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Project Title:

Covid-19 Knowledge for Development Management (K4DM)

 Project/Award ID:
 00064036

 Covid-19 Output ID:
 00122532

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Expected UNDAF/CP Outcome(s): OUTCOME 2: Develop and implement improved social policies and programmes that focus on good governance, reduction of structural inequalities and advancement of vulnerable individuals and groups

Expected CPD Output(s): OUTPUT 2.1: Civil society, interest groups, relevant government agencies and political parties haves tools and knowledge to set agendas and to develop platforms for building consensus on national issues

Initiation Plan Start/End Dates: May - December 2020

Implementing Partner:

UNDP and Economic Relations Division (ERD)

Brief Description

The Knowledge for Development Management (K4DM) Programme is a joint initiative of the Government of Bangladesh (GoB) and UNDP Bangladesh. The Project aims to a) simplify programming procedures and improve knowledge management, b) promote new knowledge and resource partnerships under the canopy of South-South and Triangular as well as Public-Private Partnership modality and c) support a common expert pool, strategic knowledge generation and innovative programming.

Project's timeline: September'14 - Dec'20. Currently, the K4DM Project is in its fifth extension period (July 2020 – December 2020), in which the main activity of the project is Project Document formulation for its Phase II.

COVID-19 (corona virus) has put the global community, including Bangladesh, into an unforeseen challenge. The <u>World Health Organization</u> (WHO) declared 2019–20 coronavirus <u>outbreaks</u> a <u>Public Health Emergency of International Concern</u> (PHEIC) on 30 January 2020. As of June 18, 2020, the official death toll is 1,305. The government declared general holiday period has ended, and all government offices have resumed operation since June 1st. As a result, K4DM project has returned to work.

Since returning the project has supported its key stakeholders in Economic Relations Division and Planning Commission compound through providing preventive materials, awareness raising support and installation of hand sanitizer dispenser facilities to protect them from COVID 19 infections and risks. The project has achieved the following results so far by June, 2020:

- 50 ERD UN Wing officials supported by preventive materials (mask, sanitizer, hand gloves) to prevent COVID 19 infections
- 100 cleaners in the Planning Commission compound supported by providing protective gear (KN95 masks, sanitizer, soap, and gloves)
- 100 office assistants in ERD provided with mask, sanitizer, and gloves
- 200 hand sanitizer dispensers set up in all ERD, IMED, Planning Commission buildings
- 20 5-liter hand sanitizer bottles provided for the dispensers
- 500 awareness-raising COVID-19 leaflets printed in April
- 500 awareness-raising posters printed in May

This activity will be repeated in ...

Programme Period Atlas Project Number: Covid-19 Output ID: Gender Marker:	2014-2020 00064036 00122532 3	Total resources required Total allocated resources: • Regular (TRAC I) USD 37,000 • Other: • Donor-SDC USD • Donor-DANIDA USD • Government USD • UNDP/ TRAC I USD
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Agreed by UNDP:

(Sudipto Mukerjee, Resident Representative)



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I. PURPOSE AND EXPECTED OUTPUT

A short description justifying the need for an Initiation Plan for this project and the expected output.

Purpose:

The overall purpose of K4DM's COVID 19 response initiative is to provide necessary preventive materials (mask, sanitizer, hand gloves, soap, etc.), handwash plants, carry out capacity building, awareness raising, conducting a short study on responsive short-term governance measures to facilitate economic recovery following COVID-19 pandemic and organizing a national level policy dialogue to disseminate the study's findings in order to influence the government for initiating required measures which can lead faster economic recovery to address the COVID 19 shocks.

Expected Output:

- 1. Likelihood of COVID 19 infections among the ERD officials and Planning Commission compound staff reduced by receiving preventive materials and necessary awareness.
- Responsive governance measures identified and disseminated in the government which can lead to faster economic recovery in the short-term economic impact caused by COVID-19.

II. MANAGEMENT ARRANGEMENTS

A short description of the individuals, organisations, and/or team structure required to conduct the activities of the Initiation Plan. If the size and scope of the Initiation Plan requires the establishment of a project board, describe the structure here and include a diagram if needed, drawing from the standard diagram provided in the full project document template.

The COVID response activity of K4DM will be implemented under the same modality as it has been following for its regular operation. However, the whole COVID 19 repurposed amount (USD 37,000) will be kept under a new output to be created in Atlas. This output will follow a NIM budget modality. So, all most all sorts of procurement will be done following UNDP procurement modalities and through K4DM project.

