

# **Nepal's Experience in Accessing GCF Funding to Advance their NAP Process**

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# Background

- Impacts of climate change are in increasing trend particularly affecting the major socio-economic sectors such as **Agriculture, Forestry, Water Resources and Energy**
- Climate change adaptation is a **priority** to address the increasing impacts of climate change in Nepal
- Government of Nepal has devised policy (climate change policy) and legal instruments (e.g. LAPA framework) to address climate risk and impact
- There are also several programme and projects implemented across Nepal targeting climate vulnerable sectors and communities

# NAP Process In Nepal

Regional trainings in 2014 and 2015  
NAP consultations and Roadmap from NGOs

**NAP Launching**  
18 September 2015

**NAP Technical Team in place**  
**May 2016**

All 9 Working Groups, coordinated by 9  
ministries **200 members in 9 WGs in place by**  
March 2017  
**MoPE is leading the process**

# NAP Process In Nepal

May 2016-June  
2017

- First phase of the NAP process laid the ground work

31 January 2016

- Nepal formally requested UNEP as a delivery partner

August-  
September 2016

- Nepal started capitalizing the opportunity within GCF for NAP process having UNEP as an executing partner

9 September 2016

- Submission of technical and financial proposal to GCF

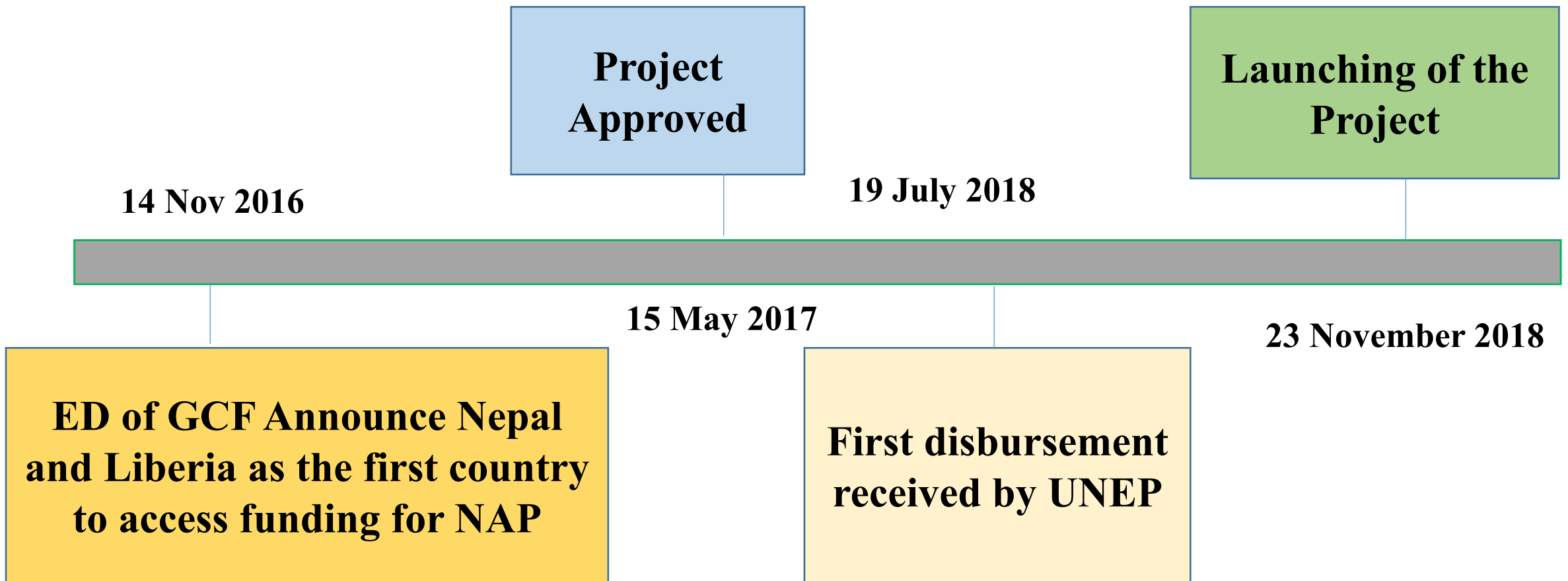
28 October 2016

- Submission of No Objection Letter by NDA (Ministry of Finance)

