

GCF Readiness Programme Fiji

In Fiji, The Programme will target two important aspects of the GCF approach, access to funds and private sector engagement. In this context the Programme focuses on a range of readiness activities in the following priority areas: i) build and strengthen the institutional capacity of national entities in Fiji, with a focus on enabling direct access; and to ii) help Fiji prepare climate change mitigation and adaptation investment strategies, programmes and projects, including through the active involvement of the private sector.

A. General status of Fiji's climate finance readiness

1. Institutional readiness

Readiness of NDA:

In October 2015 the Government of Fiji decided to move the function of the NDA from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs to the Ministry of Finance. This was part of a decision by the Government to reassign and centralise climate change coordination with the Ministry of Finance. The Climate Change Division (CCD) of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, the main counterpart of the GCF Readiness Programme, moved to the Ministry of Finance, too. The Programme and its national coordinator continue working closely with the Climate Change Division and the new NDA to prepare it for its roles vis-à-vis the GCF. Despite the Ministry of Finance currently facing the challenge of growing into its new role, the capacity that the Programme already built in the CCD will ensure continuity. The Programme considers that the Ministry's prospects to coordinate GCF stakeholders and ensure coherence of GCF projects with national strategies are positive. To further strengthen the NDA in this role, the Programme in 2015 trained the NDA on project idea prioritization processes, developed technical methods (scaling, private sector engagement, economic tools, and participatory scenario development) for the Fijian context to help prioritize projects, and strengthened human resources to use these tools. In 2016 the partners will help the NDA further strengthen its coordination role by supporting the implementation of Fiji's Climate Change Coordination Guidelines; and in 2017, help the NDA improve communication to stakeholders about the Fiji GCF project pipeline by creating an online system for bankable Fijian projects.

State of readiness of NIEs for accreditation:

The Fiji Development Bank (FDB) is the Government's priority institution as a national accredited entity. With the help of the Programme FDB elaborated the accreditation documentation and submitted its application to the GCF in 2015. FDB is currently in exchange with the GCF to complete stage 1 of the accreditation process (completeness check). While partners assess the accreditation perspectives of FDB to be positive, it has proven to be a challenge for FDB to dedicate sufficient staff time and expertise to this process in light of FDB's many additional national commitments. To help address these constraints moving forward, the Programme will elaborate a capacity development plan for FDB and identify technical and financial resources for its implementation; organize an event for FDB to learn from the lessons of other accredited entities in the Pacific and beyond; and continue accompanying FDB through the accreditation process. The Programme expects FDB to reach accreditation in beginning of 2017.

2. Project pipeline:

The GCF Board approved the first Fijian project at its eleventh Board meeting in Zambia in November 2015. It was submitted by the Asian Development Bank and aims at improving urban water supply and wastewater management.

In parallel, the Programme has supported Fiji to develop a pipeline of projects for direct access. By mid-2015 seven project ideas were formulated. The partners helped FDB turn one of them into a GCF project concept that was submitted to the GCF Secretariat in November 2015. The proposal includes a climate resilient housing loan programme in Fiji implemented by FDB. It aims at reducing the cost of loans for houses that incorporate energy and water saving measures and other climate

resilient construction and design measures (e.g. insulation, LED lighting, and rain water tanks). Climate resilient housing will help Fijians better adapt to the impacts of climate change and use energy and water more efficiently. FDB is currently waiting further guidance by the NDA on the proposal.

3. Readiness Plan approved: Yes

4. Country coordinator on board in Fiji: Yes. She is based in CCD of the Ministry of Finance (NDA).

B. Programme outputs 1 January 2015 – 31 December 2015 and 1 January 2016 – 30 April 2016

Below is a summary of the work packages, outputs, indicators and activities in Fiji for the period 1 January 2015 to 31 December 2015, as well as for the period 1 January 2016 to 30 April 2016. Planned time lines refer to the activity and budget table.

Fiji		
Workpackage A: Building the institutional capacities of countries, with a focus on enabling direct access		
<u>Specific project goal (output):</u> Module 1: Strengthen the capacity of national climate finance institutions to manage adaptation and mitigation finance across various levels		
1.1) Mapping report on the broad institutional context, on existing policies and plans and on the capacity needs for managing adaptation and mitigation finance across the responsible institutions and levels.		
Indicator: A.1.a Number of mapping reports on institutional context, existing policies and capacity needs;		
Activities carried out in the reporting period:		
Identify how province/division level (including urban) climate-resilient planning integrates with national policies and support for implementation (Activity 1.1.2 in Fiji activity table)	Planned in project proposal 10/2014 to 03/2015	Currently planned 08/2016
Activities 1 January – 31 December 2015: None		
Activities 1 January 2016 - 30 April 2016 Inception report submitted and awaiting endorsement from the Climate Change Division (CCD). The action is one of the main deliverables of Fiji's Climate Change Coordination Strategy which will be achieved by August 2016.		
Deviation from original planning: Delays in signature of the UNDP national project document delayed beginning this action, as the project was only launched in July 2015. In addition, during the inception meeting, the Government of Fiji decided to change the Board of the project, which was finalized in October 2015. In January 2016, a change in the NDA office became official: the Climate Change Division is now under the Department of Strategic Planning and National Development, under the Ministry of Finance. This political change also had implications in some of the activities and approval of work plans.		
Develop flyers and brochures for national and sub-national stakeholders on coordination mechanisms	Planned in project proposal	Currently planned 09/2016