Other key features of implementation of activities of this output are as follows:

- ✓ K4DM COVID 19 response initiative will be aligned with UNDP COVID 19 response framework and necessary guidance will be taken from CO and COVID 19 taskforce of UNDP Bangladesh, as appropriate.
- ✓ The entire COVID 19 response initiative has been implemented and managed under the leadership and guidance of ERD Secretary, NPD and DPD of the project to align this initiative with government priorities. However, COVID 19 response initiative from TRAC I money will follow NIM modality.
- ✓ K4DM National Project Manager and National Consultants will coordinate the entire planning and implementation of the activities under this output.
- ✓ All implementation will be implemented in collaboration with the UN Wing and Administration Wing of Economic Relations Division.
- ✓ With the guidance of NPD and DPD of the project, the project team will monitor the implementation of K4DM COVID 19 response initiative.
- ✓ The K4DM Team will hire individual consultants to carry out the study through stakeholder consultations
- ✓ The K4DM Team will organize the policy dialogue session through a video conferencing platform to incorporate members of the government and civil society.

III. MONITORING

An Initiation Phase Report will be prepared at the end of the Initiation Plan, using the standard format available in the <u>Executive Snapshot</u>

The K4DM Team will carry out monitoring of the activities related to COVID-19 response. The activities were planned after multiple consultations with ERD officials and the Secretary to avoid overlapping and duplication of efforts. Beneficiaries of the support will be recorded and documented properly though engaging Admin Wing of ERD. K4DM will collaborate and coordinate its services with close communication with the Secretary's office. It will ensure that the hand sanitizer dispensers are adequately refilled, and cleaning staff have access to a constant supply of protective gear.

In addition, 03 quarterly reports will be prepared documenting the effects of the efforts, as well as any shortcomings.

IV. WORK PLAN

Period¹:

EXPECTED OUTPUTS And baseline, indicators including	PLANNED ACTIVITIES List activity results and associated			TIMEF	RAME			RESPONSIBLE		PLANNED BUDGET	
annual targets	actions	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q5	Q6	PARTY	Funding Source	Budget Description	Amount
Output 1 Likelihood of COVID 19 infections among the government officials and staff in ERD and planning commission compound reduced by receiving preventive materials and necessary awareness. Baseline: 0 Target: 300 Indicators: # of officials supported by preventive materials (mask, sanitizer, soap, hand gloves, etc.) to prevent COVID 19 infections	 Preventive material distributed Collect need from Admin Wing on preventive materials Procuring preventive materials Distribution of preventive materials to the beneficiaries/ stakeholders of which at least 15% are women Distribution of PPE to the beneficiaries/ stakeholders of which at least 15% are women Monitoring distribution and results 							UNDP	TRAC-I	Mask - 1000 pieces; Sanitizer- 1000 pieces; Hand Gloves - 400 piece, Soap - 500 pieces, Chlorine Water Refill- 12 times Protection Tunnel Refill -06 times	USD 15,000

¹ Maximum 18 months

Baseline: 0 Target: 1000 # of people made aware through the awareness raising initiative on COVID 19 prevention	 2. People's awareness raised Collect need from ERD on awareness raising Design and print communication material Disseminate communication materials 		ERD	TRAC-I	Awareness leaflet – 1000 pieces Awareness poster – 1000 pieces	USD 2000
Baseline: 0 Target: 500 # of people who have access to hand sanitizer stations as part of COVID 19 prevention at the Planning Commission/IMED # of hand sanitazation plants established	 3. Established hand sanitizer dispensers Collect need from the Admin Wing and ERD on dispenser facilities Identify appropriate places for installation of dispensers so that men, women and the disabled have equal access to the facilities Install the dispensers Monitoring performance and results Ensure the dispensers are refilled and there are no problems with the installation 		UNDP	TRAC-I	Hand sanitizer dispenser – 400 pieces and Hand sanitizer 5 litre – 100 pieces	USD 5000

