

Ghana Cocoa Forest REDD+ Programme (GCFRP)

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Quality score: 73/100

Evidence strength: Observational / pre–post

Summary

World's first commodity-based REDD+ programme: 5.9 M ha of Ghana's High Forest Zone with 140,000+ cocoa farmers in 6 hotspot areas. World Bank FCPF ERPA (2019–2024): up to US \$50 M for 10 M tCO₂e. First payment: US \$4.86 M for 972,456 tCO₂e (Jan 2023).

Key dimensions

Dimension	Score
Carbon — sequestration / storage, evidenced	3/3
Biodiversity — conservation / improvement, evidenced	2/3
Water & soil — retention, infiltration, erosion control	2/3
Fire resilience — risk reduction, evidenced	1/3
Governance, certification & transferability	3/3

Evaluated by C-NAPSE

Data sources

[C-NAPSE web research](#) — accessed 2026-06-21

[Ghana Forestry Commission / Ghana Cocoa Board \(COCOBOD\)](#) — accessed 2026-06-21

[World Bank press release — Ghana first FCPF payment, Jan 2023](#) — accessed 2026-06-21

[UN-REDD Programme — Ghana receives first emission-reduction payment](#) — accessed 2026-06-21

[Ghana REDD+ Data Hub — GCFRP programme page](#) — accessed 2026-06-21

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