

1. EAMCEF PHASED DEVELOPMENT PROCESS

1.1 FIRST PHASE

- Initially EAMCEF operated as a component of the World Bank financed project under the Ministry of Natural Resources and Tourism – the Tanzania Forest Conservation and Management Project (TFCMP).
- EAMCEF used a 2 mil. US\$ credit facility under the TFCMP to finance activities and operations of its 7 years first phase (2002 – 2009), the establishment phase.
- The establishment phase concentrated mainly in getting the Endowment Fund Secretariat in place and functional - staff recruitment, office accommodation, procurement of essential equipment, basic supplies/materials, establishment of operational procedures and mobilizing additional resources.
- Full funding for community development, forest conservation and biodiversity research activities was as well undertaken during the first phase.

1.2 SECOND PHASE

- Funding of the second phase – the permanent phase was planned to come mainly from incomes that will be generated from the investment of the endowment capital secured from the GEF commitment of US\$ 7.0 mil.
- The permanent phase was planned to be dominated by full scale funding of field activities in three priority thematic areas viz,
 - **Community Based Conservation and Development** activities for improvement of rural livelihoods and social welfare of forest adjacent communities.
 - **Applied Biodiversity Research** relevant to the conservation of biodiversity in the priority Eastern Arc Mountains.
 - **Protected Areas and Climate Change Management** to improve the ecological functions of the ecosystem and to strengthen the management capabilities of the responsible institutions.