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CONSOLIDATED PROGRESS REPORT AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2020

- 1. The consolidated progress report summarises progress and financial information provided by bilateral and implementing agencies² as of 31 December 2020, in their respective progress reports³ submitted to the Secretariat.
- 2. The consolidated progress report and the progress reports of the bilateral and implementing agencies include all controlled substances under the Montreal Protocol. Given that HFC-related projects and activities have been funded either under the regular contributions to the Multilateral Fund or under the additional voluntary contributions by 17 non-Article 5 Parties to provide fast-start support for implementation of the Kigali Amendment, ⁴ the information related to these projects is presented separately, based on the funding source. The analysis contained in the present document is based on ODP tonnes for all controlled substances except for HFCs which are measured in mt CO₂-eq.⁵

Review process by the Secretariat

3. The Secretariat reviewed each of the annual progress reports submitted by bilateral and implementing agencies separately. The review was based on the milestones established for investment and non-investment projects including, *inter alia*, signing of agreements; date of release of first disbursement; status of procurement and installation of equipment; status of services provided, including training of

¹ Online meetings and an intersessional approval process will be held in November and December 2021 due to coronavirus disease (COVID-19).

Pre-session documents of the Executive Committee of the Multilateral Fund for the Implementation of the Montreal Protocol are without prejudice to any decision that the Executive Committee might take following issuance of the document.

² Progress reports were submitted by the following agencies: Australia, Canada, France, Germany, Italy, Japan, Spain, UNDP, UNEP, UNIDO and the World Bank (UNEP/OzL.Pro/ExCom/88/13 to UNEP/OzL.Pro/ExCom/88/17).

³ The Executive Committee requested that detailed information on a project-by-project basis be made available to Committee members, with a printout available upon request (decision 19/23). The database for the Consolidated Progress Report is provided on the Executive Committee's intranet in the spreadsheet programme, Microsoft Excel.

⁴ At its 77th meeting, the Executive Committee accepted, with appreciation, the additional contributions announced by 17 non-Article 5 Parties to provide fast-start support for implementation of the Kigali Amendment, noting that such funding was one-time in nature and would not displace donor contributions. The contributing parties are Australia, Canada, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Luxembourg, Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Sweden, Switzerland, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, and United States of America.

⁵ In line with decision 84/12(a)(iv), the measurement for HFCs in mt CO₂-eq. is included in the progress reports submitted to the 88^{th} meeting.

refrigeration technicians and customs officers; level of disbursement of approved funds; the operational and financial completion of the project; and the return of fund balances.

- 4. During the review process, potential issues were identified, *inter alia*, cases where agreements had not been signed; instances where a national ozone officer was not in place; lack of financial progress reports; delayed procurement process; lack of availability of alternative technologies in local markets; and security-related issues at the country level. All projects with outstanding issues had either low disbursement rates of approved funds or/and required an extension of planned completion dates.
- 5. The Secretariat also had several exchanges with each bilateral and implementing agencies on projects and activities with outstanding issues, where several of the issues were satisfactorily resolved. For those projects and activities where the issues could not be resolved, the proposed recommendations for consideration by the Executive Committee were discussed and agreed with the relevant bilateral or implementing agencies. The projects and activities for which an extension of the completion dates has been requested, are considered in the main documents, while the lists of projects with outstanding issues are contained in Annex I of each progress report of bilateral and implementing agencies. The recommendations will be considered during the discussions of each agency progress report at the 88th meeting.
- 6. In line with decision 84/45(c), the Secretariat identified all the MYA components with implementation delays and informed the relevant bilateral and implementing agencies. The Secretariat's recommendations are contained in Annex I of each progress report of the bilateral and implementing agencies.

Scope of the document

7. The present document consists of the following parts:

Part I:

Projects approved under the regular contributions to the Multilateral Fund. It presents a summary of progress in the implementation of projects for 2020 and cumulatively since 1991 addressing all controlled substances under the Montreal Protocol, including Annex F substances (HFCs); it contains a review of the status of implementation of each ongoing⁷ project at the country level; and it identifies projects with implementation delays and the potential impact on the phase-out of controlled substances, as well as projects with outstanding issues for consideration by the Executive Committee.

Part II:

Projects approved under the additional voluntary contributions for fast-start support for HFC phase-down. It provides a summary on the status of implementation of HFC phase-down projects funded under the voluntary contributions.

Recommendation

8. The document also contains the following annexes:

⁶ Excluding those that are considered in the relevant project proposal documents, under reports on projects with specific reporting requirements (UNEP/OzL.Pro/ExCom/88/18), or under tranche submission delays (UNEP/OzL.Pro/ExCom/88/21).

⁷ Ongoing projects are all projects that were under implementation as at 31 December 2020. Key indicators of progress include: percentage of funds disbursed and percentage of projects that have begun disbursing funds; funding expected to be disbursed by the end of the year as a percentage of the approved funding; the average length of projected delay in implementation; and information provided in the remarks column in the progress report database.

Annex I An overview of HFC-related projects and activities, which provides information of all HFC-related projects and activities under the Multilateral Fund, irrespective of the source of funding, at the country level, indicating the status of ratification of the Kigali Amendment and the status of the HFC licensing system.

Annex II An analysis of the consolidated progress report, which provides aggregated information since the inception of the Multilateral Fund up to 31 December 2020, divided into two parts: Part I, Projects approved under the regular contributions to the Multilateral Fund; and Part II, Projects approved under the additional voluntary contributions for fast-start support for HFC phase-down.

Annex III A report on the HFC-related investment projects and enabling activities for the phase-down of HFCs in Article 5 countries ("enabling activities") funded using the additional contributions by a group of 17 non-Article 5 Parties, which provides a comprehensive progress report on HFC activities funded using the additional contributions, in line with decision 84/12(b) and (c).

9. The progress reports of bilateral or implementing agencies did not include any policy issue for consideration by the Executive Committee. Also, no policy issues were identified during the Secretariat's review of the progress reports.

PART I: PROJECTS APPROVED UNDER THE REGULAR CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE MULTILATERAL FUND

Summary of progress in implementation of projects for 2020 and cumulative

- 10. Implementation of projects and activities by bilateral and implementing agencies for 2020 and cumulative since 1991 up to 31 December 2020, is summarized as follows:
 - (a) **Phase-out:** In 2020, 1,324.18 ODP tonnes of consumption of controlled substances were phased out and an additional 2,133.4 ODP tonnes of consumption of controlled substances were approved for phase-out. Since 1991, 289,191 ODP tonnes and 500,994 mt CO₂-eq of consumption and 205,377 ODP tonnes of production of controlled substances had been phased out, of an expected total of 469,653 ODP tonnes and 521,729 mt CO₂-eq from projects approved (excluding cancelled and transferred projects);
 - (b) **Disbursements/approvals:** In 2020, US \$78.64 million was disbursed and US \$89.35 million was planned for disbursement based on the 2019 progress report, representing a rate of disbursement of 88 per cent of that planned. Cumulatively, US \$3.16 billion had been disbursed out of the total US \$3.38 billion approved for disbursement (excluding agency support costs), representing a rate of disbursement of 93 per cent. In 2020, US \$71.9 million was approved for implementation;
 - (c) **Cost-effectiveness** (in **ODP**): Since 1991, the average cost-effectiveness of investment projects approved leading to a permanent reduction in consumption was US \$8.41/kg. The cost-effectiveness for the production sector was US \$4.62/kg. The average cost-effectiveness of investment projects per ODP tonne was US \$4.87/kg for completed

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⁸ Including 203.5 mt (332,848 mt CO₂-eq.) phased out in 2020 for HFC-related projects.

⁹ Including 335.4 mt of HFC investment projects. Cost-effectiveness in CO₂-eq. is not included due to the limited number of projects approved.

projects and US \$50.01/kg for ongoing projects; 10

- (d) **Number of projects completed:** In 2020, 196 projects were completed. Since 1991, 7,833 projects of the 8,664 projects (excluding closed or transferred projects) financed by the Multilateral Fund were completed, representing a completion rate of 90 per cent;
- (e) **Speed of delivery investment projects:** Projects that were completed in 2020 were completed on average 50 months after their approval. Since 1991, the average time for completion of investment projects has been 37 months after their approval. First disbursements under these projects occurred, on average, 14 months after they had been approved;
- (f) **Speed of delivery non-investment projects:** Projects that were completed in 2020 were completed on average 38 months after their approval. Since 1991, the average time for completion of non-investment projects has been 38 months after their approval. First disbursements under these projects occurred, on average, 12 months after they had been approved;
- (g) **Project preparation:** Of the 1,751 project preparation activities approved by the end of 2020, 1,629 have been completed, leaving 122 ongoing activities. In 2020, 24 project preparation activities were approved and 36 were completed;
- (h) **Implementation delays:** A total of 831 projects were under implementation at the end of 2020, experiencing, on average, a delay of 14 months. One hundred and nine of these projects are classified as "projects with implementation delays" that are subject to the procedures of project cancellation (as demonstration projects, project preparation and IS are not subject to those procedures); and
- (i) MYAs: In 2020, one MYA for ODS phase-out plan, one MYA for methyl bromide (MB) production, one HFC production phase-out plan, 188 MYAs for HPMPs and one control and phase-out of HFC-23 emissions were under implementation. Since 1991, 404 MYAs have been approved and 212 MYAs have been completed, representing a completion rate of 52 per cent.

Project implementation progress in 2020

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- 11. Based on planned completion dates reported in the 2019 progress report, and the results reported in the 2020 progress reports, bilateral and implementing agencies completed 51 per cent of the projects they had planned to complete in 2020 and achieved 19 per cent of the total phase-out target. Two hundred and three of the 550 ongoing projects (excluding IS and project preparation) have revised their planned dates of completion since the 2019 progress report.
- 12. Bilateral and implementing agencies achieved an overall rate of disbursement of 88 per cent in 2020. On a country/region basis, 58 countries (including regions) had a disbursement rate of over

¹⁰ The higher value of the cost-effectiveness for ongoing projects is largely due to the lower ODP values of HCFCs but also due to the means of assigning phase-out by agencies. The cost-effectiveness for MYAs of HCFC phase-out management plan (HPMP) is US \$44.06/kg ODP, for stage I of HCFC production phase-out management plan is US \$23.93/kg ODP and for stage II of HCFC production phase-out management plan is US \$4.16/kg ODP.