for these stakeholders regarding Fiji's Climate Change Coordination Guidelines (Activity 1.1.3 in Fiji activity table)	10/2014 to 01/2015	
Activities 1 January – 31 December 2015: None		
Activities 1 January 2016 - 30 April 2016 An inception report has been submitted and is awaiting endorsement from CCD. This action is expected to be achieved by September 2016. Coordination guidelines are also being developed as part of GCF Governance Structure. These guidelines are included in a Cabinet Paper currently awaiting endorsement from the Permanent Secretary of the Ministry of Finance as the NDA.		
Deviation from original planning: Delays in signature of the UNDP national project document delayed beginning this action.		
Mapping of progress on the mainstreaming of climate change into relevant policies and plans. (Activity 1.3.1 in Fiji activity table)	Planned in project proposal	Currently planned Action completed
Activities 1 January – 31 December 2015: The Programme conducted research and drafted a report entitled “A Review of Climate Change Impacts, Adaptation Practices and Policies, and Relevant Institutions in Fiji”. The report mapped how climate change was incorporated into policies and plans. This report also included topics under 3.1.1 because action 1.3.1 and 3.1.1 were merged as a “fast track” activity.		
Activities 1 January 2016 - 30 April 2016 Action completed		
Deviation from original planning: Actions 3.1.1 and 1.3.1 were merged into the one report entitled “A Review of Climate Change Impacts, Adaptation Practices and Policies, and Relevant Institutes” because the topic of mainstreaming climate change into relevant policies and plans (1.3.1) is related to identifying adaptation needs (3.1.1). Through research, the Programme identified adaptation needs and analysed if adaptation needs were being met through mainstreaming climate change into relevant policies and plans.		
Compile policies, regulations and other relevant documents for public posting (Activity 1.4.1 in Fiji activity table)	Planned in project proposal	Currently planned
	10/2014 to 03/2015	10/2016 to 12/2016
Activities 1 January – 31 December 2015: None		
Activities 1 January 2016 - 30 April 2016 Preliminary discussions with the CCD team involved in similar projects and a stocktaking of existing policies and regulations for public posting have begun. A private Sector Assessment Study has been endorsed by CCD and is awaiting final advice from Permanent Secretary of the Ministry of Finance.		
Deviation from original planning: Delays in signature of the UNDP national project document delayed beginning this action, which is sequentially planned to be one the last actions to be delivered		
Mapping of relevant information inputs and planning processes to readily identify adaptation needs. Mapping will identify whether gender and adaptation policies and activities currently exist. (Activity 3.1.1 in Fiji activity table)	Planned in project proposal	Currently planned
	07/2014 to 12/2014	Action completed
Activities 1 January – 31 December 2015:		

The programme conducted research for and drafted a report entitled “A Review of Climate Change Impacts, Adaptation Practices and Policies, and Relevant Institutions in Fiji”. The report helped identify adaptation needs in Fiji. The mapping did not find policies or activities that linked adaptation initiatives and gender impacts. This report also included topics under 1.3.1 because actin 1.3.1 and 3.1.1 were merged as a “fast track” activity.

Activities 1 January 2016 - 30 April 2016

Action completed

Deviation from original planning:

Actions 3.1.1 and 1.3.1 were merged into one report entitled “A Review of Climate Change Impacts, Adaptation Practices and Policies, and Relevant Institutes” because the topic of mainstreaming climate change into relevant policies and plans (1.3.1) is related to identifying adaptation needs (3.1.1). Through research, the Programme identified adaptation needs and analysed if adaptation needs were being met through mainstreaming climate change into relevant policies and plans. The delivery of the report was delayed by a month due to end of year holidays.

Specific project goal (output):

Module 1: Strengthen the capacity of national climate finance institutions to manage adaptation and mitigation finance across various levels

1.2) Training workshops, training material and reports regarding the management of climate finance including required finance management systems across institutions.

