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Assignment: TF099125

## Preparation of DRC's Readiness Plan, Readiness Fund of the FCPF FCPFR - FOREST CARBON PARTNERSHIP FACILITY

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Summary Information	
TF Status	ACTV
Recipient Country	Congo, Dem Rep
Executed By	Recipient
Managing Unit	9061 - GENDR
Grant Start Date / End Date	03/26/2011 to 06/30/2017
Original Grant Amount	3,400,000.00
Grant Amount	8,600,000.00
Outstanding Commitments	0.00
Cumulative Disbursements	5,541,780.05 as of 06/30/2015
Disbursed 07/01/2014 to 06/30/2015	2,202,097.02
Donor	TF602001 - MULTIPLE DONORS

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

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## OVERVIEW

### Overall Assessments

#### Grant Objectives:

The Project Development Objective is to reinforce DRC's capacities to design a socially and environmentally sound national strategy to reduce emissions from deforestation and forest degradation (REDD+) and to develop a national reference scenario of emissions from deforestation and degradation that takes into account national circumstances.

#### Overall progress from 07/01/2014 to 06/30/2015 with regard to Achieving Grant Objectives:

##### Comment:

Achievement of the grant objective continues to be Satisfactory with the DRC remaining on track to be the first country in the world to receive carbon payments under the FCPF.

#### Overall progress from 07/01/2014 to 06/30/2015 with regard to Implementation of Grant Financed Activities:

##### Comment:

Implementation of the grant is considered Satisfactory in FY15. Key achievements are noted below.

Administratively, CN-REDD has been reorganized and is adequately coordinating the REDD+ process. The majority of experts are recruited, CN-REDD is functional and active, and has agreed with the World Bank on a work plan and on a procurement plan for the period under consideration. The project was administered from a fiduciary point of view by the project administration unit of the World Bank-funded Forestry and Nature Conservation Project. As this project closed in June 2015, arrangements were being made toward the end of the reporting period for these responsibilities to be transferred to the Forest Investment Program (FIP) administration unit of the Ministry. A new procurement specialist for this unit, financed by the TF, was being recruited toward the end of the reporting period.

The ER-PIN for Mai-Ndombe was adopted into the FCPF Carbon Fund pipeline and the Letter of Intent to develop the ER-PD was signed in June 2014. The design phase for the ER program in Mai-Ndombe has proceeded well with good advances being made on the reference level scenario, emissions factors, beneficiary sharing plan, and the MRV system.

In terms of communication, coordination and outreach, CN-REDD issued a first bulletin in June 2015 on their activities which has been widely disseminated.

Two major events were organized in September 2014 in Kinshasa:

- (i) 3rd International REDD+ University in Kinshasa with hundreds of participants. This was followed up a similar event in Kisangani.
- (ii) the Ministry of Environment organized a high-level meeting as a follow up to the International REDD+ University, among the public administration across sectors at Secretary-General level, in order to discuss mechanisms of cooperation to integrate REDD+ in sectoral policies as well as an action plan.

The SESA (Social and Environmental Safeguard Assessment) was completed and the documents were approved by the World Bank in April 2015. The following documents were prepared: the Environmental and Social Management Framework (ESMF) and its five related frameworks (Indigenous Peoples Planning Framework, Resettlement Policy Framework, Process Framework, Cultural Heritage Framework, Pests and Pesticides Framework).

The decree on local community forests was signed in August 2014 which was an important milestone.

A World Bank mission took place in October 2014 to advance the readiness process, discuss the design phase of the ER program, discuss methodological aspects of the ER program and coordinate WB-related activities in DRC including FCPF and FIP. A second mission took place in June 2015.

### Grant follow-up and structure

#### Description and context of Grant:

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

**Comment on follow up:**

During the period under consideration, preliminary discussions took place on the Central African Forest Initiative (CAFI) which has the potential to bring substantive additional funding to support the activities initiated in the DRC under this grant.

**End Date of Last Site Visit:**

**Restructuring of Grant:**

## OUTCOME

### Comments on outcome achieved from 07/01/2014 to 06/30/2015

There are no indicators that have been specifically associated with this grant. However, there are a comprehensive set of indicators which are used by all countries to monitor progress on their FCPF activities. These are reported on in some detail in this year's progress report (covering the period 15 August 2014 to 15 August 2015 so thus approximately equivalent to the period covered by this GRM), which is attached to this GRM.

### 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

**Project ID / Name:** P124072 - DRC-FCPF REDD READINESS  
**Project Status:** Lending  
**Global Focal Area:** Climate change  
**Product Line:** CN - Carbon Offset

### Implementing agency and contact details

**Agency:** National REDD Coordination, Ministry of Environment, Nature Conserv & Tourism  
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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 f**

There are many actors involved in REDD+ in the DRC but as most are coordinated by CN-REDD, which implements this grant, this has greatly facilitated coordination. The forthcoming CAFI (described above) is an important development in the REDD+ landscape. Coordination with the FCPF will be described in the next GMR as this initiative was only incipient at the end of the reporting period.

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

No significant changes in the technical design or approach of the activities.

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

The hand-over of project administration from the PFCN Project to the FIP administrative unit in the Ministry, taking place in June 2014, may introduce capacity issues which will need to be carefully addressed in the following fiscal year. The international advisor's contract will end in December 2015 and will need to be replaced.

**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?**

Good progress was made on the SESA. The Bank approved the safeguards documents in April 2015.

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

Yes.

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

Under the notes on project implementation see the information provided on major stakeholder consultation exercises (the "REDD+ Universities") as well as other outreach activities.

## DISBURSEMENTS

### Disbursements Summary in USD

Date From	Date To	Planned Cumulative	Planned Period	Actual Cumulative	Actual Period
01/01/2011	06/30/2011	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
07/01/2011	12/31/2011	0.00	0.00	400,000.00	400,000.00
01/01/2012	06/30/2012	0.00	0.00	796,881.91	396,881.91
07/01/2012	12/31/2012	0.00	0.00	1,270,810.39	473,928.48
01/01/2013	06/30/2013	0.00	0.00	2,178,120.44	907,310.05
07/01/2013	12/31/2013	0.00	0.00	2,829,367.06	651,246.62
01/01/2014	06/30/2014	0.00	0.00	3,339,683.03	510,315.97
07/01/2014	12/31/2014	0.00	0.00	4,448,161.40	1,108,478.37
01/01/2015	06/30/2015	0.00	0.00	5,541,780.05	1,093,618.65
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