

MONITORING REPORT SUBMITTED SIX MONTHS AFTER PROJECT START AND EVERY SIX MONTHS AFTER THE LAST MONITORING REPORT

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Country: Mauritius

Adaptation Fund Grant I.D:

Grant Type: South-South Cooperation Grant

Project Description/Project Title: This South-South cooperation grant was requested by CSE to support the Designated Authority of Mauritius to identify a potential NIE candidate and to provide technical assistance to this latter for the preparation and submission of

its accreditation's application. **Project Sector**: peer-peer support

Activity	Expected Output	Progress	Comments/Explanation
		(include completion Date	(also explain any deviation from initial plan)
		"month & year")	
Screening exercise, including an information workshop on the AF and the main features of an operational NIE	- Institutions completed the	Completed (February 2020)	CSE prepared and shared a work plan with the Designated Authority (DA). Then, a call for interest was prepared by CSE and launched by the Designated Authority. Four institutions expressed their interest form to undertake the accreditation process. The applications have been reviewed by CSE in collaboration with the DA. CSE organized a mission in Mauritius from 1st February to 13th
	slides - Evaluation sheet - NIE nominated		February in order to provide guidance to the DA for the final selection of the best NIE candidate. The Ministry of Environment, Solid Waste and Climate Change (MoESWCC) was selected as NIE candidate. During this mission, a task-force was set

			up within the selected institution and a road map developed for collecting the supporting documents.
2. Training the NIE on accreditation process and set up a Task Force and elaborate a road map for collecting supporting document	Presentation and set of slides Road map for collecting supporting document	Completed (February 2020)	Key profiles have been identified to be part of the MoESWCC accreditation task-force for the collection of the supporting documents. The roles and responsibilities of the task-force have been presented and the collection of documents started. For the missing documents, a road map was developed. Some of these documents were to be collected from other ministries and others to be developed by the MoESWCC.
3. Collecting supporting documents - Collecting and analyzing relevant supporting documents for each performance criteria required in the application form - Review of questions raised by the Accreditation Panel during previous applications submitted with CSE support (to better understand what is expected) - Preparing and sharing a note on accreditation standards (to better understand what is expected), using the AF's guidance document on its accreditation standards	- List of supporting documents/information collected - Summary of previous questions raised by the AF panel and the Board to applicants during accreditation process - Note on accreditation standards	On going	Many documents have been collected. However, due to the coronavirus pandemic and the lockdown in Mauritius, it was not possible for the task-force to develop the documents and to get them validated by the relevant authority. The health situation led to huge delays since CSE could not undertake any mission in Mauritius.
4. Review of the adequacy of all required back-up documentation to ensure it	-Supporting documents check-list including a brief	Ongoing	The review of the adequacy of the required documentation have been done on the first batch of documents received.

meets the requirements of the AF accreditation panel and filling gaps - Checking the documents collected against AF requirements - Identifying potential gaps or weaknesses - Providing guidance on how to overcome issues identified - Supporting the task-force in organizing supporting documents	requirements - Documentation of the main findings			
5. Translation of supporting documents	Supporting documents in English	Not applicable	Mauritius is an English-speaking country; documents are available in English. There is no need for translation.	
6. Submission of the application folder	- An application for accreditation as a NIE - A one-page summary report	Not started yet		
7. Responding to AP comments		Not started yet		
Overall comment on progress	The coronavirus pandemic led to delays for collecting the supporting documents. In fact, the lockdown has impacts both on CSE and on the MoESWCC regarding the documents to be developed and the rest of the documents to be collected from other Ministries. To expedite the accreditation process, the CSE will organize calls via Zoom to finalize the collection of documents and if the situation allows it, organize a second mission for the submission no later than 31 December 2021.			
New completion date or Expected completion date	31 December 2021			

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