Indicator:

A.1.b Number of training workshops and reports regarding management of climate finance across institutions including finance management systems

Activities carried out in the reporting period:

Conduct technical meetings and a workshop to develop a coordination strategy and to solidify roles and responsibilities across government entities, civil society organizations, private sector and other stakeholders, and the processes and systems for action on climate change (Activity 1.1.1 in Fiji activity table)	Planned in project proposal	Currently planned
	10/2014 to 03/2015	08/2016

Activities 1 January – 31 December 2015:

None

Activities 1 January 2016 - 30 April 2016

An inception report has been submitted and is awaiting endorsement from CCD. This action is expected to be delivered by August 2016.

Deviation from original planning:

Delays in signature of the UNDP national project document delayed beginning this action.

Specific project goal (output):

Module 2: Develop financial plans that detail the needs related to climate change financing and how climate funds can be allocated

2.1) National and / or sectoral financial plans on climate change developed including provision of decision support tools for improving the planning of climate related interventions

Indicator: A.2.a Number of national and/or financial plans on climate change		
Prepare, in collaboration with the NCCC, an action plan with key decisions to be taken by the Fiji government on a National Climate Fund. (Activity 1.2.2 in Fiji activity table)	Planned in project proposal	Currently planned
	04/2015 to 09/2015	09/2016
Activities 1 January – 31 December 2015: None		
Activities 1 January 2016 – 30 April 2016: Recruitment of technical expert for feasibility assessment, who is in the process of carrying out the feasibility assessment of a national climate funds. Action Plan is planned for September.		
Deviation from original planning: Delays in signature of the UNDP national project document delayed beginning this action In addition, it is challenging to identify suitable resources with relevant financing background to deliver activities which require high specialisation.		
Provide advice and expertise to government as needed regarding the establishment of a Fiji National Climate Fund		
Provide advice and expertise to government as needed regarding the establishment of a Fiji National Climate Fund (Activity 1.2.3 in Fiji activity table)	Planned in project proposal	Currently planned
	04/2015 to 04/2016	6/2016 to 12/2016
Activities 1 January – 31 December 2015: None		
Activities 1 January 2016 - 30 April 2016 An Inception Report for this action is expected to be approved in May 2016 and delivery of this action will begin in June. Stakeholder meetings and a workshop will be held in June 2016 with government, NGOs, Academia and donor partners.		
Deviation from original planning: Delays in signature of the UNDP national project document delayed beginning this action. In addition, it is challenging to recruit a suitable resource with relevant financing background to deliver activities which require high specialisation.		

<u>Specific project goal (output):</u>		
Module 2: Develop financial plans that detail the needs related to climate change financing and how climate funds can be allocated		
2.2) Draft or completed climate public expenditure and institutional review.		
Indicator: A.2.b Number of draft or completed climate public expenditure and institutional reviews		
Activities carried out in the reporting period:		
Host inter-ministerial consultations to assess the feasibility of a fund and identify design options, including objectives, capitalization, governance, fiduciary management, implementation arrangements, and measurement and based on these consultations undertake a feasibility study (Activity 1.2.1 in Fiji activity table)	Planned in project proposal	Currently planned
	10/2014 to 03/2015	04/2016 to 06/2016
Activities 1 January – 31 December 2015: None		
Activities 1 January 2016 - 30 April 2016 Consultations and a workshop are planned to be undertaken for this action in June 2016		
Deviation from original planning:		

Delays in signature of the UNDP national project document delayed beginning this action. In addition, it is challenging to recruit a suitable resource with relevant financing background to deliver activities which require high specialisation.		
Identify and suggest actions to fill gaps in climate change regulations, policies and plans based on 1.3.1 (Activity 1.3.2 in Fiji activity table)	Planned in project proposal 04/2015 to 09/2015	Currently planned 07/2016 to 10/2016
Activities 1 January – 31 December 2015: None Activities 1 January 2016 - 30 April 2016 An inception report for this action has been submitted and is awaiting endorsement from CCD. This action is planned to conclude by October 2016. This deliverable is to prepare an Action Plan for strengthening of climate change regulations, policies and plans including possible development of a Climate Change Law.		
Deviation from original planning: Delays in signature of the UNDP national project document delayed beginning this action.		
Review climate public expenditure and institutional review (CPEIR) results (Activity 2.2.1 in Fiji activity table)	Planned in project proposal 01/2015 to 06/2015	Currently planned 04/2016 to 07/2016
Activities 1 January – 31 December 2015: None Activities 1 January 2016 - 30 April 2016 Under this action recommendations will be developed based on a mapping and assessment of national and regional entities in Fiji that could access funds directly from the GCF. A draft Cabinet Paper has been produced which outlines mechanisms for determination of entities and a route map to development and approval of projects. The Paper is currently awaiting comments from CCD and endorsement from Permanent Secretary of the Ministry of Finance as NDA.		
Deviation from original planning: This action has been delayed due to a decision of Fiji to change the NDA from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs to the Ministry of Finance.		

