

## A. COMPLETION REPORT SUBMITTED NOT MORE THAN SIX MONTHS AFTER PROJECT COMPLETION

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**Implementing Entity:** Dominican Institute for Integral Development (IDDI)

**Country:** Dominican Republic

**Adaptation Fund Grant I.D.:**

**Grant Type:** TA-ESGP

**Project Description/Project Title:** Technical Assistance for Assessment and Management of Environmental, Social and Gender Related Issues and for Compliance with the Fund's Environmental and Social Policy and Gender Policy in the Dom. Rep.

**Project Sector:** Water Management

**Project Completion Date:** 28/05/2020

Activity	Expected Outcome	Outcome Achieved / Not Achieved	Comment / Explanation
<p>1. Development of procedures, manuals, and guidelines to analyze environmental and social project risks, and for gender-related risks.</p>	<p>The objective of this document is to strengthen the ESIA originally presented, so that specifically, the following can be identified:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Activities not foreseen in the original design but that can be developed in the project.</li> <li>b. Non-significant impacts, but which may be relevant based on current information and</li> <li>c. Updates in the scope of the works and work plans, according to the final designs.</li> </ul>	<p>With the development of these activities, a product has been obtained that, to have a comprehensive and easily understood guide, has been divided into two main products, which are the following:</p> <p>Product 1.a: One (1) guide to Environmental and Social Impact Assessment (ESIA) and</p> <p>Product 1.b: One (1) Environmental and Social Management Plan (ESMP) and Risk Management Plan.</p>	
<p>2. Development of procedures, manuals, guidelines for the environmental and social and gender related risk assessment, and to formulate gender-sensitive risk management plans.</p>	<p>With the support of technical personnel from the Ministry of the Environment, INAPA, IDDI, the Ministry of Women, the Ministry of Economy, Planning and Development (MEPyD), the National Climate Change Council and Clean Development Mechanism (CNCCMDL), the Cabinet for the Coordination of Social Policies, a review of the</p>	<p>Product 2 Manual on the Adaptation Fund (AF) procedures for conducting environmental and social risk assessments and formulating management plans that are gender sensitive.</p>	<p>Document review and validation processes in the case of public institutions require a long process since they must go through different instances before having the final approval of the directors, although it is a lesson learned, it allows establishing more dynamic strategies for validation processes and establish channels of direct communication with those responsible.</p>

	<p>basic documentation was carried out to prepare a procedure guide to identify and access the Adaptation Fund's environmental and social requirements. This includes, among others, the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Processes to establish objectives and results,</li> <li>b. Development of environmental and social management plans,</li> <li>c. Different needs between groups, concerns, resources, and skills,</li> <li>d. Gender evaluation at community level,</li> <li>e. Selection of gender sensitive indicators,</li> <li>f. Implementation and monitoring agreements,</li> <li>g. Monitoring and evaluation,</li> <li>h. Evaluation of differences in participation, benefits and impacts between men and women, including progress towards gender equality and changes in gender relations.</li> </ul>		
<p>3. Development of policies and other ways for dissemination for gender sensitive public consultations.</p>	<p>A Methodological Framework for the analysis of Gender Policies and Guidelines of IDDI, the Ministry of Environment and Natural Resources and the National Institute of Drinking Water and Sewerage (INAPA) was designed and an exhaustive review of documents, laws and regulations was carried out national and international in order to unify criteria and standardize procedures and strategies based on the theme of</p>	<p>Product 3.a: Methodological Framework for the revision of procedures and Gender Policies of the Dominican Institute for Integral Development (IDDI), the Ministry of Environment and Natural Resources and the National Institute of Drinking Water and Sewerage (INAPA),  Product 3.b: One (1) matrix of analysis of gender policies and guidelines at IDDI, the Ministry of the Environment and INAPA.</p>	<p>In July 2020 the presidential elections will be held in the Dominican Republic, which could bring about changes in the authorities of the key institutions of the project, which may affect the review and validation processes of the documents and evaluations that were pending.</p>

