentioned indicator is to be reported directly at the outcome level.

Indicator Name

Number of males and females benefiting from the adoption of diversified, climate resilient livelihood options.

Unit

cooperatives

Baseline	Current Value	Mid-term Target	Final Target
6	6	16	26

Remarks (including changes, if any)

No change

Results Area Type	Outcome Name
Adaptation	A1.0 Increased resilience and enhanced livelihoods of the most vulnerable people, communities, and regions

Output Name (under the afore-mentioned outcome)

Please write 'Not Applicable' if the below-mentioned indicator is to be reported directly at the outcome level.

Indicator Name

Number of males and females benefiting from the adoption of diversified, climate resilient livelihood options.

Unit

no. of nursieris

Baseline	Current Value	Mid-term Target	Final Target
0	0	35	70

Remarks (including changes, if any)

No change

35 nurseries (10 Women for each nursery) 8,000 men and 5,000 women

70 nurseries (10 women for each nursery)

Results Area Type	Outcome Name
Adaptation	A1.0 Increased resilience and enhanced livelihoods of the most vulnerable people, communities, and regions

Output Name (under the afore-mentioned outcome)

Please write 'Not Applicable' if the below-mentioned indicator is to be reported directly at the outcome level.

Indicator Name

Value (US$) of ecosystem services generated or protected in response to climate change

Unit

ha

Baseline	Current Value	Mid-term Target	Final Target
220,000	220,000	100,000	220,000

Remarks (including changes, if any)

No change

Results Area Type	Outcome Name
Mitigation	M9.0 Improved management of land or forest areas contributing to emissions reductions

Output Name (under the afore-mentioned outcome)

Please write 'Not Applicable' if the below-mentioned indicator is to be reported directly at the outcome level.

Indicator Name

Hectares of land or forests under improved and effective management that contributes to CO2 emission reductions

Unit

ha

Baseline	Current Value	Mid-term Target	Final Target
2700	2700	85000	200000

Remarks (including changes, if any)

No change

85,000 ha of land under sustainable forest management.

100,000 ha under fire management

500,000 shea trees planted

200,000 other species and 15,000 ha under MTS plantations

200,000 ha of degraded forest and grassland under sustainable forest management including core conservation areas

Further 220,000 ha in which communities adopt improved fire management techniques

Planting of 1.75 million shea trees and 400,000 other species which comprise of a variety of indigenous tree species in the agroforestry systems

26,000 ha surrounding plantations of improved fire management

Results Area Type	Outcome Name
Mitigation	M9.0 Improved management of land or forest areas contributing to emissions reductions

Output Name (under the afore-mentioned outcome)

Please write 'Not Applicable' if the below-mentioned indicator is to be reported directly at the outcome level.

Indicator Name

Number of technologies and Innovative solutions transferred or licensed to Support low-emission development as a result of Fund support.

Unit

CREMA

Baseline	Current Value	Mid-term Target	Final Target
0	0	6	12

Remarks (including changes, if any)

No changes

Baselines - No shea trees planted in agroforestry systems - Zero MTS farmers

Mid -term - 800,000 trees planted - 6,000 Taungya Farmers

Final - 1.75 million trees planted - 13,000 Taungya farmers

Results Area Type	Outcome Name
Adaptation	A7.0 Strengthened adaptive capacity and reduced exposure to climate risks

Output Name (under the afore-mentioned outcome)

Please write 'Not Applicable' if the below-mentioned indicator is to be reported directly at the outcome level.

Indicator Name

Use by vulnerable households, communities, businesses and public-sector services of Fund supported tools, instruments, strategies and activities to respond to climate change and variability

Unit

CREMA

Baseline	Current Value	Mid-term Target	Final Target
0	0	5	10

Remarks (including changes, if any)

No changes

Baseline - No fire Management - No Cooperatives using energy saving kilns

Mid-tem - 13 Cooperatives are using an energy saving kiln - 13 cooperatives have built a warehouse to store shea 20 firebreaks are built covering 100,000 hectares

Final -26 cooperatives using an energy saving kiln - 26 cooperatives are storing shea in warehouses 40 firebreaks covering 200,000 hectares

If applicable, please submit a supporting document describing the calculation methodology for the current values provided.

2.5 Report on changes during implementation (include actual and expected changes)

Changes regarding make-up of the project management unit in order to better allocate tasks, on the work to undertake the update of the environmental and social management framework in a phased manner and a change in the make-category of consultants who are to undertake a review of the Modified Taungya System is under assessment by UNDP. Once these assessments are complete, GCF will be notified as per the standard protocol.

The implementation plan has been updated given the delays in the commencement of the project. The updated implementation plan is attached as per Annex 1.

Describe changes to the project during the reporting period. In particular, the report should cover elements such as change of beneficial ownership structure, management changes of the Accredited Entity, policies and other elements relevant for the project, and any other material change that could influence the overall outcome of the project.

2.6 Implementation challenges and lessons learned

Challenge encountered

Delays in the release of funds, due to completion of relevant due diligence activities such as micro assessment of EE.

Describe the challenge faced during the last twelve (12) months of implementation and critical risks that may result in a change to the scope and/or timing of the project; please provide a description and how they have impacted the implementation period and could impact other activities and final targets. N.B. Choose the most relevant type if the challenge is related to multiple types.

Challenge type

Operational

Impact on the project implementation

Minor/Solved

Measures adopted

Future due diligence activities will have to be factored in ahead of time to avoid delays.

Please check if the above-mentioned challenge(s) has been resolved during the reporting period

[X] The challenge(s) has been resolved during the reporting period.

Lesson learned and other remarks

Careful planning of future due diligence is needed.

Please check if this challenge is caused by COVID-19 pandemic.

( ) Yes
(•) No

Challenge encountered

The actual prices of vehicles were higher that what was budgeted for and approved in the Funding Proposal. This would mean less vehicles will be available for project field monitoring and related travels.

Describe the challenge faced during the last twelve (12) months of implementation and critical risks that may result in a change to the scope and/or timing of the project; please provide a description and how they have impacted the implementation period and could impact other activities and final targets. N.B. Choose the most relevant type if the challenge is related to multiple types.

Challenge type

Procurement

Impact on the project implementation

High

Measures adopted

The project will procure what the budget can afford for the moment and explore the option of using savings made within the outputs to procure what is needed.

Please check if the above-mentioned challenge(s) has been resolved during the reporting period

[ ] The challenge(s) has been resolved during the reporting period.

Lesson learned and other remarks

This would call for more prudent and efficient use of resources to ensure saving are made, without any impact on overall output.

Please check if this challenge is caused by COVID-19 pandemic.

( ) Yes
(•) No

Challenge encountered

Low capacity for M&E reporting. The development of a monitoring and evaluation frameworks require a detailed understanding of the executive entities effective capacities to report on it.

Describe the challenge faced during the last twelve (12) months of implementation and critical risks that may result in a change to the scope and/or timing of the project; please provide a description and how they have impacted the implementation period and could impact other activities and final targets. N.B. Choose the most relevant type

if the challenge is related to multiple types.

Challenge type

Operational

Impact on the project implementation

High

Measures adopted

1. A monitoring and evaluation specialist has been hired to support the development of the M&E framework.
2. a visit to develop M&E indicators in conjunction with the PMU team will take place in 2022.

Please check if the above-mentioned challenge(s) has been resolved during the reporting period

☐ The challenge(s) has been resolved during the reporting period.

Lesson learned and other remarks

The joint development of M&E indicators should be designed early design so that the M&E framework is operative once field operation begin.

