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Part 1. National Coordinating Body

1. Internal Agreement << IUCN or Cost-Sharing Agreement (UNDP)>> Details

Project/ Contract number	MFF Maldives
Contract duration	July – September 2016
Total contract amount	US \$ 341,276.00
Name of Organization	UNDP Maldives

2. Progress on NCB Work plan

This section is to be reported against the annual work plan activities and deliverables as listed in the IA (or CSA)

a. Deliverables

Results Framework Output Objective Code	Scope of Work/Deliverable	Progress
	(a) Work Plan	<p>(a) No new activities were commenced in this period as CSA revision work was started and all the activities were put on halt as the funds had to be re-programmed from the old activities to cover office running costs</p> <p>(b) CSA revision work was initiated on this quarter. A decision was made not to inject new funds but to extend the CSA till December 2016. The funds untouched in the activities which had not commenced were to be re-programmed for this purpose.</p>

3. Key actions taken by the National Coordinating Body

What were the NCB decisions that support implementation of the NSAP and overall MFF programme implementation?

NCB meeting date	Key decision	Reference to Minutes of Meeting (please provide a link to the document as stored in the country DMS site)
<p>29 August 2016, Monday</p> <p>46th NCB Meeting</p>	<p>1. Update on ongoing grants and debrief on MLE and PCM.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Update on the ongoing grants at of MFF were provided by the NC to the NCB Members. • There are two ongoing grants, which are Red Production who is working on waste management at G.Dh. Faresmathoda and G.Dh Vaadhoo. The component at G.Dh.Vaadhoo is not complete due to political factors. The component at G.Dh. Faresmathoda has been going according to plan and is in the final stages. • The second grantee MACCS, is working on restoration and cultivation of reed at G.Dh. Fiyori. The remaining component is the establishment of market links with the private sector, which the grantee is working on. • The Project Cycle Management Workshop for MFF Cycle 5 was held at G.Dh. Faresmathoda. The PCM was lead by MFF Secretariat, Raquibul Amin and joined by NCB Member, Moosa Zameer Hassan. 	

<p>05 September 2016, Tuesday.</p> <p>47th NCB Meeting.</p>	<p>2. Decision on the changes requested by Red Production and MACCS.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Both the grantees requested slight changes to their budget and workplan. • Red production requested to allocate the remaining funds of the Vaadhoo component to purchase 3 phase cables for the machines at the Faresmathoda Waste Management Centre. This was approved by the NCB. • MACCS requested to change the 3 visits, to allocate the funds to establish the market links with Outrigger. This was also approved by the NCB. <p>3. Discussion about the RC Meeting, to be held in Bangkok. Decide and finalize which NCB Member would participate in this meeting.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • It was decided that NCB Members Ibrahim Naeema and Ali Rilwan would attend the meeting with the MFF NC. <p>4. Discussion of the LECReD Cycle 2, Timeline and Proposal Submission for Evaluation.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The evaluation sent to NCB Members were due on 31 August 2016. <p>1. Discussion and decision on MNU Grant.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The revised documents of MNU grant would be shared with the NCB for their comments. 	
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<p>22 September 2016, Thursday</p> <p>48th NCB Meeting.</p>	<p>2. Selection of LECReD Cycle 2 Proposals for funding.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Received a total of 17 proposals for evaluation. • Among these 17, 2 proposals would be funded by UN Women. • The final selection of proposals were completed in the meeting, and among the 17 proposals, it was decided which proposals to award the grant and which proposals to reject. <p>1. Introduction and welcoming of new NCB Members.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A new representative Ms. Fathimath Shadiya joined from MNU, as a replacement for Ms. Mizna Mohamed. • Ms. Mizna Mohamed joined from Endeavour NGO as a replacement for Mr. Shumais from Live and Learn NGO. <p>2. Decision on Cycle 5, MFF Proposals.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • From cycle 5, MFF received two proposals. • The proposal from HIDS, is a project on awareness and solid waste collection through the use of dustbins and organized collection. This proposal was approved by the NCB. • The second proposal from Kolamaa was on building awareness of the community on establishing good waste management practices. This proposal was rejected by the NCB. <p>3. Comments from the NCB on National Progress on MFF Sustainability Planning,</p>	
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	<p>Support of the Development of a Sustainability Strategy for MFF.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The NCB gave their comments on the each of the questions presented in the questionnaire. <p>4. Discussion on the MFF Focal area for the next cycle.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> An initial discussion about changing the geographical focus area of MFF was discussed. Various potential areas were discussed; however no final conclusion was reached in the meeting. <p>5. Comment on Terms of Reference for a local consultant to undertake a study of the challenges faced by island communities / council implementing good waste management practices (Waste Study)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A ToR to conduct a waste study has been compiled by the NC, which would be shared among the NCB Members for their comments. <p>6. Discussion of MTR Report.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> It was decided that the report will be shared with the NCB and feedback on it would be shared in the next NCB Meeting. 	
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4. Priority programmes/activities identified for the next quarter

- Scoping for Private sector engagement
- Contribute to the national forum for scientific research in Maldives
- Commence work on the MFF sustainability strategy
- PCM Workshop for Cycle 6
- Award Small Grants for Cycle 5 and Cycle 6
- Commence the study of the challenges faced by island communities/councils implementing good waste management practices.

