

I QUARTERLY PROGRESS REPORT

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“Elimination of Obsolete Pesticide Stockpiles and Addressing POPs Contaminated Sites within a Sound Chemicals Management Framework in Armenia” full-sized Project 00091031

Project activities are implemented according to the 2017 Workplan and procurement plan. New ToR for Project’s Civil Engineer was developed and the contract signed on 20.01.17. The re-announced RFP for provision of services on the design/operational planning/approvals of construction works for development of a national hazardous chemical waste storage/management facility, resulted in receiving 4 eligible proposals. Panel evaluation of the bids resulted in selection of the winner “Electronnakhagits” CJSC. A new tripartite Statement of Intent (SoI) between the Project/UNDP, Ministry of Emergency Situations (MES) and Hrazdan Municipality on joint activities and co-financing commitments is developed, aimed at establishment/operation of the national hazardous chemical waste storage/management facility. The revised RFP/ToR for Nubarashen burial site clean-up design/assessment (re-announced 27.12.16), resulted in receiving 4 eligible proposals from high-profile European environmental companies, which are under review/scoring. ToR is developed and an International Consultant on Contaminated Soil Clean-up/Remediation Technologies is contracted. ToR is developed for hiring Local Consultant (IC) to fulfill short-term assignment on upgrading of national analytical capacity on POPs, in support of Project’s International Consultant (LTA). A proposal was submitted to UNDP/Russia Trust Fund for co-financing of a short-term Expert on Demand (EoD) for providing consultancy on specific engineering standards and operational requirements with respect to the design of hazardous chemical waste management/storage facility. On March 20, 2017, an important meeting was held with the newly appointed minister of Emergency Situations, during which the Project was presented and the collaboration format was refreshed.