



ADAPTATION FUND

Letter of Endorsement by Government

Government of Rwanda

1st August 2019

To: The Adaptation Fund Board
c/o Adaptation Fund Board Secretariat
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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,



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Fatina MUKARUBIBI
Permanent Secretary and DA of Adaptation Fund in Rwanda



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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

Expected start date of activity	1 January 2020
Completion date of activity	December 2021

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.

Types of Activities	Description of proposed activities (please provide short description)	Expected outputs	Tentative timeline (completion date)	Requested budget summary per output* (USD)
Development of a project proposal to be scaled up	Based on the best practices and adaptation solutions from the RV3BA a project proposal will be prepared to scale up those practices and solutions	Project proposal	October 2020	74,000

Types of Activities	Description of proposed activities (please provide short description)	Expected outputs	Tentative timeline (completion date)	Requested budget summary per output* (USD)
Conduct stakeholder's workshops to discuss their contributions during the implementation of the proposed project including co-financing and private sector investment.	Consultations will be carried out targeting co-financing and private sector investments during the scale up phase	co-financing and private sector investments included in the project proposal	September 2020	15,000
Training of experts on climate adaptation technologies and project proposal development skills	National and local experts will be trained on climate adaptation technologies and project proposal development	in house built experience	May 2021	10,000
Implementing entity management fee requested**	Project Monitoring and Evaluation	Monitoring reports	December 2021	(MoE) as co-financing
Total Grant Requested (USD)				99,000

*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

Head of Implementing Entity	Signature	Date (Month, day, year)	Implementing Entity Contact Person	Telephone	Email Address
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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.

<p><i>Fatima</i></p> <p><i>Fatima MUKARUBIBI</i> Permanent Secretary Ministry of Environment</p>	<p>Date: July,26 2019</p>
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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**)

The project managed to achieve 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 rubyinero 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 scaling up project proposal will target the full project proposal development for scaling up the achievements under RV3CBA.

The project proposal of course will target the stakeholders' consultation for selecting the project location, discussing the theory of change and come up with appropriate logic framework of the project for scaling up.

The consultations should look on different options for funding including grant, co-financing and private investments.

Training of staff at national and local levels in climate adaptation technologies and project proposal development is also of great importance. This is a sustainable way for developing in house capacities to support the scaling up program.

The approach of scaling up is really duplicating the good achievements of the RV3CBA project to other location. The same methodology used during flood control in Musanze and Nyabihu will be the same (radical and progressive terracing) in selected locations with same topography and land profile (characteristics).

The approach used also to develop other alternative livelihood development will be applied like supporting cooperatives, technical trainings of youth and provide support to them as startup fund.

These combined approaches can help the Rwandan community to be climate resilient to climate change negative impacts as quick as possible.

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

I imagine that, 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 developed and adopted, it can guide very quickly the scaling up process.

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.

Types of Activities	Description of proposed activities (please provide short description)
Development a project proposal to be scaled up	Hiring a Consultant to develop a Project proposal for scaling up Validation processes of the full Project proposal Submission of the full Project proposal for scaling up
conduct stakeholder's workshops to discuss their contributions during the implementation of the proposed project including co-financing and private sector investment.	This is somehow included in the Project preparation processes, these consultations whould determine how much the Government will contribute as co-financing and propose private investiments to be mobilized/ as a contribution.
Training of experts on climate adaptation technologies and project proposal development skills	As a way of building in house capacity, the expert developed the Project proposal to be scaled up will also train selected staff at national and local levels in climate adaptation tecnologies and proposal development
Implementing entity management fee requested**	Project Monitoring and Evaluation Nominating the streering committee members Draft and send out invitations Booking a venue and logistics of the meeting Draft steering committee meeting report Implement the recommendations from the meeting