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Decision LDCF.SCCF 1/2016  PIF Approval: Comoros

1. The LDCF/SCCF Council reviewed the PIF entitled Comoros: Strengthening Comoros Resilience Against Climate Change and Variability Related Disaster (GEF ID: 6912) (LDCF Project Grant $8,932,421) (Agency Fee $848,579), posted on February 02, 2016 and approves it on a no objection basis subject to the comments submitted to the Secretariat.

2. The Council finds that the PIF (i) is, or would be, consistent with the Instrument and GEF/LDCF/SCCF policies and procedures, and (ii) may be endorsed by the CEO for final approval by the GEF Agency, provided that the final project document fully incorporates and addresses the Council’s and the STAP reviewer’s comments on the PIF, and that the CEO confirms that the project continues to be consistent with the Instrument and GEF/LDCF/SCCF policies and procedures.

3. The final project document will be posted on the GEF website for information after CEO endorsement. If the GEF CEO determines that there has been a major change to the present scope and approach since PIF approval, the final project document shall be posted on the web for Council review for four weeks prior to CEO endorsement.

Decision LDCF.SCCF 2/2016  PIF Approval: Benin

1. The LDCF/SCCF Council reviewed the PIF entitled Benin: Strengthening the Resilience of Rural Livelihoods and Sub-national Government System to Climate Risks and Variability in Benin (GEF ID: 5904) (LDCF Project Grant $4,450,000) (Agency Fee $422,750), posted on February 02, 2016 and approves it on a no objection basis subject to the comments submitted to the Secretariat.

1 Out of the Agency Fee amount, Trustee will commit the first tranche (40%) of the Agency fee which is $339,432 at the time of Council approval of the PIF. The second tranche (60%) of the Agency fee which is $509,147 will be committed at the time of CEO endorsement of the FSP.

2 Out of the Agency Fee amount, Trustee will commit the first tranche (40%) of the Agency fee which is $169,100 at the time of Council approval of the PIF. The second tranche (60%) of the Agency fee which is $253,650 will be committed at the time of CEO endorsement of the FSP.
2. The final project document will be posted on the GEF website for information after CEO endorsement. If the GEF CEO determines that there has been a major change to the present scope and approach since PIF approval, the final project document shall be posted on the web for Council review for four weeks prior to CEO endorsement.

Decision LDCF.SCCF 3/2016  PIF Approval: Regional (Bangladesh, Cambodia, Lao PDR, Myanmar, Nepal, Timor Leste)

1. The LDCF/SCCF Council reviewed the PIF entitled Regional (Bangladesh, Cambodia, Lao PDR, Myanmar, Nepal, Timor Leste): Building Resilience of Health Systems in Asian LDCs to Climate Change (GEF ID: 6984) (LDCF Project Grant $9,000,000) (Agency Fee $855,000\(^3\)), posted on February 02, 2016 and approves it on a no objection basis subject to the comments submitted to the Secretariat.

2. The Council finds that the PIF (i) is, or would be, consistent with the Instrument and GEF/LDCF/SCCF policies and procedures, and (ii) may be endorsed by the CEO for final approval by the GEF Agency, provided that the final project document fully incorporates and addresses the Council’s and the STAP reviewer’s comments on the PIF, and that the CEO confirms that the project continues to be consistent with the Instrument and GEF/LDCF/SCCF policies and procedures.

3. The final project document will be posted on the GEF website for information after CEO endorsement. If the GEF CEO determines that there has been a major change to the present scope and approach since PIF approval, the final project document shall be posted on the web for Council review for four weeks prior to CEO endorsement.

20\(^{th}\) LDCF/SCCF Council Meeting – June 2016

Decision LDCF.SCCF 4/2016  Progress Report on the Least Developed Countries Fund and the Special Climate Change Fund

1. The LDCF/SCCF Council, having reviewed document GEF/LDCF.SCCF.20/03, Progress Report on the Least Developed Countries Fund and the Special Climate Change Fund, welcomed the report and took note with appreciation of the progress made under the LDCF and the SCCF.

