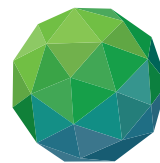


GCF IN BRIEF

READINESS PROGRAMME



GREEN
CLIMATE
FUND

SUPPORTING COUNTRY-DRIVEN INITIATIVES FOR LONG-TERM TRANSFORMATIONAL CLIMATE ACTION

SUPPORT AVAILABLE

The GCF Readiness Programme provides up to USD 1 million per country per year to help strengthen the institutional capacities of National Designated Authorities/focal points (NDAs) and direct access entities (DAEs). The programme works through grants and technical assistance.

An additional one-time provision of USD 3 million per country can be used to support the formulation of National Adaptation Plans (NAPs) and/or other adaptation planning processes.

Furthermore, multiple-year Readiness implementation requests allocate up to USD 3 million for a grant term of 3 years. Grants have an annual cap of USD 1 million per country.

Countries may submit multiple requests over different timeframes based on the needs of the country. The programme works through grants and technical assistance.

STRENGTHENING COUNTRY OWNERSHIP

GCF is a partnership institution, working for, through, and with partners to deliver climate results.

GCF aims to ensure that a minimum of 50 per cent of its funding is targeted towards particularly vulnerable countries, including Least Developed Countries (LDCs), Small Island Developing States (SIDS), and African States. All Developing Country Parties

to the UNFCCC can access the GCF Readiness Programme.

These funds are designed to help developing countries exercise ownership of climate financing and integrate it within their national climate action plans.

Support can be directed toward a range of outcomes to strengthen country-driven engagement with GCF, including:

- Establishing or strengthening areas where an NDA has limited capacity and resources including staff training and knowledge transfers;
- Identifying a pipeline of projects that can achieve transformative impact within the country;
- Developing a no-objection procedure for NDAs to approve domestic GCF projects and activities;
- Designing adaptation planning processes including the development of a NAP;
- Helping to identify and build the capacity of DAEs to engage and access GCF resources; and
- Engaging and mobilising the private sector to support national green transition.

For inquiries about the Readiness Programme, contact dpm@gcfund.org and countries@gcfund.org

QUICK FACTS

as of August 2022

1. **USD 433 million** approved GCF funding for Readiness
2. **USD 254.8 million** disbursed Readiness funding
3. **610 Readiness grants** approved
4. **141 countries** with Readiness activities

MORE INFORMATION

**GCF Readiness
and Preparatory
Support Programme**
See the [GCF
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“The GCF Readiness and Preparatory Support Programme has allowed the Cook Islands to strengthen our institutional capacity and empower our people to prepare for climate change impacts and increase our country’s resilience to those impacts.”

- Mani Mate, Development Coordination Division Director, Ministry of Finance and Economic Management, Cook Islands

AREAS OF SUPPORT

Countries are fully encouraged to address capacity and technical gaps to achieve priorities described in Nationally Determined Contributions (NDCs), NAPs, and other national climate change strategies. Support requested under the Readiness Programme should aim to achieve one or more of the objectives indicated below.

(Readiness results reported as of December 2021)

CAPACITY BUILDING

Strengthens the capacity of the GCF NDAs including staff training; coordinating engagement between Accredited Entities and relevant institutions; and enhancing the programming process for key partners such as DAEs, executing entities, civil society, and private sector stakeholders.

- **Candidate entities nominated for direct access:** 56
- **Nominated DAEs supported to close capacity gaps:** 51
- **Accredited DAEs supported to strengthen capacities:** 11

ENHANCING STRATEGIC FRAMEWORKS

Supports the development of Country Programmes, Entity Work Programmes, long-term low-emission strategies, and action plans which guide GCF investments and programming. It also enhances strategic frameworks to address policy gaps and creates ideal conditions for mobilising climate finance.

- **Country Programmes developed, endorsed, or updated:** 88
- **MRV systems developed for tracking climate finance flows:** 28
- **Strategies and roadmaps developed to foster private sector financing:** 55
- **Conducted trainings for relevant country stakeholders:** 118

ADAPTATION PLANNING

Aids in adaptation planning and establishing monitoring systems that enable climate resilience across sectors. It also catalyses and scales up public and private adaptation finance through articulation of strong climate rationale and support for active stakeholder engagement.

- **NAPs developed and updated:** 11
- **Adaptation capacity building and technical assistance completed:** 26
- **Climate vulnerability studies completed:** 27
- **Adaptation-focused CNs developed:** 14

TRANSFORMATIONAL PIPELINE DEVELOPMENT

Bolsters the development of transformational project pipelines by providing technical assistance. This includes preparing concept notes, identifying sector priorities, outlining pipeline metrics and indicators, and establishing implementation plans to deliver impactful projects and programmes.

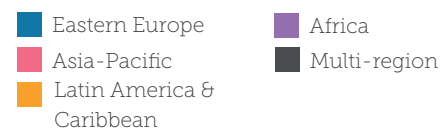
- **CNs developed:** 195
- **PPF requests linked to CN development:** 12
- **FPs developed with Readiness support:** 14

KNOWLEDGE SHARING AND LEARNING

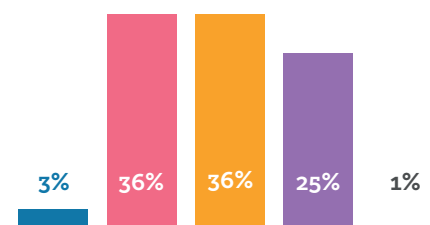
Enables sharing of best practices, methodologies, and knowledge products for future development of transformational climate action concepts and projects. It also fosters collaborations at subnational, national, and regional levels to encourage dissemination of frameworks and information systems.

- **Knowledge products and management methodologies developed:** 133
- **Processes and strategies for identifying best practices established :** 12
- **Knowledge Management platforms established:** 11

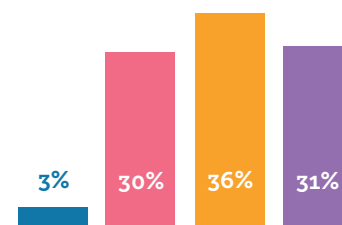
APPROVED GCF FUNDING PER OBJECTIVE



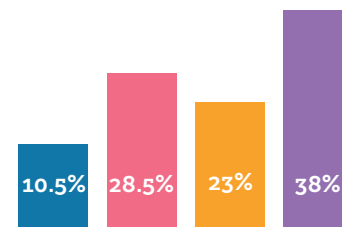
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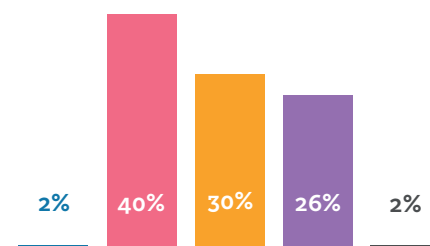
GCF funding: USD 67.5 million



GCF funding: USD 175.1 million



GCF funding: USD 22.3 million



GCF funding: USD 5.5 million

