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**INFORMATION ON PROJECT/PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION  
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## Update on UNDP-GEF support Adaptation Fund projects

**Colombia, Cook Islands, Djibouti, Eritrea, Georgia, Honduras, Maldives, Mauritius, Mongolia, Nicaragua, Pakistan, Papua New Guinea, Samoa, Solomon Islands, Turkmenistan**

**(April 2013)**

PIMS	Country	Title	AFB Meeting Date	Approval Date	Date of AF Sec sending the AF Agreement (if not the same as previous)	Agreement Signed Date (co-signed by UNDP)	Implementation Status as of April 2013
4805	<b>Colombia</b>	Reducing risk and vulnerability to climate change in the region of La Depresión Momposina in Colombia	21-22 June 2012	11-Jul-12	27-Jul-12	30-Jul-12	The project is now under full implementation. Recently staff has been recruited and had established an office in Sincelejo. A successful inception workshop was held in Monteria on March 21 <sup>st</sup> and 22 <sup>nd</sup> 2013 with participation from national and local stakeholders launching the project to deliver its objectives. The inception meeting report will be finalized in May.
4569	<b>Cook Islands</b>	Strengthening the Resilience of our Islands and our Communities to Climate Change (SRIC - CC)	13-14 Dec 2011	22-Dec-11	29-Mar-12	29-Mar-12	Activities in 2013 has been focusing on outreach and coordination with the Pa Enea (outer islands), including awareness raising and coordination meetings for SRICC, and integrating CC adaptation and DRM in Community Sustainable Development Plans (CSDP) for Atiu, Mangaia, Aitutaki and Mauke. A training for 7 Pa Enea Focal Points is arranged to take place on Rarotonga in May, while a learning needs assessment for Pa Enea stakeholders has been

							initiated. Drafting of the National Climate Change and Disaster Risk Reduction Policy and a plan for Climate Early Warning and Information System has been initiated. Proposals and plans are being developed and communicated by Pa Enea to advance with the implementation of on-the-ground adaptation measures, through a small grants programme and sector-specific interventions (in agriculture, fisheries, water, health and tourism). The Project Management Unit has been amended with a part-time Finance Officer. Delays in the recruitment of the SWoCK Project Manager (PM); - Advertised under IC in December 2012 for someone to backstop as Project Manager for 3 months while waiting for the national PM. Successful candidate declined the offer due to fears of contracting dengue. Second candidate never responded. Decided not to re-advertise. - Reclassified the post of national PM to attract higher salary. Re-advertised in March 2013 with interviews in April 2013 and successfully recommended two very good candidates. Paper work currently with Suva. Hope to fill the post of national PM by May 2013.
4683	<b>Djibouti</b>	Developing agro-pastoral shade gardens as an adaptation strategy for poor rural communities	21-22 June 2012	28-Jun-12	30-Jul-12	30-Jul-12	The Djibouti “Developing agro-pastoral shade gardens as an adaptation strategy for poor rural communities” Adaptation Fund-financed project, is now under full implementation. Recently the project established an office at the Ministry of Habitat, Urbanism and Environment, and staff has been recruited. A successful inception meeting was held in Djibouti Ville on 13 March 2013, with participation from a broad range of stakeholders and development partners launching the project to deliver its objectives. The inception meeting report is will be finalised in May.

4540	<b>Eritrea</b>	Climate Change Adaptation Programme in Water and Agriculture in Anseba Region, Eritrea	17-18 March 2011	23-Mar-11	26-Apr-11	26-Apr-11	The United Nations and the Government of Eritrea signed a new framework cooperation agreement for the next 4 years at the end of January 2013. At the same time, the new Country Programme Document (CPD) was also approved by UNDP's Executive Board. The UNDP Country Programme Action Plan (CPAP) was signed some 3 weeks back and all AWP's have been signed for all projects. However, there is a new government (Ministry of National Development – the new Coordinating Authority's) directive issued for all on-going and new projects to open new bank accounts. It requires that all IPs request MND, in writing, for its support to have a new bank account opened for respective projects and MND, in turn, to the Ministry of Finance after which the Central Bank orders the same to other Banks under its governance. This is taking a long time and it is a forced measure that not even the UNCT could solve. It is hoped that in fortnight that projects will be advanced for the first time.
4583	<b>Georgia</b>	Developing Climate Resilient Flood and Flash Flood Management Practices to Protect Vulnerable Communities of Georgia	13-14 Dec 2011	22-Dec-11	29-Mar-12	29-Mar-12	The project implementation is fully on track. The project office with a core staff of project manager and assistant are on board. International Chief Technical Advisor has delivered a detailed project implementation strategy with methodological guidance across key components. Based on this guidance the recruitment of the technical experts (both national and international) have been completed. The following technical studies are ongoing: legal and institutional review, focusing on land use issues and floodplain policies. GIS software, hydrological study and hydraulic modeling, and the dam safety assessments. These key assessments in combination will provide a substantive underpinning for climate resilient flood and flash flood management

