

TOWARDS FOREST POSITIVE COCOA

ANNUAL PROGRESS REPORT 2024



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Cocoa &
Forests
Initiative

POSITIVE IMPACT, LASTING CHANGE

Our Cocoa & Forests Initiative 2.0 action plan builds on past work to transform our cocoa-sourcing landscape. In the last year we have exceeded our reforestation targets, tripled the scale of our income accelerator program and continued breaking new ground in our forest protection efforts around Côte d'Ivoire's Cavally Forest Reserve.



FOREST PROTECTION AND RESTORATION

in Côte d'Ivoire

Together with our partners we continue to invest in protecting existing forest land from deforestation and degradation. This year, our partner, [Earthworm Foundation](#) has brought additional partners into our program in Cavally Forest and the government of Côte d'Ivoire upgraded the forest's status, making it a Natural Forest Reserve, leading to a higher level of protection.

AGROFORESTRY

in Côte d'Ivoire & Ghana

Our agroforestry work increases tree cover within our supply chain, while also improving the livelihoods of farmers within local communities. Good agricultural practices and the distribution of forest and fruit trees, combined with the promising results of the income accelerator program, have incentivized farmers to play a larger role in our agroforestry efforts.

SUSTAINABLE PRODUCTION AND LIVELIHOODS

in Côte d'Ivoire & Ghana

Our innovative [income accelerator program](#) aims to improve the livelihoods of cocoa-farming families by encouraging changes in behavior and rewarding positive practices – both within the home and on the farm. One of the four pillars of the program is agroforestry activities. These activities improve the resilience of their cocoa farms, promote biodiversity and deliver opportunities for income diversification.

OUR PROGRESS IN 2023

1500 HECTARES

of reforestation in the [Cavally Forest](#) in Côte d'Ivoire (of a total forest area of 67 593 HA)

1.4 MILLION

native forest and fruit trees distributed via the [Nestlé Cocoa Plan](#) to cocoa-farming families in Côte d'Ivoire and Ghana, including trees distributed and planted within the income accelerator program

+38%

Total household net income in households on the program (vs. 29% in comparison group)

ACTION PLAN 2.0 (2023-2025)

180 HECTARES

of community and sacred forests to be protected in Côte d'Ivoire

4 MILLION

estimated forest and fruit trees to be distributed in Côte d'Ivoire

OUTLOOK (FROM 2024)

30 000

From 2024, scaling up from 10 000 to 30 000 families in Côte d'Ivoire and launching in Ghana

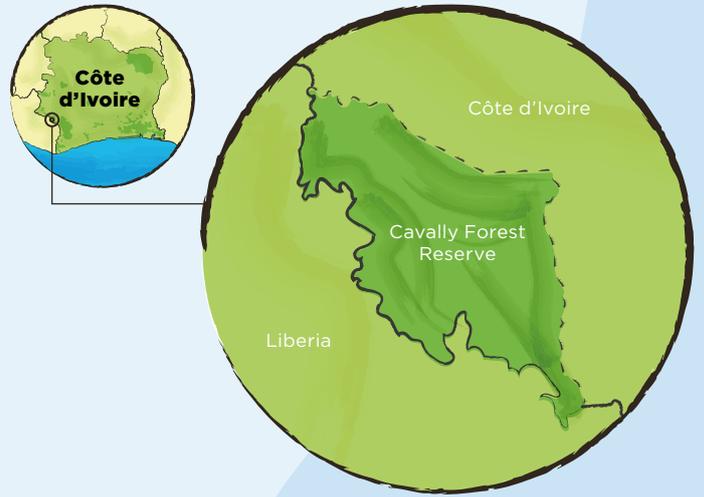
CAVALLY FOREST RESERVE LANDSCAPE

A preserved ecosystem with resilient communities

"We, along with the Côte d'Ivoire government, see this work towards forest protection and regeneration in Cavally Forest as emblematic for Côte d'Ivoire and the cocoa industry. We want to share our experience to inspire others to act similarly."

MATHILDE XICOLA,

Cavally Landscape Project Manager, [Earthworm Foundation](#)



WE ARE MEMBERS OF

THE COCOA & FORESTS INITIATIVE

Taking collective action to end cocoa-related deforestation

The governments of Côte d'Ivoire and Ghana and 36 leading cocoa and chocolate companies, representing 85% of global cocoa usage, joined together in the Cocoa & Forests Initiative to end deforestation and restore forest areas.