Please check if this challenge is caused by COVID-19 pandemic.

○ Yes
● No

Challenge encountered

Systems and capacity not yet in place to tracking afforestation, land restoration and fire impacts. The challenge is to set up a effective GIS system that integrates data over the long term. Data integration into the national forest monitoring system is also required.

Describe the challenge faced during the last twelve (12) months of implementation and critical risks that may result in a change to the scope and/or timing of the project; please provide a description and how they have impacted the implementation period and could impact other activities and final targets. N.B. Choose the most relevant type if the challenge is related to multiple types.

Challenge type

Operational

Impact on the project implementation

Moderate

Measures adopted

1. Detailed discussion between FC and GIS service provider are being organised.
2. Project team members would be trained how to use the platforms for data management, map making, and fire monitoring. For primary users, basic GIS and remote sensing experience would be required.

Please check if the above-mentioned challenge(s) has been resolved during the reporting period

☐ The challenge(s) has been resolved during the reporting period.

Lesson learned and other remarks

Ensure roles and responsibility, technical capacity, and type of GIS application are adequately known and budgeted during the design phase.

Please check if this challenge is caused by COVID-19 pandemic.

○ Yes
● No

2.7 Updated implementation timetable for the Funded Activity

Please submit the implementation time table for the Funded Activity

FAA Schedule 5 - Implementation Plan - GSLERP - UNDP 20210106.docx

Confirmation and Acknowledgement of Information *

* This is a required question to submit section 2 of the Annual Performance Report (APR).

☒ The accredited entity hereby confirms that the information provided in section 2 is complete and ready for submission.

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[APR CY2021] Section 3: Financial Information

Please note that this is section 3 of the five Annual Performance Report (APR) sections. APR will be considered valid only after all the five sections are filled with relevant details.

3.1 Approved Budget for entire project period as per FAA

Currency

usd

GCF Funding (Equity)

GCF Funding (Grants)

30 100 000

GCF Funding (Guarantees)

GCF Funding (Loans)

GCF Funding (Results-Based Payment)

3.1.1 Total GCF Funding

30 100 000

3.2 Co-financing

Currency

usd

Co-financing (Equity)

Co-financing (Grants)

Co-financing (Guarantees)

Co-financing (In-kind)

24 446 775

Co-financing (Loans)

Co-financing (Results-Based Payment)

3.2.1 Total Co-financing

24 446 775

Please confirm the afore-mentioned values are different as per your knowledge. *

No differences to be reported.

3.3 Disbursements Details (Cumulative to this reporting period)

3.3.1 Total GCF Disbursement

2 311 228

Currency

usd

GCF Equity Disbursement

0

GCF Grants Disbursement

2 311 228

GCF Guarantees Disbursement

0

GCF Loans Disbursement

GCF Results-Based Payment Disbursement

0

GCF Loans Disbursement

0

GCF Senior-Loans Disbursement

0

GCF Subordinated-Loans Disbursement

0

GCF Grants Disbursement

2311228

GCF Non-reimbursable Grants Disbursement

2 311 228

GCF Reimbursable Grants Disbursement

0

Please confirm the afore-mentioned values are different as per your knowledge. *

No differences to be reported.

3.3.2 Co-Financing Disbursement

2 078 522.75

Choose currency

USD

Provide the cumulative amount of disbursements from the start of implementation to the end of this reporting period. Indicate '0' if no amount is disbursed yet.

3.3.3 Total Project Disbursement

2 341 347.75

Choose currency

USD

Provide the cumulative amount of disbursements from the start of implementation to the end of this reporting period. Indicate '0' if no amount is disbursed yet.

Please provide comments on sub-section 3.3, if any.

3.4 Expenditure details (Cumulative to this reporting period)

Choose currency

Please select

GCF Equity Expenditures

Provide the cumulative amount of expenditures from the start of implementation to the end of this reporting period. Indicate '0' if no amount is disbursed yet.

GCF Grants Expenditures

262 825.00

Provide the cumulative amount of expenditures from the start of implementation to the end of this reporting period. Indicate '0' if no amount is disbursed yet.

GCF Guarantees Expenditures

Provide the cumulative amount of expenditures from the start of implementation to the end of this reporting period. Indicate '0' if no amount is disbursed yet.

GCF Loans Expenditures

Provide the cumulative amount of expenditures from the start of implementation to the end of this reporting period. Indicate '0' if no amount is disbursed yet.

3.4.1 GCF Expenditures

262 825.00

Provide the cumulative amount of expenditures from the start of implementation to the end of this reporting period. Indicate '0' if no amount is disbursed yet.

3.4.2 Co-financing Expenditures

2 078 522.75

Provide the cumulative amount of expenditures from the start of implementation to the end of this reporting period. Indicate '0' if no amount is disbursed yet.

3.4.3 Total Project Expenditures

2341347.75

Please provide comments on sub-section 3.4, if any.

3.5 Investment & Other Income (Cumulative to this reporting period)

Reporting Level for investment

Please select the second option 'Accredited Entity Portfolio Level' only if AEs have more than one project where all GCF funds are held in a consolidated GCF Special Account.

Choose currency

Please select

- [ ] Project Level
- [x] Accredited Entity Portfolio Level

Accredited Entity Portfolio Level Investment & Other Income

Please provide comments on sub-section 3.5, if any.

`N/A

3.6 Report on AE fees (Cumulative to this reporting period)

Reporting Level for AE fees

Please select the second option 'Accredited Entity Portfolio Level' only if AEs have more than one project where all GCF funds are held in a consolidated GCF Special Account.

Choose currency

Please select

- [ ] Project Level
- [x] Accredited Entity Portfolio Level

Accredited Entity Portfolio Level AE Fees

Please provide comments on sub-section 3.6, if any.

Please see portfolio level report by UNDP

3.7 Annual Financial Performance Report

Please download the Financial Performance Report Template in Excel.

Financial Performance Report Template

This sub-section 3.7 is not applicable for REDD+ Results-Based Payments Projects. Please provide a separate 'Financial Progress Details' in Section 6.

Please attach the Annual Financial Performance Report here.

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3.8 Unaudited Financial Statement

Submit the Unaudited financial statement (as required by FAA)

(Semi-)Annual Audited financial statement, Interim/Final Evaluation Report should be submitted via separate and dedicated submission channels.

Please provide comments on the attachment.

N/A - this will be submitted at corporate level.

Confirmation and Acknowledgement of Information *

* This is a required question to submit section 3 of the Annual Performance Report (APR).

[X] The accredited entity hereby confirms that the information provided in section 3 is complete and ready for submission.

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[APR CY2021] Section 4: Environmental and Social Safeguards & Gender

Please note that this is section 4 of the five Annual Performance Report (APR) sections. APR will be considered valid only after all the five sections are filled with relevant details.

4.1 Implementation of environmental and social safeguards and gender elements

Please provide information on the project or programme on the following: (1) key risks and impacts as identified; (2) compliance with applicable laws and regulations including FAA conditions and covenants; and (3) progress in the implementation of environmental and social management plans and programs including monitoring activities undertaken during the implementation of the funded activity.

4.1.1 The information includes description on any changes in the key environmental and social risks and impacts as identified and arising from the implementation including any unanticipated risks and impacts (ex. from changes in laws and regulations) and, based on these if any change in the project's environmental and social risk category. In case of a change in the E&S risk category for the project, please provide an explanation.

(1) The information includes description on any changes in the key environmental and social risks and impacts as identified and arising from the implementation including any unanticipated risks and impacts (*ex. from changes in laws and regulations*) and, based on these if any change in the project's environmental and social risk category. In case of a change in the E&S risk category for the project, please provide an explanation.

