



The Republic of Mozambique

Contingency Emergency Response Project

**ENVIRONMENTAL AND SOCIAL
COMMITMENT PLAN (ESCP)**

Appraisal

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1. The Republic of Mozambique (the Recipient) will implement the Contingency Emergency Response Project (the Project), with the involvement of the Ministry of Economy and Finance (MEF), Ministry of Public Works, Housing and Water Resources (MOPHRH), National Directorate for Water Supply and Sanitation (DNAAS), Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development (MADER); Ministry of Gender, Child and Social Action (MGCAS), Ministry of Health (MISAU), and the National Institute for Disaster Management and Risk Reduction (INGD), as set out in the Financing Agreement (the Agreements). The International Development Association (the Association) has agreed to provide financing for the Project, as set out in Agreements.
2. The Recipient shall ensure that the Project is carried out in accordance with the Environmental and Social Standards (ESSs) and this Environmental and Social Commitment Plan (ESCP), in a manner acceptable to the Association. The ESCP is a part of the Agreements. Unless otherwise defined in this ESCP, capitalized terms used in this ESCP have the meanings ascribed to them in the Agreements.
3. Without limitation to the foregoing, this ESCP sets out material measures and actions that the Recipient shall carry out or cause to be carried out, including, as applicable, their respective timeframes; institutional, staffing, training, monitoring and reporting arrangements; and grievance management. The ESCP also sets out the environmental and social (E&S) documents that shall be prepared or updated, consulted, disclosed and implemented under the Project, consistent with the ESSs, in form and substance acceptable to the Association. Said E&S documents may be revised from time to time with prior written agreement by the Association. As provided for under the referred Agreements, the Recipient shall ensure that there are sufficient funds available to cover the costs of implementing the ESCP.
4. As agreed by the Association and the Recipient, this ESCP will be revised from time to time, if necessary, to reflect adaptive management of Project changes or unforeseen circumstances or in response to Project performance. In such circumstances, the Association and the Recipient agree to update the ESCP to reflect these changes through an exchange of letters signed between the Association and the Recipient's Representative specified in the Agreements. The Recipient shall promptly disclose the updated ESCP.
5. The subsection on "Indicators for Implementation Readiness" below identifies the actions and measures to be monitored to assess Project readiness to begin implementation in accordance with this ESCP. Nevertheless, all actions and measures in this ESCP shall be implemented as set out in the "Timeframe" column below irrespective of whether they are listed in the referred subsection.

MATERIAL MEASURES AND ACTIONS		TIMEFRAME	RESPONSIBLE ENTITY
IMPLEMENTATION ARRANGEMENTS AND CAPACITY SUPPORT			
A	<p>ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE</p> <p>The overseeing PIU, the National Directorate for Water Supply and Sanitation (DNAAS) under the MOPHRH, shall ensure the implementing agencies have qualified staff and resources to support management of environmental, social, and health and safety (E&S) risks and impacts of the Project, including specific positions for E&S management that are relevant, i.e., an environmental specialist, a social specialist, and an Occupational Health and Safety specialist.</p>	<p>Ensure the identified specialists required at each implementing agency are hired or appointed 15 Days after CERP activation, and thereafter these positions are maintained throughout Project implementation.</p>	<p>National Directorate for Water Supply and Sanitation (DNAAS) under the MOPHRH Project Implementation Unit (PIU)</p>
MONITORING AND REPORTING			
B	<p>REGULAR REPORTING</p> <p>Upon CERP activation, prepare and submit to the Association regular monitoring reports on the environmental, social, health and safety (E&S) performance of the Project. The reports shall include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Status of implementation of E&S documents required under the ESCP. • Summary of stakeholder engagement activities carried out. • Complaints submitted to the grievance mechanism(s), the grievance log, and progress made in resolving them. • E&S performance of the project. • Number and status of resolution of incidents and accidents reported under action C below. • Any other aspects requested by the Association. 	<p>Submit quarterly reports to the Association throughout Project implementation commencing after the Effective Date. Submit each report to the Association no later than 15 days after the end of each reporting period.</p>	<p>PIU and Implementing Agencies.</p>
C	<p>INCIDENTS AND ACCIDENTS</p> <p>Notify the Association of any incident or accident relating to the project which has, or is likely to have, a significant adverse effect on the environment, the affected communities, the public or workers, including those resulting in death or significant injury to workers or the public; acts of violence, discrimination or protest; unforeseen impacts to cultural heritage or biodiversity resources; pollution of the environment; dam failure; forced or child labor; displacement without due process (forced eviction); allegations of sexual exploitation or abuse (SEA), or sexual</p>	<p>Notify the Association no later than 48 hours after learning of the incident or accident. Provide available details upon request.</p>	<p>PIU and Implementing Agencies.</p>

