



ADAPTATION FUND

15 July 2014

Adaptation Fund Board

Proposal for Fiji (UNDP)

Fiji: Enhancing Resilience of Rural Communities to Flood and Drought-Related Climate Change and Disaster Risks in the Ba Catchment Area of Fiji (Fully-developed project document; United Nations Development Programme; FJI/MIE/DRR/2010/3; US\$ 5,728,800)

Having considered the intersessional technical review of the fully-developed project document carried out by the secretariat and the Project and Programme Review Committee (PPRC), and the recommendation of the PPRC, the Adaptation Fund Board decides to:

- (a) Not approve the project document, as supplemented by the clarification response provided by the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) to the request made by the technical review;*
- (b) Suggest that UNDP reformulates the proposal taking into account the observations in the review sheet annexed to the notification of the Board's decision, as well as the following:*
 - (i) The proposal should more clearly describe gender-related vulnerability in the target communities, and how the project would include specific interventions and targets that would help address underlying gender inequality and provide benefits to women that would reduce their vulnerability to climate change;*
 - (ii) The proposal should more clearly explain how the level of ambition in terms of female compared to male beneficiaries is justified in relation to the baseline situation, and it should seek ways to reach equitable distribution of benefits between women and men;*
 - (iii) The proposal should explain how community members have been made aware of possible risks of the project, including temporary negative impacts, and how that information has been reflected in consultations with the communities;*
 - (iv) The proposal should clarify the risks related to land tenure (rated as mid-level risk), and how the environmental impact assessment and environmental and social management plan would address those so that they could be monitored during implementation;*

- (v) *The proposal should explain which kind of grievance mechanism would be available in the country for affected project stakeholders;*
 - (vi) *The proposal should clarify the execution arrangements of the project by removing references to execution services to be provided by the implementing entity, if such execution services are indeed not planned to be provided;*
 - (vii) *The proponent should ensure that all information provided informally through a response sheet is included in the project proposal; and*
 - (viii) *The proposal should explain the structure and mechanism for knowledge generation and sharing arising from the project as a best practice; and*
- (c) *Request UNDP to transmit the observations referred to in paragraph (b) above to the Government of Fiji.*

Decision B.23-24/12