5. Challenges and constraints in implementing MFF National Programme and actions taken to overcome them.

- Significant amount of time had to be spent on preparing several versions of the budget for CSA extension purposes. The reports generated through UNDP systems were unreliable due to technical glitches and erroneous figures.
- Reconciling previously approved financial reports
- Considerable time was needed for LECReD Small Grants given the recent recruits who need to be trained on small grants procedures

6. Financial reports – please submit the following:

- Statement of expenses for the reporting period against the budget (NCB and SGF budgets).*
- A narrative on any significant departures from the budget vs expenditures; Any deviation greater than 10% requires explanation.*
- Cash co-financing received (amount, duration, funder, how obtained).*
- In-kind contributions to MFF during the reporting period.*

Part 2. Grant Facilities

1. Small Grant Facility (SGF)

a. SGF Internal Agreement (IUCN)/Cost-Sharing Agreement (UNDP) Details

Project/Contract number	MFF Maldives
Contract duration	November 2014 – December 2016
Total contract amount	US \$ 341,276.00
Name of Organization	UNDP Maldives

b. Progress on Grant Implementation

i. SGF Selection Process. *Nil*

Progress with implementation.

There are two ongoing Small Grant Projects under MFF. Progress of individual grants are as follows

1. RED Production

Promoting locally effective solutions to waste management in G.Dh. Faresmathoda and G.Dh. Vaadhoo in order to reduce environmental impacts”

- The monitoring learning and evaluation of Red Production was done with the MFF Secretariat and an NCB Member.
- The final monitoring of the component at G. Dh. Faresmathoda was done.
- During the monitoring of the G. Dh. Vaadhoo component, it was discussed to relocate the remaining funds from the Vaadhoo component to purchase an engine or three phase cable for the waste management centre of G.Dh Faresmathoda.
- This relocation was discussed and approved by the NCB.

2. Maldives Authentic Crafts Corporate Society (MACCs):

Strengthening market links for sustainable Hau cultivation and conservation of the marshland in G.Dh. Fiyori

- The monitoring learning and evaluation of MACCS was done with the MFF Secretariat and an NCB Member.
- To assist the grantee with establishing market links with the private partners, had a meeting with Outrigger Resort.
- The resort expressed positive interest in purchasing the mats and even having the mat weavers brought to the resort to demonstrate and sell their work.
- MACCS proposed to relocate some funds to establish the market links with Outrigger, which was approved by the NCB.

Title of SGF: Strengthening market links for sustainable Hau cultivation and conservation of the marshland in G.Dh. Fiyori.			
Grantee: Maldives Authentic Crafts Corporate Society			
Results Framework Output Objective Code	Baseline	Indicators as per SGF Log frame	Progress update (as per OVI and MOV in SGF log frame)
	No previous basic business skills training has been conducted for the Fiyori community. Middlemen do not exist in reed business in the community yet.	Number of trained reed farmers selling reed Number of trained community members acting as middlemen to supply reed to the mat weavers.	The business training workshop for matt weavers is scheduled to be held after the grantee experiences and evaluates the sustainability of the grant. This was also highlighted and suggested by the MFF Secretariat during the Monitoring, Learning and Evaluation Trip.

	<p>No previous study tour has been conducted in Fiyori community</p> <p>Middlemen using ferry system between two islands to transport reeds.</p> <p>Previous business contact with resorts not established.</p> <p>No previous advanced mat weaving training has been conducted in the island community.</p> <p>There is no previous documentation of weaving patterns</p>	<p>Number of partnerships established between weavers and resorts</p> <p>Number of participants trained with advanced mat weaving skills</p> <p>Number of mat weaving patterns documented</p>	<p>The initial meeting with Outrigger Resort was held to establish the market links with the private sector.</p>
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ii. **Update per project.** Please supply a table for each on-going SGF project. Also update [Annex 1](#).