¹¹ Projects approved over 18 months with disbursement less than 1 per cent, or projects that had not been completed 12 months after the proposed completion date in the progress report (decision 22/61) (as demonstration projects, project preparation, and IS are not subject to those procedures). Pursuant to decision 84/45(c), MYA components are subjected to procedure for cancellation.

85 per cent while 41 countries had a disbursement rate of below 50 per cent.

- 13. In total, bilateral and implementing agencies are requested to report, at the 90th meeting, on 109 ongoing projects with implementation delays and 53 ongoing projects or tranches of MYAs recommended for status reports.
- 14. Appendix I to Annex II provides information on project implementation on a country basis in 2020, and Appendix II to Annex II summarizes the total funding approved and disbursed for HPMP activities at the country level.

PART II: PROJECTS APPROVED UNDER THE ADDITIONAL VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTIONS FOR FAST-START SUPPORT FOR HFC PHASE-DOWN

15. As of 31 December 2020, the Executive Committee had approved 144 HFC-related projects under the additional voluntary contributions amounting to US \$23.93 million (excluding agency support costs). A summary of the status of these projects is presented in Table 1.

Table 1. Status of approved HFC-related projects as of the end of 2020

Туре	Nı	umber of pr	ojects	Funding (US \$)*				
	Approved	Completed	% completed	Approved	Disbursed	Balance	% disbursed	
Investment**	6	2	33	8,502,860	6,266,199	2,236,661	74	
Project preparation	10	10	100	273,821	214,900	58,921	78	
Technical assistance -	128	22	17	15,154,254	9,842,553	5,311,701	65	
Enabling activities								
Total	144	34	24	23,930,935	16,323,651	7,607,284	68	

^{*}Excludes agency support costs.

- 16. Of the 144 projects approved by the end of 2020, two investment projects, 10 preparation of project proposals and 22 enabling activities have been completed. Extension of the completion dates for 106 ongoing enabling activities was approved. The ongoing enabling activities are at various stages of implementation and are expected to be completed between 2021 and 2022. The remaining four ongoing investment projects are expected to be completed in 2021 and 2022. Further to the review process, 20 projects (three investments and 17 enabling activities) are classified as projects with implementation delays and are included in Annex I to the present document containing the Secretariat's recommendation requesting the submission of a report to the 90th meeting.
- 17. Cumulatively, US \$16,323,651 had been disbursed out of the total US \$23,930,935 approved for disbursement (excluding agency support costs), representing a disbursement rate of 68 per cent.

Secretariat comments

18. The Secretariat noted that due to challenges relating to COVID-19, some of the projects, tranches of HPMPs and HFC phase-down related activities were delayed. In line with decision 82/11(b), extension for these projects up to 31 December 2022 need to be approved by the Executive Committee. The recommendations for the extension of completion dates of HPMPs for Bahamas (the) (UNEP/UNIDO), Cabo Verde (UNEP), Djibouti (UNEP), Fiji (UNEP/UNDP), Kuwait (UNEP/UNIDO), Niger (the) (UNEP/UNIDO), North Macedonia (UNIDO), Pakistan (UNEP/UNIDO) and the Sudan (UNIDO) are addressed as applicable, in the progress reports of the respective implementing agencies, in the document on reports on projects with specific reporting requirements, 12 in the document on tranche submission delays 13 or in the respective project proposal documents. The extension requests for Argentina component

^{** 443.1} mt (678,661 mt CO₂-eq) of 754.5 mt (1,108,442 mt CO₂-eq.) of HFCs had been phased out.

¹² UNEP/OzL.Pro/ExCom/88/18

¹³ UNEP/OzL.Pro/ExCom/88/21

of the global chiller replacement project (UNIDO) and enabling activities for Chile (UNIDO), Jordan (UNIDO), Morocco (UNIDO), Papua New Guinea (Germany), Thailand (World Bank) and Uruguay (UNDP/UNIDO) are addressed in the progress reports of the respective implementing agencies.

19. The Secretariat notes that the extension of completion dates of HPMPs to beyond 31 December 2022 were requested for Barbados, Botswana, Côte D'Ivoire, Congo (the), Dominica, Grenada, Haiti, Jamaica, Mali, Mozambique, Saint Kitts and Nevis, South Africa, South Sudan, Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of) and Zambia by the respective implementing agencies; the Secretariat considers that these requests need to be assessed based on a more detailed review and an assessment of the implementation plans to be presented by the respective implementing agencies. Details of the discussion and the recommendation for these projects are presented in the document on the reports on projects with specific reporting requirements.

RECOMMENDATION

- 20. The Executive Committee may wish to note:
 - (a) The consolidated progress report of the Multilateral Fund as at 31 December 2020 contained in document UNEP/OzL.Pro/ExCom/88/12;
 - (b) With appreciation, the efforts undertaken by bilateral and implementing agencies in reporting their 2020 activities; and
 - (c) That the bilateral and implementing agencies would report, at the 90th meeting, on 129 projects with implementation delays and 53 ongoing projects or tranches of multi-year agreements recommended for additional status reports, as contained in Annex I of each individual progress report of bilateral and implementing agencies.

Annex I

AN OVERVIEW OF HFC-RELATED PROJECTS AND ACTIVITIES

- 1. Since its 80th meeting, the Executive Committee has approved funding for the implementation of HFC investment projects (decisions 78/3(g) and 79/45), and enabling activities to help national ozone units fulfil their initial obligations with regard to HFC phase-down in line with the Kigali Amendment (decision 79/46).
- 2. As of 31 December 2020, the Executive Committee has approved 184 HFC-related projects and activities in 137 countries, consisting of 13 requests for project preparation, 14 investment projects and 157 enabling activities, amounting to US \$32.81 million (excluding support costs).
- 3. Table 1 presents an overview of all HFC-related projects and activities under the Multilateral Fund, irrespective of their source of funding, at the country level, indicating the status of ratification of the Kigali Amendment and the status of the HFC licensing system.

Table 1. Overview of all HFC-related projects and activities under the Multilateral Fund

	Group	Ratification	Implementation	Funds	approved for	(US \$)
Country	_	of Kigali	of licensing	Enabling	Investment	Preparation
-		Amendment	system	activities	projects	projects
Afghanistan	1			150,000		
Albania	1	Yes	$\sqrt{}$	94,978		
Algeria	1			150,000		
Angola	1	Yes	Pending	150,000		
Antigua and Barbuda	1					
Argentina	1	Yes	$\sqrt{}$	250,000	1,840,755	74,816
Armenia	1	Yes	$\sqrt{}$	150,000		
Bahamas (the)	1			95,000		
Bahrain	2			150,000		
Bangladesh	1	Yes	$\sqrt{}$	150,000	3,131,610	
Barbados	1	Yes	$\sqrt{}$			
Belize	1			95,000		
Benin	1	Yes	$\sqrt{}$	150,000		
Bhutan	1	Yes	$\sqrt{}$	50,000		
Bolivia (Plurinational	1	Yes	√	150,000		
State of)						
Bosnia and Herzegovina	1	Yes	$\sqrt{}$	95,000		
Botswana	1	Yes	Pending	150,000		
Brazil	1					
Brunei Darussalam	1			150,000		
Burkina Faso	1	Yes	$\sqrt{}$	150,000		
Burundi	1	Yes	Pending	150,000		
Cabo Verde	1	Yes	Pending	95,000		
Cambodia	1	Yes	V	150,000		
Cameroon	1	Yes	Pending	150,000		
Central African Republic	1		-			
(the)						
Chad	1	Yes	$\sqrt{}$	150,000		
Chile	1	Yes	$\sqrt{}$	150,000		
China	1	Yes	Pending	250,000	1,275,000	64,066
Colombia	1	Yes	V	250,000		
Comoros (the)	1	Yes	V	50,000		
Congo (the)	1			150,000		
Cook Islands (the)	1	Yes	V	50,000		

	Group	Ratification	Implementation	Funds	approved for	(US \$)
Country	•	of Kigali	of licensing	Enabling	Investment	Preparation
,		Amendment	system	activities	projects	projects
Costa Rica	1	Yes	, _{\sqrt}	150,000	<u>, J</u>	T J
Côte d'Ivoire	1	Yes	Pending	150,000		
Cuba	1	Yes	Pending	150,000		
Democratic People's	1	Yes	\sqrt{\sqrt{\sqrt{\chi}}	120,000		
Republic of Korea (the)	1	103	,			
Democratic Republic of	1			150,000		
the Congo (the)	•			150,000		
Djibouti	1			50,000		
Dominica	1			50,000		
Dominican Republic (the)	1	Yes	V	150,000 129,825		30,000
Ecuador	1	Yes	V	150,000	127,023	29,937
Egypt	1	105	٧	250,000		30,000
El Salvador	1	Yes	Pending	150,000		30,000
Equatorial Guinea		168	rending	150,000		
Eritrea	1					
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Eswatini	1	Yes	Pending	95,000		
Ethiopia	1	Yes	Pending	95,000		
Fiji	1	Yes	V	150,000		
Gabon	1	Yes	V	150,000		
Gambia (the)	1	Yes	Pending	95,000		
Georgia	1			95,000		
Ghana	1	Yes	V	150,000		
Grenada	1	Yes	$\sqrt{}$	46,491		
Guatemala	1			150,000		
Guinea	1	Yes	$\sqrt{}$	150,000		
Guinea-Bissau	1	Yes	Pending	95,000		
Guyana	1			95,000		
Haiti	1			95,000		
Honduras	1	Yes	V	150,000		
India	2					
Indonesia	1			250,000		
Iran (Islamic Republic of)	2			250,000		
Iraq	2			250,000		
Jamaica	1			150,000		
Jordan	1	Yes	V	150,000	1,637,610	
Kenya	1	105	,	150,000	1,037,010	
Kiribati	1	Yes	V	50,000		
Kuwait	2	103	,	250,000		
Kyrgyzstan	1	Yes	V	95,000		
Lao People's Democratic	1	Yes	V	95,000		
Republic (the)	1	168	V	93,000		
Lebanon	1	Yes	V	150,000	1,053,858	20,000
Lesotho	1	Yes	Pending	95,000	1,055,858	30,000
	1					
Liberia	1	Yes	Pending	95,000		
Libya	1			150,000		
Madagascar	1	37	-1	150,000		
Malawi	1	Yes	V	150,000		
Malaysia	1	Yes	V	250,000		
Maldives	1	Yes	√ -	95,000		
Mali	1	Yes	Pending	150,000		
Marshall Islands (the)	1	Yes	V	50,000		
Mauritania	1		,	150,000		
Mauritius	1	Yes	$\sqrt{}$	150,000		

