

# Quarterly Progress Report

## Environment and Energy Project

(Atlas ID: 00060645)

<b>Reporting Period</b>	01 April to 30 June 2016
<b>Government Counterpart</b>	Office of Environment, Office of the Prime Minister
<b>PSG</b>	4: Economic Foundations
<b>PSG priority</b>	Priority 3: Promote the sustainable development and management of natural resources by developing legal and regulatory frameworks and building capacity in key Natural Resources Management (NRM) institutions
<b>Focus Locations:</b>	National
<b>AWP Budget</b>	USD 268,855
<b>Available Funds for year</b>	USD 176,355
<b>Expenditure to date</b>	USD 108,949

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## ABBREVIATIONS AND ACRONYMS

ATLAS	UNDP's Enterprise Resource Planning System for Projects Management and Control
AWP	Annual Work Plan
CBO	Community Based Organization
CSOs	Civil Society Organization
FGS	Federal Government of Somalia
GEF	Global Environment Facility
IRENA	International Renewable Energy Agency
MOE	Ministry of Environment, Office of the Prime Minister
NAP	National Action Plan
ELD	Economics of Land Degradation
PREP	Poverty Reduction and Environmental Protection Programme
RRA	Renewable Energy Readiness Assessment
UNCBD	United Nations Convention on Biodiversity
UNCCD	United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification
UNDP	United Nations Development Programme
UNEP	United Nations Environment Programme
UNFCCC	United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change
GIZ	Germany agency for International Cooperation
INCC	Initial National Communication on climate change
LOA	Letter of Agreement
DLDD	Desertification on Land Degradation and Drought
RE	Renewable Energy
NRM	Natural Resource management
PCEA	Post Conflict Environmental Assessment.
NTWGs	National Thematic Working Groups.
OFID	Office for fund for international development
OPEC	Organization for Petroleum Exporting Countries
GHG	Green House Gas
PCEAs	Post Conflict Environmental Assessments

## **SECTION1 – KEY DEVELOPMENT DURING THE REPORTING PERIOD**

The FGS-UN Environment Working Group (EWG) meeting was held in Mogadishu on 10-11 May 2016. The agenda covered detailed presentations and discussions on various environment related initiatives being implemented by the UN agencies. These presentation helped to sensitise the national stakeholders on the environment/climate change issues and look into the options of coordinating similar activities among relevant UN agencies. Federal government presented the status and main focus of the (under formulation) National Development Plan.

For the Initial National Communication (INC) on Climate Change, the national circumstance draft report has been developed and anticipated to be finalized in the third quarter of 2016.

The NAP and an ELD report have been completed and reviewed by UNEP/GIZ respectively.

In addition, a call for proposals has been announced to support the development of a Green House Gas Inventory and information management system for Somalia. The scope of initial desk study to undertake Post-conflict Environment Assessment (PCEA) has also been agreed with the Federal Government and UNEP.

## SECTION 2 – PROGRESS AGAINST OUTPUTS & PLANNED ACTIVITIES IN ANNUAL WORK PLAN

### OUTPUT 1 – Somalia meets its obligations as the signatory of UN Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC)

Narrative update on Progress towards Output			
<p>The overall output of the Project on establishing an initial communication on climate change at federal level initiated, a national coordinator has been hired to support the Initial Communication (INC) preparatory activities and a consultancy has been announced to develop GHG inventory database and information system. In addition, regional member states consultations are planned in the third quarter of 2016 to establish a unified strategy in Somalia to meet the obligations of UNFCCC. The INC is to be prepared over a timeframe of 18 months. Progress to date against annual output target provides the level of current achievement.</p>			
Output Indicators	Baseline	Annual Target	Progress to date
Somalia prepares national communication on climate change following an inclusive approach	Somalia has not submitted initial national communication to climate change as signatory of UNFCCC	Initial National Communication on climate change (INC) prepared/submitted	The INC process is ongoing and planned to be finalized in the third Quarter of 2016.
Planned Activities as per Annual Work Plan		Progress Against Activities	
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Hold inclusive inception workshop</li> <li>2. Complete the sector wise description of national circumstances</li> <li>3. Establish center for Climate Mitigation, Research and Communication</li> <li>4. Develop a GHG Inventory database and information management system</li> <li>5. Conduct Post Conflict Environmental Assessment with baseline information to support multi-lateral environmental agreements</li> </ol>		<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. A national Coordinator has been hired to coordinate and undertake tasks specified in the project document.</li> <li>2. The formulation of the national circumstances report is ongoing and planned to be finalized in third quarter of 2016.</li> <li>3. The establishment of a center for Climate Mitigation, Research and Communication is planned to be initiated in the third quarter of 2016.</li> <li>4. A call for proposals have been announced to develop GHG Inventory and information management system</li> <li>5. The recruitment process of an international consultant is ongoing to undertake a desk study and define the scope of PCEA.</li> </ol>	
Sources of Evidence for Results Progress and Achievements			
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. National Circumstances Report (Draft)</li> <li>2. Request for Proposal document to prepare GHG Inventory and information management system</li> <li>3. TORs of Post Conflict Environmental Assessment (PCEA)/Desk Study Report</li> </ol>			

