FEDERAL DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF ETHIOPIA

Response – Recovery – Resilience for Conflict-Affected Communities in Ethiopia (3R-4-CACE) (P177233)

Revised

ENVIRONMENTAL and SOCIAL COMMITMENT PLAN (ESCP)

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- The Government of Ethiopia (the Recipient) will implement the Ethiopian Response Recovery Resilience for Conflict-Affected Communities Project (3R-4-CACE) (hereafter the Project), with the involvement of the following Ministries/agencies/units: Ministry of Finance (MoF), Ministry of Women and Social Affairs (MoWSA), Ethiopia Disaster Risk Management Commission (EDRMC), the Ministry of Health, the Ministry of Education, as well as the regional states and local districts. The International Development Association (IDA) (hereinafter the Association) has agreed to provide financing for the Project.
- 2. The Recipient shall implement material measures and actions so that the Project is implemented in accordance with the Environmental and Social Standards (ESSs). This Environmental and Social Commitment Plan (ESCP) sets out material measures and actions, any specific documents or plans, as well as the timing for each of these.
- 3. The Recipient shall also comply with the provisions of any other E&S documents required under the ESF and referred to in this ESCP, such as Environmental and Social Management Plans (ESMP), Resettlement Plans (RP), and Stakeholder Engagement Plans (SEP), and the timelines specified in those E&S documents.
- 4. The Recipient is responsible for compliance with all requirements of the ESCP even when implementation of specific measures and actions is conducted by the Ministry, agency or unit referenced in 1. above or another entity including the provision of sufficient budget.
- 5. Implementation of the material measures and actions set out in this ESCP shall be monitored and reported to the Association by the Recipient as required by the ESCP and the conditions of the legal agreement, and the Association will monitor and assess progress and completion of the material measures and actions throughout implementation of the Project.
- 6. As agreed by the Association and Recipient, this ESCP may be revised from time to time during Project implementation, to reflect adaptive management of Project changes and unforeseen circumstances or in response to assessment of Project performance conducted under the ESCP itself. In such circumstances, Recipient will agree to the changes with the Association and will update the ESCP to reflect such changes. Agreement on changes to the ESCP will be documented through the exchange of letters signed between the Association and the Recipient. The Recipient shall promptly disclose the updated ESCP.
- 7. Where Project changes, unforeseen circumstances, or Project performance result in changes to the risks and impacts during Project implementation, the Recipient shall provide additional funds, if needed, to implement actions and measures to address such risks and impacts, such as SEA/SH risks.

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MONI	TORING AND REPORTING		
A	REGULAR REPORTING Prepare and submit to the Association regular monitoring reports on the environmental, social, health and safety (ESHS) performance of the Project, including but not limited to, the implementation of the ESCP, SEP, status of preparation and implementation of E&S documents required under the ESCP, stakeholder engagement activities, functioning of the grievance mechanism(s).	Quarterly and annually throughout the Project implementation period	The MoF FPCU in collaboration with MoWSA PIU
	The World Bank will engage a Third-Party Monitor to provide, among others, operational review of project's environment and social risk management performance in high risk areas as well as well as verification of project results. The PCU E&S staff will cooperate with the Third Party Monitor as necessary.	Throughout the Project implementation period.	

