

## PROJECT PROGRESS REPORT

### A. OVERVIEW

#### A.1 PROJECT PROFILE

<b>Recipient Countries</b>	Regional component: Comoros, Kenya, Madagascar, Mauritius, Maldives, Mozambique, Seychelles, Somalia, South Africa, Tanzania and Yemen; Pilot components for Madagascar, Mozambique, and the United Republic of Tanzania.
<b>Project Title</b>	A Partnership for Marine and Coastal Governance and Fisheries Management for Sustainable Blue Growth  <b>Component 1: Protection and management of the coastal and marine ecosystems</b>
<b>Reporting Period</b>	1 January 2020 - December 2020  Total Funds Transferred USD 766 460 (following signature of UN-UN Contribution agreement)

### KEY ACHIEVEMENTS

#### Outputs 1.1-1.4 on MSP, conservation and restoration of coastal habitats, and climate change adaptation

- The **FAO and UNEP UN-UN Agency Contribution agreement** is operational.
- The Environment Management Expert (EME) and the Regional project Management Unit (RPMU) had a series of meetings in October, November, and December 2020 on work plan for component 1 (2020), identifying pilot project activities, and mapping these with project component 2.
- Specification of activities to be undertaken in pilot countries and the budget available had been completed.
- A joint guidance note/call for proposal for the three pilot countries had been prepared and completed for both Component 1 and 2. It was being shared with the Nairobi Convention Focal Points to guide in the development of pilot project activities tailored to each country needs.
- The EME was to deliver an inception report for the agreement by December 2020.

- An interim financial report on the implementation of the agreement had been provided. An annual financial report (15 January 2020, 15 July 2020, 15 July 2021) was expected at the end of the year when all financial obligations and related commitments are concluded.
- An informal meeting with Sida was held online with the adviser responsible for technical oversight of the project (Mr Erik Wallin) on 17 September.
- An annual review meeting with Sida (Mr Erik Wallin) was held online on December 1.

## INDICATIVE SUMMARY OF PROGRESS FOR COMPONENT 1

					Date: December 2020
ACTIVITIES	WORK PLAN	TOTAL ALLOCATION	COMMITMENT		PROGRESS
			2019	2020	
<b>Output 1.1 Marine spatial planning developed for policy-making and integrated management towards small-scale, artisanal fisheries and associated area management approaches</b>					
<i>Activity 1.1.1: Support capacity development with specific reference to marine spatial planning</i>	Jan-Dec 2020	245,740	10,900	19,500	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>June 2020</i>: Assessment of the Contribution of Maritime Sectors to Kenya's Blue Economy: Values, Potentials and Governance Frameworks (\$19,420) including as mapped through MSP process, and provide recommendations on the sectors with the highest potential.</li> <li>• <i>December 2020</i>: Assessment of the contribution of maritime sectors to Tanzania's blue economy: values, potentials and governance frameworks</li> </ul>
<i>Activity 1.1.2: Support the collection, management and analysis of data and information for participatory and evidence-based MSP</i>	Jan-Dec 2020	80,000		17,650	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>May 2020</i>: Nomination of MSP technical working group by countries as per Terms of reference developed by the Nairobi Convention</li> <li>• The MSP technical working group composed on two experts per country as nominated by the 10 Governments</li> <li>• <i>July 2020</i>: First virtual meeting of MSP technical working group</li> <li>• <i>October 2020</i>: Kenya and Madagascar accept to chair and vice chair respectively the MSP technical working group</li> <li>• <i>18 August, 21 September 2020</i>: Meetings of the MSP technical working group and Nelson Mandra University support development of MSP strategy for the Western Indian Ocean.</li> <li>• The pilot countries may test the MSP strategy at local level at their implementation of Output 1.1.</li> </ul>

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<i>Activity 1.1.3: support incorporation of aspects of community-based coastal and marine management, particularly fisheries management, into broader cross-sectoral management processes and systems and identify appropriate interventions</i>	Jan 2020 – Sep 2022	36,400			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>To be incorporated in the development of project proposals for selected pilot sites (including the selected fisheries pilot countries), and MSP process, for policy consensus</li> <li><i>November 2020</i>. A joint guidance note developed to guide in pilot activities for Component 1 and 2</li> </ul>
<i>Activity 1.1.4: Undertake cost-benefit analysis and ecosystem valuation of goods and services in selected (at least 3) pilot sites to support decision-making in incorporating cross-sectoral management aspects.</i>	Oct 2019 – Mar 2020	52,728			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><i>November 2020</i>: Seek countries interest in the guidelines then test-case on selected pilot sites via direct project proposals or consultancy.</li> </ul>
<b>Output 1.2 Management plans/strategies developed for adoption at national level for the conservation of selected critical coastal habitats with a shared concern for fisheries and environmental management</b>					
<i>Activity 1.2.3: Organise participatory workshops for identification and prioritization of issues of importance to the role of habitats in the livelihoods of youth, women and men in fishing and related communities</i>	Jan-Mar 2020	160,000			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><i>Planned</i>: after launch of the critical habitats outlook (<i>November/D 2020</i>) to raise awareness on specific case studies in the outlook focused on areas such as ecosystem services, habitat protection, habitat restoration, fishery resources in the critical habitats, mitigation of bycatch, eradication of invasive species and future scenarios of the habitats</li> <li><i>Planned</i>: implementation at pilot sites. Guidance note for activities at pilot sites prepared for use</li> </ul>
<i>Activity 1.2.4: In coordination with the work under output 2.2, finalise management plans /</i>	Jan 2020 – Dec 2021	50,000			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>To start during implementation of pilot project activities</li> </ul>