There have been no changes to the key environmental and social risks and impacts identified in the project ESMF. In line with UNDP's SES and as a Moderate Risk Project with the potential high-risk elements in the absence of implemented mitigation measures, further impact assessment and management measures will be needed in order to manage risks effectively throughout project implementation. This will be done by the ESIA consultancy which has only just started in January 2022.

2) The information should include status of compliance with applicable laws and regulations of the country as well as the relevant conditions or covenants under the FAA.

4.1.2 The information should include status of compliance with applicable laws and regulations of the country as well as the relevant conditions or covenants under the FAA. This can be captured in the table below:

Status of compliance with applicable laws and regulations and the conditions and covenants specifically addressing ESS & Gender under FAA

Compliance Type

Condition

Compliance Title & Description

FAA 10.02(f) Undertake and/or put in place any adequate measures in order to ensure that the management of the environmental and social risks and impacts arising from the Funded Activity complies at all times with the recommendations, requirements and procedures set forth in the Environmental and Social Management Framework (ESMF), which was provided by the Accredited Entity to the Fund before the Approval Decision and which shall not be amended, abrogated or waived without prior written approval of the Fund;

Status of compliance

ESIA is being conducted and the ESMF to be updated to incorporate any additional adequate measures that will be required. GCF approval will be sought prior to update of the ESMF

Compliance Type

Condition

Compliance Title & Description

FAA 10.02(g) Ensure that the GCF Proceeds will not support or finance, directly or indirectly, any activities with potential environmental and social risks that are equivalent to category A pursuant to the Environmental and Social Risks Categories to be conducted as part of the Project;

Status of compliance

No activities funded that would results in potential risk

Compliance Type

Condition

Compliance Title & Description

FAA 10.02(h) Obtain, or ensure that the Executing Entity shall acquire, all land and rights in respect of land that are required to carry out the Funded Activity and shall promptly furnish to the GCF, upon its request, evidence that such land and rights in respect of land are available for the purposes of the Funded Activity;

Status of compliance

No land acquired during reporting period

Compliance Type

Condition

Compliance Title & Description

FAA 10.02(i) Prior to commencing any construction works or activities for the implementation of the Project, submit to the Fund the detailed Environmental and Social Management Plan related to the relevant construction works or activities to be executed, in a form and substance satisfactory to the GCF;

Status of compliance

No construction works begun in the reporting period

Compliance Type

Please select

Compliance Title & Description

FAA 10.02(j) Prior to commencing any activities that have potential application of the Accredited Entity's environmental and social standards on indigenous peoples, furnish to the GCF, the Indigenous Peoples Plan and evidence that free, prior and informed consent from the indigenous peoples and communities has been obtained for the purposes of the relevant activities;

Status of compliance

When stakeholder engagement begins, guidelines in Annex I of the Project Document will be followed.

Compliance Type

Please select

Compliance Title & Description

FAA 10.02(l) Ensure that the Executing Entity shall acquire all necessary environmental licenses or clearances, and shall promptly furnish evidence, in a form and substance satisfactory to the Fund and upon its request, that such licenses or clearances, are available for the purposes of the Project;

Status of compliance

A consultant will look at the licence and benefit sharing arrangement of the MTS plantations (Output 3) in 2022

Compliance Type

Condition

Compliance Title & Description

FAA 10.02(m) Undertake and/or put in place all adequate measures and dedicate the necessary financial, human and other resources in order to ensure that the Funded Activity complies at all times with the recommendations and requirements of the Gender Action Plan, provided by the Accredited Entity to the Fund as part of the Funding Proposal, which shall comply with the Accredited Entity's own gender policy, which is equivalent to the Updated Gender Policy, and the Gender Action Plan shall not be amended, abrogated or waived without prior written approval of the Fund;

Status of compliance

On-going

4.1.3 Provide a report on the progress made during the reporting period in implementing environmental and social management plans (ESMPs) and frameworks (ESMFs) describing achievements and specifying details outlined in the tables below.

Implementation of ESMPs and ESMFs

Activities implemented during the reporting period, including monitoring

Consultants hired for the ESIA (to be undertaken in the first three quarters in 2022). This will lead to another procurement process for the development of the ESMP by the end of 2022. Implementation of management plans will not start before.

Outputs during the reporting period

Not applicable for this reporting cycle. This information can be provided in the second APR for the Project

Key environmental, social and gender issues, risks and impacts addressed during implementation

Not applicable for this reporting cycle

Any pending key environmental, social and gender issues needing accredited entity's actions and GCF attention

None

4.1.4 AEs are obligated to inform executing entities, people and project beneficiaries about the GCF's Independent redress Mechanism and the AE's own Grievance Redress Mechanism. This includes bringing the contact details, accessibility, and basic procedures of such mechanisms to the attention of executing entities, people and project beneficiaries. Please provide detailed information on the steps taken by the AE to fulfill this obligation during the reporting period in the project target area and to the public, including the dissemination of information through meetings, brochures, hotlines, and other means.

Please provide detailed information including dates and venues of activities, number of attendees, confirmation that information was provided on the 1) IRM and 2) AE's grievance redress mechanism 3] project-level grievance mechanism (where applicable).

"As per the requirements of the UNDP Accountability Mechanism (see details in link 1 below), which are aligned with the GCF's IRM, information regarding the UNDP corporate mechanisms (Stakeholder Response Mechanism (see case registry in link 2 below) and the Social and Environmental Compliance Unit (see case registry in link 3 below) and Project-level grievance redress mechanisms (see guidance in link 4 below) is made available to project stakeholders throughout project design and implementation including in Project Inception Workshops as outlined in the reports shared with the GCF. Information on the GCF IRM is also made available to all project stakeholders, and yearly reporting on project-level grievance redress mechanisms and stakeholder engagement events (including dates and venues) where this information is made available can be found in Sections 4.1.5 and 4.1.6 in PPMS."

LINK 1: https://eur03.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.undp.org%2Fsocial-and-environmental-compliance-review-and-stakeholder-response-mechanism&data=04%7C01%7Cjihyea.kim%40undp.org%7Cf5eae463040d484a3ad408d9f7cd543d%7Cb3e5db5e2944483799f57488ace54319%7C0%7C0%7C63

LINK 2: https://eur03.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Finfo.undp.org%2Fsites%2Fregistry%2Fsrm%2FSRMPages%2FSRMSummary.aspx&data=04%7C01%7Cjihyea.kim%40undp.org%7Cf5eae463(

LINK 3: https://eur03.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Finfo.undp.org%2Fsites%2Fregistry%2Fsecu%2FSECUPages%2FSECUSummary.aspx&data=04%7C01%7Cjihyea.kim%40undp.org%7Cf5eae46

LINK 4: https://eur03.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Finfo.undp.org%2Fsites%2Fbpps%2FSES_Toolkit%2FSES%2520Document%2520Library%2FUploaded%2520October%25202016%2FUNDP%2

4.1.5 Include a description of the actions undertaken during the reporting period towards increasing the relevant stakeholders' engagement in the project environmental, social and gender elements.

The information in this subsection should be provided for all projects regardless of the E&S risk category for the project.

