

**UNITED NATIONS DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME**

**Country: Guyana  
Annual Work Plan 2016**

**Project Title:**

Minamata Initial Assessment for Guyana

**UNDAF Outcome(s):**

National policies, strategies, and plans for disaster risk reduction (DRR), management of natural resources, and access to clean energy and services developed, implemented, monitored, and evaluated

**Expected CP Outcome(s):**

Improved Functional Capacity of Key Natural Resources and Disaster Risk Management Institutions

**Implementing partner:**

Ministry of Natural Resources and the Environment

**Brief Description**

In January 2013, a UN agreement was reached for the establishment of a globally legally binding Convention on Mercury “*The Minamata Convention on Mercury*”.

Programme  
Period: 2012-  
2016

2016 AWP  
Budget:   
USD

**Agreed by MNRE:** \_\_\_\_\_  
Joslyn McKenzie, Permanent Secretary

**Agreed by UNDP:** \_\_\_\_\_  
Shabnam Mallick, Deputy Resident Representative

**Annual Work Plan**  
**Year: 2016**

EXPECTED CP OUTPUTS <i>And baseline, indicators including annual targets</i>	PLANNED ACTIVITIES <i>List activities results and associated actions</i>	Timeframe				Responsive party	Planned Budget		
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<p><b>Outcome 1. Establishment of enabling environment for decision-making on the implementation of the Minamata Convention.</b></p> <p><i>Baseline:</i>            1.1: A Mercury Action Group has been established to improve coordination on issues related to mercury at the National Level;            1.2: The documents “<i>Inventory of Mercury releases in Guyana (level 1)</i>” and the “<i>Guyana Action Plan on Mercury (2015-2020)</i>” have to some extent reviewed the policy and regulatory framework and institutional capacity and can be used as a departure point.;            1.3: Some awareness among decision makers was created as a result of the Mercury work undertaken within the scope of the UNDP/UNEP mainstreaming project;            1.4: Under an agreement with WWF, another Consultant has been hired to develop a National Action Plan for mercury and concomitantly update the existing Code of Practice for the Mining Sector</p>	<p><b>Activity Result 1.1. National decision making structure on mercury operational.</b></p> <p><b>Action:</b> National Mercury Coordination/Consultation Mechanism established in Guyana.  <b>Action:</b> Meetings with various government agencies executed to facilitate this process.</p> <p><b>Activity Result 1.2. Policy and regulatory framework, and institutional and capacity needs in regard to the implementation of Convention provisions assessed.</b></p> <p><b>Action:</b> Assessment report prepared on the existing and required policy and regulatory framework as well as institutional capacity to implement the Convention for Guyana (incl. overview of existing barriers).  <b>Action:</b> Initial technical inputs on proposed amendments made for existing legislation, gaps identified for meeting the MC requirements.  <b>Action:</b> Roles and capacities of the key institutions reviewed and gaps identified for comprehensive management of mercury.  <b>Action:</b> Meetings with various</p>				MNR	GEF			
							71200 - International Consultants	3,513.20	
							71300 – Local Consultants	1,512.00	
							71200 - International Consultants	13,546.20	
							71300 – Local Consultant	3,024.00	

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<p><i>Indicators: 1.1:</i> A national decision-making structure on mercury (“Mercury Coordination/Consultation Mechanism (MCM)”) established; 1.2: Assessment Report finalized; 1.3: Awareness on the health effects of mercury increased among decision makers; 1.4: Socio-economic study on the effects of mercury and alternatives in ASGM.</p> <p><i>Annual targets:</i></p> <p>1.1: Institutional capacities amongst key stakeholders built; 1.2:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Institutional capacities, and the policy and regulatory framework in place to management Mercury, assessed, gaps and needs identified.</li> <li>Barriers that would hinder implementation of the Convention identified.</li> </ul> <p>Assessment reviewed and discussed by Mercury Focus Group.</p> <p>1.3:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Awareness raising plan finalized.</li> <li>Awareness raised among decisions makers.</li> </ul> <p>1.4: Alternatives in ASGM and the relevant sectors that were</p>	<p>government agencies executed to facilitate the establishment of a MCM.</p> <p><b>Activity Result 1.3. Awareness raised on the environmental and health impacts of mercury.</b></p> <p><b>Action:</b> Mercury awareness raising activities conducted in Guyana targeting decision makers and population groups at risk.</p> <p><b>Action:</b> Implementation of awareness raising with decision-makers.</p> <p><b>Activity Result 1.4. Mainstreaming mercury priorities into national policies/plans.</b></p> <p><b>Action:</b> National mercury priority interventions mainstreamed in national policies/plans.</p> <p><b>Action:</b> Report accepted on the Alternatives in ASGM and the relevant sectors that were identified in the inventory.</p>						71300 – Local Consultants	4,960	
							Travel	4,996.56	
							75700 – Training, Workshops & Conferences	9,051.47	
							74200 – Audio Visual & Print Prod Costs	5,000	
							74500-Msc	994.62	