14 November  
2016

- Nepal awarded with GCF funding decision (along with Liberia) in Marrakech, COP 22

# Timeline: Nepal's GCF supported NAP Process

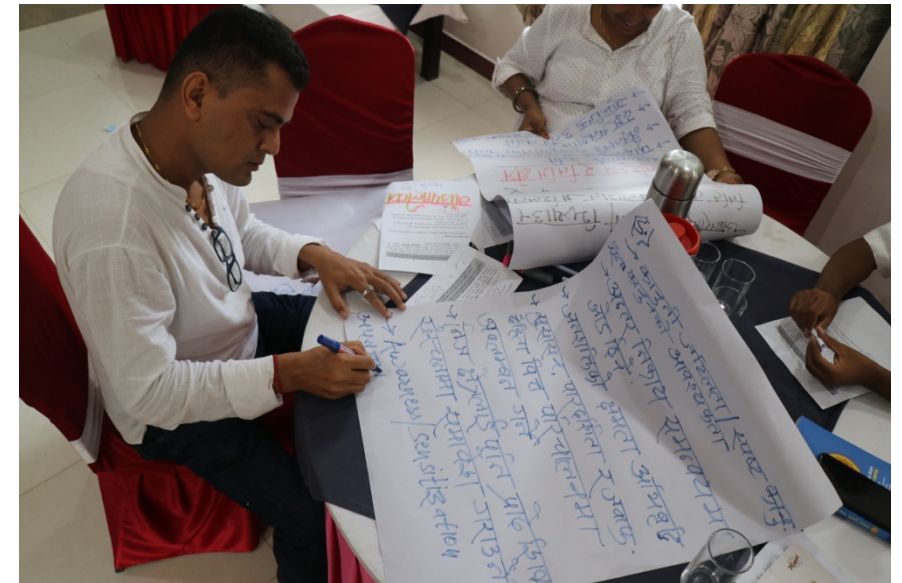


# **Introduction: Nepal's GCF supported NAP Project**

- **Project Title: Building Capacity to Advance National Adaptation Plan Process in Nepal**
- **Funding Entity: GREEN CLIMATE FUND** (Green Climate Fund approved Nepal's proposal during Marrakech Climate Conference 2016-confidential and Approved in May 2017)
- **Delivery partner (Technical Assistance): United Nations Environment Program (UNEP)**
- **Total amount: 2.935 million USD**
- **Project timeline: 3 years**
- **Project launched: 23 November, 2018**

# Objectives of the Project

- To strengthen the institutional and technical capacity of government of Nepal at national and local level to advance the NAP process.
- Contribution to reduce climate vulnerability by integrating CCA into existing and new policies, strategies and programmes;





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- Establishment and/strengthening of a system to generate and share knowledge, experience, lessons learned, gaps and needs at international, national and sub-national levels to advance CCA for the benefit of the poor people and restoration of ecosystem restoration; and
- Development of a strategy to implement, monitor and communicate adaptation benefits at different levels.

