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Guyana-Georgetown

Award ID: 00077684

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Award Title: ENHANCING BIODIVERSITY PROTECTION THROUGH STRENGTHENED MONITORING, ENFORCEMENT AND UPTAKE OF ENVIRONMENTAL REGULATIONS IN GUYANA'S GOLD MINING SECTOR

Donor	Fund	Amount US\$
10003	62000	423,234.46

Start Year: 2014

End Year: 2017

Implementing Partner (Executing Agency):

UNITED NATIONS DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME

Responsible Party (Implementing Agent):

GUY-MINISTRY OF NATURAL RESOURCES

Brief Description:

Gold mining is a key sector in Guyana's economy and plays an important role in the country's socio-economic development. However, at the same time it is the main driver of deforestation and forest degradation and associated biodiversity loss. Inadequate management of tailings, little reclamation of mined-out areas, and various other practices are posing increasing threats to the extremely high levels of biodiversity and endemism found in Guyana. Various barriers currently hamper the mainstreaming of BD in the gold mining sector, including 1) Non-compliance with mining-related environmental regulations and illegal mining; 2) Insufficient personnel and institutional capacity to enforce the regulatory framework; 3) Insufficient capacity to implement the environmental regulations and codes of practices among miners. This Medium-Sized Project (MSP) has been developed to address these three critical barriers. The project objective is to strengthen monitoring and implementation of biodiversity-friendly practices in Guyana's gold mining sector to reduce biodiversity loss and maintain ecosystem functionality for the benefit of all Guyanese. This will be achieved through the following two Outcomes: 1) Enabling environment for monitoring and enforcement of environmental regulations and codes of practice strengthened; and 2) Enhanced capacities for uptake of mining practices that promote biodiversity conservation. These Outcomes will be achieved by strengthening EPA's role in oversight of mining practices, enhancing inter-institutional cooperation, increasing satellite tracking of mining activities and building field officer capacity in monitoring and enforcement and BD issues. In addition, the project will integrate BD in the Mining School programmes and provide user-friendly material and seminars to enable miners to understand the regulatory framework in place and best practices to improve BD conservation in gold mining. The MSP will contribute to GEF Biodiversity Focal Area for GEF 5, Objective 2: Mainstream biodiversity conservation and sustainable use into production landscapes, seascapes and sectors, specifically Outcome 2.1: "Increase in sustainably managed landscapes and seascapes that integrate biodiversity conservation".

Agreed by Ministry of Natural Resources:

Joslyn McKenzie, Permanent Secretary

Date:

JJK 2017/05/11

Agreed by UNDP:

Shabnam Mallick, Deputy Resident Representative

Date:



Annual Work Plan

Guyana - Georgetown

Project: 00077684

Project Title: MAINSTREAMING BIODIVERSITY MANAGEMENT INTO MINING

Year: 2017

Report Date: 10/5/2017

Output	Key Activities	Timeframe		Responsible Party	Planned Budget				
		Start	End		Fund	Donor	Budget Descr	Amount US\$	
00088312 MAINSTREAMING BIODIVERSITY MAN	ENB MONITORING & ENFC	1/12/2013	1/2/2014	Ministry of Nat Resource & Env	62000	GEFTrustee	74500	Miscellaneous Expenses	3,321.82
				Ministry of Nat Resource & Env	62000	GEFTrustee	71600	Travel	64,530.39
				Ministry of Nat Resource & Env	62000	GEFTrustee	72800	Information Technology Equipm	7,219.09
				Ministry of Nat Resource & Env	62000	GEFTrustee	75700	Training, Workshops and Confer	35,414.44
				Ministry of Nat Resource & Env	62000	GEFTrustee	71300	Local Consultants	76,129.68
				Ministry of Nat Resource & Env	62000	GEFTrustee	72500	Supplies	7,418.14
				Ministry of Nat Resource & Env	62000	GEFTrustee	72400	Communic & Audio Visual Equip	12,923.40
	ENH. CAPACITIES FOR PR	1/12/2013	1/2/2014	Ministry of Nat Resource & Env	62000	GEFTrustee	71600	Travel	44,900.00
				Ministry of Nat Resource & Env	62000	GEFTrustee	71200	International Consultants	40,106.00
				Ministry of Nat Resource & Env	62000	GEFTrustee	75700	Training, Workshops and Confer	17,908.75
				Ministry of Nat Resource & Env	62000	GEFTrustee	71300	Local Consultants	16,347.00
				Ministry of Nat Resource & Env	62000	GEFTrustee	74500	Miscellaneous Expenses	1,764.86
				Ministry of Nat Resource & Env	62000	GEFTrustee	74100	Professional Services	15,000.00
				Ministry of Nat Resource & Env	62000	GEFTrustee	74200	Audio Visual&Print Prod Costs	45,000.00
				Ministry of Nat Resource & Env	62000	GEFTrustee	72300	Materials & Goods	25,574.37
	PROJECT MANAGEMENT	1/12/2013	1/2/2014	Ministry of Nat Resource & Env	62000	GEFTrustee	71400	Contractual Services - Individ	9,676.52
				Ministry of Nat Resource & Env	62000	GEFTrustee	71300	Local Consultants	0.00
TOTAL									423,234.46
GRAND TOTAL									423,234.46