
Annual Performance Report

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RATIONALE

This report layout is designed to support the drafting of a structured report that assesses, evaluates, documents, and communicates the progress on Funding Proposal (FP) implementation and on its associated Funded Activity Agreement (FAA). The layout aims to provide a clear and comprehensive understanding of key objectives, progress, and risks, drawing on project implementation related data provided by Accredited Entities (AEs). Considering the Green Climate Fund's (GCF) evolving strategic direction toward a Risk-Based Approach, the report is intended to:

- Track quantitative and qualitative progress of the project implementation.
- Highlight critical findings and emerging trends.
- Identify risks and propose actionable mitigation strategies.
- Support evidence-based decision-making.
- Promote transparency and accountability.
- Align with strategic and regulatory frameworks.
- Serve as a foundation for AE engagement on project performance

METHODOLOGY

The report's layout mirrors, to the extent possible, the structure of the Funding Proposal (FP) to maintain coherence with the presented information. However, the FP and the Report differ in scope and strategic intent; thus, while the FP serves a functional role in informing the Report, it does not dictate a strictly parallel structure.

A. PROJECT DATA (Prefilled where possible)																
Should any information/data prefilled from Section A.1 to Section A.12 be incorrect or require updating, please inform GCF's Project Lead of appropriate corrective action.																
A.1. Date of report submission		15 April 2026														
A.2. Project or programme	Project	A.3. Sector	Public													
A.4. Total Financing (GCF + Cofinance)	<table border="1"> <tr> <td>GCF Financing</td> <td>Mill. USD 42.8</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Grants</td> <td>Mill. USD 42.8</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Co-Financing</td> <td>Mill. USD 10.4</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Grants</td> <td>Mill. USD 7.5</td> </tr> <tr> <td>InKind</td> <td>Mill. USD 3.0</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Total Financing</td> <td>Mill. USD 53.2</td> </tr> </table>				GCF Financing	Mill. USD 42.8	Grants	Mill. USD 42.8	Co-Financing	Mill. USD 10.4	Grants	Mill. USD 7.5	InKind	Mill. USD 3.0	Total Financing	Mill. USD 53.2
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A.5. Total GCF funding disbursed to this date	NA (draft)															
A.6. Implementation period	From NA to NA															
A.7. ESS Category (Refers to GCF revised <u>Environmental and Social Policy</u> and GCF ESS Standards to assess your FP category.)			Category B													
A.8. Executing Entity Information																
Full legal name	Country of registration (or, for intl orgs, country of HQ)	Entity type	Role in project	Focal Point(s) and email(s)												
FAO Malawi	Malawi	UN System Entity – a specialized agency, subsidiary organ or other part of the UN system	Executing Entity	FAO-MW@fao.org												
Ministry of Agriculture	Malawi	Public sector – Government (which may be acting through a ministry or department)	Executing Entity	miniagriculture@agriculture.gov.mw												
The National Local Government Finance Committee	Malawi	Public sector – Government (which may be acting through a ministry or department)	Executing Entity	kmcd@nlgfc.gov.mw / ed@nlgfc.gov.mw												
Ministry of Finance and Economic Affairs Financial Access for Rural Markets, Smallholders and Enterprises (FARMSE) Programme	Malawi	Public sector – Government (which may be acting through a ministry or department)	Executing Entity	finance@finance.gov.mw												

A.9. Co-Financier information				
Full legal name	Country of registration <i>(or, for intl orgs, country of HQ)</i>	Focal Point(s) and email(s)	Ownership Type	Beneficial Owner(s)
FAO Malawi	Malawi	FAO-MW@fao.org	UN System Entity – a specialized agency, subsidiary organ or other part of the UN system	N/A
MoF/FARMSE	Malawi	finance@finance.gov.mw	Government	Government of Malawi
MoA	Malawi	miniagriculture@agriculture.gov.mw	Government	Government of Malawi

A.10. Alignment with country NDCs & NAP <i>(NB Only populate if applicable, e.g., if your project/programme specifically contributes to a country's NDC or NAP target/s)</i>				
Country	Date of NDC/ NAP submission	NDC/ NAP objective	Brief description of project's alignment with NDC/ NAP objectives	Percentage of target met with proposed project.Beneficial owner(s)
Malawi	30 July 2021	Malawi's NDC objective is to Strengthen climate resilience of watersheds, agricultural systems and rural communities through ecosystem restoration, sustainable land management, water resource management, and enhanced adaptive capacity.	FP238 directly supports Malawi's updated NDC adaptation priorities by implementing ecosystem-based adaptation measures to restore degraded watersheds and strengthen climate resilience of agricultural production systems. It promotes restoration of degraded landscapes, sustainable land management practices, and improved watershed management to reduce soil erosion and enhance water retention in climate-vulnerable catchments. The project strengthens adaptive capacity through community-based natural resource management and climate-informed watershed planning. Institutional capacity is enhanced through strengthened coordination and governance. By restoring degraded ecosystems, improving watershed hydrological function, and strengthening climate-resilient land-use planning and governance systems, the project directly contributes to Malawi's NDC priorities for ecosystem restoration, climate-resilient agriculture, and sustainable water resource management.	100%

A.11. Estimated duration of impact	
A.12 Report to be shared with NDA	Yes ☐ No ☐

B. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Should any information/data prefilled in Section “B” be incorrect or require updating, please inform GCF’s Project Lead for appropriate corrective action.

B.1. Summary

The project advanced the foundational conditions required for Ecosystem-based Adaptation (EbA) investments from 2026 onward to deliver measurable impacts in Malawi. 30 sub-catchments across 11 districts were identified as the geographical focus of EbA activities and degradation hotspots were mapped within 6 districts to inform the design of interventions. Field data collection was initiated in 4 districts to inform micro-catchment selection. Assessment of local institutions and development plans across all districts identified capacity constraints and entry points for incorporating EbA into sub-national planning, strengthening the foundations for locally-led climate-resilient development. Profiling of farmer organizations and private sector off-takers identified agribusiness and agroforestry value chains that have both the potential for contributing to EbA objectives and to diversified and sustainable local livelihoods through Public-Private-Producer Partnerships (4Ps). Financial inclusion advanced through support for the establishment and operation of 1,850 Village Savings and Loans Associations (VSLAs), benefiting over 6,700 members, 80% of whom are women, thus enhancing households’ ability to invest in climate-smart practices and buffer climate shocks. A review of national entities with potential to enhance national access to climate finance was conducted and resulted in a change of institutions targeted by the project, in consensus with the National Designated Authority (NDA).

C. RESULTS AND IMPACTS

C.1. Overall Summary of the Project Progress

(This section provides a narrative report summarizing the overall progress of the implementation status of the funded activity progress during the reporting period. 1,500 words)

EbAM Project Management

During 2025, the Ecosystem-based Adaptation for Resilient Watersheds and Communities in Malawi (EbAM) project, initiated in July 2024, established the foundational conditions for effective project management, including coordination, oversight, and strategic decision-making across all Executing Entities (EEs). Operational Partners Agreements (OPAs) were signed between FAO and the co-EEs —the Department of Land Resources Conservation (DLRC) within the Ministry of Agriculture and the Financial Access for Rural Markets, Smallholders and Enterprises (FARMSE) programme within the Ministry of Finance. Risk-mitigation plans and capacity building programmes were developed and initiated to ensure efficient and timely execution of the co-EEs' respective project components. The Project Implementation Unit (PIU) was fully established and two regional PIUs (RPIUs) were set up to facilitate field implementation and monitoring in the northern and southern regions of the country. The Project Steering Committee (PSC) and Project Technical Committee (PTC) were both instituted and began regular meetings, ensuring strong governance, rapid decision-making, and alignment with national policies. The PIU team organized a series of orientation visits to all 11 districts covered by the project, incorporating EbAM priorities into the planning processes of District Executive Committees (DECs) and Environment Sub-Committees (DESCs).

While implementation moved steadily towards project targets, certain factors have resulted in an adjustment of timelines. The macroeconomic situation in Malawi, in particular a shortage of foreign exchange, has affected the banking sector and led to delays in EEs access to project funds in local currency. The national elections in September 2025 resulted in temporary adjustments to government staffing and scheduling, which led to short delays in some field activities.

Consequently, the site selection process led by DLRC, which is the necessary precursor to all other field activities, could not be concluded within 2025. Progress towards targets related to Integrated Land Management (ILM) under Component 1 will be made in 2026, after site selection is completed. FARMSE concluded its Phase 1 programme in June 2025 and initiated Phase 2 the following month, resulting in steady progress towards EbAM targets under Component 2. The locations and beneficiaries of activities implemented through FARMSE Phase 2 co-finance (Output 2.3) will be correlated with EbAM site selection results and inform the implementation of other EbAM Component 2 outputs in 2026.

Component 1

Key achievements under this component were focused on the selection of sub-catchments and micro-catchments, through DLRC, for the implementation of both ILM and Farmer Field School (FFS) activities under the project. All 30 sub-catchments were identified and validated by local stakeholders. Ecosystem degradation hotspot mapping was completed in 6 districts, after local government personnel had been trained in the process. Field data collection to inform the selection of micro-catchments was initiated in 4 districts. To inform the development of Village Level Action Plans (VLAPs), a status assessment of existing VLAPs and capacity assessment of local institutions including Village Development Committees (VDCs) and Village Natural Resource Management Committees (VNRMCs) was conducted in 4 districts. Through these activities, substantial progress was made towards the completion of targets under Output 1.1, while the groundwork necessary to achieve targets under Output 1.2 was initiated.

Collectively, Component 1 achievements in 2025 strengthened the foundations for landscape-level adaptation and positioned communities to engage meaningfully in designing interventions that reduce climate vulnerability.

Component 2

Component 2 focused on linking farmers to climate-resilient value chains and preparing conditions for the establishment of Public-Private-Producer Partnerships (4Ps). In particular progress was made on positioning EbAM in relation to the activities of private sector off-takers and parallel public sector initiatives in agribusiness to prepare for progress towards Output 2.2 targets, pending the results of the site selection process and the subsequent identification of potential project beneficiaries necessary to initiate FFS activities under Output 2.1. A profiling exercise of farmer organizations and agriculture product markets was conducted across 11 districts. Close coordination was established with the Government of Ireland-supported Growth Poles project, whose private sector partners were canvassed as potential stakeholders in private-public-producer-partnerships (4Ps) under EbAM. Market and value chain analysis was initiated for staple crops, agroforestry and non-timber forest products, identifying macadamia, coffee, sorghum, soybean and mango as potential initial focus value chains for 4Ps. FARMSE's support to Village Savings and Loans Associations (VSLAs) under Output 2.3 ensured progress towards project targets under Output 2.3.

Component 3

Component 3 focused on improving Malawi's long-term capacity to access and manage climate finance. A review of the design of this component, in consultation with the NDA and national stakeholders, concluded that the target institutions for accreditation under Output 3.1 are not appropriate for the achievement of leveraged climate finance. A study of alternative financial institutions was initiated to identify potential candidates for accreditation as Direct Access Entities (DAEs) to GCF, in consultation with the regional GCF Readiness project implemented by the Global Water Partnership Southern Africa (GWPSA). In partnership with the FAO-implemented projects in Malawi under GEF Drylands Sustainable Landscapes Impact Programme (DSL-IP) and Africa Forest Landscape Restoration Initiative (AFR100), capacity development activities under Output 3.1 were designed to support government institutions in monitoring land use change and degradation, and development of a national EbA monitoring framework.

Lessons and Innovations

The National Local Government Finance Committee (NLGFC) underwent a new capacity assessment in 2025, as the previous assessment had expired, in accordance with FAO procedures. The third party assessor shared the results with FAO in December 2025, identifying several gaps and risks related to NLGFC's capacity. FAO and NLGFC agreed to collaborate throughout 2026 to address the technical and operational issues highlighted in the 2025 assessment. As per FAO rules, a subsequent capacity assessment can only be conducted after at least one year has passed since the previous one. As a result, the NLGFC is temporarily unable to implement Sub-Activity 1.2.2.2 as an EE until the next assessment is completed. Although NLGFC's EbAM-related activities were not scheduled in 2025, the outcome of the capacity assessment will prevent the procurement of equipment and genetic materials necessary to implement ILM activities in 2026. To avoid delays, the PSC approved alternative implementation arrangements, and a change request for submission to the GCF was initiated, to allow the necessary procurement to proceed.

EbAM leveraged USD 4m in additional finance through a new agreement signed in December 2025 between FAO and the Government of Norway, for the "Monitoring, Evaluation and Learning framework for Ecosystem-based Adaptation in forests and agriculture (MELBA Malawi)" project. MELBA will run concurrently with EbAM from 2026-9, to support the development of a national MEL framework for EbA in Malawi, aligned with the Global Goal on Adaptation (GGA) indicators agreed at COP30. This investment strengthens Malawi's national monitoring architecture, enhances the quality and consistency of EbAM results reporting to the GCF, and may inform harmonized M&E methodologies for the wider GCF EbA portfolio —multiplying the project's impact beyond its geographic scope.

Challenges and Risk Mitigation

The project experienced delays in disbursement of project funds to DLRC and FARMSE, due to the policy of the Reserve Bank of Malawi requiring conversion of hard currency to local currency through internal clearance procedures before release to government accounts. The main impact was a delay in finalizing micro-catchment selection by DLRC, which has downstream implications for all field activities. This challenge is likely to persist, creating a systematic lag between FAO fund release and funds appearing in partner accounts. EEs can partly mitigate this through improved cashflow planning, while FAO will continue monitoring expenditure and exploring alternative implementation sequencing. The risks identified through NLGFC's capacity assessment also posed challenges for project procurement activities in 2026 and onwards. Recognizing these risks early on, developing an alternative implementation approach with the agreement of all partners and approval of PSC enabled FAO to submit a change request to GCF to ensure uninterrupted delivery of project results.

Priorities for 2026

In 2026, the project will transition into on-the-ground delivery, targeting implementation of initial investments by the November planting season. Key priorities include:

- Rolling out EbA-integrated extension services using a tailored Training-of-Trainers curriculum, to be adapted to national context.
- Registering beneficiaries and conducting baseline data collection.
- Finalizing and adapting VLAPs to local EbA priorities and guiding procurement for ecosystem restoration in at least 10% of targeted micro-catchments, in coordination with DLRC, national service providers and district councils.
- Establishing community seed banks across all 8 Water Resource Units (WRUs).
- Establishing FFS in at least 20% of micro-catchments.
- Operationalizing 4Ps for at least two agribusiness value chains with export potential and launching a domestic promotion campaign for EbA-aligned products.
- Advancing the institutionalization of the Agroecology Hub at LUANAR.



- Developing a pipeline of bankable projects to strengthen national access to climate finance for ecosystem restoration and agribusiness.