Output 2 Responsive governance measures identified and disseminated in the government which can lead to faster economic recovery in the short-term economic impact caused by COVID-19. Baseline: 0 Target: 1 # Study conducted on responsive governance measures	 4. Study conducted on responsive short-term governance measures Hire consultants to conduct the study Conduct the study Publish the study Disseminate the study 				UNDP	TRAC-I	Consultants - 2 Publication - 5000	USD 10,000
Baseline: 0 Target: 1 # No. of participants at the policy dialogue	 5. Organized policy dialogue on study findings Hire a firm to facilitate the policy dialogue Invite participants to the policy dialogue Publicize the policy dialogue Conduct the policy dialogue 				ERD	TRAC-I	Marketing firm Social media outreach	USD 5,000
Related CP outcome: Develop and implement improved social policies and programmes that focus on good governance, reduction of		I					I	1

structural inequalities and advancement of vulnerable individuals and groups	
TOTAL	USD 37,000

Annex [#]. Social and Environmental Screening Template

The completed template, which constitutes the Social and Environmental Screening Report, must be included as an annex to the Project Document. Please refer to the <u>Social and Environmental Screening Procedure</u> and <u>Toolkit</u> for guidance on how to answer the 6 questions.

Project Information

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1. Project Title	Knowledge for Development Management (K4DM) COVID-19 Response
2. Project Number	00064036 (Covid-19 output ID #00122532)
3. Location (Global/Region/Country)	Dhaka

Part A. Integrating Overarching Principles to Strengthen Social and Environmental Sustainability

QUESTION 1: How Does the Project Integrate the Overarching Principles in order to Strengthen Social and Environmental Sustainability?

Briefly describe in the space below how the Project mainstreams the human-rights based approach

The K4DM project is implemented jointly with the Economic Relations Division of the Ministry of Finance and is situated in the UN Wing of ERD. It exists to serve high-level government policymakers in becoming more efficient in resource mobilization and to boost their capacity. Besides improving resource mobilization and collaboration, K4DM activities are based on gender and human-rights as cross-cutting issues. K4DM has integrated these values into its present COVID 19 response plans.

As example:

- The COVID 19 response initiative of K4DM will increase awareness among government officials and other government staff, of whom at least 40% are women.
- The COVID 19 response initiative of K4DM will also distribute preventive materials (i.e. hand sanitizer, soap, mask, gloves, etc.) to cleaners. The majority of cleaning staff in the Planning Commission compound are female. It may be mentioned that many of the cleaning staff are from the poor and marginal section of the community.
- The COVID 19 response initiative of K4DM has installed dispenser facilities at various accessible locations throughout the government buildings so that people can wash hands and prevent COVID 19 infection. It is estimated that, a total of at least 1000 people will have access to these dispensers. These activities will contribute to health rights of the people, and are in locations where anyone can access them, from every level of seniority. This will ensure that the marginalized people are also served equally, along with high-level officials.
- Additionally, K4DM has also installed dispensers at heights and locations that are disabled-friendly, and has marked them accordingly.
- Apart from these, K4DM during the COVID-19 emergency is also disseminating through its Facebook pages so that people can easily have access to Awareness on protection services.
- The K4DM study on responsive governance measures will treat gender as a cross-cutting issue, and will adhere to the principles of LNOB

Briefly describe in the space below how the Project is likely to improve gender equality and women's empowerment

Gender issues will be addressed as the awareness communications targets both genders equally. Additionally, the cleaners in ERD are largely female. They will be served through the protective gear, which they may not have gotten otherwise. More than 30 percent of government officials are female, who will be served by the initiative. The K4DM study on responsive governance measures will treat gender as a cross-cutting issue, and will highlight specific responsive measures based on gender.

Briefly describe in the space below how the Project mainstreams environmental sustainability

The K4DM initiative has established hand sanitizer dispensers instead of giving out single-use sanitizer bottles to its stakeholders. This is more sustainable as it reduces the amount of waste generated. The dispensers are one-time installations that can be refilled. The refills are in large bottles which reduces wastage. Moreover, the project has carried out awareness raising through online videos, rather than relying on paper-based material solely. This reduces the need for unnecessary paper use. It will also organize the policy dialogue virtually, which will reduce its ecological footprint.