<u>Specific project goal (output):</u>		
Module 3: Assist countries in identifying, establishing and strengthening implementing entities (IE) and national designated authorities (NDAs) in order to access climate finance		
3.1) Training workshops, training material, and advisory services for government institutions on direct (including enhanced direct) and indirect access requirements for the GCF and on the access to and mobilization of climate finance more broadly (international, national, private and public)		
Indicator: A.3.a Number of training workshops on GCF and climate finance		
Activities carried out in the reporting period:		
Prepare workshop materials and conduct workshop (Enhanced institutional capacities (e.g. fiduciary standards) to align with internationally-accepted benchmarks and safeguards, as described in the Green Climate Fund and Adaptation Fund, and identifying an implementing entity with the goal of achieving direct access under the AF and GCF.)	Planned in project proposal 01/2015 to 03/2015	Currently planned Action completed

(Activity 2.1.1 in Fiji activity table)		
Activities 1 January – 31 December 2015: None		
Activities 1 January 2016 - 30 April 2016 Workshop completed in Feb 2016. General awareness of GCF processes and requirements focusing on GCF access modalities in terms of best fit for Fiji in view of current GCF readiness programme and Water project that was was of the 1st approved projects of GCF. Finalised report titled : GCF access architecture, modality and capacities for Fiji. Report was shared to the Fiji Readiness programme website which developed a Roadmap for GCF mobilization and access..		
Deviation from original planning: This action has been delayed due a decision of Fiji to change the NDA from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs to the Ministry of Finance.		

Specific project goal (output): Module 3: Assist countries in identifying, establishing and strengthening implementing entities (IE) and national designated authorities (NDAs) in order to access climate finance 3.2) Mapping report and roadmap for establishing and endorsing an appropriate NIE, subnational and/or regional entity.

Indicator: A.3.b Number of appropriate NIE and NDA in the process of being established and strengthened

Activities carried out in the reporting period:		
Based on the workshop in 2.1.1, develop a roadmap for alignment of fiduciary standards under the GCF (Activity 2.1.2 in Fiji activity table)	Planned in project proposal	Currently planned
	04/2015 to 09/2015	Action completed

Activities 1 January – 31 December 2015: Completed. August 2015.
Activities 1 January 2016 - 30 April 2016 n/a

Deviation from original planning: None

Identification and assessment of potential Entities (including NIE, Regional entity, establishing a new entity such as a National Fund) to access climate finance through the GCF (Activity 2.2.2 in Fiji activity table)	Planned in project proposal	Currently planned
	04/2015 to 12/2015	04/2016 to 07/2016

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Draft report produced on 14th June on Assessment of AEs for Fiji. Report noted various strategies for use of GCF for Fiji but the most beneficial may be the “progressive ownership” strategy. This approach utilizes the existing strengths of I-AE’s but also actively and progressively develops the N-AE and associated country-led ownership to drive forward the GCF portfolio. Report is yet to be endorsed by government (NDA).

Deviation from original planning: This action has been delayed due a decision of Fiji to change the NDA from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs to the Ministry of Finance.

Develop capacity development plan for identified IE(s), NIE and/or NDA	Planned in project proposal	Currently planned
(Activity 2.4.1 in Fiji activity table)	04/2015 to 06/2016	04/2016 to 07/2016
Activities 1 January – 31 December 2015: None		
Activities 1 January 2016 - 30 April 2016 In progress - In light of the way in which CCD and FDB will work together, meeting is scheduled on 30 th June between consultant, CCD and FDB to identify the capacity weaknesses and gaps that may exist in order to design a capacity building plan (4th output of first contract). Consultant will then draft the Coordination guidelines and the Capacity Development Plan which will be discussed at the internal (CCD & FDB) workshop in early July.		
Deviation from original planning: This action has been delayed due a decision of Fiji to change the NDA from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs to the Ministry of Finance.		
Assist with identification of financial and technical resources to support the implementation of the plan	Planned in project proposal	Currently planned
(Activity 2.5.1 in Fiji activity table)	10/2015 to 12/2016	04/2016 to 08/2016
Activities 1 January – 31 December 2015: None		
Activities 1 January 2016 - 30 April 2016 Will await finalization of Capacity Development Plan in 2.4 which should be in July.		
Deviation from original planning: This action has been delayed due a decision of Fiji to change the NDA from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs to the Ministry of Finance		
Assist and facilitate the selected institution, in the process of applying for an NIE accreditation; e.g. set up a working group and prepare together the application documentation	Planned in project proposal	Currently planned
(Activity 2.3.1 in Fiji activity table)	04/2015 to 12/2016	04/2015 to 06/2017
Activities 1 January – 31 December 2015: The Programme worked with the candidate NIE selected for support (Fiji Development Bank) to compile (from July to December) and submit an application to the Green Climate Fund (December 2015).		
Activities 1 January 2016 - 30 April 2016 Inquiries from the Green Climate Fund on the application from FDB were received in mid April 2016. The Programme continues to work with the entity to submit a revised application.		
Deviation from original planning: None		