For each of the indicators please report only the 'annual value' for the reporting year; this means reporting solely the values achieved from January 1st, 2025, to December 31st, 2025. The "cumulative value" will automatically be updated by the system by aggregating reported annual values since project FAA effectiveness.

- *Midterm Target: The results to be achieved by the midpoint of implementation.*
- *Final Target: The results to be achieved by the conclusion of project or programme implementation.*
- *Lifetime Target: The total results expected over the entire operational period of the project or programme.*

Should the project be Multicounty, please report the achievement by Country.

Lastly, avoid using commas or periods as thousand separators. Periods should only be used as decimal separators.

For REDD+ Results-Based Payment (RBP) projects, you are only required to report on the progress of activities.

Should any prefilled information/data in the Logical Framework be incorrect or require updating, please inform GCF's Project Lead for appropriate corrective action.

PMF/IRMF Results Management Framework

No indicators/questions defined.

(PMF) M1 Tonnes of carbon dioxide equivalent (tCO₂eq) reduced as a result of GCF-funded projects/programmes (IRMF) Core 1 Greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions reduced, avoided or removed/sequestered
Provide the total GHG emissions reduced, avoided or removed/sequestered (tCO₂eq) as a result of GCF support, disaggregated by result area.

Unit							Tonnes of CO ₂ -equivalent
Disaggregation by: Result Areas (Mitigation)	Baseline	Mid-term	Final target	Lifetime	Previous Year Cumulative Value	Annual value	Cumulative Value
Forestry and land use	0	138,671	485,351	2,750,323	0	0	0

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Provide the total GHG emissions reduced, avoided or removed/sequestered (tCO ₂ eq), disaggregated by Country.							
Unit							Tonnes of CO ₂ -equivalent
Disaggregation by: Project Countries	Baseline	Mid-term	Final target	Lifetime	Previous Year Cumulative Value	Annual value	Cumulative Value
Malawi	0	138,671	485,351	2,750,323	0	0	0

Forestry and land use

No indicators/questions defined.

(PMF) M9.1 Hectares of land or forests under improved and effective management that contributes to CO ₂ emission reductions (IRMF) Core 4: Hectares of natural resource areas brought under improved low emission and/or climate resilient management practices						
Provide the total degraded or converted ecosystems under restoration (ha).						
Unit					Hectares	
Baseline	Target		Previous Year Cumulative Value		Annual value	Cumulative Value (automatically calculated)
	Mid-term	Final target				
0	42,275	267,500	0	0	0	0

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Provide the total degraded or converted ecosystems under restoration (ha), disaggregated by country.						
Unit						Hectares
Disaggregation by: Project Countries	Baseline	Mid-term	Final target	Previous Year Cumulative Value	Annual value	Cumulative Value
Malawi	0	42,275	267,500	0	0	0

(PMF) M9.1 Hectares of land or forests under improved and effective management that contributes to CO ₂ emission reductions (IRMF) Core 4: Hectares of natural resource areas brought under improved low emission and/or climate resilient management practices						
Provide the total degraded or converted ecosystems under restoration (ha), disaggregated by land type.						
Unit						Hectares
Disaggregation by: Land Type	Baseline	Mid-term	Final target	Previous Year Cumulative Value	Annual value	Cumulative Value
Cropland	0	13,728	86,867	0	0	0
Grassland	0	1,856	11,743	0	0	0
Forest Land (reforestation)	0	26,691	168,890	0	0	0

(IRMF) Supplementary 4.1 Hectares of terrestrial-forest, terrestrial-non-forest, freshwater and coastal-marine areas brought under restoration and or improved ecosystems

Provide the total land areas under sustainable management practices (ha).

Baseline	Target		Unit		Hectares
	Mid-term	Final target	Previous Year Cumulative Value	Annual value	Cumulative Value <i>(automatically calculated)</i>
0	15,258	30,045	0	0	0

(IRMF) Supplementary 4.1 Hectares of terrestrial-forest, terrestrial-non-forest, freshwater and coastal-marine areas brought under restoration and or improved ecosystems

Provide the total land areas under sustainable management practices (ha), disaggregated by type.

Unit						Hectares
Disaggregation by: Land Type	Baseline	Mid-term	Final target	Previous Year Cumulative Value	Annual value	Cumulative Value
Forest Land (reforestation)	0	15,258	30,045	0	0	0

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Provide the total land areas under sustainable management practices (ha), disaggregated by country.

Unit						Hectares
Disaggregation by: Project Countries	Baseline	Mid-term	Final target	Previous Year Cumulative Value	Annual value	Cumulative Value
Malawi	0	15,258	30,045	0	0	0

**(PMF) A1 and A2 Total number of direct and indirect beneficiaries
(IRMF) Core 2 Direct and indirect beneficiaries reached**

Provide the total number of direct beneficiaries (female/male) cumulatively receiving adaptation benefits from GCF-supported interventions, disaggregated by result area.

Unit						No. of Beneficiaries
Disaggregation by: Result Areas (Adaptation)	Baseline	Mid-term	Final target	Previous Year Cumulative Value	Annual value	Cumulative Value
Livelihoods of people and communities	0	135,410	270,820	0	32,733	32,733
Health and well-being, and food and water security	0	135,410	270,820	0	32,733	32,733

**(PMF) A1 and A2 Total number of direct and indirect beneficiaries
(IRMF) Core 2 Direct and indirect beneficiaries reached**

Provide the total number of direct beneficiaries (female/male) cumulatively receiving adaptation benefits from GCF-supported interventions, disaggregated by Gender.

Unit						No. of Beneficiaries
Disaggregation by: Gender	Baseline	Mid-term	Final target	Previous Year Cumulative Value	Annual value	Cumulative Value
Male	0	64,997	129,994	0	7,626	7,626
Female	0	70,413	140,826	0	25,107	25,107

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Disaggregation by: Project Countries	Baseline	Mid-term	Final target	Previous Year Cumulative Value	Annual value	Cumulative Value
Malawi	0	135,410	270,820	0	32,733	32,733

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Unit						No. of Beneficiaries
Disaggregation by: Result Areas (Adaptation)	Baseline	Mid-term	Final target	Previous Year Cumulative Value	Annual value	Cumulative Value
Livelihoods of people and communities	0	152,020	304,035	0	0	0
Health and well-being, and food and water security	0	152,020	304,035	0	0	0

(PMF) A1 and A2 Total number of direct and indirect beneficiaries (IRMF) Core 2 Direct and indirect beneficiaries reached						
Provide the total number of indirect beneficiaries (female/male) cumulatively receiving adaptation benefits from GCF-supported interventions, disaggregated by Gender.						
Unit						No. of Beneficiaries
Disaggregation by: Gender	Baseline	Mid-term	Final target	Previous Year Cumulative Value	Annual value	Cumulative Value
Male	0	72,970	145,937	0	0	0
Female	0	79,050	158,098	0	0	0

(PMF) A1 and A2 Total number of direct and indirect beneficiaries (IRMF) Core 2 Direct and indirect beneficiaries reached						
Provide the total number of indirect beneficiaries (female/male) cumulatively receiving adaptation benefits from GCF-supported interventions, disaggregated by Country.						
Unit						No. of Beneficiaries
Disaggregation by: Project Countries	Baseline	Mid-term	Final target	Previous Year Cumulative Value	Annual value	Cumulative Value
Malawi	0	152,020	304,035	0	0	0

Livelihoods of people and communities

No indicators/questions defined.

(PMF) A1.2 Number of males and females benefiting from the adoption of diversified, climate resilient livelihood options (including fisheries, agriculture, tourism, etc.) (IRMF) Supplementary 2.1 Beneficiaries (female/male) adopting improved and/or new climate-resilient livelihood options						
Provide the total number of direct beneficiaries (female/male) adopting diversified or strengthened climate-resilient livelihood strategies (including agriculture, fisheries, natural resource-based, and informal livelihoods), disaggregated by gender.						
Unit						No. of Beneficiaries
Disaggregation by: Gender	Baseline	Mid-term	Final target	Previous Year Cumulative Value	Annual value	Cumulative Value
Male	0	64,997	129,994	0	0	0
Female	0	70,413	140,826	0	0	0

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Provide the total number of direct beneficiaries (female/male) adopting diversified or strengthened climate-resilient livelihood strategies (including agriculture, fisheries, natural resource-based, and informal livelihoods), disaggregated by country.						
Unit						Enter unit
Disaggregation by: Project Countries	Baseline	Mid-term	Final target	Previous Year Cumulative Value	Annual value	Cumulative Value
Malawi	0	135,410	270,820	0	0	0

Health and well-being, and food & water security

No indicators/questions defined.

(PMF) A2.2 Number of food secure households (in areas/periods at risk of climate change impacts) (IRMF) Supplementary 2.2 Beneficiaries (female/male) with improved food security						
Provide the total number of direct beneficiaries (female/male) with improved or sustained food security through enhanced physical, social, and economic access to, and utilization of, food and nutrition in areas at risk of climate change, disaggregated by gender.						
Unit						No. of Beneficiaries
Disaggregation by: Gender	Baseline	Mid-term	Final target	Previous Year Cumulative Value	Annual value	Cumulative Value
Male	0	64,997	129,994	0	0	0
Female	0	70,413	140,826	0	0	0

Project Specific Indicators							
Indicator	Unit	Baseline	Target		Previous Year Cumulative Value	Annual value	Cumulative Value (automatically calculated)
			Mid-term	Final target			
GHG emissions reduced, avoided or removed/sequestered	Tonnes of CO ₂ -equivalent	0	138,671	485,351	0	0	0
Hectares of natural resources brought under improved low-emission and/or climate-resilient management practice	Hectares	0	42,275	267,500	0	0	0
% increase volume of sales (key crops) per household	Percentage	0	15	30	0	0	0
% of supported households reporting a more stable income	Percentage	0	30	75	0	0	0
% of supported households reporting more stable crop yields	Percentage	0	30	75	0	0	0
% of women perceiving improved support from men for women's empowerment.	Percentage	0	45	60	0	0	0

% of households with an increase in the value of household assets	Percentage	0	20	60	0	0	0
Number of Village Savings and Loans Associations (VSLAs) strengthened/established	No. of Entities	0	2,000	5,500	0	1,850	1,850
Number of informal or formal MSMEs established	No. of Entities	0	70	270	0	45	45
Number of policy dialogue workshops/roundtables facilitated	No. of knowledge-sharing events/platforms	0	2	5	0	0	0
Number of FFSs implemented	No. of Items	0	598	1,080	0	0	0
Number of Financial Service Providers (FSPs) capacitated to deliver adapted innovative products for farmers / POs and SMEs.	No. of Entities	0	4	8	0	0	0
Number of national entities accessing GCF resources	No. of Entities	0	1	2	0	0	0
Number of public-private producers partnerships (4Ps) established	No. of Agreements/Contracts	0	5	12	0	0	0
Number of Village-Level Action Plans (VLPs) implemented	Plans	0	80	111	0	0	0
Number of evidence-based policies/initiatives developed at national/sub-national level promoting the uptake of EbA solutions	No. of Policy Instruments	0	1	3	0	0	0
Number of policy makers capacitated to develop EbA-based policies and budget	No. of Persons	0	25	25	0	0	0
Number of farmers accessing digital technical and climate information	No. of Farmers	0	79,000	196,000	0	0	0
Number of field extension officers and lead farmers capacitated as FFS facilitators (including women and youth)	No. of Farmers	0	828	828	0	0	0
Number of people accessing financial services supported by the project	No. of Persons	0	54,000	108,000	0	6,777	6,777
Number of villagers implementing their	No. of Persons	0	39,000	54,165	0	0	0

watershed management plans and VLAPs							
Number of beneficiaries engaged	No. of Persons	0	3,000	5,400	0	0	0
Number of beneficiaries engaged in the commercial activities	No. of Persons	0	5,000	13,000	0	0	0
Number of overall staff trained	No. of Persons	0	10	15	0	0	0
Number of SCMCs strengthened/formed	No. of Coordination Mechanisms	0	5	30	0	0	0
Number of VNRMCS strengthened/formed	No. of Coordination Mechanisms	0	111	111	0	0	0

Activities				
Activity Name	Implementation Progress (%)	Utilised GCF Budget	Allocated GCF Budget	% (Automatically calculated)
Activity 1.1.1 Targeting and Phasing of Sub-Catchments and Micro-Catchments	65	166,521.34	595,114	27
Activity 1.1.2 Capacity Development of ILM Stakeholders on Ecosystem-based Adaptation	10	282,768.2	2,730,745	10
Activity 1.1.3 Strengthening/Formation of Village Natural Resources Management Committees (VNRMCS) and formulation of EbA-based Village Level Action Plans (VLAPs)	6	22,125.02	1,680,187	1
Activity 1.1.4 Strengthening/Formation of Sub-Catchment Management Committees (SCMCs) and Formulation of EbA-based Sub-Catchments Management Plans (SCMPs)	20	11,869.79	363,814	3
Activity 1.2.1 Preparation of VLAP implementation	20	38,000	127,073	29
Activity 1.2.2 VLAP Implementation	5	139,524	18,791,412	0
Activity 2.1.1 EbA agriculture extension support through FFS	10	105,031.82	4,047,773	2
Activity 2.1.2 Knowledge and innovation	5	0	1,569,709	0
Activity 2.1.3 Agrobiodiversity Promotion	0	0	1,619,018	0
Activity 2.2.1 Public-private producer partnerships (4Ps) establishment	20	28,235.09	929,677	3
Activity 2.2.2 Micro, Small and Medium Enterprise (MSME) development	0	0	1,286,628	0

Activities				
Activity Name	Implementation Progress (%)	Utilised GCF Budget	Allocated GCF Budget	% (Automatically calculated)
Activity 2.2.3 Market development through “EbA production system” brand creation	10	210,677	1,273,272	16
Activity 2.3.1 Consolidation / expansion of Community Based Financial Organizations	25	0	0	0
Activity 2.3.2 Development and delivery of climate adaptation financial services by Formal Financial Institutions	20	394,000	3,180,000	12
Activity 2.3.3 Linkage of partner FFIs to financial instruments providers	0	0	0	0
Activity 2.3.4 Linkage of agri SMEs to impact investment funds	0	0	0	0
Activity 3.1.1 Support to Malawi’s National Climate Change Fund (NCCF)	0	0	254,819	0
Activity 3.1.2 Support to National Conservation Trust Funds	0	0	111,565	0
Activity 3.1.3 Leveraging private sector experience on carbon credits in Malawi as part of the exit strategy	0	0	69,414	0
Activity 3.2.1 Preparation of evidence-based studies	0	0	97,584	0
Activity 3.2.2 Policy Assessment and preparation of a policy influencing plan (PIP)	0	0	0	0
Activity 3.2.3 Implementation of the PIP	0	0	291,293	0

C.2.1. Subprojects

Where applicable, include information on sub-projects. For projects and programmes approved until B.31, the logical framework should focus on the mitigation and adaptation Performance Measurement Frameworks (PMF). For projects and programmes approved from B.32 onwards, the logical framework should reflect the Integrated Results Management Framework (IRMF).

