

GEF-6 Funding for the Nagoya Protocol





GEF - Introduction

- Funds projects that result in global environmental benefits
- Covers incremental costs
- Requires co-financing (new policy 1 July 2014)
 - Co-financing is required for all GEF FSP, MSPs & programmatic approaches; optional for enabling activities
 - Co-financing ratios generally increased under GEF-6;
 higher for higher-income countries (HICs)
- Country ownership ; projects must be based on national priorities





GEF - Introduction

- Most GEF's resources disbursed under the System for Transparent Allocation of Resources (STAR)
- Allocations calculated based on:
 - Country potential to achieve global environmental benefits- the GEF benefits index;
 - Country performance- performance index;
 - the Social Economic Development Index based on each country's GDP
- Some Focal Area Set-Aside resources for:
 - Preparation of the national reports
 - NBSAP development/revision
 - Regional and global projects, including the "integrated approach pilots"













GEF Project Modalities

- FSP > \$2 million
- MSP < \$2 million
- Enabling activity (national reporting, NBSAP review)
- PPG
- Other modalities:
 - Small Grants Programme
 - Support Programme for National Capacity Self-Assessments
 - Country Support Program for focal points and Council members
 - GEF National Consultative Dialogue Initiative



GEF Project Cycle

1. Project idea

- Project proponent and GEF Agency develop project concept
- •GEF-OFP endorsement
- •PIF submission
 - GEF Agencies can submit PIFs to the GEF
 Secretariat on a rolling basis
 - If a PPG is required for the preparation of an MSP or FSP, a PPG request should be submitted together with the PIF and seek CEO approval of both the PIF and PPG

2. PIF Review

- •Technical review by GEF Secretariat (within 10 days☺☺)
- •Approval by GEF Council (FSP)



GEF Project Cycle

3. Project Preparation

Preparation of full project document [submission no later than 12 months for an MSP, or 18 months for an FSP, after PIF Approval]

4. Project document review

- •Technical review by GEF Secretariat (within 10 days☺)
- CEO Endorsement (MSP)
- •Approval by GEF Council (FSP)

•Final project documents posted on the GEF website





GEF-6 (2014-2018)

- GEF-6 came into effect on 31 October 2014
- \$4.433 billion pledged (4% increase over GEF-5)
 - \$1296 million allocated to biodiversity (\$1260-Climate change)
- STAR covers three focal areas: biodiversity, climate change and land degradation
- GEF-6 programming has introduced innovative strategies "integrated approach pilots":
 - Taking Deforestation out of Commodity Supply Chains;
 - Fostering Sustainability and Resilience for Food Security in Africa



GEF 6 Focal Area Allocations

Focal area/theme	GEF-5 (\$ million)	GEF-6 (\$ million)
Biodiversity	1,210	1296
Climate change	1,360	1260
Chemicals and waste	425	554
International waters	440	456
Land degradation	405	431
Non-grant instruments pilot	80	115
Corporate programs	210	197
Corporate Budget: Secretariat, STAP	120	106
and Trustee		
Independent Evaluation Office		19
TOTAL GEF Replenishment	4,250	4,433



GEF 6 STAR Biodiversity Programming

Focal area objective	Focal area programs	Notional allocation (million)
BD 1: Improve sustainability of protected area systems	Program 1: Improving Financial Sustainability and Effective Management of the National Ecological Infrastructure	125
	Program 2: Nature's Last Stand: Expanding the Reach of the Global Protected Area Estate	125
BD 2: Reduce threats to globally significant biodiversity	Program 3: Preventing the Extinction of Known Threatened Species	80
,	Program 4: Prevention, Control and Management of Invasive Alien Species	50
	Program 5: Implementing the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety (CPB)	30

GEF 6 STAR Biodiversity Programming

Focal area objective	Focal area programs	Notional allocation (million)
BD 3: Sustainably use biodiversity	Program 6: Ridge to Reef+: Maintaining Integrity and Function of Coral Reef Ecosystems	100
	Program 7: Securing Agriculture's Future: Sustainable Use of Plant and Animal GRs	75
	Program 8: Implementing the Nagoya Protocol	50
BD 4: Mainstream biodiversity into production landscapes and seascapes/sectors	Program 9: Managing the Human-Biodiversity Interface	338
	Program 10: Integration of Biodiversity into Development & Finance Planning	78
Focal Area Set-Aside		245
Total Biodiversity		1,296

National

GEF-5 Utilization by Caribbean Countries

Country	Initial Allocation	Utilization	Remaining Amount	% of Utilization
Antigua and Barbuda	4.44	4.44	0.00	100%
Barbados	4.00	3.00	1.00	75%
Bahamas	7.74	5,62	2.12	73%
Belize	5.12	5.12	0.00	100%
Grenada	4.66	4.63	0.03	99%
Guyana	6.38	6.38	0.00	100%
Haiti	7.35	6.85	0.50	93%
Dominica	4.00	3.96	0.04	99%
Dominican Republic	8.66	8.27	0.39	95%
Jamaica	8.89	8.89	0.00	100%
St. Lucia	4.73	4.69	0.35	99%
St. Kitts and Nevis	4.48	4.48	0.00	100%
St. Vincent and Grenadines	4.21	4.19	0.02	99%
Suriname	5.55	5.55	0.00	100%
Trinidad and Tobago	6.92	6.85	0. 75	99%











