

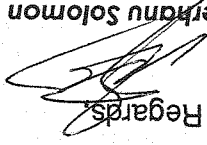
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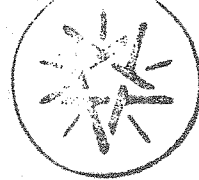
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Subject: AAP and CCV Projects 2011 Annual Report

Attached herewith please find the 2011 annual narrative and financial report (FACE) of "African Adaptation programme (AAP)— Supporting Climate Resilient Sustainable Development in Ethiopia" and Climate Change and Environmental Sustainability (CCV) Projects. In the AAP's FACE, new request which was supposed to be released from the previous year as well as that of 1st quarter of the 2012 is included. As a result in order to act up on the remaining activities of the Project we kindly request your good office to urgently release the requested amount.

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I. Basic Information

Programme/Project Name: Climate Change and Environmental Sustainability (CCV).

Project Number: _____

Component: _____

Lead Agencies: EPA, UNDP and MoFED

Executing Agency: EPA

Implementing Partners: EPA together with Federal and Regional partners

Programme Period: 2010 - 2011

Source of funds: UNDP

Development Partners: Federal Sectoral Ministries, Regional Bureaus, Civil Societies, Academia, Research Institutions, and Organized Communities

Reporting period: January 1 to December 30, 2011

II. Executive Summary:

During the annual implementation period of the 2011, Climate Change Adaptation Programmes of the 9 Regional States and 2 City Administration is complete. These Adaptation Programmes have fed into the Ethiopia's Plan of Action to Climate Change (EPACC). A document on climate change vulnerable areas of Ethiopia is prepared. Guideline on Mainstreaming Climate Change is prepared and consultation and awareness workshop on the Guideline was given for representatives of Regions, sector institutions, civil societies and parliamentarians. Climate change adaptation learning projects have been implemented in all Regional States and City Administration which focused on thematic areas of solid waste, local level infrastructure adaptation, adaptation of water bodies like rivers and lakes. Currently lessons are being drawn from the implementation of the demonstration projects. Based on South-South Cooperation experience sharing visit was conducted to China. In this delegates from Ethiopia have visited adaptation and mitigation-relevant technologies and practices, and Experience was gained by participating on the workshop of "South-South Cooperation on Science and Technology to Address Climate Change". A Workshop focusing on climate change and gender, and environmental management was given for various social groups. Process to prepare a 30 minutes documentary film is underway based on the lessons obtained from the implementation of adaptation projects. Participation of Ethiopian delegates to the UN-REDD meeting at Bonn, Germany was conducted with the objective of enhancing access to REDD resources. Environmental awareness programmes were conducted using mass media on the World Environment Day, 2011. Financial support is given to Waga-Hemba Zone of the Amhara National



Regional State to implement an integrated environmental management approach at system and grass root level called mechanism for Motivation, Support and Reward results (MSRr). Support was given to Regions with 11 LCD projectors, 11 Laptops and 11 digital cameras to help the implementation of awareness activities. As a financial option to climate change, the establishment of CRGE facility under the national CRGE Strategy initiative is underway.

Output 1: Policy and Governance of the Climate Change Programme defined through a multi stakeholder dialogue to construct climate resilient and carbon neutral economy

Activity 1.1 Prepare Regional adaptation programmes based on the Ethiopian Programme of Adaptation to Climate Change

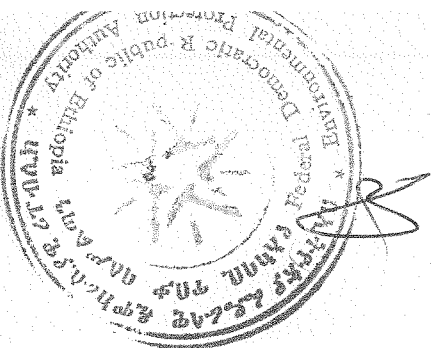
All of the nine national regional states and the town administrations (Dire Dawa & Addis Ababa), that entered into commitment to prepare their respective "Sectoral Climate Change Adaptation Programme" earlier, have completed and submitted to FEPA, until the end of the 2nd quarter, 2011. The financial support to prepare the said documents, except that of the Afar Region, has been provided from the CCV funds. For the preparation of the Afar Region Adaptation Programme, the fund has been provided from other project source.

