

The Federal Republic of Somalia

Ministry of Finance

**Somalia Disaster and Climate Resilience
Development Policy Financing
Somalia Contingent Emergency Response
Project (P509224)**

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

Appraisal Version

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ENVIRONMENTAL AND SOCIAL COMMITMENT PLAN

1. The Federal Republic of Somalia (the Recipient) will implement the Contingency Emergency Response Project (the Project), with the involvement of the Ministry of Finance, as set out in the Financing/ Grant 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 Agreement. Unless otherwise defined in this ESCP, capitalized terms used in this ESCP have the meanings ascribed to them in the Agreement.
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 Agreement, 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	ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE The environmental, social and GBV specialists under SERP (P177298) PIU will provide oversight for the CERP. They will ensure implementing agencies have qualified staff in the relevant sectors for the efficient management of the environmental and social risks specifically (Environmental, Social, Occupational and health safety specialist) stemming from the response.	Engage the environmental, social and GBV specialists under SERP prior to commencement of project activities and maintain throughout project implementation.	CERP PIU.

MONITORING AND REPORTING			
B	REGULAR REPORTING Upon CERP activation, Prepare and submit to the Association’s regular monitoring reports on the environmental, social, health and safety (E&S) performance of the Project. The reports shall include: • 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. • Any other aspects requested by the Association.	Submit quarterly reports and Annual reviews to the Association throughout project implementation. Submit each report to the Association no later than 10 days after the end of each reporting period.	CERP PIU and Implementing Agencies.
C	INCIDENTS AND ACCIDENTS 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 harassment (SH); or disease outbreaks. Provide available details of the incident or accident to the Association upon request. 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.	Notify the Association no later than 48 hours after learning of the incident or accident. Provide available details upon request. 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.	CERP PIU and Implementing Agencies.
D	EXCLUSION LIST As per the ESMP, the following activities are excluded from the Project • Activities with potential significant impacts, such civil works. • Activities necessitating acquisition of land, mass relocations, involuntary resettlements and major restrictions on land use. • Activities in protected and sensitive areas including riverbanks, key biodiversity areas, and critical habitat.	Throughout project implementation.	CERP PIU and Implementing Agencies.

	- Activities in known national or internationally recognized cultural heritage sites. - Any activities requiring site specific environmental and social risk and/ or impact assessment.		
ESS 1: ASSESSMENT AND MANAGEMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL AND SOCIAL RISKS AND IMPACTS			
1.1	ENVIRONMENTAL AND SOCIAL ASSESSMENTS AND/OR PLANS Implement the Final Environmental and Social Management Plan (ESMP) for the Project consistent with the relevant ESSs.	Implement the project ESMP throughout Project implementation. Review and update the ESMP annually as needed in line with Project review schedule.	CERP-PIU and Implementing Agencies.
1.2	MANAGEMENT OF CONTRACTORS Incorporate the relevant aspects of the ESCP, including, inter alia, the CERP ESMP (Security Management Plan, SEA/SH Action Plan, Waste Management plan, , the Labor Management Procedures, and code of conduct, into the E&S specifications of the procurement documents and contracts with contractors and supervising firms. Thereafter ensure that the contractors and supervising firms comply and that they require their subcontractors to comply with the E&S specifications of their respective contracts. Provide copies of the relevant contracts with contractors/subcontractors and supervision firms to the Association.	a. As part of the preparation of procurement documents and respective contracts. b. Supervise contractors throughout Project implementation. Copies of relevant contracts provided to the Association upon request.	CERP-PIU and Implementing Agencies.
1.3	TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE 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 and the CERC manual. Thereafter prepare and finalize the outputs of such activities in compliance with the terms of reference	Throughout Project implementation.	CERP- PIU and Implementing Agencies.
1.4	CONTINGENT [EMERGENCY] [EARLY] RESPONSE FINANCING Ensure that the CERP Operation Manual includes a description of the E&S assessment and management arrangements as spelt out in the World Bank ESSs including, CERP ESMP and any other relevant E&S documentations.	Implement the CERP Manual and CERP ESMP throughout project implementation.	CERP PIU.