Collectively we aim to protect and restore biodiversity, sequester carbon stocks in West African forests and address climate change in line with the Paris Climate Agreement. The Cocoa & Forests Initiative delivers on Sustainable Development Goals 13 (Climate Action) and 15 (Life on Land).

To learn more, follow [#CocoaAndForests](#) on social media, or visit [CocoaAndForests.org](#) and [WorldCocoaFoundation.org](#).



Further reading

Find all our Towards Forest Positive Cocoa Reports since 2021 [here](#)

Find all our Nestlé Cocoa Plan Progress Reports since 2019 [here](#)

Find all our Income Accelerator Program Progress Reports since 2023 [here](#)



REPORTING OUR PROGRESS IN 2023

CÔTE
D'IVOIRE

FOREST PROTECTION AND RESTORATION

Commitment	Actions	Indicator	2023 Target	# Through direct investment (current reporting year)	# Total through direct investment (since 2018)
1. No further conversion of any forest land (as defined under national regulations, and using HCS and HCV methodologies) for cocoa production	1.1 Conduct farm mapping within direct supply chain to identify and collect cocoa farm boundaries to ensure cocoa is not being sourced from forest lands, National Parks and Reserves, and Classified Forests	# of farms mapped in direct supply chain: Total active	100 000	101 799	
	1.2 Conduct deforestation risk assessments in all direct sourcing areas	# of hectares in the direct supply chain with deforestation risk assessments completed		172 922	
2. No sourcing of cocoa from National Parks and Reserves through companies' traceable direct sourcing programs	2.1 Implement traceability tools/ technology to ensure no cocoa purchases originate from National Parks or Reserves (all forest areas)	% directly sourced cocoa traceable from the farm to the first purchase point (target is 100%)		84%	
3. A differentiated approach based on the level of degradation of forests for classified Forests will be developed and translated into a national forest restoration strategy	3.1 Support the restoration of Classified Forests by working with cocoa farmers, the government and the forestry industry to implement contracts for mixed agroforestry as a restoration and livelihoods intervention	# hectares restored in Forest Reserve / Forêts Classée	525	67	1181
4. Legal protection and management status for the remaining forests of Côte d'Ivoire in the Rural Domain	4.1 Support farmers with tree registration	# trees registered	0	0	528
	4.2 Support cocoa farmers to acquire land (tenure) documentation	# of farmers with land tenure agreements/documentation obtained via company support	0	426	426
5. Public enforcement of the new Forest Code and its subsequent guidelines, and public sector governance will be strengthened	5.1 Promote and participate in awareness-raising campaigns to educate farmers on the new Forest Code	# farmers informed, trained, and / or consulted on the new Forest Code, forest policy, law enforcement, forest protection, and restoration	25 000	55 547	
6. Public-private collaboration to mobilize resources for forest protection and restoration	6.1 Mobilize finance for forest protection and restoration	# Individuals receiving incentives to protect and restore forests and / or adopt agroforestry (e.g., PES): New	9 500	8 355	19 075
		# # individuals receiving incentives to protect and restore forests and / or adopt agroforestry (e.g., PES): Total Active	9 500	23 231	
7. Public-private collaboration to identify good practices, technical guidance and incentive mechanisms for forest restoration and agro-forestry	7.1 Support distribution and planting of multi-purpose trees for on-farm restoration via agroforestry	# farmers applying agroforestry: New		18 450	
		# multi-purpose trees distributed for on-farm planting	1 300 000	1 272 905	4 242 381
		# farmers applying agroforestry: New		18 450	
		# farmers applying agroforestry: Total Active		39 350	
	# hectares cocoa agroforestry: New	0	42 884	116 543	
	7.2 Support distribution and planting of native trees for off-farm restoration (reforestation)	# of trees distributed for off-farm planting	300 000	195 795	461 343
		# hectares of forest area restored off-reserve / in rural zone	19	69	1462
7.3 Train farmers in <u>Climate Smart Cocoa (CSC)</u> production including cocoa agroforestry systems	# farmers provided with technical assistance to be more resilient to climate change and reduce and remove carbon emissions on farm (e.g., CSC)	30 000	47 402		
8. Government creation, in collaboration with all stakeholders, of a public-private fund to support financing of protection and restoration of HCV forest areas	8.1 Support the creation of the public-private forest conservation and rehabilitation fund	\$ contributed to fund	0		