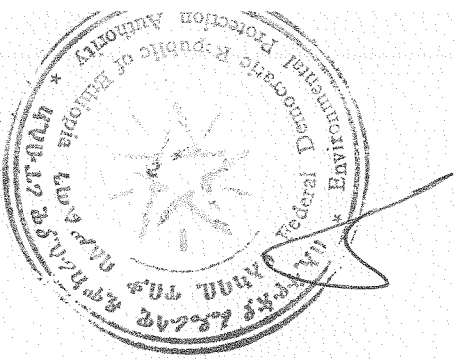
At the end of the 2nd quarter of 2011, three teams, comprised of 34 professional staffs with diverse professional backgrounds from EPA and environmental NGOs, have been set and were working parallel on separate areas each. Accordingly the three areas which the three working groups were working on are:-

1) Reviewing sectoral governmental entities' and the regional states' "Climate Change Adaptation Programme" documents, and synthesizing it to that of the Ethiopian National version, and reviewing secondary data other than climate change adaptation documents of regional governments and sectoral ministries and synthesizing it to that of the Ethiopian National version on (2) Reviewing selected project proposals and reformulating them into a fundable project based on the lessons learned by implementing the climate change adaptation projects; and 3) Mapping climate change vulnerable areas, which are likely to be highly affected by drought and flood hazards. The teams completed their respective work and 3 products are produced namely, Synthesis Document of Adaptation Programme which comprises of key issues of adaptation at national level, a Portfolio of Project Proposal focussing on major adaptation issues and a document on Climate Change Vulnerable Areas of Ethiopia.

The Draft National Adaptation Programme (NAP), now called Ethiopian Plan of Action for Climate Change (EPACC) was prepared by bottom-up input from the Regional Adaptation Program as well as that of Federal Sectoral Adaptation Programme. The EPACC has identified 20 issues to be addressed in climate Change adaptation with their countering agencies identified at Federal level.

It is recalled that, the document: "Guideline for Mainstreaming Climate Change into Policies, Plans and Budgets at Regional, Local, and Project Levels" is prepared at a final draft stage, in the 1st Quarter 2011. Consultation process at different level (parliamentarians, sector entities, private sector, Regional representatives) was conducted. What is left over is to finalize the editorial work and make it ready for printing.





It is recalled from the successive quarter reports that relationships with the Chinese counterparts, cooperation were being initiated in collaboration with the UNDP country office. Defining the mode and purpose of the relationships and setting the expected tangible results was worked out. In this regard, arrangements with the Ministry of Science and Technology of the Peoples Republic of China were completed and a team of experts involving eleven technical people comprised of technical staff, one from the UNDP CO, four from the Regional EPAs and six from the Federal EPA were participated in technology shopping and in a workshop on "South-South Cooperation on Science and Technology to address Climate Change", that was held in Beijing, China from October 19-20/2011. Travel and other logistical arrangements were processed by the Federal EPA in collaboration with the UNDP CO. The participants have visited adaptation and mitigation technologies related with the use of renewable energy, energy efficiency, food security improvement and conservation of biodiversity resources (the report is submitted to the UNDP CO).

2.1 Establish Ethiopia-China (South-south) partnership for building a carbon neutral climate resilient economy.

Output 2: Climate Change Adaptation and Mitigation Interventions developed and implemented at national, sub-national and community level.

As part of setting national targets to build CRGE economy and seeking for adaptation experience towards achieving this goal, Community based adaptation projects (see project lists under 2.2 of output 2) are being implemented using the budget contributed from CCV. These projects focus on alternative clean and efficient energy, landscape rehabilitation and alternative livelihood, solid waste, local level infrastructure adaptation and water bodies like rivers and lakes adaptation. The implementation of the projects were continued in all 9 Regional States and 2 City Administrations. However, because of the CCV's fund which we were expecting to be transferred from UNDP to us is in the 3rd trench is cut by 82% we are currently in short of money to send the 20% budget of the project and finalize the projects' activity. Two joint seminars were conducted involving the implementing partners of the projects and the Regional EPA Heads on the methodologies of reporting, coordination and collecting baseline information and knowledge and experience in. The implementation of these adaptation learning projects helped the respective communities to set their scope, targets and the objective of achieving CRGE in at least 30% of the lowest administrative unit. Currently preparation is being made to document the lessons obtained from the implementation of this component of the project.

