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# Gender Mainstreaming and GEF

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# GEF and Gender Mainstreaming

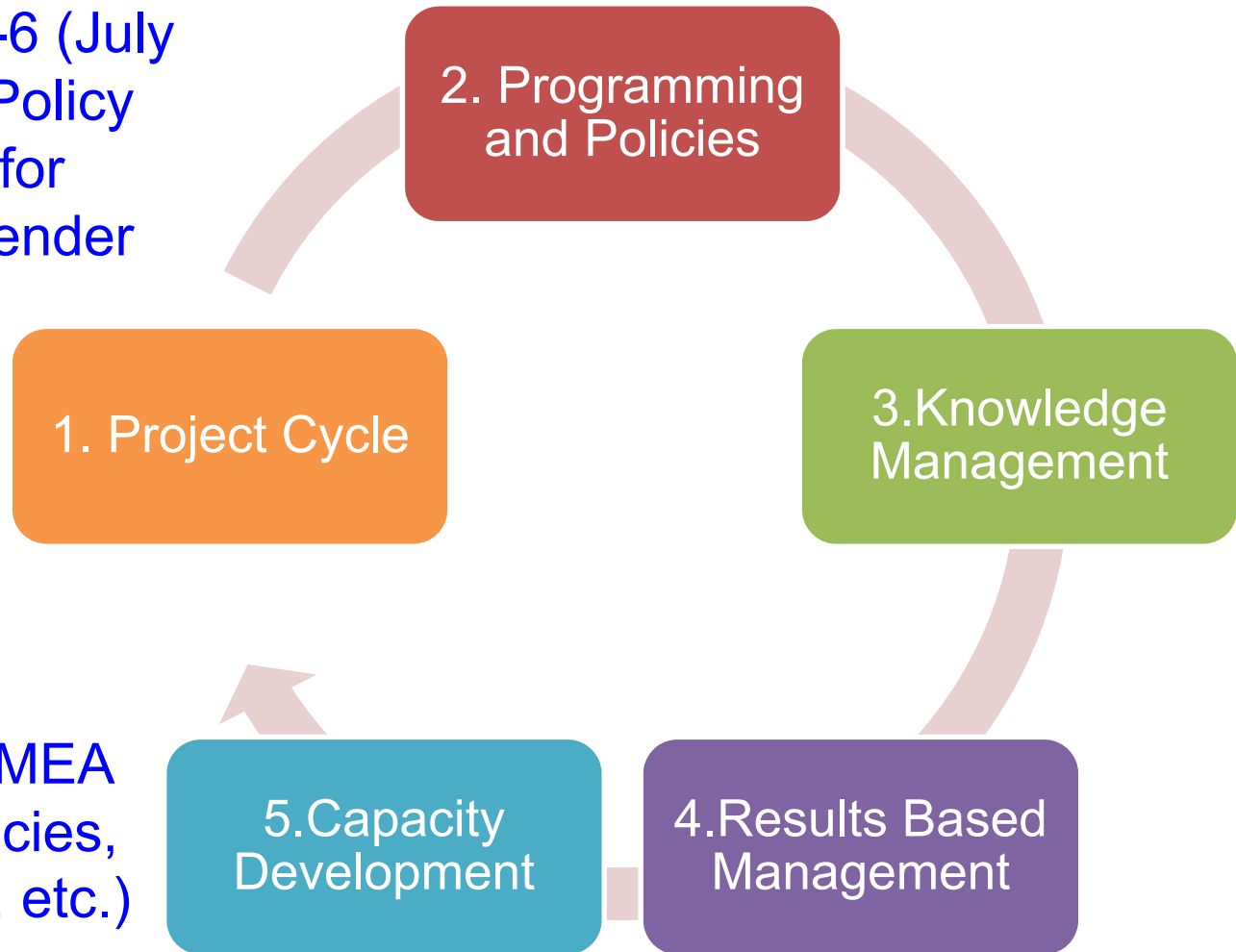
- ✓ Gender equality is important for successful GEF projects and for sustainable development
  - Advances attaining of global environmental benefits and social inclusion
  
- ✓ 2011 GEF Gender Mainstreaming Policy
  - Calls on GEF Agencies to have policies, strategies, or action plans that meet 7 minimum standards:
    1. Institutional capacity for gender mainstreaming
    2. Gender elements in project design, implementation, review
    3. Project gender analysis
    4. Measures to minimize adverse impacts
    5. Integration of gender sensitive activities
    6. Monitoring and evaluation of mainstreaming progress
    7. Inclusion of gender experts in projects



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# GEF Gender Equality Action Plan

- ✓ Responds to GEF-6 (July 2014-June 2018) Policy Recommendation for plan to enhance gender mainstreaming
- ✓ FY15 to FY18 Work Plan
- ✓ Developed in collaboration with MEA Secretariats, Agencies, experts (CIF, GCF, etc.)



