

Development of an NDC implementation framework for Gambia's updated NDC (2020-2025)

TERMS OF REFERENCE (TOR) FOR SHORT TERM TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE

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OVERVIEW

Gambia has finalised and submitted to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) a clearly enhanced second Nationally Determined Contributions (NDC2) which set revised targets of reducing greenhouse gas emissions and enhancing resilience to climate change effects. While Gambia's first NDC (NDC1) projected a 2030 business-as-usual (BAU) scenario level of 3,858 GgCO₂e, the NDC2 revises that projection to 6,617 GgCO₂e. The NDC1 mitigation scenario projects a reduction of around 1,800 GgCO₂e while the NDC2 projects GHG emissions of 3,327 GgCO₂e in 2030, a reduction of 49.7 percent (3,290 GgCO₂e in absolute figures) against BAU. Additionally, the adaptation section was strengthened, providing more details on The Gambia's climate vulnerability, envisaged adaptation action and finance needs.

During the NDC revision process, an NDC implementation plan was drafted concurrently by ICLEI Local Government for Sustainability with support through the NDC Partnership coordinated Climate Action Enhancement Package (CAEP). The draft plan will need to be finalized to ensure efficient and effective implementation of the updated NDC. Gambia's Ministry of Environment, Climate Change and Natural Resources in coordination with other relevant institutions need an implementation framework for the updated Nationally Determined Contribution (NDC) which puts together programmes, projects and activities which contribute to the implementation of NDC priorities. The NDC implementation framework will capture specific programs and projects for each measure/priority identified in the updated NDC for the period between 2020/21 to 2024/25, specifying the timeframe, expected results, performance indicators, estimated or known budget, potential sources of funding and the responsible entity. Following a well-structured logic model, the framework will track how the achievements of a series of programs/projects/activities contribute to the achievement of higher-level outcomes and higher-level results.

To support the finalization of an implementation framework, MECCNAR is looking to recruit a short-term national consultant. The consultant will work alongside the NDC coordinator as well as with the government technical team established to support in the development of the Gambia's updated NDC implementation framework.

Objective

The main objective of the consultancy is to develop a 5-year (From 2020/21 to 2024/25) implementation framework for The Gambia's updated NDC.

Specific Tasks

1. Review the draft NDC implementation plan to align it with The Gambia's submitted revised NDC (NDC2).
2. Coordinate with MECCNAR to organize and host consultations with government sector experts, sub-national officials, development partners and other stakeholders to elaborate specific programmes, projects, activities for implementation and needs for support.
3. Consolidate relevant investment plans, implementation strategies and other documentation into a singular logical framework, reflecting outcomes, outputs and indicators for NDC implementation.
4. Support incorporation of gender and youth considerations in activities, key performance indicators, outputs and outcomes of the NDC implementation plan.
5. Coordinate with relevant institutions to cost the planned NDC related activities.
6. Map existing and planned support from partners contributing to NDC/climate and development action. Use this information to identify and document support gaps for NDC implementation.
7. Facilitate the validation of the NDC implementation framework through broad stakeholder engagement.
8. Migrate the NDC implementation framework into an online tool that can be used to track and record NDC implementation activities, support gaps and progress toward achieving NDC outputs and outcomes.

Deliverables

1. Draft NDC implementation framework, based on revised NDC priorities and existing investment plans and implementation strategies;
2. A final project mapping that can be fed into and inform identification of support gaps in the NDC implementation framework;
3. A final NDC implementation framework that is based on a results framework is developed.
4. Migration of the NDC Implementation Plan to MECCNAR Websites, and NDC Partnership's online platform for ease of access, update and navigation.

DURATION

The duration of this consultancy will be 30 working days, distributed efficiently by the consultant over 3 months to ensure successful completion of high-quality final deliverables that are approved by MECCNAR, and Stakeholders.

REPORTING

The consultant will work closely with the technical team established to work on the NDC implementation framework under the supervision and guidance of the Director Climate Change secretariate. The consultant will also coordinate closely with the in-country NDC facilitator supporting MECCNAR. The consultant will report on government approved deliverables to the NDC Partnership Support Unit.

QUALIFICATIONS

- Advanced university degree (Master's degree or equivalent) in climate change, environment, natural resources or development or other related fields.
- At least 7 years of relevant working experience in the areas of climate change and natural resources.
- Experience with international climate action and financing, including frameworks of the UNFCCC and nationally determined contribution (NDC).
- Experience facilitating stakeholder dialogues.
- Extensive experience in logical frameworks and results-based planning, including project identification and investment preparation. Experience with online platforms will be added advantage.
- Experience with climate finance and resource mobilization with multi-lateral and bilateral development partners.
- Substantial knowledge of and experience working the relevant government institutions in Gambia would be desirable.
- Fluency in English.

APPLICATIONS

To apply, please submit CV and cover letter to margaret.barihaihi@ndcpartnership.org copying john.ssemulema.5@ndcpartnership.org by **15 January 2022**, with the subject 'The Gambia NDC implementation plan Application'.