

FP058 Responding to the increasing risk of drought: building gender-responsive resilience of the most vulnerable communities

Annual Performance Report CY2020

Section 1: General Information

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1.1 Please indicate if information provided in this APR is disclosable outside the Green Climate Fund. *

- Yes - The Accredited Entity agrees that the information reported is disclosable.
- No - The information reported is partly confidential. The disclosable version of the APR will be attached.

If you select the second option [No - The information reported is partly confidential. The disclosable version of the APR will be attached], please follow the below steps.

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1.2 Please indicate if this report has been shared with the relevant NDA(s) for this Funded Activity

Yes

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Please Indicate the date of submission to NDA(s)

2021-03-15

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Please provide further explanation, if any:

1.3 Funded Activity Title (Project/Programme Title)

Responding to the increasing risk of drought: building gender-responsive resilience of the most vulnerable communities

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1.4 Funding Proposal Reference Number

FP058

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1.5 Board Meeting Number

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1.7 Executing Entity(ies)

Full Name of Executing Entity
Ministry of Water, Irrigation and Energy (MOWIE) and Ministry of Agriculture (MOA)

1.8 Project Duration

From	To
2019-02-12	2024-02-12

1.9 Current Year of Implementation

2

Indicate the year number, e.g., '2'

1.10 Annual reporting period covered in this report

From	To
2020-01-01	2020-12-31

Confirmation and Acknowledgement of Information *

* This is a required question to submit section 1 of the Annual Performance Report (APR).

The accredited entity hereby confirms that the information provided in section 1 is complete and ready for submission.

Section 2: Implementation Progress

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2.1 Overall (summary) project progress

The Ministry of Finance of the Federal Democratic Republic of Ethiopia submitted a project entitled “Responding to the Increasing Risk of Drought: Building Gender Responsive Resilience of the Most Vulnerable Communities,” to the Green Climate Fund and the GCF board approved the project during its 18th meeting in October 2017. The Funded Activity Agreement (FAA) was signed on December 06 2018 and became effective immediately. The main objective of the project is to increase resilience of the targeted rural community to the adverse impacts of climate change by introducing new approaches to water supply and management that are capable of increasing the productive capacity of the community and the carrying capacity of the natural water ecosystems. The project is comprised of three mutually re-enforcing components:

(a) Component 1: Improved Access to Water to Build Resilient Livelihoods

i. Output 1.1: Development of water schemes; and

ii. Output 1.2: Establishment of small-scale irrigation and water retention structures.

(b) Component 2: Management of natural resources for sustained water availability

i. Output 2.1: Management of degraded lands around the water sources

(c) Component 3: Enabling environment

i. Output 3.1: Improved capacity of both men and women beneficiaries on use, management and administration of irrigation and potable water schemes and enhanced communication and learning; and

ii. Output 3.2: Institutional framework and local management instruments strengthened.

The MOF, as Accredited Entity, carries out the implementation of the Project through the Ministry of Agriculture (MOA) and the Ministry of Water, Irrigation and Energy (MOWIE), which act as the Executing Entities. The Project’s financial management and procurement is guided by the Government of Ethiopia’s public finance management and public procurement regulations, which is identical to MOF’s financial management and procedure policies. As such, MOF is the responsible organ for public financial management in the structure of the government of Ethiopia. The Executing Entities are public institutions, which manage budgetary, programmatic and project resources channeled from the MOF. Their financial management and procurement systems and practices are similar to MOF and are under constant supervision and regulation by MOF and the Office of Auditors General both at national and sub-national levels. The Climate Resilient Green Economy Facility, a climate finance delivery entity within MOF, coordinates and lead the execution of the Project and ensure financial disbursement and reporting, monitoring and evaluation, and delivery of the project results. The CRGE Facility Operations Manual guides the implementation of the Project

During the reporting period, the actual implementation of most project activities under each of the project outputs have commenced and some of the activities were completed. For instance, major preparatory activities for water scheme development such as geophysical studies and design were executed. In this regard, over 11 design and studies accomplished. Furthermore, traditional irrigation schemes with a potential to irrigate over 35 ha of land were upgraded and one new irrigation dam with an estimated irrigation potential of over 8 hectares was constructed. In addition, 5 hand dug well-constructed and became operational during the reporting period. One reservoir with a potential of 10-Meter cube was constructed. The development of 7 springs was also completed during the reporting period.

Physical and biological soil and water conservation works, which was aimed to augment target communities production and productivity, was conducted on 346 hectares of land. Over 45 tree nursery sites were constructed/upgraded. In these nurseries, around 7 million tree seedlings raised, out of which 1,659,000 seedlings were planted on 733.8 hectare of land and some of the seedlings were also distributed to nearby town dwellers and individual communities based on the request of local governments.

As part of the capacity building actions of the project, various trainings and workshops focusing on irrigation knowledge management, gender and environmental and social safeguard, etc. were organized for communities, frontline government staff and other stakeholders. Over 5,300 participants attended the various training sessions and workshops.

It is important to note that the outbreak of COVID-19 pandemic and other domestic and global challenges have slowed down the implementation of the program during the reporting period. Increase in the price of goods and services due to increasing inflation has also affected the project. In spite of this, the Ministry of Finance and the executing entities at all level have attempted their best to deliver the planned project activities within the allocated budget and time. The WHO safety procedures for COVID-19 were followed during the execution of project activities.

The outbreak of conflict in Tigray in November 2020 had little impact on execution of planned activities during the reporting period. Most of the planned 2020 activities were completed before start of the conflict. Furthermore, close to 85% of the fund that was disbursed to the region before the conflict started was already settled. However, the conflict has slowed down the implementation of the 2021 planned project activities in the two target woredas. Following the state of emergency enacted by the federal government in November 2020, no disbursement was made to the region until the federal government lifted the state of emergency and fund transfer restriction. After the government lifted the state of emergency, USD 22,500 was transferred to Tigray region. The 2021 annual work plan includes activities in Tigray regions and project team from region participated during annual planning. The current situation in the project target woredas is improving. As a result, the execution of project activities is gaining momentum. MOF is closely monitoring the situation with the project team in Tigray region on regular basis. A team from the Ministry of Finance including members from the CRGE Facility team travelled to the region and provided various supports. The conflict will delay the implementation because of time lost due to the conflict. It is also worth mentioning that the Tigray conflict is limited to two out of the 22 target woredas, which are located in other parts of the country.

Provide a narrative report describing the overall progress on the implementation of the funded activity, focusing on implementation achievements, delays, and challenges according to the planned activities. As relevant, include references to other sections of this report (including Annexes or Attachments). Include a description of key milestones of the funded activity achieved during this reporting period including any deviations from original expectations. Also, describe challenges encountered and actions undertaken to resolve these challenges, and lessons learned during the implementation, including issues related to non-compliance with GCF standards or conditions, if any. In parallel, include positive achievements and better-than-expected results. If any issues have arisen in the last twelve (12) months of implementation that may result in a change to the scope and/or timing of the project, please provide a description of those items and how they have impacted the implementation period and final targets. Kindly make sure that this section just gives an overall summary and doesn’t have overlap with other sections.

2.2 Performance against the GCF investment criteria (summary)

Impact Potential: The project is designed to improved resilience of target communities to the adverse impacts of climate change in the target woredas and kebeles in Ethiopia. It is designed to create water access (for drinking and agriculture) for over 330,000 direct beneficiary households in 66 kebeles across the country. It is also designed to conduct conservation and degraded landscapes restoration activities in 7,850 ha of land. The project aims to ensure integration and synergy at the landscape level rather than fragmentation and thin-distribution of interrelated interventions across different geographic locations. By so doing, the project envisages a replicable model, which could be scaled out to various communities and landscapes across the country. Most of the planned activities for the reporting were executed, which indicates that the project is on the right track to achieve the intended targets within budget and time. There is no change or modification to the project components, outputs, targets and implementation approach. We strongly believe that the project will achieve its targets and contribute to the intended project and fund level impacts. It is also important to note that it is challenging and too early to report on impacts of the project without independent verification and further analysis.

