



PROMOTING RESILIENCE THROUGH AN INTEGRATED APPROACH TO WATER, ENVIRONMENT AND DRR

NDP alignment

Pillar 3: Economic Development (Improve Resilience; Strengthen natural resource management)

Pillar 4: Social Development (Improve access to water; Strengthen institutional capacities for DRM)

Context

The project builds on the experiences in the past and complements the ongoing national efforts under the National Development Plan (NDP-9) and aligns with the strategic focus of the Resilient Recovery Framework (RRF) developed and approved by the Government of Somalia. Water management, environmental sustainability, and disaster risk management are inherently interconnected and interdependent and are closely linked to the issues and options for building community resilience. The increased risks and challenges in water, environment, and disaster management are rooted in a common set of geophysical, socio-economic, and climatic factors that call for an integrated approach to respond to these challenges. The project therefore brings together the elements of capacity gaps and national priorities for water, environment and disaster management and unleashes the potential of their synergies into a coherent and more integrated programming framework.

Objectives

Building capacities of the authorities and institutions at all levels to empower and promote resilience of the water-stressed, ecological, and disaster vulnerable communities through integrated support in the areas of sustainable water resource management, environmental governance, and disaster risk reduction.

Beneficiaries

Vulnerable communities in the regions of water-stressed, ecologically-fragile and disaster and climate vulnerability in Somalia, with particular focus on the most vulnerable groups including women, youth, and IDPs

Government counterparts at Federal Level	Ministry of Energy and Water Resources (MoEWR); Directorate of Environment and Climate Change under the Office of the Prime Minister (DoECC/OPM), and Ministry of Humanitarian Affairs and Disaster Management (MoHADM)
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Implementing partner	United Nations Development Programme (UNDP)
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Geographic coverage	National
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Project description

The project aims to build the capacity of the Somali authorities and communities in their efforts to promote sustainable and resilient development through targeted support in the areas of integrated water resource management, environmental governance, and disaster risk reduction. Targeted interventions will be undertaken in three inter-related components in achieving the above results.

Component 1 – Integrated Water Resource Management (IWRM): Targeted capacities will be built at all levels to promote IWRM for Somali institutions and water-stressed communities as right-holders to improve water access and gender-responsive and sustainable use of water resources in Somalia.

Component 2 – Environmental Governance: The capacities for sustainable environmental governance will be enhanced at institutional and community levels to address the ecological challenges and priorities toward promoting ecological resilience in Somalia.

Component 3 – Disaster Risk Reduction (DRR): A government-wide, multi-hazards and multi-stakeholder approach will be promoted under this component for integration of DRR in the planning and programming toward building the resilience of the disaster vulnerable communities, including addressing the differentiated needs and vulnerabilities of women, youth, and disabled people in Somalia.

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