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# GEF-6 Core Gender Indicators

✓ *GEF tracks these indicators as initial steps to monitor aggregated results through projects:*

1. % of projects that have conducted **gender analysis** during preparation
2. % of projects that have incorporated **gender responsive project results framework** (e.g. gender responsive output, outcome, indicator, budget, etc)
3. Share of **women and men as direct beneficiaries**
4. Share of **convention related national reports incorporated gender dimensions**
5. % of **monitoring and evaluation reports** that incorporates gender equality/women's empowerment issues and assess results/progress



✓ *Climate Mitigation Focal Area monitors these indicators, aggregated at portfolio and corporate levels*



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# Gender and Climate Mitigation Projects

- ✓ Improvement in gender mainstreaming reported in mitigation projects at mid-term and terminal review stage: 8% in FY11, 25% in FY13, 18% in FY14  
→ Over time, projects approved after 2011 Gender Policy introduction should increase
- ✓ Renewable energy, transport, and rural electrification projects have reported positive benefits

## Example: Promoting Renewable Energy Based Mini Grids for Productive Uses in Rural Areas in The Gambia



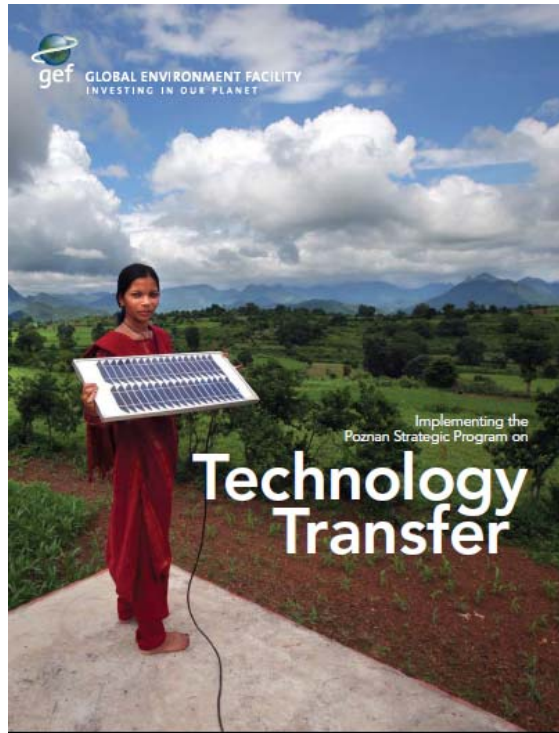
Mbolo Women Association project enhanced skills and income generation

- Expanded planned hybrid photovoltaic and wind turbine system from 1.6kW to 8.3kW.
  - Hands-on courses to become renewable energy technicians
- Gambia's Renewable Energy Fund earmarked 50% of the funding for women-led projects
- Provided support in developing appropriate proposals



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# Tools & Processes to Strengthen Gender Responsiveness



- ✓ Gender analysis or socio-economic assessment with gender focus at outset of project preparation
- ✓ Development and implementation of project specific gender strategy/plan
- ✓ Having gender balance in project implementation team and women's group as project partner



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## For Further Information...

GEF Gender Focal Points:

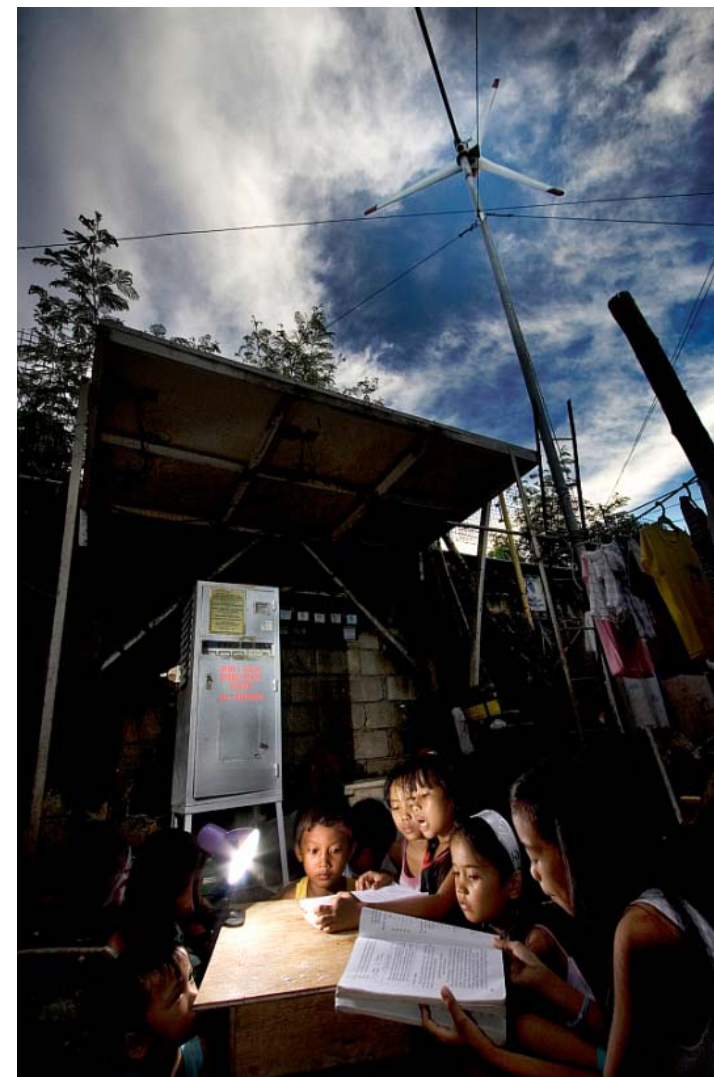
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# GEF-6 Concepts with Gender Mainstreaming

## ***Ethiopian Urban NAMA: Creating Opportunities for Municipalities to Produce and Operationalize Solid waste Transformation (COMPOST)***

- Ethiopia has developed a Micro and Small Enterprises Development Strategy (MSEDS) that aims to create large numbers of jobs and to develop an attitude of entrepreneurship among the youth and women.
- Project will support women to have an active role in integrated solid waste management and urban green infrastructure development and implementation.

## ***Improving Mobility in Parakou, Benin***

- Seeks to enhance the well-being of women by:
  - Including them in training and knowledge sharing to improve two wheel service and value chains, enabling them to diversify income sources
  - Providing improved access to social services
  - Improving mobility for women who ride two wheelers, which constitute the large majority of two-wheeled taxis and motorbike riders



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