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## GEF3 MSP-NIGER:AFRICA LAND AND WATER MANAGEMENT INITIATIVE-PILOT/DEMONSTRATION PHASE:ACTIVITIES IN THE GOROUAL AND DOGOL RIVER BASIN

### GEFIA - GEF-IBRD AS IMPLEMENTING AGENCY

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Summary Information	
TF Status	ACTV
Recipient Country	Africa
Executed By	Recipient
Managing Unit	6572 - AFTS3
Grant Start Date / Closing Date	03/20/2003 to 06/30/2006
Program Manager	Samuel G. Wedderburn
Orig. Grant Amount	201,500.00
Grant Amount	321,500.00
Outstanding Commitments	0.00
Cumulative Disbursements	294,684.68 as of 06/30/2006
Disbursed 03/20/2003 to 06/30/2006	294,684.68
Donor	TF602001 - MULTIPLE DONORS

*This GRM report includes the following sections: Overview, Outcome, Components, Execution, Program(GEFIA), ICM, Processing, Attached Documents, Disbursements, Internal Comments.*

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## OVERVIEW

### Overall Assessments and Ratings

#### Grant Objectives:

THE ACTIVITIES FOR WHICH THE GRANT IS GIVEN ARE AS follows:

- (i) conducting a comprehensive review and preparation of an inventory of previous land and water community level activities in the Garoual and Dogol River Basins;
- (ii) analysis of data and conducting of local and regional consultations on land and water issues in the basins;
- (iii) conducting workshops on knowledge sharing and capacity building including development of indicators on Monitoring and Evaluation; and
- (iv) conducting field activities to mitigate soil erosion and sand silting;
- (v) production and dissemination of reports and publications.

#### Overall progress from 03/20/2003 to 06/30/2006 with regard to Achieving Grant Objectives:

**Rating:** Moderately Satisfactory ( Previously Rated Satisfactory on 12/31/2004 )

#### Comment:

The GIS database of the Dargol watershed has been successfully completed and presented in workshops;

The watershed management and economic development master plans in GIS format have also been successfully completed.

Communication tools have been developed for policy makers and for communities and have been used to inform them about the data base and master plans.

Communal development plans had been developed for the five communes in the Dargol watershed and investment sub-projects had been identified.

Good linkage and cooperation had been initiated with the Niger Community Actin Program to apply the ALWI tools in the Dargol watershed. Contact had been made with ABN (Autorite Bassin Niger) for collaboration with the Niger river basin program (GEF) and the project "Desensablement du fleuve Niger" (Niger river sediment deposit removal project) (AfDB). However the recommended institutional arrangements haven't been set up appropriately to consolidate the project's approach through the above mentioned projects. This could reduce the scaling up of the proeject's expected impact.

#### Overall progress from 03/20/2003 to 06/30/2006 with regard to Implementation of Grant Financed Activities:

**Rating:** Moderately Satisfactory ( Previously Rated Satisfactory on 12/31/2004 )

#### Comment:

Although the completion of the decision support tools took longer than expected, the project had been on track until it's completion on June 30, 2006. Investment sub-projects had been proposed by communities and had been selected. Works had began from February / March 2006 and all were physically completed by end June 2006.

### Grant follow-up and structure

#### Description and context of Grant:

**Expected follow up (if any):** Follow up Bank project/loan/credit/grant

#### Comment on follow up:

The tools being developed and demonstrated under the project will be useful for the implementation of the Niger Community Action Program

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(IDA and GEF components) as well as for the implementation of the Niger River Basin management project (GEF).

**End Date of Last Site Visit:** 06/08/2006

## Restructuring of Grant:

During the first supervision mission in November 2003 the grant objectives were revised as follows:

The main objective of the grant would be the development of operational tools for the design and implementation of watershed and river basin projects.

Specific objectives are:

1. Development of decision support tools as follows

(i) GIS data base of natural resources and socio-economic infrastructure within the Dargol watershed

(ii) Watershed management and economic development master plans for the Dargol watershed;

(iii) communication tool to transfer information from data base and master plans to rural communities;

2. Local participatory development plan of the Dargol watershed

3. Local pilot watershed management and economic development investments or subprojects implemented for demonstration.

## Critical Issues and Pending Actions for Management Attention

Summary of key issue and pending actions for management attention are listed below.

