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Enhanced Management and Enforcement of Ethiopia's Protected
Area Estate Project

**“Component Three: Landscape Approach to Forest and Agro-
Biodiversity Conservation”**

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Quarterly Monitoring Report for Quarter Three 2019

Program/Project Title: Enhanced management and Enforcement of Ethiopia's Protected Area Estate Project (**Component Three: Landscape approach to forest and agro-biodiversity conservation**)

UNDAF Pillar1: 1. Sustainable Economic Growth and Risk Reduction.

UNDAF Outcome: Outcome 3: By 2020, key government institutions at federal level and in all regions and cities are able to plan, implement and monitor priority climate change mitigation and adaptation actions and sustainable natural resource management.

UNDAF Output(s): Output 2.5 indicator 2.5.1: Extent to which national legal, policy, and institutional frameworks are in place for conservation, sustainable use, and access and benefit sharing of natural resources, biodiversity and ecosystems.

Reporting Period: 3rd Quarter October 2019.

Implementing Partner: Ethiopian Biodiversity Institute in collaboration with Ethiopian Wildlife Conservation Authority

UN Agency: UNDP



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1. Introduction and Background

1.1 Brief Project Description

In many Ethiopia's protected areas, biodiversity/wildlife are deteriorating at alarmingly rate. The biological resources are locally and globally threatened. High international demand for wildlife products, poverty of local communities (absolute dependency on natural resources), illegal wildlife trade and habitat degradation are key root causes of the problem in Ethiopia. However, Ethiopia has been identified as a key transit (as well as source) country for wildlife products and live animals. The proposed project is seeking to implement solutions that will counter the threats to biodiversity and overcome the barriers to effective management of protected areas and to combatting illegal wildlife trade. To alleviate the problems, a six years project entitled "Enhanced Management and Enforcement of Ethiopia's Protected Area Estate" was launched in collaboration with GEF, UNDP, EWCA and EBI. The project is seeking to implement solutions that will counter the threats to biodiversity and overcome the barriers to effective management of protected areas and to combatting illegal wildlife trade in selected PAs in the country. It seeks to achieve the project's objective: to build Ethiopia's capacity for biodiversity conservation through increased effectiveness of protected area management and implementation of measures to reduce Illegal Wildlife Trade (IWT) and poaching. The objective will be achieved through the implementation of four project components. The objective will be achieved through the implementation of four project components. Among them, the one is Component 3: Landscape approach to forest and agro-biodiversity conservation. This component, is run by Ethiopian Biodiversity Institute. This component focuses on realizing the value of agro-biodiversity for the country and specifically for people living in the vicinity of the protected areas. The project is implemented in selected Protected Areas such as Omo-Mago-Chebere Churchura National Parks, Babilie Elephant Snactuary and Kafta Shiraro National Park for they contain the majority of the remaining elephant populations and big cats (like lion, Cheetah).

2. Major Activities Carried out in the 3rd quarter

Outcome 3. Improved conservation of forestry and agro-biodiversity resources through a landscape approach based on community-based natural resource management

Output 3.1 Integrated Landscape Management (ILM) plans are developed

Major activities carried out

- Detailed thematic maps and Integrated Landscape Management Plan of forests and agrobiodiversity in selected priority areas (Babilie ES project site) completed



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- Identify stakeholders and conduct validation workshop to evaluate draft detailed thematic maps and ILM Plan (Babille ES project site) on progress/October

Output 3.2. Stakeholder agreements on access to and use of natural resources within and surrounding each selected PA developed

Major activities carried out

- Provide trainings and workshops to local community on the effects of illegal utilization of forest (NTF collection, illegal grazing deforestation, deliberate fire) and agrobiodiversity (agricultural & settlement expansions etc.) in and around PAs of the project sites (KSNP, BES, CCN Omo & Mago NPs) (1000 individuals (50% of male & 50% female).
- Raise awareness of local community on values and sustainable utilization of natural resources in and around protected areas in the project sites (KSNP, BES, CCN Omo & Mago NPs) (1000 individuals (50% of male & 50% female)

Output 3.3 Value chains for forestry and agro-biodiversity products are developed and presented to the local communities for implementation

Major activities carried out

- Finalized value chains studies for forestry and agrobiodiversity CCNP, and Omo-Mago NPs project sites
- Identify key stakeholders and prepare validation workshop to evaluate draft study of value chains for forestry and agrobiodiversity documents was carried
- Organize/provide trainings on value chains for forestry and agrobiodiversity documents to local community for its implementation CCNP & Mago were conducted.

Output 3.4 Microcredit schemes for local communities are developed and implemented

Major activities carried out

- Study of socio-economic study for establishment of microcredit schemes of Mago was finalized and validation workshop was held with key stake holders
- Sixteen (16) cooperatives with a total of 770 members were established at 5 PAs



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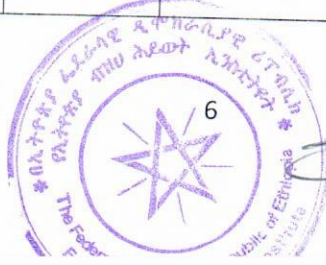
Output 3.5 Demonstration farm(s) for the conservation of agro-biodiversity are established

Major activities carried out

- Training and experience sharing with previously established similar associations in different parts of the country and visit to selected *ex-situ* conservation sites of EBI (Mago and Omo NP) (40 individuals of local community, 20 from each NP) were conducted
- Train staff of demonstration farms and model farmers on developed manual of agrobiodiversity production, conservation and management were conducted (Mago, CCNP & BES)
- Establish/strengthen demonstration farms (equipments/materials, infrastructure) of CCNP, BES and Mago NP project sites were done.

