Assignment: TF011206

Mozambique: Readiness Preparation Proposal Readiness Fund of the FCPF

FCPFR - FOREST CARBON PARTNERSHIP FACILITY

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Summary Information

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This GRM report includes the following sections: Overview, Components, Outcome, Execution, Program(FCPFR), Disbursements.
OVERVIEW

Overall Assessments

Grant Objectives:
The objective of the R-PP Formulation Installment is to assist the Recipient to formulate a Readiness Preparation Proposal (#R-PP#), on the basis of the Readiness Preparation Idea Note, following the FCPF template for the R-PP.

Overall progress from 07/01/2015 to 06/30/2016 with regard to Achieving Grant Objectives:

Comment:
The Project Development Objective is to contribute to the adoption of national REDD+ Strategy and of the national legal and institutional framework for REDD+ (please note that the described PDO above was for the initial USD200,000 preparation grant).

The Grant objectives have been achieved, allowing Mozambique to engage in an international REDD+ mechanism. The main objectives of this grant were:

1. Strengthening the National Readiness Management Arrangements
2. Promotion of Multi-stakeholder Consultations
3. Design of the National REDD+ Strategy

The main results, as per the stated grant objectives, are:

1. Strengthening the National Readiness Management Arrangements: The UT-REDD+ team is now composed by 15 experts: overall coordinator, financial specialist, Procurement specialist, safeguards specialist, communication specialist; REDD+ Strategy specialist, pilot project coordinator at national level, pilot project coordinator at Zambezia, pilot project coordinator at Cabo Delgado Province; forest inventory specialist; and 5 MRVs specialists.

2. Promotion of Multi-stakeholder Consultations and Communication: There have been several awareness raising activities, and 23 public consultations. Following the Consultations plan drafted as part of the SESA design, district level and community level consultations have been held: in the northern region five communities in three districts; and in the central region two communities in two districts and 5 communities in the North and Central regions. At the National level a Steering Committee (CTR) was created by a national decree and they have been having regular meetings; and two Provincial-level Landscape / REDD Forums were established. The CTR is composed by members of the government and civil society organizations. Information and communication material about REDD+ was prepared and distributed (pamphlets, policy briefings, radio and TV material, cartoon, etc), and a website was created. http://www.redd.org.mz/

3. Design of the National Strategy: 3 technical analysis were commissioned for the preparation of the REDD+ Strategy: (i) the Drivers of Deforestation and Strategic Options to address them; (ii) Legal and Institutional Analysis for REDD+; and (iii) the Strategic Environmental and Social Assessment. Those studies were finalized and were used for the design of the National REDD+ Strategy. In Sept 2016 the Strategy has been prepared and will be approved in the following months by the council of Ministers. Additional safeguards instruments such as the Resettlement Policy Framework, and Process Framework are being prepared with these funds.

In addition 2 Landscape Projects were designed: The Zambezia Integrated Landscape Management Program and the Cabo Delgado Landscape Program. The ER-PIN for the Zambezia program was accepted in the FCPF Carbon Fund pipeline, and an ERPD is being prepared.

The GoMoz prepared in Sept 2015 a Mid-term report and requested additional funding. The FCPF at the PC 20 meeting has approved USD5M additional funding, which will be used for: i. Readiness organization and consultation; ii. Preparation of a reference emissions level/reference levels; and iii. preparation of a monitoring systems for forests and Safeguards.

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The Grant objectives have been achieved.

**Overall progress from 07/01/2015 to 06/30/2016 with regard to Implementation of Grant Financed Activities:**

*Comment:*
The Grant objectives have been achieved. The implementation was satisfactory. Procurement and Financial Management were also satisfactory. In Sept 2016 the funds were fully disbursed and the government is preparing the final financial reports.

**Grant follow-up and structure**

**Description and context of Grant:**

**Expected follow up (if any):** Follow up Bank project/loan/credit/grant

*Comment on follow up:*
Regarding the FCPF Readiness Fund: this FCPF 3.8M grant has been used, but the project continues as an additional fund of USD5M will be in place until Dec 2018.

Regarding the FCPF Carbon Fund: An ERPD for the Zambézia Integrated Landscape Management Project (ZILMP) will be prepared by December 2017 when it will be officially presented to the FCPF Carbon Fund. When the ER-PD is approved, the Zambezia program would be eligible to receive up to USD50M on payments against Verified Emissions Reduction.