Paradigm shift potential: The project designed to address critical problem of the target community by supporting the efforts of the government and people of Ethiopia. The project is expected to contribute to the regulatory framework and policies, especially in controlling excessive abstraction of water from ground-water aquifers, expansion of exclosures for the promotion of sustainable management of degraded forest lands among others. The project in collaboration with other stakeholders and the government will achieve major milestones towards paradigm shift in climate change adaptation and mitigation that can help to achieve CRGE strategy at national level. This project will help implement the Water Resources Management Policy and Strategy from the national to the local levels. The integration of the proposed NRM initiatives will further contribute to effective water resource management. The successful implementation of this project will help attract additional funding and replicate results in other localities. Therefore, the project has tremendous potential to bring paradigm shift once the construction works completed, and planned adaptation activities implemented at project sites. Most importantly the project will bring paradigm shift on technologies, policy and climate and water issues as well as on people's thinking towards resilience. The execution of the planned activities during the reporting period demonstrates that the project is on track to achieve the intended project results and objectives. There is no major modification to the project activities, results, and implementation approach, which alter the intended results and targets within the project period and budget.

Sustainable Development Potential: The project aims to increase resilience and increase adaptive capacity of the target community, which is an opportunity for drought prone and drought affected community. The revegetation will help with the sequestration of carbons. The use of solar technology will offset demand for conventional energy services, which is a positive contribution to the global action on emission reduction. One of the major problems to tackle climate change negative impact was financial limitation of the government and the community. The project increase access to finance to address major problems and improve adaptive capacity of the affected target community. The project fulfils financial, environmental and social needs, which the community and the government need most. Therefore, this project is a tangible opportunity to build resilient economy a national level and enhance adaptive capacity locally, which contributes to sustainable development a large. During the reporting period, the planned activities were successfully executed without any major modification in terms of targets, expected results and implementation approach and budget. We strongly believe that the project will continue its contribution to job creation, poverty alleviation, improving access to energy, bio-diversity conservation and gender equality.

Needs of the recipient: The project interventions are consistent with Ethiopian National Climate Change Mitigation and Adaptation Strategy (known as the Climate Resilient Green Economy (CRGE) Strategy) as well as its Nationally Determined Contribution (NDC). The project contributes to the climate change mitigation and adaption targets as specified in the CRGE Strategy, NDC as well as towards the financial, social and institutional needs of the country. The above average accomplishment of the planned project activities during the reporting period demonstrates that the project is in track to realize social, economic and financial needs of the target beneficiaries and the country at large

Country ownership: The project interventions are consistent with Ethiopian National Climate Change Mitigation and Adaptation Strategy (known as the Climate Resilient Green Economy (CRGE) Strategy) as well as its updated Nationally Determined Contribution (NDC). The AE and executing entities at federal and sub-national levels have assigned additional staff time, office spaces, furniture and logistics, to support the successful implementation of the project. Furthermore, both AE and executing entities have ample experience and capacity to deliver the project. Stakeholder involvement, contribution, integration and engagement is also an asset for the project to achieve its ultimate goal within budget and time.

Efficiency and effectiveness: As indicated in the project proposal, the economic net present value of the project is positive with a 10 percent discount rate, which indicates that the project is financially viable. Furthermore, the EIRR was estimated at 20 per cent indicating that considerable cost-efficiency is likely to be achieved during the project duration. The sensitivity analysis suggested that either a 10 per cent increase in investment cost or a 10 per cent decrease in projected benefits reduces the estimated EIRR by about half. During the reporting period, there were increase in unit costs of the planned project activities in local currencies. However, the impact on the overall performance of the project was minimal due to local currency depreciation against the United States Dollar. Therefore, the project has achieved its planned targets for the reporting within the allocated budget.

Provide a narrative report describing the progress on the funded activity's performance against the GCF investment criteria framework. The performance should be compared against the initial assessment provided in the Board-approved Funding Proposal (section E). The list of the investment criteria as per the current framework is provided below. For each investment criteria outlined below, please include an assessment of current status, changes, progress and impact of the project as well as any impact of project context on the project during this reporting period against the initial baseline scenario and planned activities as per the assessment presented in the approved Funding Proposal. This sub-section 2.2 is not applicable for REDD+ Results-Based Payments Projects. Please write 'Not Applicable' as the response.

Relevant Links

[The GCF investment criteria framework](#)

2.2.1 Impact Potential

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2.2.6 Efficiency and Effectiveness

As indicated in the project proposal, the economic net present value of the project is positive with a 10 percent discount rate, which indicates that the project is financially viable. Furthermore, the EIRR was estimated at 20 per cent indicating that considerable cost-efficiency is likely to be achieved during the project duration. The sensitivity analysis suggested that either a 10 per cent increase in investment cost or a 10 per cent decrease in projected benefits reduces the estimated EIRR by about half. During the reporting period, there were increase in unit costs of the planned project activities in local currencies. However, the impact on the overall performance of the project was minimal due to local currency depreciation against the United States Dollar. Therefore, the project has achieved its planned targets for the reporting within the allocated budget.

2.3 Project Outputs Implementation Status

Use 'Add Row' button to add multiple outputs and/or activities reported against one output

Project Output Name	
Output 1: Improved access to water to build resilient livelihoods	
The output name should match with the output reported in the sub-section 2.4.3. If you have multiple activities to be reported against one output, you need to write down the same output name for every activity.	
Project Activity Name	
Water Scheme development	
Status	Implementation Progress
Activity started - progress on track	90 %
Progress for the relevant reporting period	
<p>Tender document preparation and bidding process</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Tender documents prepared and bidding process for construction of water schemes finalized for over 90% of the sites and water scheme construction started,</p> <p>Geophysical Studies</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Over 80 geophysical studies, which can be considered as key milestone to finalize other project activities, were conducted during the reporting period. The remaining studies will be finalized by the first week of the next quarter.</p> <p>Supervision of drilling and construction of wells</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Regular supervision on construction development underway with own force from water, irrigation and energy offices,</p> <p>Purchase and supply 22 GPS</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Contract awarded to the winning bidder and delivery was delayed due to the slowdown of global goods and services transportation because of COVID-19.</p> <p>Construction of hand-dug well</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 5 hand dug well-constructed and operational;</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Over 189/84F households are directly benefiting from these hand dug-wells and more than 945 persons will benefit indirectly,</p> <p>Construction of water points</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> One water point was constructed</p> <p>Development of springs for potable water supply</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 7 springs developed;</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Over 806/361F households are benefiting directly from these springs and more than 4030 persons will benefit indirectly,</p> <p>Water reservoir construction</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> One water reservoir with at potential of 10 Meter cube constructed;</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Water user committee established at each water sites which has 8 members from this 4 are women representatives,</p>	
Provide an updated progress on this project activity for the relevant reporting period, including delays and issues encountered, key milestones reached, and lessons learned, including issues related to non-compliance with GCF standards or conditions, vis-à-vis expectations, if any. In parallel, include positive achievements and better-than-expected results.	
Key milestones and deliverables for the next reporting period	
<p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Bidding process for construction of water schemes for the remaining sites will be finalized;</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Water scheme construction, including deep and shallow well drilling, development of springs, installation of solar PV arrays, construction of reservoirs and water point will be constructed at full scale in each project site,</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Procurement of materials necessary for water development including water well monitoring devices will be conducted,</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Supply and installation of all pipes with fittings for drinking water supply will be undertaken,</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Regular supervision will be undertaken</p>	
Please include a list of key milestones and deliverables expected to be executed in the next reporting period.	

Project Output Name
Output 1: Improved access to water to build resilient livelihoods

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Project Activity Name

Establish small-scale irrigation (SSI) and associated water-retaining structures

Status

Activity started - progress on track

Implementation Progress

93 %

Progress for the relevant reporting period

Service procurement for SSI study and design preparation

- Service procurement for SSI study and design preparation were conducted in the project target regions;
- Identification and site selection of traditional irrigation schemes for upgrading conducted;
- 16 traditional irrigation schemes designs and studies

Upgrading of traditional irrigation schemes

- Traditional irrigation schemes with a potential to irrigate over 35.5 hectares of land have been upgraded at different project sites;
- Over 71/31F households will benefit directly from these upgraded irrigation schemes and more than 355 people will benefit indirectly,
- New small-scale irrigation schemes have been developed during the reporting period;
- Over 64 households directly benefit from these new schemes and 320 people will benefit indirectly.

- The upgraded traditional irrigation schemes will have significant impact in the increment of smallholder farmers' income and also play profound role in the enhancement of adaptive capacity reducing rain water dependency

Provide an updated progress on this project activity for the relevant reporting period, including delays and issues encountered, key milestones reached, and lessons learned, including issues related to non-compliance with GCF standards or conditions, vis-à-vis expectations, if any. In parallel, include positive achievements and better-than-expected results.