<p><u>Specific project goal (output):</u></p> <p>Module 4: Develop tools and methods for monitoring and reporting on climate finance</p> <p>4.1) Systems developed and relevant staff trained for national and sub-national monitoring, evaluating, reporting and verifying climate finance.</p> <p>Indicator:</p>

A.4.a Number of systems in place for national and sub-national monitoring, evaluating, reporting and verifying climate finance and operated by trained staff		
Activities carried out in the reporting period:		
Development of relevant frameworks, templates, and guidance for climate finance and impacts of actions (Activity 3.3.1 in Fiji activity table)	Planned in project proposal	Currently planned
	04/2015 to 09/2015	05/2016 to 10/2016
Activities 1 January – 31 December 2015: None		
Activities 1 January 2016 - 30 April 2016 Discussions on this task took place between the Programme, the National Coordinator, and the Climate Change Division in Fiji in April 2016. The Programme will develop a framework for measuring the impacts of adaptation initiatives to help meet Fiji's needs. This involves researching current M&E frameworks, and drafting and sharing Fiji-specific guidance with the National Coordinator and the Climate Change Division.		
Deviation from original planning: Focus was first placed on implementing deliverables in action 3.2. This activity will now be completed toward the end of 2016.		
Develop a plan for data systems for M&E at national level (Activity 3.3.3 in Fiji activity table)	Planned in project proposal	Currently planned
	10/2016 to 12/2016	10/2016 to 12/2016
Activities 1 January – 31 December 2015: None.		
Activities 1 January 2016 - 30 April 2016 None. As planned, the Programme will assess existing data systems, propose a system to support the M&E framework under action 3.3.1, and ask for input from partners in Fiji before presenting a data system plan. This task will be completed slightly before schedule to allow for completion of 3.3.4 before the end of 2016		
Deviation from original planning: .		
Workshop/training(s) to roll out M&E tools (joined with above workshop) (Activity 3.3.4 in Fiji activity table)	Planned in project proposal	Currently planned
	04/2016 to 06/2016	11/2016 to 12/2016
Activities 1 January – 31 December 2015: None		
Activities 1 January 2016 - 30 April 2016 None		
Deviation from original planning: The Programme will organize a workshop in coordination with the National Coordinator and the Climate Change Division to train and roll out the M&E framework and data system.. This activity will now take place after 3.3.1 and 3.3.3 to allow for the development of the M&E prior to the hosting of this workshop.		

<u>Specific project goal (output):</u>		
Module 5: Establish links between national readiness activities and ongoing global processes		
5.2) National and/or regional online Climate Finance Options Platform operational that identifies sources of climate funding and facilitates the sharing of information and experience in engaging with these sources, including examples of successful cases of blending different types of funds to leverage private sector financing. The platform also includes tools, publications and a user community collaborative space to connect and exchange.		
Indicator: A.5.b National and/or regional online Climate Finance Options Platform set up identifying sources of climate funding and facilitating the sharing of information and experience in engaging with these sources		
Activities carried out in the reporting period:		
Provision of South – South cooperation through technical expertise of other Pacific islands to support accreditation in Fiji (Activity 2.1.3 in Fiji activity table)	Planned in project proposal	Currently planned
	04/2015 to 06/2016	08/2016
Activities 1 January – 31 December 2015: None		
Activities 1 January 2016 - 30 April 2016 This activity is expected to take place in August 2016. The GCF Secretariat and Board co-Chairs with the collaboration of UNDP, UNEP, WRI, ADB, and SPREP, are organizing a regional lessons sharing and training event on GCF readiness in Fiji, funded by the Governments of Japan and Australia. Fiji NDA will share lessons and experiences from the BMUB-funded project with other Pacific islands and contribute to the training sessions on accreditation and project development.		
Deviation from original planning: The Programme needed additional time to reach key milestones to be able to share experiences and knowledge with other countries..		

Workpackage B: Preparation of country programmes and project pipelines for GCF support.

<u>Specific project goal (output):</u>		
Module 6: Facilitate national climate investment consultations		
6.1) Consultation events and related training material		
Indicator: B.6.a Number of consultation events using developed training material		
Activities carried out in the reporting period:		
Actions 4.1.1 – 4.1.3 have been delivered as one mapping report to: - Map the characteristics of private sector engagement, including with banks and MFIs, in climate relevant activities, highlighting gaps, assess lessons learned and identify opportunities. (Action 4.1.1 in Fiji activity table) - Review framework for private sector investments	Planned in project proposal	Currently planned
	07/2014 to 12/2014	11/2014 to 06/2016