							policies and practices.
4399	<b>Honduras</b>	Addressing Climate Change Risks on Water Resources in Honduras	16-17 Sept 2010	9-Nov-10	28-Feb-11	28-Feb-11	Implementation has advanced faster than expected and financial commitments to carry out on the ground activities have been made. For this reason, Government of Honduras and UNDP are in the process to develop the 2 <sup>nd</sup> PPR in due time to request the next tranche to avoid delays in implementation. PPR will be finalized in May.
4582	<b>Maldives</b>	Increasing climate resilience through an Integrated Water Resource Management Programme in HA. Ihavandhoo, ADh. Mahibadhoo and GDh. Gadhdhoo Island	21-22 June 2011	18-Aug-11	30-Sep-11	3-Nov-11	Despite relatively low delivery rate, the project has delivered the main technical product - the model for the integrated water supply system. The engineering designs have been completed and the integrated water supply system is ready for implementation. It consists of water harvesting tanks, connected with a solar powered desalinization plant where the network will draw additional water and dilute with fresh harvested water. The system also includes a pit for groundwater recharge that will ensure the water table is at the levels to buffer out the salt water intrusion associated with SPR. The system is designed to maximize the water capture in the country facing increasing water stress. Procurement of local engineers to oversee the actual installation of this integrated water supply infrastructure is currently underway. Once the actual construction works start the delivery will boost considerably. This is expected already in 2013.
4453	<b>Mauritius</b>	Climate change adaptation programme in the coastal zone of Mauritius	15-16 Sept 2011	29-Sep-11	29-Sep-11	4-Nov-11	EOI for consultancy for Refugee Center at Quatre Soeurs advertized and suitable firms shortlisted; - EOI for consultancy for Early-Warning system advertized and suitable firms shortlisted; - EOI for consultancy for Mon Choisy / Riviere des Galets advertized and suitable firms shortlisted; - RFP for consultancy for Mon Choisy / Riviere des Galets under preparation; - MoU signed with 2

							local NGOs for mangrove plantation at Quatre Soeurs; - ToR for short course on Coastal Engineering drafted, recruitment by University of Mauritius ongoing; (Note: EOI + RFP is the standard Government procurement procedure)
4505	<b>Mongolia</b>	Ecosystem Based Adaptation Approach to Maintaining Water Security in Critical Water Catchments in Mongolia	21-22 June 2011	18-Aug-11	30-Sep-11	3-Nov-11	on track despite the change in the Project Coordinator last year; to submit the first PIR in April
4448	<b>Nicaragua</b>	Reduction of Risks and Vulnerability Based on Flooding and Droughts in the Estero Real River Watershed	13-15 Dec 2010	28-Feb-11	9-Mar-11	14-Mar-11	Project implementation has advanced as expected. The project will reach its half life span in July, therefore a mid-term review will be carried out in June (ToRs have been drafted). Recommendations and findings will be reflected in the PPR to be submitted to the AF Board in August.
4454	<b>Pakistan</b>	Reducing Risks and Vulnerabilities from Glacier Lake Outburst Floods in Northern Pakistan	13-15 Dec 2010	21-Dec-10	14-Mar-11	16-Mar-11	The project is steadily progressing. It has produced the major technical studies to input into the actual demonstration works and the GLOF preparedness and risk management capacity development. Conceptual framework for risk and vulnerability assessments have been established. Scientific indicators for GLOF determined; socio-economic impact report identifying probability and magnitude of GLOF related losses and damages delivered. Based on this material, awareness raising and advocacy strategy and campaign has been designed for a roll out in the target provinces. The team has also

