



Investment Phase:

Peer Advisor Semi-Annual Report

Maldives

July 2025

Submitted by Finnish Meteorological Institute

Systematic Observations
Financing Facility

**Weather
and climate
data for
resilience**



General Information

Country	Maldives	
Peer Advisor	Finnish Meteorological Institute	
Implementing Entity	United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP)	
Agreement effectiveness date	13 May 2024	
Duration	60 Months	
Anticipated end date	15 May 2029	
Reporting period	From: 1 January 2025	To: 30 July 2025
Approved peer advisory fee	440 000 USD	
Disbursed peer advisory fee	140 000 USD	
Percentage of financial implementation	2%	
Peer advisors' s focal point signature	 Matti Eerikäinen, Head of Group, International Projects	
Country's focal point signature (to confirm timely and quality delivery)	 Ali Shareef, Deputy Director General Meteorology	

Summary

The investment phase funding request for the Maldives was approved already in November 2023 by the SOFF Steering Committee. Since then, the progress has been speeding up, especially during the 1st half of 2025. The procurement processes for the investment phase have been initiated and the investment phase is now expected to progress rapidly as all parties are organized both nationally and regionally.

Implementation progress

Services or activities listed in the peer advisor's ToR and assignment agreement must be included in the category "activities conducted/contribution" below. Sections that are not relevant or covered in the TOR can be left blank.

Output	Indicator (Please copy the indicators from RBM section of the funding request)	Activities conducted/contributions (Please list all activities that will be conducted by the peer advisor relevant to the output. Please add rows if more than one activity will be conducted)	Implementation plan ¹					Status	Challenges and risks	
			Y1	Y2	Y3	Y4	Y5			
1. GBON institutional and human capacity developed										
1.1 National consultations, including with CSOs and other relevant stakeholders conducted	-	-						-		
	-	-						-		
	-	-						-		
	-	-						-		
1.2 NMHS institutional capacity required to operate the GBON network developed	Years in which the Organizational Strategy will be drafted	1.2.1. Draft an Organizational Strategy, that will clearly outline the action plan for how the MMS will achieve its short and long-term goals and become GBON compliant		X	X	X		Not yet started		
	Years in which Gender Policy will be drafted	1.2.2. Draft a new organizational Gender Policy, with specific actions that are measurable and regularly monitored, that are based on the WMO Gender Action Plan.			X	X		Not yet started		
	Years in which stakeholder engagement plan will be drafted	1.2.3. Establish a stakeholder engagement plan for more systematic engagement of various stakeholders including private sector and CSOs		X				Not yet started		
1.3 NMHS human capacity required to operate the GBON network developed	# staff salaries paid & Years in which trainings will be conducted	1.3.1. Benchmark and develop an observation process of upper-air sounding (supported by peer adviser)	9 & X	9 & X	9 & X	9 & X	9 & X	Not yet started		
		1.3.2. Benchmark good practices on archiving, transfer, and QC/QA, and subsequent SOPs as well as roadmap for QC/QA methods developed (supported by peer adviser)						Not yet started		
		1.3.3. Training on upper-air system (basic level) and surface weather station (advanced/supplementing) operation and maintenance (vendor, supported by peer adviser)						Not yet started		

¹ Indicate which year the activity is targeted to be conducted

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		1.3.4. Benchmark mature project and portfolio management and coordination culture (supported by peer adviser)						Not yet started	
2. GBON infrastructure in place									
2.1 New land-based stations and related equipment, ICT systems, data management systems and standard operating practices in place	# of new stations installed as per the GBON National Contribution Plan	2.1.1. Procurement and installation of sensors and logger in 1 new surface weather station, including relevant civil works for station establishment.		1				On-track	Slow implementation and delays in procurement, installation and capacity building activities is a risk. Seamless collaboration between the Implementing Entity, peer advisor, beneficiary country and technical partners will help to ensure that the project activities are executed without any further delays.
2.2 Improved land-based stations and related equipment, ICT systems, data management systems and standard operating practices in place	# of stations improved as per the GBON National Contribution Plan	2.2.1. Procurement and installation of sensors and logger in 4 surface weather stations, including relevant civil works for station rehabilitation/renewal.		4				On-track	
2.3 New upper air stations and related equipment, ICT systems, data management systems and standard operating practices in place	N/A	N/A						-	
2.4 Improved upper air stations and related equipment, ICT systems, data management systems and standard operating practices in place	# of stations improved as per the GBON National Contribution Plan	2.4.1. Procurement and installation of one manual upper-air measurement system including ground receiving system, UPS, hydrogen generator, consumables for one year.			1			Not yet started	
3. Sustained compliance with GBON									

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3.1 GBON land-based stations' commissioning period completed , country-specific standard cost for operations and maintenance established, and data sharing verified by WMO Technical Authority	# of stations commissioned as per the GBON National Contribution Plan	-							
		-							
3.2 GBON upper air stations' commissioning period completed , country-specific standard cost for operations and maintenance established, and data sharing verified by WMO Technical Authority	# of stations commissioned as per the GBON National Contribution Plan	-							