	Group	Ratification	Implementation	Funds	approved for	(US \$)
Country		of Kigali Amendment	of licensing system	Enabling activities	Investment projects	Preparation projects
Mexico	1	Yes	√ System	250,000	4,201,181	84,818
Micronesia (Federated	1	Yes	V	50,000	4,201,101	04,010
States of)	1	103	,	50,000		
Mongolia	1			95,000		
Montenegro	1	Yes	V	49,973		
Morocco	1	105	,	150,000		
Mozambique	1	Yes	Pending	150,000		
Myanmar	1	105	Tonama	95,000		
Namibia	1	Yes	√ 150,000			
Nauru	1	103	,	50,000		
Nepal	1			95,000		
Nicaragua	1	Yes	$\sqrt{}$	150,000		
Niger (the)	1	Yes	√ 150,000 √ 150,000			
Nigeria	1	Yes	V	250,000		
Niue	1	Yes	V	50,000		
North Macedonia	1	Yes	V	95,000		
Oman	2	168	V	150,000		
Pakistan	2			250,000		
		Yes				
Palau	1		√ -/	50,000		
Panama	1	Yes	V	150,000		
Papua New Guinea	1	***		95,000		
Paraguay	1	Yes	ν,	150,000		
Peru	1	Yes	Pending	147,582		
Philippines (the)	1			225,992		
Qatar	2			150,000		
Republic of Moldova (the)				50,000		
Rwanda	1	Yes	V	95,000		
Saint Kitts and Nevis	1			50,000		
Saint Lucia	1			95,000		
Saint Vincent and the	1			50,000		
Grenadines						
Samoa	1	Yes	V	50,000		
Sao Tome and Principe	1	Yes	Pending	95,000		
Saudi Arabia	2			250,000		
Senegal	1	Yes	Pending	150,000		
Serbia	1			150,000		
Seychelles	1	Yes	V	95,000		
Sierra Leone	1	Yes	Pending	95,000		
Solomon Islands	1			95,000		
Somalia	1	Yes	Pending	150,000		
South Africa	1	Yes	Pending	240,000		
South Sudan	1			95,000		
Sri Lanka	1	Yes	V	150,000		
Sudan (the)	1			150,000		30,000
Suriname	1			95,000		
Syrian Arab Republic	1	Yes	Pending	250,000		
Thailand	1		Ŭ	250,000	183,514	30,000
Timor-Leste	1			50,000	,	•
Togo	1	Yes	V	150,000		
Tonga	1	Yes	V	50,000		
Trinidad and Tobago	1	Yes	√ N	150,000		
Tunisia	1	Yes	Pending	150,000		
Turkey	1		5	250,000		

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	Group	Ratification	Implementation	Funds	approved for	(US \$)
Country	try of Kigali of licensing Amendment system		Enabling activities	Investment projects	Preparation projects	
Turkmenistan	1	Yes	$\sqrt{}$	150,000		
Tuvalu	1	Yes	V	50,000		
Uganda	1	Yes	V	50,000		
United Republic of Tanzania (the)	1			95,000		
Uruguay	1	Yes	V	150,000		
Vanuatu	1	Yes	V	50,000		
Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of)	1			250,000		
Viet Nam	1	Yes	V	249,238		
Yemen	1					
Zambia	1	Yes	Pending	95,000		
Zimbabwe	1		-	150,000	426,954	30,000
Total				18,494,254	13,880,307	433,637

Annex II

ANALYSIS OF THE CONSOLIDATED PROGRESS REPORT OF THE MULTILATERAL FUND AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2020

1. This Annex consists of the following two parts:

Part I: Projects approved under the regular contributions to the Multilateral Fund.

Part II: Projects approved under the additional voluntary contributions for fast-start

support for HFC phase-down.

PART I: PROJECTS APPROVED UNDER THE REGULAR CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE MULTILATERAL FUND

2. As of 31 December 2020, the Executive Committee had approved US \$3.78 billion¹ to bilateral and implementing agencies as shown in Table 1. In 2020, 259 new projects and activities were approved. This level of funding is expected to result in the phase-out of 469,653 ODP tonnes of ODS consumption and production.

Table 1. Approved funding by sector and agency as at 31 December 2020 (US \$)

Sector	UNDP	UNEP	UNIDO	World Bank	Bilateral	Total
Aerosol	26,054,837	882,689	34,413,701	22,984,030	2,051,914	86,387,171
Destruction	3,606,279	190,040	3,805,540	400,000	1,526,282	9,528,141
Foam	173,331,512	0	89,105,490	136,339,172	8,093,731	406,869,904
Halon	4,996,973	767,640	1,780,369	70,221,038	6,147,361	83,913,381
Fumigants	20,081,241	2,614,366	78,028,741	5,837,887	18,226,925	124,789,159
Multiple sectors	0	0	139,440	2,341,168	0	2,480,608
Other	0	0	11,317,246	5,059,360	0	16,376,606
Phase-out plan	361,740,925	64,903,487	353,091,265	202,645,157	68,211,986	1,050,592,821
Process agent	1,286,923	0	6,337,359	114,342,497	0	121,966,779
Production	1,056,000	0	51,128,201	378,930,190	10,000,000	441,114,391
Refrigeration	139,603,919	13,872,913	182,191,775	180,259,970	40,910,116	556,838,693
Several	65,479,103	263,992,288	19,287,372	28,969,731	4,759,718	382,488,212
Solvents	63,699,997	198,860	23,247,443	10,237,394	2,512,738	99,896,432
Sterilant	417,628	0	0	661,227	0	1,078,855
Sub-total	861,355,337	347,422,283	853,873,942	1,159,228,820	162,440,770	3,384,321,153
Agency support costs	117,625,135	28,796,104	112,890,657	120,209,090	15,565,729	395,086,716
Total	978,980,472	376,218,388	966,764,599	1,279,437,910	178,006,500	3,779,407,869

3. A summary of the status of projects implemented, by category, is presented in Table 2.

Table 2. Status of project implementation by category

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Trung	Nun	iber of proje	ects*	Funding (US \$)**							
Type	Approved	Completed	6 completed	Approved	Disbursed	Balance	% disbursed				
Country programme	165	165	100	7,266,559	7,266,559	0	100				
Demonstration	134	132	99	61,469,136	59,959,388	1,509,748	98				
Institutional strengthening (IS)	1,292	1,133	88	151,925,702	133,850,407	18,075,295	88				
Investment	3,126	2,864	92	2,686,202,301	2,533,551,604	152,650,697	94				
Project preparation	1,751	1,629	93	87,749,694	84,021,589	3,728,105	96				

¹ An additional US \$142.65 million has been approved for the meetings of the Executive Committee, the operation of the Secretariat, and the Treasurer fees.

Туре	Nun	ıber of proje	cts*	Funding (US \$)**				
	Approved	Completed	6 completed	Approved	Disbursed	Balance	% disbursed	
Technical assistance	1,872	1,586	85	363,900,998	311,840,877	52,060,121	86	
Training projects	324	324	100	25,806,763	25,806,763	0	100	
Total	8,664	7,833	90	3,384,321,153	3,156,297,187	228,023,965	93	

^{*}Excludes closed and transferred projects.

4. Table 3 presents an overview of the status of project implementation by year.² Of the US \$3.38 billion approved, US \$3.16 billion has been disbursed (including US \$78.64 million disbursed in 2020). All projects and activities approved between 1991 and 2007 have now been completed. Approved projects (investment and non-investment) have resulted in the phase-out of 494,568 ODP³ tonnes of consumption and production of controlled substances. As of 31 December 2020, investment projects representing around US \$2.32 billion have been completed, resulting in the permanent phase-out of 475,913 ODP tonnes of controlled substances with an overall cost-effectiveness of US \$4.87/kg ODP phased out.

Table 3. Status of project implementation by year

Number of projects* Funding (US \$)** Year Completed % completed Disbursed Balance % disbursed Approved **Approved** 7,950,771 7,950,771 41.261.376 41.261.376 73,198,586 73,198,586 128,630,290 128,630,290 111,188,309 111,188,309 83,813,027 83,813,027 154,314,938 154,314,940 -1 99,680,368 99,680,367 152,710,736 152,710,736 109,540,523 109,540,522 130,139,750 130,139,751 -1 162,045,816 162,045,815 157,043,468 157,043,468 162,388,007 162,388,008 180,276,023 180,276,022 120.848.004 120,762,417 85,586 120,144,867 120,084,048 60,820 121,900,010 121,871,235 28,775 73,793,821 73.075.355 718,466 84,438,275 83,387,745 1,050,530 3,777,013 201,999,135 198,222,122 101,122,995 $3,236,\overline{121}$ 97,886,875 125,617,302 124,063,191 1,554,110 92,524,185 89,430,544 3,093,641 160,139,228 141,762,893 18,376,335 91,695,424 23,726,773 115,422,196 64.220.346 56,371,561 7,848,785

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^{**} Excludes agency support costs.

² The data is presented according to the year when a project was approved by the Executive Committee. It treats all approvals (investment and non-investment projects) equally (i.e., an investment project or annual funding tranche of an MYA of US \$1 million is considered one project as is a country programme preparation of US \$30,000). Key indicators from the annual summary are: the percentage of projects completed, ODP phased out, and percentage of funds disbursed. There are three types of disbursements: during implementation, after implementation and for retroactively-financed projects.

³ Total phase-out for the Fund includes 475,913 ODP tonnes of controlled substances from completed investment projects, 14,420 ODP tonnes from completed non-investment projects and 4,235 ODP tonnes from ongoing projects.