Title	Currency	GCF Funds	Co-Financing	Country	GHG Emissions Reduced	Direct Beneficiaries	Indirect Beneficiaries
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

C.3. Compliance with FAA covenants	Yes ☒ No ☐
C.4. Funded Activity Implementation Arrangements in the Following Year	Yes ☒ No ☐
<i>A change request was submitted to GCF on 19 February 2026 to reallocate part of NLGFC's sub-activity to MoA/ DLRC. This is considered necessary due to the results of the capacity assessment carried out for NLGFC in October 2025, which identified capacity deficiencies and risks. As per FAO procedures, a subsequent capacity assessment needs to be conducted after at least one year has passed since the previous one. Consequently, the NLGFC is temporarily unable to implement Sub-Activity 1.2.2.2 as an Executing Entity. To address this temporary impossibility for the NLGFC to implement Sub-Activity 1.2.2.2, this change request is proposed to allow the execution of the Funded Activity as per its implementation plan that is interlinked to the planting season. This change has been endorsed by EbAM PSC and the NDA.</i>	

D. RISKS ASSESSMENT AND MANAGEMENT

D.1. Risk and mitigation measures

As stated in the Board-approved "Risk Appetite Statement," a cornerstone of the GCF's Risk Framework is proactive risk management. This includes risk identification, assessment, monitoring, reporting and appropriate mitigation to minimize and respond to risks, both directly and through partners implementing GCF's projects and programmes.

Risk Management Matrix

A risk is the probability of an event to adversely affect the achievement of the project Impact (its objectives, outcomes, and results). "Inherent risk" refers to the level of risk present before any of the mitigating measures are applied. "Residual risk" represents the level of risk after mitigating measures have been implemented.

Please update the project risk matrix by reviewing and revising information for all previously identified risks, and adding any new risks identified during implementation by selecting the adequate Risk Area in the drop-down menu. For each risk, ensure you provide a clear risk description, outline the potential negative consequences, specify the mitigating measures in place, and complete the severity scoring as required.

For the Integrity Risk Area, an annual reporting (and more frequent and prompt reporting if stated in the legal agreements with the GCF) is required for each of its 3 Risk Sub-areas, as GCF has zero tolerance for Prohibited Practices, for SEAH in Fund-related Activities, and for working with parties and engaging in activities subject to sanctions imposed by the United Nations Security Council. The AE reporting obligations under GCF's policies and in the legal agreement(s) with the GCF include but are not limited to requiring AEs to take action to identify, mitigate and promptly disclose to the GCF any real or perceived Conflict of Interest, any alleged or suspected Prohibited Practice, promptly notify the Fund of any material risks or other indications of money laundering and/or financing of terrorism in relation to the Project and promptly take remedial steps in consultation with the GCF.

The AE shall also provide updates on the risks and mitigating measures under the other Risk Areas when changes to already identified risks or new risks have been identified.

Risk scoring:

For likelihood, please rate on a scale from 1 to 5: 1. Unlikely, 2. Possible, 3. Likely, 4. Almost certain, 5. Certain

For impact, please rate on a scale from 1 to 5: 1. Close to none, 2. Low, 3. Medium, 4. High, 5. Catastrophic

The severity of each risk is automatically computed based on the likelihood and impact of the risk.

Risk 1	Foreign Exchange Risks
Risk Origin	External Factors
Risk Area	Macro-economics
Risk Sub-area	N/A
Description	Foreign exchange (FX) volatility is a significant risk. Scarcity of foreign investment results in rapid depreciation of the Malawi Kwacha which in turn drives sharp increases in the cost of goods/services. Because Malawi relies heavily on imported commodities including fertilizers/seed, equipment, and fuel, exchange rate movements immediately translate into higher domestic prices. FX instability affects banking liquidity and timely access to funds by government entities, creating delays in procurement and workplan execution. The Reserve Bank of Malawi requires all transfers to government entities to be converted and settled in local currency through internal clearance procedures. These procedures are often prolonged during periods of tight liquidity and administrative backlog, resulting in delayed availability of funds. Root causes include limited foreign currency reserves, dependence on imports, global commodity price fluctuations, and tightening monetary conditions. National assessments highlight systemic constraints in public financial and regulatory environment, including slow approval cycles and administrative bottlenecks.
Consequences	FX volatility and resulting inflation pose significant consequences for the project budget. Depreciation of the Malawi Kwacha reduces the real value of GCF funds, limiting the purchasing power needed for key project inputs. Price spikes in imported fuel raise the costs for transport, logistics, and field activities, while rising prices of agricultural inputs (fertilizers, seed, tools) reduce the quantities that can be procured within the approved budget. This may lead to scaling down of planned activities, and reduced beneficiary reach. Foreign exchange driven cost increases also elevate operational expenses for trainings,

	coordination, and service delivery, potentially causing implementation delays. Government Executing Entities (EEs) may experience cash-flow challenges due to tighter banking conditions, slowing fund access and liquidation processes. Collectively, these consequences undermine cost-effectiveness and threaten timely achievement of project outputs and outcomes under the EbAM results framework		
Inherent Risk	Likelihood	Impact	Severity
	4 - Almost certain	4 - High	16 - High
Mitigation Measure(s)	To manage the foreign exchange risk, the project will apply a combination of financial, operational, and procurement mitigation measures. These include conducting regular budget re-forecasting aligned with market and inflation trends, prioritizing early or bulk procurement of key agricultural inputs to lock in prices, and increasing reliance on locally available materials where feasible to reduce exposure to FX-driven import costs. EEs will strengthen cash-flow planning to minimize delays caused by banking constraints, while FAO will closely monitor tranche utilization and adjust implementation sequencing if major market shocks occur. Coordination with Government and partners will ensure early identification of fuel and commodity price shifts. These measures lower the impact of FX volatility but only partially reduce its likelihood, which remains influenced by national macroeconomic conditions.		
Residual Risk	Likelihood	Impact	Severity
	4 - Almost certain	3 - Medium	12 - Medium High
Current Residual Risk	Likelihood	Impact	Severity
	4 - Almost certain	3 - Medium	12 - Medium High
Comments	N/A		
Risk 2	Implementation Capacity & Performance of EEs		
Risk Origin	Partner Related		
Risk Area	Partner capacity and suitability		
Risk Sub-area	N/A		
Description	There are some technical and operational capacity gaps within the government partners proposed as EEs for the project. In accordance with FAO procedures, in case the new capacity assessment, following the expiration of the previous assessment's validity, identifies several deficiencies and risks related to EE, a subsequent capacity assessment needs to be conducted after at least one year has passed since the previous one while EE is addressing capacity gaps.		
Consequences	Delivery of key project outputs are at risk if FAO is unable to proceed with Operational Partners Agreement (OPAs) with Government of Malawi partners as set out in the FAA and results framework, including project site selection, extension services, procurement of equipment and genetic material and access for farmer organisations to financial services. If delivery of any of these activities is inhibited, project results will be negatively affected.		
Inherent Risk	Likelihood	Impact	Severity
	2 - Possible	4 - High	8 - Medium High
Mitigation Measure(s)	Track the eligibility of capacity assessments and of the implementation of risk mitigation plans associated with these assessments. Proactively engage with EEs to offer support in capacity development in accordance with risk mitigation plans, as necessary. Conduct regular monthly project partner meetings, including all co-EEs, to share experiences and progress with the implementation, facilitating learning and inter-EE collaboration. Prepare alternative project management arrangements, in consultation with PTC and PSC, for proposal as change requests to GCF Secretariat, if necessary. Develop and implement capacity development plans with all EEs, with time-bound actions and verification through FAO support missions from regional and HQ as appropriate. Milestone-based disbursements, tighter documentation checks, and enhanced field spot-checks/audits will continue to be applied to all EEs to prevent slippage and fiduciary issues. Where systemic constraints persist, FAO will adjust sequencing and seasonal		

	calendars, use early/bulk procurement, and provide hands-on financial/procurement coaching to EEs.		
Residual Risk	Likelihood	Impact	Severity
	2 - Possible	2 - Low	4 - Medium
Current Residual Risk	Likelihood	Impact	Severity
	2 - Possible	2 - Low	4 - Medium
Comments	N/A		
Risk 3	Country specific political and regulatory uncertainty		
Risk Origin	External Factors		
Risk Area	Political		
Risk Sub-area	N/A		
Description	Malawi is a multi-party democracy with regular elections, which often result in changes in government, ministerial and departmental structures, policies and legislation. Changes during project timeframe may impact project execution and Government buy-in.		
Consequences	Political and regulatory changes during and after election periods can slow decision making, shift institutional priorities, and delay approvals, spending, and coordination. Government focus often moves toward political processes, reducing momentum for cross sectoral initiatives like EbAM. Factors such as leadership changes, fluid coalitions, evolving policy agendas, and limited administrative capacity during the election cycle weaken continuity and extend timelines for workplan approvals, trainings, and field implementation. Illustrative effects may include: - o Slower endorsement of sector activities requiring inter-agency sign-off. - o Postponement of meetings and joint missions during politically sensitive periods; - o Reduced emphasis on EbA mainstreaming as authorities focused on near-term political priorities. These conditions may result in diluted engagement of government stakeholders in the policy processes required for scaling up of EbAM activities, and elevated risk of seasonal-dependent interventions being delayed by a year, potentially leading to significant operational and strategic challenges for the project.		
Inherent Risk	Likelihood	Impact	Severity
	4 - Almost certain	4 - High	16 - High
Mitigation Measure(s)	The project will maintain flexible implementation planning, including adjusting activity sequencing during politically sensitive periods and prioritizing seasonal interventions ahead of anticipated slowdowns. FAO strengthens continuous engagement with key ministries/technical departments, and districts to safeguard EbA-related workstreams when national priorities shift, and to ensure that project planning and implementation approaches are aligned with current and emerging national priorities and strategies. Enhanced documentation, proactive follow-up on approvals, and maintaining multiple coordination channels help reduce bottlenecks arising from policy delays. The project also diversifies institutional touchpoints to reduce dependency on single decision-makers and ensure continuity of technical dialogue through the PTC and governance oversight through PSC. Strengthened communication with district-level actors through the regional hubs helps maintain field momentum even when national-level processes slow. These measures lower the impact of political and regulatory disruptions, but cannot affect the likelihood, as electoral cycles and policy re-prioritization are systemic features of Malawi's governance environment.		
Residual Risk	Likelihood	Impact	Severity
	4 - Almost certain	2 - Low	8 - Medium High
Current Residual Risk	Likelihood	Impact	Severity
	4 - Almost certain	2 - Low	8 - Medium High
Comments	N/A		
Risk 4	Implementation Risk (Procurement-Related Financial Risks)		
Risk Origin	Project Related		
Risk Area	Financial		

Risk Sub-area	N/A		
Description	Procurement-related financial risks arise from Malawi's structural dependence on imported goods and its position as a land-locked country, which increases transport costs and exposure to regional supply chain pressures. Limited access to seaports, reliance on cross-border trucking, and congestion at regional hubs heighten the risk of tender delays and inconsistent supplier responses. Malawi is vulnerable to significant and unpredictable fuel shortages and supply disruptions, which affect national logistics, transport availability, and the timely movement of goods, all of which could lead to suppliers' experiencing difficulties obtaining equipment and materials or delivering to the ultimate beneficiaries.		
Consequences	Price instability and limited competition in local markets may lead to inflated quotations, reduced bidder participation, and procurement cycles, leading to repeated re-tendering, delays in delivery of goods and services, or unavailability of these goods and services altogether. Broader public-sector challenges, including regulatory delays and resource constraints, also slowed approvals and contract processing. These underlying factors, geographic constraints, supply chain frictions, high import dependence, and irregular market conditions collectively increase the likelihood of procurement bottlenecks and cost escalation risks for EbAM project implementation. Collectively, these disruptions heighten operational uncertainty, delay activity rollout, and undermine the timely achievement of EbAM outputs and outcomes.		
Inherent Risk	Likelihood 4 - Almost certain	Impact 4 - High	Severity 16 - High
Mitigation Measure(s)	To manage Market disruption / Procurement-related financial risk, the project will: - o Front-load/phase critical procurements and use Long Term Agreements (LTAs) or bulk orders to lock in prices and lead times. - o Broaden supplier outreach (regional vendors; alternative transport corridors) through supplier surveys to counter low bidder response. - o Apply fit-for-purpose specifications and realistic delivery schedules to reduce failed tenders. - o Use split-lot awards to avoid single-supplier bottlenecks. - o Strengthen market surveillance (fuel, transport, input prices) and adjust AWP/B sequencing around known logistics pinch-points. - o Escalating early approvals and rolling evaluations to shorten cycle times during periods of policy/administrative slowdown. These measures mainly lower impact (fewer delays/cost overruns) and partly reduce likelihood by diversifying routes/suppliers, which is critical in a land-locked, import-dependent context facing periodic fuel and logistics constraints.		
Residual Risk	Likelihood 3 - Likely	Impact 3 - Medium	Severity 9 - Medium High
Current Residual Risk	Likelihood 3 - Likely	Impact 3 - Medium	Severity 9 - Medium High
Comments	N/A		
Risk 5	Environmental Risk (Extreme weather events, Human and livestock disease outbreaks, crop pests and diseases)		
Risk Origin	External Factors		
Risk Area	Natural hazard		
Risk Sub-area	N/A		
Description	Malawi continues to face high natural-hazard exposure, particularly to extreme weather events and crop pests, which directly affect implementation of projects. This was compounded by widespread fall armyworm infestations, which contributed to 16% decline in agricultural production nationally. These hazards reflect structural climate vulnerabilities. Malawi also faces periodic livestock and public-health disease outbreaks, with WHO documenting ongoing emergency-preparedness actions for high-risk pathogens under its 2023–2025 roadmap. These natural hazards disrupt planning, strain government capacity, and affect the timing of field activities. Socially, drought-related food insecurity forced households to prioritize coping activities over participation in trainings and community mobilization. Local authorities were simultaneously engaged in disaster-response actions under		