Part B. Identifying and Managing Social and Environmental Risks

QUESTION 2: What are the Potential Social and Environmental Risks? Note: Describe briefly potential social and environmental risks identified in Attachment 1 – Risk Screening Checklist (based on any "Yes" responses). If no risks have been identified in Attachment 1 then note "No Risks Identified" and skip to Question 4 and Select "Low Risk". Questions 5 and 6 not required for Low Risk Projects.	potential so	cial and enviror	evel of significance of the amental risks? Ind 5 below before proceeding to	QUESTION 6: What social and environmental assessment and management measures have been conducted and/or are required to address potential risks (for Risks with Moderate and High Significance)?
Risk Description	Impact and Probability (1-5)	Significance (Low, Moderate, High)	Comments	Description of assessment and management measures as reflected in the Project design. If ESIA or SESA is required note that the assessment should consider all potential impacts and risks.
Risk 1: 3.9 The stakeholders may not have received adequate briefing from the concerned departments on proper usage of the protective gear	l = 3 P = 2	Moderate	K4DM will monitor that the materials are being used correctly	K4DM will print awareness material on best practices

Risk 2: High workload of the Admin Wing secretaries due to their engagement in various COVID 19 response may slow down the implementation of K4DM's COVID 19 response initiative	l = 2 P = 2		Low	Admin Wing will need to ensur materials are distributed on time	
Risk 3: Some participants may not be able to operate the technical tools for the virtual policy dialogue	I = 4 P = 3	Mo	oderate	An external firm will be hired to ensure the technical aspects	K4DM will provide technical support on standby
Risk 4: No Risk Identified	l = P =				
[add additional rows as needed]					
QUESTION 4: What is the overall Project risk	k categoriza	ation?			
Select one (see <u>SESP</u> for guidance	e)				Comments
Lo	ow Risk				
Мос	derate Risk				
	High Risk				
QUESTION 5: Based on the identified risks a categorization, what requirements of the Si relevant?					
Check all that apply					Comments
Principle 1: Human Rights					
Principle 2: Gender Equality and Women's Empo	werment				
1. Biodiversity Conservation and Natural Resou Management	rce				
2. Climate Change Mitigation and Adaptation					
3. Community Health, Safety and Working Cond	ditions			eholders may not know the correct a materials	usage for distribute protective gear and there may be delay in them
4. Cultural Heritage					

5. Displacement and Resettlement	
6. Indigenous Peoples	
7. Pollution Prevention and Resource Efficiency	

Final Sign Off

Signature	Date	Description
Mahmuda Afroz, Portfolio		UNDP staff member responsible for the Project, typically a UNDP Programme Officer . Final signature confirms
Manager-a.i. DG Portfolio		they have "checked" to ensure that the SESP is adequately conducted.
QA Assessor	6/7/2020	
Nguyen Thi Ngoc Van, DRR		UNDP senior manager, typically the UNDP Deputy Resident Representative (DRR), Resident Representative (RR). The QA Approver cannot also be the QA Assessor. Final signature confirms they have "cleared" the SESP prior to submittal to the PAC.
WE	6/7/2020	
QA Approver		
UE	6/7/2020	UNDP chair of the PAC. In some cases PAC Chair may also be the QA Approver. Final signature confirms that the SESP was considered as part of the project appraisal and considered in recommendations of the PAC.
PAC Chair Van Nguyen	.,.,	

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SESP Attachment 1. Social and Environmental Risk Screening Checklist

Che	cklist Potential Social and Environmental <u>Risks</u>	
Princ	iples 1: Human Rights	Answer (Yes/No)
1.	Could the Project lead to adverse impacts on enjoyment of the human rights (civil, political, economic, social or cultural) of the affected population and particularly of marginalized groups?	No
2.	Is there a likelihood that the Project would have inequitable or discriminatory adverse impacts on affected populations, particularly people living in poverty or marginalized or excluded individuals or groups? ¹	No
3.	Could the Project potentially restrict availability, quality of and access to resources or basic services, in particular to marginalized individuals or groups?	No
4.	Is there a likelihood that the Project would exclude any potentially affected stakeholders, in particular marginalized groups, from fully participating in decisions that may affect them?	No
5.	Is there a risk that duty-bearers do not have the capacity to meet their obligations in the Project?	No
6.	Is there a risk that rights-holders do not have the capacity to claim their rights?	No
7.	Have local communities or individuals, given the opportunity, raised human rights concerns regarding the Project during the stakeholder engagement process?	No
8.	Is there a risk that the Project would exacerbate conflicts among and/or the risk of violence to project- affected communities and individuals?	No
Princ	iple 2: Gender Equality and Women's Empowerment	
1.	Is there a likelihood that the proposed Project would have adverse impacts on gender equality and/or the situation of women and girls?	No
2.	Would the Project potentially reproduce discriminations against women based on gender, especially regarding participation in design and implementation or access to opportunities and benefits?	No
3.	Have women's groups/leaders raised gender equality concerns regarding the Project during the stakeholder engagement process and has this been included in the overall Project proposal and in the risk assessment?	No
4.	Would the Project potentially limit women's ability to use, develop and protect natural resources, taking into account different roles and positions of women and men in accessing environmental goods and services?	No
	For example, activities that could lead to natural resources degradation or depletion in communities who depend on these resources for their livelihoods and well being	
	iple 3: Environmental Sustainability: Screening questions regarding environmental risks are encompassed by pecific Standard-related questions below	
Stan	ard 1: Biodiversity Conservation and Sustainable Natural Resource Management	
1.1	Would the Project potentially cause adverse impacts to habitats (e.g. modified, natural, and critical habitats) and/or ecosystems and ecosystem services?	No