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SUSTAINABLE PRODUCTION AND FARMERS' LIVELIHOODS

Commitment	Actions	Indicator	2023 Target	# Through direct investment (current reporting year)	# Total through direct investment (since 2018)
9. Promote investment in long-term productivity of cocoa in environmentally suitable areas in order to grow "more cocoa on less land"	9.1 Distribute improved cocoa planting material	# improved cocoa seedlings distributed to farmers			
	9.3 Train farmers in Good Agriculture Practices (GAPs)	# farmers provided with technical assistance (based on plans) to professionalize & optimize cocoa farming practices	70000	82445	
10. Promote sustainable livelihoods and income diversification for cocoa farmers	10.1 Promote farm-level crop diversification	# individuals participating in additional Income Generating Activities (IGA's)		7028	
	10.2 Support distribution and planting of multi-purpose trees for on-farm restoration via agroforestry	# multi-purpose trees distributed for on-farm planting	Reported in 7.1		
		# hectares of cocoa agroforestry	Reported in 7.1		
11. Promote financial inclusion and innovation to deepen farmers' access to working capital and investment funds for production and farm renovation	11.1 Offer financial products to farmers and promote farmer savings	# Individuals provided with technical assistance (based on plans) to increase income from non-cocoa sources / IGA's	3000	13322	
		# Individuals provided with technical assistance to save money and access finance	15000	52855	
		# of members of <u>Village Savings & Loan Association (VSLA)</u> groups in the current year	15000	14493	
		# of VSLA groups in the current year	750	450	
12. Improve supply chain mapping, with the goal of 100% of cocoa sourcing traceable from farm to first purchase point. An action plan will be developed for traceability, which will be implemented step-by-step to achieve full traceability and verification, applicable to all by end-2019	12.1 Conduct farm mapping within direct supply chain to identify and collect cocoa farm boundaries to ensure cocoa is not being sourced from forest lands, National Parks and Reserves, and Classified Forests		Reported in 1.1		

SOCIAL INCLUSION AND COMMUNITY

Commitment	Actions	Indicator	2023 Target	# Through direct investment (current reporting year)	# Total through direct investment (since 2018)
13. Full and effective information sharing, consultation, and informed participation of cocoa farmers and their communities who are affected by proposed land-use changes	13.1 Organize cocoa community consultations on the implementation of the Frameworks for Action	# farmers informed, trained, and / or consulted on the new Forest Code, forest policy, law enforcement, forest protection, and restoration	Reported in 5.1		
14. Promote community-based management models for forest protection and restoration	14.1 Establish and/or support community-based natural resource management programs for forest restoration/protection	# of cocoa communities with active forest restoration and protection program (CBNRM): New	2	4	4
		# of cocoa communities with active forest restoration and protection program (CBNRM): Total Active		10	
		# hectares under CBNRM	50	167	167
15. Development of action plans for forest protection and restoration, and sustainable agricultural intensification that are gender and youth sensitive	15.1 Develop forest protection & restoration and agriculture intensification action plans that are gender and youth sensitive	# of individuals participating in women's empowerment projects and activities	15000	11358	
		# of individuals participating in youth focused projects and activities (15-35 years old)	0	3041	