	Malawi's 2024 State of Disaster, temporarily limiting availability for joint missions and technical support. These environmental and social pressures negatively affected operational conditions for climate resilience interventions in Malawi in 2025. Similar pressures are likely to occur throughout the implementation period.		
Consequences	Natural hazards reduce feasibility, affect timing and significantly disrupt implementation of field activities. The 2024–2025 El Niño-induced drought, which led to severe dry spells across 23 districts and a 17% decline in national maize production, created widespread food insecurity and redirected community and government attention toward emergency response rather than project engagement. Prolonged dry conditions and fall armyworm infestations, which contributed to a 16% decline in agricultural output, limited the effectiveness of planned demonstrations, farmer trainings, and community mobilization. Water scarcity constrained activities requiring land preparation or ecosystem restoration, while district authorities faced competing priorities due to the declared state of disaster. Disease-prone conditions and stress on livestock and crops further reduced community availability and participation. Overall, these hazards may delay implementation schedules, reduced the quality of field outcomes, and heightened operational uncertainty for the EbAM project, once on-the-ground interventions are scaled up.		
Inherent Risk	Likelihood 5 - Certain	Impact 4 - High	Severity 20 - High
Mitigation Measure(s)	To manage natural-hazard risks, the project will apply adaptive planning and climate-risk-informed implementation. Seasonal activities will be scheduled around early warning information issued by national authorities and partners during El Niño-related drought monitoring, which highlighted prolonged dry spells across 23 districts during the 2024–2025 season. EbAM field activities will incorporate drought-tolerant practices, soil-and-water conservation measures, and flexible activity design that can continue even during dry or delayed rainfall periods. To reduce exposure to crop and livestock shocks such as fall armyworm outbreaks, which contributed to national production losses, integrated pest and disease management will be strengthened with district extension services. Partnerships with MoA and local councils will ensure rapid rescheduling of fieldwork and community engagement when hazards emerge. These measures lower impact but only partially reduce likelihood, as climatic shocks remain systemic.		
Residual Risk	Likelihood 4 - Almost certain	Impact 3 - Medium	Severity 12 - Medium High
Current Residual Risk	Likelihood 4 - Almost certain	Impact 3 - Medium	Severity 12 - Medium High
Comments	N/A		
Risk 6	Regulatory uncertainty (Unclear governance framework for land and resource use)		
Risk Origin	External Factors		
Risk Area	Regulatory		
Risk Sub-area	N/A		
Description	Legal and regulatory risks arise from delays, gaps, or inconsistencies in Malawi's governance framework for land, water, forestry, and environmental management. These risks stem from overlapping mandates between traditional authorities, district councils, and sector ministries, which can complicate site selection for restoration or community land-use planning under EbAM. In many districts, customary land lacks formal documentation, increasing the likelihood of boundary disputes or unclear consent processes. National policy reviews such as ongoing revisions to land and environmental governance frameworks may also require updated compliance steps, delaying activity initiation.		
Consequences	Legal and regulatory risks related to land and resources can significantly slow EbAM implementation by delaying approvals, community agreements, and land-use permissions required for ecosystem restoration and field activities. These factors may require repeated consultations, renegotiation with communities, or adjustments to planned restoration sites. Broader regulatory burdens identified in		

	governance assessments highlight how administrative complexity and procedural delays can indirectly disrupt project timelines and reduce coherence between national and district-level implementation structures.		
Inherent Risk	Likelihood 4 - Almost certain	Impact 4 - High	Severity 16 - High
Mitigation Measure(s)	To manage legal and regulatory risks, the project will prioritize early engagement with district councils, traditional authorities, and line ministries to secure timely clearances for land-use, restoration sites, and environmental activities. FAO will use documented consent processes, strengthen alignment with existing district development plans, and apply standard templates for site verification to reduce delays linked to overlapping land and resource mandates. Where national regulatory processes slow such as during the 2024–2025 State of Disaster, when authorities redirected attention to emergency response, EbAM will adjust sequencing and initiate preparatory work that does not require formal approvals. Strengthened coordination with forestry, land, and agriculture departments will ensure clarity on roles and compliance steps. These measures primarily reduce impact by minimizing procedural delays, though likelihood remains moderate due to broader systemic administrative constraints.		
Residual Risk	Likelihood 3 - Likely	Impact 3 - Medium	Severity 9 - Medium High
Current Residual Risk	Likelihood 3 - Likely	Impact 3 - Medium	Severity 9 - Medium High
Comments	N/A		
Risk 7	Test 1		
Risk Origin	Project Related		
Risk Area	Integrity		
Risk Sub-area	Money Laundering (ML) & Terrorist Financing (TF)		
Description	N/A		
Consequences	N/A		
Inherent Risk	Likelihood 1 - Unlikely	Impact 1 - None	Severity 1 - Low
Mitigation Measure(s)	N/A		
Residual Risk	Likelihood 1 - Unlikely	Impact 1 - None	Severity 1 - Low
Current Residual Risk	Likelihood 1 - Unlikely	Impact 1 - None	Severity 1 - Low
Comments	N/A		
Risk 8	Test 2		
Risk Origin	Project Related		
Risk Area	Integrity		
Risk Sub-area	Sanctions		
Description	N/A		
Consequences	N/A		
Inherent Risk	Likelihood 1 - Unlikely	Impact 1 - None	Severity 1 - Low
Mitigation Measure(s)	N/A		
Residual Risk	Likelihood 1 - Unlikely	Impact 1 - None	Severity 1 - Low
Current Residual Risk	Likelihood 1 - Unlikely	Impact 1 - None	Severity 1 - Low
Comments	N/A		
Risk 9	Test 3		
Risk Origin	Project Related		
Risk Area	Integrity		
Risk Sub-area	Fraud / Bribery & Corruption / Collusion and any other prohibited practice		
Description	N/A		
Consequences	N/A		

Inherent Risk	Likelihood	Impact	Severity
	1 - Unlikely	1 - None	1 - Low
Mitigation Measure(s)	N/A		
Residual Risk	Likelihood	Impact	Severity
	1 - Unlikely	1 - None	1 - Low
Current Residual Risk	Likelihood	Impact	Severity
	1 - Unlikely	1 - None	1 - Low
Comments	N/A		
Risk 10	Test 4		
Risk Origin	Project Related		
Risk Area	Integrity		
Risk Sub-area	Conflict of interest		
Description	N/A		
Consequences	N/A		
Inherent Risk	Likelihood	Impact	Severity
	1 - Unlikely	1 - None	1 - Low
Mitigation Measure(s)	N/A		
Residual Risk	Likelihood	Impact	Severity
	1 - Unlikely	1 - None	1 - Low
Current Residual Risk	Likelihood	Impact	Severity
	1 - Unlikely	1 - None	1 - Low
Comments	N/A		

D.2. Report risk incidents

If any risk (previously identified or not) has materialized, please capture it here as a risk incident.

(this section is confidential)

E. FINANCIAL INFORMATION

E.1. GCF financing

In addition to the financial report in the annex, update the table with relevant GCF financial data for each country and instrument, including amounts and allocation percentages.

Country	Instrument	Currency (as per FAA)	Committed Amount	Disbursed Amount	Expenditure (reporting year)	Cumulative Expenditure	Mitigation	Adaptation
Malawi	Grants	USD	42,808,150	4,881,263	2,147,500	2,477,601	5%	95%
Total		USD	42,808,150	4,881,263	2,147,500	2,477,601	N/A	N/A

E.2. Co-financing

Please populate the table with relevant Co-financing data for each Co-financier and instrument, including amounts and allocation percentages.

Co-financier	Instrument	Currency (as per FAA)	Committed Amount	Disbursed Amount	Expenditure (reporting year)	Cumulative Expenditure	Mitigation	Adaptation
FAO	Grants	USD	1,023,000	364,636	355,956	364,636	0%	100%
Gov of Malawi FARMS E	Grants	USD	6,440,000	0	1,089,424	1,941,881	0%	100%
Gov of Malawi MoA	In-kind	USD	2,953,675	0	0	0	0%	100%
Total		USD	10,416,675	364,636	1,445,380	2,306,517	N/A	N/A

E.3. Additional Finance Mobilised Beyond Approved Co-financing

Report the realised (cumulative value) and/or expected volume (Final Target) of private/public finance leveraged as a result of GCF involvement in the investment, in addition to and beyond any co-financing originally committed at approval. This datapoint shall be reported separately from official co-financing figures and is intended to capture the catalytic effect of GCF investments and support institutional learning.

GCF Policy: <https://www.greenclimate.fund/sites/default/files/document/policy-cofinancing.pdf>

No additional finance mobilized information provided.

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F. ENVIRONMENTAL & SOCIAL SAFEGUARDS, GENDER, and INDIGENOUS PEOPLES

This section provides an update against the ESS standards agreed as part of the Environmental and Social Action Plan (ESAP) and Environmental and Social Management Framework (ESMF), as well as Environmental and Social Management System (ESMS), Environmental and Social Impact Assessment (ESIA), Environmental and Social Management Plan (ESMP), Indigenous Peoples Plan (IPP), Indigenous Peoples Plan Framework (IPPF), Resettlement Action Plan (RAP), Resettlement Policy Framework (RPF) when applicable.

F.1. progress on key challenges and updates regarding Environmental and Social Safeguards

Key Environmental and Social Changes

Have there been any changes in the key environmental and social risks and impacts? If you tick 'Yes,' please provide further information.

Yes ☐ No ☒

Environmental and Social Safeguarding Updates

Have there been any change/update on environmental and social safeguarding? you tick 'Yes,' please provide further information.

Yes ☒ No ☐

The EbAM project's Environmental and Social (ES) risk management process has transitioned to the updated Environmental and Social Management Framework (FESM). While the original ESMF was developed under the previous ESMG guidelines, the draft ESMP for the project activities aligns with the new FESM standards. Consequently, the key risks identified during this reporting period correspond to six specific standards: ESS1 (Biodiversity Conservation & Sustainable Management of Natural Resources), ESS2 (Resource Efficiency & Pollution Prevention and Control), ESS3 (Climate Change), ESS4 (Decent Work), ESS5 (Community Health, Safety & Security), and ESS6 (Gender Equality & Prevention of GBV).

Following a fresh screening using the current FESM checklist, the project's risk rating remains Moderate. The transition to the FESM framework has introduced three additional risk areas: ESS2 (Resource Efficiency), ESS3 (Climate Change), and ESS5 (Community Health & Safety) that were not previously captured under the ESMG policy.

F.2. Compliance with laws and regulations applicable to ESS. Gender and Indigenous Peoples.

Have there been any changes or updates regarding compliance with applicable laws and regulations of the country, as well as the relevant conditions or covenants under the FAA?

Yes ☒ No ☐

During the reporting period, Malawi's Environmental Protection Authority (MEPA) gazetted new ESIA fee regulations under the Environmental Management Act. The order introduced revised fees for registration of ESIA experts and submission of assessment documents. Registration fees now range from MWK 300,000–500,000 for local experts and USD 3,000–5,000 for international experts. Submission fees include MWK 300,000 for Project Briefs, MWK 500,000 for ESMPs, MWK 6,000,000 for ESMFs, and 0.1–2.5% of total project cost for ESIA reports. The project is on track to comply with these requirements and remains fully compliant with all FAA environmental and social covenants.

F.3. ESS standards implementation progress

Does this reporting period include any ESS standards-related activities or updates?

Yes ☒ No ☐

If you tick 'Yes,' please provide further information to report on the progress made in complying with the requirements of the relevant ESS standards that were triggered during the approval of the funding proposal and during the reporting period, if any; and the GCF Indigenous Peoples Policy, if relevant, describing achievement and specifying details outlined in the tables below.

Activities implemented during the reporting period, including monitoring

<i>The activities undertaken during this reporting period focused primarily on the preparatory activities related to the Environmental and Social Management Plan (ESMP). As physical project implementation has not yet commenced, no field monitoring activities were performed during this timeframe. 1. The project successfully recruited a National Environmental and Social Safeguards (ESS) Specialist. This role is critical for overseeing compliance and ensuring all project activities align with safeguard standards. 2. A comprehensive data collection exercise was conducted across 11 districts, covering 8 Water Resource Units. This data establishes the current biophysical and socio-economic baseline providing the necessary evidence base to update the ESMP. 3. Conducted data validation and stakeholder engagement workshops at district and community level. These sessions were used to confirm that the findings of the baseline exercise accurately reflect the reality on the ground and to obtain validation from the workshop participants. A total of 417 (91 female) stakeholders participated in the meetings. 4. Updating of the project level ESMP as per the FESM policy, for submission to GCF.</i>	
Outputs during the reporting period	
1. The new ESS national specialist joined the Project team and commenced work in November 2025, following the departure of national and international ESS experts. Her involvement has been key in integrating the current ESS policy into the ESMP. 2. ESS baseline data report was completed. Consequently, the biophysical and socio-economic section of the ESMP have been fully updated to reflect current field conditions. 3. Stakeholder consultation report was updated. The Stakeholder Engagement section of the ESMP now includes recent feedback and participation data, ensuring compliance with FESM requirements. 4. Initial ESMP drafted, pending finalization, approval and disclosure.	
Key environmental, social and gender issues, risks and impacts addressed during implementation	
No new environmental or social risks or impacts emerged during this reporting period.	
Any pending key environmental, social and gender issues needing accredited entity's actions and GCF attention	
There are currently no outstanding issues requiring the attention of either the Accredited Entity (AE) or the GCF.	
Remarks/Notes	
F.4. Sub-projects information	
Have any subprojects been implemented?	Yes ☐ No ☒
N/A	N/A
F.5. Implementation of the stakeholder engagement plan	
Were any actions undertaken to increase engagement of relevant stakeholders in the project, particularly regarding environmental, social, and gender elements?	Yes ☒ No ☐
Activities implemented during the reporting period	

A stakeholder engagement exercise was conducted to present biophysical and socio-economic baseline data collected across all eight Water Resource Units. Establishing this baseline is essential for measuring future project impacts and developing targeted mitigation measures; it is also a mandatory requirement under the FESM. Furthermore, these consultations allowed the District Environmental Sub-committee (DESC), Civil Society Organizations (CSOs), and Extension Workers to review the draft ESMP. This collaborative process ensured that local officials could identify site-specific risks and suggest practical mitigation strategies for their respective Extension Planning Areas (EPAs).

Dates and venues of engagement activities

The stakeholder engagement exercise was conducted between 9 and 30 November 2025 across Malawi's Northern, Central, and Southern Regions. Meetings were held at district council offices and Extension Planning Areas (EPAs) to ensure broad geographic and institutional coverage. In the Northern Region, consultations took place in Karonga, Chitipa, Rumphi, and Nkhata Bay districts. The Central Region engagements were conducted in Dedza. The Southern Region covered multiple districts, including Mangochi, Zomba, Nsanje, Thyolo, Mwanza, and Neno. This extensive schedule enabled inclusive participation of district authorities, local institutions, and community representatives.