Key milestones and deliverables for the next reporting period

- Bidding process for upgrading traditional irrigations schemes will be finalized,
- Operation and maintenance for irrigation structure
- Supply and installation of hand pumps for household irrigation will be done.
- Finalization of SSI study and design for the remaining regions;
- Irrigation through different mechanisms such as; construction of dams, diversion weirs, development of springs, community pond construction, hand dug wells will be done following the construction works,
- Finalization of tender documents for solar PV arrays;
- Hiring of solar PV arrays supplier;

Please include a list of key milestones and deliverables expected to be executed in the next reporting period.

Project Output Name

Output 2 Management of natural resources for improved water availability

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Project Activity Name

Degraded landscape surrounding the water sources rehabilitated and managed

Status

Completed

Implementation Progress

100 %

Progress for the relevant reporting period

Physical and biological soil and water conservation (SWC)

- ☑ Physical and biological SWC measures conducted on 346 hectares of land (construction of different SWC structures such as soil bund, terraces, check dams, waterways, gully reshaping and cut off drain and moisture conservation structures including half-moon, deep trench and percolation pits);
- ☑ Communities were mobilized to undertake most of the physical and biological soil and water conservation works, rehabilitations.
- ☑ Due to these interventions, the volume of degradation and top-fertile soil erosion could be minimized and increased infiltration of water;
- ☑ Trainings on Natural Resources Management, Climate Change, Environmental Management and Rehabilitation issues were organized for community members and local government decision makers

Range land management in pastoral watersheds

- ☑ Over 824.8 hectares of land delineated for Rangeland/ grass land management;
- ☑ Over 300/90F households expected to directly benefit and over 1500 people will benefit indirectly.

Nursery establishment or upgrading

- ☑ 56 nursery sites established in all project woredas;
- ☑ Job opportunity was created for 1800 daily laborers in peak season and 1125 in low seasons and above half of the laborers are women.

Purchase of improved and selected seeds

- ☑ Over 19.39 quintals of different tree and improved seeds purchased;
- ☑ Over 10 quintal of different fruit seeds has been purchased and distributed to nursery sites.

Seedling production afforestation and grass seedling planting

- ☑ Over 6,999,561 tree seedlings and grass varieties produced in the nursery site and planted on 733.8 hectares of land around the water catchment areas,
- ☑ 19,587/10,032F households participated and benefited directly from this activity and over 97,935 people will benefit indirectly.

Construction of water harvesting structures

- ☑ 9 Water harvesting structures have been constructed for rehabilitation of land

Provide an updated progress on this project activity for the relevant reporting period, including delays and issues encountered, key milestones reached, and lessons learned, including issues related to non-compliance with GCF standards or conditions, vis-à-vis expectations, if any. In parallel, include positive achievements and better-than-expected results.

Key milestones and deliverables for the next reporting period

- ☑ Purchase of seed and other nursery materials and equipment will continue;
- ☑ Construction of guard houses;
- ☑ Restoration site identification and demarcation;
- ☑ Construction of water harvesting structures;
- ☑ Commencement of soil and water conservation schemes as well as other degraded land restoration measures work will continue,
- ☑ Soil fertility management will be done
- ☑ Capacity building training and workshop will be conducted for local community as well as for key implementing partners staffs,
- ☑ Regular performance supervision will be undertaken,
- ☑ Joint monitoring and evaluation will be conducted

Please include a list of key milestones and deliverables expected to be executed in the next reporting period.

Project Output Name

Output 3 Strengthen institutions, build capacity of communities and government staff and Facilitate communication and learning Etc.

The output name should match with the output reported in the sub-section 2.4.3. If you have multiple activities to be reported against one output, you need to write down the same output name for every activity.

Project Activity Name

Improved capacity of both men and women beneficiaries on use, management and administration of irrigation and potable water schemes and enhanced communication and learning

Status	Implementation Progress
Activity started - progress on track	85 %
Progress for the relevant reporting period	
<p>Gender balanced training on irrigation</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Gender balanced training on irrigation related issues has been conducted. The training participants were represented from regions and woreda office of Agriculture, Water and Environmental Protection. The total training participants were 172/58F;</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Over 4313/1492F participants were trained on different issues during the reporting period. This helps the community and trainees to enhance their understanding and awareness about the project and improve their knowledge and skill on climate resilient principles.</p> <p>Training and awareness raising for ESMF</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Training and awareness raising on ESMF has been conducted for 398/107F regional and woreda level experts.</p> <p>Improve farmer training centres</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> For the purpose of demonstration and train farmers on climate proof measures, efforts have been made in the reporting period. Accordingly, to improve the capacity of experts and farmers at FTCs in project sites, implementation of climate proof measures training and awareness creation delivered 298/93F participants. Following the capacity building mobilization, trainees started climate smart practice demonstration at each FTCs. Strengthen links between 22 woredas to a nearby university</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> It was difficult to connect FTCs with the nearby universities because of the pandemic. Furthermore, most of the universities were closed due to COVID-19 lockdown.</p> <p><small>Provide an updated progress on this project activity for the relevant reporting period, including delays and issues encountered, key milestones reached, and lessons learned, including issues related to non-compliance with GCF standards or conditions, vis-à-vis expectations, if any. In parallel, include positive achievements and better-than-expected results.</small></p>	
Key milestones and deliverables for the next reporting period	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Capacity building training and workshops will be conducted on gender and other issues, • Communication and knowledge management training will be conducted, • Different trainings will be organized for communities on management, operations and maintenance of water schemes and irrigation agronomy, • Training and awareness creation on ESMF will be conducted <p><small>Please include a list of key milestones and deliverables expected to be executed in the next reporting period.</small></p>	

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Project Activity Name	
Integrated planning approaches used at woreda level for climate responsive planning and implementation	
Status	Implementation Progress
Activity started - progress on track	75 %
Progress for the relevant reporting period	
<p>Establish and operationalize project management system (developing PIM and M&E template)</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The project management structure was established at all levels;</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PIM was developed and familiarized to the relevant stakeholders at various levels;</p> <p>Consultation and developing a locally appropriate livelihood planning framework</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Locally appropriate climate resilient livelihood option study was started but not fully completed. This is due to the allocated budget to conduct the study is limited at current market price and to handle the assignment with own force, there was capacity gap at each project sites</p> <p><small>Provide an updated progress on this project activity for the relevant reporting period, including delays and issues encountered, key milestones reached, and lessons learned, including issues related to non-compliance with GCF standards or conditions, vis-à-vis expectations, if any. In parallel, include positive achievements and better-than-expected results.</small></p>	
Key milestones and deliverables for the next reporting period	
<p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Process will continue to establish linkage with higher learning institutions/ research centres stated;</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Climate planning framework preparation will continue</p> <p><small>Please include a list of key milestones and deliverables expected to be executed in the next reporting period.</small></p>	

2.4 Progress Update on the Logic Framework Indicators

Values of Baseline, mid-term target and final targets should be the same from the approved funding proposals unless calculation methodologies were revised in agreements with the GCF. Please attach a supporting document(s) describing the calculation methodology of the current value of all the indicators in Section 6; the indicators cover core, impact, outcome, and output levels. If there is a change in the methodology, you need to include clear justifications for the change and changed values as compared to the previous year.

This sub-section 2.4 is not applicable for REDD+ Results-Based Payments Projects. Please write 'Not Applicable' as the response.

2.4.1 Core Indicators

Select applicable core indicators

- Mitigation Core Indicator 1 - Tonnes of carbon dioxide equivalent (tCO2eq) reduced as a result of GCF funded project/programme
- Mitigation Core Indicator 2 - Cost per tCO2eq decreased for GCF funded project/programme
- Mitigation Core Indicator 3 - Volume of finance leveraged by GCF funding (Disaggregated by public/private source)
- Adaptation Core Indicator 1 - Direct Beneficiaries of GCF funded project/programme
- Adaptation Core Indicator 2 - Indirect Beneficiaries of GCF funded project/programme
- Adaptation Core Indicator 3 - Number of total beneficiaries relative to total population

Adaptation Core Indicator 1 - Direct Beneficiaries of GCF funded project/programme (Units: number of individuals and percentage %)

Please provide ex-post 'Current Value' on a cumulative basis. Please note that the values should be based on total funding (GCF funding and co-financing).

Baseline	Baseline (% of female)
0	0 %
Current Value	Current Value (% of female)
25976	42 %
Mid-term Target	Mid-term Target (% of female)
99000	30 %
Final Target	Final Target (% of female)
330000	30 %

Remarks (including changes, if any)

Adaptation Core Indicator 2 - Indirect Beneficiaries of GCF funded project/programme (Units: number of individuals and percentage %)

Please provide ex-post 'Current Value' on a cumulative basis. Please note that the values should be based on total funding (GCF funding and co-financing).