<p>in climate change activities (Action 4.1.2 in Fiji activity table)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Assess options and provide capacity building for improving private sector flows and make recommendations based on assessment, including specific regulatory/policy incentives for private sector investment and recommendations on modalities (types/methods of support; necessary funding; beneficiaries; partners and other stakeholders) for training/technical assistance to address institutional capacities in that context (Action 4.1.3 in Fiji activity table) 		
<p>Activities 1 January – 31 December 2015: A mapping report was carried out encompassing the engagement of the private sector in climate relevant activities, highlighting gaps and formulating concrete recommendations on regulatory/policy incentives for private sector investment and how to facilitate private sector access to the GCF and other climate financing mechanisms. Over 50 public and private sector institutions were consulted in the process of developing the 100-page study.</p> <p>Activities 1 January 2016 - 30 April 2016 The mapping report was revised in the second quarter of 2016, based on recommendations and suggestions from the Government of Fiji to the earlier report.</p>		
<p>Deviation from original planning: Activities 4.1.1- 4.1.3 were carried out in parallel. The timeline for this activity was revised to reflect recommendations and additions requested by the Government of Fiji to the mapping report.</p>		

<p>Specific project goal (output):</p> <p>Module 7: Prepare guidelines and tools for climate related assessments and for identification and formulation of proposals for funding</p> <p>7.1) National climate related information tools and guidelines developed and adapted to the specific country needs.</p>		
<p>Indicator: B.7.a Number of developed climate related information tools and guidelines</p>		
<p>Activities carried out in the reporting period:</p>		
<p>Tailor existing CBA tools used in Fiji and the Pacific (Activity 3.2.1 in Fiji activity table)</p>	<p>Planned in project proposal 01/2015 to 12/2015</p>	<p>Currently planned Action completed</p>
<p>Activities 1 January – 31 December 2015: The Programme attended a workshop in Fiji on CBA to understand how to tailor existing CBA tools in Fiji. Based on the workshop, the Programme identified areas where decision makers in Fiji needed further support on using the CBA tool for decision making. CBA training materials, such as Power Point slides, exercise sheets, and guidance on how to use the CBA tool were developed over the course of 2015 and training on CBA was provide in January 2016 under activity 3.1.3.</p> <p>Activities 1 January 2016 - 30 April 2016 Action completed.</p>		
<p>Deviation from original planning: None</p>		

Identification and development of additional needed tools, for example: simple national climate change scenarios; stakeholder consultation guidelines and best practice examples; menus of illustrative options for selected economic sectors, geographic regions, social groups, vulnerability drivers, or specific climate challenges. Tools will highlight if and how gender can be incorporated. (Activity 3.2.3 in Fiji activity table)	Planned in project proposal	Currently planned
	07/2015 to 01/2016	Action completed
Activities 1 January – 31 December 2015: Over the course of 2015, the Programme developed tools and training material focused on key elements of project selection. Topics covered include how to engaging businesses in adaptation projects, how to assess the scaling potential of projects, and participatory scenario development. Currently the GCF is seeking strong project proposals from eligible countries. A process to help Fiji select and develop strong proposals will help ensure that the country chooses to pursue projects with the most promise.		
Activities 1 January 2016 - 30 April 2016 The programme held a workshop on the above-mentioned topics in January 2016 for representatives of the Government of Fiji. The training also covered materials on cost-benefit analysis developed under 3.2.1. See 3.2.3 for more information on the workshop.		
Deviation from original planning: None		

<u>Specific project goal (output):</u> Module 7: Prepare guidelines and tools for climate related assessments and for identification and formulation of proposals for funding 7.3) Proposal development guidelines and tools developed and guiding decision making process.		
Indicator: B.7.c Proposal development guidelines and tools produced and applied		
Activities carried out in the reporting period:		
Development of procedures, criteria and menus to evaluate potential programs/projects based on needs. This activity will consider gender as a potential criteria. (Activity 3.1.2 in Fiji activity table)	Planned in project proposal	Currently planned
	01/2015 to 12/2015	10/2016 to 12/2016
Activities 1 January – 31 December 2015: This activity was merged with action 3.2.3 (above) because the tools developed under 3.2.3 contain procedures and criteria to evaluate projects.		
Activities 1 January 2016 - 30 April 2016 See 3.1.3.		
Deviation from original planning: This activity was merged with Activity 3.2.3.		
Development of project/programme checklist to address key climate change project criteria, including the benefit-cost analysis and articulation of climate-related project/program impact (Activity 3.2.2 in Fiji activity table)	Planned in project proposal	Currently planned
	04/2015 to 12/2015	10/2016 to 12/2016
Activities 1 January – 31 December 2015:		