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<p>harassment (SH); or disease outbreaks. Provide available details of the incident or accident to the Association upon request.</p> <p>Arrange for an appropriate review of the incident or accident to establish its immediate, underlying and root causes. Prepare, agree with the Association, and implement a Corrective Action Plan that sets out the measures and actions to be taken to address the incident or accident and prevent its recurrence.</p>	<p>Provide review report and Corrective Action Plan to the Association no later than 10 days following the submission of the initial notice, unless a different timeframe is agreed to in writing by the Association.</p>	<p>PIU and Implementing Agencies.</p>
<p>D</p> <p>EXCLUSION LIST</p> <p>As per the ESMP, the following activities are excluded from the Project</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Procurement of goods and services through security forces (including but not limited to Mozambique Defense Force, Mozambique Police Force, Forestry Officers, Wildlife Officers and Rangers, etc.). - Staff overtime payments for members of security forces (as per the above). - Use of prison labor, child labor, or forced labor - Any civil works including but not limited to boreholes, water supply schemes, irrigation schemes, temporary road repairs, repairs/ refurbishment to infrastructure and buildings. - Installation of Bailey bridges - Construction or refurbishment of storage facilities - Activities involving land acquisition, restrictions on land use or resettlement (both temporary and permanent). - Activities in protected and sensitive areas including riverbanks, key biodiversity areas, and critical habitat. - Activities in known national or internationally recognized cultural heritage sites. - Any activities requiring site specific environmental and social risk and/ or impact assessment. - Sanitary waste management. - Procurement, storage, or distribution of fuel. - Procurement, storage, or distribution of goods with chlorine or other hazardous substances. - Storage and distribution of medicine and veterinary medicine. - Direct operation of shelters, including activities such as camp establishment, land agreements and compensation, and the provision of sanitation and waste management services. - Production or trade in any product or activity deemed illegal under host country laws or regulations or international conventions and agreements, or subject to international bans, such as pharmaceuticals, pesticides/herbicides, ozone depleting substances, PCB's, wildlife or products regulated under CITES. - Production or trade in weapons and munitions. - Production or trade in alcoholic beverages. 	<p>Throughout Project implementation.</p>	<p>PIU and Implementing Agencies</p>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Production or trade in tobacco. - Gambling, casinos and equivalent enterprises. - Production or trade in radioactive materials. This does not apply to the purchase of medical equipment, quality control (measurement) equipment and any equipment where the Association considers the radioactive source to be trivial and/or adequately shielded. - Production or trade in unbonded asbestos fibers. This does not apply to purchase and use of bonded asbestos cement sheeting where the asbestos content is less than 20%. - Drift net fishing in the marine environment using nets in excess of 2.5 km. in length. 		
ESS 1: ASSESSMENT AND MANAGEMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL AND SOCIAL RISKS AND IMPACTS			
1.1	<p>ENVIRONMENTAL AND SOCIAL ASSESSMENTS AND/OR PLANS</p> <p>Implement the Final Environmental and Social Management Plan (ESMP) for the Project consistent with the relevant ESSs.</p>	<p>Implement the Project ESMP throughout Project implementation.</p> <p>Review and update the ESMP annually as needed in line with Project review schedule.</p>	PIU and Implementing Agencies
1.3	<p>TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE</p> <p>Carry out the consultancies, capacity building, training, and any other technical assistance activities under the Project in accordance with terms of reference acceptable to the Association, that are consistent with the ESSs. Thereafter prepare and finalize the outputs of such activities in compliance with the terms of reference.</p>	Throughout Project implementation.	PIU and Implementing Agencies
ESS 2: LABOR AND WORKING CONDITIONS			
2.1	<p>LABOR MANAGEMENT PROCEDURES</p> <p>Implement the Labor Management Procedures (LMP) for the Project as part of the ESMP</p>	Implement the LMP throughout Project implementation.	PIU and Implementing Agencies
2.2	<p>OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH AND SAFETY MANAGEMENT PLAN</p> <p>Implement an OHS Management Framework, consistent with ESS2 and World Bank Environmental, Health, Safety Guidelines developed as part of the ESMP to assess and manage the OHS risks and impacts of the Project.</p>	Implement the OHS Management Framework throughout Project implementation.	PIU and Implementing Agencies
2.3	<p>GRIEVANCE MECHANISM FOR PROJECT WORKERS</p>		