\(^3\) Out of the Agency Fee amount, Trustee will commit the first tranche (40%) of the Agency fee which is $342,000 at the time of Council approval of the PIF. The second tranche (60%) of the Agency fee which is $513,000 will be committed at the time of CEO endorsement of the FSP.
Decision LDCF.SCCF 5/2016  FY15 Annual Monitoring Review of the Least Developed Countries Fund and the Special Climate Change Fund

1. The LDCF/SCCF Council, having reviewed document GEF/LDCF.SCCF.20/04, FY15 Annual Monitoring Review of the Least Developed Countries Fund and the Special Climate Change Fund, welcomed the review and appreciated the progress made in reporting portfolio-level performance, results and lessons learned under the LDCF and the SCCF. The Council welcomed the overall finding that 94 percent of LDCF and SCCF projects under implementation in FY15 were rated in the satisfactory range for their progress towards development objectives.


1. The LDCF/SCCF Council, having reviewed document GEF/LDCF.SCCF.20/ME/01, LDCF/SCCF Annual Evaluation Report 2015, welcomed the report and noted the information on the progress of the LDCF and SCCF. The Council requested the GEF Independent Evaluation Office to develop the AER as the portfolios mature to become a robust source of information and a tool for decision making.

Decision LDCF.SCCF 7/2016  Program Evaluation of the Least Developed Countries Fund and Management Response

1. The LDCF/SCCF Council, having reviewed document GEF/LDCF.SCCF.20/ME/02, Program Evaluation of the Least Developed Countries Fund, and GEF/LDCF.SCCF/20/ME/03, Management Response to the Program Evaluation of the Least Developed Countries Fund, took note of the conclusions of the evaluation and endorsed the recommendations taking into account the Management Response.

Decision LDCF.SCCF 8/2016  FY17 Administrative Budget for the Least Developed Countries Fund and the Special Climate Change Fund

1. The LDCF/SCCF Council, having reviewed document GEF/LDCF.SCCF.20/05/Rev.01, FY17 Administrative Budget for the Least Developed Countries Fund and the Special Climate Change Fund, approved the proposed budget for the GEF Secretariat, STAP, and the Trustee, as follows:

(1) $1,009,731 (GEF Secretariat), $125,000 (STAP), and $319,000 (Trustee) from the Least Developed Countries Fund (LDCF); and

(2) $503,726 (GEF Secretariat), $125,000 (STAP), and $159,000 (Trustee) from the Special Climate Change Fund (SCCF).
And takes note of the Independent Evaluation Office (IEO) budget approval as follows:

(1) $36,000 from the LDCF and
(2) $76,000 from the SCCF.

**Decision LDCF.SCCF 9/2016  FY17 Work Program and Budget for the Independent Evaluation Office of the GEF under the LDCF and the SCCF**

1. The LDCF/SCCF Council, having reviewed document GEF/LDCF.SCCF.20/ME/04, *FY17 Work Program and Budget for the Independent Evaluation Office of the GEF under the LDCF and the SCCF*, approved an annual budget of $112,000 for the Independent Evaluation Office for fiscal year 2017 for the proposed work program:

   (1) $36,000 from the LDCF and
   (2) $76,000 from the SCCF.

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**Decision LDCF.SCCF 10/2016 PIF Approval: Chad**

1. The LDCF/SCCF Council reviewed the PIF entitled **Chad: Chad National Adaptation Plan** (GEF ID: 6968) (LDCF Project Grant $5,775,000) (Agency Fee $548,625$^4$), posted on June 03, 2016 and approves it on a no objection basis subject to the comments submitted to the Secretariat.