Baseline	Baseline (% of female)
0	0 %
Current Value	Current Value (% of female)
105465	
Mid-term Target	Mid-term Target (% of female)
Final Target	Final Target (% of female)

Remarks (including changes, if any)

Adaptation Core Indicator 3 - Number of total beneficiaries relative to total population (Units: percentage %)

Please provide ex-post 'Current Value' on a cumulative basis. Please note that the values should be based on total funding (GCF funding and co-financing).

Share of direct beneficiaries relative to total population

Baseline	Current Value	Mid-term Target	Final Target
<input type="text"/> %	<input type="text"/> %	<input type="text"/> %	<input type="text"/> %

Share of female direct beneficiaries relative to total population

Baseline (female)	Current Value (female)	Mid-term Target (female)	Final Target (female)
<input type="text"/> %	<input type="text"/> %	.0001 %	.003 %

Share of indirect beneficiaries relative to total population

Baseline	Current Value	Mid-term Target	Final Target
<input type="text"/> %	<input type="text"/> %	<input type="text"/> %	<input type="text"/> %

Share of female indirect beneficiaries relative to total population

Baseline (female)	Current Value (female)	Mid-term Target (female)	Final Target (female)
<input type="text"/> %	<input type="text"/> %	<input type="text"/> %	<input type="text"/> %

Remarks (including changes, if any)

2.4.2 Impact Indicators

Select applicable impact indicators

- M1.1 Tonnes of carbon dioxide equivalent (tCO2eq) reduced or avoided as a result of increased low-emission energy access and power generation
- M2.1 Tonnes of carbon dioxide equivalent (tCO2eq) reduced or avoided as a result of increased access to low-emission transport
- M3.1 Tonnes of carbon dioxide equivalent (tCO2eq) reduced or avoided as a result of buildings, cities, industries and appliances
- M4.1 Tonnes of carbon dioxide equivalent (tCO2eq) reduced or avoided as a result of sustainable management of forests and conservation and enhancement of forest carbon stocks
- A1.1 Change in expected losses of lives and economic assets due to the impact of extreme climate-related disasters in the geographic area of the GCF intervention
- A1.2 Number of males and females benefiting from the adoption of diversified, climate resilient livelihood options (including fisheries, agriculture, tourism, etc.)
- A1.3 Number of Fund funded projects/programmes that supports effective adaptation to fish stock migration and depletion due to climate change
- A2.1 Number of males and females benefiting from introduced health measures to respond to climate-sensitive diseases
- A2.2 Number of food secure households (in areas/periods at risk of climate change impacts)
- A2.3 Number of males and females with year round access to reliable and safe water supply despite climate shocks and stresses
- A3.1 Number and value of physical assets made more resilient to climate variability and change, considering human benefits (reported where applicable)
- A4.1 Coverage/scale of ecosystems protected and strengthened in response to climate variability and change
- A4.2 Value of ecosystem services generated or protected in response to climate change

2.4.3 Project/Programme-level Outcome & Output Indicators

Please provide ex-post 'Current Value' on a cumulative basis. If you have multiple outputs to be reported against one outcome, you need to write down the same outcome name for every output. Likewise, if you have multiple indicators to be reported against one output, you need to write down the same output name and corresponding outcome name for every indicator.

Use 'Add row' button to add multiple outcomes, outputs and/or indicators.

Results Area Type	Outcome Name		
Adaptation	A5.0 Institutional and regulatory systems that improve incentives for climate resilience and their effective implementation		
Output Name (under the afore-mentioned outcome)			
<small>Please write 'Not Applicable' if the below-mentioned indicator is to be reported directly at the outcome level.</small>			
Indicator Name			
Unit			
Baseline	Current Value	Mid-term Target	Final Target
Remarks (including changes, if any)			

2.5 Report on changes during implementation (include actual and expected changes)

There is no change in the mandate, structure and management of the executing entities of this project from the federal to the local levels

Describe changes to the project during the reporting period. In particular, the report should cover elements such as change of beneficial ownership structure, management changes of the Accredited Entity, policies and other elements relevant for the project, and any other material change that could influence the overall outcome of the project.

2.6 Implementation challenges and lessons learned

Challenge encountered

Unit price inflation during the reporting period;

Describe the challenge faced during the last twelve (12) months of implementation that may result in a change to the scope and/or timing of the project; please provide a description and how they have impacted the implementation period and final targets.

Challenge type

Financial

Impact on the project implementation

Minor/Solved

Measures adopted

Revising the cost estimates of goods and services through participatory planning work-shops,

Lesson learned and other remarks

MOF and key executing entities learned that there should be regular review of unit price to accommodate price changes

Challenge encountered

COVID-19 pandemic

Describe the challenge faced during the last twelve (12) months of implementation that may result in a change to the scope and/or timing of the project; please provide a description and how they have impacted the implementation period and final targets.

Challenge type

Environmental/Social

Impact on the project implementation

Moderate

Measures adopted

Attempt has been made to follow the safety procedures recommended by WHO and national ministry of health as well as Ethiopian public health institutions recommendation

Lesson learned and other remarks

There must be alternative plan to compensate lost time due to COVID-19 and internal conflict. MOF and implementing partners learnt that there must be acceleration plan to compensate the time delay for some project activities

Challenge encountered

Instability in some parts of the country following reform inside the government

Describe the challenge faced during the last twelve (12) months of implementation that may result in a change to the scope and/or timing of the project; please provide a description and how they have impacted the implementation period and final targets.

Challenge type

Political

Impact on the project implementation

Moderate

Measures adopted

The outbreak of conflict in Tigray in November 2020 had little impact on execution of planned activities during the reporting period. Most of the planned 2020 activities were completed before start of the conflict. Furthermore, close to 85% of the fund that was disbursed to the region before the conflict started was already settled. However, the conflict has slowed down the implementation of the 2021 planned project activities in the two target woredas. Following the state of emergency enacted by the federal government in November 2020, no disbursement was made to the region until the federal government lifted the state of emergency and fund transfer restriction. After the government lifted the state of emergency, USD 22,500 was transferred to Tigray region. The 2021 annual work plan includes activities in Tigray regions and project team from region participated during annual planning. The current situation in the project target woredas is improving. As a result, the execution of project activities is gaining momentum. MOF is closely monitoring the situation with the project team in Tigray region on regular basis. A team from the Ministry of Finance including members from the CRGE Facility team travelled to the region and provided various supports. The conflict will delay the implementation because of time lost due to the conflict. It is also worth mentioning that the Tigray conflict is limited to two out of the 22 target woredas, which are located in other parts of the country.

Lesson learned and other remarks

There must be plan B to compensate lost time due to COVID-19 and internal conflict. MOF and implementing partners learnt that there must be acceleration plan to compensate the time delay for some project activities

Confirmation and Acknowledgement of Information *

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The accredited entity hereby confirms that the information provided in section 2 is complete and ready for submission.

Section 3: Financial Information

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Please note that this is section 3 of the six Annual Performance Report (APR) sections. APR will be considered valid only after all the six sections and the additional section on COVID-19 are filled with relevant details.

3.1 Approved Budget for entire project period as per FAA

Currency

usd

(Information is locked for editing)

GCF Funding (Equity)

GCF Funding (Grants)

45 002 759

(Information is locked for editing)

GCF Funding (Guarantees)

GCF Funding (In-kind)

GCF Funding (Loans)

GCF Funding (Results-Based Payment)

3.1.1 Total GCF Funding

45 002 759

(Information is locked for editing)

Please confirm if the afore-mentioned values are different as per your knowledge.

No differences to be reported.

3.2 Co-financing

Currency

(Information is locked for editing)

Co-financing (Equity)

Co-financing (Grants)

(Information is locked for editing)

Co-financing (Guarantees)

Co-financing (In-kind)

Co-financing (Loans)

Co-financing (Results-Based Payment)

3.2.1 Total Co-financing

(Information is locked for editing)

Please confirm the afore-mentioned values are different as per your knowledge.

3.3 Disbursements Details (Cumulative to this reporting period)

3.3.1 Total GCF Disbursement

(Information is locked for editing)

Currency

(Information is locked for editing)

GCF Equity Disbursement

GCF Grants Disbursement

(Information is locked for editing)

GCF Guarantees Disbursement

GCF In-kind Disbursement

GCF Loans Disbursement

GCF Results-Based Payment Disbursement

Please confirm the afore-mentioned values are different as per your knowledge.

3.3.2 Co-Financing Disbursement

Provide the cumulative amount of disbursements from the start of implementation to the end of this reporting period. Indicate '0' if no amount is disbursed yet.