REPORTING OUR PROGRESS IN 2023

GHANA

FOREST PROTECTION AND RESTORATION

Commitment	Actions	Indicator	2023 Target	# Through direct investment (current reporting year)	# Total through direct investment (since 2018)
1. No further conversion of any forest land (as defined under national regulations, and using HCS and HCV methodologies for cocoa production)	1.1 Conduct farm mapping within supply chain to ensure cocoa is not being sourced from forest land	# of cocoa farms mapped in direct supply chain: Total Active	15000	16018	
	1.2 Conduct deforestation risk assessments in all sourcing areas	# of hectares in the direct supply chain with deforestation risk assessments completed	0	31626	
2. No production and sourcing of cocoa from National Parks, Wildlife Sanctuaries, and Wildlife Resource Reserves, except from farms with existing legal status	2.1 Implement traceability tools/ technology to ensure no cocoa purchases originate from National Parks, Wildlife Sanctuaries, and Wildlife Resource Reserves (all forest areas)	% directly sourced cocoa traceable from the farm to the first purchase point (target is 100%)		85%	
3. A differentiated approach for Forest Reserves will be adopted, based on level of degradation; with elimination of sourcing of cocoa in less degraded reserves (Cat.1) as of 31 December 2019; and production and sourcing for a period up to 25 years through <u>MTS</u> in more degraded reserves (Cat. 2)	3.1 Support farmers in Category 2 Forest Reserve areas in their restoration and reforestation programs	# hectares of Category 2 Forest Reserve areas restored	0	-	-
4. In highly degraded off reserve forest lands, cocoa production and sourcing will continue, supported by climate smart cocoa and <u>MTS</u>	4.1 Train farmers in off-reserve forest lands in Climate Smart Cocoa (CSC) production including cocoa agroforestry systems	# farmers provided with technical assistance to be more resilient to climate change and reduce and remove carbon emissions on farm (e.g., CSC)	12000	9590	
	4.2 Train farmers in <u>Modified Taungya System (MTS)</u>	# of farmers trained in Modified Taungya System (MTS)	0	4456	
5. Land and tree tenure reforms, and benefit sharing arrangement to incentivize land owners and users to retain naturally regenerated trees will be accelerated, including approval of CREMA mechanism	5.1 Support farmers with tree registration	# trees registered	0		
	5.2 Support cocoa farmers to acquire land (tenure) documentation	# of farmers with land tenure agreements/documentation obtained via company support	0	150	150
6. Public sector forest law enforcement and governance will be strengthened	6.1 Promote awareness-raising campaigns to educate farmers on forest law enforcement and tree tenure provisions	# farmers informed, trained, and / or consulted on the new Forest Code, forest policy, law enforcement, forest protection and restoration	0	16436	
7. Public-private collaboration to mobilize new sources of funding for forest protection and restoration, and to incentivize farmers adoption of environmentally sustainable cocoa production will be developed	7.1 Mobilize finance for forest protection and restoration	# Individuals receiving incentives to protect and restore forests and / or adopt agroforestry (e.g., PES): New	0	710	710
		# Individuals receiving incentives to protect and restore forests and / or adopt agroforestry (e.g., PES): Total Active	0	710	
8. Public-private collaboration will be enhanced to identify good practices and technical guidance for forest conservation and restoration, shade grown cocoa, and <u>MTS</u> in Forest Reserves	8.1 Support distribution and planting of multi-purpose trees for on-farm restoration via agroforestry	# farmers applying agroforestry: New		1844	
		# farmers applying agroforestry: Total Active		3432	
		# farmers provided with technical assistance to adopt and expand agroforestry	12000	16436	
		# multi-purpose trees distributed for on-farm planting	90000	138112	554096
		# hectares of cocoa agroforestry: Total Active		3782	
		# hectares cocoa agroforestry: New	0	2012	6978
8.2 Support distribution and planting of native trees for off-farm restoration (reforestation)	8.2 Support distribution and planting of native trees for off-farm restoration (reforestation)	# of trees distributed for off-farm planting	30000	74600	102488
		# hectares of forest area restored off-reserve / in rural zone	0	40	59

REPORTING OUR PROGRESS IN 2023

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SUSTAINABLE PRODUCTION AND FARMERS' LIVELIHOODS

Commitment	Actions	Indicator	2023 Target	# Through direct investment (current reporting year)	# Total through direct investment (since 2018)
9. Promote investment in long-term productivity of high quality cocoa in environmentally sustainable manner and grow "more cocoa on less land"	9.1 Distribute improved cocoa planting material	# improved cocoa seedlings distributed to farmers	300000	577128	3379728
	9.2 Train farmers and producer organizations in the latest Good Agriculture Practices (GAPs)	# of farmers provided with technical assistance (based on plans) to professionalize and optimize cocoa farming practices	16000	8341	
10. Promote sustainable livelihoods and income diversification for cocoa farmers	10.1 Support distribution and planting of multi-purpose trees for on-farm restoration via agroforestry	# multi-purpose trees distributed for on-farm planting	Reported in 8.1		
		# hectares cocoa agroforestry: New	Reported in 8.1		
11. Promote financial inclusion and innovation to deepen farmers' access to working capital and investment funds required for production and cocoa farm rehabilitation and renovation	11.1 Promote expansion of farmer savings	# individuals provided with technical assistance to save money and access finance	0	6395	
		# individuals provided with technical assistance (based on plans) to increase income from non-cocoa sources / IGA's	0	5915	
		# of members of VSLA groups in the current year	2000	9190	
		# of VSLA groups in the current year	50	343	
12. Improve supply chain mapping, with 100% of cocoa sourcing traceable from farm to first purchase point. An action plan will be developed that maps out key principles, steps, and milestones to achieve this step, encompassing all national and international traders	12.1 Conduct mapping to identify and collect cocoa farm boundaries polygon data		Reported in 1.1		

