



GEF CSO Network

Statement on Agenda 5 : [FY25 Annual Monitoring Review of LDCF & SCCF](#) 39th LDCF/SCCF Council Meeting, December 2025

The CSO Network welcomes the FY25 Annual Monitoring Review of the LDCF and SCCF. We appreciate the effort to make portfolio results clearer and easier to track. The finding that the portfolio performed satisfactorily in FY25 is encouraging, especially given how difficult many country contexts are.

We welcome the clearer picture on results, risks, and disbursement. The data on people reached, land under climate-resilient management, and gender outcomes helps show where progress is being made. We also value the openness in highlighting both strong projects and those that are struggling.

At the same time, the review points to issues that keep coming up. Disbursement is often slow at the start. Capacity gaps remain at national and local level. Coordination is still hard, especially in fragile and conflict-affected settings. These are not abstract problems. They affect trust, timing, and what communities experience on the ground.

From a CSO perspective, this calls for more flexibility in how projects are delivered and stronger, steady support for local institutions and coordination. We also see value in using the AMR more as a learning tool during implementation, not only as a reporting exercise after the fact. We also hope that in future, the AMR will include more information and analysis on effectiveness of the engagement of IPLC, CSOs, women and youth beyond that in the current stakeholder section.

Overall, the CSO Network takes note of the progress reported and supports continued efforts to turn these lessons into practical changes that improve delivery and impact for the communities most at risk.