Based on the National Adaptation Programme (EPACC), the 11 Regional Adaptation Programmes each of which identified at least 30% of the wordas for building CRGE, were completed as a final draft in the 1st quarter of 2011. What is left over is to do the editorial work and get it printed.

1.2 set national targets to build a carbon neutral and climate resilient economy at least in 30% of the lowest administrative units

2.2 Assess vulnerability and mainstream adaptation to climate change into existing infrastructure and water sensitive industries.

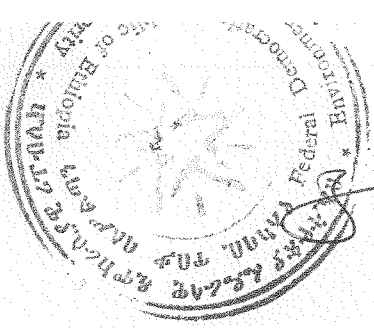
2.2.1 Identify response measures and prepare and implement concrete projects required to enhance resilience of water sensitive industries and infrastructures while addressing any unintended effects likely to result from planned response measures and the implementation of the projects.

Under the implementation of adaptation learning projects being undertaken at Regional and local Level, one of the component being done is vulnerability and adaptive capacity assessment of main infrastructures (hydro power and irrigation dams, reservoirs) and water sensitive industries. This job of assessing baseline vulnerability of the above said establishments as well as four other water sensitive industries has been carried out as the start of the projects implementation period by the support of CCV. The implementation of the projects is supported consecutively with field level monitoring and backup in the 2nd Quarter. Comprehensive monitoring and evaluation by the joint team of the Regional EPA's and the Federal EPA was done in the 3rd Quarter of 2011 and report in Amharic is prepared

Following the 1st field monitoring conducted in the 2nd quarter as mentioned above a one and half day quarterly project review workshop from May 16 to 17/2011 which was financed from the CCV fund, hosted by the FEPA, was organized for representatives of the 44 climate change adaptation learning projects holders. On this workshop project performance review report was presented and efficient and effective utilization of the budget and other valuable lessons have been learnt by all the parties involved. This has greatly improved the implementation level of the project. In addition, 2 quarterly reports and this annual one are prepared and communicated to the UNDP CO.

Following the CC adaptation learning projects' quarterly review workshop of the May 16 and 17, 2011 mentioned above, the Fourth Monthly joint Meeting of the heads of the regional EPA's and Directors of the FEPA, was undertaken for half a day on 17 May 2011. On the meeting, the role of the regional EPAs in monitoring, and providing backstopping support to the climate change adaptation learning projects and supports needed to properly discharge their responsibilities has been discussed and agreed. Also, draft annual plan of FEPA, for the 2004 Ethiopian fiscal year was presented with the objective of sharing the experience in incorporating climate change adaptation Regional annual plans. The regional EPA heads agreed to align their annual plan with that of FEPA. The monthly joint meeting was financed from the CCV fund, and hosted by the FEPA.

On top of the CC adaptation learning projects already under implementation, additional project proposals with similar objectives, were submitted by different governmental and non-governmental actors, for consideration of financing by the FEPA. The project proposals were reviewed by ad-hoc team comprised of thematic experts represented from the FEPA and from the consortium of NGOs working on environmental protection. The review team has screened out the project proposals, against established criteria on their feasibility and gave recommendations



on follow-up actions. The project proposals which were found feasible were shelved for possible funding, when resources are available.