Year	Nu	mber of proj	ects*	Funding (US \$)**					
	Approved	Completed	% completed	Approved	Disbursed	Balance	% disbursed		
2018	271	104	38	122,853,364	56,425,190	66,428,174	46		
2019	226	17	8	53,217,538	11,538,883	41,678,655	22		
2020	259	1	0	71,897,896	15,537,716	56,360,180	22		
Total	8,664	7,833	90	3,384,321,153	3,156,297,187	228,023,965	93		

^{*} Excludes closed and transferred projects.

COMPLETED PROJECTS⁴

5. Overall, 99.7 per cent of the funds approved for completed investment projects have been disbursed.⁵

Completed investment projects

6. Table 4 presents information on investment projects that have been completed since 1991. The table presents the data in total, followed by data according to region, sector, implementation characteristics, and disbursement method.

Table 4. Cumulative completed investment projects

Item	Number of projects	Approved funds plus adjustment (US \$)	Per cent of funds disbursed	Consump- tion (ODP phased out*)	Production (ODP phased out*)	Average number of months from pproval to firs disbursement	Average number of months from approval to completion	Overall cost- effectiveness to the Fund (US \$/kg)
TOTAL	2,864	2,319,105,803	100	271,724	204,189	14	37	4.87
Region								
Africa	486	163,268,189	100	18,286	0	12	39	8.93
Asia and Pacific	1,525	1,681,472,968	100	210,775	184,239	16	37	4.26
Europe	150	71,853,737	100	8,048	175	10	34	8.74
Latin America and Caribbean	703	402,510,909	99	34,614	19,775	14	37	7.40
Global	n/a	0	0	0	0	n/a	n/a	n/a
Sector								
Aerosol	127	82,517,299	100	27,449	0	16	43	3.01
Destruction	0	0	0	0	0	n/a	n/a	n/a
Fire fighting	0	0	0	0	0	n/a	n/a	n/a
Foam	1,003	376,083,231	100	69,420	0	15	34	5.42
Fumigants	123	99,900,005	100	7,993	0	10	49	12.50
Halon	39	71,476,177	100	42,111	41,958	17	30	0.85
Multiple sectors	4	2,287,376	100	419	0	28	78	5.46
Other	8	16,059,360	100	1,574	0	12	20	10.20
Phase-out plan	722	600,658,874	99	51,507	10,988	12	40	9.61
Process agent	30	120,252,627	100	19,573	52,162	10	27	1.68
Production	61	414,398,882	100	0	99,081	9	19	4.18
Refrigeration	616	440,046,314	100	44,334	0	16	39	9.93
Solvents	128	94,351,804	100	7,285	0	19	32	12.95

⁴ Completed projects/activities are defined in decisions 17/22 and 19/23 as projects that have been commissioned and where the ODS addressed has been phased out. A further decision (decision 28/2) extends the definition to cover situations where no further use of CFCs in the sectors covered is in evidence, where an alternative product is being produced (and/or production has begun), and where the equipment using CFCs has been destroyed/dismantled/rendered unusable with respect to ODSs. Work programme activities without an ODS phase-out are considered completed when the activity is finished (e.g., for a workshop, when it has been conducted). This definition has been applied for HCFC-related projects.

^{**} Excludes agency support costs.

⁵ The reason that 100 per cent of funds have not been disbursed for completed projects is that it may take from six months to one year to finalise accounting records.

Item	Number of projects	Approved funds plus adjustment (US \$)	Per cent of funds disbursed	Consump- tion (ODP phased out*)	Production (ODP phased out*)	Average number of months from pproval to firs disbursement		Overall cost- effectiveness to the Fund (US \$/kg)
Sterilant	3	1,073,855	100	60	0	15	34	17.78
Implementation	characterist	ics						
Agency implementation	1,774	832,724,855	100	94,262	17,381	11	35	7.46
National implementation	1,090	1,486,380,948	100	177,462	186,808	20	40	4.08
Disbursement me	ethod							
During implementation	2,753	2,004,358,631	100	264,841	199,719	14	38	4.31
After implementation	50	17,166,608	100	2,512	0	23	25	6.83
Retroactive funding	37	14,635,851	100	2,100	500	15	11	5.63
Country to final beneficiaries	24	282,944,713	100	2,270	3,970	8	51	45.34

^{*}Excludes closed and transferred projects.

Completed non-investment projects

7. Table 5 presents data on cumulative completed non-investment projects. Since 1991, 3,340 non-investment projects have been completed at a total value of US \$526.93 million.

Table 5. Cumulative completed non-investment projects

Item	Number of	Approved	Per cent	Average number	Average number of
	projects	funds plus	of funds	of months from	months from
		adjustment	disbursed	approval to first	approval to
		(US \$)	(%)	disbursement	completion
TOTAL	3,340	526,930,493	99	12	38
Region					
Africa	1,014	87,524,624	99	11	38
Asia and Pacific	1,003	150,297,520	99	13	40
Europe	219	20,783,266	100	9	33
Latin America and Caribbean	794	93,971,221	99	13	41
Global	310	174,353,862	97	6	23
Sector					
Aerosol	31	2,461,265	100	11	36
Destruction	16	7,205,265	100	11	63
Fire fighting	0	0	0	n/a	n/a
Foam	34	10,738,870	98	14	36
Fumigants	137	21,224,434	100	9	39
Halon	82	11,238,156	100	17	44
Multiple sectors	1	53,792	100	56	58
Other	1	76,499	100	7	38
Phase-out plan	564	55,302,572	98	13	41
Process agent	0	0	0	n/a	n/a
Production	1	40,000	100	4	4
Refrigeration	638	91,902,739	99	16	50
Several	1,801	323,288,119	98	10	32
Solvents	34	3,398,782	100	11	27
Sterilant	0	0	0	n/a	n/a
Implementation Characteristics					
Agency implementation	2,724	398,241,985	98	11	37
National implementation	616	128,688,508	99	14	41
Disbursement Method					
During implementation	3,306	515,024,296	99	12	38
After implementation	26	2,325,462	100	14	21

Item	Number of projects	Approved funds plus adjustment (US \$)	Per cent of funds disbursed (%)	Average number of months from approval to first disbursement	Average number of months from approval to completion
Retroactive funding	1	146,698	100	3	83
Country to final beneficiaries	7	9,434,037	100	7	38

- 8. The average time from approval to first disbursement for non-investment projects is 12 months. Non-investment projects have been completed, on average, 38 months after they were approved. This figure is influenced by the large number of projects (1,801 of 3,340) in the sector called "several", which had an average time from approval to completion of 32 months. Non-investment projects in the other sectors were completed between four and 63 months after they had been approved.
- 9. Almost all projects were implemented by the agency concerned rather than through national implementation. Agency implementation of non-investment projects normally does not require legal agreements, which may explain the shorter period of time (37 months) compared with nationally-implemented non-investment projects (41 months).

ONGOING PROJECTS

Ongoing investment projects

10. Table 6 presents information on the status of investment projects under implementation by region, sector, and implementation characteristics.

Table 6. Cumulative ongoing investment projects

Item	Number				Per cent of	Average	Average	Average	Overall cost-
	of projects	funds plus adjustment	funds	projects disbursing	projects disbursing	number of months from	number of months from	length of delay in	effectiveness to the Fund
	projects	(US \$)	uisbui seu	uisbui silig	uisbuising	approval to	approval to	project	(US\$/kg.)*
		(05 \$)				first	planned	planned	(US\$/Kg.)
						disbursement	-		
TOTAL	262	350,726,061	59	156	60	11	54	32	50.01
Region	•			•					
Africa	80	30,647,500	34	50	63	11	56	28	84.01
Asia and Pacific	102	282,482,116	64	62	61	11	60	44	46.18
Europe	21	5,143,646	29	12	57	8	44	29	86.30
Latin America and	59	32,452,799	38	32	54	10	45	20	68.65
Caribbean									
Global	0	0	0	0	0	0	n/a	n/a	n/a
Sector									
Aerosol	0	0	0	0	0	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Destruction	0	0	0	0	0	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Fire fighting	0	0	0	0	0	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Foam	3	3,573,740	68	3	100	10	94	72	73.53
Fumigants	0	0	0	0	0	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Halon	0	0	0	0	0	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Multiple sectors	0	0	0	0	0	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Other	0	0	0	0	0	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Phase-out plan	252	317,825,367	57	149	59	11	53	30	47.13
Process agent	0	0	0	0	0	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Production	3	25,273,058	79	2	67	12	54	36	n/a
Refrigeration	4	4,053,896	73	2	50	7	97	71	18.34
Solvents	0	0	0	0	0	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Sterilant	0	0	0	0	0	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Implementation Cha	racteristics								
Agency	183	216,878,898	58	126	69	10	60	33	47.57
implementation			l						

Item	Number of	Approved funds plus	Per cent of funds	Number of projects	Per cent of projects	Average number of	Average number of		Overall cost- effectiveness
	projects	adjustment	disbursed	disbursing	disbursing	months from	months from	delay in	to the Fund
		(US \$)					approval to	project	(US\$/kg.)*
						first	planned	planned	
						disbursement	completion	completion	
National	79	133,847,163	60	30	38	13	40	25	54.53
implementation									
Disbursement Metho	d								
During	248	163,326,691	37	142	57	11	53	30	36.02
implementation									
After	0	0	0	0	0	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
implementation									
Retroactive funding	0	0	0	0	0	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Country to final	14	187,399,370	77	14	100	10	80	53	75.60
beneficiaries									

^{*}Based on the ODS to be phased out according to the proposal.

11. There are currently 262 investment projects under implementation at a total value of over US \$350.72 million. Around 59 per cent of the funds have already been disbursed. The overall average cost-effectiveness of ongoing investment projects is US \$50.01/kg ODP to be phased out. The average number of months from approval to first disbursement is 11 months. The average duration of an ongoing investment project is 54 months. Typically, ongoing investment projects are completed 32 months later than originally planned, which could be considered the average delay.

Ongoing non-investment projects

12. Table 7 presents information on the status of non-investment projects under implementation by region, sector, and implementation characteristic.