Sex-disaggregated data on stakeholder engagement participants (male + female = total)

The participants included a total of 326 men and 91 women, or 78.2% male to 21.8% female. The CSOs and NGOs that were part of the stakeholder consultations are listed below:

- NGO Regulatory Authority (NGORA)
- Go Green Save the Environment (GGSE)
- Ukhondo Services Foundation (USF)
- Self Help Africa (SHA)
- Wildlife and Environment Society of Malawi (WESM)
- Leadership for Environment and Development – Southern and Eastern Africa (LEAD-SEA)
- Islamic Relief
- Eagles Malawi Support
- Transforming Agriculture through Diversification and Entrepreneurship (TRADE)
- Beyond Our Hearts Foundation (BOHF)
- One Acre Fund
- Citizen Concern Youth Organization

Information shared with stakeholders

The purpose of the consultations was to share information regarding the project, the identified risks and impacts as well as relevant sections of the ESMP for their input and validation, as well as to share the results of the baseline survey on biophysical and socio-economic characteristics for their endorsement. In addition to this, the participants were also sensitized on the GAP and its requirements.

Outputs including issues raised and addressed during the reporting period

- DESC members from Zomba District Council declined to formally endorse the draft ESMP because it was still a 'framework' rather than a plan since project sites were not yet known.
- The project was advised by DESC members to utilize the existing government (District & Community level) harmonized GRM structures. and not set up new ones. EbAM will be required to provide the necessary capacity building, resources including reporting and resolution booklets, GRM boxes and reporting channels to operationalize EbAM GRM at the local level. They requested that the EbAM GRM should include a toll-free line and suggestion boxes.
- The DESC and the Agriculture Extension Workers suggested through the meetings that government licenses and permits may be needed for implementation of some project activities, including land agreements, livestock movement permits and vending licenses for seed multiplication. These issues will be raised with the PTC and PSC.
- DESC members and Agriculture Extension Workers provided suggestions for plant and animal species within the Water Resource Units that will need to be taken into account by the project in order to conserve the biodiversity.
- DESC members requested for targeted capacity building on ESMP implementation and monitoring in order to contribute to effective monitoring of ESMP implementation.

Remarks/Notes

N/A

F.6. ESS forward planning and lessons learned	
Are there any planned ESS activities for the next reporting period or lessons learned to share from this period?	Yes ☒ No ☐
Provide planned activities on environmental and social safeguards for the next reporting period	
The 2026 Annual Work Plan for the EbAM project carries forward several Environmental and Social Safeguards (ESS) activities delayed from 2025 due to technical and operational factors. These delays primarily stem from evolving technical guidance, sequencing dependencies, and the need for stronger local integration mechanisms. First, the Environmental and Social Management Plan (ESMP) was initially drafted under GCF ESS policy but required revision following a late-year transition to the FAO Environmental and Social Management Framework (FESM). In 2026, the ESMP will be revised, finalized, and submitted for approval, followed by stakeholder training once approved. Second, Free, Prior and Informed Consent (FPIC) consultations were postponed because target communities could not be confirmed until micro-catchment delineation is finalized. Once finalized in 2026, FPIC consultations will commence immediately to ensure compliance and community buy-in. Third, while the Grievance Redress Mechanism (GRM) was introduced during project inception, full operational integration at community and local government levels remains pending. In 2026, the GRM will be formalized, equipped, and embedded into existing government structures. Planned 2026 activities include ESMP finalization, translation into local languages, public disclosure, and preparation of site-level ESMPs. Capacity building on ESMP and FPIC requirements, stakeholder engagement events, FPIC sensitization, land use agreements, and communication outreach (including radio) are also planned. The GRM will be operationalized through manuals, infrastructure, enrolment into harmonized systems, and awareness campaigns. Finally, monitoring and compliance will be strengthened through incident management systems, monitoring tools, and quarterly supervision to ensure continuous ESS compliance.	
Provide any success stories, good practices, or challenges, including those related to the engagement of Indigenous peoples and local communities, promoting Indigenous knowledge and benefits to Indigenous peoples and local communities	
There were no success stories documented during the reporting year as no project activities had yet commenced at the community level.	
F.7. Grievance Redress Mechanism - confirmation & grievances	
<i>Please indicate whether the project can confirm the following statement:</i>	
Fully functional and operational Grievance Redress Mechanisms are in place, have been communicated to and are accessible by all stakeholders applicable to this project	
☒ The accredited entity confirms the statement above at project-level, AE-level, and GCF-level grievance mechanisms.	
☐ The accredited entity does not confirm the statement above	
Have there been any grievances received during the reporting period?	Yes ☐ No ☒
N/A	
F.8. Implementation of activities and actions agreed in the Gender Action Plan	

1. ESS Gender sensitive baseline data validation workshops conducted in November 2025
 - 11 DESC and 16 Sub-catchments covered
 - 267 (74 female) stakeholders participated in the meetings
2. Preparation of Environmental and Social Management Plans
 - Revising the draft ESMP to reflect FAOs Framework for Environmental and Social Management (FESM)
3. Produced tools for implementation of Gender Equality and Social Inclusion Capacity Assessment of staff and institutions.
4. Submitted implementation plan for gender Transformative Approaches (Household Approach and Dimitra Approach), including drafting request for proposals as part of the competitive process of potential service providers.
5. Participated in preparation of FPIC and Gender Equality Capacity Building raining and communication materials in preparation for ToTs and community sensitizations
6. Facilitated gender sensitive capacity building and assessments
 - GESI Orientation of District staff in progress (267 (74 female)
 - 63 Stakeholders participated in Gender Transformative Approaches Training of Trainers.
 - 2 Data collection tool for Gender Equality Capacity Assessment and, Institution capacity assessment formulated
7. Facilitated Gender Equality and Social Inclusion Training to 33 (18 female) Agriculture extension workers in Nsanje district.

Are there GAP implementation activities or progress to report for this period?

Yes ☒ No ☐

Summary on Activities and Actions agreed in the Gender Action Plan (max. 200 words)

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 because 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 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 reports on the performance of such actions, and on progress on actions identified.

GAP Activity	
Act 1.1.1.1, Sub-Act 1.1.1.1 Consider socioeconomic and cultural factors in sub-catchment rapid assessment	
Indicator	
Percentage of sub-catchment rapid assessment considering socioeconomic and cultural factors	
Rating of Indicator	GREEN (on track to be met)
Baseline	0
Target, including sex-disaggregation where applicable	100
Annual progress update (Reporting Period)	
Sub-catchment rapid assessment conducted.	
Cumulative progress update (Entire period)	
Consider socioeconomic and cultural factors in sub-catchment rapid assessment	
Budget	283,317
Currency	USD
Timeline (Planned completion of activity)	31 December 2025

Responsibility	
Responsible officer: Gender and Social Inclusion Specialist of PIU, M&E team, in collaboration with the Natural Resource Management Specialist, EE: MoA /DLRC.	
Remarks/Notes	
N/A	

GAP Activity	
Act 1.1.1, Sub-Act 1.1.1.2 Consider socioeconomic and cultural factors in strategic selection and phasing of sub-catchments and micro-catchments	
Indicator	
Percentage of sub-catchments and micro-catchments selection considering socioeconomic and cultural factors	
Rating of Indicator	GREEN (on track to be met)
Baseline	0
Target, including sex-disaggregation where applicable	100
Annual progress update (Reporting Period)	
ESS/Gender baseline data validation workshops conducted in November 2025 • 11 Distircts and 30 Sub-catchments covered • 267 (74 female) stakeholders participated in the meetings	
Cumulative progress update (Entire period)	
Selection of 30 sub-catchments completed	
Budget	8,625
Currency	USD
Timeline (Planned completion of activity)	15 February 2026
Responsibility	
Responsible officer: Environmental and Social safeguards Specialist, Gender and Social Inclusion Specialist of PIU, in collaboration with the Natural Resource Management Specialist EE: MoA /DLRC	
Remarks/Notes	
N/A	

GAP Activity	
Act 1.1.2, Sub-Act 1.1.2.1 Consider gender specific and social inclusion issues in EbA and ILM trainings	

Indicator	
Percentage of training time spent on EbA and ILM from gender and social inclusion perspective	
Rating of Indicator	GREEN (on track to be met)
Baseline	0
Target, including sex-disaggregation where applicable	40
Annual progress update (Reporting Period)	
Data is not yet available	
Cumulative progress update (Entire period)	
Data is not yet available	
Budget	125,837
Currency	USD
Timeline (Planned completion of activity)	30 June 2026
Responsibility	
Responsible officer: Gender and Social Inclusion Specialist of PIU, in collaboration with the Natural Resource Management Specialist EE: FAO	
Remarks/Notes	
EbA/ILM training activities not yet initiated	
GAP Activity	
Act 1.1.2, Sub-Act 1.1.2.2 Strengthen the capacity of ILM facilitators, Dimitra Club Caretakers, Gender and social inclusion/HH approach facilitators, local government officials and TAs on gender and social inclusion, including on GBV and SEAH issues	
Indicator	
Percentage of ILM facilitators, Dimitra Clubs caretakers, local government officials, TAs participating in gender and social inclusion trainings	
Rating of Indicator	GREEN (on track to be met)
Baseline	0
Target, including sex-disaggregation where applicable	100
Annual progress update (Reporting Period)	
Data is not yet available	

Cumulative progress update (Entire period)	
Data is not yet available	
Budget	1,979,522
Currency	USD
Timeline (Planned completion of activity)	23 July 2030
Responsibility	
Responsible officer: Gender and Social Inclusion Specialist of PIU, in collaboration with the Natural Resource Management Specialist EE: FAO	
Remarks/Notes	
Training activities not yet initiated	
GAP Activity	
Act 1.1.3, Sub-Act 1.1.3.1 - Promote women/female youth's participation in VNRMC Charter revision and member selection - Ensure VNRMC Charter elaboration/revision include discussions on NRM gender specific issues, gender sensitive member selection methods and inclusive and meaningful membership - Ensure VNRMC charter elaboration/revision and member selection processes integrate awareness raising on gender and social inclusion, including SEAH and GBV - Promote women's engagement in VNRMC	
Indicator	
- Percentage of women/female youth participating in VNRMC Charter revision and member selection - Percentage of discussion time spent on NRM gender specific issues, gender sensitive member selection methods and inclusive and meaningful membership - Percentage of VNRMC charter revision and member selection processes integrating awareness raising on gender and social inclusion, including SEAH and GBV - Percentage of women/female youth among VNRMC members	
Rating of Indicator	GREEN (on track to be met)
Baseline	0
Target, including sex-disaggregation where applicable	100
Annual progress update (Reporting Period)	
Data is not yet available	
Cumulative progress update (Entire period)	
Data is not yet available	
Budget	0
Currency	USD

Timeline (Planned completion of activity)	31 December 2027
Responsibility	
Responsible officer: Gender and Social Inclusion Specialist of PIU, in collaboration with the Natural Resource Management Specialist EE: FAO	
Remarks/Notes	
These activities are yet to be initiated	
GAP Activity	
Act 1.1.3, Sub-Act 1.1.3.2 Apart from EbA implementation trainings, ensure that VNRMC members' capacity in gender and social inclusion are strengthened	
Indicator	
Percentage of VNRMC members participating in gender and social inclusion trainings	
Rating of Indicator	GREEN (on track to be met)
Baseline	0
Target, including sex-disaggregation where applicable	100
Annual progress update (Reporting Period)	
Data is not yet available	
Cumulative progress update (Entire period)	
Data is not yet available	
Budget	190,163
Currency	USD
Timeline (Planned completion of activity)	31 December 2027
Responsibility	
Responsible officer: Gender and Social Inclusion Specialist of PIU, in collaboration with the Natural Resource Management Specialist EE: FAO	
Remarks/Notes	
This activity has yet to be initiated	

GAP Activity	
Act 1.1.3, Sub-Act 1.1.3.3 - Promote women/female youth participation in the drafting and finalizing of EbA-based VLAP process - Ensure the process of drafting and finalizing of EbA-based VLAP include discussions on watershed management issues from gender and social inclusion perspective	
Indicator	
- Percentage of women/female youth participating in the drafting and finalizing of EbA-based VLA process - Percentage of discussion time spent on watershed management issues from gender and social inclusion perspective	
Rating of Indicator	GREEN (on track to be met)
Baseline	0
Target, including sex-disaggregation where applicable	60
Annual progress update (Reporting Period)	
Data is not yet available	
Cumulative progress update (Entire period)	
Data is not yet available	
Budget	96,903
Currency	USD
Timeline (Planned completion of activity)	31 December 2027
Responsibility	
Responsible officer: Gender and Social Inclusion Specialist of PIU, in collaboration with the Natural Resource Management Specialist EE: FAO	
Remarks/Notes	
This activity has yet to be initiated	

GAP Activity	
Act 1.1.4, Sub-Act 1.1 4.1 - Promote women/female youth's participation in SCMC Charter revision and member selection - Ensure SCMC Charter elaboration/revision and member selection include discussions on SMC gender specific issues, gender-sensitive member selection methods and inclusive and meaningful membership - Promote women's engagement in SCMC	
Indicator	
- Percentage of women/female youth participating in the discussions - Percentage of discussion time spent on SMC gender specific issues, gender-sensitive member selection methods and inclusive and meaningful membership - Percentage of VNRMC charter revision and member selection processes integrating awareness	

raising on gender and social inclusion, including SEAH and GBV - Percentage of women/female youth among SCMC members	
Rating of Indicator	GREEN (on track to be met)
Baseline	0
Target, including sex-disaggregation where applicable	100
Annual progress update (Reporting Period)	
Data is not yet available	
Cumulative progress update (Entire period)	
Data is not yet available	
Budget	0
Currency	USD
Timeline (Planned completion of activity)	31 December 2029
Responsibility	
Responsible officer: Gender and Social Inclusion Specialist of PIU, in collaboration with the Natural Resource Management Specialist EE: FAO	
Remarks/Notes	
This activity has yet to be initiated	
GAP Activity	
Act 1.1.4, Sub-Act 1.1 4.2 Apart from EbA implementation training, ensure that SCMC members' capacity in gender and social inclusion are strengthened	
Indicator	
Percentage of SCMC members participating in gender and social inclusion trainings	
Rating of Indicator	GREEN (on track to be met)
Baseline	0
Target, including sex-disaggregation where applicable	100
Annual progress update (Reporting Period)	
Data is not yet available	
Cumulative progress update (Entire period)	

