

CLIMATE INVESTMENT FUNDS

August 3, 2011

His Excellency
Keat Chhon
Deputy Prime Minister
Minister of Economy and Finance
Phnom Penh
CAMBODIA

Excellency:

Endorsement of Cambodia's Strategic Program for Climate Resilience (SPCR) under the PPCR

It is my pleasure to confirm that the PPCR Sub-Committee reviewed the *Strategic Program for Climate Resilience: Cambodia*, and endorsed the SPCR as a basis for the further development of the projects foreseen in the strategic program and took note of the requested funding of USD 50 million in grant funding and USD 55 million in other concessional resources.

The Sub-Committee reconfirmed its decision on the allocation of resources, adopted at its meetings in June 2010 and 2011, that the range of funding agreed for a single country pilot program is USD 40-50 million in grant resources, and USD 36 million in other concessional resources recognizing that the minimum amount of the range is more likely and that the upper limit of the range will depend on availability of funding.

The Sub-Committee also called for contributors and other countries, MDBs and other development partners to seek to mobilize additional resources to allow the full funding of the SPCR.

We would like to warmly congratulate Mr. Meas Sophal, Ministry of Environment, and Mr. Tauch Chan Kresna, Ministry of Economy and Finance on the excellent presentation they made to the Sub-Committee to introduce the strategic program.

In endorsing the SPCR, the Sub-Committee requested the Government of Cambodia and the Asian Development Bank to make every effort to strengthen coordination and consultation across ministries and to leverage additional resources for mainstreaming, coordination and capacity development. The Sub-Committee invited the Asian Development Bank, in consultation with other development partners, to assist Cambodia in preparing the projects and programs identified in its SPCR.

Please do not hesitate to contact the CIF Administrative Unit or the staff from the Asian Development Bank working with you on the SPCR if you have any questions or need further clarification.

We look forward to receiving proposals for the projects and programs identified in Cambodia's SPCR for approval of PPCR funding by the Sub-Committee.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "P. h. Bliss - Guest". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, looped "G" at the end.

Patricia Bliss-Guest
Program Manager
CIF Administrative Unit

Attachment:

PPCR Sub-Committee meeting of June 28 and 29, 2011 - Co-Chair Summary

Cc:

H.E. Mok Mareth, Minister of Environment and Chairperson of the National Committee on Climate Change (NCCC)

Mr. Chan Sothy, Director, Department of Investment and Cooperation

Mr. Sam Chamroeun, Director, Department of Planning and Legal Affairs Ministry of Environment

Mr. Meas Sophal, Ministry of Environment, Cambodia

Mr. Tauch Chan Kresna, Ministry of Economy and Finance, Cambodia

PPCR MDB Committee

Trustee