### Critical Issues:

Project Audit for the period from January 2006 to June 2006 needs to be completed. Discussions are ongoing to make sure such complementary audit is taken into account throughout the TORs of the firm auditing the Niger Community Action Program

(CAP) for the CY 2006 with extra cost paid by the CAP budget itself. Actually, the grant was closed and the balance of the special account returned to IDA without provision from the PIU to carry out such remaining audit. As the two projects have been implemented in close synergy, the government of Niger doesn't mind for above mentioned arrangement through the CAP.

### no additional pending actions

**By Whom:** TTL

**By When:** March 2007

**Status:** Completed

**Date Resolved:** 03/27/2007

## OUTCOME

### Comments on outcome achieved from 03/20/2003 to 06/30/2006

All 4 decision support tools developed (GIS data base, master plan, communication module for decision makers, communication module for community leaders)

Seven (7) land and water management subprojects at the commune level

have been identified, costed and implemented between February 2006 and June 2006.

### Grant Outcome Indicators

Grant outcome indicators are listed below.

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## 4 Watershed Mngmt tools developed

Baseline 0

Value:

Date:

Progress to 4

Date:

Date:

Target Value: 4

Date:

## Local investment subprojects

Baseline 0

Value:

Date: 03/20/2003

Progress to 6

Date:

Date: 06/08/2006

Target Value: 7

Date: 06/30/2006

## COMPONENTS

### Output and Implementation by Component

#### LOCAL INVESTMENT

Implementation Moderately Satisfactory

Rating:

Status: Completed

Planned Output: The last audit concluded with some misuse of funds up to cfa 840, 000. The government has been asked to reimburse such amount.

Actual Output: To begin in November 2005 Rating:##Status: began in February / March 2006#####Actual Output: 7 subprojects were implemented timely. Their sustainability is not obvious.

#### GIS DATABASE

Implementation Satisfactory

Rating:

Status: Completed

Planned Output: Environment & infrastructure data Rating: S#####Status: Completed#####Planned Output: 1 GIS database #####

Actual Output: available to communes: 1 GIS database##Rating:S##Status: completed#####Actual Output:##

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## CAPACITY BUILDING, MANAGEMENT , M&E

**Implementation Rating:** Moderately Satisfactory  
**Status:** Completed  
**Planned Output:** Knowledge and information dissemination based on one master plan use and it's monitoring and evaluation#####Rating:S#####Status: completed####  
**Actual Output:** Policy makers and community leaders from 5 communes trained for master plan use. ##

## LAND USE PLAN

**Implementation Rating:** Satisfactory  
**Status:** Completed  
**Planned Output:** Masterplan for NRM and growth##Rating: S#####Status: completed#####  
**Actual Output:** Actual Output: 1 Master plan for land use had been developed and made available to local communities and other users

## Comment on planned and actual Output

All planning works have been completed. Implementation of land and water management investment had been fulfilled.

## Comment on component implementation progress

Investment sub projects were selected and implemented between February 2006 to June 2006, under the leadership of the concerned 5 communes along the Dargol watershed area.

## EXECUTION

### Bank project related to the grant

**Project ID /** P077249 - 3A-GEF Inst Strngth & Res Mob (FY02)  
**Project Status:** Lending  
**Global Focal** International waters  
**Product Line:** GM - GEF Medium Sized Program

### Implementing agency and contact details

**Agency:** MINISTRY OF WATER & ENVIRONMENT, NIAMEY, NIGER  
**Contact:** MR. HALADOU ABDOU - DIRECTEUR DE ETUDES ET DE LA PLANIFICATION (DEP)  
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## Implementation performance ratings from 03/20/2003 to 06/30/2006 with regard to:

**Project Management:** Moderately Satisfactory (Previously Rated Satisfactory on 12/31/2004)

**Brief Comment:**

The recommended institutional arrangements suggested during the last supervision mission to safeguard the project's acquires were not fully implemented

**Financial Management:** Moderately Satisfactory (Previously Rated Satisfactory on 12/31/2004)

**Brief Comment:**

The last audit concluded with some misuse of funds up to cfa 840, 000. The government has been asked to reimburse such amount.

**Counterpart Funding:** Satisfactory (Previously Rated Satisfactory on 12/31/2004)

**Brief Comment:**

None

**Procurement:** Satisfactory (Previously Rated Satisfactory on 12/31/2004)

**Brief Comment:**

None

**Monitoring and Evaluation:** Satisfactory (Previously Rated Satisfactory on 12/31/2004)

**Brief Comment:**

None

## Additional Comments on Implementation Performance:

The Director of DEP, Coordinator of the project and his staff remained actively and satisfactorily involved in project implementation.