Data is not yet available	
Budget	17,201
Currency	USD
Timeline (Planned completion of activity)	31 December 2029
Responsibility	
Responsible officer: Gender and Social Inclusion Specialist of PIU, in collaboration with the Natural Resource Management Specialist EE: FAO	
Remarks/Notes	
This activity has yet to be initiated	
GAP Activity	
Act 1.1.4, Sub-Act 1.1 4.3 - Promote women/female youth participation in the drafting and finalizing of EbA-based SCMP - Ensure the process of drafting and finalizing of EbA-based SCMP include discussions on watershed management issues from gender and social inclusion perspective	
Indicator	
- Percentage of women/female youth participating in process - Percentage of discussion time spent on watershed management issues from gender and social inclusion perspective	
Rating of Indicator	GREEN (on track to be met)
Baseline	0
Target, including sex-disaggregation where applicable	60
Annual progress update (Reporting Period)	
Data is not yet available	
Cumulative progress update (Entire period)	
Data is not yet available	
Budget	0
Currency	USD
Timeline (Planned completion of activity)	31 December 2029
Responsibility	
Responsible officer: Gender and Social Inclusion Specialist of PIU, in collaboration with the Natural Resource Management Specialist EE: FAO	

Remarks/Notes	
This activity has yet to be initiated	
GAP Activity	
Act 1.2.1, Sub-Act 1.2.1.1 Ensure ILM and technical facilitators recruited include women	
Indicator	
Percentage of female ILM and technical facilitators recruited	
Rating of Indicator	GREEN (on track to be met)
Baseline	0
Target, including sex-disaggregation where applicable	25
Annual progress update (Reporting Period)	
Data is not yet available	
Cumulative progress update (Entire period)	
Data is not yet available	
Budget	2,161,613
Currency	USD
Timeline (Planned completion of activity)	31 December 2028
Responsibility	
Responsible officer: Gender and Social Inclusion Specialist of PIU, in collaboration with the Natural Resource Management Specialist EE: FAO	
Remarks/Notes	
This activity has yet to be initiated	
GAP Activity	
Act 1.2.1, Sub-Act 1.2.1.2 - Promote women/female youth participation in the planning process to initiate VLAP implementation - Ensure the planning process to initiate VLAP implementation include discussions on gender sensitive division of labor and related inputs and equipment	
Indicator	
- Percentage of women/female youth participating in process - Percentage of discussion time spent on gender sensitive division of labor and related inputs and equipments	

Rating of Indicator	GREEN (on track to be met)
Baseline	0
Target, including sex-disaggregation where applicable	60
Annual progress update (Reporting Period)	
Data is not yet available	
Cumulative progress update (Entire period)	
Data is not yet available	
Budget	71,928
Currency	USD
Timeline (Planned completion of activity)	31 December 2028
Responsibility	
Responsible officer: Gender and Social Inclusion Specialist of PIU, in collaboration with the Natural Resource Management Specialist EE: MoA/DLRC.	
Remarks/Notes	
This activity has yet to be initiated	
GAP Activity	
Act 1.2.2, Sub-Act 1.2.2.1 - Ensure that female VNRMC members participate in process of acquiring inputs and equipments (namely in the definition of technical specifications) - Ensure women receive inputs and equipments	
Indicator	
- Percentage of female VNRMC members participating in process of acquiring of inputs and equipments	
Rating of Indicator	GREEN (on track to be met)
Baseline	0
Target, including sex-disaggregation where applicable	100
Annual progress update (Reporting Period)	
Data is not yet available	
Cumulative progress update (Entire period)	
Data is not yet available	

Budget	5,253,592
Currency	USD
Timeline (Planned completion of activity)	31 December 2029
Responsibility	
Responsible officer: Gender and Social Inclusion Specialist of PIU, in collaboration with the Natural Resource Management Specialist EE: NLGFC	
Remarks/Notes	
This activity has yet to be initiated	

GAP Activity	
Act 1.2.2, Sub-Act 1.2.2.2 - Ensure that technical assistance provided considers women and youth specific issues - Ensure women and female youth participate in the monitoring of VLAP implementation	
Indicator	
- Percentage of ILM facilitators assisting in finding solutions for women and youth specific problems -Ensure women and female youth participate in the monitoring of VLAP implementation	
Rating of Indicator	GREEN (on track to be met)
Baseline	0
Target, including sex-disaggregation where applicable	100
Annual progress update (Reporting Period)	
Data is not yet available	
Cumulative progress update (Entire period)	
Data is not yet available	
Budget	195,186
Currency	USD
Timeline (Planned completion of activity)	31 December 2029
Responsibility	
Responsible officer: Gender and Social Inclusion Specialist of PIU, in collaboration with the Natural Resource Management Specialist EE: MoA/DLRC	
Remarks/Notes	

This activity has yet to be initiated

GAP Activity

Act 2.1.1, Sub-act 2.1.1.1 Ensure master trainers and facilitators include women

Indicator

Percentage of female master trainers and facilitators

Rating of Indicator

GREEN (on track to be met)

Baseline

0

Target, including sex-disaggregation where applicable

60

Annual progress update (Reporting Period)

Data is not yet available

Cumulative progress update (Entire period)

Data is not yet available

Budget

904,200

Currency

USD

Timeline (Planned completion of activity)

31 December 2028

Responsibility

Responsible officer: Gender and Social Inclusion Specialist of PIU, in collaboration with Agro-Ecology & EbA Specialist
EE: FAO

Remarks/Notes

This activity has yet to be initiated

GAP Activity

Act 2.1.1, Sub-act 2.1.1.2 Implement women-only FFS

Indicator

Percentage of women-only FFS implemented

Rating of Indicator

GREEN (on track to be met)

Baseline

0

Target, including sex-disaggregation where applicable	40
Annual progress update (Reporting Period)	
Data is not yet available	
Cumulative progress update (Entire period)	
Data is not yet available	
Budget	1,192,662
Currency	USD
Timeline (Planned completion of activity)	31 December 2028
Responsibility	
Responsible officer: Gender and Social Inclusion Specialist of PIU, in collaboration with Agro-Ecology & EbA Specialist EE: FAO	
Remarks/Notes	
This activity has yet to be initiated	
GAP Activity	
Act 2.1.1, Sub-act 2.1.1.3 Consider women and youth specific issues in FFS rolling out	
Indicator	
Percentage of AEDOs and AEDCs assisting in finding solutions for women and youth specific issues in the FFS	
Rating of Indicator	GREEN (on track to be met)
Baseline	0
Target, including sex-disaggregation where applicable	100
Annual progress update (Reporting Period)	
Data is not yet available	
Cumulative progress update (Entire period)	
Data is not yet available	
Budget	1,370,205
Currency	USD
Timeline (Planned completion of activity)	31 December 2028

Responsibility	
Responsible officer: Gender and Social Inclusion Specialist of PIU, in collaboration with Agro-Ecology & EbA Specialist EE: MoA	
Remarks/Notes	
This activity has yet to be initiated	
GAP Activity	
Act 2.1.2, Sub-act 2.1.2.1 Involve women/female youth in the development of knowledge management strategy and of EbA related knowledge products	
Indicator	
Percentage of women/female youth beneficiaries and implementing partners consulted for the development of knowledge management strategy and EbA related knowledge products	
Rating of Indicator	GREEN (on track to be met)
Baseline	0
Target, including sex-disaggregation where applicable	60
Annual progress update (Reporting Period)	
Data is not yet available	
Cumulative progress update (Entire period)	
Data is not yet available	
Budget	0
Currency	USD
Timeline (Planned completion of activity)	31 December 2026
Responsibility	
Responsible officer: Gender and Social Inclusion Specialist of PIU, in collaboration with Agro-Ecology & EbA Specialist EE: FAO	
Remarks/Notes	
This activity has yet to be initiated	
GAP Activity	
Act 2.1.2, Sub-act 2.1.2.2 Promote women/female youth participation in visits and exchanges	

Indicator	
Percentage of women/female youth participating in visits and exchanges	
Rating of Indicator	GREEN (on track to be met)
Baseline	0
Target, including sex-disaggregation where applicable	60
Annual progress update (Reporting Period)	
Data is not yet available	
Cumulative progress update (Entire period)	
Data is not yet available	
Budget	552,000
Currency	USD
Timeline (Planned completion of activity)	31 December 2029
Responsibility	
Responsible officer: Gender and Social Inclusion Specialist of PIU, in collaboration with Agro-Ecology & EbA Specialist EE: FAO	
Remarks/Notes	
This activity has yet to be initiated	
GAP Activity	
Act 2.1.2, Sub-act 2.1.2.3 Facilitate women access to climate information	
Indicator	
Percentage of women accessing to climate information	
Rating of Indicator	GREEN (on track to be met)
Baseline	0
Target, including sex-disaggregation where applicable	50
Annual progress update (Reporting Period)	
Data is not yet available	
Cumulative progress update (Entire period)	

Data is not yet available	
Budget	218,429
Currency	USD
Timeline (Planned completion of activity)	31 December 2026
Responsibility	
Responsible officer: Gender and Social Inclusion Specialist of PIU, in collaboration with Agro-Ecology & EbA Specialist EE: FAO	
Remarks/Notes	
This activity has yet to be initiated	

GAP Activity	
Act 2.1.3, Sub-act 2.1.3.1 -Involve women/female youth in the selection/choice of genetic materials - Make sure genetic material promoted corresponds to women's interest - Ensure women/female youth are involved in the multiplication and dissemination of genetic material	
Indicator	
- Percentage of women/female youth participating in the selection/choice of genetic resources - Percentage of genetic material corresponding to women's interest - Percentage of women/female youth involved in the multiplication and dissemination of genetic material	
Rating of Indicator	GREEN (on track to be met)
Baseline	0
Target, including sex-disaggregation where applicable	60
Annual progress update (Reporting Period)	
Data is not yet available	
Cumulative progress update (Entire period)	
Data is not yet available	
Budget	600,000
Currency	USD
Timeline (Planned completion of activity)	31 December 2029
Responsibility	
Responsible officer: Gender and Social Inclusion Specialist of PIU, in collaboration with Agro-Ecology & EbA Specialist EE: FAO	

Remarks/Notes	
This activity has yet to be initiated	
GAP Activity	
Act 2.1.3, Sub-act 2.1.3.2 -Make sure endangered and native seeds and tree seedlings correspond to women's interest	
Indicator	
Percentage of endangered and native seeds and tree seedlings corresponding to women's interest	
Rating of Indicator	GREEN (on track to be met)
Baseline	0
Target, including sex-disaggregation where applicable	50
Annual progress update (Reporting Period)	
Data is not yet available	
Cumulative progress update (Entire period)	
Data is not yet available	
Budget	0
Currency	USD
Timeline (Planned completion of activity)	31 December 2026
Responsibility	
Responsible officer: Gender and Social Inclusion Specialist of PIU, in collaboration with Agro-Ecology & EbA Specialist EE: FAO.	
Remarks/Notes	
This activity has yet to be initiated	
GAP Activity	
Act 2.1.3, Sub-act 2.1.3.3	
Indicator	
Prioritize women-sensitive seed multipliers	
Rating of Indicator	GREEN (on track to be met)

Baseline	0
Target, including sex-disaggregation where applicable	60
Annual progress update (Reporting Period)	
Data is not yet available	
Cumulative progress update (Entire period)	
Data is not yet available	
Budget	234,000
Currency	USD
Timeline (Planned completion of activity)	31 December 2029
Responsibility	
Responsible officer: Gender and Social Inclusion Specialist of PIU, in collaboration with Agro-Ecology & EbA Specialist EE: FAO	
Remarks/Notes	
This activity has yet to be initiated	
GAP Activity	
Act 2.1.3, Sub-act 2.1.3.4 - Involve women/female youth in discussions related to establishment of nursery and community seed bank - Involve women/female youth in the management of nursery and community seed bank	
Indicator	
- Percentage of women/female youth involved in discussions related to establishment of nursery and community seed bank - Percentage of women involved in management of nursery and community seed bank	
Rating of Indicator	GREEN (on track to be met)
Baseline	0
Target, including sex-disaggregation where applicable	60
Annual progress update (Reporting Period)	
N/A	
Cumulative progress update (Entire period)	
N/A	
Budget	0

Currency	USD
Timeline (Planned completion of activity)	31 December 2028
Responsibility	
Responsible officer: Gender and Social Inclusion Specialist of PIU, in collaboration with Agro-Ecology & EbA Specialist EE: FAO	
Remarks/Notes	
This activity has yet to be initiated	

GAP Activity	
Act 2.2.1, Sub-act 2.2.1.1	
Indicator	
Encourage the expression of interest of 4P partners sensitive to gender	
Rating of Indicator	GREEN (on track to be met)
Baseline	0
Target, including sex-disaggregation where applicable	100
Annual progress update (Reporting Period)	
N/A	
Cumulative progress update (Entire period)	
N/A	
Budget	0
Currency	USD
Timeline (Planned completion of activity)	31 December 2029
Responsibility	
Responsible officer: Gender and Social Inclusion Specialist of PIU, in collaboration with Agribusiness and Finance Specialist EE: FAO	
Remarks/Notes	
This activity has yet to be initiated	

GAP Activity	
Act 2.2.1, Sub-act 2.2.1.2 -Prioritize women sensitive EbA farmer organizations which have the potential to engage in 4Ps	
- Ensure that the capacity of female 4P members in the process of 4P agreement and operations is strengthened	
Indicator	
- Percentage of women engaged in the 4Ps - Percentage of female 4P members strengthened	
Rating of Indicator	GREEN (on track to be met)
Baseline	0
Target, including sex-disaggregation where applicable	100
Annual progress update (Reporting Period)	
N/A	
Cumulative progress update (Entire period)	
N/A	
Budget	60,200
Currency	USD
Timeline (Planned completion of activity)	31 December 2028
Responsibility	
Responsible officer: Gender and Social Inclusion Specialist of PIU, in collaboration with Agribusiness and Finance Specialist EE: FAO	
Remarks/Notes	
This activity has yet to be initiated	

GAP Activity	
Act 2.2.1, Sub-act 2.2.1.4 Ensure that advisory support considers women and youth specific issues related to 4P arrangement and implementation	
Indicator	
Percentage of 4P partner finding solutions for women specific problems in the 4P implementation	
Rating of Indicator	GREEN (on track to be met)
Baseline	0

Target, including sex-disaggregation where applicable	100
Annual progress update (Reporting Period)	
N/A	
Cumulative progress update (Entire period)	
N/A	
Budget	77,280
Currency	USD
Timeline (Planned completion of activity)	31 December 2029
Responsibility	
Responsible officer: Gender and Social Inclusion Specialist of PIU, in collaboration with Agribusiness and Finance Specialist EE: FAO	
Remarks/Notes	
This activity has yet to be initiated	
GAP Activity	
Act 2.2.2, Sub-act 2.2.2.1 -Promote women's involvement in the discussions related to MSMEs establishment - Prioritize the establishment of women sensitive groups/MSMEs	
Indicator	
- Percentage of women engaged in the discussions - Percentage of women in established groups/MSMEs	
Rating of Indicator	GREEN (on track to be met)
Baseline	0
Target, including sex-disaggregation where applicable	60
Annual progress update (Reporting Period)	
N/A	
Cumulative progress update (Entire period)	
N/A	
Budget	253,800
Currency	USD
Timeline (Planned completion of activity)	31 December 2029