Table 7. Cumulative ongoing non-investment projects

Item	Number	Approved	Per cent	Number of	Per cent	Average	Average	Average
	of	funds plus	of funds	projects	of projects	number of	number of	length of
	projects	adjustment	disbursed	disbursing	disbursing	months from	months from	delay in
		(US \$)				approval to	approval to	project
						first	planned	planned
						disbursement	_	completion
TOTAL	447	81,990,312	22	210	47	12	38	11
Region								
Africa	126	14,065,461	18	47	37	15	34	8
Asia and Pacific	180	36,612,607	25	92	51	11	42	12
Europe	27	2,669,826	36	13	48	7	30	5
Latin America and	109	17,859,980	29	57	52	13	40	13
Caribbean								
Global	5	10,782,438	1	1	20	14	20	7
Sector								
Aerosol	0	0	0	0	0	n/a	n/a	n/a
Destruction	1	1,490,600	89	1	100	13	103	59
Fire fighting	0	0	0	0	0	n/a	n/a	n/a
Foam	0	0	0	0	0	n/a	n/a	n/a
Fumigants	0	0	0	0	0	n/a	n/a	n/a
Halon	0	0	0	0	0	n/a	n/a	n/a
Multiple sectors	0	0	0	0	0	n/a	n/a	n/a
Other	0	0	0	0	0	n/a	n/a	n/a
Phase-out plan	253	42,905,669	21	103	41	13	40	10
Process agent	0	0	0	0	0	n/a	n/a	n/a
Production	0	0	0	0	0	n/a	n/a	n/a
Refrigeration	1	808,438	13	1	100	14	49	36
Several	192	36,785,605	20	105	55	12	35	11
Solvents	0	0	0	0	0	n/a	n/a	n/a

Item	Number of projects	Approved funds plus adjustment (US \$)	Per cent of funds disbursed	Number of projects disbursing	of projects	Average number of months from approval to first disbursement	Average number of months from approval to planned completion	Average length of delay in project planned completion
Sterilant	0	0	0	0	0	n/a	n/a	n/a
Implementation Cha	racteristics							
Agency implementation	362	57,196,445	20	161	44	13	39	11
National implementation	85	24,793,867	26	49	58	9	38	10
Disbursement Metho	od							
During implementation	446	81,491,112	21	209	47	12	38	11
After implementation	0	0	0	0	0	n/a	n/a	n/a
Retroactive funding	0	0	0	0	0	n/a	n/a	n/a
Country to final beneficiaries	1	499,200	98	1	100	9	36	12

13. There are currently 447 non-investment projects under implementation at a total value of US \$81.99 million, with 22 per cent of the funds already disbursed. The average number of months from approval to first disbursement is 12 months. On average, ongoing non-investment projects are completed 38 months from the date of approval, which represents a delay of 11 months.

CLOSED PROJECTS

14. Table 8 presents a summary of closed projects.

Table 8. Closed projects summary

Agency	Number of projects	Approved funding plus adjustment (US\$)	Funds disbursed (US \$)	Balances (US\$)	Consumption ODP to be phased out	Consumption ODP phased out
UNDP	81	6,895,392	6,895,392	0	673	636
UNEP	14	21,000	21,000	0	12	12
UNIDO	67	6,347,808	6,347,806	1	1,808	367
World Bank	95	1,373,519	1,373,519	0	657	581
Bilateral	17	227,901	227,901	0	223	0
Total	274	14,865,620	14,865,618	1	3,373	1,595

HFC-RELATED ACTIVITIES

15. Table 9 presents a summary of HFC-related projects approved under regular contributions.

Table 9. HFC-related projects approved under regular contributions

table 7: 111 & related projects approved under regular contributions										
Trino	Nı	umber of pr	ojects	Funding (US \$)*						
Туре	Approved	Completed	% completed	Approved	Disbursed	Balance	% disbursed			
Investment**	8	5	63	5,377,447	4,262,650	1,114,797	79			
Project preparation	3	2	67	159,816	129,510	30,306	81			
Technical assistance - Enabling activities	29	0	0	3,340,000	1,040,636	2,299,364	31			
Total	40	7	18	8,877,263	5,432,795	3,444,468	61			

^{*}Excludes agency support costs.

^{** 320.9} mt (500,994 mt CO₂-eq) of 335.4 mt (521,729 mt CO₂-eq.) of HFCs had been phased out.

- 16. There are currently 40 HFC-related projects (including eight investment projects, three preparation of project proposals and 29 enabling activities) approved under regular contributions at a total value of US \$8,877,263, with US \$5,432,795 of the funds already disbursed.
- 17. Of the 40 projects, five investment projects and two preparation of a project proposal have been completed. Extension of the completion dates for 29 enabling activities was approved. The ongoing enabling activities are progressing at various stages of implementation and are expected to be completed in 2021 and 2022. The remaining three ongoing investment projects are expected to be completed between 2022 and 2023 and the remaining ongoing project preparation is expected to be completed in 2022.

PART II: PROJECTS APPROVED UNDER THE ADDITIONAL VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTIONS FOR FAST-START SUPPORT FOR HFC PHASE-DOWN

18. As of 31 December 2020, the Executive Committee had approved 144 HFC-related projects under the additional voluntary contributions amounting to US \$23.93 million (excluding agency support costs). A summary of the status of these projects is presented in Table 10.

Table 10. Status of approved HFC-related projects as of the end of 2020

Т	Nı	ımber of pr	ojects	Funding (US \$)*				
Type	Approved	Completed	% completed	Approved	Disbursed	Balance	% disbursed	
Investment**	6	2	33	8,502,860	6,266,199	2,236,661	74	
Project preparation	10	10	100	273,821	214,900	58,921	78	
Technical assistance -	128	22	17	15,154,254	9,842,553	5,311,701	65	
Enabling activities Total	144	34	24	23,930,935	16,323,651	7,607,284	68	

^{*}Excludes agency support costs.

- 19. Of the 144 projects approved by the end of 2020, two investment projects, 10 preparation of project proposals and 22 enabling activities have been completed. Extension of the completion dates for 106 ongoing enabling activities was approved. The ongoing enabling activities are at various stages of implementation and are expected to be completed between 2021 and 2022.
- 20. The remaining four ongoing investment projects are expected to be completed in 2021 and 2022. Cumulatively, US \$16,323,651 had been disbursed out of the total US \$23,930,935 approved for disbursement (excluding agency support costs), representing a disbursement rate of 68 per cent.

^{** 443.1} mt (678,661 mt CO₂-eq) of 754.5 mt (1,108,442 mt CO₂-eq.) of HFCs had been phased out.

 ${\bf Appendix~I}$ ${\bf PROJECT~IMPLEMENTATION~IN~2020~BY~COUNTRY}$

Country	Phased	Percentage	Estimated	Funds	Percentage of	Percentage of
	out in	of planned	funds	disbursed in	funds disbursed	
	2020*	phase-out	disbursed in	2020 (US\$)	over estimation	projects
		achieved	2020 (US\$)		in 2020	completed in
		in 2020				2020
Afghanistan	0.2	0	153,693	189,669	123	50
Albania	0.0		105,203	87,049	83	100
Algeria	0.0		187,220	56,864	30	0
Angola	0.0		206,137	119,673	58	0
Antigua and Barbuda	0.0		37,812	188	0	0
Argentina	4.7	100	796,989	874,747	110	75
Armenia	0.0		110,545	141,250	128	100
Bahamas (the)	0.0	0	139,847	94,603	68	50
Bahrain	0.0		73,621	118,525	161	100
Bangladesh	0.0		705,387	7,532	1	
Barbados	0.0		33,081	62,185	188	100
Belize	0.0		10,000	47,850	479	100
Benin	0.0	0	75,651	107,992	143	100
Bhutan	0.0		125,407	66,784	53	
Bolivia (Plurinational State of)	0.5		81,216	46,152	57	50
Bosnia and Herzegovina	0.0		99,500	95,096	96	0
Botswana	0.0	0	212,818	116,557	55	0
Brazil	20.0	0	6,784,746	3,110,462	46	50
Brunei Darussalam	0.2	20	10,493	122,512	1168	67
Burkina Faso	0.0		124,565	130,257	105	
Burundi	0.0	0	26,000	117,455	452	50
Cambodia	0.0		150,186	174,782	116	
Cameroon	0.1		73,651	34,355	47	
Cabo Verde	0.0	0	0	58,808	Over	67
Central African Republic (the)	0.0		18,000	0	0	0
Chad	0.0	0	26,250	20,000	76	50
Chile	5.7	0	609,674	441,788	72	0
China	831.5	6	23,648,546	33,865,817	143	27
Colombia	26.0	13	964,254	392,820	41	60
Comoros (the)	0.0		72,952	96,709	133	100
Congo (the)	0.0	0	85,250	88,165	103	0
Cook Islands (the)	0.0		51,038	79,492	156	50
Costa Rica	3.5		222,542	164,696	74	100
Côte D'Ivoire	0.1		209,446	33,810	16	
Cuba	3.2		223,459	289,759	130	50
Democratic People's Republic of	0.0		4	21,485	537121	
Korea (the)						
Democratic Republic of the	0.0		83,819	39,900	48	33
Congo (the)						
Djibouti	0.0		50,846	0	0	0
Dominica	0.0		96,875	24,546	25	33
Dominican Republic (the)	0.0	100	338,354	339,888	100	50
Ecuador	7.7	0	315,725	216,835	69	100
Egypt	23.1	29	3,415,272	2,307,883	68	0
El Salvador	0.0	0	288,824	104,405	36	50