Choose currency

3.3.3 Total Project Disbursement

Provide the cumulative amount of disbursements from the start of implementation to the end of this reporting period. Indicate '0' if no amount is disbursed yet.

Choose currency

Please provide comments on sub-section 3.3, if any.

3.4 Expenditure details (Cumulative to this reporting period)

Choose currency

Please select

GCF Equity Expenditures

Provide the cumulative amount of expenditures from the start of implementation to the end of this reporting period. Indicate '0' if no amount is disbursed yet.

GCF Grants Expenditures

3 577 207.08

Provide the cumulative amount of expenditures from the start of implementation to the end of this reporting period. Indicate '0' if no amount is disbursed yet.

GCF Guarantees Expenditures

Provide the cumulative amount of expenditures from the start of implementation to the end of this reporting period. Indicate '0' if no amount is disbursed yet.

GCF Loans Expenditures

Provide the cumulative amount of expenditures from the start of implementation to the end of this reporting period. Indicate '0' if no amount is disbursed yet.

3.4.1 GCF Expenditures

3 577 207.08

Provide the cumulative amount of expenditures from the start of implementation to the end of this reporting period. Indicate '0' if no amount is disbursed yet.

3.4.2 Co-financing Expenditures

244 868

Provide the cumulative amount of expenditures from the start of implementation to the end of this reporting period. Indicate '0' if no amount is disbursed yet.

3.4.3 Total Project Expenditures

3822075.08

Please provide comments on sub-section 3.4, if any.

The fund disbursed from the GCF is almost fully utilized. We therefore request the GCF to effect the next disbursement as fast as possible in order to avoid further delays in the execution of the project.

3.5 Investment & Other Income (Cumulative to this reporting period)

Reporting Level for investment

Please select the second option 'Accredited Entity Portfolio Level' only if AEs have more than one project where all GCF funds are held in a consolidated GCF Special Account.

Choose currency

USD

Project Level

Accredited Entity Portfolio Level

Please provide comments on sub-section 3.5, if any.

3.6 Report on AE fees (Cumulative to this reporting period)

Reporting Level for AE fees

Please select the second option 'Accredited Entity Portfolio Level' only if AEs have more than one project where all GCF funds are held in a consolidated GCF Special Account.

Choose currency

USD

Project Level

Accredited Entity Portfolio Level

Project Level AE Fees

110 421

Please provide comments on sub-section 3.6, if any.

3.7 Annual Financial Performance Report

Please download the Financial Performance Report Template in Excel.

[Financial Performance Report Template](#)

This sub-section 3.7 is not applicable for REDD+ Results-Based Payments Projects. Please provide a separate 'Financial Progress Details' in Section 6.

Please attach the Annual Financial Performance Report here.

[GCF -APR 2020 \(Financial\), June 20.xlsx](#)

Please provide comments on the attachment.

Confirmation and Acknowledgement of Information *

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Section 4: Environmental and Social Safeguards & Gender

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4.1 Implementation of environmental and social safeguards and gender elements

Please provide information on the project or programme on the following: (1) key risks and impacts as identified; (ii) compliance with applicable laws and regulations including FAA conditions and covenants; and (3) progress in the implementation of environmental and social management plans and programs including monitoring activities undertaken during the implementation of the funded activity.

4.1.1 The information includes description on any changes in the key environmental and social risks and impacts as identified and arising from the implementation including any unanticipated risks and impacts (ex. from changes in laws and regulations) and, based on these if any change in the project's environmental and social risk category. In case of a change in the E&S risk category for the project, please provide an explanation.

There is no major change in the key environmental and social risks and impacts. In spite of this, attempt has been made to integrate ESS into the life-cycle of the project including implementation, periodic supervision and reporting.

4.1.2 The information should include status of compliance with applicable laws and regulations of the country as well as the relevant conditions or covenants under the FAA. This can be captured in the table below:

Status of compliance with applicable laws and regulations and the conditions and covenants specifically addressing ESS & Gender under FAA
Compliance Type

Covenant

Compliance Title & Description
Status of compliance

The ESS is integrated into the life-cycle of the project including implementation, reporting, monitoring and supervision. This enables the timely management of the environmental and social risks and impacts arising from implementation of the program activities and take corrective actions without delay. The Ministry of Finance in collaboration with Technical Assistance Support providers has organized various trainings and workshops to the EEs and other project stakeholders on ESS and familiarized the ESMP of the project. This project doesn't have major construction works other than drilling water points. During the reporting period, the executing entities were on the process of tendering water well drilling and related works. In some places, construction of smaller water schemes such as springs and hand-dug wells have commenced. Addressing the issues of environmental and social safeguard impacts is one of the standard requirements, which any bidder should comply with. In addition, copy of the ESMP of the project was already shared with the executing entities and widely covered during familiarization workshops and trainings. The executing entity (MOWIE in this case) was requested to send copy of the tender and bid documents of the winning bidder and shall be sent to the GCF. Furthermore, the anticipated impacts will be restricted to the project site and will not affect a broader area beyond the immediate project implementation sites. All impacts identified will be addressed through implementation of mitigation measures identified in the ESMP and there will be minimal residual impact after the implementation of the proposed mitigation measures. Regarding the land on which the restoration activities conducted, the Federal Executing Entities through the regional entities have ensured the land on which the degraded landscapes restoration activities took place were certified by the responsible local government body. The Ministry of Finance has uploaded the GCF project into its website and provided contact details of relevant project staff under the CRGE Facility for reporting of any compliance and grievance associated with the project. Local communities and other interested stakeholders may raise a grievance/complaint at all times to the Kebele Administration, Woreda Administration, and Regional State Administration. Furthermore, they were informed to report any complaint associated with the project implementation to the project community facilitators and the Project Focal persons and Woreda Administration office, which chairs the woreda project steering committee during the project familiarization and launching workshop and other events. Contact information of the Kebele, Woreda and Regional State designated environmental officer is made publicly available. A complaints register is established to record any concerns raised by the community during construction. Any complaint will be advised to EFCCC within 24 hours of receiving the complaint. The complaint will be screened. Following the screening, complaints regarding corrupt practices will be referred to EFCCC for commentary and/or advice along with the Ethiopian Institution of the Ombudsman (EIO).

AE has put in place Stakeholder Engagement Plan which is included as part of the environmental social management plan of the project governing the full project cycle management including the design, implementation and monitoring and evaluation). Several stakeholder's consultations were facilitated during the design process of the project at various tiers of administration-national, district/woreda and kebele levels. At national levels, consultations were facilitated at sectoral levels, while sub-national consultations were facilitated in the 22 target woredas and several kebeles therein. Additionally, very inclusive SEP is prepared which ensured full participation of relevant stakeholders ranging from federal organs of government to local community institutions and beneficiaries at the grassroots levels including women and girls , private sector and civil society organizations .

During the reporting period, annual stakeholder project review workshop was conducted from December 21 to 29, 2020 in Tukuma Hotel, Adama Ethiopia. Participants of the workshop included representatives executing entities at the federal, regional and woreda level. The major issue addressed were discussion on the progress reports of 2019 and preparation of annual workplan for 2020.

Additionally, four woreda steering committee meetings were every quarter and facilitated by the woreda project coordination coordinating project execution at landscape level and chaired by woreda administrator and members represents head of all sector offices and key actors at woreda levels The meeting took place in the woreda administrative office and deliberated on the quarterly implementation of the project including the environment and social management plan and the gender action plan ground.

4.1.3 Provide a report on the progress made in implementing environmental and social management plans (ESMPs) and frameworks (ESMFs) describing achievements, and specifying details outlined in the tables below.

Implementation of ESMPs and ESMFs

Activities implemented during the reporting period, including monitoring

During the reporting period, various capacity building workshops on the Environment and Social Safe-guards were organized and capacities of implementing entities were improved. Further, the implementing entities at various level have aligned their respective annual work plan with the ESMP to ensure implementation of mitigation measures identified in the ESMP. The roles and responsibilities of various actors was identified in terms of executing safeguard measures. The CRGE Facility has hired gender and safeguards to follow up the implementation of ESMP and to provide the required capacity building support. Additionally, all executing entities have included a safeguards visit during the monitoring and evaluation field mission to make sure the implementation of ESMP and undertake corrective measures. It is important to note that the ESIA mandate has been with the key sectors of the economy. It is only recently that this mandate has been revoked and given back to the EFCCC. In spite of this, the EFCCC as an entity, which hosts the technical wing of the CRGE Facility, closely collaborates with the MOF in the project monitoring, supervision, which also includes environmental and social safeguard assessment of the project activities. There was no change in the key environmental and social risks. Capacity bundling Trainings were jointly organized with Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) directorate of EFCCC. The objective of the trainings were to build the capacity of the federal EES and their counterpart at the regional and woreda level to develop adequate capacity to manage environmental and social safeguard issues throughout a project cycle. The session also includes presentation on the environment and safeguards practice of the CRGE Facility with a focus on ESS Framework which governs the CRGE Facility investments through the preparation and implementation of the right safeguard's instruments. The topics addressed in the presentation includes:

- Concept & practices of environment and social safeguards;
- The Safeguard Standards in alignment with the GCF;
- The Key steps for conducting ESSF and Process Flow; and
- The different ESS assessment instruments/Tools.
- Improving enforcement of ESS.