## Project Components

**Component 1:** *Institutional capacity for the NAP process in Nepal*

**Component 2:** *Climate Information Systems for Prioritising Adaptation Needs*

**Component 3:** *Funding Strategy for NAP Process including its Implementation*

**Component 4:** *Monitoring, Reviewing and Reporting of the NAP Process in Nepal*

## Project Outcomes

**Outcome 1 :** *National and provincial government institutions are capable of integrating Climate Change Adaptation (CCA) into development policy and plans.*

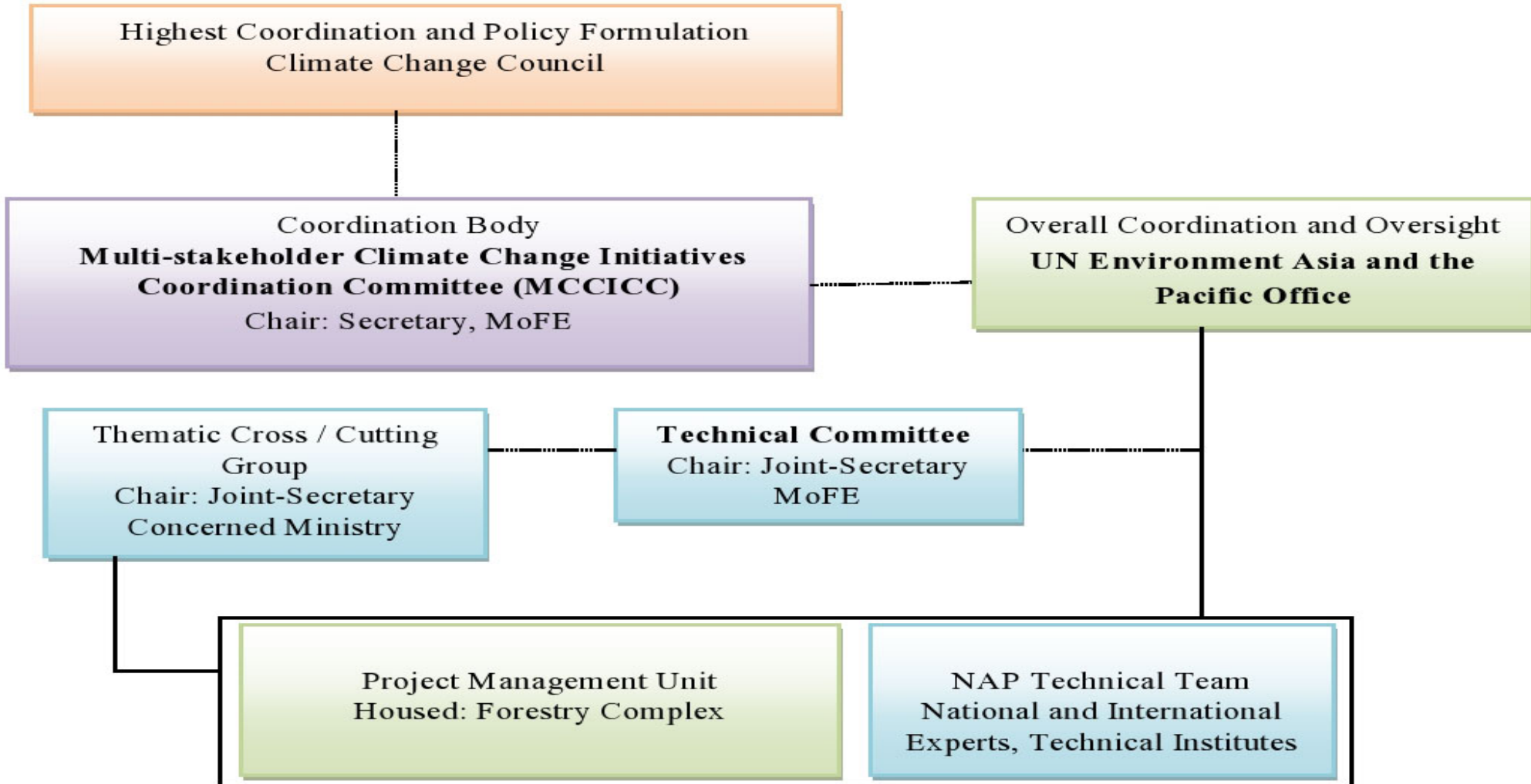
**Outcome 2 :** *Sustainable climate information system (monitoring, modeling, forecasting and dissemination) to inform climate change adaptation, including a long-term plan for operation and maintenance, established.*