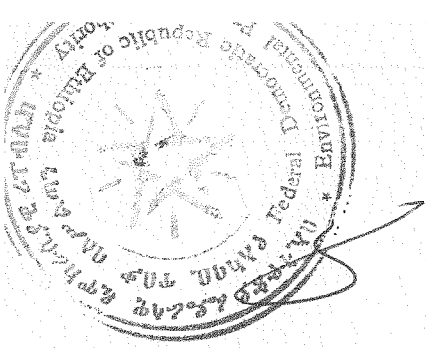
As part of the a capacity building for the regional counter-parts, and the project holders of the CC adaptation learning projects, a five days (May 30 – June 4/2011) workshop on solid waste management has been organized for thematic experts from Addis Ababa, Harari, Oromia, Gambella and Tigray Regional EPAs. The workshop was hosted by the FEPA, with financial support from the CCV fund.

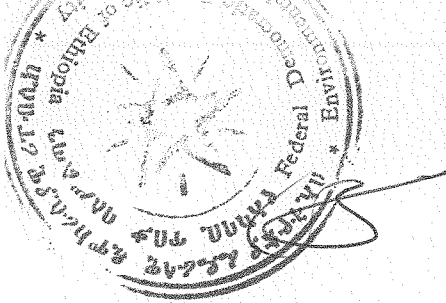
Baseline study document, for the preparation of project proposals with a theme: "Promoting Community Autonomous Adaptation in Ethiopia" was submitted for financing, to the GEF - LDCF, (the Global Environmental Facility- Least Developed Countries Fund) was reviewed by a team of professionals from the FEPA, with financial support from the CCV. The documents were produced by a multidisciplinary team comprised of experts from relevant governmental organizations and independent consultants. These documents were thirteen in number, classified in thematic and geographic areas. The comment of the baseline study documents' review, prepared by the review team from FEPA, was submitted to the UNDP country office, incorporated in the document and submitted to the GEF Secretariat by the UNDP CO.

Based on evaluation of the demonstration projects both at field level and from the review of their reports, for those showed the required performance:

• **For which 70% of the project budget is transferred are:**

1. Reuse of Flood Water Around Mayleham
2. Community Based Sustainable Management of Rehabilitated Forest in Harari Regional State
3. Primary solid Waste Management in Harari Regional State
4. Alley Rehabilitation Around Hawassa
5. Primary Solid Waste Management in Bahir Dar
6. Secondary Solid Waste Management and Construction of Electronics Waste Warehouse in Mekele
7. Primary Solid Waste Management in Hawassa- Southern Nations, Nationalities, and Peoples region
8. Gudmala Sustainable Natona Park Management
9. Primary Solid Waste Management in Gambelle Region
10. Sebeta Liquor Waste Water Treatment
11. Harar Brewery Waste Water Treatment
12. Tendaho Irrigation Dam Buffer Zone Rehabilitation- North site
13. Gibe 1 Hydro power Dam Buffer Zone Rehabilitation-Sekoru Site
14. Primary Solid waste management in Adama- Oromia region
15. Gibe 1 Hydro power Dam Buffer Zone Rehabilitation-Omo Nada Site
16. Project Preparation Capacity Building, Knowledge Management, Independent Performance Monitoring, Verification and Reporting (SLUF)
17. Crop Intensification in Arid and Water Stress Areas of the Afar National Regional State
18. Plantation of Bamboo Tree and Production of Handcrafts from its Products in Gambella Region





2.3.1 Identify response measures and prepare and implement concrete projects required to enhance resilience of the identified 5 lakes and wetlands while ensuring their implementation will foster their conservation and sustainable use for multiple responses

2.3 Assess vulnerability and mainstream adaptation to climate change into conservation and sustainable use of lakes and wetland ecosystems.

In order to prepare a 30 minutes documentary film on the results of good practices and technologies obtained from the implementation of this component of the project, bid announcement has taken place and as soon as it is complete the work will shortly start. However, it is to be recognized that documentations are being taken by the respective implementing bodies of the projects which will feed on the envisaged comprehensive documentation.