							conducted the knowledge, attitude and practices (KAP) studies (based on surveys and field studies). The KAP study identifies the current practices and needs for behavioral change to minimize the exposure to GLOF risks.
4452	<b>Papua New Guinea</b>	Enhancing Adaptive Capacity of Communities to Climate Change Related Floods in the North Coast and Islands Region of Papua New Guinea	15-16 March 2012	23-Mar-12	26-Mar-12	29-Mar-12	Project implementation was delayed during the reference period due to inability to find a suitable project manager early on but currently the project is at 'offer' stage with a qualified candidate. The national implementing agency (OCCD) with support from UNDP set up interim arrangements that saw the successful holding of the Inception Workshop and first Project Steering Committee in July 2012. Thereafter, provincial consultations and inception followed starting with New Ireland province with the rest of the provinces following: East Sepik; Madang; Morobe; Northern Province. At these consultations, the stakeholders identified implementation arrangements at the provincial and community levels. The 2013 first Project Steering Committee was held in March 2013. Currently, the project is preparing for Climate Change Adaptation Capacity Assessment, Hazard Assessments and Capacity Building on Vulnerability Risk Assessment Training. The project, through UNDP PNG, successfully mobilised additional USD500,000 from AusAID to conduct Climate Change Vulnerability Assessment in selected provinces.
4451	<b>Samoa</b>	Enhancing Resilience of Coastal Communities of Samoa to Climate Change	13-14 Dec 2011	22-Dec-11	16-Feb-12	29-Mar-12	The Inception Workshop was held on 28 January, and served as a key event for engaging all key project stakeholders from public and civil-society institutions. Following this, an Inception Phase report has been finalized. Close coordination and alignment with the WB financed Pilot Programme on Climate Resilience has continued, including

							the commencement of a PPCR consultancy (based on a ToR aligned with the AF project) aiming at developing a method for the review of Coastal Infrastructure Management (CIM) Plans, and through a High Level National PPCR Forum held on 3 April 2013. The setting up of the Programme Management Unit has been further pursued, with the challenges below being addressedDelays in the recruitment of the Project Coordinator and Assistant, due to new regulations set by Samoa Public Service Commission, limiting project staff salaries and making more difficult to attract qualified candidates; UNDP assisted in drafting staff ToRs, and discussed with gov. alternative recruitment processes and options (e.g. gov. to use consultant type contracts); Hope to fill the posts during May-June 2013.
4667	<b>Solomon Islands</b>	Enhancing resilience of communities in Solomon Islands to the adverse effects of climate change in agriculture and food security	17-18 March 2011	23-Mar-11	31-Mar-11	26-Apr-11	The recruitment process of the majority of Project staff has been completed late last year, and continued in the beginning of 2013 (Provincial Project Coordinators and Project Manager), providing vital support to project implementation. As of April 2013, SWoCK has carried out baseline assessments in 4 out of the five targeted provinces. It has also completed a V&A assessment including an in-depth farming system assessment in two of the 5 provinces. The visits to provinces also supported the setting up of project coordination mechanisms (Provincial Climate Change Steering Committees). The procurement process of various equipment under SWoCK is also progressing well, with tendering almost completed for automated weather stations, and a GIS lab to be set up. While a communication plan is being developed, awareness raising materials on CC and the project



							(such as flyers and T-shirts are being produced), and recording of songs from a song contest on CC is being arranged. Overall, despite the recurring challenges with recruitment of sufficiently qualified staff, particularly the delays in filling the Project Manager's post (vacant since July 2012), implementation of activities has been advancing better compared to last year. - Advertised under IC in December 2012 for someone to backstop as Project Manager for 3 months while waiting for the national PM. Successful candidate declined the offer due to fears of contracting dengue. Second candidate never responded. Decided not to re-advertise. - Reclassified the post of national PM to attract higher salary. Re-advertised in March 2013 with interviews in April 2013 and successfully recommended two very good candidates. Paper work currently with Suva. Hope to fill the post of national PM by May 2013.
4450	<b>Turkmenistan</b>	Addressing climate change risks to farming systems in Turkmenistan at national and community level	21-22 June 2011	18-Aug-11	30-Sep-11	3-Nov-11	So far the project has not progressed as far as planned. The principal reason for this is that the project has achieved official registration as a foreign financed project by the Ministry of Economy in the Government of Turkmenistan only in April 2013. Without this official registration, the project was unduly delayed as it could not open required bank accounts or avoid other hurdles such as tax implications. The process of recruiting a Project Manager was also delayed and, moreover, the first Project Manager left the project end of 2012. The new PM is on board as of April 2013 and it is expected that the project will proceed with implementation without further delays. The first Project Performance Report will be submitted to the AF end of May 2013.

