Agenda Item 11 a)

PROPOSAL FOR PROJECT SCALE-UP GRANT FOR RWANDA
Background

1. At its twenty-second meeting, the Adaptation Fund Board Secretariat (the secretariat) had prepared document AFB/B.22/6 which outlined the possible elements and options for a phased programme to support readiness for direct access to climate finance for National and Regional Implementing Entities and presented a framework and budget for a first phase of the Programme. Following a discussion of the document, the Adaptation Fund Board (the Board) decided to:

(a) Approve Phase I of the Readiness Programme as detailed in document AFB/B.22/6, on the basis that it would follow performance-based funding principles;

(b) Take note of the options provided by the secretariat on a programme to support readiness for direct access to climate finance for national and regional implementing entities;

(c) Request the secretariat to submit to the Board intersessionally between the twenty-second and twenty-third meetings, execution arrangements, criteria/eligibility criteria to allocate the funds to the accredited implementing entities for specific activities, as well as a timeline of activities, with a view to start implementing the programme before the twenty-third Board meeting; and

(d) Approve an increase in the Administrative Budget of the Board, secretariat and trustee for FY2014 of US$ 467,000 for the programme described in AFB/B.22/6, and authorize the trustee to transfer such amount to the secretariat and request the trustee to set aside the balance amount of US$ 503,000 from the Adaptation Fund Trust Fund resources for subsequent commitment and transfer at the instruction of the Board.

(Decision B.22/24)

2. At the tenth session of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Kyoto Protocol (CMP 10), the Parties recognized the Readiness Programme of the Adaptation Fund and decided to:

Invite further support for the readiness programme of the Adaptation Fund Board for direct access to climate finance in accordance with decision 2/CMP.10, paragraph 5;

Decision 1/CMP.10

and also decided to:

Request the Adaptation Fund Board to consider, under its readiness programme, the following options for enhancing the access modalities of the Adaptation Fund:

(a) Targeted institutional strengthening strategies to assist developing countries, in particular the least developed countries, to accredit more national or regional implementing entities to the Adaptation Fund;
(b) Ensuring that accredited national implementing entities have increased and facilitated access to the Adaptation Fund, including for small-sized projects and programmes;

Decision 2/CMP.10

3. At its twenty-seventh meeting, the Board decided through decision B.27/38 to make the Readiness Programme a more permanent feature of the Adaptation Fund (the Fund) by integrating it into the Fund’s work plan and budget and setting aside funding for small grants to be directly transferred from the resources of the Adaptation Fund Trust Fund.

4. At its thirtieth meeting, the Board adopted the medium-term strategy (MTS) for the Fund through decision B.30/42, and subsequently approved the implementation plan for the strategy at its thirty-first meeting. At this meeting, the Board decided:

(a) To approve the implementation plan for the medium-term strategy for the Fund for 2018–2022 contained in the Annex I to document AFB/B.31/5/Rev.1 (the plan);

(b) To request the secretariat:

(i) To facilitate the implementation of the plan during the period 2018–2022;

[...]

(iii) To prepare, for each proposed new type of grant and funding window, a specific document containing objectives, review criteria, expected grant sizes, implementation modalities, review process and other relevant features and submit it to the Board for its consideration in accordance with the tentative timeline contained in Annex I to document AFB/B.31/5/Rev.1, with input from the Board’s committees;

[...]