ИАТЕ	RIAL MEASURES AND ACTIONS	TIMEFRAME	RESPONSIBILE ENTITY/AUTHORITY
В	INCIDENTS AND ACCIDENTS Promptly notify the Association of any incident or accident related 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 safety hazards associated with road obstructions, diversions, or closures to give room to works with concomitant increased traffic volume on public roads and accidents that may occur due to civil works to rebuild or rehabilitate the public centers. Provide sufficient detail regarding the incident or accident, indicating immediate measures taken or that are planned to be taken to address it, and any information provided by any contractor and supervising entity, as appropriate.	Immediately, and in any case within 48 hours after first becoming aware of the incident or accident SEA/SH cases shall be reported within 24 hours to the World Bank. Incident report shall be provided to the bank in line with the procedures outlined in the SEA/SH prevention and response action plan	The MoF FPCU in collaboration with Contractors
	Subsequently, as per the Association's request, prepare a report on the incident or accident and propose any measures to prevent its recurrence.	A detailed report of the incident and root cause analysis shall be provided to the Association within a time period acceptable to the Association.	
С	CONTRACTORS MONTHLY REPORTS Require contractors to provide monthly monitoring reports on the environmental, social, health, and safety (ESHS) performance of subprojects in accordance with the requirements outlined in item 1.4 below. The Recipient, through NDRMC, shall ensure that these reports are prepared and submitted to the Association upon request.	Throughout project implementation	The MoF FPCU in collaboration with Contractor

MATE	MATERIAL MEASURES AND ACTIONS		TIMEFRAME	RESPONSIBILE ENTITY/AUTHORITY
	ASSESSMENT AND MANAGEMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL AND SOCI ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE 1. Establish and maintain a Federal Project Coordination Unit (FPCU) at the national level within the MoF and PIUs at the MoWSA and regional levels. The FPCU/PIU shall include qualified staff and resources to support the management of environmental and social risks and impacts of the Project, including one Environmental Specialist, one Social Specialist, and one SEA/SH specialist. No actions that will have adverse environmental and social footprint will be implemented before assignment/ recruitment of the two specialists.	1.		RESPONSIBILE ENTITY/AUTHORITY The MoF FPCU
	 recruitment of the two specialists. 2. Hire a dedicated SEA/SH specialist to develop related instruments and to ensure implementation and oversight of SEA/SH risk management requirements 3. Hire or procure additional expertise in accordance with the capacity building action plan and respective timelines approved by the Association (per item 4 below) to ensure implementation of the Project in accordance with the ESSs and this ESCP. 4. Allocate, utilize and maintain the required resources including budget to support management of environmental and social risks and impacts for ensuring full compliance with ESSs, ESCP and other relevant instruments including ESMF, RF, LMP, SEP, Security Risk Assessment and Management Plan (SRA&SMP), SEA 	/	with schedule included in the	
	action plan and any subsequent instruments, such as, ESMPs, or RPs.			

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1.2	The Pro instrur impact prepar Enviror Associa disclos	 DNMENTAL AND SOCIAL ASSESSMENT Doject will undertake the preparation of a series of tools and nents for mitigation of Environmental and Social risks and is, in a manner acceptable to the Bank. The project shall e the following ESF instruments and tools as part of the mmental and Social Risk Management (ESRM), sent to the ation for review and No Objection, consulted upon and ed, and once approved implemented by the Recipient: As the project is prepared under emergency, a preliminary Stakeholder Engagement Plan (SEP) shall be prepared for appraisal. Prepare and implement an ESMF to identify and assess the environmental and social risks and impacts of the Project and design appropriate mitigation measures. Project activities shall be screened for E&S risks, and mitigation measures adopted, in accordance with the ESMF. A social assessment shall be conducted to identify the type and number of vulnerable and disadvantaged groups in the project areas and prepare a Social Risk Mitigation Strategy. The process shall include community and vulnerable group consultations and field visits to the project regions. The assessment shall also address potential social tensions between displaced and host communities. This instrument shall be annexed to the ESMF. A rapid social assessment shall be prepared based on secondary data analysis prior to Board. 	 a) The preliminary SEP shall be prepared prior to project appraisal and finalized by prior to Project effectiveness date b) ESMF shall be prepared prior to disbursement of funds under Component 1 and 2. c) The rapid SA shall be prepared prior to appraisal. The comprehensive SA and Social Risk Mitigation Strategy shall be prepared along the same timeline as the ESMF (prior to disbursement and activities on the ground under Component 1 and 2). d) The SEA/SH Risk assessment will be conducted as part of the SA. SEA/SH action plan will be prepared prior to disbursements and activities on the 	The PCU in collaboration with relevant implementing ministries
	e)	of social assessments. Prepare and implement a Resettlement Framework (RF) to address involuntary resettlement and land acquired for the project shall also be screened, according to	ground under Component 1 and 2 e) The RF shall be prepared finalized, consulted upon and disclosed prior to any land acquisition for the project	6 P a g