Country	Phased out in 2020*	Percentage of planned phase-out achieved in 2020	Estimated funds disbursed in 2020 (US\$)	Funds disbursed in 2020 (US\$)	Percentage of funds disbursed over estimation in 2020	planned
Equatorial Guinea	0.0	0	92,655	146,301	158	50
Eritrea	0.0		29,600	89	0	100
Eswatini (the Kingdom of)	0.0		64,000	45,000	70	
Ethiopia	0.0	0	119,545	50,000	42	0
Fiji	0.0	0	77,896	75,280	97	67
Gabon	0.0		127,004	152,124	120	100
Gambia (the)	0.0	0	52,585	29,693	56	75
Georgia	0.7		72,547	30,189	42	0
Ghana	8.5	61	172,597	180,932	105	75
Grenada	0.0	0	48,559	1,919	4	33
Guatemala	0.8	0	100,047	136,679	137	50
Guinea	0.0		33,698	94,930	282	100
Guinea-Bissau	0.0		76,982	42,549	55	67
Guyana	0.0		140,679	0	0	100
Haiti	0.2		117,329	97,061	83	0
Honduras	0.0	0	208,399	137,145	66	80
India	103.8	100	7,163,568	5,858,631	82	67
Indonesia	0.0	0	1,581,315	819,584	52	60
Iran (Islamic Republic of)	17.3	0	2,129,546	1,410,533	66	0
Iraq	0.0	0	1,039,828	206,524	20	14
Jamaica	0.0	0	145,079	65,089	45	67
Jordan	118.7	0	1,384,134	1,486,516	107	50
Kenya	0.0		277,152	189,179	68	0
Kiribati	0.0		67,519	22,429	33	0
Kuwait	0.0		3,774,091	3,094,632	82	0
Kyrgyzstan	0.5	71	143,942	117,140	81	67
Lao People's Democratic Republic (the)	0.0	0	127,928	101,411	79	100
Lebanon	6.3		249,574	420,099	168	100
Lesotho	0.0		81,400	74,366	91	50
Liberia	0.0		74,629	108,527	145	
Libya	0.0		171,004	92,179	54	0
Madagascar	0.0	0	124,340	121,783	98	100
Malawi	0.0	0	45,360	34,190	75	100
Malaysia	10.0		634,368	834,646	132	
Maldives	0.0		72,023	37,560	52	100
Mali	0.0		69,630	110	0	0
Marshall Islands (the)	0.0	0	92,885	42,120	45	50
Mauritania	0.0		186,500	135,000	72	50
Mauritius	0.0		153,929	181,513	118	
Mexico	84.8	0	2,665,699	1,176,965	44	33
Micronesia (Federated States of)	0.0	0	69,223	61,745	89	50
Mongolia	0.0	0	120,341	91,909	76	100
Montenegro	0.0		30,001	53,352	178	100
Morocco	0.0		122,000	85,655	70	100
Mozambique	0.0		115,183	124,079	108	0
Myanmar	0.0	0	189,022	46,069	24	33
Namibia	0.0	0	134,672	64,231	48	50
Nauru	0.0		25,122	17,185	68	0
Nepal	0.0		115,899	128,247	111	100

Country	Phased	Percentage	Estimated	Funds	Percentage of	Percentage of
Country	out in	of planned	funds		funds disbursed	
	2020*	phase-out	disbursed in	2020 (US\$)	over estimation	-
		achieved	2020 (US\$)		in 2020	completed in
		in 2020				2020
Nicaragua	0.8	0	123,494	117,532	95	67
Niger (the)	0.0		129,500	3,747	3	50
Nigeria	5.2	10	1,093,923	712,562	65	17
Niue	0.0		61,600	31,035	50	0
North Macedonia	0.1		75,001	115,312	154	
Oman	0.0	0	181,970	107,989	59	0
Pakistan	0.0		1,940,520	408,396	21	0
Palau	0.0	0	80,086	5,299	7	100
Panama	1.4	16	321,703	263,364	82	0
Papua New Guinea	0.0	0	106,013	66,961	63	0
Paraguay	0.0		152,433	98,448	65	
Peru	0.0		256,036	250,765	98	
Philippines (the)	0.0		334,920	344,917	103	
Qatar	1.6	55	66,816	99,204	148	83
Republic of Moldova (the)	0.0		118,765	80,147	67	
Rwanda	0.2	25	115,331	82,680	72	75
Saint Kitts and Nevis	0.0	0	72,300	0	0	0
Saint Lucia	0.0	0	117,100	71,968	61	25
Saint Vincent and the Grenadines	0.0		114,750	130,676	114	33
Samoa	0.0	0	94,535	65,951	70	100
Sao Tome and Principe	0.0	0	72,462	54,076	75	25
Saudi Arabia	19.0		911,624	863,317	95	67
Senegal	0.0		92,672	150,334	162	100
Serbia	0.0		135,323	70,271	52	50
Seychelles	0.0		52,800	41,661	79	0
Sierra Leone	0.0		80,822	132,565	164	67
Solomon Islands	0.0	0	81,189	39,676	49	50
Somalia	0.0		78,000	60,125	77	0
South Africa	0.0		163,300	119,458	73	25
South Sudan	0.0		39,000	0	0	0
Sri Lanka	0.0	0	77,060	145,540	189	100
Sudan (the)	0.0		763,145	267,969	35	0
Suriname	0.1	0	66,210	75,433	114	33
Syrian Arab Republic	0.0		48,001	635,147	1323	
Thailand	0.0		458,737	0	0	0
Timor-Leste	0.0		170,312	60,942	36	100
Togo	3.6		185,577	230,590	124	100
Tonga	0.0		54,076	56,493	104	50
Trinidad and Tobago	7.2		135,972	141,914	104	
Tunisia	5.8	0	575,550	353,312	61	50
Turkey	0.0		784,020	814,128	104	100
Turkmenistan	0.0		44,000	65,628	149	100
Tuvalu	0.0		67,598	2,590	4	0
Uganda	0.0		60,126	54,464	91	75
United Republic of Tanzania (the)	0.0	0	110,243	29,225	27	33
Uruguay	1.0	100	308,885	319,339	103	100
Vanuatu	0.0	0	132,345	54,267	41	50
Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of)	0.0		134,681	61,606	46	
Viet Nam	0.0	0	1,867,212	428,133	23	0
Yemen	0.0		51,000	0	0	0

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Country	Phased out in 2020*	Percentage of planned phase-out achieved in 2020	Estimated funds disbursed in 2020 (US\$)	Funds disbursed in 2020 (US\$)	Percentage of funds disbursed over estimation in 2020	planned
Zambia	0.0	0	81,405	88,280	108	100
Zimbabwe	0.0		266,813	152,122	57	
Global	0.0		9,161,399	6,519,573	71	100
Region: ASP	0.0		329,144	99,972	30	100
Region: EUR	0.0		200,000	362,092	181	
Grand Total	1,324.1	19	89,353,425	78,639,627	88	51

^{*203.5} mt (332,848 mt CO₂-eq.) phased out in 2020 for HFC-related projects.

Appendix II

HCFC PHASE-OUT MANAGEMENT PLAN BY COUNTRY AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2020

Country	Approved phase-out (ODP tonnes)	Funds approved (US\$)	Funds disbursed (US\$)	Balance (US\$)	Funds disbursed (%)
Afghanistan	9.4	989,524	503,649	485,875	51
Albania	2.1	440,813	283,415	157,398	64
Algeria	13.5	1,808,804	1,192,850	615,954	66
Angola	5.6	625,726	506,636	119,090	81
Antigua and Barbuda	0.0	27,235	27,235	0	100
Argentina	142.4	15,348,626	11,407,995	3,940,631	74
Armenia	3.5	678,536	616,775	61,761	91
Bahamas (the)	1.6	277,050	223,058	53,992	81
Bahrain	9.4	993,125	813,126	179,999	82
Bangladesh	32.3	4,052,216	1,550,586	2,501,630	38
Barbados	1.3	250,178	179,771	70,407	72
Belize	1.0	236,000	236,000	0	100
Benin	8.3	565,828	565,819	9	100
Bhutan	0.3	423,000	384,955	38,045	91
Bolivia (Plurinational State of)	1.5	314,548	278,488	36,060	89
Bosnia and Herzegovina	6.6	908,645	851,833	56,812	94
Botswana	3.8	810,000	305,810	504,190	38
Brazil	485.9	41,750,640	30,549,019	11,201,621	73
Brunei Darussalam	1.8	475,100	268,860	206,240	57
Burkina Faso	3.9	628,630	557,072	71,558	89
Burundi	1.0	296,844	218,730	78,114	74
Cambodia	2.9	1,150,000	1,006,157	143,843	87
Cameroon	26.8	1,654,770	1,190,130	464,640	72
Cabo Verde	0.1	159,834	143,834	16,000	90
Central African Republic (the)	0.5	64,001	64,000	0	100
Chad	5.7	489,542	484,522	5,020	99
Chile	72.5	5,132,478	3,843,194	1,289,284	75
China	5,267.3	396,859,178	342,557,083	54,302,095	86
Colombia	189.2	11,706,162	9,396,862	2,309,300	80
Comoros (the)	0.0	143,777	128,464	15,313	89
Congo (the)	3.6	313,626	240,222	73,404	77
Democratic Republic of the Congo (the)	5.8	475,000	474,524	476	100
Cook Islands (the)	0.0	264,050	73,750	190,300	28
Costa Rica	19.6	1,341,299	1,135,110	206,189	85
Côte D'Ivoire	22.3	1,638,362	657,767	980,595	40
Croatia	8.1	804,104	804,104	0	100
Cuba	19.3	2,007,527	1,685,206	322,321	84
Djibouti	0.2	143,500	99,500	44,000	69
Dominica	0.1	148,050	10,026	138,024	7
Dominican Republic (the)	12.5	3,840,636	2,717,187	1,123,449	71
Ecuador	28.0	2,681,406	2,050,936	630,469	76
Egypt	281.7	19,971,454	9,770,055	10,201,398	49
El Salvador	8.8	1,072,601	884,745	187,856	82
Equatorial Guinea	0.9	249,962	238,600	11,361	95
Eritrea	0.4	209,559	188,559	21,000	90
Eswatini (the Kingdom of)	8.3	971,931	821,931	150,000	85