Implementation of the stakeholder engagement plan

Activities implemented during the reporting period

Initial discussion began with seven o the CREMA

Dates and venues of engagement activities

November 2021

Information shared with stakeholders

The purpose of the visit was to assess the state of the existing CREMAs . The team engaged the CREMA Executive Committee (CEC) members and specifically shared the following information:
(I) Overview of the GSLERP project and its key components;
(ii) Status of the project, giving an indication of the key initial actions that have taken place, including an inception meeting and project board approval for commencement activities to begin; and
(iii) the CREMA component of the project, including the number of existing and new CREMAs to be involved in the project and the processes to bring CREMAs on board.

The team also used the engagement to discuss FPIC principle and get a better understanding of the true state of the CREMAs before the activity commences, the issues included:
(1) the communication channels to be employed during meetings and programs;
(2) how information/feedback is disseminated to the communities they represent,
(3) the challenges they face in executing their duties, and
(4) the gaps in the governance structure of the CREMAs.

It was also to ascertain how the objectives of GSLERP fits into the work of the CREMAs and how best there can be synergy between GSLERP, and the CREMAs.

Outputs including issues addressed during the reporting period

Confirmation of baseline CREMA

4.1.6 Implementation of the grievance redress mechanism - list on the grievances received in the reporting period with the description of the grievance, the date the grievance was received, and the resolution of the grievance.

Description of issues/complaints received during the reporting period

None. GRM will be developed as part of the ESIA/ESMP consultancies which have started in January 2022.

Please specify to which grievance mechanism the complaint was filed (AE grievance mechanism or project-level grievance mechanism, If known, please explain relationship of the complainant to the project (for example: community member, contractor, business-owner, etc.)

Date of receipt

Please provide information on any monitoring and follow-up activities.

Description of resolution

Status of addressing issues/complaints

Based on GRM's own policies, provide information related to phase of complaint (for example: including but not limited to Open, Open: Under investigation, Open: Problem Solving/Compliance Review, Closed)

If you wish to share more details on the nature of grievances reported above, please download the Grievance Tracker template from the FAQ and submit it as an attachment here.

In case you want to keep the file confidential, please choose your preference accordingly in Section 1.1.

4.2 Gender Action Plan

The gender approach and work on the project is being guided by the GAP submitted with the project funding proposal (FP). The FP's GAP is noted in Section 4.2.1 below, and is based on preliminary findings of the gender assessment (based on a desk review) also submitted with the project's FP. The findings and recommendations of the FP's gender assessment, including the gender-responsive actions, indicators, etc., noted in the FP GAP, will be re-assessed during the ESIA process being undertaken in 2022, as well as will need to be consulted with and validated by state and non-state stakeholders, including those more marginalized, such as women, youth, indigenous, people, etc. Any suggested updates made to the GAP, based on these ESIA findings, will be shared with the GCF for approval (as per stipulations Section 10.02 (m) of the FAA for the project). With respect to output 2.2 and the launch for a call for proposals for the set-up of private-public partnerships; the reviewers took into account working with women led companies and/or with companies that have gender equality as one of their focus areas of their work, including collecting gender-sensitive data, etc. Output 2 has a large women's empowerment element and the draft PPP Operations Manual covers such gender aspects, for example, noting that The partnership must also involve women cooperatives (to be set up) in the shea space at the community level who will manage the nurseries and tree planting for the partnership members.

A gender and safeguards officer has been hired and is working to understand what will be required to undertake the gender action plan. Updates to the GAP are being considered as part of the ESIA work to be undertaken in the 2022, and corresponding gender requirements to support a gender-responsive in the ESIA process were integrated into the ToRs for the ESIA advertised in 2021. Recruitment of PMU staff in the Forestry Commission has ensured adequate gender parity (50% male, 50% female).

Provide a progress report on the gender action plan developed during project preparation stage for the reporting period. This will primarily be a report on activities undertaken and results achieved as a result of completion of an activity. Further it should also indicate if the project is on track to achieving the intended outcome(s). The reporting should be done for activities, targets and indicators already set in the action plan including on vulnerable groups (youth, poor, female heads of households, etc.) as would have been identified in the gender analysis and action plan. If activities or targets are not achieved as per plan, reasons should be provided, and recourse action should be proposed. Please include a reporting on any changes or deviations. Include a Report on implementation challenges and lessons learnt and how these will inform on-going actions and what action will be taken by when to address the challenges faced. Incorporate both quantitative data and qualitative report of the performance of such actions, and on progress on actions identified.

4.2.1 Progress on implementing the project-level gender action plan submitted with the funding proposal

Activity / Action

Train and build capacity of the Project Management Unit (PMU), Forestry Commission (FC) regional and district staff and District staff on how to integrate gender considerations and gender-responsive results into the full project cycle.

Indicator

Indicator: # of staff who have had their capacity built/awareness raised on gender and REDD+ (disaggregated by sex)

Indicator: Evidence of changes in perception/understanding of gender and social inclusion among staff

Baseline

0

Target, including sex-disaggregation

Target: 70% of staff have their capacity built/awareness raised on gender and REDD+
Target: 80% of staffed trained demonstrate changes in perception/ understanding of gender and social inclusion (e.g. through use of pre and post workshop surveys, etc.)

Budget

Currency

USD

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A project Gender and Safeguards Officer has been hired by the project Training has begun for the PMU to integrate gender considerations into the project cycle.

Activity / Action

Integrate Ghana's REDD+ Gender Sub-Working Group into the institutional structure for the project and allot a seat for them on the project steering committee (PSC)

Indicator

Indicator: Evidence that Ghana's REDD+ Gender Sub-Working Group is integrated into the institutional structure for the project

Baseline

Ghana's REDD+ Gender Sub-Working Group established in 2015

Target, including sex-disaggregation

Ghana's REDD+ Gender Sub-Working Group is integrated into the institutional structure for the project

Budget

Currency

Please select

Report on annual progress

Target has been achieved. The REDD+ Gender Sub-Working Group has nominated a representative to the project Board in the person of the Queen Mother of Damango, Sandape Wuriche Mary Sulemana. She participated in the First Project Board meeting held in October 2021. The Queen Mother being a member of the REDD+ Gender Sub-Working Group and also a leader in the project area is well positioned to provide the relevant context and gender perspective on decision making within the Project Board

Activity / Action

Activity 1.1: Communities structured and empowered for savannah forest management.
• Involve Gender and Safeguards Officer in selection of areas suitable for CREMA and in design of awareness raising campaigns
• Equitably and meaningfully involve women, men and youth from communities in CREMA consultations- including setting up of CRMC and CEC and in the development and implementation of the Forest Management Plan.
• Design and tailor educational and training packages to address any knowledge gaps and particular needs of women and youth
• Gender balance sought among CREMA core staff

Indicator

Indicator: Evidence that the gender desk at REDD+ secretariat and/or Gender and Safeguards Officer involved in CREMA consultations and in design of awareness raising campaigns

Indicator: % and # of awareness raising documents that sufficiently integrate gender considerations and address gender gaps

Indicator: % and # of participants of CREMA consultations who are women and youth

Indicator: % and # of CREMA, CRMC and CEC decision-making body members who are women

Baseline

Baseline: Gender desk at REDD+ secretariat in existence; Gender and Safeguards Officer not yet hired

Baseline: 0

Baseline: 0

Baseline: Some CREMA sites exist, but some will be developed by the project

Target, including sex-disaggregation

Target: Gender desk at REDD+ secretariat and/or Gender and Safeguards Officer involved in 80% of CREMA consultations and in design of awareness raising campaigns

Target: 100% of awareness raising documents sufficiently integrate gender considerations and address gender gaps

Target: 50% of participants of CREMA consultations are women and female youth

Target: 40% of CREMA, CRMC and CEC decision-making body members are women

Budget

Currency

Please select

Report on annual progress

The Gender and Safeguards Officer has been hired and will begin to apply the GAP to implementation of activities and to especially address the disparity in engaging with women in the CREMA discussions.