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1.4	MANAGEMENT OF CONTRACTORSIncorporate the relevant aspects of this ESCP, including the relevant E&S documents and/or plans, and the Labor Management Procedures, into the ESHS specifications of the procurement documents with contractors.Develop and implement procedures for managing contractors and subcontractors.Contractor's capacity to comply with ESHS requirements will be assessed and verified.Environmental and social requirements (including ESMPs and any other E&S plans, Environmental Codes of Practices (ECOPs), etc., which will be included in the procurement and contracting process including bidding documents, for potential civil works.Supervision arrangements including reporting and effective noncompliance remedies will be reflected in contractual requirements and enforced.Thereafter, ensure that the contractors comply with the ESHS	TIMEFRAME Prior to the preparation of procurement documents. Supervise contractors throughout Project implementation.	RESPONSIBILE ENTITY/AUTHORITY The MoF FPCU in collaboration with relevant implementing ministries
	specifications of their respective contracts and provide the corresponding reports monthly and upon request.		

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ESS 2:	LABOR AND WORKING CONDITIONS		
2.1	LABOR MANAGEMENT PROCEDURES Develop and implement Labour Management Procedures (LMP) for all Project workers, namely direct Project workers, contracted workers, and community workers, consistent with Ethiopia Labour Proclamation No. 1156/2019 and ESS2.	The LMP shall be prepared before disbursements and activities on the ground under Component 1 and Component 2.	The MoF FPCU in collaboration with MoWSA
	The LMP shall address all issues identified in ESS2, including the applicable requirements regarding non-discrimination and equal opportunity. The LMP shall also include a grievance redress mechanism (GRM) covering all Project workers, including contractor and subcontractors, throughout Project implementation.		
2.2	GRIEVANCE MECHANISM FOR PROJECT WORKERS A GRM for Labour shall be prepared under LMP and will be implemented by the PCU and Contractors	Grievance mechanism shall be operational prior to engaging Project workers and maintained throughout Project implementation.	The MoF FPCU in collaboration with MoWSA
	Grievance redress mechanisms for workers SEA/SH cases handled through survivor's centered approach as per the guidance of World Bank GBV good practice note.		
2.3	OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH AND SAFETY (OHS) MEASURES Prepare, adopt, and implement occupational, health and safety (OHS) measures as part of the ESMF. Also ensure the preparation and implementation of OHS measures by the contractors	Throughout Project implementation	The MoF FPCU in collaboration with Ministry of Health, MOWSA and relevant implementing ministries
ESS 3:	RESOURCE EFFICIENCY AND POLLUTION PREVENTION AND MANAG	EMENT	
3.1	Prepare and implement waste management plan as needed as part of the site specific ESMPs	Throughout Project implementation	The MoF FPCU in collaboration with relevant ministries

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3.1	RESOURCE EFFICIENCY AND POLLUTION PREVENTION AND MANAGEMENT: Resource efficiency and pollution prevention and management measures shall be addressed in the ESMF (in specifically on site specific ESMPs) to be prepared under action 1.2 above.	As part of the ESMF and to be prepared on timeframe specified in 1.2.	The MoF FPCU in collaboration with relevant ministries
ESS 4:	COMMUNITY HEALTH AND SAFETY		
4.1	 TRAFFIC AND ROAD SAFETY: Adopt and implement measures and actions to assess and manage traffic and road safety risks as required in the ESMPs to be developed. The measures and actions to manage traffic and road safety risks shall be included in the ESFM and the specific ESMPs to be developed subsequently under action 1.4 above. 	As part of ESMF and Throughout Project implementation	The MoF FPCU in collaboration with relevant ministries
	Procedures to address traffic and road safety risks that include emergence communication in case of accident and incidents will be prepared and applied to all services provides involved in project implementation		