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<i>strategies for the use of critical habitats for adoption at national or sub-national level.</i>					
<b>Output 1.3 Plans for restoration of degraded coastal habitats developed</b>					
<i>Activity 1.3.1: Undertake needs assessment (linked to output 2.2) and develop criteria for selecting the habitats for restoration in the localities selected for the pilot interventions.</i>	Jan-Jun 2020				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ongoing at national level in the development of pilot project proposals</li> </ul>
<i>Activity 1.3.2: Make an inventory of potential habitats for rehabilitation and select degraded habitats for rehabilitation to enhance resilience to the spectrum of anticipated climate change impact.</i>	Apr – Jun 2020	36,400		20,000	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Support Nairobi Convention in the development of mangrove and seagrass restoration guidelines</li> <li>• Use the restoration guidelines at pilot project sites at national level</li> </ul>
<i>Activity 1.3.3: Agree on implementation modalities and build partnerships to implement pilot ecosystem restoration projects</i>	Oct 2019 – Jun 2020	75,000			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Closely linked with <i>Activity 1.2.1</i> on developing criteria for selecting critical habitats requiring restoration and management</li> <li>• Pilot project proposals required to incorporate implementation modalities including synergies with other ongoing initiatives</li> <li>• Project proposal guidance note developed and shared with pilot countries</li> </ul>
<i>Activity 1.3.4: Finalise strategies for adoption at national level, and undertake implementation as appropriate</i>	Jan– Dec 2020	50,000			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• To be included in the development of pilot project proposals</li> </ul>

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<i>Activity 1.3.5: Support the restoration of at least one critical habitat in the three localities selected for pilot/demonstration interventions in coordination with the fisheries management interventions in the same localities.</i>	Apr 2020 – Sep 2022	150,000		50,000	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Strengthening community-based EBM approaches in subsistence and artisanal fisheries for sustainable livelihoods and management of Pemba Channel Conservation Area (PECCA), Zanzibar, Tanzania as part of national level development of pilot project proposals</li> </ul>
<i>Activity 1.3.6 Organise regional training workshops on the restoration of degraded coastal and marine ecosystems as a contribution to fisheries management interventions</i>	Jul-Sep 2022	115,520			
<i>Activity 1.3.7 Organise regional workshops for experts and management practitioners in the region to share experiences and lessons in the restoration of degraded coastal and marine ecosystems/habitats in participating countries.</i>	Oct – Dec 2022	115,520			
<b>Output 4 Regional and national capacity on adaptation to climate variability and change enhanced for the coastal fishing communities</b>					
<i>Activity 1.4.1: Conduct targeted capacity development on options, approaches and tools for the sustainable management of the use of coastal resources including cross-sectoral aspects (with a</i>	Apr 2020 – Sep 2022	231,040			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>To follow following national level development and implementation of pilot project</li> </ul>

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<i>particular focus on fisheries) in the face of climate variability and change.</i>					
<i>Activity 1.4.2: Provide support for assessments of risks and vulnerabilities (natural and human) and drivers affecting coastal fishery communities using appropriate tools.</i>	Oct 2019 – Mar 2020	42,000			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Planned: Support development of climate change vulnerability and adaptation guidelines and test-case at national level with focus in selected pilot sites</li> </ul>
<i>Activity 1.4.3: Support a review of WIO specific adaptation technology needs, based on existing science and national plans and with a focus on the needs of youth, women and men within artisanal fishing communities</i>	Jan-Jun 2020	84,000		10,000	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Planned: Support development of climate change vulnerability and adaptation guidelines and test-case at national level with focus in selected pilot sites</li> <li>Planned: Support development of guidelines to test-case in selected pilot sites</li> </ul>
<i>Activity 1.4.4: Support the definition and inclusion of coastal and marine adaptation options in climate change policies at national level.</i>	Jul 2020 – Sep 2022	72,100			
<i>Activity 1.4.5: Support knowledge, analysis and networking for the sharing of information on successful adaptation through networks, partnerships, knowledge products and knowledge sharing events</i>	Jul 2020 – Sep 2022	75,355			

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<i>Activity 1.4.6: Raise and promote awareness around climate change adaptation in the WIO region</i>	Jan 2020 – Sep 2022	126,210			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><i>Planned:</i> Support development of guidelines to test-case in selected pilot sites followed by community awareness</li> </ul>
<i>Activity 1.4.7: Support the establishment/ enhancement of critical habitats conservation and sustainable marine conservation networks explicitly supporting the social and economic sustainability</i>	Jul 2020 – Dec 2022	50,000			