Responsibility	
Responsible officer: Gender and Social Inclusion Specialist of PIU, in collaboration with Agribusiness and Finance Specialist EE: FAO	
Remarks/Notes	
This activity has yet to be initiated	

GAP Activity	
Act 2.2.2, Sub-act 2.2.2.2 Make sure that Business Plans considers the constraints and needs of women involved in MSMEs	
Indicator	
Percentage of women-sensitive business plans solving women specific issues	
Rating of Indicator	GREEN (on track to be met)
Baseline	0
Target, including sex-disaggregation where applicable	100
Annual progress update (Reporting Period)	
N/A	
Cumulative progress update (Entire period)	
N/A	
Budget	174,900
Currency	USD
Timeline (Planned completion of activity)	31 December 2029
Responsibility	
Responsible officer: Gender and Social Inclusion Specialist of PIU, in collaboration with Agribusiness and Finance Specialist EE: FAO	
Remarks/Notes	
This activity has yet to be initiated	

GAP Activity	
Act 2.2.2, Sub-act 2.2.2.3 Ensure that support provided in consolidation of business operations considers women specific issues related to 4P	

Indicator	
Percentage of institutional development experts assisting in finding solutions for women specific issues for consolidation of business operations	
Rating of Indicator	GREEN (on track to be met)
Baseline	0
Target, including sex-disaggregation where applicable	100
Annual progress update (Reporting Period)	
N/A	
Cumulative progress update (Entire period)	
N/A	
Budget	178,200
Currency	USD
Timeline (Planned completion of activity)	31 December 2029
Responsibility	
Responsible officer: Gender and Social Inclusion Specialist of PIU, in collaboration with Agribusiness and Finance Specialist EE: FAO	
Remarks/Notes	
This activity has yet to be initiated	
GAP Activity	
Act 2.2.3, Sub-act 2.2.3.2 -Convey the message on the added value of women's contribution in EbA produce in the marketing campaign	
- Make sure to reach out to women and youth audiences by ensuring the deployment of specific media best suited to that audience	
Indicator	
- Number of marketing campaigns conveying the message on the added value of women's contribution in EbA - Number of specific media deployed to reach out to women and youth audiences	
Rating of Indicator	GREEN (on track to be met)
Baseline	0
Target, including sex-disaggregation where applicable	1
Annual progress update (Reporting Period)	

N/A	
Cumulative progress update (Entire period)	
N/A	
Budget	0
Currency	USD
Timeline (Planned completion of activity)	31 December 2029
Responsibility	
Responsible officer: Gender and Social Inclusion Specialist of PIU, in collaboration with Agribusiness and Finance Specialist EE: FAO	
Remarks/Notes	
This activity has yet to be initiated	

GAP Activity	
Act 2.2.3, Sub-act 2.2.3.3 Give visibility to women's role while linking EbA produce to traditional cuisine	
Indicator	
TBD	
Rating of Indicator	GREEN (on track to be met)
Baseline	0
Target, including sex-disaggregation where applicable	1
Annual progress update (Reporting Period)	
N/A	
Cumulative progress update (Entire period)	
N/A	
Budget	0
Currency	USD
Timeline (Planned completion of activity)	31 December 2029
Responsibility	
Responsible officer: Gender and Social Inclusion Specialist of PIU, in collaboration with Agribusiness and Finance Specialist EE: FAO	

Remarks/Notes	
This activity has yet to be initiated	
GAP Activity	
Act 2.3.1, Sub-act 2.3.1.1 -Consider the experience of women and female youth sensitive VSLAs in the study on sustainability of the CBFO model - Adjust the VSLA model to integrate the results of the study and to overcome women and female youth's financial issues - Promote women and female youth's participation/membership in VSLAs	
Indicator	
- Study considering the experience of women and female youth sensitive VSLAs - Percentage of women and female youth members having solved financial problems through VSLA membership - Percentage of women and female youth VSLA members	
Rating of Indicator	GREEN (on track to be met)
Baseline	0
Target, including sex-disaggregation where applicable	80
Annual progress update (Reporting Period)	
Study of VSLA model initiated	
Cumulative progress update (Entire period)	
Study of VSLA model initiated	
Budget	1,915,470
Currency	USD
Timeline (Planned completion of activity)	31 December 2028
Responsibility	
Responsible officer: Gender and Social Inclusion Specialist of PIU, in collaboration with Agribusiness and Finance Specialist EE: MoF/FARMSE	
Remarks/Notes	
N/A	
GAP Activity	
Act 2.3.1, Sub-act 2.3.1.2 Consult women and female youth VSLA members in the study on VSLA members access to agriculture finance including linkages with formal financial institutions (FFIs)	

Indicator	
Percentage of women female youth VSLA members consulted when conducting the study	
Rating of Indicator	GREEN (on track to be met)
Baseline	0
Target, including sex-disaggregation where applicable	60
Annual progress update (Reporting Period)	
No progress yet	
Cumulative progress update (Entire period)	
No progress yet	
Budget	0
Currency	USD
Timeline (Planned completion of activity)	31 December 2029
Responsibility	
Responsible officer: Gender and Social Inclusion Specialist of PIU, in collaboration with Agribusiness and Finance Specialist EE: MoF/FARMSE	
Remarks/Notes	
N/A	
GAP Activity	
Act 2.3.1, Sub-act 2.3.1.3 Consult women and youth VSLA members in in the elaboration of knowledge products	
Indicator	
Percentage of women/ female youth VSLA members consulted in the elaboration of knowledge products	
Rating of Indicator	GREEN (on track to be met)
Baseline	0
Target, including sex-disaggregation where applicable	60
Annual progress update (Reporting Period)	
Data not yet available	
Cumulative progress update (Entire period)	

Data not yet available	
Budget	0
Currency	USD
Timeline (Planned completion of activity)	31 December 2029
Responsibility	
Responsible officer: Gender and Social Inclusion Specialist of PIU, in collaboration with Agribusiness and Finance Specialist EE: MoF/FARMSE	
Remarks/Notes	
Implementation of this activity has yet to be initiated	
GAP Activity	
Act 2.3.2, Sub-act 2.3.2.1 Support FFIs to consider women and female youth's needs and constraints in the development of innovative and adapted financial services	
Indicator	
Percentage of products that have adapted features for women and youths	
Rating of Indicator	GREEN (on track to be met)
Baseline	0
Target, including sex-disaggregation where applicable	100
Annual progress update (Reporting Period)	
Data not yet available	
Cumulative progress update (Entire period)	
Data not yet available	
Budget	0
Currency	USD
Timeline (Planned completion of activity)	31 December 2027
Responsibility	
Responsible officer: Gender and Social Inclusion Specialist of PIU, in collaboration with Agribusiness and Finance Specialist EE: MoF/FARMSE	
Remarks/Notes	

Implementation of this activity has yet to be initiated

GAP Activity

Act 2.3.2, Sub-act 2.3.2.2 Support women and female youth access to formal financial services through supported FFIs

Indicator

Percentage of women and female youth accessing formal financial services through supported FFIs

Rating of Indicator

GREEN (on track to be met)

Baseline

0

Target, including sex-disaggregation where applicable

35

Annual progress update (Reporting Period)

Data not yet available

Cumulative progress update (Entire period)

Data not yet available

Budget

271,545

Currency

USD

Timeline (Planned completion of activity)

31 December 2028

Responsibility

Responsible officer: Gender and Social Inclusion Specialist of PIU, in collaboration with Agribusiness and Finance Specialist
EE: MoF/FARMSE

Remarks/Notes

Implementation of this activity has yet to be initiated

GAP Activity

Act 2.3.3, Sub-act 2.3.3.1 Consider gender, female-youth and youth issues in the study of potential financial instruments providers that MoF/FARMSE could partner with for linkages with its partner FFIs

Indicator

Study of potential financial instruments providers that MoF/FARMSE could partner with for linkages with its partner FFIs considering gender, female-youth and youth issues

Rating of Indicator

GREEN (on track to be met)

Baseline	0
Target, including sex-disaggregation where applicable	1
Annual progress update (Reporting Period)	
Data not yet available	
Cumulative progress update (Entire period)	
Data not yet available	
Budget	0
Currency	USD
Timeline (Planned completion of activity)	31 December 2028
Responsibility	
Responsible officer: Gender and Social Inclusion Specialist of PIU, in collaboration with Agribusiness and Finance Specialist EE: MoF/FARMSE	
Remarks/Notes	
Implementation of this activity has yet to be initiated	
GAP Activity	
Act 2.3.3, Sub-act 2.3.3.2 Consider gender, female-youth and youth issues when linking partner FFIs with identified financial instruments providers	
Indicator	
Percentage of gender and youth-sensitive partnership established	
Rating of Indicator	GREEN (on track to be met)
Baseline	0
Target, including sex-disaggregation where applicable	100
Annual progress update (Reporting Period)	
Data not yet available	
Cumulative progress update (Entire period)	
Data not yet available	
Budget	0
Currency	USD

Timeline (Planned completion of activity)	31 December 2028
Responsibility	
Responsible officer: Gender and Social Inclusion Specialist of PIU, in collaboration with Agribusiness and Finance Specialist EE: MoF/FARMSE	
Remarks/Notes	
Implementation of this activity is yet to be commenced	

GAP Activity	
Act 2.3.4, Sub-act 2.3.4.1 Consider gender, female-youth and youth issues in the study of potential impact investment funds that MoF/FARMSE could partner with for linkages with supported Agri-SMEs	
Indicator	
Study of potential impact investment funds that MoF/FARMSE could partner with for linkages with supported Agri-SMEs considering gender, female-youth and youth issues	
Rating of Indicator	GREEN (on track to be met)
Baseline	0
Target, including sex-disaggregation where applicable	1
Annual progress update (Reporting Period)	
Data is not yet available	
Cumulative progress update (Entire period)	
Data is not yet available	
Budget	0
Currency	USD
Timeline (Planned completion of activity)	31 December 2028
Responsibility	
Responsible officer: Gender and Social Inclusion Specialist of PIU, in collaboration with Agribusiness and Finance Specialist EE: MoF/FARMSE	
Remarks/Notes	
Implementation of this activity is yet to be commenced	

GAP Activity	
Act 2.3.4, Sub-act 2.3.4.2 Consider women-led/owned SMEs when facilitating the link with impact investment funds	
Indicator	
Number of women led /owned SMEs linked to Impact investment funds	
Rating of Indicator	GREEN (on track to be met)
Baseline	0
Target, including sex-disaggregation where applicable	1
Annual progress update (Reporting Period)	
Data not yet available	
Cumulative progress update (Entire period)	
Data not yet available	
Budget	5,026
Currency	USD
Timeline (Planned completion of activity)	31 December 2028
Responsibility	
Responsible officer: Gender and Social Inclusion Specialist of PIU, in collaboration with Agribusiness and Finance Specialist EE: MoF/FARMSE	
Remarks/Notes	
Implementation of this activity is yet to be commenced	

GAP Activity	
Act 3.1.1. Sub-act 3.1.1.1 Support NCCF to develop a gender policy and action plan	
Indicator	
Number of gender policy and action plan developed	
Rating of Indicator	GREEN (on track to be met)
Baseline	0
Target, including sex-disaggregation where applicable	1
Annual progress update (Reporting Period)	

Data not yet available	
Cumulative progress update (Entire period)	
Data not yet available	
Budget	12,730
Currency	USD
Timeline (Planned completion of activity)	31 December 2027
Responsibility	
Responsible officer: Gender and Social Inclusion Specialist of PIU EE: FAO	
Remarks/Notes	
This activity has yet to be initiated	

GAP Activity	
Act 3.1.1. Sub-act 3.1.1.2 Make sure the building of NCCF pipeline projects and project selection consider gender and social inclusion criteria	
Indicator	
Number of technical note developed on the gender and social inclusion criteria to be considered in the building of NCCF pipeline projects and project selection	
Rating of Indicator	GREEN (on track to be met)
Baseline	0
Target, including sex-disaggregation where applicable	1
Annual progress update (Reporting Period)	
Data not yet available	
Cumulative progress update (Entire period)	
Data not yet available	
Budget	0
Currency	USD
Timeline (Planned completion of activity)	31 December 2027
Responsibility	
Responsible officer: Gender and Social Inclusion Specialist of PIU EE: FAO	

Remarks/Notes	
This activity has yet to be initiated	
GAP Activity	
Act 3.1.1. Sub-act 3.1.1.3 Promote women's participation in the capacity development on EbA	
Indicator	
Percentage of women participating in EbA trainings	
Rating of Indicator	GREEN (on track to be met)
Baseline	0
Target, including sex-disaggregation where applicable	30
Annual progress update (Reporting Period)	
Data not yet available	
Cumulative progress update (Entire period)	
Data not yet available	
Budget	7,938
Currency	USD
Timeline (Planned completion of activity)	31 December 2028
Responsibility	
Responsible officer: Gender and Social Inclusion Specialist of PIU EE: FAO	
Remarks/Notes	
This activity has not yet been initiated	
GAP Activity	
Act 3.1.1. Sub-act 3.1.1.4 Promote women's participation in the capacity development on climate risk analysis	
Indicator	
Percentage of women participating in climate risk analysis trainings	
Rating of Indicator	GREEN (on track to be met)
Baseline	0

Target, including sex-disaggregation where applicable	30
Annual progress update (Reporting Period)	
Data not yet available	
Cumulative progress update (Entire period)	
Data not yet available	
Budget	7,938
Currency	USD
Timeline (Planned completion of activity)	31 December 2027
Responsibility	
Responsible officer: Gender and Social Inclusion Specialist of PIU EE: FAO	
Remarks/Notes	
This activity has yet to be initiated	

GAP Activity	
Act 3.1.1. Sub-act 3.1.1.5 Promote women's participation in the capacity development on carbon balance analysis	
Indicator	
Percentage of women participating in carbon balance analysis trainings	
Rating of Indicator	GREEN (on track to be met)
Baseline	0
Target, including sex-disaggregation where applicable	30
Annual progress update (Reporting Period)	
Data not yet available	
Cumulative progress update (Entire period)	
Data not yet available	
Budget	9,138
Currency	USD
Timeline (Planned completion of activity)	31 December 2027
Responsibility	

Responsible officer: Gender and Social Inclusion Specialist of PIU
EE: FAO

Remarks/Notes

This activity has yet to be initiated

GAP Activity

Act 3.1.2. Sub-act 3.1.2.1 Support MEET to develop a gender policy and action plan

Indicator

Number of gender policy and action plan developed

Rating of Indicator

GREEN (on track to be met)

Baseline

0

Target, including sex-disaggregation where applicable

1

Annual progress update (Reporting Period)

Data is not yet available

Cumulative progress update (Entire period)