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4.2	COMMUNITY HEALTH AND SAFETY:	As part of the ESMF and throughout	
	Prepare, adopt, and implement measures and actions to assess and manage specific risks and impacts to the community arising from Project activities, behavior of Project workers and risks of labor influx. Incorporate measures in the ESMPs to be prepared in accordance with the ESMF, in a manner acceptable to the Association.	Project implementation	The MoF FPCU in collaboration with relevant ministries
	Put in place measures to minimize the potential for community exposure to communicable diseases taking into consideration highly vulnerable groups.		
	Ensure that all activities are aligned with WHO guidance on COVID19 risk communications		
	https://www.who.int/emergencies/diseases/novel-coronavirus- 2019/technical-guidance and the GoE's Ministry of Health COVID19 Infection Prevention and Control protocol.		
4.3	GBV AND SEA RISKS:	Submit the SEA/SH Action Plan for the	The PCU in collaboration with MoWSA
	Prepare, adopt, and implement Sexual Exploitation and Abuse/Sexual Harassment Action Plan (SEA/SH Action Plan), to assess and manage the risks of gender-based violence (GBV) and sexual exploitation and abuse (SEA).	Bank's approval along the timeline of the SA development. Once approved, the SEA/SH Action Plan shall be implemented and reported	
	Establish and maintain dedicated reporting channels for cases of SEA/SH and other forms of project-related GBV. If deemed necessary, a dedicated SEA/SH GRM will be established.	throughout Project implementation	
	Reporting and response protocols, including guidelines for provision of confidential, survivor-centered care, shall be detailed in the SEA/SH Prevention and Response Action Plan.		

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4.4	SECURITY Prepare, adopt, and implement a Security Risk Assessment and Management Plan (SRA& SRMP) consistent with the requirements of ESS4, in a manner acceptable to the Association to assess and address security risks related to the Project, including those relating to the involvement of public and private security personnel, to minimize the risk of conflict and insecurity in targeted regions.	The SRA&SMP shall be prepared and annexed to the Social Assessment The document shall be updated in case of any changes to the use of security personnel or other related risk factors during project implementation.	The MoF FPCU
5.1	 LAND ACQUISITION, RESTRICTIONS ON LAND USE AND INVOLUNTA RESETTLEMENT FRAMEWORK AND PLANS: a) Prepare, adopt, and implement a Resettlement Framework (RF) in a manner acceptable to the Association. b) The resettlement action plans (RAPs) or Abbreviated Resettlement Plans (ARAPs) shall be prepared in accordance with ESS 5 and consistent with the requirements of the prepared Resettlement Framework (RF) in a manner acceptable to the Association. 	a) RF shall be prepared prior to any land acquisition for the project activities. b) RAPs and ARAPs will be prepared and implemented prior to prior to acquiring and civil works s.	The MoF FPCU
5.2	GRIEVANCE MECHANISM Establish and maintain a grievance mechanism (GM) to address resettlement related complaints and shall be described in the RF, RAPs, and SEP.	Prior to commencement of resettlement activities	The MoF FPCU