As part of Output 2 work on an operations manual, a call for proposal for partnerships and a communication strategy began, and are integrating gender considerations.

Activity / Action

Activity 1.2. Sustainable forest management systems developed and adapted to local conditions
• • Ensure women's and youth's equitable involvement in consultations on forest management plans, resource assessments, map development, forest regeneration techniques, and fire management
• With assistance from Gender and Safeguards Officer, integrate a gender perspective into management systems and plans
• Capacity building efforts around management plans equitably involve women and men (and youth, as necessary).

Indicator

Indicator: % and # of meetings and workshops associated with these activities which are designed to account for women's and youth constraints (e.g. location, timing, women's only groups, etc.)

Indicator: % and # of participants of consultations/workshops on management plans and other activities, who are women and youth

Indicator: % and # of management systems and plans that integrate a gender perspective

Baseline

Baseline: 0

Baseline: 0

Baseline: 0

Target, including sex-disaggregation

Target: 100% of meetings and workshops associated with these activities are designed to account for women's and youth constraints

Target: 50% participants of consultations on management plans and other activities are women and female youth

Target: 100% of management systems and plans integrate a gender perspective

Budget

Currency

Please select

Report on annual progress

The Gender and Safeguards Officer has been hired and will begin to apply the GAP to implementation of activities and to especially address the disparity in engaging with women in the CREMA discussions.

As part of Output 2 work on an operations manual, a call for proposal for partnerships and a communication strategy began, and are integrating gender considerations.

Gender and Safeguards officer hired. No other activities supporting the targets in this activity have yet began

Activity / Action

1.3 Enterprise and value chain development
• Ensure women's equitable and meaningful involvement in consultations on cost and benefit sharing plans and forest management funds
• Design and tailor any materials for cost and benefit plans to address any knowledge gaps and particular needs of women (e.g. literacy gaps, etc.) and ensure it is in a format understandable and accessible to them.
• Women represent an equitable percentage of those trained in forest-based enterprise development
• Provide trainings on forest based enterprise development in a manner to encourage women's active participation (e.g. date, time, location, clarification provided on how topic relevant to their livelihoods etc.).

Indicator

Indicator: % and # of cost and benefit sharing plans that integrate a social inclusion and gender approach

Indicator: % of trainings and workshops associated with this activity which are designed to account for women's constraints (e.g. location, timing, women's only groups, etc.)

Indicator: % and # of participants of consultations and trainings for this activity who are women

Indicator: % and # of women participants involved in consultations and trainings for this activity who felt they could actively participate and had their perspectives taken into account

Baseline

Baseline: 0

Baseline: 0

Baseline: 0

Baseline: 0

Target, including sex-disaggregation

Target: 100% of cost and benefit sharing plans integrate a social inclusion and gender approach

Target: 100% of meetings and workshops associated with this activity are designed to account for women's and youth constraints

Target: 40% of participations for consultations and trainings for this activity are women

Target: 90% of women participants felt the consultations and trainings for this activity at least 'adequately' met and/or achieved these parameters

Budget

Currency

Please select

Report on annual progress

No progress to report in the reporting period

Activity / Action

Activity 1.4 Forest Restoration through Fire Management in the Northern Savannah Zone
• Undertake consultations for communications strategy equitably with women, men and youth from communities
• Develop and design communication messages to ensure accessibility to all community members including those more marginalized (e.g. women, migrant farmers and youth)
• Build capacity within communities on the benefits of having both women and men employed in fire management
• Employ women and men equitably in fire management

Indicator

Indicator: Evidence that the Gender and Safeguards Officer reviewed and his/her guidance was integrated in the communications strategy on fire management

Indicator: Evidence that communication messages presented in a format (i.e. radio, local language, flyer, word of mouth etc.) understandable, available

Indicator: % and # of women and men who attend capacity building workshops on the benefits of having both women and men employed in fire management

Indicator: % and # of employees in fire management who are women

Baseline

Baseline: Gender and Safeguards Officer not yet hired

Baseline: 0

Baseline: 0

Baseline: 0

Target, including sex-disaggregation

Target: Gender and Safeguards Officer reviewed and his/her guidance was integrated in the communications strategy on fire management

Target: 100% communication messages presented in a format (i.e. radio, local language, flyer, word of mouth etc.) understandable, available and accessible to marginalized groups (e.g. women, youth, migrant farmers, etc.)

Target: For the capacity building workshops on the benefits of having both women and men employed in fire management, at least 50% of participants are men and at least 40% are women

Target: 30% of employees in fire management are women

Budget

Currency

Please select

Report on annual progress

No progress to report in the reporting period

Activity / Action

Activity 1.5 Enabling and support measures for community management of forests
• Women and men equitably participate in consultations on defining legal procedures for control, access, management, harvesting and marketing of the full range of forest products
• Undertake consultations on the revision of the legal framework/procedures equitably with women, men and youth from communities
• Assess capacity of women and men community members on legal procedures, identify any gaps in knowledge and address them, so as to promote their active participation in consultations
• With assistance from the Gender and Safeguards Officer, integrate a social inclusion and gender approach in lessons learned on community management report
• Ensure gender balance within the knowledge management (KM) Internet Group

Indicator

Indicator: Evidence that the Gender and Safeguards Officer reviewed and his/her guidance was integrated in the lessons learned on community management report and on consultations on legal procedures

Indicator: Evidence that lessons learned on community management report integrates a gender and social inclusion approach

Indicator: % and # of participants of legal procedures consultations that were women

Indicator: % and # of women participants involved in consultations for this activity who felt they 1) understood the topics being discussed, 2) could actively participate and 3) had their perspectives taken into account

Indicator: % and # of consultations with this activity which are designed to account for women's constraints (e.g. location, timing, women's only groups, etc.)

Indicator: % and # of KM Internet Group members who are women

Baseline

Baseline: Gender and Safeguards Officer not yet hired

Baseline: 0

Baseline: 0

Baseline: 0

Baseline: 0

Baseline: 0

Target, including sex-disaggregation

Target: Gender and Safeguards Officer reviewed and his/her guidance was integrated in the lessons learned on community management report and on consultations on legal procedures

Target: Lessons learned on community management report integrates a gender and social inclusion approach

Target: 40% of participants of legal procedures consultations are women

Target: 90% of women participants felt the consultations and trainings for this activity at least 'adequately' met and/or achieved these parameters

Target: 100 % of consultations for this activity are designed to account for women's constraints (e.g. location, timing, women's only groups, etc.)

Target: 40% of KM Internet Group members are women

Budget

Currency

Please select

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Gender and Safeguards officer hired. No other activities supporting the targets in this activity have yet began

Activity / Action

Activity 2.1. Restoration and sustainable management of shea parklands
• Ensure women's equitable and meaningful involvement in consultations in the communications and extension plan for shea
• Develop and design communication messages appropriate for all women and men community members
• Target and prioritize farm sites that are farmed, owned and/or managed by women
• Engage women's groups for extension efforts and parkland management training
• Provide trainings under this activity in a manner to encourage equitable participation of women (e.g. date, time, location, clarification provided on how topic relevant to their livelihoods etc.).
• At least 50% of local nurseries created are allocated and run by women's groups

Indicator

Indicator: Evidence that the Gender and Safeguards Officer reviewed and his/her guidance was integrated into communications and extension plan for shea

Indicator: % and # of participants of consultations for the communications and extension plan for shea who are women

Indicator: % and # of consultations with this activity which are designed to account for women's constraints (e.g. location, timing, women's only groups, etc.)

