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Project Title: NDC Support Programme-NDC Suppport Programme

Project Number: 00097731

Implementing Partner: Ministry of Climate Change, Republic of Vanuatu

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Brief Description

The LECB Programme phase II aims to assist Vanuatu to implement Output 1 under the programme: Policies, institutional frameworks and national MRV systems strengthened and harmonized to mainstream national mitigation policies and targets in the context of NDCs. This output is expected to support the review and/or formulation of the roadmap for NDC implementation including new mitigation actions beyond current NDC commitment periods and capacity development and readiness support for cooperative approaches under Article 6.2 of the Paris Agreement. The key activity results includes: designing of NDC roadmap with an implementation plan and institutional frameworks; designing and implementation of an enhanced MRV systems and registry to support implementation and evaluation of NDCs, developing an Article 6 implementation manual and developing and designing and strengthening the NAMAs in the context of NDC implementation through robust frameworks for NDC implementation plans and future rounds of NDCs.

The revised project outputs, under the support from The Climate Action Enhancement Package (CAEP), funded by German Federal Ministry for the Environment, Nature Conservation, and Nuclear Safety (BMU) and cost-sharing from the Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ) will assist Vanuatu in (i) Enhancing Vanuatu's NDC, including by raising ambition, as part of the Paris Agreement's NDC update process and (ii) Fast-track implementation of NDCs, including by providing in-country technical expertise and capacity building.

Vanuatu is taking significant steps towards implementing the Paris Agreement (PA). Vanuatu's NDC implementation roadmap has identified the immediate interventions to be taken up (such as coconut oil as fuel for electricity generation, solar & wind) as a priority including regulatory changes and a financial strategy leading to emission reductions and transformational change in the electricity supply sector over time.

The revised project outputs are made to Output 2 (ATLAS Activity 2) - Integrated governance enhanced to deliver NDC outcomes; and Output 3 (ATLAS Activity 3) - Evidence-based design and planning of mitigation actions delivered. The details are listed below:

NDC Revision & Update (Output Indicator 2.1)

- Review and update the options proposed under the current NDC in order make it more robust and tangible - further support needed.
- Carry out a detailed assessment of land transport, waste, forestry, agriculture and other
 potential high impact sectors that can contribute to low-carbon development and NDC
 mitigation leading to revision/updating the NDC.

Enhancement of MRV Tool (Output Indicator 2.3)

- Enhancement of the integrated MRV tool to cover other mitigation sectors.
- Capacity building and training support to MoCC and other relevant stakeholders for efficient and effective utilization of the integrated MRV tool benefits.
- Development of Emission reduction calculation sheets for all NDC sectors & relevant technologies.

NDC mitigation targets refined and/or disaggregated (Output 3.1)

- Carry out a detailed cost and investment analysis of the proposed options including private sector mobilization and incentivization activities- further support needed.
- Support to scale-up the rural electrification initiative, including the use of new technology. Feasibility studies and pilots to assist in this regard.

The original amount that was approved for the LECB-II programme was US\$595,900. Additional funds amounting to US\$304,500 have been mobilized under the support from The Climate Action Enhancement Package (CAEP), Vanuatu intends to utilize the additional funds from CAEP to update its NDC including enhancement of the integrated MRV tool including training and capacity building to cover other potential mitigation sectors to increase ambition and action by carrying out a detailed assessment of land transport, waste, forestry, agriculture and other potential high impact sectors that can contribute to low-carbon development. The updated project activities also include support to scale-up the rural electrification initiative, including the use of new technology. Feasibility studies and pilots will assist in this regard.

Vanuatu is currently updating its NDC through identifying other potential mitigation sectors/measures to increase ambition by carrying out an economy wide metabolic assessment and detailed assessment of land transport, waste, forestry, agriculture and other potential high impact sectors that can contribute to low-carbon development. The updated NDC is expected to be submitted to the UNFCCC during December 2020.

Nationally Determined Contribution Support Programme (NDC SP) is providing additional support to Vanuatu for updating the NDC implementation roadmap to include the additional mitigation measures identified in the updated NDC submission to the UNFCCC.

The revised project outputs are made to Output 2 (ATLAS Activity 2) - Integrated governance enhanced to deliver NDC outcomes.

NDC Revision & Update (Output Indicator 2.1)

Update the NDC implementation roadmap to include the additional mitigation measures identified in the updated NDC submission to the UNFCCC.

NDC SP's additional support is envisaged to enhance Vanuatu's ability to achieve its updated mitigation NDC target through the development of an updated NDC implementation roadmap covering the additional mitigation sectors/measures under the updated NDC. The overall impact of the updated NDC implementation roadmap is to assist Vanuatu to effectively reduce and monitor its GHG emissions in the key mitigation sectors and achieve its NDC commitment.

The updated NDC implementation roadmap will also be used to access international climate finance with the aim of structuring finance for implementation, including leveraging international public and private sector contributions for NDC implementation. An additional US\$50,000 has been secured under the support from NDC SP for updating the NDC implementation plan.

Article 6 of the Paris Agreement provides countries with a framework for cooperation in their efforts to limit climate change, including through the use of internationally transferred mitigation outcomes (ITMOs) towards achieving their Nationally Determined Contributions (NDCs).

Vanuatu is already in advanced stages of discussion with Annex 1 parties to sign bilateral agreements for ITMO transfer through implementation of green and low carbon technologies as part of its NDC targets.

The NDC SP is providing further support to Vanuatu to assist in setting up the enabling environment for future ITMO transfers through a readiness support. An additional US\$160,000 has been secured under the support from NDC SP for updating the NDC implementation plan.

The revised project outputs are made to Output 2 (ATLAS Activity 2) - Integrated governance enhanced to deliver NDC outcomes.

NDC Revision & Update (Output Indicator 2.1)

- Under Article 6 Manual of Procedure for mitigation activity cycle (based on Ghana example)
- Manual of Procedures Stakeholder training and capacity building
- Emission Transaction Registry developed for Vanuatu
- Vanuatu Transaction Registry Stakeholder training and capacity building
- Mitigation Action Idea Notes (2 nos)

The total amount that was approved for the LECB-II programme as of March 2020 was US\$900,400. With the additional funds amounting to US\$210,000 (US\$50,000 for NDC roadmap +US\$160,00 for ITMO readiness) that has been mobilized under the NDC SP, the total approved contribution for the LECB-II programme amounts to US\$1,110,400.

Contributing Outcome (UNDAF/CPD, RPD or GPD):

Improved resilience of PICTs, with a particular focus on communities, through the integrated implementation of sustainable environmental management, climate change adaptation and/or mitigation and disaster risk management.

Indicative Output(s) with gender marker2:

Policies, institutional frameworks and national MRV systems strengthened and harmonized to mainstream national mitigation policies and targets in the context of NDCs.

Total resources required:1	US\$ 1,110,400 (incl. GMS)	
Total		
resources allocated:	UNDP TRAC:	
	Donor:	BMUB: US\$ 304,500 ICI (BMZ/BMUB): US\$595,900 (BMZ/BMUB) US\$210,000
	Government:	
	In-Kind:	
Unfunded:		

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¹ Indicate any changes in needed resources, and any changes in resources allocated by funding partners.

² Note: Adjust signatures as needed

² The Gender Marker measures how much a project invests in gender equality and women's empowerment. Select one for each output: GEN3 (Gender equality as a principle objective); GEN2 (Gender equality as a significant objective); GEN1 (Limited contribution to gender equality); GEN0 (No contribution to gender quality)