<p>This activity was merged with action 3.2.3 (above) because the tools developed under 3.2.3 contain checklists to address projects criteria. Activities 1 January 2016 - 30 April 2016 See action 3.2.3.</p>		
<p>Deviation from original planning: This action was merged with Activity 3.2.3.</p>		
<p>Testing of templates/guidance on a real Fijian climate project (Activity 3.3.2 in Fiji activity table)</p>	<p>Planned in project proposal</p>	<p>Currently planned</p>
	<p>07/2015 to 12/2015</p>	<p>7/2016 to 8/2016</p>
<p>Activities 1 January – 31 December 2015: None. Activities 1 January 2016 - 30 April 2016 None.</p>		
<p>Deviation from original planning: The Programme will test the M&E framework on current adaptation project that is being implemented in Fiji and write up findings from the testing process. This project has yet to be identified. This activity is related to 3.3.1, and will therefore be completed in August 2016.</p>		

<p>Specific project goal (output): Module 8 Support preparation of a pipeline of climate projects and provide them with targeted technical and financial support in order to make them bankable</p> <p>Output 8.1) Pipeline of viable and “bankable” adaptation, mitigation and REDD+ projects that have advanced through the early stage development process and have become 'bankable'</p>		
<p>Indicator B.8.a Number of viable and “bankable” adaptation, mitigation and REDD projects</p>		
<p>Activities carried out in the reporting period:</p>		
<p>Based on the compilation in 1.4.1 and together with outreach activities of the Climate Change Unit, create online systems to support the creation and implementation of the pipeline of bankable projects that can attract financing and mainstreaming of climate change across national and sub-national levels. (Activity 1.4.2 in Fiji activity table)</p>	<p>Planned in project proposal</p>	<p>Currently planned</p>
	<p>04/2015 to 12/2015</p>	<p>01/2017 to 03/2017</p>
<p>Activities 1 January – 31 December 2015: None Activities 1 January 2016 - 30 April 2016 Preliminary discussions with the CCD team involved in similar projects and a stocktaking of existing policies and regulations for public posting have begun. A private Sector Assessment Study has been endorsed by CCD and is awaiting final advice from Permanent Secretary of the Ministry of Finance</p>		
<p>Deviation from original planning: Delays in signature of the UNDP national project document delayed beginning this action, which is sequentially planned to be one the last actions to be delivered</p>		
<p>Provide targeted support to project developers (with emphasis on the private sector) to partially cover the costs of critical milestones in the early development process of selected climate relevant projects, with the aim of enabling them to reach financial closure and attract investment by financial institutions. The</p>	<p>Planned in project proposal</p>	<p>Currently planned</p>
	<p>07/2014 to 06/2015</p>	<p>01/2015 to 12/2016</p>

<p>support can include milestones such as business plan development and financial structuring. (Activity 4.2.4 in Fiji activity table)</p>		
<p>Activities 1 January – 31 December 2015: A draft matrix with project selection criteria to assess, score and rank climate change projects was developed. The criteria and methodology are in line with (i) Fiji's priorities in the areas of climate change and sustainable development, (ii) take into account the initial GCF decisions with relevance to project proposals, among others: expected outcomes and core indicators for mitigation and adaptation projects and programmes; and (iii) consider options to increase private sector investment in climate relevant sectors in Fiji, taking into account the preliminary results of the study under 4.1.1- 4.1.3. Based on the matrix, by mid-2015 seven GCF project ideas were formulated. The partners helped FDB turn one of them into a GCF project concept that was submitted to the GCF Secretariat in November 2015. The proposal includes a climate resilient housing loan programme in Fiji implemented by FDB. It aims at reducing the cost of loans for houses that incorporate energy and water saving measures and other climate resilient construction and design measures (e.g. insulation, LED lighting, and rain water tanks). Climate resilient housing will help Fijians better adapt to the impacts of climate change and use energy and water more efficiently.</p> <p>Activities 1 January 2016 - 30 April 2016 The Programme continues developing supporting reference and background material; this work is expected to continue through December 2016. As feedback on the concept note was awaited from the GCF Secretariat, work had begun in the interim on developing the concept into a project proposal.</p>		
<p>Deviation from original planning: The programme was awaiting feedback from the GCF Secretariat on the proposed concept note in order to further continue the development of a project proposal, and prepare supporting documentation. However, the GCF Secretariat did not issue feedback as FDB has not completed the accreditation process. FDB currently awaits further guidance from the NDA regarding the status of the proposal.</p>		

<p><u>Specific project goal (output):</u> Module 9 Train local financial institutions to build up the skills required for climate related investment activity</p> <p>Output 9.1) Workshops and training materials</p>		
<p>Indicator B.9.a Number of Workshops conducted for local financial institutions</p>		
<p>Activities carried out in the reporting period:</p>		
<p>Workshop to train stakeholders on prioritization process (Activity 3.1.3 in Fiji activity table)</p>	<p>Planned in project proposal 04/2015 to 12//2015</p>	<p>Currently planned Action completed</p>
<p>Activities 1 January – 31 December 2015: None.</p> <p>Activities 1 January 2016 - 30 April 2016 The Programme conducted a workshop in January 2016. Forty participants from government agencies, private sector, and non-governmental organizations attended the workshop over 5 days. The tools presented included ways to assess scaling of adaptation projects, participatory scenario development, engaging the private sector, and conducting cost benefit analyses. The GCF Board has an ambition to set new standards for climate projects. This action trained</p>		

