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# Approaches To Evidence-based Learning in The CIF Project Cycle




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# Background

## TFCs Request in October 2013:

1. Prepare overview of evaluative (“evidence-based learning”) approaches 
2. Undertake stock tacking of what MDBs are already doing 
3. Assess which CIF pipeline projects could be suitable for evidence-based learning and prepare proposals for incorporating evidence-based learning 

# 1. Stock Take of What MDBs are Already Doing

## ■ Routine activities

- Examples: Stakeholder consultations, environmental & social impact assessments, economic & financial analyses, midterm reviews, implementation completion reports, summative analyses/evaluations

## ■ Beyond-routine activities for some projects

- 16 examples identified, including independent evaluations, case studies, additional stakeholder consultation, independent reviews & other analyses, etc.



## 2. Overview of Evidence-based Learning Approaches

**Nine high-level approaches identified; six suggested for each CIF program**

1. Adaptive Capacity Assessment
2. Cost Effectiveness Analysis
3. Developmental Evaluation
4. Formative Evaluation
5. Impact Evaluation
6. Outcome Evaluation
7. Real-time Learning
8. Rapid Stakeholder Consultation
9. Vulnerability Assessments



### 3. Proposals for Incorporating Evidence-based Learning

- **Proposals cover 20 projects across all four programs**
  - Impact Evaluation (6 proposals)
  - Rapid Stakeholder Consultation (5 proposals)
  - Outcome Evaluation (4 proposals)
  - Real-time Learning (2 proposals)
  - Cost-benefit Analysis (2 proposals)
  - Adaptive Capacity Assessment (2 proposals)
  - Formative Evaluation (1 proposal)
  - Vulnerability Assessment (1 proposal)



## 4. Next Steps

The MDBs are requested to work with the government or other client that will be responsible for executing the project to prepare a more elaborated proposal for each proposed tool, describing the activities to be undertaken and the associated costs. Elaborated proposals will be considered for approval of additional CIF funding.

# Discussion