Outputs during the reporting period

ESS assessment report along with updated ESS screening checklist was shared to the to the management of CRGE Facility CRGE executing entities any changes in the key environmental and social risks. The project environmental and social safeguard awareness of the executing entities representatives has been built through series of capacity building trainings. During the capacity building interventions, the ESMP was shared and roles and responsibilities were identified for the implementation of the proposed mitigation measures in the ESMP.

Key environmental, social and gender issues, risks and impacts addressed during implementation

There was no major environmental, social and gender issues, risks and impacts identified during the execution of planned project activities in the reporting period.

Any pending key environmental, social and gender issues needing accredited entity's actions and GCF attention

None

Activities implemented during the reporting period, including monitoring

Ministry of Finance

United Nation Agencies, Climate Resilient Green Economy Facility (CRGE) and Regional Economic Cooperation Directorate

Green Climate Fund (GCF)

Field Monitoring Mission Report

Conducted from October 7-26/2020

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1. Introduction

This Monitoring exercise is one of the CRGE facilities' continuous routine in the tracking of key elements of project/programme implementation performance to know its actual change against the plan in relation to its annual detail work plan in particular and programme detail implementation plan in general.

The main objective of this field monitoring mission was to investigate the current status and progress of Green Climate Fund (GCF) under implementation by different Implementing Partners (IP) namely, Regional Bureau of Agriculture, Regional Bureau of Water, Energy and Irrigation, regional Environment, Forest, Climate Change and other sector offices lead by Regional Bureau of Finance in each respective regions and woredas. The Green Climate Fund (GCF) project entitled "Responding to the Increasing Threat of Drought: Building the Resilience of the Most Vulnerable Communities through Climate-smart and Landscape-based investments" is under implementation in ten regions 22 woredas with the aim to increase resilience of the targeted rural community to the adverse impacts of climate change by introducing new approaches to water supply and management capable of increasing the productive capacity of the community and the carrying capacity of the water ecosystems. The project uses government existing system both financial and project administration systems which allows to share resources including human and other resources. The filed mission was conducted from October 7-26/2020 at different regions which cover Gambella, Afar, Somali, Harari, SNNPR, Oromia regions and Dire Dawa City Administration. During the field mission the following programme performance was monitored, in addition to high level meeting and consultative meeting with technical experts who are responsible in managing the programmes.

2. Objective of the Filed Mission

2.1. General Objective:

The purpose of this monitoring mission was to assess the overall implementation progresses and achievement of the ongoing GCF supported project, identify implementation challenges and provide technical/administrative supports in Gambella, Afar, Somali, Harari, Oromia regions and Dire Dawa City Administration.

The purpose of this monitoring mission was to assess and analyze the current progress and achievement of GCF supported project in

2.2. Specific Objectives:

- Undertake a thorough assessment on current progress of the project as per detail project implementation plan (DIP) and Annual Work Plan (AWP),
- Identify project implementation gaps and issues for future action,
- Strengthen regional steering and technical committee,
- Support implementing partners on 2021 FY planning,
- Support implementing partners on reporting (financial, performance and activity based reporting)
- strength the coordination and communication with IPs

5. Monitoring approach

In this field monitoring mission, the following monitoring approaches were exercised to investigate general progress of target project/programme achievement.

- Reviewing document focusing on Annual Work Plan (AWP) and financial document as a sources of information at field offices,
- Undertaking consultative meeting with implementing partners and key project stakeholders at each respective regions,
- Conduct discussion with technical experts who are responsible in managing the project at regional level,
- Conduct formal debriefing with each IP representatives represented by Bureau heads and Vise Bureau heads,
- Strengthen regional steering committee to support high level decision makers,

6. Methodology and Technical Approach

This field monitoring mission was designed with an objective of collecting both quantitative and qualitative data on the various variables of project/programme objectives and achievements against project/programme plans.

The assessment aims to understand the initial status of the project/programme and changes occurring on the project/programme results planned to be achieved under each project Annual Work Plan.

For this particular monitoring field mission the M&E team employed preliminary desk review including project documents such as financial reports, physical report based on GCF template and consultative meeting with beneficiary institutions to hear from the horse mouth and to identify critical

challenges in project implementation process.

Summary of Methodology and Approaches

Desk review: Desk review was conducted focusing on Annual Work Plan, Progress Physical Reports, Financial reports and other documents reviewed,
 Consultative Meeting: Different consultative meetings have been conducted at each respective regions,
 Expert Opinion/KII: The team conducted expert opinion interview with key project staffs at each respective regions.
 Debriefing: The team conducted debriefing meeting with higher officials and others staffs to inform officials on major findings of the mission with the aim to get their attention for farther project support. Most of the administrative issues have been presented and discussed with action points.

7. Findings

After thorough assessment of project/programme achievement and progress the team summarizes key finding of the current project progress as follows:

- Almost all EEs uses similar implementation approach, all use the existing government financial and project implementation system,
- Most of the activities are on the right track as per the approved AWP.
- High participation and involvement of key stakeholders and participatory project implementation approach employed in some areas where as some regional office has a problem in coordinating, integration and partnership to implement similar project activities at each level,
- The project uses integrated approach and effective coordination at regional and woreda level.
- Multi-sectorial implementation approach with similar objectives employed at all level, but need to be re-assessed to have similar plan as per project objectives to avoid effort
- Price inflation affects the project
- Necessary equipment, tools, facilities, infrastructural arrangement and other resources have been found well,
- Staff Composition, skill, motivation and competency found good but some needs training and other motivational support/scheme to make project implementation effective especially at all level,
- In addition to the availability of technically capable human resources in each EE, willingness and commitment of both the government and employees where found good,
- Project focal, executing staff need to get technical support regarding financial management & RBM.
- Project reporting (both financial and physical progress) and communication is highly important throughout project implementation process. The team witnessed that almost few regions lack timely reporting to MOF.
- Highly relevant and coincide with local and national priorities,
- Most of the activities are adopted from GTP pillars,
- All projects have been found problem solving and able to fill government financial gap for particular project components,
- Most importantly, almost all project targets are most vulnerable and highly marginalized community members in each regions,

8. Environmental, Social and Gender Safeguard

A. Physical Performance

- The monitoring and evaluation team witnessed that there is no major change of risk category during the field mission and most of the project activities have been implemented taking environmental and social risk into consideration. The environmental and social impact assessment and RBM training, which was organized for the executing entities at regional and woreda level has improved the capacity of the participants on assessing, analyzing and minimizing the impacts of project interventions on environment and communities.
- Environmental and social management and gender action plan was shared to the implementing entities at Woreda and regional level
- M&E team witnessed that ESMP and Gender safeguard action plans have been under implementation,
- Gender safeguard issues were considered during planning and each stakeholder tried to mainstream environmental, social and gender safeguard issues in their annual plan,
- Environmental, social and gender safeguard issues have been considered as part of the main project component and have given due attention,

B. Environmental Social Risks identified during the field mission

- Polytene tubes were found as a waste in and around the nursery sites & plantation sites which needs to be managed properly,

C. Mitigation measures taken

- Nursery sites laborers and the local community oriented how to manage waste and left overs during project implementation,
- Left overs and other waste have been collected and dumped,
- Environmental and social risk measures identified during the design phase have been implemented properly in line with other project implementation

Outputs during the reporting period

Key environmental, social and gender issues, risks and impacts addressed during implementation

Any pending key environmental, social and gender issues needing accredited entity's actions and GCF attention

4.1.4 Provide information on how the GCF Independent Redress Mechanism, as well as the AE's GRM (e.g. contact details, accessibility, and basic procedures of such mechanisms), is brought to the attention of executing entities, people, and beneficiaries in the project target area and the public in accordance with the relevant ESMS/ESIA.

There were no grievances received during the reporting period. However, the contract details of the relevant staff of the CRGE Facility is available under the CRGE Facility page of the Ministry of Finance website.