Data is not yet available

Budget

12,730

Currency

USD

Timeline (Planned completion of activity)

31 December 2027

Responsibility

Responsible officer: Gender and Social Inclusion Specialist of PIU
EE: FAO

Remarks/Notes

This activity has yet to be initiated

GAP Activity

Act 3.1.2. Sub-act 3.1.2.2 Ensure that the study analyzes women's involvement and engagement for the development of innovative finance instruments

Indicator

Number of study considering women's involvement and engagement for the development of innovative finance instruments

Rating of Indicator	GREEN (on track to be met)
Baseline	0
Target, including sex-disaggregation where applicable	1
Annual progress update (Reporting Period)	
Data is not yet available	
Cumulative progress update (Entire period)	
Data is not yet available	
Budget	0
Currency	USD
Timeline (Planned completion of activity)	31 December 2027
Responsibility	
Responsible officer: Gender and Social Inclusion Specialist of PIU EE: FAO	
Remarks/Notes	
This activity has yet to be initiated	
GAP Activity	
Act 3.1.2. Sub-act 3.1.2.3 Promote women's participation in the capacity development on M&E	
Indicator	
Percentage of women participating in M&E trainings	
Rating of Indicator	GREEN (on track to be met)
Baseline	0
Target, including sex-disaggregation where applicable	50
Annual progress update (Reporting Period)	
Data is not yet available	
Cumulative progress update (Entire period)	
Data is not yet available	
Budget	9,765
Currency	USD

Timeline (Planned completion of activity)	31 December 2027
Responsibility	
Responsible officer: Gender and Social Inclusion Specialist of PIU EE: FAO	
Remarks/Notes	
This activity has yet to be initiated	
GAP Activity	
Act 3.1.3, Sub-act 3.1.3.1 Ensure gap analysis consider how women can benefit from carbon credits	
Indicator	
Number of gap analysis continuously assessing how women can benefit from carbon credits	
Rating of Indicator	GREEN (on track to be met)
Baseline	0
Target, including sex-disaggregation where applicable	1
Annual progress update (Reporting Period)	
Data is not yet available	
Cumulative progress update (Entire period)	
Data is not yet available	
Budget	0
Currency	USD
Timeline (Planned completion of activity)	31 December 2027
Responsibility	
Responsible officer: Gender and Social Inclusion Specialist of PIU EE: FAO	
Remarks/Notes	
This activity has yet to be initiated	
GAP Activity	
Act 3.1.3, Sub-act 3.1.3.2 Promote women's involvement in the continuous learning process	
Indicator	

Percentage of women involved during the learning process	
Rating of Indicator	GREEN (on track to be met)
Baseline	0
Target, including sex-disaggregation where applicable	50
Annual progress update (Reporting Period)	
Data is not yet available	
Cumulative progress update (Entire period)	
Data is not yet available	
Budget	0
Currency	USD
Timeline (Planned completion of activity)	31 December 2029
Responsibility	
Responsible officer: Gender and Social Inclusion Specialist of PIU EE: FAO	
Remarks/Notes	
This activity has yet to be initiated	
GAP Activity	
Act 3.2.1, Sub-act 3.2.1.1 Conduct specific economic analysis looking at return for women-led farms at project start-up, mid-term and completion	
Indicator	
Number of specific analysis looking at return for women-led farms	
Rating of Indicator	GREEN (on track to be met)
Baseline	0
Target, including sex-disaggregation where applicable	3
Annual progress update (Reporting Period)	
Data is not available	
Cumulative progress update (Entire period)	
Data is not available	

Budget	13,765
Currency	USD
Timeline (Planned completion of activity)	31 December 2027
Responsibility	
Responsible officer: Gender and Social Inclusion Specialist of PIU EE: FAO	
Remarks/Notes	
This activity has yet to be initiated	
GAP Activity	
Act 3.2.1, Sub-act 3.2.1.2 Include women engagement indicators in the TAPE assessment	
Indicator	
Number of TAPE assessment including women engagement indicators	
Rating of Indicator	GREEN (on track to be met)
Baseline	0
Target, including sex-disaggregation where applicable	1
Annual progress update (Reporting Period)	
Data is not yet available	
Cumulative progress update (Entire period)	
Data is not yet available	
Budget	0
Currency	USD
Timeline (Planned completion of activity)	31 December 2028
Responsibility	
Responsible officer: Gender and Social Inclusion Specialist of PIU EE: FAO	
Remarks/Notes	
This activity has yet to be initiated	

GAP Activity	
Act 3.2.2, Sub-act 3.2.2.1 Ensure that policy recommendations resulting from in-depth policy review process to improve EbA mainstreaming consider gender principles	
Indicator	
Number of policy recommendations to improve EbA mainstreaming considering gender principles	
Rating of Indicator	GREEN (on track to be met)
Baseline	0
Target, including sex-disaggregation where applicable	1
Annual progress update (Reporting Period)	
Data is not yet available	
Cumulative progress update (Entire period)	
Data is not yet available	
Budget	45,000
Currency	USD
Timeline (Planned completion of activity)	31 December 2028
Responsibility	
Responsible officer: Gender and Social Inclusion Specialist of PIU EE: FAO	
Remarks/Notes	
This activity has yet to be initiated	

GAP Activity	
Act 3.2.2, Sub-act 3.2.2.2 Promote women's participation in the dissemination of PIP	
Indicator	
Percentage of women participating in the national seminar for PIP dissemination	
Rating of Indicator	GREEN (on track to be met)
Baseline	0
Target, including sex-disaggregation where applicable	50
Annual progress update (Reporting Period)	

Data is not yet available	
Cumulative progress update (Entire period)	
Data is not yet available	
Budget	30,000
Currency	USD
Timeline (Planned completion of activity)	31 December 2028
Responsibility	
Responsible officer: Gender and Social Inclusion Specialist of PIU EE: FAO	
Remarks/Notes	
This activity has yet to be initiated	

GAP Activity	
Act 3.2.3, Sub-act 3.2.3.1 Promote women's participation in policy dialogue for PIP implementation	
Indicator	
Percentage of women participating in policy dialogue for PIP implementation	
Rating of Indicator	GREEN (on track to be met)
Baseline	0
Target, including sex-disaggregation where applicable	50
Annual progress update (Reporting Period)	
Data is not yet available	
Cumulative progress update (Entire period)	
Data is not yet available	
Budget	108,832
Currency	USD
Timeline (Planned completion of activity)	31 December 2028
Responsibility	
Responsible officer: Gender and Social Inclusion Specialist of PIU EE: FAO	
Remarks/Notes	

This activity has yet to be initiated

GAP Activity

- Act 3.2.3, Sub-act 3.2.3.2.1 - Consider gender principles in the update of policies and key frameworks
- Strengthen the PIU and implementing partners on gender and social inclusion (including GBV and SEAH) related issues and mediation skills

Indicator

- Number of policies and key frameworks revised considering gender principles - Number of trainings organized on gender and social inclusion (including GBV and SEAH) related issues and mediation skills

Rating of Indicator

GREEN (on track to be met)

Baseline

0

Target, including sex-disaggregation where applicable

12

Annual progress update (Reporting Period)

Data is not yet available

Cumulative progress update (Entire period)

Data is not yet available

Budget

11,428

Currency

USD

Timeline (Planned completion of activity)

31 December 2028

Responsibility

Responsible officer: Gender and Social Inclusion Specialist of PIU EE: FAO

Remarks/Notes

This activity has yet to be initiated

GAP Activity

- Act 3.2.3, Sub-act 3.2.3.2.1 - Engagement of Gender and Social Inclusion Specialist

Indicator

National Gender and Social Inclusion Specialist recruited

Rating of Indicator

GREEN (on track to be met)

Baseline

0

Target, including sex-disaggregation where applicable	1
Annual progress update (Reporting Period)	
The National Gender and Social Inclusion Specialist was recruited	
Cumulative progress update (Entire period)	
The National Gender and Social Inclusion Specialist has been in position since July 2025	
Budget	255,384
Currency	USD
Timeline (Planned completion of activity)	23 July 2030
Responsibility	
FAO Malawi	
Remarks/Notes	
The National Gender and Social Inclusion Specialist has been actively supporting the Project across all achieved phases of the project cycle. The Gender Specialist has been supporting the project as a Gender Focal Point for FAO Malawi, even before joining the project as a Gender and Social Inclusion specialist on 1 July 2025. The gender Specialist support has ensured the systematic integration of gender equality and social inclusion considerations into project design, planning, and implementation processes, providing strategic guidance, technical oversight, and coordination to promote inclusive and gender-responsive approaches throughout the project's lifecycle.	
F.9. Gender Action Plan implementation review	
Is the gender expert for the project/programme engaged to support the implementation of the gender action plan? If engaged previously, please advise if the gender expert has been retained by the project/programme, including plans to engage another expert if a previously engaged expert has left the project/programme.	Yes ☒ No ☐
<i>The Socioeconomic Gender and Governance Specialist who participated in the EbAM project formulation phase, applied for the position of EbAM National Gender and Social Inclusion Specialist and was recruited.</i>	
Has the implementation of gender action plan/s being implemented according to Funding Activity Agreements and GCF's Updated Gender Policy? Please ensure that the budget is included in the reporting above if it was indicated in the approved or updated gender action plan.	Yes ☒ No ☐
<i>The actual implementation of most activities has not yet started. However, there is no prospect of diversion of funds away from implementation of Gender Interventions.</i>	
Are the planned activities, targets, indicators, timelines, etc. on track during the reporting period?	Yes ☐ No ☒

<i>There are several factors which delayed implementation of project activities beyond PMU control and beyond the Country office control. E.g. General elections, change of leadership in Government Ministries affected implementation of some interventions. These risks have affected timely implementation of the Gender Action plan.</i>	
Were there any revisions of the approved GAP during the reporting period? Please submit the updated GAP in Annex section of this APR and ensure that the updated GAP has details on each change.	Yes ☐ No ☒
N/A	
Are the reported results on track to contribute to meeting the sex-disaggregated targets for the direct beneficiaries in the funding proposal, if applicable?	Yes ☒ No ☐
<i>The Gender Action Plan was mainstreamed to the EbAM project Gender Action plan. Gender desegregated data has been collected in many areas. However, full Gender and social inclusion details are expected to be collected during the baseline data collection phase soon after orientation of Implementing partners to EbAM gender and Social Inclusion</i>	
Has the project/programme experienced any implementation challenges that affect gender-related activities? If yes, please include lessons learnt and how they are informing ongoing actions.	Yes ☒ No ☐
- Limited baseline data on gender and social dynamics as implementation of most interventions has not yet started, including baseline data collection. - GESI capacity gaps among implementing partners and PIU Limited baseline gender data, combined with delayed implementation of project activities and Gender Action Plan (GAP) interventions, significantly weakens the EbAM project's ability to plan, target, and measure gender outcomes effectively. Without reliable baseline data, interventions risk being misaligned with the real needs of women, youth, and other marginalized groups, while delays compress implementation time and reduce opportunities for meaningful engagement. Additionally, limited gender and social inclusion (GESI) capacity within the PMU and implementing partners results in inconsistent integration of gender considerations across project components, weak gender responsive monitoring, and poor-quality reporting. These factors collectively undermine community participation, increase the risk of unintentionally reinforcing existing inequalities, and reduce the project's ability to achieve transformative and sustainable gender outcomes. An action; A request was submitted to M&E to prioritise collection of Gender Transformative baseline data and implement Capacity building training for staff. An agreement was made.	
Were there any best practices identified, or case studies prepared on benefits/activities undertaken as agents of action by women and the female heads of households during the reporting period? Please share any case studies in the text boxes or in the Annex section of the APR.	Yes ☒ No ☐
<i>Experience from the National Gender and Social Inclusion Specialist and desk review identified key best practices relevant to the EbAM project. Evidence from Southern Malawi confirms that women are primary managers of natural resources such as water, fuelwood, and forests, making them central to catchment restoration, soil and water conservation, tree regeneration, early warning systems, and household preparedness. Integrating women's indigenous ecological knowledge into adaptation planning is critical, as EbA initiatives often fail when women's roles and insights are overlooked. Their knowledge can strengthen watershed vulnerability assessments, regeneration planning, community monitoring, and climate-resilient crop and livelihood choices. Women's economic empowerment through inclusive livelihood diversification is another best practice. Despite structural barriers, women dominate subsistence and informal sectors and can lead climate-resilient agriculture, seed banks, forest-based enterprises, nurseries, beekeeping, and post-harvest processing, enhancing household resilience. Strengthening women's leadership in community environmental institutions through quotas, co-leadership models, safe participation spaces, and leadership training improves decision-making and aligns with EbAM safeguards. Finally, addressing women's heightened vulnerability to climate change highlights their role as community climate monitors, disaster preparedness leaders, and resilience champions.</i>	
Provide planned activities on gender elements for the next reporting period	

The planned activities for the next reporting period focus on systematically integrating gender equality, social inclusion, and women's empowerment across all stages of ecosystem-based adaptation (EbA), integrated land management, and value-chain interventions. Socioeconomic and cultural factors will be embedded in sub-catchment assessments and planning, ensuring inclusive and context-sensitive targeting. Gender and social inclusion considerations will be mainstreamed into all trainings, with capacity strengthened among facilitators, local institutions, government officials, and community structures such as Dimitra Clubs. Women and female youth participation will be actively promoted in governance bodies (VNRMCs/ SCMCs) and development of EbA-based village/sub-catchment plans. Their capacities will be reinforced beyond technical EbA skills to include leadership and inclusion competencies. Women will also be engaged in planning and implementing land restoration activities, monitoring, and receipt of technical assistance/input. Across knowledge generation and learning, the project will ensure women's involvement in FFS, knowledge products, exchanges, and access to climate information. Market-oriented actions will prioritize gender-sensitive farmer organizations, 4P partnerships, MSMEs, and business plans that address women's constraints and needs. Continuous learning, targeted economic analysis of women-led farms, and engagement of a Gender and Social Inclusion Specialist will support evidence-based and inclusive implementation.

G. ANNEXES (UPLOADED)
Annex 1: GHG emission reduction calculation methodology (for projects reporting GHG emission reductions) and details on the calculations of the annual and cumulative value.
File Name: APR2025_Annex1_EXACT_FP238_original.xlsx
Annex 2: Communication and visibility material
File Name: APR2025_Annex2_Communication and visibility_FP238_20260316.docx
Annex 3: List of grievances received
No annexes provided.
Annex 4: Procurement information
No annexes provided.
Annex 5: Updated implementation timetable for the Funded Activity for the following year
File Name: APR2025_Annex5_Updated implementation timetable_FP238.xlsx
Annex 6: Updated Gender Assessment and/or Action Plan
No annexes provided.
Additional Annexes (if applicable)
No annexes provided.