Title of SGF: Promoting locally effective solutions to waste management in G.Dh. Faresmaathoda and G.Dh. Vaadhoo in order to reduce environmental impacts”

Grantee: Red Production

Results Framework Output Objective Code	Baseline	Indicators as per SGF Log frame	Progress update (as per OVI and MOV in SGF log frame)
	<p>In both islands the current practice is dumping waste to different areas of the island. Due to lack of awareness and facilities.</p> <p>In Faresmaathoda there is a waste management centre but the structure and awareness is lacking.</p> <p>In Vaadhoo there are no facilities and lack of awareness.</p>	<p>Amount of waste collected and the percentage of household participating</p> <p>Recycling of non-organic waste and production of fertilizers from organic waste</p> <p>Existing WMC renovated and functioning</p> <p>Best practices on waste management informed to the council and the community</p> <p>From the transformational change that these two communities of G.Dh. Faresmaathoda and G.Dh. Vaadhoo, undergo during the process, consultations, clean-up will be video documented to be shared with other communities to bring about the change, and also to document the change from what it was to what it could look like in the future.</p>	<p>The monitoring learning and evaluation of the project was done with the MFF Secretariat and NCB Member.</p> <p>During the MLE it was decided to relocate the funds from the Vaadhoo component to purchase a three phase cable for the machines at G.Dh. Faresmathoda Waste Management Centre.</p> <p>This was approved by NCB Members.</p>

2. Medium Grant Facility (MGF)

a. MGF Agreement Details

Project/Contract number	Development of hydroponics as an alternative source of income to the fisher families in Ukulhas
Contract duration	24 months
Total contract amount	USD 26,000.00

b. Progress on Grant Implementation

- i. **MGF Selection Process.** A short narrative on MGF project selection process during the reporting period (if none, state "N/A"). N/A
- ii. **Progress with implementation.** Referring to MFF Phase 3 Results Framework, please provide a summary of MGF Project(s) as to how as a group of projects or individually, they meet the indicators under each Output Objective.
- iii. **Update per project.** Please supply a table for each MGF project, or "N/A" if no project. Also update [Annex 1](#).

Title of MGF: Development of hydroponics as an alternative source of income to the fisher families in Ukulhas			
Grantee: AA. Ukulhas Women's development committee			
Results Framework Output Objective Code	Baseline	Indicators as per MGF Log frame	Progress update (as per OVI and MOV in MGF log frame)
	Baseline survey of fisher families who will be involved in hydroponics	An analysis of current employment activities and income level a	Surveys completed
	Technical capacity development and trainings	Participant knowledge on hydroponics farming	First workshop held on 19th April 2016. Awaiting supporting documents
	Establishment of Greenhouse and hydroponic system (with fertigation technology)	Greenhouse and hydroponic system with fertigation technology is functioning	Greenhouses established
	Obtain seedlings, establish nursery and planting	A Functioning nurseries with stock of seedlings and plants	The seedlings of planted in the nursery is now harvested.

			The harvested crops have been sold by the NGO.
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3. Regional Grant Facility (RGF)

- a. **Progress on national component of RGF project implementation.** Referring to MFF Phase 3 Results Framework, please provide a summary of RGF Project(s) as to how they meet the indicators under each Output Objective.
- b. **Project Update.** Provide an update of RGF project implementation using the table below.

Title of RGF:
Name of implementing organization:
Location of project site:
List of national agencies or partners involved:

Results Framework Output Objective Code	Baseline	Indicators as per RGF Log frame	Progress update (as per OVI and MOV in RGF log frame)

Part 3. Results towards Outcomes

MAJOR ACCOMPLISHMENTS (Outcomes, progress towards Outcomes, or Impacts), in terms of the MFF programme objectives:

- In answering each section (a-c), focus on the IMPACTS of the activities both from grants (small, medium, large, regional) and NCB-led activities.
 - Please refer to the guide questions in Annex 2 for ideas on the kinds of information each section is seeking.
 - Also describe how the four cross-cutting themes (climate change, gender equality, conflict sensitivity, property rights and resource tenure) and priority areas (private sector) were addressed.
- a. **Outcome Objective 1: Knowledge generated, disseminated and applied for sustainable management of coastal ecosystems**
- The Project Cycle Management Workshop at G.Dh Atoll was held during July 2016. The proponents of MFF cycle 5 participated in this workshop. MFF Secretariat and a MFF NCB member also took part in this two-day workshop.