(Decision B.31/32)

5. At the thirtieth-second meeting of the Board, the secretariat had presented document AFB/B.32/10 which outlines the objectives, review criteria, expected grant sizes, implementation modalities, review process and eligibility criteria for project scale-up grants. Having considered the proposed approach, application process, review criteria and features of the project scale-up grants as set out in document AFB/B.32/10, the Board decided:

(a) To make project scale-up grants available for national implementing entities between financial year 2019 and financial year 2023 up to a maximum of US$ 200,000 per year as direct transfers from the resources of the Adaptation Fund Trust Fund;

(b) That the project scale-up grants would not count against the country cap approved by the Board in decision B.13/23;
(c) To approve:

(i) The features and implementation arrangements of the project scale-up grants as set out in document AFB/B.32/10; and

(ii) The application form, review criteria and review template for the project scale-up grants as set out in annexes I, II and III of document AFB/B.32/10;

(d) To request the secretariat to issue a call for proposals for project scale-up grants in accordance with the tentative timeline set out in the annex to document AFB/B.31/5/Rev.1 and the budget pursuant to (a) above;

(e) To request the secretariat to develop and present to the Board at its thirty-third meeting:

(i) A standard legal agreement for project scale-up grants;

(ii) Notification templates for project start and project completion for project scale-up grants;

(iii) Monitoring and evaluation templates for project scale-up grants; and

(iv) A results framework for project scale-up grants;

(f) To request the Project and Programme Review Committee (PPRC) of the Board to review project scale-up grant proposals and make recommendations to the Board in line with readiness grant approval procedures approved by the Board; and

(g) To request the secretariat to report to the Board annually on the implementation progress for project scale-up grants through the annual performance report; and

(h) To request the secretariat to present to the PPRC at its twenty-fifth meeting an analysis of the project review cycle for project scale-up grants, with potential options, for its consideration.

(Decision B.32/39)

6. Based on the Board Decision B.32/39, the call for project scale-up proposals was issued in November 2018 and eligible national implementing entities (NIEs) were given the opportunity to submit proposals. In addition, the project scale-up grants were launched at a side-event at the twenty-fourth conference of the Parties (COP24) to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC).

7. Eligible NIEs to receive project scale-up grants were those that have tangible achievements on their project/programme with the Fund and are nearing completion as evidenced by the submission of at least two project performance reports (PPR) for projects with
A life span of less than 4 years, or a mid-term evaluation/review (MTE/MTR) for projects with a life span of more than 4 years, or those that have completed implementation as demonstrated by the submission of the project/programme terminal evaluation report. All the criteria had to be met, which stipulates that the NIE:

(i) Must be an accredited national implementing entity of the Adaptation Fund and have an accreditation status of “Accredited”.

(ii) Must have, at minimum, completed the medium-term review/evaluation or, for projects with a life span of less than 4 years, have submitted at least two project performance reports (PPR) for the project/programme being proposed for scale up.

(iii) Must submit together with the application form, a letter of endorsement by the Designated Authority to the Adaptation fund in support of the scale-up grant application.

(iv) Must have identified a potential source, or sources, where the entity could seek funding to scale up the proposed project/programme.

8. It is expected that the project scale-up grants would be able to increase the readiness of accredited NIEs to expand¹ or replicate² quality projects that are based on country needs, views and priorities by making readiness funding available to support the planning, assessment and capacity enhancement (individual, organization and institutional) for designing and developing scaling up pathways for Adaptation Fund project/programmes under implementation and nearing completion or completed so as to reach more people and/or broaden project/programme effectiveness to help vulnerable communities in developing countries adapt to the adverse effects of climate change. It is expected that implementation of the actual scaled-up activities would be funded by other climate funds and finance channels (including private sector).

11. The present document introduces the project scale-up grant proposal for Rwanda submitted by the Ministry of Environment (MoE), which is the national implementing entity (NIE) of the Adaptation Fund in Rwanda. It includes a request for funding of US$ 99,000 for developing a project proposal to scale-up the Adaptation Fund funded project titled: Reducing Vulnerability to Climate Change in North West Rwanda through Community Based Adaptation, which has completed the mid-term review and is still under implementation.

12. This is the first submission of the proposal and the second review cycle for project scale-up grants following decision B.32/39 by the Board to make project scale-up grants available to NIEs.

