



ADAPTATION FUND

Adaptation Fund Board Secretariat

Approval of request for approval of revision of project results framework: United Nations Human Settlements Programme (Syria)

Type of request: Minor

Summary of request

On 5 April 2025, the United Nations Human Settlements Programme (UN-Habitat) submitted a request for a revision of the project results framework of the project, “*Increasing the Climate Change Resilience of Communities in Eastern Ghouta in Rural Damascus to Water Scarcity Challenges through Integrated Natural Resource Management and Immediate Adaptation Interventions*” implemented in Syria. The request stems from consultations carried out during implementation with various stakeholders, closely related to the situation in the country in early 2025.

Alongside the request for revision of the project results framework, UN-Habitat also submitted a project no-cost extension request, which was cleared by the secretariat (AFBSEC-2025-08).

Secretariat’s review of the request

The secretariat has reviewed the request and the reasons provided by UN-Habitat and considers the request for a revision of the project results framework to be justified. The proposed revisions do not constitute a change in scope of the project that would result in a significant deviation from the project’s expected adaptation outcomes and goals. As such, it considered it a minor request. It also acknowledges that the Designated Authority has submitted a letter endorsing the proposed revision, that the Implementing Entity has submitted a letter providing background information and an explanation on the proposed revisions, including updated environmental, social and gender screenings, in alignment with the Fund’s Environmental and Social Policy and Gender Policy, as well as outcomes of the consultative processes, and a revised fully developed project document in track changes, reflecting all modifications induced by the proposed revisions, in line with the Policy on Project Post-Approval Requests for Changes in Projects/Programmes.

Conclusion

Following the review of the request for a revision of the project results framework submitted by UN-Habitat (Syria) regarding the project “Increasing the Climate Change Resilience of Communities in Eastern Ghouta in Rural Damascus to Water Scarcity Challenges through Integrated Natural Resource Management and Immediate Adaptation Interventions”, this has been cleared by the Secretariat as per Decision B.44/44 and the Policy on Project Post-Approval Requests for Changes (Amended, 2025).

Clearance: AFBSEC-2025-10