Indicator: % and # of women recipients who report that the knowledge and support obtained from training and extension services was helpful. Measured 1 year, 2 years and 4 years after they were given

Indicator: % and # of participants of trainings and extension services who are women

Indicator: % and # of selected farm sites that are farmed, owned and/or managed by women

Indicator: % and # of local nurseries run by women's groups

Baseline	Target, including sex-disaggregation
Baseline: Gender and Safeguards Officer not yet hired Baseline: 0 Baseline: 0 Baseline: 0 Baseline: 0 Baseline: 0 Baseline: 0	Target: Gender and Safeguards Officer reviewed and his/her guidance was integrated in the communications and extension plan for shea Target: 40% participants of consultations for the communications and extension plan are women Target: 100% % and # of consultations with this activity are designed to account for women's constraints (e.g. location, timing, women's only groups, etc.) Target: 90% women participants involved in trainings and extensions services apply approaches I year, 2 years and 4 years after services given Target: 50% of participants of trainings and extension services are women Target: 50% of selected farm sites are farmed, owned and/or managed by women Target: 50% of local nurseries run by women's groups

Budget	Currency
	Please select

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A consultant is to be hired to develop the communication and extension plan. There will be specific provisions in this person's contract to ensure that the provisions to engage and develop messages that are appropriate for all women and men and vulnerable groups will be developed.

No other activities supporting the targets in this activity have yet began

Activity / Action

Activity 2.2. Strengthening value chains for shea processing
- Build capacity of women's groups and cooperatives on the shea value chain, its intermediaries, end users, etc.
- Introduce new technologies for the processing of shea fruits into kernels and production of fuel briquettes from shea processing waste
- Form women's groups and/or cooperatives
- Train women on 1) business skills and acumen to manage profitability, cost structures and labour; and 2) modern shea production techniques, equipment maintenance and management, labour optimization, and healthy and safe use of technologies
- All trainings designed to encourage women's participation and active involvement

Indicator

Indicator: # and % women trained who say the value chain trainings helped 1) them to understand the shea market better and 2) their businesses has become more competitive and profitable

Indicator: # and % of women who use new warehouses to store shea kernels. Measured I year, 2 years and 4 years after warehouses provided

Indicator: # and % of women using new warehouses who report increased revenues when selling shea nuts

Indicator: # and % of women, who use new technologies, who report they generated increased profits. Measured 1 year, 2 years and 4 years after new technology introduced

Indicator: # and size (number of members) of women's groups and/or cooperatives formed. Measured 2 years and 4 years after their formation

Baseline

Baseline: 0

Baseline: 0

Baseline: 0

Baseline: 0

Baseline: 0

Target, including sex-disaggregation

Target: 90% of women trained who say the value chain trainings helped their businesses to become more competitive and profitable

Target: 90% of women who use new warehouses to store shea kernels 4 years after warehouses provided

Target: 90% of women using new warehouses report increased revenues when selling shea nuts

Target: 90% of women, who use new technologies, report they generated increased profits overtime

Target: # and size women groups and/or cooperatives steadily increase over the lifespan of the project

Budget

Currency

Please select

Report on annual progress

No other activities supporting the targets in this activity have yet begun.

Activity / Action

Activity 2.3: Enhancing enabling environment for climate-smart shea and upscaling of finance and investments
• Consult with the Gender and Safeguards Officer on the participatory multi-stakeholder engagement processes
• Include women's groups in all the participatory multi-stakeholder engagement processes around strengthening policy, legal and regulatory frameworks governing the shea sector
• Women's groups represent at least 15% of participants and/or seats in the multi-stakeholder engagement process
• Ensure gender balance in participatory multi-stakeholder engagement process (e.g. at least 40%)

Indicator

Indicator: % and # of stakeholders involved in the participatory multi-stakeholder engagement processes who represent women's groups

Indicator: % and # of participants in the multi-stakeholder engagement process who are women

Indicator: % and # of multi-stakeholder engagement processes with this activity which are designed to account for women's constraints (e.g. location, timing, women's only groups, etc.)

Baseline

Baseline: 0

Baseline: 0

Baseline: 0

Target, including sex-disaggregation

Target: Women's groups represent at least 15% of participants and are present in all multi-stakeholder engagement processes

Target: 40% of participants in the multi-stakeholder engagement process are women

Target: 100% of multi-stakeholder engagement processes with this activity are designed to account for women's constraints

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Gender and Safeguards officer hired.

A women's group is engaged to see how value chain issues can be integrated into regulatory requirements.

Activity / Action

Activity 3.1: Modified taungya system (MTS) communities structured and contracted with benefit sharing clearly defined
• Involve REDD+ Gender and Safeguards Officer in design and implementation of MTS consultations with villages
• With assistance from the Gender and Safeguards Officer, assess women's capacity on MTS and project components, and conduct any necessary capacity building to facilitate their meaningful involvement and inform their decision-making under this activity
• Ensure equitable participation of women and men in the development and signing of MTS contracts
• Explicitly integrate women's rights, perspectives and needs, including within benefit structures, within MTS contracts

Indicator

Indicator: % and # of women involved in consultations for this activity who felt they 1) understood the topic being discussed 2) could actively participate and 3) had their perspectives taken into account

Indicator: % and # of women participants in training and consultations for this activity

Indicator: % and # of women serving on MTS groups

Indicator: % and # of MTS signed contracts clearly confirming women's rights, obligations and benefits to be received

Baseline

Baseline: 0

Baseline: 0

Baseline: 0

Baseline: Many women are not aware of the existence of various land laws and of the guarantees they can provide them. They also often lack support in the process for claiming their rights

Target, including sex-disaggregation

Target: 90% of women participants felt the consultations for this activity at least 'adequately' met and/or achieved these parameters

Target: 40% of participants in training and consultations for this activity are women

Target: At least 30% of members of MTS groups are women

Target: 100% of signed contracts clearly confirming women's rights, obligations and benefits to be received

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Gender and Safeguards officer hired.
No other activities supporting the targets in this activity have yet began

Activity / Action

Activity 3.2 MTS Plantations establishment, maintenance and monitoring
• Engage with the Gender and Safeguards Officer in designing and implementing the trainings and consultations for this activity
• In the identification of tree species, consult with both women and men in communities equitably to ensure their buy-in and support
• At least 40% of taungya farmers trained on seed orchard creation and maintenance are women
• All trainings and consultations designed to encourage women's participation and active involvement

Indicator

Indicator: % and # of women from communities who were 1) involved in selection of tree species; 2) participated in training on seed orchard creation and maintenance.

Indicator: % and # of trainings and consultations for this activity which are designed to account for women's constraints (e.g. location, timing, women's only groups, etc.)

Indicator: % and # of women involved in the trainings and consultations who felt they 1) understood the topic being discussed 2) could actively participate and 3) had their perspectives taken into account

Baseline

Baseline: 0

Baseline: 0

Baseline: 0

Target, including sex-disaggregation

Target: 40% of community participants in these activities are women

Target: 100% of trainings and consultations for this activity which are designed to account for women's constraints

Target: 90% of women participants felt the consultations for this activity at least 'adequately' met and/or achieved these parameters

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No other activities supporting the targets in this activity have yet begun.

