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Adaptation Fund Board
Project and Programme Review Committee
Seventeenth meeting
Bonn, 6-7 October 2015

Agenda Item 6 a)

**PROJECT FORMULATION GRANT FOR INDIA (1)** 

#### I. Background

- 1. The Board at its eleventh meeting discussed the document "Funding for Project Formulation Costs" (AFB/11/6) and agreed, in its Decision B.11/18, that:
  - i. project formulation grants (PFG) should be given once a project concept has been approved
  - ii. consideration should be given in terms of differentiating between NIEs and MIEs, since some NIEs might have financial difficulties in trying to formulate project or programme proposals;
  - iii. a flat rate should be given for project formulation costs;
  - iv. a list of eligible activities and items still needed to be prepared;
  - v. the grant should be additional to the project cost; and
  - vi. the fate of funds if the final project document was rejected should be determined.
- 2. There was consensus that a three tiered system should be considered for project formulation grants: endorse a project concept with a PFG amount, endorse a project concept without a PFG amount, or reject the project concept.
- 3. Following the discussion, the Board decided:

To request the secretariat to reformulate the document, to include a comparison of eligible activities provided by other funds for project formulation grants, to take into account guidance provided by the Board at the present meeting, and to submit the document to the Board at its twelfth meeting, through the EFC. The EFC should review and finalize the process and policy of the project formulation grant focusing, in particular, on: the issue of unspent project funds; the procedures followed by other funds in that regard; and the determination of a flat-rate.

- 4. A document was prepared by the secretariat in response to the above mandate and presented at the third EFC meeting, which made specific recommendations to the Board at its twelfth meeting. Having considered the recommendation of the Ethics and Finance Committee, the Board, in its Decision B.12/28, decided that:
  - (a) Project Formulation Grants (PFGs) will only be made available for projects submitted through NIEs. The Board would continue reviewing the question of PFGs for projects submitted through MIEs and would solicit comments from members and alternate members by February 14, 2011; the views would be compiled by the secretariat for presentation to the Board at its March 2011 meeting;
  - (b) If a country required a project formulation grant, a request should be made at the same time as the submission of a project concept to the secretariat. The secretariat will review and forward it to the PPRC for a final recommendation to the Board. A PFG could only be awarded when a project concept was presented and endorsed;
  - (c) A PFG form, reproduced in Annex V, should be submitted;
  - (d) Only activities related to country costs would be eligible for PFG funding:

- (e) A flat rate of up to US\$30,000 shall be provided, inclusive of the management fee, which cannot exceed 8.5 per cent of the grant amount. The flat fee would be reviewed by the Board at its thirteenth and all subsequent meetings;
- (f) If the final project document is rejected, any unused funds shall be returned to the Adaptation Fund Trust Fund;
- (g) Once a project/programme formulation grant is disbursed, a fully developed project document should come to the Board for approval within 12 months. No additional grants for project preparation can be received by a country until the fully developed project/programme document has been submitted to the Board; and
- (h) The Trustee was instructed to remove the set-aside of US\$100,000 for project preparation that had been decided at the June 2010 meeting, as project preparation would be approved on a project-by-project basis.

#### **II. The Project Formulation Grant Request**

- 5. This addendum to the document AFB/PPRC.17/6 "Proposal for India (1)" includes the Project Formulation Grant, requesting a budget of US\$28,400, which was received by the secretariat along with the concept for the project IND/NIE/Forest/2015/1 "Building Adaptive Capacities in Communities, Livelihoods and Ecological Security in the Kanha-Pench Corridor in Madhya Pradesh". This proposal was submitted on time by the National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development (NABARD), the National Implementing Entity for India, for its consideration by the Adaptation Fund Board at its twenty-sixth meeting.
- 6. In accordance with Decision B.12/28 paragraph (b), the secretariat carried out an initial review of the PFG request and found that the document provided detailed information on the use of the requested funds. The proposed activities were aligned with the goal of the project and would support a climate change analysis, a detailed stakeholder consultation process, and environmental and social risk assessment and gender analysis, the project design validation and the formulation of the fully-developed project.
- 7. Therefore, the PPRC may want to consider and <u>recommend</u> to the Board to approve the PFG Request provided that the related concept proposal is endorsed.



### **Project Formulation Grant (PFG)**

Submission Date: 05.08.2015

Adaptation Fund Project ID

Regular

Country

India

Title of Project/Programme

: Building Adaptive Capacities in Communities, Livelihoods and Ecological Security in the Kanha-Pench

Corridor

Type of IE (NIE/MIE)

National Implementing Entity

Implementing Entity

National Bank for Agriculture and Rural

Development – (NABARD)

**Executing Entity** 

RBS Foundation India - promoted by The Royal

Bank of Scotland

Madhya Pradesh Forest Department

#### A. Project Preparation Timeframe

| Start date of PFG      | September 2015                    |  |
|------------------------|-----------------------------------|--|
| Completion date of PFG | Submission date for full proposal |  |

## B. Proposed Project Preparation Activities (\$)

Describe the PFG activities and justifications:

| List of Proposed Project Preparation<br>Activities   | Output of the PFG Activities  | USD Amount |
|--|---|------------|
| Stakeholder meeting     ii. Focused Group Discussion (FGDs)     iii. Interviews Includes data collection,     iv. mapping, analysis etc.                                   | i. Vulnerabilities of various groups identified  ii. View and feedback of stakeholders of about climatic & non-climatic stresses obtained.  iii. Interventions to address the vulnerabilities firmed up | 6,000.00   |
| <ul> <li>2. Climate Change Analysis</li> <li>i. Analysis of current and future climate change parameters</li> <li>ii. Identification of Climatic Stress factors</li> </ul> | Climate change related problem in<br>Kanha Pench corridor identified  | 4,000.00   |
| 3. Finalization of implementation and monitoring arrangements  | Implementation and monitoring arrangement finalized   | 2,000.00   |

| Consultations with state government, NGOs and Panchayats  |   |           |
|---|---|-----------|
| 3. Identification and design of intervention i. Livelihood survey of sample households ii. Assessment of adaptive capacity iii. Existing livelihood strategies & available income opportunities iv. Identification of interventions v. Design and financial analysis of interventions | Better understanding of livelihood strategies, coping mechanisms, vulnerability context.  Design of interventions finalized | 8,000.00  |
| 4. Environmental & Social Risk Assessment and Gender Analysis   | Assessment and Gender Analysis completed  | 3,000.00  |
| 5. Report Preparation, Reprographic and Maps etc.   | Project Report with relevant maps etc. prepared   | 3,000.00  |
| 6. Field and desk appraisal by NIE (Cost towards travel, field visits, consultancy, etc.)   | Desk and field appraisal for proposal finalization done by NIE  | 2,400.00  |
| Total Project Formulation Grant   |   | 28,400,00 |

# C. Implementing Entity

This request has been prepared in accordance with the Adaptation Fund Board's procedures and meets the Adaptation Fund's criteria for project identification and formulation

| Implementing<br>Entity<br>Coordinator, IE<br>Name | Signature          | Date<br>(Month,<br>day,<br>year)                                | Project<br>Contact<br>Person           | Telephone   | Email Address |
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