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identified in the inventory									
<b>TOTAL OUTCOME 1</b>								<b>46,598.05</b>	
<p><b>Outcome 2. Development of National Mercury Profile and Mercury Initial Assessment Report</b></p> <p><i>Baseline: 2.1:</i> There are some technical experts in Guyana (University of Guyana) who have quite extensive expertise in the area of mercury and mercury inventories; 2.2: The documents “Inventory of Mercury releases in Guyana (level 1)” and the “Guyana Action Plan on Mercury (2015-2020)” contain some baseline information and can be used as a starting point; 2.3: The documents “Inventory of Mercury releases in Guyana (level 1)” and the “Guyana Action Plan on Mercury (2015-2020)” contain some baseline information and can be used as a starting point.</p> <p><i>Indicators: 2.1:</i> National technical experts (consultants and Mercury Focus Group members) trained on data collection methodologies, reliability, and credibility and data analysis; 2.2: Mercury profile finalized; 2.3: National MIA Report finalized.</p>	<p><b>Activity Result 2.1.1. Capacity built and training conducted in Guyana to commence Mercury inventories.</b></p> <p><b>Action:</b> Technical training provided for National Mercury Profile.</p> <p><b>Activity Result 2.1.2. Capacity built and training conducted to target key government representatives to facilitate revision process on Mercury Inventory.</b></p> <p><b>Action:</b> Follow up training provided to facilitate the MCM and technical officers with sufficient knowledge conducting a Mercury inventory.</p> <p><b>Activity Result 2.2. National Mercury Inventory conducted in Guyana.</b></p> <p><b>Action:</b> Data collection for the National Mercury Profile completed, reviewed, approved.</p> <p><b>Activity Result 2.3. National MIA Report available.</b></p> <p><b>Action:</b> Review of the Proposed Regulatory framework on Mercury in Guyana and integrate in the MIA report</p>				MNR	GEF	<p>71300 – Local Consultants 1,710.00</p> <p>71200 - International Consultants 15,084.50</p> <p>71300 – Local Consultants 7,325</p> <p>71300 - Local Consultants 3,420.00</p> <p>71300 – Local Consultants 7,325</p>		

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<p><i>Annual targets:</i></p> <p>2.1: -National technical experts trained to be able to undertake the Mercury Inventory. -Mercury Focus Group members trained to be able to review the Mercury Inventory.</p> <p>2.2: Methodology and work programme submitted and approved by the project board. Mercury Inventory (Level 2) completed, incl.:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Overview of emission and releases sources</li> <li>- Inventory of wastes (stockpiles and generation rates)</li> <li>- Assessment of current practices to manage mercury</li> <li>- Identification of main risk groups</li> </ul> <p>-Recommendations for improved mercury management prepared.</p> <p>-National Mercury Profile finalized.</p> <p>2.3: -MIA Report in preparation, containing:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Institutional structures available to implement the Convention.</li> <li>- Barriers for implementation of the Convention.</li> </ul>	<p><b>Action:</b> Review of the Draft National Action Plan on Mercury to highlight areas of concern and make recommendations that would be included in the MIA report.</p> <p><b>Action:</b> Document the understanding of general public on the effects of mercury and integrate in the MIA report. And produce a short video documentary on this topic.</p> <p><b>Action:</b> MIA Report reviewed, approved and adopted.</p>						71300 – Local Consultants	7,325	
							71300 – Local Consultants	7,325	
							72100 – Contractual services – Companies	25,000.00	
							74200 – Audio Visual & Print Prod Costs	3,100.00	
							71200 – International Consultants	12,067.60	
							74200 - Audio Visual & Print Prod Costs	3,100.00	
							75700 - Training Workshops & Conferences	5,000.00	
							71600-Trav	14.00	
							74500-Misc	2,795.08	

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Summary of Mercury Profile.</li> <li>- Identification of technical and financial needs for implementation of the Convention.</li> <li>- Inventory of wastes (stockpiles and generation rates)</li> <li>- Proposal for action.</li> <li>- Recommendations for policy and regulatory revisions.</li> </ul> MIA Report reviewed, approved and adopted.									
<b>TOTAL OUTCOME 2</b>								<b>100,591.18</b>	
<b>Project Management</b>						GEF	71800 - Contractual services – imp partner	13,791.90	
							75700-Trai	100.97	
							74100 - Audit	1,000.00	
							74500 - Direct Project Costs	3,853.82	
<b>TOTAL PROJECT MANAGEMENT</b>								<b>18,746.69</b>	
<b>TOTAL PROJECT COSTS</b>								<b>165,935.92</b>	