13. The secretariat carried out a technical review of the project proposal and completed a review sheet. In accordance with a request to the secretariat made by the Board in its 10th

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¹ Expansion in this context refers to extending organizational structures and/or service provision such as geographical expansion or expanding the population reached.

² Replication in this context refers to implementing effective or good practices in other settings. Such practices could be new or innovative ones.
meeting, the secretariat shared this review sheet with MoE, and offered it the opportunity of providing responses before the review sheet was sent to the PPRC.

14. The secretariat is submitting to the PPRC the summary and, pursuant to decision B.17/15, the final technical review of the project, both prepared by the secretariat, along with the final submission of the proposal in the following section. In accordance with decision B.25.15, the proposal is submitted with changes between the initial submission and the revised version highlighted.
Project Summary

Rwanda – Project scale-up grant for project titled: Reducing Vulnerability to Climate Change in North West Rwanda through Community Based Adaptation.

Implementing Entity: Ministry of Environment (MoE)
Project Execution Cost: USD 0
Total Project Cost: USD 133,092
Implementing Fee: USD 34,092 (through co-financing by MoE)
Financing Requested: USD 99,000

Project Background:

The project titled "Reducing Vulnerability to Climate Change in North West Rwanda through Community Based Adaptation" started in June 2014 with a budget of US$ 9,969,619 and submitted a mid-term evaluation report in October 2017. Per mid-term evaluation, the total number of the beneficiaries of the project interventions was 7,992 among them women were 4,288 (53.7%) while men were 3,704 (46.3%). The project rehabilitated its intervention area with erosion control measures through the radical and progressive terracing (1353 Ha), installation of rainwater harvesting tanks, planting bamboos and the construction of the check dams. Stakeholders and project staff were trained on land water management and Value chain management. With regard to job creation, the mini-markets were constructed including rubyniro mini market, kabyaza mini market, Mukamira handcraft show center, and Mukamira carrot washing station. In addition to that, 107 youths (68 women and 39 men) attended technical training schools, graduated and got certificates. The project provided them with basic tool kits to start business and 5 cooperatives received materials.

The purpose of scaling-up the project’s achievement is to enhance capacities of local communities to access climate finance to scale-up climate change adaptation technologies that were tested during the Project “Reducing Vulnerability to Climate Change in North West Rwanda through Community Based Adaptation. It is expected that the outcome of the project scale-up grant will be a project proposal that will help MoE to mobilize funds for scaling-up the project. Identified sources of financing for the scaled-up activities include public (Rwanda Development Board, Green Climate Fund “GCF”, and Rwanda Green Fund “FONERWA”) and private (Hotels surrounding the Volcano Park) funds.

The proposed project consists of the following components:

Activity 1: Development of a project proposal to be scaled-up (USD 89,000)

This activity will focus on undertaking various assessments and studies in the in the Volcano Region where the project will be scaled-up. These include a vulnerability assessment of the region, a gender engagement analysis, a stakeholders’ engagement analysis, stakeholder
consultations targeting co-financing and private sector investments, and compilation of the full project proposal for scaling up.

**Activity 2:** Training of experts on climate adaptation technologies and project proposal development skills (USD 10,000)

This activity aims to train national and local experts on climate adaptation technologies and project proposal development (through on job training and coaching approaches).

The project will also include co-financing (USD 34,092) by the MoE for project monitoring and evaluation.
ADAPTATION FUND BOARD SECRETARIAT TECHNICAL REVIEW
OF PROJECT PROPOSAL UNDER THE READINESS PROGRAMME

PROJECT CATEGORY: Project Scale-Up Grant

Country: **Rwanda**
Implementing Entity: **Ministry of Environment (MoE)**
Requested Financing from Adaptation Fund (US Dollars): $ 99,000
Title of Adaptation Fund project/programme to be scaled up: *Reducing Vulnerability to Climate Change in North West Rwanda through Community Based Adaptation*
Reviewer and contact person: **Farayi Madziwa**
Implementing Entity contact person: **Innocent Musabyimana**
Co-reviewer(s): **Martina Dorigo**

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<td>Yes</td>
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<td>Eligibility of IE</td>
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<td>Yes</td>
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<td>Project Eligibility</td>
<td>1. Has the designated government authority for the Adaptation Fund endorsed the project?</td>
<td>Yes</td>
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2. Has the implementing entity submitted a medium-term review/evaluation (MTR/MTE) or for projects/programmes with a life span of less than four years, at least two project performance reports (PPRs) that indicates that activities for the proposed project/programme to be scaled up are nearing completion? 