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	Establish and operate a grievance mechanism for Project workers, as described in the LMP and consistent with ESS2.	Implement the grievance mechanism throughout Project implementation.	PIU and Implementing Agencies
ESS 3: RESOURCE EFFICIENCY AND POLLUTION PREVENTION AND MANAGEMENT			
3.1	WASTE MANAGEMENT PLAN Implement the Infection Control and Medical Waste Management Plan (ICMWMP) and Waste Management Framework (WMF) as part of the ESMP prepared for the Project, to manage hazardous and non-hazardous wastes, consistent with ESS3 and WB Environment, Health and Safety Guidelines.	Implement the ICMWMP and WMP throughout Project implementation.	PIU and Implementing Agencies
ESS 4: COMMUNITY HEALTH AND SAFETY			
4.1	TRAFFIC AND ROAD SAFETY Implement the Traffic Safety Management Framework developed as part of the ESMP to assess and manage traffic related risks and impacts of the Project.	Implement the Traffic Safety Management Framework throughout Project implementation.	PIU and Implementing Agencies
4.2	COMMUNITY HEALTH AND SAFETY Manage specific risks and impacts to the community arising from Project activities as per the Project ESMP.	Implement the ESMP throughout Project implementation.	PIU and Implementing Agencies
4.3	SEA AND SH RISKS Manage SEA/SH risks arising from Project activities as per the GBV Prevention and Response Plan, including ensuring requirements for code of conduct for Project workers are met.	Implement the ESMP throughout Project implementation.	PIU and Implementing Agencies
ESS 5: LAND ACQUISITION, RESTRICTIONS ON LAND USE AND INVOLUNTARY RESETTLEMENT			
5.1	This standard is not relevant. Land acquisition, restrictions on land use and involuntary resettlement are excluded from the Project.	N/A	N/A
ESS 6: BIODIVERSITY CONSERVATION AND SUSTAINABLE MANAGEMENT OF LIVING NATURAL RESOURCES			
6.1	BIODIVERSITY RISKS AND IMPACTS Manage potential risks impacts on biodiversity and sensitive natural habitats arising from Project activities as per the Project ESMP.	Implement the ESMP throughout Project implementation.	PIU and Implementing Agencies
ESS 7: INDIGENOUS PEOPLES/SUB-SAHARAN AFRICAN HISTORICALLY UNDERSERVED TRADITIONAL LOCAL COMMUNITIES			
7.1	This standard is not relevant in Mozambique	N/A	N/A
ESS 8: CULTURAL HERITAGE			

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8.1	Activities in known national or internationally recognized cultural heritage sites are prohibited.	Throughout Project implementation.	PIU and Implementing Agencies
ESS 9: FINANCIAL INTERMEDIARIES			
9.1	This standard is not relevant as there will be no of Financial Intermediaries	N/A	N/A
ESS 10: STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT AND INFORMATION DISCLOSURE			
10.1	<p>STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT PLAN</p> <p>Implement a Stakeholder Engagement Plan (SEP) associated with the Project, consistent with ESS10, which shall include measures to, inter alia, provide stakeholders with timely, relevant, understandable and accessible information, and consult with them in a culturally appropriate manner, which is free of manipulation, interference, coercion, discrimination and intimidation.</p>	Throughout Project implementation.	PIU and Implementing Agencies
10.2	<p>PROJECT GRIEVANCE MECHANISM</p> <p>Maintain, and operate the grievance mechanism established under SSRP and WB financed health sector projects, to receive and facilitate resolution of concerns and grievances in relation to the Project, promptly and effectively, in a transparent manner that is culturally appropriate and readily accessible to all Project-affected parties, at no cost and without retribution, including concerns and grievances filed anonymously, in a manner consistent with ESS10.</p> <p>The grievance mechanism shall be equipped to receive, register, and facilitate the resolution of SEA/SH complaints, including through the referral of survivors to relevant gender-based violence service providers, all in a safe, confidential, and survivor-centered manner.</p>	Throughout Project implementation.	PIU and Implementing Agencies
INDICATORS FOR IMPLEMENTATION READINESS			
<p>The following actions are indicators for implementation readiness:</p> <p>A: Ensure the implementing agencies have qualified staff and resources to support management of environmental, social, and health and safety (E&S) risks and impacts of the Project.</p> <p>1.1: Implement the Final Environmental and Social Management Plan (ESMP) for the Project consistent with the relevant ESSs.</p>			