SOCIAL INCLUSION AND COMMUNITY

Commitment	Actions	Indicator	2022 Target	# Through direct investment (current reporting year)	# Total through direct investment (since 2018)
13. Full and effective information sharing, consultation, and informed participation of cocoa farmers and their communities who are affected by proposed land-use changes	13.1 Organize cocoa community consultations on the implementation of the Frameworks for Action	# farmers informed, trained, and / or consulted on forest policy/law enforcement, forest protection, and restoration	Reported in 6.1		
14. Promote community-based management models for forest protection and restoration	14.1 Establish and/or support community-based natural resource management (CBNRM) programs for forest restoration/protection	# of cocoa communities with active forest restoration and protection program (CBNRM): New	0		10
		# hectares under CBNRM	0	60	79
		# of cocoa communities with active forest restoration and protection program (CBNRM): Total Active			10
15. Development of action plans for forest protection and restoration, and sustainable agricultural intensification that are gender and youth sensitive	15.1 Develop forest protection & restoration and agriculture intensification action plans that are youth and gender sensitive	# of individuals participating in women's empowerment projects and activities	2000	5000	
		# of individuals participating in youth focused projects and activities (age 15-35)	0	2076	

For more information on our progress, please refer to our website: www.nestlecocoaplan.com

FOREST PROTECTION AND RESTORATION

Commitment	Actions	Indicator	# Through direct investment (Oct 2022-Sept 2023)	# Through direct investment (Oct 2023-Sept 2024)	# Through direct investment (Oct 2024-Sept 2025)	TOTAL # Through direct investment (Oct 2022-Sept 2025)
1. No further conversion of any forest land (as defined under national regulations, and using HCS and HCV methodologies) for cocoa production.	1.1 Conduct farm mapping within direct supply chain to identify and collect cocoa farm boundaries to ensure cocoa is not being sourced from forest lands, National Parks and Reserves, and Classified Forests	# and % of farms mapped in direct supply chain (HP-IND-03)	100000 84%	130000 100%	130000 100%	
	1.2 Conduct deforestation risk assessments in all direct sourcing areas	# of hectares in the direct supply chain with deforestation risk assessments completed (HP-02)				
2. No sourcing of cocoa from National Parks and Reserves through companies' traceable direct sourcing programs.	2.1 Implement traceability tools/technology to ensure no cocoa purchases originate from National Parks or Reserves (all forest areas)	% of directly sourced cocoa traceable from the farm to the first purchase point (HP-IND-02)	77%	100%	100%	
3. A differentiated approach based on the level of degradation of forests for classified Forests will be developed and translated into a national forest restoration strategy	3.1 Support the restoration of Classified Forests by working with cocoa farmers, the government and the forestry industry to implement contracts for mixed agroforestry as a restoration and livelihoods intervention	# hectares restored in Classified Forests (HP-07)	525	525	525	1575
4. Legal protection and management status for the remaining forests of Côte d'Ivoire in the Rural Domain	4.1 Support farmers with tree registration	# trees registered				
	4.2 Support cocoa farmers to acquire land (tenure) documentation	# and % of farmers with land tenure agreements/ documentation etc. obtained via company support (PF-07)				
5. Public enforcement of the new Forest Code and its subsequent guidelines, and public sector governance will be strengthened	5.1 Promote and participate in awareness-raising campaigns to educate farmers on the new Forest Code	# farmers informed, trained, and / or consulted on the new Forest Code, law enforcement, forest protection, and restoration (HP-11)	25000	25000	25000	
6. Public-private collaboration to mobilize resources for forest protection and restoration	6.1 Mobilize finance for forest protection and restoration	# Individuals receiving PES: New (HP-05)	9500	17100	0	26600
		# Individuals receiving PES: Total Active (HP-05)	9500	26600	26600	
7. Public-private collaboration to identify good practices, technical guidance and incentive mechanisms for forest restoration and agro-forestry	7.1 Support distribution and planting of multi-purpose trees for on-farm restoration via agroforestry	# farmers applying agroforestry in development (HP-06)	9500	26600	26600	
		# multi-purpose trees distributed for on-farm planting (HP-10)	1300000	1300000	1400000	4000000
		# hectares cocoa agroforestry in development (HP-IND-04)				
	7.2 Support distribution and planting of native trees for off-farm restoration (reforestation)	# of trees distributed for off-farm planting (HP-09)	300000	350000	350000	1000000
		# ha of forest area restored in rural zone (HP-07)	19	20	20	59
7.3 Train farmers in CSC production including cocoa agroforestry systems	# farmers trained in CSC best practices (HP-08)	30000	40000	50000		
8. Government creation, in collaboration with all stakeholders, of a public-private fund to support financing of protection and restoration of HCV forest areas.	8.1 Support the creation of the government led public-private forest conservation and rehabilitation fund	\$ contributed to fund				
		\$ Contribution for Pillar	7000000	10000000	10000000	27000000