2. The Council finds that the PIF (i) is, or would be, consistent with the Instrument and GEF/LDCF/SCCF policies and procedures, and (ii) may be endorsed by the CEO for final approval by the GEF Agency, provided that the final project document fully incorporates and addresses the Council's and the STAP reviewer's comments on the PIF, and that the CEO confirms that the project continues to be consistent with the Instrument and GEF/LDCF/SCCF policies and procedures.

3. The final project document will be posted on the GEF website for information after CEO endorsement. If the GEF CEO determines that there has been a major change to the present scope and approach since PIF approval, the final project document shall be posted on the web for Council review for four weeks prior to CEO endorsement.

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$^4$ Out of the Agency Fee amount, Trustee will commit the first tranche (40%) of the Agency fee which is $219,450 at the time of Council approval of the PIF. The second tranche (60%) of the Agency fee which is $329,175 will be committed at the time of CEO endorsement of the FSP.
21st LDCF/SCCF Council Meeting – October 2016

Decision LDCF.SCCF 11/2016 Progress Report on the Least Developed Countries Fund and the Special Climate Change Fund

1. The LDCF/SCCF Council, having reviewed document GEF/LDCF.SCCF.21/03, *Progress Report on the Least Developed Countries Fund and the Special Climate Change Fund*, welcomed the report and took note with appreciation of the progress made under the LDCF and the SCCF.

Decision by Mail – November 2016

Decision LDCF.SCCF 12/2016 PIF Approval: Senegal

1. The LDCF/SCCF Council reviewed the PIF entitled Senegal: Senegal National Adaptation Plan (GEF ID: 6991) (LDCF Project Grant $2,913,750) (Agency Fee $276,806), posted September 21, 2016 and approves it on a no objection basis subject to the comments submitted to the Secretariat.

2. The Council finds that the PIF (i) is, or would be, consistent with the Instrument and GEF/LDCF/SCCF policies and procedures, and (ii) may be endorsed by the CEO for final approval by the GEF Agency, provided that the final project document fully incorporates and addresses the Council’s and the STAP reviewer’s comments on the PIF, and that the CEO confirms that the project continues to be consistent with the Instrument and GEF/LDCF/SCCF policies and procedures.

3. The final project document will be posted on the GEF website for information after CEO endorsement. If the GEF CEO determines that there has been a major change to the present scope and approach since PIF approval, the final project document shall be posted on the web for Council review for four weeks prior to CEO endorsement.

Decision LDCF.SCCF 13/2016 PIF Approval: Lesotho

1. The LDCF/SCCF Council reviewed the PIF entitled Lesotho: Strengthening Climate Services in Lesotho for Climate Resilient Development and Adaptation to Climate Change (GEF ID: 6926) (LDCF Project Grant $5,000,000) (Agency Fee $475,000), posted

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5 Out of the Agency Fee amount, Trustee will commit the first tranche (40%) of the Agency fee which is $110,722 at the time of Council approval of the PIF. The second tranche (60%) of the Agency fee which is $166,084 will be committed at the time of CEO endorsement of the FSP.

6 Out of the Agency Fee amount, Trustee will commit the first tranche (40%) of the Agency fee which is $190,000 at the time of Council approval of the PIF. The second tranche (60%) of the Agency fee which is $285,000 will be committed at the time of CEO endorsement of the FSP.
on September 19, 2016 and approves it on a no objection basis subject to the comments submitted to the Secretariat.

2. The Council finds that the PIF (i) is, or would be, consistent with the Instrument and GEF/LDCF/SCCF policies and procedures, and (ii) may be endorsed by the CEO for final approval by the GEF Agency, provided that the final project document fully incorporates and addresses the Council’s and the STAP reviewer’s comments on the PIF, and that the CEO confirms that the project continues to be consistent with the Instrument and GEF/LDCF/SCCF policies and procedures.

3. The final project document will be posted on the GEF website for information after CEO endorsement. If the GEF CEO determines that there has been a major change to the present scope and approach since PIF approval, the final project document shall be posted on the web for Council review for four weeks prior to CEO endorsement.

