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Adaptation Fund Board Project and Programme Review Committee

RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE PROJECT AND PROGRAMME REVIEW COMMITTEE ON READINESS GRANT PROPOSALS CONSIDERED DURING THE INTERSESSIONAL REVIEW CYCLE BETWEEN THE THIRTY-NINTH AND FORTIETH MEETINGS OF THE BOARD

Background

1. At its twenty-seventh meeting, the Adaptation Fund Board (the Board) decided to integrate the Readiness Programme into the Adaptation Fund (the Fund) work plan and budget, in a more permanent manner. The Board had also set aside funding for small grants to be directly transferred from the resources of the Adaptation Fund Trust Fund, for the fiscal year 2017. At this meeting, the Board <u>decided</u> to:

- a) Take note of the progress report for phase II of the Readiness Programme;
- b) Integrate the Readiness Programme into the Adaptation Fund work plan and budget; and
- c) Approve the proposal for the Readiness Programme for the fiscal year 2017 (FY17), comprising its work programme for FY17 with the funding of US\$ 616,500 to be transferred to the secretariat budget and US\$ 590,000 for direct transfers from the resources of the Adaptation Fund Trust Fund for allocation as small grants.

(Decision B.27/38)

2. At the twenty-eighth meeting of the Board, the Project and Programme Review Committee (PPRC) had recommended to the Board to establish a standing rule following on decision B.26/28 on the intersessional project review cycle for grants under the Readiness Programme to allow for continued review and approval of readiness grant proposals intersessionally each year. Having considered the comments and recommendation of the PPRC, the Board <u>decided</u> to:

- a) Request the secretariat to continue to review readiness grant proposals annually, during an intersessional period of less than 24 weeks between two consecutive Board meetings;
- b) Notwithstanding the request in paragraph (a) above, recognize that any readiness grant proposal can be submitted to regular meetings of the Board;
- c) Request the PPRC to consider intersessionally the technical review of such readiness grant proposals as prepared by the secretariat and to make intersessional recommendations to the Board;
- d) Consider such intersessionally reviewed proposals for intersessional approval in accordance with the Rules of Procedure; and
- e) Request the secretariat to present, in the twentieth meeting of the PPRC, and annually following each intersessional review cycle, an analysis of the intersessional review cycle.

(Decision B.28/30)

3. At the the thirty-sixth meeting of the Board, the PPRC had discussed the review cycle for readiness grants and recommended to the Board for readiness proposals to be submitted for review

and consideration by the Board during both intersessional periods between the regular meetings of the Board. Having considered the recommendations of the PPRC, the Board decided:

a) To request the secretariat to review readiness grant proposals during all intersessional periods between Board meetings while recognizing that such grants may also be reviewed at regular meetings of the Board;

b) To request the PPRC to consider intersessionally the technical review of such readiness grant proposals as prepared by the secretariat and to make intersessional recommendations to the Board;

c) To consider such intersessionally reviewed proposals for intersessional approval in accordance with the Rules of Procedure;

d) To also request the secretariat to send a notification to implementing entities and other stakeholders informing them about the new arrangement;

e) To further request the secretariat to present, at the twenty-eighth meeting of the PPRC, and at subsequent PPRC meetings following each intersessional review cycle for readiness grants, an analysis of the intersessional review cycle.

(Decision B.36/26)

4. This document provides consolidated draft recommendations as originally prepared by the Adaptation Fund Board Secretariat (the secretariat), for adoption by the PPRC on the readiness grant proposals submitted to the intersessional review cycle between the thirty-ninth and fortieth meetings of the Board.

Grant proposals submitted by implementing entities

5. Accredited national implementing entities (NIEs) submitted proposal documents for readiness package grants to provide peer support for accreditation to entities seeking accreditation with the Fund. The proposals were meant to enhance South-South cooperation through the delivery of a comprehensive suite of tools to help entities in the countries seeking to use the Fund's Direct Access modality, to prepare and submit their applications for accreditation.

6. The PPRC considered, during the intersessional review cycle between the thirty-ninth and fortieth meetings of the Board, two proposals for a readiness package grant as well as the report of the secretariat on the initial screening and technical review, contained in the following documents:

AFB/PPRC.30-31/1 Report of the secretariat on initial review of grant proposals under the Readiness Programme

AFB/PPRC. 30-31/2 <u>Readiness package grant proposal to support national</u> implementing entity accreditation for Cameroon (CSE)

AFB/PPRC. 30-31/3 <u>Readiness package grant proposal to support national</u> implementing entity accreditation for Zambia (CSE)

7. The summary information on the proposals is contained in Table 1 below:

<u>Table 1</u>: Readiness package grant proposals submitted to the intersessional review cycle between the thirty-ninth and fortieth Adaptation Fund Board meetings

Country	Type of grant	IE Intermediary providing support	Financing Requested (USD), (current period)	IE Fee (USD)	IE Fee, %
Cameroon	Readiness package	CSE	\$142,678	\$11,178	8.5%
Zambia	Readiness package	CSE	\$145,000	\$11,110	8.3%
Total			\$287,678	\$22,288	8.4%

Recommendations for Readiness Package Grant proposals

Proposal for a readiness package grant for the Centre de Suivi Ecologique (CSE) of Senegal on behalf of the Government of Cameroon; (CMR/NIE/RP/2022/1/Readiness): (US\$ 142,678).

1. The Project and Programme Review Committee <u>recommended</u> that the Adaptation Fund Board:

a) Approve the proposal for the readiness package grant of US\$ 142,678 submitted by Centre de Suivi Ecologique (CSE) on behalf of the government of Cameroon;

b) Approve the funding of US\$ 142,678 for implementation of the readiness package grant as requested by CSE; and

c) Request the secretariat to draft an agreement with CSE as the national implementing entity acting as intermediary for the requested support for accreditation.

(Recommendation PPRC.30-31/1)

Proposal for a readiness package grant for the Centre de Suivi Ecologique (CSE) of Senegal on behalf of the Government of Zambia; (ZMB/NIE/RP/2022/1/Readiness): (US\$ 145,000).

2. The Project and Programme Review Committee <u>recommended</u> that the Adaptation Fund Board:

a) Approve the proposal for the readiness package grant of US\$ 145,000 submitted by Centre de Suivi Ecologique (CSE) on behalf of the government of Zambia;

b) Approve the funding of US\$ 145,000 for implementation of the readiness package grant as requested by CSE; and

c) Request the secretariat to draft an agreement with CSE as the national implementing entity acting as intermediary for the requested support for accreditation.

(Recommendation PPRC.30-31/2)