	gender equity and adaptation to Climate Change, taking as reference the GP of the AF	Product 3.c: Design of the IDDI Gender Policy for social and climate change projects.	
4. Develop transparent, accessible, fair and effective mechanisms to receive and address complaints about environmental damage and social and complaints related to gender inequalities and other negative gender impacts caused by projects / programs during implementation.	A guide was formulated titled "Information and accountability mechanisms for the programs and projects of the Adaptation Fund in the Dominican Republic", in order to monitor the correct compliance with environmental, social and gender policies, regulations, laws and national and international agreements during the development of the project.	Developed a 4a: Guide for Information and accountability mechanisms for the programs and projects of the Adaptation Fund in the Dominican Republic	
5. Training of personnel from selected entities to carry out relevant tasks related to implementation of the Environmental and Social Policy (ESP) and the Gender Policy (GP) of the AF.	To strengthen the technical capacities of IDDI staff, partners and stakeholders on the management and implementation of ESP and GP, a training system was established to provide knowledge on said policies to technical personnel of the Project in the Province of San Cristóbal and create a group of facilitators with training for monitoring and evaluation of the Environmental and Social Management System (ESMS) and the mechanisms for the Environmental and Social Impact Assessment (ESIA) and the Social and Environmental Management Plan (ESMP).	Design of a capacity-building plan for the management of environmental and social policies and policies where the workshops listed below were held:  a) Two 8-hour workshops were held with members of the management unit of the Resilience project in the Province of San Cristóbal and IDDI staff on knowledge of Environmental and Social Policy (ESP) and Gender Policy (GP) of the Adaptation Fund. The workshops focused on the relevant criteria of said policies, and exercises were carried out to ensure understanding and ownership.  b) In two 20-hour workshops, a group of 25 facilitators was formed, made up of technical staff from IDDI, the Ministry of the Environment and Natural	The training processes coincided with the Christmas holidays, which made it difficult at the time to complete the training cycle, especially in the communities according to the established schedule.

		<p>Resources, INAPA, H + D, Pronatura, who oversaw multiplying the knowledge of ESP and GP to the beneficiaries and local actors. of the communities to be served in the Resilience and Adaptation project to the CC in the Province of San Cristobal.</p> <p>c) 50 community focal points and 15 representatives of local governments were trained on ESP and GP, providing them with knowledge to ensure the correct implementation of ESP and GP in their communities.</p>	
<p><b>Budget</b></p>	<p>State whether overall expenditure was over or under the planned budget and give brief explanation for deviations of <b>more than 30%. (The budget implementation was carried out based on the amounts requested)</b></p>		
<p><b>Summary of overall outcome including any challenges faced and how they were resolved, and an explanation of how achieved outcomes will be disseminated or taken forward*.</b></p>	<p>There are revised and updated ESMS, ESIA and ESMP, which will allow the project being developed in the Province of San Cristóbal to comply with AF's Environmental and Social Policy.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Regarding the AF Gender policies, they have been presented to the IDDI Board of Directors and the Executing Entities as an integral part of the guidelines to be followed for AF projects and programs and are aligned with the National Equity and Equality Plan of Gender for the Dominican Republic (2020-2030) from the Ministry of Women. The reference links: <a href="http://iddi.org/es/proyectos">http://iddi.org/es/proyectos</a> /<a href="https://oig.cepal.org/sites/default/files/2019_planeg_iii_dom.pdf">https://oig.cepal.org/sites/default/files/2019_planeg_iii_dom.pdf</a></li> <li>2. Regarding the Environmental and Social policy, the review and update of the ESMS, ESIA and ESMP have been shared through the focal points of the Executing Entities and used within the framework of the project and at the local level, workshops have been given to the approval, dissemination and implementation through the local authorities of the province of San Cristóbal (Government, Municipal Mayors) and these can be found on our website at the link: <a href="http://iddi.org/es/proyectos">http://iddi.org/es/proyectos</a>.</li> </ol> <p>The project management unit and stakeholder representatives have received training to administer the Environmental and Social Management System (ESMS), the mechanisms for Environmental and Social Impact Assessment (ESIA) and the Social and Environmental Management Plan (ESMP)</p>		

	<p>In relation to gender issues, a group of facilitators was trained so that they can work together with gender focal points in the projects. These staff will oversee the gender assessment, follow up on the indicators, and train communities in gender and gender equality perspectives.</p> <p>An Information, Transparency and Accountability system will establish monitoring and control mechanisms for the execution of the project and will guarantee compliance with the ESP and GP          IDDI and implementing partners were able to review their gender policy and define the aspects to be strengthened to ensure its efficient compliance.</p>
<p><b>Any feedback/general comment to the AFB secretariat</b></p>	<p>This type of financing allows to give the initial guidelines and establish the bases for the development of projects aligned with the environmental, social and gender policies of the AF and that the IDDI as IE and the EE can work with a common and unified language.</p>

\*If there have been any delays in project implementation that affected project completion dates, state the reasons for the delays.

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