2.2.3 Document and disseminate lessons drawn due to the implementation of this component of the project.

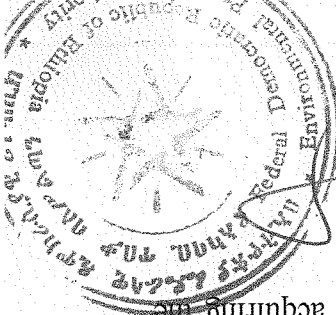
The preparation of investment programme on adaptation by incorporating this component of the project and adaptation programmes submitted by Regions and Federal sector institutions is underway by the UNDP CO support

2.2.2 Prepare investment program or projects to obtain new and additional resources required to finance concrete adaptation actions designed to enhance resilience of all infrastructures and water sensitive industries in Ethiopia.

To promote awareness of leading actors in climate change adaptation and the impact exerted on vulnerable groups of the society, a two days' workshop has been organized, in two rounds, with the theme: "Climate Change, Gender and Youths", for participants from the federal and the regional governmental sector offices from June 29 to July 2/2011. The training has focused on four major areas, namely: - 1) Gender and Environment; 2) Planning, Monitoring and Evaluation; 3) The Youth and Environment; and 4) Sustainable use of Environmental Resources and development in Ethiopia. One hundred twenty one participants were participated on these two round trainings.

- 1. Enhancing the Service Giving Capacity of Lake Logo, South Wollo, Amhara National Regional states
 - 2. Primary Solid Waste Management in Dire Dawa City Administration
 - 3. Primary Solid waste management in Addis Ababa
 - 4. Tendaho Irrigation Dam Buffer Zone Rehabilitation-South site
- For which 100% of the project budget is transferred are:

- 19. Plantation of Bamboo Tree and Production of Hand Crafts from its Products in Benishangul Gumuz Region
- 20. Crop Intensification in Arid and Water Stress Areas of the Gambella National Regional State
- 21. Combat the Environmental Degradation around Arba Minch Zuria woreda
- 22. Crop intensification in Arid and Water Stress Areas of the Amhara National Regional State



Ethiopian REDD R-PP has been approved on March 25, 2011; and following its approval a fund to the tune of USD 3.4 million has been allocated for the same, as seed money. However, the project budget shown by the Ethiopian R-PP is USD 14.115 million, which indicates a budget shortfall of about USD 11 million. To fill the gap Ethiopia has applied to UN-REDD to be a member and subsequently to access financial resource from the pool of UN-REDD forestry/REDD. To be successful with this, it was important to participate in Policy Board Meetings. Accordingly, two delegates from the Federal EPA have participated in the UN-REDD Policy Board Meeting held in Bonn, Germany from 13 to 16 October 2011. On the meeting, the process of Ethiopia's wish to be a member of the parties and the possibility of acquiring the

2.4.1 Establish communication channels for consultation and dissemination of information through TV, radio, brochures, leaflets.

2.4 Undertake consultations with forest dependent communities to enhance the role of sustainable forest management to build a climate resilient carbon neutral economy.

The process of documenting lessons learnt on this component of the project is underway an due to the shortening of implementation period of the project the practical activities of documentation and preparing a documentary film has to pass to the next fiscal year

2.3.3 Document and disseminate lessons drawn due to the implementation of this component of the Project.

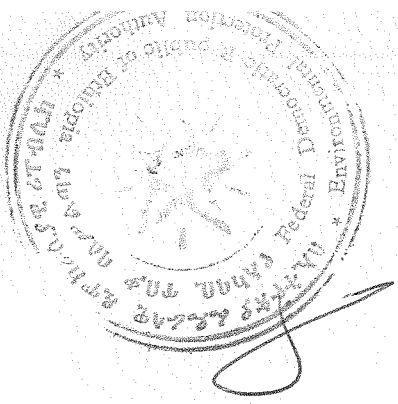
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2.3.2 Prepare Investment program or projects to obtain new and additional resources needed to finance concrete adaptation actions designed to enhance resilience of all the wetlands and lakes ecosystems of Ethiopia

Having been reviewed and edited it will be published in the next budget year if budget support is obtained. In addition, demonstration project being implemented around Logo Lake of the Amhara National Regional State is one of the practical examples in which lesson is being drawn by the CCV Project.