Country	Approved	Funds	Funds	Balance	Funds
	phase-out	approved	disbursed	(US\$)	disbursed
T4:	(ODP tonnes)	(US\$)	(US\$)	122 500	(%)
Ethiopia	1.9	314,771	182,191	132,580	58
Fiji	2.0	315,000	259,289	55,711	82
Gabon	10.6	480,883	396,423	84,460	82
Gambia (the)	0.6	399,497	178,776	220,721	45
Georgia	2.3	500,900	368,329	132,571	74
Ghana	26.3	1,356,311	1,180,952	175,359	87
Grenada	0.3	189,000	174,389	14,611	92
Guatemala	5.1	597,663	366,544	231,119	61
Guinea	2.6	523,053	298,053	225,000	57
Guinea-Bissau	1.0	278,999	221,035	57,963	79
Guyana	0.7	412,995	226,739	186,256	55
Haiti	0.4	167,119	105,093	62,027	63
Honduras	8.8	841,455	526,077	315,378	63
India	1,067.4	57,607,652	32,522,283	25,085,369	56
Indonesia Partir O	176.9	14,757,354	11,648,139	3,109,215	79
Iran (Islamic Republic of)	297.6	18,969,071	12,995,507	5,973,564	69
Iraq	15.0	1,180,000	386,789	793,211	33
Jamaica	8.9	763,899	515,699	248,200	68
Jordan	59.3	5,836,874	3,830,053	2,006,821	66
Kenya	14.1	1,973,000	1,096,256	876,744	56
Kiribati	0.0	310,600	82,259	228,341	26
Democratic People's Republic of Korea (the)	19.4	804,255	271,048	533,207	34
Kuwait	209.9	8,555,223	6,257,331	2,297,892	73
Kyrgyzstan	3.3	799,922	568,846	231,076	71
Lao People's Democratic Republic (the)	0.8	493,400	200,500	292,900	41
Lebanon	68.7	6,439,571	5,695,048	744,523	88
Lesotho	0.0	280,000	228,562	51,438	82
Liberia	2.0	315,000	282,777	32,223	90
Libya	26.4	1,161,310	705,783	455,527	61
Madagascar	6.0	558,434	497,472	60,962	89
Malawi	3.8	628,745	319,248	309,498	51
Malaysia	216.5	13,866,383	12,130,650	1,735,733	87
Maldives	0.6	1,081,616	1,056,580	25,036	98
Mali	5.2	500,830	434,723	66,107	87
Marshall Islands (the)	0.2	187,200	86,545	100,655	46
Mauritania	0.0	255,000	50,000	205,000	20
Mauritius	3.1	782,500	405,989	376,511	52
Mexico	555.7	27,030,479	21,713,553	5,316,925	80
Micronesia (Federated States of)	0.2	314,100	86,489	227,611	28
Republic of Moldova (the)	0.3	259,759	221,793	37,966	85
Mongolia Montenegro	1.0	583,769	311,615	272,154	53
Morocco	0.6	698,389	372,392	325,997	53
	11.0	1,284,159	1,151,968	132,191	90
Mozambique	3.1	302,361	157,990	144,371	52
Myanmar	0.4	280,000	164,800	115,200	59
Namibia	8.2	810,000	605,978	204,022	75
Nauru	0.0	139,450	49,915	89,535	36
Nepal	0.7	428,000	171,641	256,359	40
Nicaragua	3.3	474,498	266,792	207,705	56
Niger (the)	5.6	488,840	273,840	215,000	56
Nigeria	143.7	7,971,335	5,316,926	2,654,409	67
Niue	0.0	114,200	57,225	56,975	50

Country	Approved	Funds	Funds	Balance	Funds
	phase-out	approved	disbursed	(US\$)	disbursed
	(ODP tonnes)	(US\$)	(US\$)		(%)
North Macedonia	2.1	1,047,130	935,263	111,867	89
Oman	10.6	905,831	698,208	207,623	77
Pakistan	150.3	10,792,366	6,419,574	4,372,792	59
Palau	0.2	303,000	103,000	200,000	34
Panama	11.6	1,264,695	660,310	604,385	52
Papua New Guinea	2.0	991,000	760,956	230,044	77
Paraguay	6.3	630,000	525,386	104,614	83
Peru	9.5	967,497	627,189	340,308	65
Philippines (the)	40.0	3,628,365	2,765,925	862,439	76
Qatar	14.7	1,124,747	1,016,441	108,306	90
Rwanda	1.9	437,399	219,063	218,336	50
Saint Kitts and Nevis	0.3	147,600	98,342	49,258	67
Saint Lucia	0.4	184,418	175,218	9,200	95
Saint Vincent and the Grenadines	0.2	421,951	252,365	169,586	60
Samoa	0.2	344,450	139,650	204,800	41
Sao Tome and Principe	0.1	155,012	123,088	31,924	79
Saudi Arabia	353.5	9,411,617	7,128,373	2,283,244	76
Senegal	3.6	624,023	451,328	172,695	72
Serbia	5.2	1,110,641	931,807	178,834	84
Seychelles	1.4	540,000	351,375	188,625	65
Sierra Leone	0.4	207,620	175,475	32,145	85
Solomon Islands	1.8	466,250	148,250	318,000	32
Somalia	1.8	353,746	320,332	33,414	91
South Africa	100.3	6,354,796	5,001,143	1,353,653	79
South Sudan	0.0	20,000	0	20,000	0
Sri Lanka	10.1	1,064,866	593,522	471,344	56
Sudan (the)	47.5	4,203,396	2,246,789	1,956,607	53
Suriname	0.6	186,742	142,109	44,633	76
Syrian Arab Republic	10.1	590,036	0	590,036	0
United Republic of Tanzania (the)	0.6	209,875	151,025	58,849	72
Thailand	255.0	18,424,008	16,924,008	1,500,000	92
Timor-Leste	0.0	404,700	307,674	97,026	76
Togo	7.0	566,894	534,369	32,525	94
Tonga	0.1	324,050	89,723	234,327	28
Trinidad and Tobago	17.9	1,930,889	1,320,477	610,412	68
Tunisia	16.8	1,837,155	1,025,579	811,576	56
Turkey	410.7	12,427,419	9,857,428	2,569,991	79
Turkmenistan	2.4	812,797	622,105	190,692	77
Tuvalu	0.1	168,450	68,063	190,092	40
Uganda	0.0	287,375	140,375	147,000	49
	15.2				54
Uruguay		1,835,762 360,600	995,747	840,015	36
Vanuatu	0.3		130,406	230,194	
Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of)	28.9	2,488,281	2,285,131	203,150	92
Viet Nam	149.1	10,894,762	8,707,714	2,187,048	80
Yemen	11.6	159,529	159,529	0	100
Zambia	2.5	462,956	202,956	260,000	44
Zimbabwe	12.3	1,288,818	895,969	392,849	70
Region: ASP	0.0	940,000	240,000	700,000	26
Total	11,438.5	815,362,210	637,531,800	177,830,411	78

Annex III

REPORT ON THE HFC-RELATED INVESTMENT PROJECTS AND ENABLING ACTIVITIES FUNDED USING THE ADDITIONAL CONTRIBUTIONS BY A GROUP OF 17 NON-ARTICLE 5 PARTIES

Background

- 1. At its 84th meeting, in considering the Consolidated progress report of the Multilateral Fund as at 31 December 2018, the Executive Committee requested the Secretariat to submit, at the 85th meeting, an additional report on the HFC-related investment projects and enabling activities funded using the additional contributions by a group of 17 non-Article 5 Parties, identifying the countries for which the projects had been approved and providing an overview of the objectives, status of implementation, key findings and lessons learned, the amounts of HFC phased out where applicable, the level of funds approved and disbursed and potential challenges in completing the projects and activities, on the understanding that that information would be provided on an individual basis for the HFC-related investment projects and on an aggregated basis for the HFC enabling activities (decision 84/12(b)).
- 2. In response to decision 84/12(b), the Secretariat submitted to the 85th meeting ¹⁹ the additional report on the HFC-related investment projects and enabling activities using the updated format after incorporating relevant suggestions by the bilateral and implementing agencies.
- 3. Updated information on the HFC-related investment projects and enabling activities using the updated information submitted by the bilateral and implementing agencies is presented below.

Report on the HFC-related investment projects

4. The implementing agencies provided detailed status reports on the implementation of HFC-related investment projects for Argentina, Bangladesh, China, Lebanon, Mexico, and Thailand. Table 1 provides a summary of the individual projects.

Table 1. Summary of HFC-related investment projects

Country	Agency	Products	HFC used (mt)	Alternative used	Mt CO2-eq	Funds approved (US \$)	Funds disbursed (US \$)
Argentina	UNIDO	Domestic and commercial refrigerators	HFC-134a (96.60 mt)	R-600a/R-290	138,069	1,840,755	1,072,038
Bangladesh	UNDP	Domestic refrigerators and compressors	HFC-134a (230.63 mt)	R-600a	329,801	3,131,610	3,131,610
China	UNDP	Domestic refrigerator insulation foam	Cyclopentane + HFC-245fa (250.00 mt)	Cyclopentane + HFO-1233zd(E)	257,500	1,275,000	1,018,413
Lebanon	UNIDO	Domestic and commercial refrigerators	HFC-134a/ R-404A (112.58 mt)	R-600a/R-290	245,860	1,053,858	1,035,787
Mexico	UNIDO	Commercial refrigerators	HFC-134a/ R-404A (56.04 mt)	R-600a/R-290	124,657	1,018,123	8,351

¹⁹ UNEP/OzL.Pro/ExCom/85/9

Country	Agency	Products	HFC used (mt)	Alternative used	Mt CO2-eq	Funds approved (US \$)	Funds disbursed (US \$)
Thailand ²⁰	World	Commercial	HFC-134a	R-600a	12,555	183,514	0
	Bank	refrigerators	(8.78 mt)				
Total			754.64		1,108,442	8,502,860	6,266,199

5. Two projects (Bangladesh and Lebanon) have been completed; a detailed project report for Bangladesh has been provided by UNDP and the report for Lebanon is expected to be submitted by UNIDO. While the remaining four projects are at advanced stages of completion, COVID-19 situation has resulted in delays relating to final installation, commissioning and training activities for factory personnel; implementing agencies are taking steps to complete these projects before 31 March 2022.

Report on enabling activities for HFC phase-down

6. The Article 5 countries that received funding for enabling activities for HFC phase-down are listed in Annex I to the present document, along with the status of ratification of the Kigali Amendment and the status of the HFC licensing system as required under Article 4B. The main objectives of the requests for funding enabling activities included *inter alia* support for early ratification of the Kigali Amendment; implementation of activities identified in paragraph 20 of decision XXVIII/2 aimed at initiating supporting institutional arrangements, the review of licensing systems, data reporting on HFC consumption and production, and demonstration of non-investment activities such as training and information outreach.