ACTION PLAN 2023-2025

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SUSTAINABLE PRODUCTION AND FARMERS' LIVELIHOODS

Commitment	Actions	Indicator	# Through direct investment (Oct 2022-Sept 2023)	# Through direct investment (Oct 2023-Sept 2024)	# Through direct investment (Oct 2024-Sept 2025)	TOTAL # Through direct investment (Oct 2022-Sept 2025)
9. Promote investment in long-term productivity of cocoa in environmentally suitable areas in order to grow "more cocoa on less land"	9.1 Distribute improved cocoa planting material	# improved seedlings distributed to farmers (PF-IND-02)				
	10.1 Promote farm-level crop diversification	# individuals participating in additional Income Generating Activities (IGA's) (PF-IND-03)	3000	10000		
	10.2 Support distribution and planting of multi-purpose trees for on-farm restoration via agroforestry	# multi-purpose trees distributed for on-farm planting # hectares of cocoa agroforestry in development			Already reported 7.1	
10. Promote sustainable livelihoods and income diversification for cocoa farmers	9.3 Train farmers in Good Agriculture Practices (GAPs)	# of farmers reached by GAP training programs (PF-IND-01)	70000	70000	70000	
	10.1 Promote farm-level crop diversification	# individuals participating in additional Income Generating Activities (IGA's) (PF-IND-03)	3000	10000		
	10.2 Support distribution and planting of multi-purpose trees for on-farm restoration via agroforestry	# multi-purpose trees distributed for on-farm planting # hectares of cocoa agroforestry in development			Already reported 7.1	
11. Promote financial inclusion and innovation to deepen farmers' access to working capital and investment funds for production and farm renovation	11.1 Offer financial products to farmers and promote farmer savings	# and % individuals in the current reporting year enrolled in a formal financial products and services (loans, insurance, digital payments, and savings [bank/mobile]) with support from companies (excluding cocoa bean pre-financing)	15000	20000		
		# of members of VSLA groups in the current year	15000	20000		
		# of VSLA groups in the current year	750	1000		
12. Improve supply chain mapping, with the goal of 100% of cocoa sourcing traceable from farm to first purchase point. An action plan will be developed for traceability, which will be implemented step-by-step to achieve full traceability and verification, applicable to all by end-2019.	12.1 Conduct farm mapping within direct supply chain to identify and collect cocoa farm boundaries to ensure cocoa is not being sourced from forest lands, National Parks and Reserves, and Classified Forests	# and % of farms mapped in direct supply chain			Already reported 1.1	
	12.2 Implement traceability system to farm level in direct supply chain	% of direct sourced cocoa traceable from individual farms to first purchase point			Already reported 2.1	
	\$ Contribution for Pillar			7000000	10000000	10000000

