



ADAPTATION FUND  
Readiness Programme  
for Climate Finance

# **BT FEC's Experiences Implementing Adaptation Fund (AF) Funded Projects**

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# Presentation Outline

**AF NIE in Bhutan: BT FEC**

**Purpose of the Project**

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**Lessons from the results of their interventions to address identified challenges**

**Relevant project pictures and videos**

# AF NIE in Bhutan: BT FEC

- BT FEC established in 1991
- Independent grant making organization
- Incorporated under Royal Charter 1996 : **Royal Charter 2021**



- **Date of first accreditation:** 25 January 2018
- **Date of first re-accreditation:** 7<sup>th</sup> February 2024
- **Accreditation expiration date:** 7<sup>th</sup> February 2029
- **Modality:** Regular accreditation
- **Project size:** Micro, up to USD 10 million
- **Projects/Proposals approved:** 3

# Purpose of the Project

Funding window	Project name	Year of approval	USD amount
Readiness grant	<i>Technical Assistance Grant for ESP and Gender (TA-ESGP)</i>	2018	USD 50,000
Regular project	<i>Building Adaptive through Innovative Management of Pests/Disease and Invasive Alien Species (IAS) in Bhutan to Enhance Sustainable Agro-Biodiversity and Livelihoods (MB214Y22)</i>	2022	USD 250,000
Regular project	<i>Adaptation to Climate-Induced Water Stresses through Integrated Landscape Management in Bhutan</i>	2023	USD 9.99 m

# Challenges faced in design & implementation and ways in which they were addressed

## Challenges

- Inadequate capacity to develop proposal.
- Covid 19 and the associated hinderances
- Cost Escalation
- Remote and scattered project site and beneficiaries

## Measures

- Outsourced to Experts.
- Consultations at all levels
- Instituted PSC to address the challenges & emerging issues
- Used GIS for design and survey
- Create new window for supplementary grants in AF

# Lessons from the results of their interventions to address identified challenges

- Inhouse capacity development necessary based on the project components.
- Stakeholder consultation from designing to the project completion.
- Engagement of project beneficiaries is crucial to empower and enhance sense of ownership.
- Timely participatory monitoring (compliance/performance) of the project activities is crucial.
- Knowledge & experience sharing amongst the project implementers is vital including engineers/supervisors & contractors.
- Proper communications amongst stakeholders between NIE, NDA, executing entities & beneficiaries. (i.e social media group)

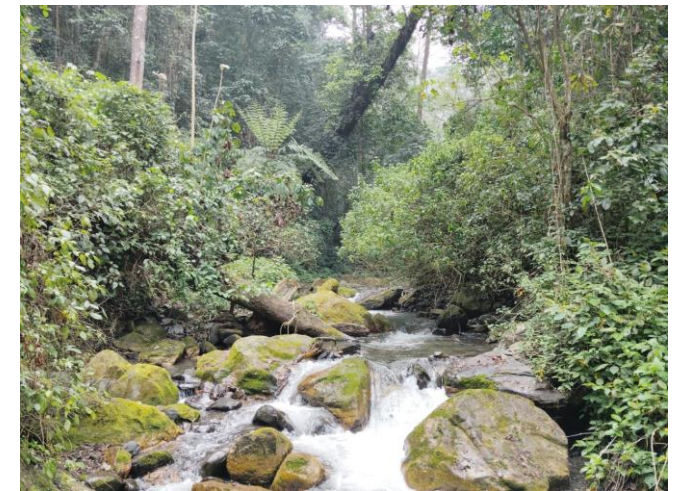
# Relevant project pictures



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# Thank You!



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