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6.1	BIODIVERSITY RISKS AND IMPACTS Biodiversity risk management shall be addressed in the ESMF to be prepared under action 1.2 above, which will specifically include criteria and procedures to ensure that sub-project investments are designed and implemented in ways that avoid damage to protected areas or critical habitats. As per the ESMF requirements, conduct a preliminary screening and assess each of the proposed activity/subproject for financing, in terms of its risks and impacts on biodiversity and ensure all activities/subprojects with such impacts and/or located within important and/or critical natural habitats will be excluded from the Project financing.	ESMF to be prepared on timeframe specified in 1.2.	The MoF FPCU in collaboration with MoWSA
	Biodiversity Management Plans shall be prepared as part of the site specific ESMPs, as needed.	Prior to commencing project activities	
ESS 7:	INDIGENOUS PEOPLES/SUB-SAHARAN AFRICAN HISTORICALLY UND	DERSERVED TRADITIONAL LOCAL COMMU	NITIES
7.1	INDIGENOUS PEOPLES PLAN: Prepare, adopt, and implement a SSAHUTLC assessment and plan, in a manner acceptable to the Association.	The SSAHUTLC Assessment & Plan shall be prepared prior to disbursements and activities on the ground under Component 1 and 2. Once approved, implement the SSAHUTLCP throughout Project implementation.	The PCU in collaboration with MoWSA
7.2	GRIEVANCE MECHANISM: Ensure that a grievance mechanism is established for the Project, as described in ESS10, which is culturally appropriate and accessible to affected Indigenous Peoples/Sub-Saharan African Historically Underserved Traditional Local Communities and considers the availability of judicial recourse and customary dispute settlement mechanisms among the communities.	Project GRM shall be established and operationalized prior to activities on the ground of component 1 and 2.	The PCU

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ESS 8:	CULTURAL HERITAGE					
8.1	CHANCE FINDS: Adopt and implement a Chance Find procedure in the ESMF developed for the Project in accordance with ESS8. Integrate Chance Find procedure in subproject ESMPs. In the event of a find, the Ministry of Culture and tourism that is entrusted with the protection of cultural heritage in Ethiopia shall be contacted within 72 hours of the find.	Before construction on any sites Chance Find procedure integrated in sub-project ESMPs and implemented and monitored throughout Project implementation.	The MoF FPCU			
ESS 9:	ESS 9: FINANCIAL INTERMEDIARIES					
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ESS 10	: STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT AND INFORMATION DISCLOSURE		
10.1	 STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT PLAN PREPARATION AND IMPLEMENTATION a) Prepare a preliminary SEP including a stakeholder assessment and requirements and planning on stakeholder engagement throughout the Project lifecycle. 	a) Prior to project appraisal	The MoF FPCU
	 b) Prepare an updated SEP, including consultations with affected and interested parties, adopted and disclosed. The SEP will govern stakeholder engagement throughout the Project lifecycle. 	 b) Prior to disbursements and activities on the ground under Component 1 and 2 	
	c) The SEP shall be implemented and regularly updated to reflect new stakeholders identified and appropriate ways to consult them.	c) Throughout Project implementation	

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 Mechanism. The Grievance affected partie with accessible grievances in a ESCP and all E8 acceptable to t Prepare the GF The Grievance mechanisms, concerns prormanner that accessible to communities, a ✓ The Grievance follow the confidentiality be handled t outlined in the ✓ The mechanism access to judici ✓ The Project-a about the gries since SEA/SH outstands Handling of grievances 	nclude the design of a Grievance Redress Redress Mechanism shall provide Project- s (including IDPs and host communities) and inclusive means to raise issues and ccordance with ESS10, the ESF and this &S instruments, and in a manner he Association.	Prepare the GRM guideline prior to project effectiveness Establish and Operationalization the GRM prior to component 1 and 2 implementation and implementation throughout the Project implementation	The MoF FPCU in collaboration with MoWSA
	s of the Project-affected communities.		15 P a g

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CAPACITY SUPPORT (TRAINING)				
stake	 Active building training for Project staff, other relevant Cholders (like MOWSA, MoF, NDRMC) at federal and regional Project workers on occupational health and safety including: Capacity building for PCU staff and level on specific requirements of the ESSs/ESF, the ESMF, Environmental and Social screening and Site-specific instrument preparation SEA/SH and response mechanism/Risk management for experts at all levels and communities. Project Grievance Redress Mechanism including proper handling of SEA/SEA cases Occupational and Community Health and Safety Monitoring and reporting Covid-19 prevention based on the MOH and the World Bank guideline RP preparation and implementation. Security Risk Assessment and Management Plan (SRA&MP), SSAHUTLC Assessment and Plan and engagement with IPs Other measures, as relevant and necessary, to implement the Project in accordance with the ESSs. 			