Financial management was handled by DEP with the assistance of an accountant assigned to the project- Performance had been moderately satisfactory although some training on IDA and GEF

financial management basics and procedures were provided to her.

All procurement of vehicle, office equipment and consultants occurred in a timely manner without delays- apparently satisfactory performance, and this was onfirmed by the audit.

Counterpart funding hasconsisted mainly of salaries paid to government civil servants working on the project, rent and utility bills. There has been no specific budget allocation to cover the difference (15-20%) in the level of funding (80-85%)for consultant services and goods. Unlike in the case of Madagascar, this had not constrained the implementation of the project. moderately satisfactory performance e confirmed by the audits.

The Monitoring and Evaluation system began with the baseline data provided by the GIS database which had been successfully completed.

Further development and implementation of the M&E system had followed the selection and implementation of 7 local investment sub-projects.

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## PROGRAM

### Program Specific Ratings

1. Please rate public involvement
2. Please rate government commitment
3. Please rate safeguard performance
4. Please rate arrangements for sustainability
- 5.
- 6.

### Program Specific Questions

1. Please comment on additional resources leveraged  
No additional resources leveraged during the time frame of the GRM

## ICM - IMPLEMENTATION COMPLETION MEMORANDUM

### Outcome of completed Grant Financed activities

**Outcome with regard to development / strengthening of institutions: Rated Modest**

**Comment:**

The Project was completed on June 30, 2006. A period of uncertainty occurred between mid June 2006 to November 2006 since the former TTL was disconnected from the project and the new one was designated on November 2006 for the closing process.

**Outcome with regard to mobilization of other resources: Rated Negligible**

**Comment:**

N/A

**Outcome with regard to knowledge exchange : Rated Modest**

**Comment:**

N/A

**Outcome with regard to client policy / program implementation : Rated Substantial**

**Comment:**

N/A

### Overall Assessments and Lessons Learned

**Main lessons learned:**

CLOSING DATE HAS BEEN EXTENDED FROM JUNE 2005 to JUNE 2006.

**Main recommendations to stakeholders:**

The acquired 4 management tools should be securized and disseminated to key stakeholders in client country

**Main recommendations to bank management:**

The Management should support dissemination of acquired tools in similar operations: Environment and Infrastructure data; Knowledge and information dissemination tool; Masterplan for NRM and growth and, Land and water management sub-projects

**Assessment of bank performance: Rated Satisfactory**

**Comment:**

n/a

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## Assessment of cost effectiveness : Rated Not Applicable

Comment:  
n/a

## Assessment of sustainability (likelihood of): Rated Uncertain

Comment:  
n/a

## Assessment of replicability: Rated Uncertain

Comment:  
n/a

## PROCESSING

### Manager's comments on this GRM report:

None

### GRM report history - Requested on 06/22/2006, due on 07/31/2006

Action	Name	Status	Date
Submitted to TTL	Melanie Anne Eltz	Draft	12/05/2006
Changed	Amadou Alassane	Draft	03/19/2007
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Mail Sent to PM	Amadou Alassane	Submitted	03/30/2007



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## DOCUMENTS

None

## DISBURSEMENTS

### Disbursements Summary in USD

Date From	Date To	Planned Cumulative	Planned Period	Actual Cumulative	Actual Period
01/01/2003	06/30/2003	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
07/01/2003	12/31/2003	0.00	0.00	28,057.10	28,057.10
01/01/2004	06/30/2004	0.00	0.00	54,661.03	26,603.93
07/01/2004	12/31/2004	0.00	0.00	137,310.81	82,649.78
01/01/2005	06/30/2005	0.00	0.00	158,849.87	21,539.06
07/01/2005	12/31/2005	0.00	0.00	226,548.21	67,698.34
01/01/2006	06/30/2006	0.00	0.00	294,684.68	68,136.47

## INTERNAL COMMENTS

Date:03/30/2007 User ID:WB108847 Name:Mr Amadou Alassane Operation performed:Submitted for Approval  
This GRM has been reviewed and technically cleared by Christophe Crepin on 03 / 28 / 2007

Date:03/28/2007 User ID:WB262782 Name:Ms Melanie Anne Eltz Operation performed:Submitted to TTL  
The GRM is now complete. For Program GEF IA I said there was no additional leveraging of funds during the time of this GRM and for Key Pending Actions I said there were no key pending actions. Please submit to Karen Brooks UPI 21671 as discussed. Thanks, Melanie

Date:12/05/2006 User ID:WB262782 Name:Ms Melanie Anne Eltz Operation performed:Submitted to TTL  
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