SOCIAL INCLUSION AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

Commitment	Actions	Indicator	# Through direct investment (Oct 2022-Sept 2023)	# Through direct investment (Oct 2023-Sept 2024)	# Through direct investment (Oct 2024-Sept 2025)	TOTAL # Through direct investment (Oct 2022-Sept 2025)
13. Full and effective information sharing, consultation, and informed participation of cocoa farmers and their communities who are affected by proposed land-use changes.	13.1 Organize cocoa community consultations on the implementation of the Frameworks for Action	# farmers informed, trained, and / or consulted on the new Forest Code, law enforcement, forest protection, and restoration			Already reported 5.1	
14. Promote community-based management models for forest protection and restoration	14.1 Establish and/or support community-based natural resource management programs for forest restoration/protection	# of cocoa communities with active forest restoration and protection program (HP-03)	2	3	4	9
		# hectares under CBNRM (HP-04)	50	60	70	180
15. Development of action plans for forest protection and restoration, and sustainable agricultural intensification that are gender and youth sensitive.	15.1 Develop forest protection & restoration and agriculture intensification action plans that are gender and youth sensitive	# of individuals participating in women's empowerment projects and activities (EC-08)	15000	20000		
		# of individuals participating in youth focused projects and activities (age 15-35) (EC-07)				

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FOREST PROTECTION AND RESTORATION

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1. No further conversion of any forest land (as defined under national regulations, and using HCS and HCV methodologies for cocoa production.	1.1 Conduct farm mapping within supply chain to ensure cocoa is not being sourced from forest land	# and % of farms mapped in direct supply chain (HP-IND-03)	15000 89%	16000 100%	16000 100%	
	1.2 Conduct deforestation risk assessments in all sourcing areas.	# of hectares in the direct supply chain with deforestation risk assessments completed (HP-02)				
2. No production and sourcing of cocoa from National Parks, Wildlife Sanctuaries, and Wildlife Resource Reserves, except from farms with existing legal status.	2.1 Implement traceability tools/technology to ensure no cocoa purchases originate from National Parks, Wildlife Sanctuaries, and Wildlife Resource Reserves (all forest areas)	% of directly sourced cocoa traceable from the farm to the first purchase point (HP-IND-02)	100%	100%	100%	
3. A differentiated approach for Forest Reserves will be adopted, based on level of degradation; with elimination of sourcing of cocoa in less degraded reserves (Cat.1) as of 31 December 2019; and production and sourcing for a period up to 25 years through <u>MTS</u> in more degraded reserves (Cat. 2).	3.1 Support farmers in Category 2 Forest Reserve areas in their restoration and reforestation programs	# hectares of Category 2 Forest Reserve areas restored (HP-07)				
4. In highly degraded off reserve forest lands, cocoa production and sourcing will continue, supported by climate smart cocoa and <u>MTS</u> .	4.1 Train farmers in off-reserve forest lands in CSC production including cocoa agroforestry systems	# farmers trained in CSC best practices (HP-08)	12000	12000	12000	
	4.2 Train farmers in <u>Modified Taungya System (MTS)</u>	# farmers trained in <u>MTS</u>				
5. Land and tree tenure reforms, and benefit sharing arrangement to incentivize land owners and users to retain naturally regenerated trees will be accelerated, including approval of CREMA mechanism.	5.1 Support farmers with tree registration	# trees registered				
	5.2 Support cocoa farmers to acquire land (tenure) documentation	# and % of farmers with land tenure agreements/ documentation etc. obtained via company support (PF-07)				
6. Public sector forest law enforcement and governance will be strengthened	6.1 Promote awareness-raising campaigns to educate farmers on forest law enforcement and tree tenure provisions	# farmers informed, trained, and / or consulted on forest policy/law enforcement, forest protection, and restoration (HP-11)				
7. Public-private collaboration to mobilize new sources of funding for forest protection and restoration, and to incentivize farmers adoption of environmentally sustainable cocoa production will be developed.	7.1 Mobilize finance for forest protection and restoration	# Individuals receiving PES: New (HP-05)		1800	1800	
		# Individuals receiving PES: Total Receiving (HP-05)		1800	3600	
8. Public-private collaboration will be enhanced to identify good practices and technical guidance for forest conservation and restoration, shade grown cocoa, and <u>MTS</u> in Forest Reserves.	8.1 Support distribution and planting of multi-purpose trees for on-farm restoration via agroforestry	# farmers applying agroforestry (HP-06)	12000	12000	12000	
		# multipurpose trees distributed for on-farm planting (HP-10)	90000	90000	90000	270000
		# hectares cocoa agroforestry in development (HP-IND-04)				
	8.2 Support distribution and planting of native trees for off-farm restoration (reforestation)	# of trees distributed for off-farm planting (HP-09)	30000	30000	30000	90000
		# hectares of forest area restored off-reserve (HP-07)				
	8.3 Train farmers in <u>Modified Taungya System (MTS)</u>	# farmers trained in <u>MTS</u>		Already reported 4.2		
	\$ Contribution for Pillar		380000	1000000	1000000	2380000