- The Monitoring, Learning and Evaluation trip was also conducted during this quarter. During the trip the MFF Secretariat explained the new MLE Protocols to the MFF team, NCB Member and the grantees as well.
- b. **Outcome Objective 2: Key stakeholders empowered to engage in decision-making in support of sustainable management of coastal ecosystems**
- The project in Faresmathoda has led to a revision of the nationally approved technical drawings of the waste management centres.
 - The small grant project implemented by Red Production has successfully engaged the local councils and communities in coming up with sustainable waste management practices
 - The Small grant project in G.Dh. Fiyori has successfully engaged local women to revive an otherwise neglected wetland ecosystem. Through the grant the ecosystem is being used to cultivate matt hedge used for weaving: a livelihood activity of local women. The livelihood activity is also leading to better appreciation of the natural environment by the local communities.
- c. **Outcome Objective 3: Coastal governance enhanced to promote integrated and inclusive management**
- The project in Faresmathoda has established a successful governance mechanism for waste management which has been well received by the local council of the island.
 - The project site has become a centre where other local councils are coming for learning and exposure visits.
 - The medium grant project in AA. Ukulhas has strengthened the relationship between the women's development committee and the local council of the island.

Annex 1 – Project Catalogue

List of SGF, MGF and RGF Projects (include in the list as soon as project is contracted). The icon below is an embedded Excel Sheet. Please update the tab for your country and also for MGF and RGF if relevant.



Catalogue of MFF
Grant Facility Projects

Annex 2 – Guide Questions

Outcome Objective 1

Guide question:

What were the major accomplishments contributing to generating knowledge for coastal management, and to raising awareness on sustainable coastal management?

- Please describe activities that created new information (e.g. studies conducted, coastal habitats restored; technology for ecosystem management, sustainable livelihood activity, climate change adaptation and/or mitigation initiative, links made with technical experts or institutions); developed information products (e.g. publications; video); and built capacity (e.g. organizational/individual capacity development initiatives conducted; cross-country learning visits, knowledge-sharing events).
- Please describe the outcome of communication activities that led to an increased awareness on sustainable coastal management. Please provide a “before and after” account (what was the level before, and what was the change in awareness?)

Guide question:

What were the major accomplishments contributing to disseminating knowledge for coastal management?

- What activities and information products were used for advocacy and policy influence on sustainable coastal management?
- How was knowledge disseminated? E.g. what forms of media were used?
- Were there any learning events held to share and exchange knowledge to stakeholders, such as in community meetings, workshops, academic courses? What were the impacts?

Guide question:

What were the main accomplishments contributing to applying knowledge for coastal management?

- What best practice was applied or created for coastal management? E.g. new way of rehabilitating ecosystems; new technology for livelihood activity.
- What quantitative changes were seen in using best practices, e.g. progress/increase from baselines, amount of new areas restored and remaining in good health, number of people trained, etc.)
- What behaviours or mindsets were changed as a result of new knowledge from projects?
- Include any concrete stories of how the learning that came out of a project influenced other communities or other sectors – government, private sector, etc.... and/or was replicated elsewhere.

Outcome Objective 2

Guide question:

What were the main accomplishments to include different stakeholders in decision making?

- *Please provide examples where both state and non-state actors, including private sector, contributed to decision-making, and where men and women had equal access and opportunity to participate in decision-making processes.*

Guide question:

What were the main accomplishments contributing to an improvement in livelihoods and social economic status?

- *Please give quantitative accounts (e.g., % increase in livelihood income among targeted coastal resource dependent households, which benefit both men and women, particularly female-headed households)*
- *What activities demonstrated the strengthening of social and environmental capacity leading to more resilient systems?*

Guide question:

What were the main accomplishments contributing to gender equality?

- *How have MFF projects balanced men and women's access to resources, services, funds, and benefits, as well as opportunities for decision making? Please provide some examples from projects.*
- *Which projects or activities demonstrated leadership by women (as project development or implementing leaders)? Please specify the projects, and identify the roles of women.*

Outcome Objective 3

Guide question:

Provide examples that allowed state and non-state actors equal access and opportunity to participate in decision-making processes.

- *What results are being used to influence local or national policy for coastal management? Describe programme/project interventions that work towards influencing local or national policy or regulations for improved management of coastal resources.*
- *How were any cross-cutting themes addressed by improved governance arrangements?*

Guide question:

Describe any best-practices adopted or created, leading to improved and more inclusive governance.

Guide question:

What were the main accomplishments contributing to private sector engagement?

- *How many members (or what percentage) of the NCB represent private sector interests? Do any of these members represent a broader private sector constituency than their own companies?*
- *How was the private sector engaged in coastal resource management at the local or national level?*
- *What were the results and impacts that have emerged from private sector engagements?*

Guide question:

How did MFF contribute to relevant Multilateral Environmental Agreements (MEAs), e.g. Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD), Ramsar Convention, UNFCCC, the Convention on Migratory Species (CMS) and the World Heritage Convention (WHC)? Also list any contribution to attaining Aichi Biodiversity Targets, and MFF activities implemented in proximity to a Ramsar site and contribution to its wise use.