Yes, the project has submitted a MTE report. The project is also about to reach its finalization. An extension request until 2 December 2019, was submitted and approved by the Board through decision B.33-34/4.

3. Is the project justified based on the PPRs, MTR/MTE or terminal evaluation of the project/programme that is proposed for scale-up?

Yes. The MTR concludes that project interventions have been effective in addressing current and expected climate impacts on the target communities. Additionally, the secretariat undertook a portfolio monitoring mission in Rwanda in December 2018, which helped assessing some strengths of this project, such as: i) A strong participatory approach through community involvement; ii) well-established inter-institutional communication systems and project management units at governmental level.

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<th>Resource Availability</th>
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<th>Yes, the requested amount is US$ 99,000</th>
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<td>has requested, is the Implementing Entity Management Fee at or below 8.5 per cent of the total project budget before the fee?</td>
<td>MoE will provide co-financing to cover the IE fee.</td>
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<td>3. If the implementing entity has requested, are the Project/Programme Execution Costs at or below 1.5 per cent of the total project budget (including the fee)?</td>
<td>No fee has been requested</td>
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<td>4. Has the implementing entity identified a potential source or sources of funding to scale-up the proposed project/programme?</td>
<td>Unclear: It is planned that the project will be scaled-up with funds including co-financing from the private sector. However, it is not clear where the main source of funding would come from and who is the targeted source in the private sector. <strong>CR1:</strong> Please clarify who has been identified as the main source of funding for scaling-up the project and the targeted source of co-financing, including the source of private sector financing. Addressed.</td>
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### Implementation Arrangements

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<td>1. Are the proposed activities to develop scaling-up pathways for project/programme scale-up adequate, including at a minimum an evidence-based approach to project/programme scale-up?</td>
<td>For the most part, yes. However, the proposal needs to be justified based on evidence from the results of the current project under implementation. No location has been identified to duplicate the project and there is little description of expressed need. In addition, the activity to train experts on climate adaptation technologies and project proposal development skills is expected to be done only after the proposal for scale-up has been completed.</td>
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<td>CR2: Please identify a location where the project would be duplicated including an evidence-based justification of the need and rationale for scale-up.</td>
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<td>CR3: Please explain why training of experts would only be done after the proposal development process is complete.</td>
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2. Is a detailed budget including budget notes included?

For the most part, yes. However, the bulk of the requested budget will go towards development of the proposal for scale-up by a consultant. It is not clear whether the scope of work for the consultant includes only proposal writing, in which case the budgeted amount would not be justified. The proposal mentions in the budget table, that the expert developing the project proposal will also train selected staff at national and local level, kindly specify.

**CR4:** Please provide a budget breakdown of the main aspects of proposal development by the consultant to justify the requested amount.

3. If an implementing entity management fee has been requested, is a budget on the implementing entity management fee use included?

N/A

4. If execution costs have been requested, is an explanation and a breakdown of the execution costs included?

N/A
The Ministry of Environment (MoE) of Rwanda submitted a mid-term evaluation (MTE) report for a project it is implementing with funding from the adaptation Fund, titled: Reducing Vulnerability to Climate Change in North West Rwanda through Community Based Adaptation. The MTE concluded that the project is successfully meeting its objectives and that activities under implementation are effectively addressing climate impacts and that the project is on track to realize its goal to "reduce vulnerability to flooding and rainfall variation through the promotion of climate resilient production and post-harvest systems, supporting livelihood diversification and capacity building to scale up successful climate adaptation strategies".

