



Global Biodiversity Framework Early Action Support

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The United Nations Development Programme is implementing the Global Biodiversity Framework Early Action Support (GBF-EAS) project in collaboration with the Ministry of Climate Change and Environmental Coordination to support countries in advancing biodiversity conservation and integrating nature into development planning. The project aligns with the Kunming Declaration and the Global Biodiversity Framework, which aim to halt and reverse biodiversity loss by 2030 and achieve the 2050 vision of living in harmony with nature.

Under this initiative, countries are supported in updating their National Biodiversity Strategies and Action Plans (NBSAPs) to align with global biodiversity targets and commitments under the Convention on Biological Diversity. The assignment involves preparing a comprehensive baseline report that consolidates previous analytical work and supports national planning for biodiversity conservation and sustainable development.

Under the supervision of the Biodiversity Conservation Project Manager at United Nations Development Programme and in coordination with the Ministry of Climate Change and Environmental Coordination, Symmetry supports the Global Biodiversity Framework Early Action Support (GBF-EAS) initiative.

The assignment involves reviewing previous assessments conducted under the project, identifying gaps and inconsistencies, and providing recommendations to strengthen outputs in line with the Global Biodiversity Framework.

Symmetry also analyzes national biodiversity policies and planning frameworks to assess their alignment with global biodiversity goals and develop a whole-of-government nature-positive approach to integrate biodiversity considerations across sectors. In addition, Symmetry reviews provincial biodiversity plans, evaluate biodiversity financing across sectors and institutions, and assess the extent to which biodiversity is integrated into development planning and budgets.

The final task is to prepare a comprehensive GBF-EAS report, consolidating baseline assessments, aligning national targets with the GBF, mapping biodiversity actions and financing, and providing actionable recommendations and a roadmap to support implementation of national biodiversity commitments.