¹ Prohibited grounds of discrimination include race, ethnicity, gender, age, language, disability, sexual orientation, religion, political or other opinion, national or social or geographical origin, property, birth or other status including as an indigenous person or as a member of a minority. References to "women and men" or similar is understood to include women and men, boys and girls, and other groups discriminated against based on their gender identities, such as transgender people and transsexuals.

	For example, through habitat loss, conversion or degradation, fragmentation, hydrological changes	
1.2	Are any Project activities proposed within or adjacent to critical habitats and/or environmentally sensitive areas, including legally protected areas (e.g. nature reserve, national park), areas proposed for protection, or recognized as such by authoritative sources and/or indigenous peoples or local communities?	No
1.3	Does the Project involve changes to the use of lands and resources that may have adverse impacts on habitats, ecosystems, and/or livelihoods? (Note: if restrictions and/or limitations of access to lands would apply, refer to Standard 5)	No
1.4	Would Project activities pose risks to endangered species?	No
1.5	Would the Project pose a risk of introducing invasive alien species?	No
1.6	Does the Project involve harvesting of natural forests, plantation development, or reforestation?	No
1.7	Does the Project involve the production and/or harvesting of fish populations or other aquatic species?	No
1.8	Does the Project involve significant extraction, diversion or containment of surface or ground water? For example, construction of dams, reservoirs, river basin developments, groundwater extraction	No
1.9	Does the Project involve utilization of genetic resources? (e.g. collection and/or harvesting, commercial development)	No
1.10	Would the Project generate potential adverse trans boundary or global environmental concerns?	No
1.11	Would the Project result in secondary or consequential development activities which could lead to adverse social and environmental effects, or would it generate cumulative impacts with other known existing or planned activities in the area?	No
	For example, a new road through forested lands will generate direct environmental and social impacts (e.g. felling of trees, earthworks, potential relocation of inhabitants). The new road may also facilitate encroachment on lands by illegal settlers or generate unplanned commercial development along the route, potentially in sensitive areas. These are indirect, secondary, or induced impacts that need to be considered. Also, if similar developments in the same forested area are planned, then cumulative impacts of multiple activities (even if not part of the same Project) need to be considered.	
Stand	ard 2: Climate Change Mitigation and Adaptation	
2.1	Will the proposed Project result in significant ² greenhouse gas emissions or may exacerbate climate change?	No
2.2	Would the potential outcomes of the Project be sensitive or vulnerable to potential impacts of climate change?	No
2.3	Is the proposed Project likely to directly or indirectly increase social and environmental vulnerability to climate change now or in the future (also known as maladaptive practices)?	No
	For example, changes to land use planning may encourage further development of floodplains, potentially increasing the population's vulnerability to climate change, specifically flooding	
Stand	ard 3: Community Health, Safety and Working Conditions	
3.1	Would elements of Project construction, operation, or decommissioning pose potential safety risks to local communities?	No
3.2	Would the Project pose potential risks to community health and safety due to the transport, storage, and use and/or disposal of hazardous or dangerous materials (e.g. explosives, fuel and other chemicals during construction and operation)?	No

² In regards to CO₂, 'significant emissions' corresponds generally to more than 25,000 tons per year (from both direct and indirect sources). [The Guidance Note on Climate Change Mitigation and Adaptation provides additional information on GHG emissions.]