- 1) The Abiyata and Shala Lakes Basin State of the Environment Report;
- 2) State of the Environment Gilgel Gibe I Wetlands;
- 3) State of Environment of the Abaya and Chamo Lakes Watershed;
- 4) State of Environment of the Afar Region range land (the case of Mile and Chifra); and
- 5) Developing Core Sets of Indicators for State of Environment Reporting in Ethiopia.

The vulnerability and adaptive capacity assessment including the state of environment reports of the representative ecosystems in the Rift Valley lake areas (Abaya, Chamo, Abiyata and Shala Lakes), wetlands (the Gilgel Gibe Wetland) and the range lands of the Afar Region was conducted and the corresponding report is produced. The reports produced are:



A team of experts from EPA had a meeting with delegates from an international organization called the "World Research Institute", on identifying areas of support that Ethiopia can get from the Institute with regard to adaptation to climate change. The meeting has helped in creating understanding between the two parties with regard to areas of cooperation on climate change adaptation/mitigation.

A team of high level delegates from the Federal EPA has been in Wag Himra Zone, Amhara National Regional State and had discussions with the Zone's government officials on supporting the zone government in developing programs under the initiative called mechanism of Motivation, Support and Reward results (mMSRr) that enables build capacity on adaptation to climate change at Zonal level. It is believed that the initiative is one of the important interventions to tackle the vulnerability of the Zone's community to climate change. For this, based on contract agreement, fund is transferred from the CCV project to the Zonal Administration under the mMSRr mechanism.

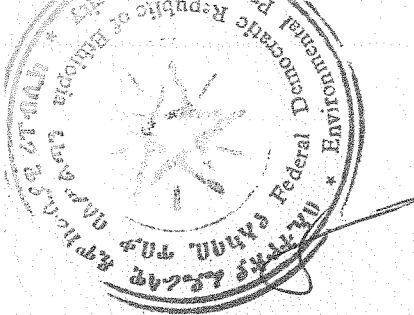
The budget under this major activity was allocated for the implementation of demonstration projects being implemented at community level. The projects focus on alternative clean and efficient energy development, water, landscape rehabilitation and alternative livelihood. Through the implementation of the community projects the community have set its vision, target and objective to build climate resilient sustainable development. In the process of implementing the demonstration projects, baseline vulnerability and adaptive capacity assessment of the concerned environment and communities were undertaken. In this regard, community projects (see output 2, activity 2.2) have been under implementation in 9 Regional states and 2 City Administrations of Ethiopia and directly or indirectly they have involved participation of communities and community organizations.

2.5 Support the preparation and implementation of concrete projects by community organizations on building a carbon neutral climate resilient economy at least in 30% of the lowest administrative units.

Similarly, using the Fana Broadcast Corporation radio transmission, another one hour panel discussion program was transmitted on topics of climate change adaptation, with panelists drawn from EPA's various technical directorates, in the 1st week of September, 2011. On the panel discussion climate change threats, vulnerabilities to climate change in Ethiopia, and possible adaptation options have been raised. In addition, progress made regarding the implementation of EPA's 2004 EC action plan was well elaborated to the public.

Using the opportunity on the World Environment Day, marked on June 5, 2011, messages related to the experience obtained from the pilot projects' implementation and issues concerning climate change adaptation were disseminated through the Ethiopian Radio and the Fana Broadcast Corporation for one hour on the same date.

required support has started. The travel cost for the EPA's delegates to participate in the meeting was covered by the CCV.



The process of documenting lessons learnt on this component of the project is underway and due to the shortening of implementation period of the project the practical activities of documentation and preparing a documentary film has to pass to the next fiscal year

2.5.4 Document and disseminate lessons drawn due to the implementation of this component of the Project

The preparation of investment programme on adaptation by incorporating this component of the project and adaptation programmes submitted by Regions and Federal sector institutions is underway by the UNDP CO support.

2.5.3 Prepare investment program or projects to obtain new and additional resources needed to finance the preparation of concrete projects required for building a carbon neutral climate resilient economy with in the remaining 70% of the remaining lowest administrative units by the local community

Portfolio of projects are prepared by team of experts under EPA based on the lessons learnt from the implementation of adaptation projects. Different technologies and practices that are deemed necessary to adapt to climate change are identified and incorporated in the projects

2.5.2 based on the lessons learned from adaptation projects, prepare concept notes and submit for funding projects that are deemed relevant to build a CRGE at the grass root level.