Local communities and other interested stakeholders may raise a grievance/complaint at all times to the Kebele Administration, Woreda Administration, and Regional State Administration. Affected local communities should be informed about the ESMP provisions, including its grievance mechanism. Contact information of the Kebele, Woreda and Regional State designated environmental officer is made publicly available. A complaints register is established to record any concerns raised by the community during construction. Any complaint will be advised to EFCCC within 24 hours of receiving the complaint. The complaint will be screened. Following the screening, complaints regarding corrupt practices will be referred to EFCCC for commentary and/or advice along with the Ethiopian Institution of the Ombudsman (EIO). A summary list of complaints received and their disposition will be published in a report produced every six months.

4.1.5 Include a description of the actions undertaken towards increasing the relevant stakeholders' engagement in the project environmental, social and gender elements.

The information in this subsection should be provided for all projects regardless of the E&S risk category for the project.

Implementation of the stakeholder engagement plan

Activities implemented during the reporting period

Joint monitoring and supervision (which includes the executing entities and the NDA) of the project were organized during the reporting period. Furthermore, the executing entities have organized regular field supervisions and provided technical supports to the frontline project staff. Direct beneficiaries of the project were actively involved in the execution of the physical and biological soil and water conservation activities including on the selection of project sites, identification of species. They have also participated in the identification of sites for water schemes development as well as selection of water management committee members. At national levels, consultations were facilitated at sectoral levels, while sub-national consultations were facilitated in the 22 target woredas and several kebeles therein. Additionally, very inclusive SEP is prepared which ensured full participation of relevant stakeholders ranging from federal organs of government to local community institutions and beneficiaries at the grassroots levels including women and girls , private sector and civil society organizations. There is a SEP, which

Dates and venues of engagement activities

During the reporting period, annual stakeholder project review workshop was conducted from December 21 to 29, 2020 in Tukuma Hotel, Adama Ethiopia. Participants of the workshop included representatives executing entities at the federal, regional and woreda level. The major issue addressed were discussion on the progress reports of 2019 and preparation of annual workplan for 2020.

Additionally, four woreda steering committee meetings were every quarter and facilitated by the woreda project coordination coordinating project execution at landscape level and chaired by woreda administrator and members represents head of all sector offices and key actors at woreda levels. The meeting took place in the woreda administrative office and deliberated on the quarterly implementation of the project including the environment and social management plan and the gender action plan ground.

Information shared with stakeholders

The environmental and social safeguard management plan of the project including the gender action were shared to the relevant stakeholders during workshops as well during monitoring and supervision missions. There is SEP in place. The SEP matrix identifies stakeholders (Federal Government Organs – EE Internal stakeholders, other federal government organs external to the project, regional, woreda and kebele stakeholders), their expectations/stake and likely reaction or impact on the project if expectation is not met.

Outputs including issues addressed during the reporting period

4.1.6 Implementation of the grievance redress mechanism - list on the grievances received in the reporting period with the description of the grievance, the date the grievance was received, and the resolution of the grievance.

<p>Description of issues/complaints received during the reporting period</p> <p>There were no grievances received during the reporting period.</p>	<p>Date of receipt</p>
<p>Description of resolution</p>	<p>Status of addressing issues/complaints</p>

4.2 Gender Action Plan

The gender action plan was shared to the implementing entities at various levels and the project is on track to achieve the intended outcome in a gender responsive manner. During the reporting period a standard training pack on gender and climate change was developed, training was provided and shared with institutions. The draft gender mainstreaming strategy and action plan was enriched with the feedbacks of key stakeholders and uploaded on the Ministry of Finance website for ease of access and wider use. Promotion materials that clarify GCF Gender Policy and a policy were prepared, printed and dissemination to reach out all concerned actors. The establishment of gender and climate change community of practice and gender and social inclusion sensitization workshop were further endeavors undertaken to enhance implementation capacities and promote awareness on gender inequalities and disproportional impacts of climate change. More importantly, regular supports have been provided to the implementing entities to ensure that gender considerations are adequately mainstreamed in the projects interventions.

Provide a progress report on the gender action plan developed during project preparation stage for the reporting period. This will primarily be a report on activities undertaken and results achieved as a result of completion of an activity. Further it should also indicate if the project is on track to achieving the intended outcome(s). The reporting should be done for activities, targets and indicators already set in the action plan including on vulnerable groups (youth, poor, female heads of households, etc.) as would have been identified in the gender analysis and action plan. If activities or targets are not achieved as per plan, reasons should be provided, and recourse action should be proposed. Please include a reporting on any changes or deviations. Include a Report on implementation challenges and lessons learnt and how these will inform on-going actions and what action will be taken by when to address the challenges faced. Incorporate both quantitative data and qualitative report of the performance of such actions, and on progress on actions identified.

4.2.1 Progress on implementing the project-level gender action plan submitted with the funding proposal

Activity / Action	
Conduct community based gender analysis of the roles, responsibilities, vulnerabilities and resilience of men and women impacted by climate change	
Indicator	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Baseline data (qualitative and quantitative) • Gender results indicators/benchmarks in planning and decision making • Gender specific M&E indicators to measure results at Kebelle and 	
Baseline	Target, including sex-disaggregation
None	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Minimum of 30% female representation • 50/50 gender balance in decision making
Budget	Currency
	Please select
Report on annual progress	
Maximum effort has been made to ensure women are equally benefited from the project as well as represented well in decision making. Kindly refer to the reported project direct beneficiaries. Furthermore, the issue of ensuring a minimum of 30% female representation as beneficiaries of the project as well as in the management structure of water schemes and others has been strongly communicated during workshops, trainings sessions as well as during monitoring and supervision missions.	

Activity / Action	
Awareness raising for community members on gender differential roles and the benefits of gender approaches to climate resilience	
Indicator	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Community based quick impact assessment used in planning • Feedback from women's groups integrated in project design and planning process 	
Baseline	Target, including sex-disaggregation
None	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Minimum of 30% female representation • 50/50 gender balance in decision making
Budget	Currency
	Please select
Report on annual progress	
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Activity / Action	
Identify, document and share women's experiences through community dialogue	
Indicator	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Number of women empowered and volunteer to share • Local knowledge informing decision making 	
Baseline	Target, including sex-disaggregation
None	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 640 women trained on communication and knowledge management

Budget	Currency
<input style="width: 95%;" type="text"/>	<input style="width: 95%;" type="text" value="Please select"/>
Report on annual progress	
Not planned during the reporting period.	

Activity / Action	
Develop gender sensitive planning and budgeting tools Review tools and documents from a gender perspective	
Indicator	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Number of gender guidelines/manuals developed • Number of women participating in planning and budgeting committees 	
Baseline	Target, including sex-disaggregation
<input style="width: 95%;" type="text"/>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 50/50 gender balance
Budget	Currency
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Report on annual progress	
a standard training pack on gender and climate change was developed, training was provided and shared with institutions. The draft gender mainstreaming strategy and action plan was enriched with the feedbacks of key stakeholders and uploaded on the Ministry of Finance website for ease of access and wider use. Promotion materials that clarify GCF Gender Policy and a policy were prepared, printed and dissemination to reach out all concerned actors	

Activity / Action	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Awareness raising on gender impacts of climate change, including climate information/early warning • Leadership training and skills building for women community leaders, cooperatives, farmers associations and Govt. agents at Kebele and Woreda levels • Exposure to modern technologies and practices including environmental rehabilitation experiences 	
Indicator	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gender balance in committee leadership (e.g. water committees, afforestation committees etc.) • Number of women friendly technologies • Number of women trained in the use, management and maintenance of improved technologies 	
Baseline	Target, including sex-disaggregation
<input style="width: 95%;" type="text"/>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Almost all potable water and irrigation infrastructure will be women friendly; • 600 women trained on use, management and maintenance of improved technologies • 50/50 gender balance in decision making
Budget	Currency
<input style="width: 95%;" type="text"/>	<input style="width: 95%;" type="text" value="Please select"/>
Report on annual progress	
not planned for the reporting period.	

Activity / Action

- Contribute to the selection of women friendly technologies
- Adopt gender sensitive, reliable and measurable indicators
- Conduct regular monitoring of delivery of gender responsive results
- Conduct a midterm gender assessment
- Conduct end of project impact and Sustainability assessment

Indicator

- Gender indicators integrated in project M&E
- M&E of sectors and programs' performance from a gender perspective
- Gender mainstreamed in all activities across the 3 Outputs
- Gender balance in project management
- Number of women serving in committees

Baseline

Target, including sex-disaggregation

- The project targets are gender disaggregated
- Gender Disaggregated M&E and reporting template
- Gender disaggregated information and data gathering;
- 50/50 gender balance in all committees

Budget

Currency

Please select

Report on annual progress

The reporting template, which is used by the executing entities, has been revised in order to ensure both male and female beneficiaries are reported.

