Scientific and Technical Advisory Panel

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STAP Scientific and Technical screening of the Project Identification Form (PIF)

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I. PIF Information (Copied from the PIF)

FULL SIZE PROJECT LEAST DEVELOPED COUNTRIES FUND
GEF PROJECT ID: 6914
PROJECT DURATION: 5
COUNTRIES: Afghanistan
PROJECT TITLE: Adapting Afghan Communities to Climate-Induced Disaster Risks
GEF AGENCIES: UNDP
OTHER EXECUTING PARTNERS: NEPA, MRRD, MAIL, ANDMA, Afghan Met Office, MoE, NGOs, MoWA, IDLG
GEF FOCAL AREA: Climate Change

II. STAP Advisory Response (see table below for explanation)

Based on this PIF screening, STAP’s advisory response to the GEF Secretariat and GEF Agency(ies):
Concur

III. Further guidance from STAP

STAP welcomes the UNDP proposal "Adapting Afghan Communities to Climate-Induced Disaster Risks."
The proposal aims to improve preparedness and resilience of selected Afghan communities to climate-induced disaster risks.

At any time during the development of the project, the proponent is invited to approach STAP to consult on the design prior to submission for CEO endorsement.

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<th>STAP advisory response</th>
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<td>1. Concur</td>
<td>In cases where STAP is satisfied with the scientific and technical quality of the proposal, a simple “Concur” response will be provided; the STAP may flag specific issues that should be pursued rigorously as the proposal is developed into a full project document. At any time during the development of the project, the proponent is invited to approach STAP to consult on the design prior to submission for CEO endorsement.</td>
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<td>2. Minor issues to be considered during project design</td>
<td>STAP has identified specific scientific/technical suggestions or opportunities that should be discussed with the project proponent as early as possible during development of the project brief. The proponent may wish to: (i) Open a dialogue with STAP regarding the technical and/or scientific issues raised. (ii) Set a review point at an early stage during project development, and possibly agreeing to terms of reference for an independent expert to be appointed to conduct this review.</td>
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| 3. Major issues to be considered during project design | STAP proposes significant improvements or has concerns on the grounds of specified major scientific/technical methodological issues, barriers, or omissions in the project concept. If STAP provides this advisory response, a full explanation would also be provided. The proponent is strongly encouraged to:

(i) Open a dialogue with STAP regarding the technical and/or scientific issues raised; (ii) Set a review point at an early stage during project development including an independent expert as required.

The GEF Secretariat may, based on this screening outcome, delay the proposal and refer the proposal back to the proponents with STAP’s concerns.

The proponent should provide a report of the action agreed and taken, at the time of submission of the full project brief for CEO endorsement. |