In this connection capacity development in terms of audiovisual material support the Regional Government bodies (Regional EPAs) was carried out namely: The procurement of 11 laptops, 11 LCD projectors, 12 Digital Cameras was done and distributed to them. Bid announcement is in process for the purchase and installation of solar electric power generating technology for demonstration purpose, together with the training package. The purchase of four Bajaj motors that would support the solid waste management project in Asosa Town of the Benishangul Gumz Regional is also underway.

With regard to demonstration projects in which adaptation lesson is being learnt, implementation related to community level adaptation, Crop Intensification Projects being implemented in selected water-stressed areas of the Amhara, Afar, Gambela, Somali NR States in collaboration with Institute of Sustainable Development; Rehabilitation and Cleaning of River Sides and Converting it into Productive Landscape being implemented in Addis Ababa on Kebena River in collaboration with Addis Ababa City Administration Environmental Protection Authority; Sustainable Park Management Around Lake Hawassa in collaboration with Sidama Development Association; Bamboo Forest Management in Gambella and Benishangul Gumuz National Regional State being implemented with the respective Regional EPAs; Degraded areal rehabilitation near and around Hawasa Town being implemented in collaboration with the SNNPRS Environmental Bureau are to be mentioned.

2.5.1 Implement community adaptation learning projects such as crop intensification, rehabilitation of degraded areas and park lands, sustainable bamboo forest management and utilization, etc so as to enable community draw best practices to be implemented at local level on 30% of the lowest administrative units

2.6 Establish concrete project to manage the adverse impact of solid waste with the objective of tackling impact on climate change due to the production of greenhouse methane gas.

As stated above in this report under activity 2.2, identification of demonstration sites for solid waste management projects in each Region has been done and their implementation has been underway in all the capital towns of the 9 Regional States and 2 City Administrations. Accordingly, 70% disbursement of the project fund is released for all Regions and City Administrations except for Afar and Somali Regional States. The reason why fund is not released for the above two implementing partners is that they haven't settled the 1st disbursement on time. The third 30% trench project finance is disbursed for Solid Waste Management Project being implemented by Addis Ababa EPA and Dire Dawa City Administration.

2.6.1 Prepare and implement concrete demonstration projects in identified towns/cities

In order to assist the solid waste management projects of implementing partners, 4 carts were purchase and distributed to Addis Ababa EPA, 2 carts for Gambela Region EPA and 2 carts for Benishangul Gumz Region EPA. Under this component of the project activity the implementation of the Solid Waste Management projects in all capitals of the Regional States and City Administrations; Electronic Waste Management Addis Ababa, Dire Dawa, Bahir Dar and Hawassa; Flood control project in Jijiga and Hawassa town are also to be mentioned.

2.6.2 Document and disseminate lessons drawn due to the implementation of this component of the project.

The process of documenting lessons learnt on this component of the project is underway and due to the shortening of implementation period of the project the practical activities of documentation at field level and preparing a documentary film has to pass to the next fiscal year.

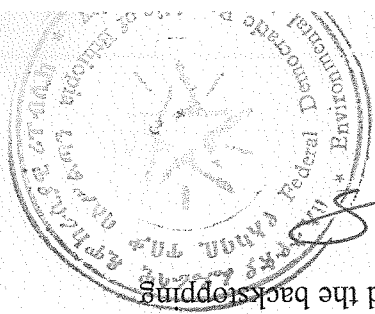
Output 3: National Climate Change Financing Strategy developed and endorsed

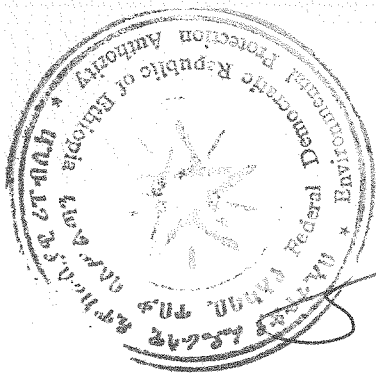
3.1 Support the development of national Climate Change Financing Options to promote accelerated national development.