Activity / Action

Develop gender sensitive checklists and guidelines

Indicator

- Gender responsive approaches as institutional norms and systemic changes
- Improved gender balance in decision making at kebele and Woreda levels

Baseline

Target, including sex-disaggregation

- 50/50 gender balance in all committees
- At least 40% of beneficiaries will be women

Budget

Currency

Please select

Report on annual progress

Maximum effort has been made to ensure women are equally benefited from the project as well as represented well in decision making. Kindly refer to the reported project direct beneficiaries. Furthermore, the issue of ensuring a minimum of 30% female representation as beneficiaries of the project as well as in the management structure of water schemes and others has been strongly communicated during workshops, trainings sessions as well as during monitoring and supervision missions

4.3 Planned activities on environmental and social safeguards for the next reporting period

- Following up the implementation of mitigation measures in the ESMP of the GCF project and integrating ESS to the full project/program cycle including implementation, reporting and evaluation ;
- Delivery of safeguards requires dedicated capacity in sector ministries at the federal, regional and woreda levels. Hence, the CRGE Facility will organize a series of capacity building workshop on ESS to enhance the implementation of ESMP of the GCF. The training module on ESS developed by the world bank will also be used to provide series of training of trainers capacity building workshop in collaboration with universities to enhance local capacity on ESS;
- EFCCC has revoked delegation of authority given to federal sectoral offices for the enforcement of ESIA and EFCCC is responsible for enforcement of ESIA. Technical support will be provided to the EIA directorate of EFCCC to strengthen its coordination and enforcement capacity on ESS;
- Undertake safeguard field monitoring mission to review the implementation of safeguard measures and capture lesson learned
- Creating the environment and social safeguard community of practice for knowledge sharing and harmonizing the different ESIA processes

Provide a list of activities in the ESMP to be implemented in the next reporting period. Include relevant deliverables such as reports or action plans, and other project specific products. Please include the monitoring schedule concerning ESS (including other potential vulnerable groups and indigenous people) for the next annual reporting period.

4.4 Planned activities on gender elements for the next reporting period

- Conduct community based gender analysis of the roles, responsibilities, vulnerabilities and resilience of men and women impacted by climate change
- Organize gender and climate change work-shop at the regional level and familiarize the gender action plan
- Include climate change perspective in the gender responsive planning tools
- Following up the implementation of Gender Action Plan of the GCF project and integrating it to the full project/program cycle including implementation, reporting and evaluation;
- Regularly follow up the periodic reports of CRGE Facility to integrate gender equality and social inclusion;
- Integrate gender equality and social inclusion considerations in the monitoring and evaluation system manual and environment and social safeguard framework of the CRGE Facility;
- Sharing the gender mainstreaming strategy of the CRGE Facility to executing entities and follow up the implementation of its action plan;
- A standard training pack on gender and climate change including case studies and games was developed and series of capacity building will be provided to executing entities for enhanced gender responsive climate action;
- Promotion materials and knowledge products on gender and climate change will be developed;
- The gender and climate change Community of Practice (CoP) was established in December 2020 to bring together vivid community that is re-thinking gender-inclusiveness to find out how to create gender-transformative action on the ground by accessing the latest knowledge, provide hands-on guidance, inform on exciting opportunities. The CoP will organize its quarterly meeting on a regular basis to serve as information and knowledge-sharing platform for aggregating resources, providing best practices and training to address gender-specific needs of poor and vulnerable persons;
- Regular technical supports will be provided to the implementing entities to ensure that gender considerations are adequately mainstreamed in the projects interventions;
- Engage the women affairs directorate of MoF throughout the project cycle management of the CRGE Facility;
- Review project implementation manuals and/or rules for committees in natural resource management, to institute increase women participation;
- Facilitate the engagement of men (elders, leaders and boys)in promoting/advocating for women rights and gender equality.

Provide a list of activities in the gender action plan to be implemented in the next reporting period. Include relevant deliverables such as reports or action plans, and other project specific products including processes that will be involved to implement the activities effectively. Please include the monitoring schedule concerning gender activities for the next annual reporting period. Report on actions taken on any of the recommendations made by the secretariat (if applicable) to improve the level of integration of gender issues in the project.

Confirmation and Acknowledgement of Information *

* This is a required question to submit section 4 of the Annual Performance Report (APR).

- The accredited entity hereby confirms that the information provided in section 4 is complete and ready for submission.

Section 5: Annexes

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Annex 1: Updated implementation timetable for the Funded Activity

Submit only if there are any changes from implementation plan submitted in the FAA.

Annex 2: Accredited Entity compliance reports

[FP058 Self-assessment report_2021.docx](#)

Self-assessment reports, Report on Actions pursuant to Clause 18.02, if applicable. Self-assessment reports: In accordance with the AMA requirement in Clause 13.01 of the Accreditation Master Agreement, with the Fiduciary Principles and Standards, ESS and Gender Policy. Report on Actions pursuant to Clause 18.02: Only applicable to International Accredited Entities. In accordance with the Monitoring and Accountability Framework, a report on its actions carried out or planned to be carried out pursuant to Clause 18.02 of the Accreditation Master Agreement.

Please provide comments on the annexes attached above if any.

The implementation timetable was not updated during the reporting period

Confirmation and Acknowledgement of Information *

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Section 6: Attachments

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Submit the Unaudited/Audited financial statement and Interim/Final evaluation report (as required by FAA). Submit a supporting document for Section 2.4. (Update Progress on the Logic Framework Indicators), describing the calculation methodology for the current values provided.

This sub-section 2.4 is not applicable for REDD+ Results-Based Payments Projects.

Other Attachments (if any). Such as additional budget-related information, loan repayment schedules to GCF (interest/principal), equity investment schedules, other related reports relevant to the Funded Activity, statements of capital account, valuation reports, credit guarantee agreements, investor reports, and others, as specified in the relevant legal agreements (e.g. Funded Activity Agreement, Shareholders Agreement)

For the Annual Performance Report of REDD+ Results-Based Payments projects, provide 'Implementation Timetable/Milestones for the next reporting period' and 'Financial Progress Details' as an attachment in this section.

Comments from AE (if any)

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Additional Section: COVID-19 Impact

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In this additional section of the Annual Performance Report (APR), please provide an update of COVID-19 impact on your project/programme. APR will be considered valid only after all the six sections and the additional section on COVID-19 are filled with relevant details.

Please indicate if your project/programme is adversely impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic.

No

Please choose the severity of overall impact.

Facing delays

Description of levels of severity:

1. On-track with no or minor impact: No or minor impact on project implementation and corresponding annual activities.
2. Facing delays: Implementation progress faced delays in the timeline but did not require any substantial changes in the implementation plan.
3. A minor change(s) required: Changes that are not classified as Major changes but requires intervention from GCF.
4. A major change(s) required: As per paragraph 16 of the Policy on Restructuring and Cancellation - Board Decision B.22/14 paragraph (a). Please find the link to the policy document below.

[GCF Policy on Restructuring and Cancellation](#)

Please describe an overall impact on your project/programme by the COVID-19 pandemic (100-word limit).

The Covid-19 pandemic has minor impact on the project such as delays in organizing workshops and field supervision due to travel restrictions at the begging of the pandemic. This situation has changed with the lifting of the state of emergency.

Provide a short description of the adverse impact on your project/programme and provide references or supporting materials in the Annexes and Attachments sections as relevant.

Please describe details of challenges encountered and corrective/mitigation measures taken.

Select a type of the challenges encountered.

Others

Describe details of the challenge encountered.

The C-19 related travel restrictions at the begging of the pandemic caused delays in organizing workshops and training sessions as well as regular monitoring and supervision activities. These tasks were postponed until the COVID-19 travel restrictions were lifted and eased.

Describe details of the corrective/mitigation measures taken as much as you can.

The executing entities were advised to continue implementation of project activities, which were not restricted by the state of emergency. The meetings and workshops were organized after the government eased COVID-19 restrictions and safety guidance. Regular telephone communications and follow up were also made with the executing entities at various levels.

Please describe if any support is required from the GCF to address the COVID-19 impact on your project/programme.

No support is required for now.

Confirmation and Acknowledgement of Information *

* This is a required question to submit the additional section of the Annual Performance Report (APR).

The accredited entity hereby confirms that the information provided in the additional section on COVID-19 is complete and ready for submission.