ACTION PLAN 2023-2025

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SUSTAINABLE PRODUCTION AND FARMER LIVELIHOODS

Commitment	Actions	Indicator	# Through direct investment (Oct 2022-Sept 2023)	# Through direct investment (Oct 2023-Sept 2024)	# Through direct investment (Oct 2024-Sept 2025)	TOTAL # Through direct investment (Oct 2022-Sept 2025)
9. Promote investment in long-term productivity of high quality cocoa in environmentally sustainable manner and grow "more cocoa on less land."	9.1 Distribute improved cocoa planting material	# improved cocoa seedlings distributed to farmers (PF-IND-02)	300000	300000	400000	1000000
	9.2 Train farmers and producer organizations in the latest Good Agriculture Practices (GAPs)	# of farmers reached by GAP training programs (PF-IND-01)	16000	16000	16000	
10. Promote sustainable livelihoods and income diversification for cocoa farmers.	10.1 Support distribution and planting of multi-purpose trees for on-farm restoration via agroforestry	# multipurpose trees distributed for on-farm planting	Already reported 8.1			
		# hectares cocoa agroforestry in development				
	10.2 Promote farm-level crop diversification	# individuals participating in additional Income Generating Activities (IGA's) (PF-IND-03)		1800	3600	
11. Promote financial inclusion and innovation to deepen farmers' access to working capital and investment funds required for production and cocoa farm rehabilitation and renovation.	11.1 Promote expansion of farmer savings	# and % individuals in the current reporting year enrolled in a formal financial products and services (loans, insurance, digital payments, and savings [bank/mobile]) with support from companies (excluding cocoa bean pre-financing) (PF-03)		1800	3600	
		# of members of VSLA groups in the current year (EC-05)	2000	1800	3600	
		# of VSLA groups in the current year (EC-06)	50	40	80	
12. Improve supply chain mapping, with 100% of cocoa sourcing traceable from farm to first purchase point. An action plan will be developed that maps out key principles, steps, and milestones to achieve this step, encompassing all national and international traders.	12.1 Conduct mapping to identify and collect cocoa farm boundaries polygon data	# farms mapped within direct supply chain	Already reported 1.1			
	12.2 Implement traceability system to farm level in 100% of supply chain by end-2019	% cocoa supply traceable from individual farms to first purchase point	Already reported 2.1			
		\$ Contribution for Pillar	380000	1000000	1000000	2380000

SOCIAL INCLUSION AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

Commitment	Actions	Indicator	# Through direct investment (Oct 2022-Sept 2023)	# Through direct investment (Oct 2023-Sept 2024)	# Through direct investment (Oct 2024-Sept 2025)	TOTAL # Through direct investment (Oct 2022-Sept 2025)
13. Full and effective information sharing, consultation, and informed participation of cocoa farmers and their communities who are affected by proposed land-use changes.	13.1 Organize cocoa community consultations on the implementation of the Frameworks for Action	# farmers informed, trained, and / or consulted on forest policy/law enforcement, forest protection, and restoration	Already reported 6.1			
14. Promote community-based management models for forest protection and restoration.	14.1 Establish and/or support community-based natural resource management (CBNRM) programs for forest restoration/protection	# of cocoa communities with active forest restoration and protection program (HP-03)				
		# hectares under CBNRM (HP-04)				
15. Development of action plans for forest protection and restoration, and sustainable agricultural intensification that are gender and youth sensitive.	15.1 Develop forest protection & restoration and agriculture intensification action plans that are youth and gender sensitive	# of individuals participating in women's empowerment projects and activities (EC-08)	2000	1800	3600	
		# of individuals participating in youth focused projects and activities (age 15-35) (EC-07)				