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Adaptation Fund Board

Proposal for Zimbabwe

Zimbabwe: Strengthening Local Communities' Adaptive Capacity and Resilience to Climate Change Through Sustainable Groundwater Exploitation in Zimbabwe (Fully-developed project; The United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO); ZWE/CIE/Water/2018/1; US\$ 5,000,000).

Having considered the recommendation of the Project and Programme Review Committee, the Adaptation Fund Board (the Board) decides to:

- a) Not approve the fully-developed project document, 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) Suggest that UNESCO reformulate 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 issues:
 - (i) The proposal should address the issues related to compliance with the ESP and the GP, and in particular in relation to the USPs and the ESMP; and
 - (ii) The proposal should better inform its implementation arrangements, providing detailed information on the specific roles and responsibilities of the executing entities.
- c) Request UNESCO to transmit the observations under subparagraph b) to the Government of Zimbabwe.

Decision B.35.a-35.b/57