The MoE intends to develop a project proposal to scale-up its current project by duplicating all the project components in a new location.

The initial technical review found that the proposal did not provide clarity on the identified sources of funding to implement the scaled-up activities, did not provide a logical sequence of planned activities, did not identify a location where the scaled-up activities would be implemented, and did not provide a clear picture of the main activities commensurate with the requested budget, that would be undertaken by the consultant who would be hired to put together the scaling-up proposal document.

The final review finds that the revised proposal has sufficiently addressed the clarification requests (CRs) made in the initial technical review.

Date: 12 September 2019
Request for assistance to design and develop scaling up pathways for Adaptation Fund projects/programmes

Submission Date:

Adaptation Fund Grant ID:
Country: **Rwanda**
Implementing Entity: **Ministry of Environment (MoE)**
Title of Adaptation Fund project/programme to be scaled up: **Reducing Vulnerability to Climate Change in North West Rwanda through Community Based Adaptation (RV3CBA).**

In preparation of the proposal for a project scale-up grant, please consider and respond also to the questions included in the annex to this application form.

A. **Timeframe of Activity**

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<th>1 January 2020</th>
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<td>Completion date of activity</td>
<td>December 2021</td>
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B. **Type of support requested**

Describe the activities to be undertaken to support planning, assessment, capacity enhancement (individual, organization and institutional) for designing and developing scaling up pathways for the proposed project/program.

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<th>Types of Activities</th>
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<th>Expected outputs</th>
<th>Tentative timeline (completion date)</th>
<th>Requested budget summary per output* (USD)</th>
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<td>Development of a project proposal to be scaled up</td>
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<td>Vulnerability assessment report</td>
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<td>Gender engagement analysis</td>
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<td>analysis</td>
<td>Consultations will be carried out targeting co-financing and private sector investments during the scale up phase</td>
<td>Strategy report co-financing and private sector investments included in the project proposal</td>
<td>September 2020</td>
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<td>Compilation of the full project proposal for scaling up</td>
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<td>Conduct stakeholder’s workshops to discuss their contributions during the implementation of the proposed project including co-financing and private sector investment.</td>
<td>Consultations will be carried out targeting co-financing and private sector investments during the scale-up phase</td>
<td>Project Monitoring and Evaluation Project Monitoring reports</td>
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<td>Training of experts on climate adaptation technologies and project proposal development skills</td>
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*Please also provide a detailed budget with budget notes, indicating the break-down of costs at the output level. Where an Implementing Entity management fee is requested, the budget must include a budget with budget notes of the Implementing Entity management fee use.

**The Implementing Entity Management Fee requested should be at or below 8.5 per cent of the total project/programme budget before the fee.
***The Project Execution Costs requested should be at or below at or below 9.5 per cent or if the NIE is also the execution entity, at or below 1.5 per cent of the total project/program budget (including the fee).

C. Implementing Entity

This request has been prepared in accordance with the Adaptation Fund Board’s procedures

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<td><a href="mailto:Imusabyimana@environment.gov.rw">Imusabyimana@environment.gov.rw</a></td>
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D. Record of endorsement on behalf of the government

Provide the name and position of the government official, Designated Authority (DA) of the Adaptation Fund, and indicate date of endorsement. The DA endorsement letter must be attached as an annex to the request.

Fatina MUKARUBIBI  
Permanent Secretary  
Ministry of Environment  

Date: July, 26 2019
Annex:

The following questions are to enable the implementing entity to provide further structured information regarding the proposed scaling-up activities, as well as describing additional supporting evidence to support the grant proposal.