Activity / Action

Activity 3.3: Fire management and control for plantation protection and for the restoration of savanna forests in the reserves
• In the formation of community fire brigades, encourage the equitable participation of women
• Engage with the Gender and Safeguards Officer in designing and implementing consultations for this activity
• In consultations on development of fire management, prevention and control plans, ensure the active participation of both women and men

Indicator

Indicator: % and # of community fire brigade members who are women

Indicator: % and # of those involved in the development of fire management, prevention and control plans who are women

Indicator: % and # of women in consultations who felt they 1) understood the topic being discussed 2) could actively participate and 3) had their perspectives taken into account

Baseline

Baseline: 0

Baseline: 0

Baseline: 0

Target, including sex-disaggregation

Target: 30% of the fire brigade members are women

Target: At least 40% of those involved development of fire management, prevention and control plans are women

Target: 90% of women participants felt the consultations for this activity at least 'adequately' met and/or achieved these parameters

Budget

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Gender and Safeguards officer hired. No other activities supporting the targets in this activity have yet began.

Activity / Action

Activity 4.1: Addressing and respecting safeguards
• Engage with the Gender and Safeguards Officer in designing and implementing consultations for this activity
• With assistance from the Gender and Safeguards Officer, assess women's and youth's capacity on safeguards themes, and conduct any necessary capacity building to facilitate their meaningful involvement and inform their decision-making under this activity
• Integrate a gender perspective into the Environmental and Social Impact Assessment (ESIA)
• Ensure findings from this gender analysis and its corresponding recommendations, including this gender action plan, are integrated into the ESIA
• Integrate a gender perspective into indicators for project interventions and risk mitigation measures

Indicator

Indicator: Evidence that the Gender and Safeguards Officer and REDD+ Gender Sub-Working Group were involved and their input taken into account in design and implementation of consultations for this activity as well as drafting of the ESIA and indicators

Indicator: % and # of women and youth who participated in consultations on the ESIA

Indicator: % and # of women and female youth in consultations who felt they 1) understood the topic being discussed 2) could actively participate and 3) had their perspectives taken into account

Indicator: Evidence that a gender perspective is fully integrated into the ESIA

Indicator: % of findings and recommendations from this GAAP that were integrated into ESIA

Indicator: % and # of indicators developed for project interventions and risk mitigation measures that include gender elements

Baseline	Target, including sex-disaggregation
Baseline: Gender and Safeguards Officer not yet hired and REDD+ Baseline: 0 Baseline: 0 Baseline: ESIA not yet completed Baseline: Project-level gender assessment and action plan (GAAP) undertaken Baseline: 0	Target: Gender and Safeguards Officer and REDD+ Gender Sub-Working Group were involved and their input taken into account in design and implementation of consultations for this activity as well as drafting of the ESIA and indicators Target: 50% of participants in ESIA consultations are women and female youth Target: 90% of women and female youth participants felt the consultations for this activity at least 'adequately' met and/or achieved these parameters Target: A gender perspective is fully integrated into the ESIA Target: 80% of findings and recommendations from this gender assessment and action plan (GAAP) are integrated into ESIA Target: All indicators involving the collection of data on people are disaggregated by sex and age group, and at least 40% of indicators have specific gender elements to them (this includes indicators disaggregated by sex/age and gender-specific and gender-sensitive indicators, etc.)

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Gender and Safeguards person hired. No other activities supporting the targets in this activity have yet began

Activity / Action

Activity 4.2: Monitoring, reporting and verification of greenhouse gas emission reduction targets
• Build capacity on developing detailed monitoring protocols to assess the impacts of target interventions equitably among women and men within the FC

Indicator

Indicator: % and # of FC staff who are women that have their capacity built to develop monitoring protocols to assess the impacts of target interventions

Baseline	Target, including sex-disaggregation
Baseline: 0	Target: 30% of FC staff, who have their capacity built to develop monitoring protocols to assess the impacts of target interventions, are women

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No other activities supporting the targets in this activity have yet begun.

Activity / Action

Activity 4.3: Project monitoring and evaluation
• Engage with the Gender and Safeguards Officer in designing and implementing consultations with communities for this activity
• Integrate a gender perspective into data collection approaches with communities
• Equitably involve women and men from communities in data collection exercises
• Integrate a gender perspective fully into mid-term and terminal evaluations

Indicator

Indicator: Evidence that the Gender and Safeguards Officer was involved and his/her input taken into account in designing and implementing consultations with communities for this activity

Indicator: % and # of women involved in data collection at the community level

Indicator: % and # of women involved in data collection who felt they 1) understood the task 2) could actively participate and undertake the task and 3) had their perspectives taken into account

Indicator: Evidence that a gender perspective was fully integrated into mid-term and terminal evaluations
Target: A gender perspective fully integrated into mid-term and terminal evaluations

Baseline	Target, including sex-disaggregation
Baseline: Gender and Safeguards Officer not yet hired Baseline: 0 Baseline: 0 Baseline: 0	Target: Gender and Safeguards Officer was involved and his/her input taken into account in designing and implementing consultations with communities for this activity Target: 40% of community members involved in data collection are women Target: 90% of women felt the data collection exercises for this activity at least 'adequately' met and/or achieved these parameters Target: A gender perspective fully integrated into mid-term and terminal evaluations

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Gender and Safeguards officer hired. No other activities supporting the targets in this activity have yet begun

4.3 Planned activities on environmental and social safeguards for the next reporting period

Consultants will undertake an ESIA to inform the update of the ESMP presented with the Funding Proposal Package in 2022. Changes to the ESMF will be subject to GCF approval as per FAA (10.02 f).

An inception report was provided on the 24th of January by the Consultants Team and the work to commenced in 2022. Planned activities for ESIA consultancy include:

- Updating the ESMF and reporting on the rationale for the changes to the ESMF
- Conducting an ESIA by , including necessary impact assessments and stakeholder consultations (ensuring FPIC)

This should lead to a separate consultancy (by the end of 2022) which will develop the project ESMP, based on the results of the ESIA. In addition, the ESIA will identify if there are the presence of indigenous peoples for each of the specific sites and an indigenous peoples' plan will be developed where there is a potential impact, if this is the case.

The finalisation of the ESMP will be through a separate consultancy to be procured once ESIA is done. The consultants would be expected to be on board to carry out this task in the last quarter of 2022. Therefore, the ESMP and monitoring schedule are not available yet.

Provide a list of activities in the ESMP to be implemented in the next reporting period. Include relevant deliverables such as reports or action plans, and other project specific products. Please include the monitoring schedule concerning ESS (including other potential vulnerable groups and indigenous people) for the next annual reporting period.

4.4 Planned activities on gender elements for the next reporting period

Overarching actions

Train and build capacity of the project management unit (PMU), FC Regional and District staff on how to integrate gender considerations and gender-responsive results into the full project cycle.

The planned gender activities to be carried out in 2022, as per the project's GAP, are the following:

Output 1

- Involve Gender and Safeguards Officer in selection of areas suitable for CREMA and in design of awareness raising campaigns
- Equitably and meaningfully involve women, men and youth from communities in CREMA consultations including setting up of CRMC and CEC and in the development and implementation of the Forest
- Design and tailor educational and training packages to address any knowledge gaps and particular needs of women and youth
- Gender balance sought among CREMA core staff

Output 2

- Ensure women's equitable and meaningful involvement in consultations in the communications and extension plan for shea
- Develop and design communication messages appropriate for all women and men in the community
- Target and prioritize farm sites that are farmed, owned and/or managed by women
- Engage women's groups for extension efforts and parkland management training

Output 3

- Involve REDD+ Gender and Safeguards Officer in design and implementation of MTS consultations with villages
- Ensure equitable participation of women and men in the development and signing of MTS contracts
- Explicitly integrate women's rights, perspectives and needs, including within benefit structures, within MTS contracts

Output 4

- Integrate a gender perspective into the Environmental and Social Impact Assessment (ESIA)
- Ensure findings from this gender analysis and its corresponding recommendations, into an updated gender action plan, and seek approval from GCF as per FAA 10.02.
- Integrate a gender perspective into indicators for project interventions and risk mitigation measures

Table on Monitoring schedule concerning gender activities for the next annual reporting period.

