Management Response: Implementation Plan for Evaluation Recommendations



General Information

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Implementation Plan

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1	Results framework was there, but weak	Assure that a good results framework is developed during the PPG phase, which should have reliable baselines, and specific targets for planning of project activities and monitoring of results. In cases where baselines are not available or not finalized at the moment of approval, it is better to put the baseline as zero and define the target according to the direct project outputs.	Important	UNEP-wide	UNEP	Immediately	Partially Accepted	Task Manager notes that this project was approved in 2012 and there have been efforts to improve the quality of results framework since then. Importance of PRC quality assurance process and that follow up is done	

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								(baselines, targets, results statements and indicators all work together and all need to be complete)	
2	OECD criterion of Coherence is reflected in UNEP's sub-category on Complementarity under Strategic Relevance	Assure more exchange of experiences and lessons learned, especially between UNEP projects going on in the same country at the same time, but also with other agencies working in the same technical fields. In this case the project did not even have interaction with another UNEP-GEF project in Sri Lanka that was focused on agro-biodiversity and pesticide reduction in the tea sector (GEF ID 5750).	Opportunity for improvement	UNEP-wide	UNEP	Immediately	Partially Accepted	NOTED - the integration and collaboration is more likely to take place when there are financial relationships (e.g. co-finance) Collaboration results may need to be included in the logframe (e.g. outputs that rely on collaboration)	
3	National legislation and regulations, as well as bureaucratic processes.	Assure that problems with transfer of project funds are resolved early on during the project implementation, to avoid delays and project extensions. This should be dealt with on high government level, based on UNEP's direct contact with the government as an international agency.	Important	UNEP-wide	UNEP (Financial Management)	Immediately	Accepted	These factors are outside the control of UNEP - can happen with partners who have worked with UNEP before. Some learning can be applied when all the parties are the same, but little UNEP can do.	
4	UNEP's and partner agencies' capacity	Assure that lessons learned from this project are being integrated into the design of other UNEP projects that are focusing on agrobiodiversity,	Opportunity for improvement	UNEP-wide	UNEP	Immediately	Accepted	New system (Chris Cox in Panama Office) on knowledge management being set up (technical)	

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		implemented by BI or other agencies.						There is some institutional knowledge of capacity of partners and govt ministries/depts. Which should come to the fore at PRC (through the Portfolio Manager or Head of Branch)	