The important component worked out in Ethiopia in relation to financing is fact that Ethiopia has launched a Climate Resilient Green Economy (CRGE) Strategy and this was declared at Durban COP meeting of December 2011. For the implementation of CRGE there is an initiative to establish CRGE Facility to finance related initiatives. As CRGE is more of focussing on mitigation, the preparation of Adaptation Investment Programme is also underway in collaboration with UNDP under the support of CCV. Therefore, the establishment of a comprehensive Facility to finance climate change is underway at national level.

4.2 Undertake regular monitoring, effectiveness evaluation and advocacy

It is recalled that about forty four "Climate Change Adaptation Learning Projects" have been launched, and are being implemented with the financial support of African Adaptation Programme (AAP) and CCV Project. As their implementation is underway and the backstopping





In order to implement in house communication of activities support is also given for the cost of advertisement for bid of media material.

Similarly support has been provided for a team composed of three people travelled to Hawasa together with UNDP to monitor and communicate there implementation of projects in the area. Communities around Sebeta town raised complains and applied to the FEPA by saying that the wastes from the different places of the town is disposed near living area as a result of which they are getting sick and generally their right to live in a healthy and clean environment was being violated. To observe the stated complains a team of experts from FEPA and Oromia EPA travelled to Sebeta town by the financial support from CCV project.

Field works to assess and communicate compliance to environmental regulations and standards has been carried out in the Oromiya, SNNPR, Amhara, Tigray and Harari Regions and Addis Ababa and Dire Dawa City Administrations by a team from EPA, supported from CCV. This was carried out with an objective of checking the compliance standards by major industries and services so that report will be communicated to the concerned decision makers, stakeholders and the public. Draft reports are prepared.

In the areas of communication and knowledge management, EPA has devised new mechanism for promoting the good practices learned in the areas of building climate resilient green economy. In this regard, EPA has aimed to establish its own mini-media/ EPA TV, for in-house use, using media sources from relevant programs of satellite transmitted TV channels, such as the "National Geography". Resources from in-house developed video films on relevant subjects will also be used. The necessary media materialise are purchased and preparations to start the new "EPA TV" program are underway.

4.2.2 Communication and knowledge management

As shown in this report, the three quarter reviews of the forty four "Climate Change Adaptation Learning Projects" were undertaken both by field monitoring conducted by experts of FEPA accompanied by regional counterparts, and by reviewing the progress reports submitted by the project proponents. Following the said field and desk review, 2 joint workshops were conducted with participants from the project implementing partners, the regional EPAs and the Federal EPA staffs. In this process, one comprehensive field monitoring was conducted in all project sites and the corresponding reports are prepared in Amharic (sent to the UNDP Country Office). The monitoring objective was focussed on physical field activity accomplishment, stakeholders' participation, documentation and financial management arrangements. Currently, 3rd Phase report is being compiled. Moreover, monitoring team from the UNDP CO has visited the pilot projects located in Oromiya (Adama Solid Waste Management Project) and Community Rehabilitation projects located around Hawassa Lake as well at the Gudumale Sustainable Park Management Project of the a Development Association.

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Challenges and problems:

- One of the challenge encountered during the implementation period of this project is that the project itself was started by 9 months late (by October 2011) than it was supposed to start (January 2011). This has caused to shorten the implementation period of the project resulting in pressure on the implementation of some activities which need sufficient implementation time, like demonstration projects and drawing lesson from them.
- During the 3rd and 4th Quarter implementation period of the 2011 (the last implementation period), according to the annual plan, we requested the UNDP CO the budget transfer of amounting to birr 9,180,043.91, while the amount transferred is 1,642,560. This budget cut has greatly endangered the implementation of demonstration projects which they were expecting the transfer of the last 30% project budget. In addition, this will greatly affect the effectiveness of the output of the demonstration project and the lessons to be drawn from them. We therefore request the urgency of considering this issue.

Therefore, considering these problem we request the revision of decision on budget cut regarding activities which are already on halfway.