Overview of project implementation progress

- 1. Enabling activities are progressing well in almost all countries. So far, the Government of Italy, ²¹ IBRD, ²² UNDP, ²³ UNEP, ²⁴ and UNIDO, ²⁵ have completed 23 projects relating to enabling activities by 2021; despite the challenges imposed by COVID-19, the agencies are working with the countries to ensure expeditious completion of enabling activities.
- 2. A summary of the activities reported is given below:
 - (a) Ratification of the Kigali Amendment: Stakeholders consultations on provisions of the Kigali Amendment and implications of its ratification; drafting legal documents; coordination and information outreach to different stakeholders; country assessment on HFC consumption trends and the impact of the Amendment on different stakeholders; training needs assessment for the servicing sector on the introduction of HFC-free technologies and safe use of alternative technologies and customs officers on monitoring and controlling of HFC trade under the Kigali Amendment; and participation in regional workshop on Kigali Amendment ratification;
 - (b) <u>Development and enforcement of licensing and quota system</u>: Review and/or revision of legislations and regulations, including the import/export licensing and quota system, to include Kigali Amendment provisions; consultative workshops on development of

²² Malaysia and the Philippines

²⁰ The equipment based on the alternative technology is under production; funds would be disbursed by the end of 2020 to the beneficiary enterprise retroactively, after signing of the agreement between the financial intermediary and the beneficiary.

²¹ Lesotho

²³Costa Rica, Jamaica, Peru and Trinidad and Tobago

²⁴ Cambodia, Ghana, Kyrgyzstan, Lebanon, Mongolia, Palau, Tonga and Zimbabwe

²⁵ Albania, Armenia, Grenada, Mexico, Montenegro, South Africa, Sudan and Viet Nam

licensing²⁶ and quota system; and consultations on mechanisms for monitoring HFC supply and use in cooperation with customs and other stakeholders;

- (c) <u>Support for enforcement of data collection and monitoring system</u>: Development of a data collection system for HFCs; consultations with importers, traders and other stakeholders on data collection for HFCs and HFC blends; reporting and monitoring requirements; updating the Harmonized System (HS) codes for monitoring HFCs and HFC blends; regional coordination on establishing HS codes for HFCs; and procurement of equipment for identification of HFC refrigerants;
- Implementation of other activities including demonstration and training: Training programmes for using low-global-warming potential (GWP) alternatives including flammable refrigerants with technical expert support; outreach programmes for public awareness on the Kigali Amendment, HFCs and HFC-free alternatives used in different applications, use of low-GWP alternatives, regulatory controls on the use of HFCs/HFC-free alternatives and monitoring use of HFCs/HFC-free substances, for the manufacturing and/or refrigeration servicing sector, Government and technical institutions and the public; and differential taxation based on GWP of refrigerants; and
- (e) Energy efficiency (EE) related activities: Coordination with EE institutions to include Kigali Amendment provisions while implementing energy efficient measures (e.g., minimum energy performance standards (MEPS), labelling programmes, EE improvement for refrigeration and air-conditioning (RAC) equipment, participation in cooling plans development to promote low-GWP energy efficient technologies, inputs during regional standards development on adopting energy efficient technologies)²⁷; encouraging participation of EE stakeholders in meetings related to the Kigali Amendment; promoting EE relating to cooling in sectoral EE promotion measures; training on energy efficient RAC technologies; demonstrating savings to the users through the adoption of energy efficient equipment; and design of energy efficient RAC equipment and measures to enhance adoption of energy efficient technologies.

Key finding and lessons learned

3. During the implementation of enabling activities, countries gained experience on the Kigali Amendment ratification process and implementation of HFC phase-down enabling activities as summarized below:

(a) Country assessment report for understanding HFC consumption trends helps stakeholders identify actions to be taken and their responsibilities in implementing these actions and provides recommendations for policy measures and technical assistance activities which would be used as a country roadmap for the implementation of the Kigali Amendment; guidelines on data collection methodologies and structured survey questionnaires/report templates were prepared and communicated to all stakeholders involved; activities relating to cooling action plans and EE improvement with support from funding sources outside the Multilateral Fund also present opportunities for coordination and collaboration for

²⁶ Each Party shall, by 1 January 2019 or within three months of the date of entry into force of this paragraph for it, whichever is later, establish and implement a system for licensing the import and export of new, used, recycled and reclaimed controlled substances in Annex F. Any Party operating under paragraph 1 of Article 5 that decides it is not in a position to establish and implement such a system by 1 January 2019 may delay taking those actions until 1 January 2021.

²⁷ There are several new activities on EE improvement implemented by Governments with/without support from sources outside the Multilateral Fund. These activities are evolving based on national requirements. Thus, the information on types of project is illustrative and not exhaustive.

project implementation to phase down HFCs; and interfaces with existing and planned HCFC phase-out management plans (HPMP) activities were internalized through analysis of the levels of consumption of HCFCs and HFCs, and consultations with industry stakeholders:

- (b) Strengthening licensing and quota system to include HFCs and HFC blends is a priority action for monitoring and reporting, which requires detailed consultations with relevant institutions; steps are being taken to ensure proper identification of HFCs and HFC blends, including finalisation of HS Codes and establishing a methodology/processes for accurate HFC data collection and reporting; implementation of online systems are appreciated by customs officers and importers, as it saves them time, costs and efforts; additional capacity building and training of officials handling data collection and monitoring is also a priority action; and customs and enforcement training and strengthening border control points with identification equipment is essential for preventing illegal trade of HFCs;
- (c) Continuous follow-up by the national ozone unit (NOU) with authorities responsible for the drafting, finalization and approval of HFC policies and regulations is essential. Given that HFC-related activities involve a new set of substances including blends and alternatives that require safe handling, additional efforts are required for capacity building of different national stakeholders for data collection, monitoring and reporting, and for awareness on newly enacted policies and regulations relating to HFCs;
- (d) Significant efforts are required for approval of regulations for adopting low-GWP refrigerants especially relating to safety aspects; capacity building including training and technical information outreach is essential for sustainable adoption of low-GWP refrigerants that are flammable, toxic and operate under high pressure; and capacity building of training and technical institutions, and training and certification of service technicians for handling low-GWP refrigerants are essential; harnessing synergies with the existing activities under HPMPs can facilitate the introduction of sustainable and cost-effective alternative low-GWP technologies;
- (e) Introduction of MEPS, a progressive tax/duty system based on the EE of non-HFC-based RAC equipment and higher tax for products using high-GWP refrigerants creates incentives for the industry to move towards low-GWP and better energy efficient equipment; and import of second-hand RAC equipment that have lower EE levels affects the implementation of energy efficiency improvement measures, though several information outreach, and capacity building activities are being implemented to minimise such imports;
- (f) Introduction of the national standard on certification of RAC technicians will contribute to lower emissions of HFCs from refrigeration and air conditioning equipment through good servicing practices and adopt safe practices while servicing equipment with flammable, toxic and high-pressure refrigerants.
- (g) Identification of local expertise for undertaking activities requires the continuous support from the NOU and for capacity building, taking into account country specific consumption needs/trends.
- (h) Activities implemented so far have raised awareness among national stakeholders and the public regarding the importance and benefits of the Kigali Amendment, and provided insights into the HFC consumption patterns and importance of EE while phasing-down HFCs, favouring the engagement of stakeholders for the preparation of KIPs and other interventions for monitoring and controlling HFC consumption.

Potential challenges

- 4. Some of the key challenges faced during the implementation of enabling activities are given below:
 - (a) The COVID-19 pandemic continues to pose challenges in completing the enabling activities within the timeframe approved in some Article 5 countries, particularly related to in-person stakeholder consultations for *inter alia* development and finalisation of regulations relating to HFCs, ratification of the Kigali Amendment, conclusion of training programmes planned under the project;
 - (b) Delays in administrative clearances and approval process for ratification of the Kigali Amendment and finalisation of regulations posed challenges in certain Article 5 countries; close follow-up, support from decision makers in the Government and capacity building and information outreach for Government officials were helpful in addressing delays;
 - (c) Difficult political and security situation in a few Article 5 countries resulted in delays in project implementation; and
 - (d) During implementation, consultations were held *inter alia* on HFC data collection and reporting requirements, use of HFCs and HFC-free alternatives in different applications (e.g., RAC, polyurethane foam). Providing training and technical support to service technicians for the safe adoption of low-GWP alternatives in the RAC sector was highlighted as an important issue. Implementation of training activities covering safe use of alternatives under the HPMPs has provided support to service technicians of HCFC-based equipment on safe use of low-GWP alternatives; implementation of regulations and other supportive measures for the safe use of low-GWP refrigerant-based equipment (e.g., national standards for import and use of RAC equipment, end-user incentive programmes for low-GWP refrigerant-based RAC equipment, certification programmes for service technicians on safe servicing practices) and information outreach and awareness activities undertaken during the HPMP on low-GWP environment friendly alternatives, have increased awareness of national stakeholders on low-GWP technologies mainly in the RAC sector.
- 5. Due to frequent rotation of customs officers, regular training of these officers is crucial for effective enforcement of the HFC licensing and quota system and monitoring and control of HFCs. The enabling activities have helped Article 5 countries in initiating consultations and implementing some activities relating to monitoring HFC consumption and adopting the use of HFC-free alternatives and have initiated dialogues on approach that needs to be adopted for sustainable and energy efficient cooling while implementing HFC phase-down activities. Specific challenges that need to be addressed when implementing HFC phase-down and synergies that can be harnessed while implementing HCFC phase-out and HFC phase-down in the next few years would be clearer when Article 5 countries undertake HFC phase-down strategy preparation after approval of the guidelines by the Executive Committee.

Funds approved and disbursed

6. As of 31 December 2020, the total funds approved for HFC investment projects and enabling activities under the additional contributions by a group of 17 donor countries amounted to US \$23,954,943, with a total disbursement of US \$16,347,659.