Decision LDCF.SCCF 14/2016 PIF Approval: Rwanda

1. The LDCF/SCCF Council reviewed the PIF entitled Rwanda: Building the Capacity of Rwanda’s Government to Advance the National Adaptation Planning Process (GEF ID: 6986) (LDCF Project Grant $6,000,000 (Agency Fee $570,000) posted on September 19, 2016 and approves it on a no objection basis subject to the comments submitted to the Secretariat.

2. The Council finds that the PIF (i) is, or would be, consistent with the Instrument and GEF/LDCF/SCCF policies and procedures, and (ii) may be endorsed by the CEO for final approval by the GEF Agency, provided that the final project document fully incorporates and addresses the Council’s and the STAP reviewer’s comments on the PIF, and that the CEO confirms that the project continues to be consistent with the Instrument and GEF/LDCF/SCCF policies and procedures.

3. The final project document will be posted on the GEF website for information after CEO endorsement. If the GEF CEO determines that there has been a major change to the present scope and approach since PIF approval, the final project document shall be posted on the web for Council review for four weeks prior to CEO endorsement.

Decision LDCF.SCCF 15/2016 PIF Approval: Mozambique

1. The LDCF/SCCF Council reviewed the PIF entitled Mozambique: Building Resilience in the Coastal Zone through Ecosystem Based Approaches to Adaptation (EbA) (GEF ID: 7

7 Out of the Agency Fee amount, Trustee will commit the first tranche (40%) of the Agency fee which is $228,000 at the time of Council approval of the PIF. The second tranche (60%) of the Agency fee which is $342,000 will be committed at the time of CEO endorsement of the FSP.
2. The Council finds that the PIF (i) is, or would be, consistent with the Instrument and GEF/LDCF/SCCF policies and procedures, and (ii) may be endorsed by the CEO for final approval by the GEF Agency, provided that the final project document fully incorporates and addresses the Council’s and the STAP reviewer’s comments on the PIF, and that the CEO confirms that the project continues to be consistent with the Instrument and GEF/LDCF/SCCF policies and procedures.

3. The final project document will be posted on the GEF website for information after CEO endorsement. If the GEF CEO determines that there has been a major change to the present scope and approach since PIF approval, the final project document shall be posted on the web for Council review for four weeks prior to CEO endorsement.

Decision LDCF.SCCF 16/2016 PIF Approval: Guinea-Bissau

1. The LDCF/SCCF Council reviewed the PIF entitled Guinea-Bissau: Strengthening the Resilience of Vulnerable Coastal Areas and Communities to Climate Change in Guinea Bissau (GEF ID: 6988) (LDCF Project Grant $12,000,000) (Agency Fee $1,080,000), posted on September 20, 2016 and approves it on a no objection basis subject to the comments submitted to the Secretariat.

2. The Council finds that the PIF (i) is, or would be, consistent with the Instrument and GEF/LDCF/SCCF policies and procedures, and (ii) may be endorsed by the CEO for final approval by the GEF Agency, provided that the final project document fully incorporates and addresses the Council’s and the STAP reviewer’s comments on the PIF, and that the CEO confirms that the project continues to be consistent with the Instrument and GEF/LDCF/SCCF policies and procedures.

3. The final project document will be posted on the GEF website for information after CEO endorsement. If the GEF CEO determines that there has been a major change to the present scope and approach since PIF approval, the final project document shall be posted on the web for Council review for four weeks prior to CEO endorsement.

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8 Out of the Agency Fee amount, Trustee will commit the first tranche (40%) of the Agency fee which is $228,000 at the time of Council approval of the PIF. The second tranche (60%) of the Agency fee which is $342,000 will be committed at the time of CEO endorsement of the FSP.

9 Out of the Agency Fee amount, Trustee will commit the first tranche (40%) of the Agency fee which is $432,000 at the time of Council approval of the PIF. The second tranche (60%) of the Agency fee which is $648,000 will be committed at the time of CEO endorsement of the FSP.