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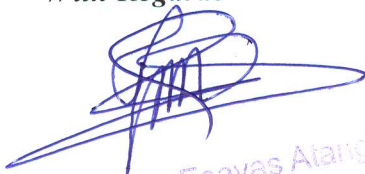
Subject: -Submission of activity report for Q1 2020

Dear Madam/Sir;

Attached herewith please find activity report for q1 2020 for our Mainstreaming Incentives for Biodiversity in CRGE project (code 00094366).

We thank you for your usual cooperation.

With Regards



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**Mainstreaming Incentives for Biodiversity
Conservation in CRGE project
(00094366)**



**Quarter I, 2020 Project
progress report**

*April, 2019
Addis Ababa
Ethiopia*



Quarter Monitoring Report for UNDP funded Projects/Programs

Quarter I, 2019

Project Title: Mainstreaming Incentives for Biodiversity Conservation in the Climate Resilient Green Economy Strategy (CRGE) (000094366)

UNDAF Outcome 5:- By 2020 key Government institutions at federal and regional levels, including cities, are able better to plan, implement and monitor priority climate change mitigation and adaptation actions and sustainable resource management.

UNDAF Cross-Cutting Issue: - Climate change and environment.

UNDP Strategic Plan Environment and Sustainable Development Primary Outcome: - Mainstreaming environment and energy.

UNDP Strategic Plan Secondary Outcome: - Catalyzing environmental finance.

Expected CP Outcome(s):- Support the establishment of a financing facility to enhance access to new and additional financial flows

Expected CPD Output (s):- Output 2: Regional administrations enabled to ensure the conservation, sustainable use and access of natural resources, biodiversity and ecosystems

Lead Agencies:- MoEFCC, MoFEC, UNDP

Executing Entity / Implementing Partner:- Ministry of Environment Forest and Climate Change

Implementing Entities / Responsible Partners:- The Environmental Protection Bureaus of the Oromia, Amhara, Somali, Southern Nations, Nationalities and Peoples Regional State; the Universities of Arbaminch, DebreMarkos, Jijiga and Wollega.

Other Partners:- Zone, Woreda staff and local communities

Project Period:- January 2016 - December 2019



1. Summary of project Progress during q1 2020

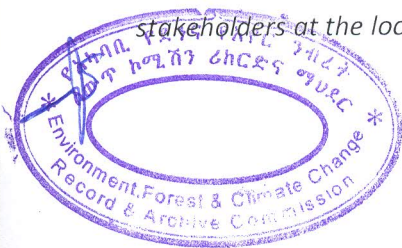
Mainstreaming Incentives for Biodiversity Conservation in a Climate Resilient Green Economy Project is a GEF/UNDP funded project implemented in four project implementation sites in Ethiopia; namely, Choke in Amhara, Diga in Oromia, Kulfo in SNNP and Hadew in Somali regional states in Ethiopia.

The project has implemented its operation from 2016-2019 and successfully completed its objectives. Most of the project deliverables are being finalized within the project operation period where as few of the activities have been started within the project life period, but completed during the audit phase; the 1st quarter of 2020.

Among these activities the proclamation on Payment for Ecosystem Services (PES) which the project catalyzed in 2019 has roll-out to 2020 due to lengthy inter-ministerial dialogues. Therefore, the project has been coordinating various inter-agency discussions to finalize the proclamation;

- The project has facilitated discussions among the project IP and general attorney office and got formal endorsement from the general attorney office*
- The project has facilitated discussions with ministries of finance and revenue as well as national plan commission to forward their endorsement to the prime minister office on the proclamation and successfully got their endorsements.*

To further sustaining the project results at local government and community levels, the project has facilitated participatory handing over meetings in all the project sites. As a result key project stakeholders at the local level have divided roles to sustain the project results.



The project best practice documentation report compiled by an international consultant has been circulated among key personnel in the IP and relevant UNDP personnel for their contribution. To this effect the best practice documentation report is being finalized and documented.

The project has coordinated annual audit and property handing over and successfully completed with no qualified audit finding.

In order the project impact is sustained with relevant government work units, the project has distributed various knowledge products; report on study undertaking on public expenditure review for biodiversity sector, Payment for Ecosystem Services (PES) national strategy , digital maps of the four project sites, study on economic contribution of Ethiopia's major ecosystems, ecosystem service valuation manual and Biodiversity score card of the four project sites

2. Quarter progress towards target and cumulative results

EXPECTED PROJECT OUTPUTS AND PLANNED ACTIVITIES	Indicators and Annual Targets	Results achieved during this quarter	Cumulative results achieved since Q1 current EFY	Expenditure reported In the Q ⁱ	Issues/ challenge
Outcome 1: The enabling framework for mainstreaming incentives for biodiversity conservation into the CRGE is strengthen					
1.1.3 Compile evidences on contribution of biodiversity for the national GDP and organize database for vital roles of biodiversity			Evidence generated and disseminated on contribution of Ethiopia's major ecosystem to the national economy		
Output 2.2 Institutional capacity of national and regional governments (regions / zones /woredas) and universities is in place to coordinate PES programs - such as negotiation, contracting, transaction, verification.					



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2.3.1 Secure government commitment to continue and scale-up pilot PES at least to 30,000 ha(on a previously covered 20,000 ha)	01 Commitment letter from MoFEC		Provided capacity building support to EFCCC's laws and standards director general to continue with PES proclamation, as a result got an endorsement from key government ministries to enact PES law. The proclamation is justified to the prime minister's office, GoE for immediate decree by council of ministers		
2.5.1 Compile MIBC project results and best practices			Finalize Project best practice documentation report and communicated the same to relevant IP work units for scaling up of the best practices to the wider areas beyond the project sites .		

Report prepared by:

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Date: 8/5/2019

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