Countries of the Caribbean region that utilized 100% of their GEF-5 allocations:

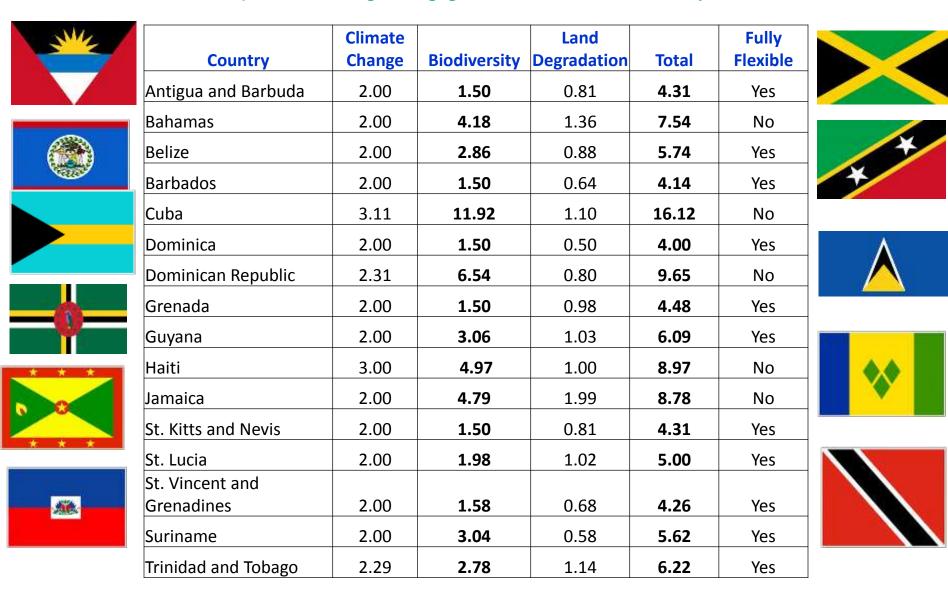
- Antigua and Barbuda
- Belize
- St. Kitts and Nevis
- Guyana
- Jamaica
- St. Kitts and Nevis
- Suriname





GEF-6 STAR COUNTRY ALLOCATIONS (\$ million)

Source: http://www.thegef.org/gef/STAR/GEF6_country_allocations



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How Much? Almost same- 50 million for NP



For What? Priorities for GEF-6 (Program 8: Supporting the NP implementation)

Stocktaking and assessment:

- Gap analysis of ABS provisions in existing policies/laws/ regulations
- Stakeholder identification
- Assessment of institutional capacity, including R&D organizations
- Technical support aimed at speedy ratification of NP
- Strategy and action plan for the implementation of ABS measures:
- Development of ABS policy, legal, and regulatory frameworks
- Establishment of administrative procedures for PIC and MAT
- Monitoring of use of genetic resources



ABS Programme Priorities for GEF-6

- Compliance with legislation and
- Cooperation on trans-boundary issues

Building capacity among stakeholders (including ILCs, women)

- Capacity to negotiate ABS agreements
- Institutional capacity to carry out R&D to add value to GR & aTK
- Participation in the ABS Clearing-House

Preparation of the interim national report

Need for outreach to GEF Operational focal points to carefully consider the urgent need to finance activities related to ABS and NP when consulting national stakeholders on the programming of the country STAR allocation.



Eligibility Criteria

- Parties to the Nagoya Protocol
- CBD Parties that provide a clear political commitment towards becoming Parties also eligible for up to 4 years after entry into force
 - For development of national measures and institutional capabilities to enable them to become a Party.
 - Evidence of such political commitment, accompanied by indicative activities and expected milestones, shall take the form of a written assurance to the Executive Secretary that the country intends to become a Party on completion of the activities to be funded





How to access ? Country Driven Process Prioritization Workshop Approach a preferred GEF Agency PIF/PPG



GEF within the country

Country support program

- National Portfolio Formulation Exercise (NPFE)
- National GEF dialogues
- Expanded Constituency Workshops

Country focal points

- GEF political focal point Governance issues and policies; communication with constituents
- GEF operational focal point (OFP)
 - In-country coordination of GEF programming
 - Endorse all GEF concepts (PIFs)
 - Affirm consistency with national plans/priorities



Take home messages

- Ratify the Protocol so that you're fully eligible
- Make full use of your GEF-6 country STRAR allocation - submit ABS projects under Program 8
- Prioritize ABS projects when programming your national STAR allocation
- Incorporate ABS activities into multi-focalarea projects, including the "integrated approach pilots"
- Integrate and prioritize ABS into NBSAPs, national resource mobilization plans & national development plans and programmes



Take Home Messages



- Familiarize yourself with GEF operational policies/procedures/governance structure
- Get in touch with your focal points CBD & GEF-OFP and GEF agencies
- Get involved in prioritization workshops and push for prioritization of ABS/NP.
- Appraise yourself on COP guidance
- Visit GEF website –www.thegef.org to understand GEF procedures
- Explore opportunities under bilateral and multi-lateral ODA
- Make sincere attempts to access GEF funds; don't get frustrated by the tedious processes