3. Third Quarter progress towards target

| Planned activities | Indicator s and Annual targets | Results achieved during this quarter | Cumulative results achieved in Q3 of 2019 | Expenditur e reported in the 3 rd Q | Issues /challe nges |
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| Out come Outcome 3. Improved conservation of forestry and agro-biodiversity resources through a landscape approach based on community-based natural resource management | | | | | |
| Output 3.1 Integrated Landscape Management (ILM) plans are developed | | | | | |
| Activity 3.1.5 Identify stakeholders and conduct validation workshop to evaluate draft detailed thematic maps and ILM Plan (Babille ES project site). | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Approved landscape/ ecosystem level plans • Total area covered by approved ILM plans (ha) | Study of detailed thematic maps of forests and agrobiodiversity was completed | Study of detailed thematic maps of forests and agrobiodiversity was completed | 87,255 | |
| Activity 3.1.6 Finalize the studies and submit final detailed thematic maps and ILM plan to the appropriate authorities for approval (Babille ES project site) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Detailed thematic maps of forests and agrobiodiversity are developed and approved. One ILM plan covering 15,000ha is developed and approved | Study of Integrated Landscape Management Plan completed | Study of Integrated Landscape Management Plan completed | 244,314 | |



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Output 3.2 Stakeholder agreements on access to and use of natural resources within and surrounding each selected PA developed.

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| Activity 3.2.4. Provide trainings and workshops to local community on the effects of illegal utilization of forest (NTF collection, illegal grazing deforestation, deliberate fire) and agrobiodiversity (agricultural & settlement expansions etc.) in and around PAs of the project sites (KSNP, BES, CCN Omo & Mago NPs) (1000 individuals (50% of male & 50% female). | Indicators: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Number of natural resource use agreements with stakeholders – including local and indigenous communities. | Trainings were carried out in 5 PA | Trainings were carried out in 5 PA | 581,700 | |
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Output 3.3 Value chains for forestry and agrobiodiversity (crop and livestock) products are developed and presented to the local communities for implementation.

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| Activity 3.3.5 Finalize studies and submit to appropriate authorities | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Number of studies on value chains for forestry and agrobiodiversity products. Targets: Two studies on value chains for forestry and agrobiodiversity products are undertaken. | Two documents of value chain were developed Finalized | Two documents of value chain were developed Finalized | 436,275 | |
| Activity 3.3.6 Organize/provide trainings on value chains for forestry and agrobiodiversity documents to local community for its implementation BES & Mago and CCNP NPs (400 individuals, 200 from each PA) | | Trainings on findings of value chains study were made at Mago NP & CCNP | Trainings on findings of value chains study were made at Mago NP & CCNP | | |

Output 3.4 Microcredit schemes for local communities are developed and implemented

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| Activity 3.4.5 Finalize studies and submit to appropriate authorities of socio-economic study for establishment of microcredit schemes | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Number of household surveys and Socio-economic Studies Conducted. Number of Microcredit schemes established/strengthened. Microcredit schemes are | two socio-economic study and establishment of Microcredit schemes proposal were done | two socio-economic study and establishment of Microcredit schemes proposal were done | 418,824 | |
| Activity. 3.4.7 Establish associations in project sites 5 PAs (CCNP, Omo, Mago NPs, and Babilie ES, KSNP). | | Validation workshop was made | Validation workshop was made | 465,360 | |
| Activity 3.4.8 Provide trainings /Organizing awareness creation / for local community on over all rules and regulations as well as utilization of revolving fund of Microcredit schemes established 5 PAs (CCNP, Omo, Mago NPs, and Babilie ES, KSNP) (500 individuals (50% of male & 50% female). | | On progress | On progress | 465,360 | |



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| Activity 3.4.9 Establishment of community managed micro-credit Scheme in 5 PAs (CCNP, Omo, Mago NPs, and Babilie ES, KSNP project sites). | | established/strengthened (if any) | 16 cooperatives were established (770 members) | 16 cooperatives were established (770 members) | 727,125 | |
| Output 3.5 Demonstration farms for the conservation of agrobiodiversity are established. | | | | | | |
| Activity 3.5.6 Conduct training and experience sharing with previously established similar associations in different parts of the country and visit to selected ex-situ conservation sites of EBI (Mago and Omo NP) (40 individuals of local community, 20 from each NP) | | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Number of selected and approved demonstration farms. Number of identified and selected species with high Socio-Economic values for propagation in farms | From t Mago & Omo NPs 40 local communities 20 from each shared experiences from other regions | From t Mago & Omo NPs 40 local communities 20 from each shared experiences from other regions | 436,275 | |
| Activity 3.5.9 Train staff of demonstration farms and model farmers on developed manual of agrobiodiversity production, conservation and management | | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Two demonstration farms with an area of at least 20ha each are selected and approved. | Trainings were given for model farmers on developed manual of agrobiodiversity production, conservation and management | Trainings were given for model farmers on developed manual of agrobiodiversity production, conservation and management | 232,680 | |
| Salary of recruited staffs (4) for demonstration farm, and day laborers of two sites (CCNP & Omo-Mago NPs) | | | In three demonstration farms payment for day laborers were carried out | In three demonstration farms payment for day laborers were carried out | 622,419 | |
| Overhead and administrative costs | | | Utilized | Utilized | 130,882.50 | |
| Staff Salary | | | Payment was done | Payment was done | 120,411.9 | |

4. Major challenges encountered and measures Taken

4.1 Major challenges encountered

- No critical challenges, however such as instability at some sites, late and incomplete documents of settlement of budget by some centers

4.2 Measures Taken

- Action plans were made to finalize the work activities as planned with concerned centers, and on job trainings and awareness on finance issues were given to centers.



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