

# Work of The Least Expert Group(LEG) in supporting the LDC on Adaptation

## Liberia: Progress on Accessing GCF Funds for Readiness Support and NAPs

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# Current Status of GCF's Activities in Liberia

- ▶ GCF Readiness and Preparatory Support - US\$300,000.00- Inception held
- ▶ Preparation for the disbursement of GCF funds to commence NAP - US\$ 2,200,000.00 -
- ▶ Development of a Coastal adaptation - Monrovia Metropolitan coastal project(MMCP) US50,000,000.00 - The Secretariat made preliminary comments
- ▶ Project Preparatory Facility(PPF) - Liberia is preparing PPF for onward submission to GCF in support of the MMCP
- ▶ The Liberian Bank for Development and Investment(LBDI) was nominated as the Delivery Partner/NIE but the nomination is still under review by the GCF Secretariat



# GCF National Profile

- ▶ Environmental Protection Agency of Liberia(EPA)- is the government overarching body responsible for environmental and climate change activities in Liberia
- ▶ National Designated Authority(NDA): Environmental Protection Agency of Liberia(EPA)

NDA 1: Madam Anyaa Vohiri  
Executive Director, EPA

NDA 2: Benjamin Karmorh, Jr  
UNFCCC Focal Point

GCF Focal Person: Jeremiah G. Soka, Sr/NCCSC

- ▶ Multilateral Independent Entity: UNDP



# Challenges

- Limited people that are knowledgeable about the GCF
- Local Experts are few
- Data gaps
- Need to mobilize more financial support especially from the private sector to complement GCF funding

# Lessons Learned

- ▶ UNFCCC Focal Points and NDAs must be fast in making request either through the MIEs or delivery partners
- ▶ Effective Coordination amongst the NDA, focal person and MIE
- ▶ Need to inform more people(public and private) about the activities of GCF
- ▶ Liberia committed itself to make initial amount of US\$1 million as a counterpart/cofinancing to complement The MMCP
- ▶ Ministry of Finance and Development Planning participation in regional GCF and COP Meetings
- ▶ Ministry of Finance and Development Planning sign on to all multilateral financing agreements
- ▶ Need to train nationals to write GCF Project Document for funding
- ▶ Address the issue of data gaps



# Conclusion

GCF provides a new window of opportunity in addressing climate change at the national level. It is anticipated that the Readiness and preparatory support will enable Liberia address climate change issues at the national level.



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