United Nations Development Programme INDIA

2017 Annual Work Plan (Government of India - UNDP Country Programme Action Plan 2013-2017)

Project Title: Removal of Barriers to Biomass Power Generation in India – Phase I

Implementing Partner: Ministry of New and Renewable Energy (MNRE)

UNDP Strategic Plan Outcome: Inclusive and sustainable growth and development

UNDP Strategic Plan Output(s): Energy efficiency and access to modern energy

UNDAF / CPAP Outcome: Government, industry and other relevant stakeholders actively promote environmental sustainability and enhanced resilience of communities in the face of challenges of climate change, disaster risk and natural resource depletion.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION (NOT MORE THAN 1/2 PAGE)

- A. State the specific development challenge or gap that this AWP is addressing. This AWP aims at completing the following tasks namely, (i) Technology package benchmarking, (ii) Capacity building (iii) Terminal evaluation of the Project.
- B. Select one or more of the below strategies for addressing the above mentioned challenge/gap and describe in the context of this AWP:
 - Changes in attitudes and access to decision making through awareness raising, brokering, convening
 - Changes in policies, plans, budgets and legislation through support to national assessment, planning, budgeting, policy making
 - $\hfill\square$ Changes in the lives of individuals and communities through implementation for inclusive development
- C. List the possible improvements in the capacities of institutions, individuals and systems that will occur as a result of this AWP.
 - Awareness generation and capacity development of Biomass Power Generation among various stakeholders
 - Availability of trained technicians for operations and maintenance of Biomass Power Plants
 - Performance improvement of Biomass technologies in the field
- D. List the gender issues in this AWP and specific ways in which they will be addressed.
 - NA
- E. List the South-South cooperation opportunities in this AWP and specific ways in which they will be addressed. Transfer of knowledge through the 'BioPower India', web portal and reports.

Programme Period: Atlas Project ID: Atlas Output ID	2013 - 2018 00043810 00051271	2017 AWP budget [only GEF]: USD 47,1 - Regular	
Start date: End Date PAC Meeting Date	22 September 2006 30 September 2017 8 November 2008	- Donor (GEF): USD 47,1 - #Government: In-kind Contributions (GEF) NA	45
Implementation Modality	NIM	# Not through UNDP budget	

Project Expenditure (USD)

Total	Exp	Exp	Exp	Exp	Exp	Exp	Exp	Exp	Exp 2015	Exp	Budget
Budget	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014		2016	2017
5,650,00	594,870	1073,330	367,566	(372,029)	377,704	118,015	250,398	351,931	1,115,000	193,044	47,145

Agreed by MNRE:

Agreed by UNDP:

I. ANNUAL WORK PLAN - YEAR: 2017

Key area of UNDP strategic Plan: Environment and sustainable development; crisis prevention and recovery

UNDAF / CPAP OUTCOME: Government, industry and other relevant stakeholders actively promote environmental sustainability and enhanced resilience of communities in the face of challenges of climate change, disaster risk and natural resource depletion.

CPAP OUTCOME Indicators: Number of government's schemes and missions, which incorporate climate resilience measures.

CONTRIBUTING TO CPAP OUTPUT: Output 3.1: Access to Clean Energy is expanded for under-served communities and small-scale industry

CONTRIBUTING TO CPAP 5 year target: Facilitating the Removal of barriers and increased adoption of Biomass Power technology

Annual OUTPUTS	PLANNED ACTIVITIES	Month of		PLANNED BUDGET		
Annual OUTPUTS	PLANNED ACTIVITIES	completio n	RESPONSIBLE PARTY	Funding Source	Budget Description	Amount (In USD)
Annual output 1- Techno-economic feasibility of biomass-solar hybrid	1.1 Technology package benchmarking	September	РМС	GEF	71300	4,167
(Pro Doc Component/Outcome statement 1: Technology package benchmarking & validation, including plantation)						
Annual output 2 - Publish a report on 'Socio economic and Environment impact of biomass power plants in India', and quarterly newsletter 'BioPower India'	2.1 : Capacity building activities	September	PMC UNDP	GEF GEF	71300 71600	978 5,000
[Prodoc outcome statement 2: Enhanced capacities and confidence of project promoters, financial institutions, regulators, policy makers, SNAs, other stakeholders through effective information development & dissemination program, along with capacity building initiatives]						
	Annual Audit, Evaluations, Micro assessmen			37,000		
TOTAL IN USD	AWP GRAND TOTAL IN USD 47,					

II. MANAGEMENT ARRANGEMENTS

The management arrangements will remain same as specified in approved project document except with the following changes: The Outcome Boards will meet twice a year. The review and recommendations of the Outcome Board will feed into the CPMB annual strategic review meeting. The Project Steering Committee (PSC) will provide

oversight of project level activities, which will be responsible for approving the budgeted Annual Work Plans and providing overall guidance and oversight. The PSC will meet at least once a year. The day-to-day management of the AWPs and related decisions will be taken up in the Project Executive Committee (PEC) of the project.

Fund Flow Arrangements and Financial Management:

Under the National Implementation (NIM), as per the existing programme management arrangements, funds will be channelled through the accounts of the Government of India i.e. UNDP would transfer funds to CAAA as per the approved Annual Work Plan. IP shall make suitable provisions in its annual budget to receive UNDP funds.

Funds would be reimbursed to CAAA based on the request from the IP. The request from IP will come on the standard Fund Authorization and Certificate of Expenditures (FACE) form duly signed by the National Project Director or person assigned/delegated by IP. No funds shall be released by UNDP without prior submission of a duly filled and signed FACE form. Unspent funds from the approved AWPs will be reviewed in the early part of the last quarter of the calendar year and funds reallocated accordingly.