	Implement the E&S provisions of the CERC Manual and CERP ESMP.		
1.5	ACTIVITIES SUBJECT TO RETROACTIVE FINANCING Where a project comprises or includes existing facilities or activities subject to retroactive financing, due diligence is conducted, and measures set out in the ESCP to meet the requirements of the ESSs (e.g., E&S audit, amendment to existing work contracts, or a corrective action plan).	Throughout the sub-projects time frame.	CERP PIU and Implementing Agencies.
ESS 2: LABOR AND WORKING CONDITIONS			
2.1.	LABOR MANAGEMENT PROCEDURES Implement the Labor Management Procedures (LMP) for the Project as part of the ESMP.	Implement the LMP throughout Project implementation.	CERP PIU and Implementing Agencies.
2.2	OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH AND SAFETY MANAGEMENT PLAN 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.	Implement the OHS Management Framework throughout Project implementation.	CERP PIU and Implementing Agencies.
2.3	GRIEVANCE MECHANISM FOR PROJECT WORKERS Establish and operate a grievance mechanism for Project workers, as described in the LMP and consistent with ESS2. The project grievance mechanism shall be sensitive to the management of GBV/SEA/SH issues and the GRC will be trained in the management of GBV/SEA/SH concerns.	Establish grievance mechanism prior to the engagement of project workers and thereafter implement the GM throughout the project cycle.	CERP PIU and Implementing Agencies.
ESS 3: RESOURCE EFFICIENCY AND POLLUTION PREVENTION AND MANAGEMENT			
3.1	WASTE MANAGEMENT PLAN Implement Waste Management Plan (WMP) 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 WMP throughout Project implementation.	CERP 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.	CERP 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.	CERP PIU and Implementing Agencies
4.3	SEA AND SH RISKS Implement the SEA/SH Action Plan developed as part of the ESMP to assess and manage SEA/SH related risks and impacts of the Project.	Implement the ESMP throughout Project implementation.	CERP PIU and Implementing Agencies
4.4	SECURITY MANAGEMENT² Assess and implement measures to manage the security risks of the Project, including the risks of engaging security personnel to safeguard project workers, sites, assets, and activities in the ESMP, consistent with the requirements of ESS4 and in a manner satisfactory to World Bank, and guided by the principles of proportionality and by applicable Federal republic of Somalia law, in relation to hiring, rules of conduct, training, equipping, and monitoring of such personnel.	Prior to engaging security personnel and thereafter implemented throughout Project implementation.	CERP PIU and Implementing Agencies
ESS 5: LAND ACQUISITION, RESTRICTIONS ON LAND USE AND INVOLUNTARY RESETTLEMENT			
ESS 5 is not relevant.			
ESS 6: BIODIVERSITY CONSERVATION AND SUSTAINABLE MANAGEMENT OF LIVING NATURAL RESOURCES			
ESS 6 is not relevant. Activities in sensitive habitats and protected areas are excluded from the Project.			
ESS 7: INDIGENOUS PEOPLES/SUB-SAHARAN AFRICAN HISTORICALLY UNDERSERVED TRADITIONAL LOCAL COMMUNITIES			
7.1	INDIGENOUS PEOPLES [FRAMEWORK] [PLAN] or [PLANS] Manage specific risks and impacts to the traditional ethnic minorities arising from Project activities as per project ESMP and Stakeholder Engagement Plan (SEP).	Implement the ESMP throughout Project implementation.	CERP PIU and Implementing Agencies.
ESS 8: CULTURAL HERITAGE			
ESS 8 is not relevant.			
ESS 9: FINANCIAL INTERMEDIARIES			
ESS 9 is not relevant.			
ESS 10: STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT AND INFORMATION DISCLOSURE			

10.1	STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT PLAN Implement the Stakeholder Engagement Plan (SEP) for 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. The SEP shall be updated, when necessary, throughout Project implementation to reflect any adjustment in Project activities and actors, as well as the views of beneficiaries and other relevant stakeholders.	Implement and update the SEP throughout Project implementation.	CERP PIU and Implementing Agencies.
10.2	PROJECT GRIEVANCE MECHANISM Adopt, enhance and implement the SERP GM.	Implement the GM throughout Project implementation.	CERP PIU and Implementing Agencies.
INDICATORS FOR IMPLEMENTATION READINESS 1) The following actions are indicators for implementation readiness: A: Ensure the implementing agencies have qualified staff and resources to support management of environmental, social, and health, security and safety risks and impacts of the Project. Implement the Final Environmental and Social Management Plan (ESMP) for the Project consistent with the relevant ESSs. 10.2: Adopt and enhance the SERP GM.			