Institutional strengthening for National Designated Authority

Institutional strengthening Ministry of Finance, Nepal

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• Introduction to Nepal’s NDA
• Role of Nepal’s NDA
• Strengthening NDA’s Capacity
• Challenges & Lesson Learned
National Designated Authority for Nepal

Government of Nepal:

- National Designated Authority: Ministry of Finance
- NDA Contact Point: Joint Secretary, International Economic Cooperation Coordination Division
MoF / International Economic Cooperation Coordination Division: Functions

- Donor Coordination
  - Coordination and mobilization of foreign aid provided by the development partners.

- Sector Coordination
  - Focal point of the line ministries for their foreign assisted projects.

- Aid Management
  - Project identification, feasibility study preparation to the negotiation, agreement implementation and evaluation stages.
  - Aid Data management
Institutional Strengthening: Capacity Assessment

- **CAPACITY NEED ASSESSMENT OF GCF DESK**
  - 25-26 November 2016; 19 senior officials from MoF & 4 from relevant ministries
  - **Purpose:** Understanding Role as NDA; Capacity gaps based on NDA mandate; Strategies for engagement; Prepare phase-wise capacity engagement

- **OUTPUTS:**
  - Governance structure to lead CF
  - Mapping of capacity gaps; operational and technical
  - Guidance and procedures
INSTITUTIONAL STRENGTHENING:
INTERVENTION APPROACH

- Governance Mechanism
- National GCF Frameworks
- Knowledge products

System → Process

Capacity Assessment

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Institutional Strengthening: Milestones

- Orientation & Capacity Need Assessment of NDA: Nov '16
- Tech. Committee of NDA: Estd. Dec '16
- Project Management Unit: Estd. Aug '16
- Capacity Plan Prepared: May '17
- Climate Finance Unit Setup: Apr '17
- National Framework of GCF: Endorsed July '17
- GCF Handbook Finalized: Aug '17
- CF Steering Committee: Estd. Dec '17
- Consultation of National Framework & CD Plan: Jan '17
- Handbook Launched: Feb '18
Institutional Strengthening: Capacity Building Events

2016
- Orientation & Capacity Need Assessment of NDA Nov '16
- GCF Orientation/Interaction Meeting at NDA Sept '16
- South South Knowledge Exchange (WRI/UNDP) Dec '16
- Inter-ministerial Training on GCF Mar '17
- Participation at COP 22 (NDA) Dec '16

2017
- Capacity Plan Prepared May '17
- Consultation of National Framework & CD Plan Jan '17
- GCF Regional Dialogue with Asia Apr '17
- Sharing & Validation on Proposed Govt. Structure & Toolkit Mar '17
- National Framework of GCF endorsed July '17
- South South Meeting with Ghana NDA Aug '17

2018
- Training Programme on GCF policies, process and procedures for NDA, CFU & Tech. Comm. Dec '17
- Orientation on GCF Handbook for NDA Dec '17

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Challenges & Lesson Learned

• Knowledge Gaps
  • Dissemination of national processes, Shared learning exchanges & Intl’ Events

• Institutionalization of Governance Mechanism
  • Aided in decision making; efficient & effective processing;

• National Process Formulation (Accreditation & Proposal)
  • Ease understanding of GCF Processes for Nepal

• Stakeholders engagement and inclusiveness
  • Mapping of stakeholders, their responsibilities and engagement

• Government Officials turnovers & transition
  • Institutionalization of governance mechanism for institutional memory

• Who is the National Designated Authority
  • Understanding the status of ministry and its hierarchy was crucial

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