



## ADAPTATION FUND

26 July 2021

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Adaptation Fund Board

### **Proposal for Benin, Burkina Faso, Côte d'Ivoire, Gambia (Republic of The), Ghana, Guinea, Liberia, Mali, Niger, Nigeria, Senegal, Sierra Leone and Togo (Sahara and Sahel Observatory)**

Benin, Burkina Faso, Côte d'Ivoire, Gambia (Republic of The), Ghana, Guinea, Liberia, Mali, Niger, Nigeria, Senegal, Sierra Leone and Togo: Scaling-up Climate-Resilient Rice Production in West Africa (Fully-developed project; Sahara and Sahel Observatory (OSS); AFR/RIE/Food/2019/PPC/1; US\$ 14,000,000).

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

- (a) Not approve the fully-developed project proposal, as supplemented by the clarification responses provided by the Sahara and Sahel Observatory (OSS) to the request made by the technical review;
- (b) Suggest that OSS 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 ensure compliance with the Fund's guidance on Unidentified Sub-Projects;
  - (ii) The proponent should present a comparative cost-effectiveness evaluation with alternative adaptation options;
  - (iii) The proposal should provide clear information on marginalized and vulnerable groups identification and involvement in the consultation process;
- (c) Request OSS to transmit the observations under subparagraph (b) to the Governments of Benin, Burkina Faso, Côte d'Ivoire, Gambia (Republic of The), Ghana, Guinea, Liberia, Mali, Niger, Nigeria, Senegal, Sierra Leone and Togo.

**Decision B.36-37/7**