## Output 2 – Somalia meets its obligations as the signatory of UN Convention to Combat Desertification (UNCCD)

Narrative update on Progress towards Output			
<p>The output contributes towards the overall objective of the project in preparing a National Action Programme (NAP) to Combat Desertification. In addition, this output will result a NAP and an ELD report that will help the country align itself better to the UNCCD and mitigate impacts of desertification, land degradation and drought (DLDD). In this regard the NAP reports have been completed and reviewed by UNEP/GIZ respectively while the implementation of follow up projects anticipated in the third quarter of 2016. Progress to date against annual output target provides the level of current achievement.</p>			
Output Indicators	Baseline	Annual Target	Progress to date
1. Somalia formulates and approves the NAP	Somalia has not prepared and submitted NAP to Combat Desertification as signatory of UNCCD	NAP finalized and submitted to UNCCD	NAP and ELD draft reports completed, reviewed by UNEP and will be shared with UNCCD in the third quarter of 2016.
Planned Activities as per Annual Work Plan		Progress Against Activities	
1. Finalize NAP that includes gap analysis, recommendations for investments in Desertification, Land Degradation and Drought management initiatives and Land Degradation Neutrality targets		NAP draft report has been reviewed by UNEP. NAP will be endorsed by the Federal Government before its submission to the UNCCD Secretariat. The ELD report has been completed and shared with GIZ for action	
Sources of Evidence for Results Progress and Achievements			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Work plan</li> <li>• Approved NAP/ELD Report</li> </ul>			

### Output 3 – Access to Renewable Sources of Energy Improved

Narrative update on Progress towards Output			
The output contributes towards the overall objective of the project on improved access to Renewable source of Energy. In addition the RRA report completed and validated while the concept note to mobilise funding from OPEC Fund for International Development (OFID) approved and Implementation of follow up projects are planned to start in the third quarter of 2016.			
Output Indicators	Baseline	Annual Target	Progress to date
# of RE project launched/approved or produced for implementation	No project on RE in Somalia	1 RE project launched/approved or produced for implementation	RRA Report completed and Validated.
Planned Activities as per Annual Work Plan		Progress Against Activities	
Finalize the Renewable Energy Readiness Assessment for Somalia and formulate follow-up project in line with the recommendations of the assessment		RRA report validated Concept note to mobilise funding from OPEC Fund for International Development (OFID) approved and Implementation of follow up projects are planned in the third quarter of 2016.	
Sources of Evidence for Results Progress and Achievements			
RRA Report OFID Concept Note Conceptual Framework for new programme on Renewable Energy			

### **SECTION 3 – CROSS-CUTTING ISSUES (GENDER, HIV/AIDS, PEACE AND CONFLICT, HUMAN RIGHTS)**

The cross-cutting issues are analysed in detail as part of the preparation of National Action Plan on Desertification. The impacts of land degradation on the women due to loss of livelihoods and exposure to multiple risks are highlighted in the NAP. The conflicts around land resources are also covered in NAP.

Initial Communication (INC) process will focus on vulnerabilities to climate change in the context of Somalia. The vulnerabilities assessment will have focus on the impacts on women and present gender disseggregated data.

The actual implementation of activities is planned to commence in the third quarter of 2016 and the number of beneficiaries from RE initiatives would be reported on a gender-segregated data sets. The project implementation ensures an inclusive, participatory approach involving all key stakeholders including women and youth. Detailed sectoral analysis of climate vulnerabilities, impacts of desertification and the socioeconomic and gendered impacts will be prepared for water, agriculture, livestock and energy sector

### **SECTION 4– CHALLENGES/LESSONS LEARNT**

There's a need to prepare an electricity law to establish a legal economic and institutional basis for renewable energy uptake and also conduct studies quantifying the benefits in terms of local jobs in the energy sector through econometric studies relating energy security to the broader economic benefits for Somalia.

Renewable energy, solar energy in particular, had very successful demonstration across different regions of Somalia. This was result of setting up of solar energy systems in public places. National and regional governments have requested UNDP to replicate the initiative in other locations. UNDP is planning to establish small and medium entrepreneurship around renewable energy products. This would be done in collaboration with the financial institutions (mainly banks) currently operating in Somalia.

## SECTION 5 – RISK MANAGEMENT

This section can be used to update or use the risk logs developed during the project development stage and provide any mitigation measures being undertaken by the project.

Type of Risk <sup>1</sup>	Description of Risk	Mitigating Measures
Operational, Political	A low level of cooperation between executing institutions due to political divisions and the existence of distinct zones of Federal Somalia, new/emerging states, Puntland and Somaliland makes the coordination of policy development challenging.	Management arrangements include one clear focal point for implementation, the GEF operational focal point. National thematic working groups (NTWGs) on climate change and desertification would be formed with a cross-sectoral representation, including, women groups, community elders, CSOs.  Project will also house technical expertise in the national institution, office of the GEF focal point and Ministry of Planning, to ensure national ownership as the initial communication and action programme is developed.
Operational	Security risks could affect project implementation, particularly clan-based conflicts over competing uses of natural resources.	Project implementation will ensure that customary dispute resolution mechanisms are used to resolve any conflicts. For instance, traditional elders, religious leaders and clan leaders will continue to be consulted on any major implementation decisions for national action programme to combat desertification. Project implementation will also ensure an inclusive, participatory approach involving all key stakeholders including women and youth and an equitable distribution of benefits.

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<sup>1</sup> Environmental; Financial; Operational; Organizational; Political; Regulatory; Security; Strategic; Other.



## SECTION 6 – MONITORING AND OVERSIGHT ACTIVITIES

*No oversight and Monitoring activities conducted but progress will be reported in the upcoming Quarters when actual implementations are anticipated to start.*

Monitoring Activity	Date	Description & Comments	Key Findings / Recommendations

## SECTION 7 – FINANCIAL REPORT

Donor	Total funds committed	Available resources for the year	Contribution as % of AWP	Expenditure	Balance <sup>2</sup>	% Delivery	Comments
UNEP	167,500	74,444	28%	42,911	31,533	16%	
UNDP	101,355	101,355	38%	66,038	35,317	25%	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>268,855</b>	<b>176,355</b>	<b>66%</b>	<b>108,949</b>	<b>66,850</b>	<b>41%</b>	

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<sup>2</sup> Available resource for the year minus funds disbursed till now.