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**MANAGEMENT RESPONSE TO THE LDCF/SCCF ANNUAL
EVALUATION REPORT 2013**

1. The Secretariat and the Agencies welcome the first LDCF/SCCF Annual Evaluation Report prepared by the GEF Independent Evaluation Office. The report provides: (i) an assessment of the terminal evaluations of completed LDCF/SCCF projects that were submitted during the fiscal year 2013, (ii) the findings of a quality-at-entry review of LDCF projects in terms of their responsiveness to priority issues identified by NAPAs as well as in terms of project design, and (iii) the progress of the SCCF and a Management Action Record (MAR) reporting on the follow up on the implementation of LDCF/SCCF Council decisions on recommendations of the SCCF Evaluation.
2. The Secretariat appreciates the Report's findings, notably the lessons extracted from the assessment of the terminal evaluations of completed projects, and the conclusions of the analysis on the LDCF-funded implementation of NAPAs.
3. The Secretariat agrees with all five conclusions of the analysis on the LDCF-funded implementation of NAPAs:
 - a. Conclusion 1: A large majority of the projects is aligned with their NAPA,
 - b. Conclusion2: Agriculture is the key adaptation issue in NAPAs,
 - c. Conclusion 3: All Projects are found to be consistent with LDCF strategies, eligibility criteria, and priorities,
 - d. Conclusion 4: NAPA projects are mainstreaming gender into adaptation initiatives, and
 - e. Conclusion 5: A large majority of NAPA implementation projects included wide stakeholder involvement and are assessing risks.
4. The Secretariat looks forward to future Annual Evaluation Reports.