<p>participants to select adaptation projects with the highest likelihood of meeting the GCF's stringent standards. The activity has relevance beyond the immediate term as the Climate Change Division will be able to apply the outcomes of this workshop to the development of their GCF portfolio going forward.</p>		
<p>Deviation from original planning: The workshop was postponed to January 2016 because participants were not available to attend beforehand due to COP21 and end of year holidays.</p>		
Workshop (joined with above workshop) to train strengthen human resources to use tools		
<p>(Activity 3.2.4 in Fiji activity table)</p>		
Planned in project proposal	Currently planned	
07/2016 to 12/2016	07/2016 to 12/2016	
<p>Activities 1 January – 31 December 2015: The Programme worked with the National Coordinator and the Climate Change Division to plan a workshop to train on tools developed under activities 3.2.1 and 3.2.3</p>		
<p>Activities 1 January 2016 - 30 April 2016 At the workshop in January 2016 (see Activity 3.1.3), emphasis was placed on enabling members of the Fiji government to use the tools presented.</p>		
<p>Deviation from original planning: The workshop was postponed to January 2016 because participants were not available to attend beforehand due to COP21 and end of year holidays.</p>		
Support Government to host outreach with the private sector across sectors (e.g. tourism, fisheries, agriculture, finance) to identify synergies and investment opportunities		
<p>(Activity 4.2.1 in Fiji activity table)</p>		
Planned in project proposal	Currently planned	
07/2014 to 12/2014	04/2015 to 06/2016	
<p>Activities 1 January – 31 December 2015: None.</p>		
<p>Activities 1 January 2016 - 30 April 2016 The Programme developed outreach materials to support the Government in consulting with the private sector on opportunities for climate relevant investments across sectors, aiming to generate private interest in collaborating with the Government and identifying investment. Brochures were developed that cover climate related aspects of energy, forestry, agriculture, infrastructure, tourism, transport and waste. The brochures introduce the GCF, describe possible mitigation and adaptation activities specific to each sector and summarize the type of support the Government can provide to businesses in the different sectors.</p>		
<p>Deviation from original planning: Fiji's NDA was changed from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs to the Ministry of Finance, and the Climate Change Division was moved between Ministries.</p>		
Identify activities where the private and public sectors can work together to reduce climate risk within, or across sectors (e.g. national risk assessment of the tourism sector that identifies concrete areas for future investment)		
<p>(Activity 4.2.2 in Fiji activity table)</p>		
Planned in project proposal	Currently planned	
07/2014 to 12/2014	Action completed	
<p>Activities 1 January – 31 December 2015: Several partnership opportunities were identified, including establishing a Fiji National Climate Fund/Climate Facility; surveying the remaining mangrove areas in Fiji to enforce to help implement a Mangrove Management Plan; introducing a packaging/container deposit mechanism for bottle companies and importers; establishing a template/model for public private partnerships; establishing economically justified feed in tariffs for renewable energy; developing a national electrification master plan; introducing incentives for importation of new vehicles with more fuel efficient engine technologies; conducting a national risk assessment of the tourism sector that identifies concrete areas for future investment; developing a Green Tourism Fund; developing economic analyses and a proof of concept project to build a climate</p>		

<p>friendly boat for testing in Fijian waters; and extending energy labelling and minimum energy efficiency standards to all widely imported electrical appliances and industrial equipment.</p> <p>Activities 1 January 2016 - 30 April 2016 Activity completed</p>		
<p>Deviation from original planning: Delays in the establishment of the programme in Fiji due to institutional changes in Government counterparts and lack of climate finance related staff.</p>		
<p>Engage the Fiji financial sector (including Fiji Development Bank) in developing and implementing measures to address the gaps and build the sector's capacity to increase climate relevant investment.</p> <p>(Activity 4.2.3 in Fiji activity table)</p>	<p>Planned in project proposal</p> <p>01/2015 to 12/2015</p>	<p>Currently planned</p> <p>01/2016 to 09/2016</p>
<p>Activities 1 January – 31 December 2015: None</p> <p>Activities 1 January 2016 - 30 April 2016 Draft agenda and concept for a one day workshop, including beneficiaries, results and thematic scope has been drafted. The workshop is planned to take place during Q3 2016.</p>		
<p>Deviation from original planning: The training workshop for the finance sector originally planned for September 2015 was postponed because the private sector investment study serving as a basis for the workshop was still under review by the Government of Fiji until early 2016. The training workshop is now planned to take place in 2016.</p>		