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**Comments from UK--Approval by mail: Jamaica - Adaptation Program and Financing Mechanism for the Pilot Program for Climate Resilience (PPCR) IDB**

Dear colleagues

The UK welcomes this project and is content to approve the funding. We are pleased that the project will incorporate a gender perspective in its three components, and that a gender target is included in the Results Framework. We would like to submit the following comments:

- Component 1(a) - it will be important to take a strategic view, for example taking care not to simply focus training programmes on the individuals in post but rather think more broadly about the nature of specific roles within the institutional framework (e.g. what about succession planning?). We would be keen to know more about what the team thinks 'mainstreaming' will actually look like – what will the result be? Having climate change integrated into plans should not be a measure of success - we need to know whether the decision making process has actually changed.
- Component 1(b) – it will be important to consider maintenance and sustainability. Government commitment is crucial to make this sustainable. Also, what about involving the private sector here? Perhaps building on the experiences of integrating water stewardship being developed elsewhere? For example there is a joint UK-German programme (implemented by GIZ) that tries to bring in all players that have a stake in watershed management.
- Component 2 – seems to duplicate slightly the Community Disaster Risk Reduction Fund (CDRRF) managed by the Caribbean Development Bank. How will the IDB ensure a coordinated approach with this other funding mechanism?  
<http://www.caribank.org/programmes/cdrr1>

Many thanks  
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