1. Provide a brief background to the project that you intend to scale-up (Maximum 200 words)

Government of Rwanda through the Ministry of Natural Resources received 10M $ from Adaptation Fund to reduce climate change vulnerability of the communities in North-Western Rwanda under the RV3 CBA. This project achieved a lot but in this section few highlights were provided:
Per midterm evaluation, the total number of the beneficiaries of the project interventions was 7,992 among them women were 4,288 (53.7%) while men were 3,704 (46.3%).
The project also has rehabilitated its intervention area with erosion control measures through the radical and progressive terracing (1353 Ha), installation of rainwater harvesting tanks, planting bamboos and the construction of the check dams.
Community animators and project staff have been trained on land water management and Value chain management.
With regard to job creation, the mini-markets were constructed including rubyiniro mini market, kabyaza mini market, Mukamira handcraft show center, and Mukamira carrot washing station.
In addition to that 107 youths (68 women and 39 men) attended technical training schools, graduated and got certificates. The project provided them with basic tool kits to start business and 5 cooperatives have received materials.
Considering the above achievements, they need to be scaled up since we realized that they are based on community approach and they can lift very quickly our communities from poverty line to sustainable economies which can help them to deal with climate change negative impacts.

2. Describe the goal of the proposed scale-up. (Maximum 100 words)

The ultimate goal for scaling up the project’s achievement is to enhance capacities of local communities to access climate finance to scale up climate change adaptation technologies that were tested during the Project “Reducing Vulnerability to Climate Change in North West Rwanda through Community Based Adaptation: RV3CBA”.
During the project implementation, the progressive and radical terraces have been identified as effective technologies to deal with flooding. Also for building resilience of the communities need to develop other alternative income generating activities other than farming, this is why this component can also be scaled up.

3. What is the expected output from use of the proposed grant for project scale-up e.g, a scaling-up plan/strategy, a project programme scale-up?
The main objective of the scaling up project proposal will be to support the Ministry of Environment (MoE) as the National Implementing Entity (NIE) of the Adaptation Fund to develop a project proposal that will help the Ministry to mobilize funds for scaling up the achievements of the Project “Reducing Vulnerability to Climate Change in North West Rwanda through Community Based Adaptation: RV3CBA”

4. Provide a brief description of the project components that will be scaled-up, including a description of the scaling-up approach. (Maximum 200 words)

The Project Reducing Vulnerability to Climate Change in North West Rwanda through Community Based Adaptation in North-West Rwanda through Community Based Adaptation (RV3CBA) will be replicated in the Volcano Region. It is a home to over 1.4 Million people spread across 4 districts: Burera, Nyabihu, Rubavu and Musanze. It is one of the most climate sensitive regions in the Country due to soil instability, soil erosion, building in flood prone areas, high rainfall and the steep hills which are a source of heavy runoff.

The scaling up will focus on the RV3CBA project components which are: (i) Adaptation to climate change (rainfall intensity and duration) through integrated land and water management to support climate-resilient production and post-harvest systems. (ii) Support for the transition from exploitive farming practices to sustainable diversified livelihoods. (iii) Capacity building of local institutions to improve understanding of climate change impacts and scale up effective adaptation strategies at the local level.

Under component one, the scaling up project will target radical and progressive terraces along volcano area in the districts mentioned above. River protection, gullies repairing and construction of check dams will be introduced. Under component 2, the beneficiaries will be relocated from high risk zones to safer zones, this will increase the life style of the project’s beneficiaries. Alternative livelihood of communities will be developed especially creation of off farm jobs.

Creating awareness through different tools and channels will be done under component 3 related to capacity building of local institutions to improve understanding of climate change impacts. Regular meetings will took place with different stakeholders aiming at raising awareness and increasing the ownership. Radio and TV will be used to raise awareness, and workshops will be conducted and other activities aiming at raising awareness.

