



## ADAPTATION FUND

16 July 2018

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Adaptation Fund Board

### **Proposal for Kazakhstan, Tajikistan and Uzbekistan (UNESCO)**

Kazakhstan, Tajikistan, Uzbekistan: Reducing vulnerabilities of populations in the Central Asia region from glacier lake outburst floods in changing climate (Project Concept; United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) ASI/MIE/DRR/2015/1;(US\$ 5,000,000)

Having considered the intersessional technical review of the regional project concept 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) Endorse the project concept, as supplemented by the clarification responses provided by the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) to the request made by the technical review;
- (b) To request the secretariat to transmit to UNESCO the observations in the review sheet annexed to the notification of the Board's decision, as well as the following issues:
  - (i) In the fully-developed project document, the cost-effectiveness of this initiative should be substantiated by a clear description of alternative options to the proposed measures should be provided, to allow for a good assessment of the project/programme cost effectiveness;
  - (ii) The project proposal should further elaborate on the linkages and synergies with all relevant potentially overlapping projects / programmes;
  - (iii) The fully-developed project document should further elaborate about the maintenance and financing strategy to be developed for ensuring long-term sustainability; and
  - (iv) In the fully-developed project document the risks identification needs to (1) be comprehensive, including all project activities and all 15 ESP principles, and (2) be evidence-based, providing justification of the findings. Positive environmental and social impacts, mitigation and management measures should not be included in the risks identification and any subsequent impact assessments.
- (b) To approve the project formulation grant of US\$ 77,200; and

- (c) To encourage the Governments of Kazakhstan, Tajikistan, Uzbekistan to submit through UNESCO a fully-developed project proposal that would address the observations under subparagraph (b) above.

**Decision B.31-32/14**