**Outcome 3 :** *Government of Nepal endorses resources mobilization strategy for medium and long-term CCA investment including private sector engagement*

**Outcome 4 :** *National and sectoral planning unit of the key Ministries are capable of reviewing, monitoring and communicating results of the NAP Process*

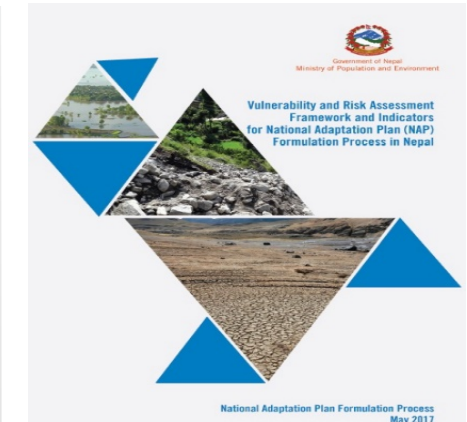
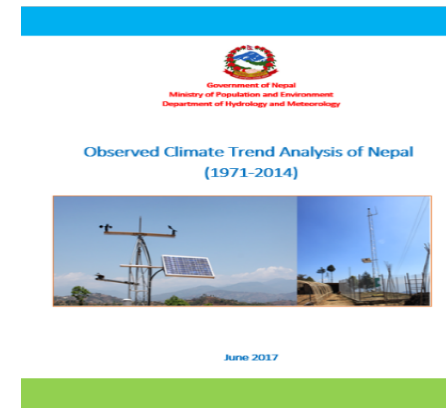
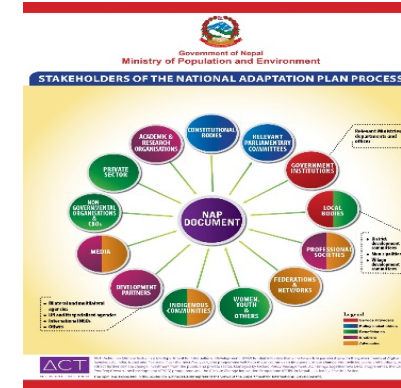
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# Project Implementation Modality



# Major Achievements

- Completed the technical reports on
- Observed climate trend analysis
- Climate change scenario report
- Framework for assessing climate vulnerability and risks (VRA) with pertinent indicators and
- Baseline of climate change impacts on major economic sectors (thematic and cross cutting areas) through stocktaking exercise as part of the laying the ground work



# Major Achievements

Develop the implementation framework for the NAP process that includes :

- Formulation of Project Steering Committee
- Technical Committee
- Multi-stakeholder Climate Change Initiatives Co-ordination Committee (MCCICC)
- Sectoral ministry led Thematic and Cross cutting working groups





# Experiences in Accessing GCF Funding

- **Early action and develop NAP proposal together with delivery partner (UNEP)**, while GCF was working on operational modalities to support countries for formulation and implementation of NAP
- **Engagement of NDA from the very beginning** of the development of the project proposal
- **Building on ongoing efforts and national ownership** which have clearly presented current baseline and support needed to advance medium and long term adaptation planning in Nepal
- **Closely work with Green Climate Fund and** explained current status of NAP process and necessity of keeping momentum that has already been gained by country

# Experiences in Accessing GCF Funding

- Decision were made on *fast track (within two months of submission of technical and financial proposal)* but the implementation of the decision took a **long time**
- Time consuming in fund disbursement
- First country to access funding thus everything new for us with this windows of opportunity- *learning now*
- Heavy *Back and forth communication*, good, but time consuming as well
- Shift in Governance structure within the country after the proposal was submitted-revision needed accordingly, *work in the process*
- There is also need to have more advance capacity for vulnerability and risk assessment

# Thank you

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