Related Action (as per Gender Action Plan)	Baseline	Indicator	Target	Primary responsibility	Time frame
Output 1: Off-reserve, degraded, savannah woodlands and forests restored under self-financing community management in CREMA					

Related Action (as per Gender Action Plan)	Baseline	Indicator	Target	Primary responsibility	Time frame
Involve Gender and Safeguards Officer in selection of areas suitable for CREMA and in design of awareness raising campaigns	Gender desk at REDD+ secretariat in existence; Gender and Safeguards Officer not yet hired [1]	Evidence that the gender desk at REDD+ secretariat and/or Gender and Safeguards Officer involved in CREMA consultations and in design of awareness raising campaigns	Gender desk at REDD+ secretariat and/or Gender and Safeguards Officer involved in 80% of CREMA consultations and in design of awareness raising campaigns		All year
Equitably and meaningfully involve women, men and youth from communities in CREMA consultations including setting up of CRMC and CEC and in the development and implementation of the Forest Management plan	0	% and # of participants of CREMA consultations who are women and youth	50% of participants of CREMA consultations are women and female youth	Gender and Safeguards Officer, FC in collaboration with CREMA executive committee (CEC) Community Resource Management Committees, Traditional Authorities, Northern Development Authority, District Assemblies.	All year
Gender balance sought among CREMA core staff					All year
Design and tailor educational and training packages to address any knowledge gaps and particular needs of women and youth	0	% and # of awareness raising documents that sufficiently integrate gender considerations and address gender gaps	100% of awareness raising documents sufficiently integrate gender considerations and address gender gaps		All year
Output 2: Degraded shea parklands restored through public private partnerships					

Related Action (as per Gender Action Plan)	Baseline	Indicator	Target	Primary responsibility	Time frame
Ensure women's equitable and meaningful involvement in consultations in the communications and extension plan for shea	Gender and Safeguards Officer not yet hired	Evidence that the Gender and Safeguards Officer reviewed and his/her guidance was integrated into communications and extension plan for shea	Gender and Safeguards Officer reviewed and his/her guidance was integrated in the communications and extension plan for shea		
Develop and design communication messages appropriate for all women and men in the community	0	% and # of participants of consultations for the communications and extension plan for shea who are women	40% participants of consultations for the communications and extension plan are women	FSD/FC, MoFA, Global Shea Alliance, Gender and Safeguards Officer	All year
Target and prioritize farm sites that are farmed, owned and/or managed by women	0	% and # of consultations with this activity which are designed to account for women's constraints (e.g. location, timing, women's only groups, etc.)	100% % and # of consultations with this activity are designed to account for women's constraints (e.g. location, timing, women's only groups, etc.)		
Engage women's groups for extension efforts and parkland management training	0				
Output 3: Modified Taungya System plantations and fire management in forest reserves					

Related Action (as per Gender Action Plan)	Baseline	Indicator	Target	Primary responsibility	Time frame
Involve REDD+ Gender and Safeguards Officer in design and implementation of MTS consultations with villages	0	% and # of women involved in consultations for this activity who felt they 1) understood the topic being discussed 2) could actively participate and 3) had their perspectives taken into account	90% of women participants felt the consultations for this activity at least 'adequately' met and/or achieved these parameters		All year
Ensure equitable participation of women and men in the development and signing of MTS contracts	0	% and # of women serving on MTS groups	At least 30% of members of MTS groups are women	FSD/FC, Gender and Safeguards Officer, Taungya Community management structures	
Explicitly integrate women's rights, perspectives and needs, including within benefit structures, within MTS contracts	Many women are not aware of the existence of various land laws and of the guarantees they can provide them. They also often lack support in the process for claiming their rights	% and # of MTS signed contracts clearly confirming women's rights, obligations and benefits to be received	100% of signed contracts clearly confirming women's rights, obligations and benefits to be received		All year

Output 4: Integrated monitoring system implemented and REDD+ Systems strengthened

Related Action (as per Gender Action Plan)	Baseline	Indicator	Target	Primary responsibility	Time frame
Integrate a gender perspective into the Environmental and Social Impact Assessment (ESIA)	Gender and Safeguards Officer not yet hired and REDD+ Gender Sub-Working Group established in 2015	Evidence that the Gender and Safeguards Officer and REDD+ Gender Sub-Working Group were involved and their input taken into account in design and implementation of consultations for this activity as well as drafting of the ESIA and indicators	Gender and Safeguards Officer and REDD+ Gender Sub-Working Group were involved and their input taken into account in design and implementation of consultations for this activity as well as drafting of the ESIA and indicators	FC, Gender and Safeguards Officer	All year

Related Action (as per Gender Action Plan)	Baseline	Indicator	Target	Primary responsibility	Time frame
Ensure findings from this gender analysis and its corresponding recommendations, including this gender action plan, are integrated into the ESIA	ESIA not yet completed	% and # of women and female youth in consultations who felt they 1) understood the topic being discussed 2) could actively participate and 3) had their perspectives taken into account	90% of women and female youth participants felt the consultations for this activity at least 'adequately' met and/or achieved these parameters		All year
		Evidence that a gender perspective is fully integrated into the ESIA	A gender perspective is fully integrated into the ESIA		
		% and # of indicators developed for project interventions and risk mitigation measures that include gender elements	All indicators involving the collection of data on people are disaggregated by sex and age group, and at least 40% of indicators have specific gender elements to them (this includes indicators disaggregated by sex/age and gender-specific and gender-sensitive indicators, etc.)		

[1] This was the baseline as at the time of commencement of the project. Subsequently a project Gender and Safeguards Officer has been hired by the project. This applies to all baseline reference on the hiring of the Gender and Safeguards Officer.

Provide a list of activities in the gender action plan to be implemented in the next reporting period. Include relevant deliverables such as reports or action plans, and other project specific products including processes that will be involved to implement the activities effectively. Please include the monitoring schedule concerning gender activities for the next annual reporting period. Report on actions taken on any of the recommendations made by the secretariat (if applicable) to improve the level of integration of gender issues in the project.

Confirmation and Acknowledgement of Information *

* This is a required question to submit section 4 of the Annual Performance Report (APR).

[X] The accredited entity hereby confirms that the information provided in section 4 is complete and ready for submission.

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Please note that this is section 5 of the five Annual Performance Report (APR) sections. APR will be considered valid only after all the five sections are filled with relevant details.

Annex 1: Accredited Entity compliance reports

Self-assessment reports, Report on Actions pursuant to Clause 18.02, if applicable. Self-assessment reports: In accordance with the AMA requirement in Clause 13.01 of the Accreditation Master Agreement, with the Fiduciary Principles and Standards, ESS and Gender Policy. Report on Actions pursuant to Clause 18.02: Only applicable to International Accredited Entities. In accordance with the Monitoring and Accountability Framework, a report on its actions carried out or planned to be carried out pursuant to Clause 18.02 of the Accreditation Master Agreement.

Please provide comments on the annexes attached above if any.

Attachments

Please submit any attachments (if any).

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