Regarding funding for the scaling up project proposal, a stakeholder’s workshop has been planned to discuss different options for funding including grant and co-financing from public and private sector investments. Suggested sources of funding include the Green Climate Fund (GCF), Rwanda Green Fund (FONERWA), Public (Rwanda Development Board) and tourism private sector operators in Volcano Region (Hotels surrounding the Volcano Park).
The Volcano Region is a home to over 1, 4 Million people spread across 4 districts: Burera, Nyabiu, Rubavu and Musanze. It is one of the most climate sensitive regions in the Country due to soil instability, soil erosion, building in flood prone areas, high rainfall and the steep hills which are a source of heavy runoff.

The consultations will mainly focus on activities to be implemented, the theory of change and come up with appropriate logic framework of the project for scaling up. In addition to this, stakeholders will discuss different options for funding including grant and co-financing from public and private sector investments. Suggested sources of funding include the Adaptation Climate Fund, Public (Rwanda Development Board) and tourism private sector operators in Volcano Region (Hotels surrounding the Volcano Park).

The approach of scaling up is really duplicating the best practices of the RV3CBA project to Volcano Region. Approaches used during flood, soil erosion and runoff control in RV3CBA. These include radical and progressive terracing, river protection, gullies repairing, and construction of check-dams. Scaled up activities will also include the development of alternative livelihoods to support the local community to be resilient to climate change impacts in the region.

5. Provide a brief rationale/justification for the proposed project/programme scale-up and scaling-up strategy, including any supporting evidence. (Maximum 200 words)

The project proposal for scaling up the achievements under RV3CBA will impact positively the Rwandan economy.

This is very important to our country since our country is a predominantly agrarian economy with approximately 74% of the population residing in rural areas and agriculture providing around 36% of GDP and 80% of employment in Rwanda. However, this can be achieved by expanding the area under cultivation and there is little room for further expansion. The Government is therefore, currently implementing a Crop Intensification Program

The researchers showed that climate change when combined with increasing population pressure and associated unsustainable farming practices is likely to have major implications for agricultural production with the potential for national food shortages and an increasing reliance on food imports at a time when global food prices are highly volatile.

The country has similar challenges, in north-south- west, the region is affected by flooding then east is characterized by droughts.

Once the project proposal for scaling up is approved and funded, it will be a great opportunity to communities to access financial resources to implemented adaptation technologies that would be impossible due to financial constraints.
6. Using the table under Section B of the application form, provide a breakdown of activities or outline/roadmap of the activities that will be followed to achieve the expected output mentioned in question 3 above. In the case in which a scaling-up plan/strategy is the output, include a breakdown of the activities leading up to delivery of the plan/strategy. Please add more rows or delete as necessary.

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1. 200 words were not sufficient to elaborate the answer of this question
2. According to the assessment of the economic, social and environment benefits of the Rubaya Green village in Gicumbi District, Rwanda, and benefits of project replication. The similar project as RV3CBA, the project generated benefits related to an increase in agricultural and livestock production, time savings (lower distance to fetch water), better living conditions (improved houses, lower exposure to natural disasters) and education (higher long-term income).
3. The same report stated that based on the information from the project beneficiaries, resettled people are very happy as they were evacuated from high risk zone to the center where all is provided including water tanks, biogas, health facilities, schools, etc.
Endorsement letter by Designated Authority

Letter of Endorsement by Government

Government of Rwanda

1st August 2019

To: The Adaptation Fund Board
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Subject: Endorsement for Reducing Vulnerability to Climate Change in North West Rwanda through Community Based Adaptation

In my capacity as designated authority for the Adaptation Fund in Rwanda, I confirm that the above select national project proposal is in accordance with the government’s national priorities in implementing adaptation activities to reduce adverse impacts of, and risks, posed by climate change in the country.

Accordingly, I am pleased to endorse the above project proposal with support from the Adaptation Fund. If approved, the project will be implemented by Ministry of Environment and executed by the same Ministry.

Sincerely,

Fatina MUKARUBIBI
Permanent Secretary and DA of Adaptation Fund in Rwanda