Separate books of account shall also be maintained in order to ensure accurate reporting of expenditure and providing a clear audit trail.

Funds can also be transferred as: a) direct payment to vendors or third parties for obligations incurred by the Implementing Partners (Indian Railways) on the basis of requests signed by the designated official of the Implementing Partner; and b) direct payments to vendors or third parties for obligations incurred by UN agencies in support of activities agreed with Implementing Partners. Advance fund transfers shall be requested and released for programme implementation periods not exceeding three months. UNDP shall not be obligated to reimburse expenditure made by the Implementing Partner over and above the authorized amounts. Also Partner needs to report interest earned immediately to UNDP through next submitted FACE Form.

The Implementing Partner may request UNDP to provide support services for project implementation. These services may include procurement, recruitment, purchase of goods and services, and organisation of training activities and workshops. UNDP recruitment and procurement rules and regulations will apply for the services provided. All direct costs which are attributable to the provision of these services (direct project costs) will be charged to the project in accordance with in accordance with the policies decided by UNDP decided by UNDP's Executive Board.

Books of account shall be maintained in order to ensure accurate reporting of expenditure and providing a clear audit trail. Any interest accrued on the project funds during the project cycle will be ploughed back into the project in consultation with Implementing partner and UNDP and project budgets will stand revised to this extent. If there is no scope for ploughing back the interest will be refunded to UNDP.

A Harmonized Approach to Cash Transfers (HACT) Framework, is a common operational (harmonized) structure for transferring cash to both government and nongovernment Implementing Partners (IPs). HACT changed the management of cash transfers from a system of rigid controls to a risk management approach aimed at reducing transaction costs, simplifying and harmonizing rules and procedures, while strengthening the capacity of implementing partners to effectively manage resources. Under the revised approach, the NIM audits are no longer required. The implementing partner (IP) is micro-assessed for determining the cash transfer modality under the project. An assurance plan is developed for the IP which includes spot checks, internal control audits and financial audits. The frequency of these will depend on the risk rating of the IP determined in the micro-assessment. In the case of Country Office Support to NIM Micro Assessment is not required.

Project Closure: Project Closure: The project will be closed as per UNDP norms and assets (if any) will be disposed of or transferred to IP in consultation with them during the life cycle or at end of the project.

III. MONITORING FRAMEWORK AND EVALUATION

In accordance with the programming policies and procedures outlined in the UNDP User Guide, the project will be monitored through the following:

- A. **MONTHLY PROGRESS REPORT:** The Implementing Partner, in consultation with the project teams, will provide brief monthly updates on progress against planned activities and budgets. These monthly reports will be provided in the format provided at **Annex1**. These monthly reports will be consolidated, as required, by UNDP's quality assurance team for progress review meetings.
- B. ONE TIME RISK LOG: Based on the initial risk analysis, a risk log shall be activated in Atlas and regularly updated by reviewing the external environment that may affect the project implementation. This will be completed by UNDP project assurance team in consultation with the Implementing partner. Use the standard Risk Log template
- C. QUARTERLY FINANCIAL REPORT: The Implementing Partner (IP) will make use of the Funding Authorization and Certificate of Expenditures (FACE) to report on expenditures and request for reimbursement to CAAA on a quarterly basis, or more frequently, if required.

The implementing partner must submit the FACE at the end of each quarter, within the first 10 days of the following quarter. Together with the FACE, the project has to send a copy of the bank statement as up to the date of the end of the period reported and the itemized cost estimates of the activities to be funded. The FACE form has to be certified by the designated official from the IP.

- D. **PROJECT EVALUATION** w conducted as per the GEF procedure described (midterm review and terminal evaluation) in the project document. Evaluation is expected in July 2017.
- E. **ANNUAL REVIEW REPORT:** An **Annual Review** Report shall be prepared by the Project Manager and shared with the **Project Board** and the Outcome Board. The reporting format at **Annex 2** will used to provide brief description of results achieved in the year against pre-defined annual **targets**.
- F. ANNUAL PROJECT REVIEW. Based on the above report, an annual project review shall be conducted during the fourth quarter of the year or soon after, to assess the performance of the project and appraise the Annual Work Plan (AWP) for the following year. In the last year, this review will be a final assessment. This review is driven by the Project Board and may involve other stakeholders as required. It shall focus on the extent to which progress is being made towards outputs, and that these remain aligned to appropriate outcomes.

ANNEXES

Annex 1 – Monthly progress report format

Project Title								
Implementing Partner								
Month/Year								
Annual Outputs	Annual Outputs Planned Month of Respon- activities completion e party		Responsibl	Budget	get Monitoring framework			
		e party	Amount	Cumulative Expenditures	Progress towards meeting AWP annual outputs			
TOTAL								

Annex 2 – Annual progress report format

Key area of UNDP strategic Plan:								
UNDAF / CPAP OUTCOME								
CPAP OUTCOME Indicators								
CONTRIBUTING TO CPAP OUT	CONTRIBUTING TO CPAP OUTPUT							
CONTRIBUTING TO CPAP 5 year	CONTRIBUTING TO CPAP 5 year target							
Project title	Project title							
Implementing partner	Implementing partner							
Year								
Annual Outputs	Allocated budget	Total Expenditure	Progress on planned outputs and key successes					
1								
2								
3								
Policy results and any								
additional results achieved								
Lessons learned, project								
shortcomings and solutions								
Follow-up Actions								