The MozFIP project, under preparation, will be used to implement the National REDD+ Strategy and will contribute to generate Emission Reductions to the ZILMP.

**End Date of Last Site Visit:**

**Restructuring of Grant:**
N/A

### OUTCOME

**Comments on outcome achieved from 07/01/2015 to 06/30/2016**

**Grant Outcome Indicators**

No Outcome indicators are defined or used for this grant.

### COMPONENTS

There are no components defined for this trust fund / grant.

**Comment on planned and actual Output**

**Comment on component implementation progress**
EXECUTION

Bank project related to the grant

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PROGRAM

Program Specific Questions

1. Describe progress in how the Grant activities are being coordinated with other REDD+-related initiatives, including those funded by Describe progress in how the Grant activities are being coordinated with other REDD+-related initiatives, including those funded by

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In Jan 2015, the GoM has created a new ministry which is responsible for land, environment, rural development, protected areas and forest - MITADER. This brought together MICOA and part of MINAG, previous ministries in charge of the REDD+ Readiness Process. The establishment of this new ministry has been facilitating the coordination in land use sector, including REDD+ activities. The Ministry has also established a new ‘Unit to Manage International Projects’ to coordinate/supervise projects financed by several donors. This new Unit would also contribute to coordinating REDD-related interventions financed by different partners.

The GoM and the WB have also been coordinating different sources of REDD+ related investment. At least 3 ongoing operations will contribute to REDD+ in Mozambique: the MozFIP (Forest Investment Program), the Mozbio (Conservation and Protected Areas) and the Mozambique Agriculture NRM Landscape Project.

MozFIP, expected to be effective in early 2017, will be used to implement the REDD+ Strategy and to support landscapes initiatives on the ground in the forest, biomass and agriculture sectors, and will also contribute to improve forest governance. The ongoing Mozbio project, funded by IDA and GEF, has been contributing to promote activities in two landscapes aimed at reducing deforestation and promote rural development. Lastly, the Mozambique Agriculture NRM Landscape Project will contribute to promote value chains in rural areas in a sustainable way, and could contribute to generate reducing emissions.

2. Describe any important changes in the technical design or approach related to the Grant activities.

N/A
3. Describe progress in addressing key capacity issues (implementation, technical, financial management, procurement) related to this Grant.

The task team has provided technical assistance on safeguards, procurement, and financial issues to the UT-REDD+ team on a weekly basis. The WB team has day-to-day interaction with the Government team through their staff based in Maputo, and virtually with the staff based in DC.

4. Describe progress in addressing social and environmental issues (including safeguards) related to the Grant. Is the SESA conducted in accordance with the Common Approach?

The consultant for SESA was hired and the safeguards instruments are expected to be ready by Oct 2016 (SESA, ESMF, and RPF/PF). Those instruments were prepared at the national level, and have looked in depth into those concrete geographical areas selected by the Government as pilot 'landscapes' for REDD+ activities, to ensure that safeguards instruments are informed by concrete case studies. A Grievance Redress Mechanism is being prepared as part of the Resettlement Policy Framework (RPF). Those instruments will be used for the MozFIP. The safeguard specialist at UT-REDD+ and the WB safeguards Mozambique specialists are supervising the preparation of safeguards instruments in accordance with the World Bank safeguard policies.

5. Is the ESMF prepared in accordance with the Common Approach?

ESMF was prepared according to the WB policies.

6. Describe progress in stakeholder consultation, participation, disclosure of information, and the FGRM related to this Grant.

The REDD+ Unit has conducted 23 consultations on REDD+, on the REDD+ national Decree, on technical issues (causes of deforestation, institutional arrangements), on the National REDD+ Strategy and on the landscape pilot programs. Two Provincial-level Forums (Cabo Delgado and Zambezia) have been established and are actively promoting further consultations at the local level. A comprehensive communications and stakeholder consultation plan was prepared, and has been adopted. Communication material has been prepared and used on those consultations and awareness raising activities. The GoM has created a website for the REDD+ Process (www.redd.org.mz), and has been making public all information related to consultations, workshops and communication material. All this information is available on the Mozambique FCPF website.

### DISBURSEMENTS

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