3.3	Does the Project involve large-scale infrastructure development (e.g. dams, roads, buildings)?	No
3.4	Would failure of structural elements of the Project pose risks to communities? (e.g. collapse of buildings or infrastructure)	No
3.5	Would the proposed Project be susceptible to or lead to increased vulnerability to earthquakes, subsidence, landslides, erosion, flooding or extreme climatic conditions?	No
3.6	Would the Project result in potential increased health risks (e.g. from water-borne or other vector-borne diseases or communicable infections such as HIV/AIDS)?	No
3.7	Does the Project pose potential risks and vulnerabilities related to occupational health and safety due to physical, chemical, biological, and radiological hazards during Project construction, operation, or decommissioning?	No
3.8	Does the Project involve support for employment or livelihoods that may fail to comply with national and international labor standards (i.e. principles and standards of ILO fundamental conventions)?	No
3.9	Does the Project engage security personnel that may pose a potential risk to health and safety of communities and/or individuals (e.g. due to a lack of adequate training or accountability)?	Yes
Stand	ard 4: Cultural Heritage	
4.1	Will the proposed Project result in interventions that would potentially adversely impact sites, structures, or objects with historical, cultural, artistic, traditional or religious values or intangible forms of culture (e.g. knowledge, innovations, practices)? (Note: Projects intended to protect and conserve Cultural Heritage may also have inadvertent adverse impacts)	No
4.2	Does the Project propose utilizing tangible and/or intangible forms of cultural heritage for commercial or other purposes?	No
Stand	ard 5: Displacement and Resettlement	
5.1	Would the Project potentially involve temporary or permanent and full or partial physical displacement?	No
5.2	Would the Project possibly result in economic displacement (e.g. loss of assets or access to resources due to land acquisition or access restrictions – even in the absence of physical relocation)?	No
5.3	Is there a risk that the Project would lead to forced evictions? ³	No
5.4	Would the proposed Project possibly affect land tenure arrangements and/or community based property rights/customary rights to land, territories and/or resources?	No
Stand	ard 6: Indigenous Peoples	
6.1	Are indigenous peoples present in the Project area (including Project area of influence)?	No
6.2	Is it likely that the Project or portions of the Project will be located on lands and territories claimed by indigenous peoples?	No
6.3	Would the proposed Project potentially affect the human rights, lands, natural resources, territories, and traditional livelihoods of indigenous peoples (regardless of whether indigenous peoples possess the legal titles to such areas, whether the Project is located within or outside of the lands and territories inhabited by the affected peoples, or whether the indigenous peoples are recognized as indigenous peoples by the country in question)?	No
	If the answer to the screening question 6.3 is "yes" the potential risk impacts are considered potentially severe and/or critical and the Project would be categorized as either Moderate or High Risk.	

³ Forced evictions include acts and/or omissions involving the coerced or involuntary displacement of individuals, groups, or communities from homes and/or lands and common property resources that were occupied or depended upon, thus eliminating the ability of an individual, group, or community to reside or work in a particular dwelling, residence, or location without the provision of, and access to, appropriate forms of legal or other protections.

6.4	Has there been an absence of culturally appropriate consultations carried out with the objective of achieving FPIC on matters that may affect the rights and interests, lands, resources, territories and traditional livelihoods of the indigenous peoples concerned?	No
6.5	Does the proposed Project involve the utilization and/or commercial development of natural resources on lands and territories claimed by indigenous peoples?	No
6.6	Is there a potential for forced eviction or the whole or partial physical or economic displacement of indigenous peoples, including through access restrictions to lands, territories, and resources?	No
6.7	Would the Project adversely affect the development priorities of indigenous peoples as defined by them?	No
6.8	Would the Project potentially affect the physical and cultural survival of indigenous peoples?	No
6.9	Would the Project potentially affect the Cultural Heritage of indigenous peoples, including through the commercialization or use of their traditional knowledge and practices?	No
Standard 7: Pollution Prevention and Resource Efficiency		
7.1	Would the Project potentially result in the release of pollutants to the environment due to routine or non- routine circumstances with the potential for adverse local, regional, and/or trans boundary impacts?	No
7.2	Would the proposed Project potentially result in the generation of waste (both hazardous and non- hazardous)?	No
7.3	Will the proposed Project potentially involve the manufacture, trade, release, and/or use of hazardous chemicals and/or materials? Does the Project propose use of chemicals or materials subject to international bans or phase-outs?	No
	For example, DDT, PCBs and other chemicals listed in international conventions such as the Stockholm Conventions on Persistent Organic Pollutants or the Montreal Protocol	
7.4	Will the proposed Project involve the application of pesticides that may have a negative effect on the environment or human health?	No
7.5	Does the Project include activities that require significant consumption of raw materials, energy, and/or water?	No