

QUALITY REPORT

SMG - Cookstove Program 3

VCS-3771 · VCS · India

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7.1 Overall Score out of 10	■ Integrity (35%)	6.4
	■ Transparency (25%)	8.2
	■ Claim Safety (25%)	6.1
	■ Documentation (15%)	8.8

Weights: Integrity 35% · Transparency 25% · Claim Safety 25% · Documentation 15%

Assessment Summary

This is a registry-grade VCS cookstove project with a public validation/verification trail, so confidence is relatively high. The main uncertainty is not documentation but methodological risk typical of cookstoves: usage, fNRB, and baseline conservatism are only partially visible in the excerpted report text.

Project Details

Registry	Verra (VCS)
Registry ID	VCS-3771
Country	India
Project Methodology	VMR0006 1.2
Crediting Period	2022 — 2029
VVB	LGAI Technological Center, S.A (Applus+ Certification)
Verified ERs	67,652 tCO2e
Monitoring Period	2022 — 2023
Confidence	High
Documents Reviewed	13 documents reviewed
Scored	2026-04-08

Red Flags

- Cookstove methodology risk: the excerpt does not show annual sustained-usage results, stove-stacking controls, or metered usage evidence.
- Baseline/fNRB details are not visible in the excerpt, so over-crediting risk from biomass access assumptions cannot be fully assessed.
- No evidence shown of corresponding adjustment or Article 6 authorization; buyer claims should not imply host-country adjusted mitigation.

Score Breakdown

Integrity — 6.4 / 10

+ Applus+ verification confirms 67,652 tCO₂e for 01-Dec-2022 to 30-Jun-2023 [Verification Report]

~ Cookstove-specific risks remain: sustained use, fNRB, and leakage controls are not fully visible in the excerpt [Verification Report]

The verification report (issued 19-Sep-2024) states Applus+ independently validated and verified the project under VMR0006 and confirmed 67,652 tCO₂e for 01-Dec-2022 to 30-Jun-2023, with 30,000 ICS distributed in Madhya Pradesh. That supports additionality and implementation, but the excerpt does not show the full additionality test details, nor does it provide the underlying fNRB value or sustained-use evidence beyond sampling and site visit procedures. For a cookstove project, usage persistence and baseline fuel assumptions are key risks; the report mentions random household sampling and conservative assumptions, but the visible text does not quantify leakage or stove-stacking controls.

Transparency — 8.2 / 10

+ Public registry extract includes validation/verification representations, validation report, verification report, and monitoring report

+ Verification report provides dates, methodology (VMR0006), site visit, CAR/CL closure, and project scale [Verification Report]

Public registry documents are unusually strong here: validation representation, verification representation, verification report, validation report, and monitoring report are all present in the registry extract. The verification report is detailed, includes dates, methodology references, site visit, and findings resolution, which materially improves transparency. Some underlying annexes and the full monitoring report text are not visible in the provided excerpt, so transparency is high but not perfect.

Claim Safety — 6.1 / 10

+ Recent verification period and issue date reduce vintage risk [Verification Report]

~ No evidence shown of CCP label, corresponding adjustment, or Article 6 authorization; claims should remain VCM-only

The project is on VCS (VCS 3771) with a recent verification period ending 30-Jun-2023 and report issued 19-Sep-2024, so vintage risk is moderate rather than high. There is no evidence in the provided material of CCP approval, Article 6 authorization, or corresponding adjustment, so buyer claims should be limited to standard voluntary carbon market claims, not compliance or offsetting with host-country adjustment assurances. Double-counting risk appears managed through the Verra registry framework, but the excerpt does not show retirement records or buyer claim guidance.

Documentation — 8.8 / 10

+ Multiple official documents are publicly accessible on the registry, including a 97-page verification report

+ Monitoring period and verification period are clearly stated; CARs/CLs were resolved [Verification Report]

The evidence package includes a public validation report, verification report, validation/verification representations, and a monitoring report, all linked to the official registry. The verification report is recent and explicitly covers the monitored period 01-Dec-2022 to 30-Jun-2023, with a 97-page report and documented CAR/CL closure. The only notable gap is that the excerpt does not expose the full monitoring report content or all annexes, so some technical assumptions remain unreviewed in this assessment.

Risk Indicators

● Additionality	documented evidence
● Permanence	low reversal risk for non-AFOLU cookstove project
● Leakage	mixed evidence / unresolved risk
● Baseline	mixed evidence / unresolved risk
● Safeguards	documented evidence
● Double-claim	mixed evidence / unresolved risk

What Would Improve This Score

- Publish the full monitoring report annexes showing fNRB calculation, stove-usage survey results, and sustained-use rates by monitoring period.
- Disclose leakage treatment and any fuel-stacking adjustment methodology in a registry-linked MRV appendix.
- Provide buyer-facing claim guidance and any Article 6/corresponding-adjustment status statement, if applicable.

Documents Reviewed

- Issuance Representation
- Registration and Issuance Review Report
- Monitoring Report
- Registration Representation
- Listing Representation
- Project Description
- Draft Project Description
- Validation Representation
- Verification Representation
- Verification Report
- Validation Report

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