

STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT PLAN

**Kingston Waterfront Improvement Project
(P179642)**

February 2023

List of Abbreviations

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| DVRP | Jamaica Disaster Vulnerability Reduction Project |
| ESF | Environmental and Social Framework |
| ESS | Environmental and Social Standard |
| FM | Financial Management |
| GM | Grievance Mechanism |
| ICBSP | Inner City Basic Services Project |
| ICDP | Integrated Community Development Project |
| JSIF | Jamaica Social Investment Fund |
| M&E | Monitoring and Evaluation |
| PDO | Project Development Objective |
| SEP | Stakeholder Engagement Plan |
| UDC | Urban Development Corporation |

1 Introduction

This document is the Stakeholder Engagement Plan (SEP) for the World Bank financed Kingston Waterfront Improvement Project (P179642). The SEP establishes the methods and timing of the dissemination of project information and stakeholder engagement along with the project's grievance management process. It aims to ensure that stakeholder engagement is completed in both a meaningful and timely manner through the utilization of appropriate modes of communication. This is to facilitate the development of strong, constructive relationships with all project stakeholders.

Effective stakeholder engagement ensures that the lines of communication will be two-way between the project implementers and the project stakeholders so that the views of the latter are considered in the project design and incorporated where feasible. This is integral to the successful management of the project's environmental and social risks and overall project success.

The implementation of this SEP is the responsibility of the Jamaica Social Investment Fund (JSIF) being the lead executing entity for the Project. The scope of the SEP is proportionate to the nature and scale of the project's potential risks and impacts. The SEP is a living document and will be updated, as necessary, throughout the project's life cycle.

1.1 Policy Requirements

Under the World Bank's Environmental and Social Framework (ESF), ESS10- Stakeholder Engagement and Information Disclosure, the borrower is required to engage with stakeholders as an integral part of the project's environmental and social assessment along with the project design and implementation. The nature, scope and frequency of the engagement should be proportionate to the nature and scale of the project. Consultations with stakeholders must be meaningful and be based on stakeholder identification, analysis, plans to engage stakeholders, disclosure of information, actual consultations and reporting back to stakeholders. There must be a documented record of all stakeholder engagement activities, which includes the description of stakeholders consulted, a summary of feedback received and a brief explanation of how the feedback was incorporated in the project or the reasons why it was not.

ESS10 also requires that the borrower must have a project-level grievance mechanism (GM) to respond to concerns and grievances from project stakeholders in a timely manner. The GM should include different media through which grievances can be submitted and should be publicly disclosed and available. A grievance record or log must be maintained by the project as a database.

1.2 Objectives of the Stakeholder Engagement Plan

The specific objectives of the SEP are:

1. To build and maintain a constructive relationship with stakeholders.
2. To assess the level of stakeholders' interest and support for the project and to enable stakeholders' views to be considered throughout the project cycle.
3. To promote and provide means for effective and inclusive engagement with stakeholders throughout the project life cycle on issues that could potentially affect them.

4. To ensure that appropriate project information on environmental and social risks and impacts is disclosed to stakeholders in a timely, understandable, accessible, and appropriate manner and format.

2 Project Description

The Kingston Waterfront Improvement Project will build on the successful activities completed under previous World Bank Projects. These include, most importantly, the Jamaica Disaster Vulnerability Reduction Project-DVRP (P146965), which (amongst other activities) supported the construction of a promenade and rock revetments along the Downtown Kingston waterfront and adjacent to the proposed Project site, with which the proposed Project will seek to connect in order to create a contiguous pedestrian waterfront corridor; the Integrated Community Development Project (ICDP, 2014 – 2021) and the Inner City Basic Services Project (ICBSP, 2005 – 2013), which together benefited 30 inner-city communities with a combination of infrastructure improvement and social interventions. The proposed Project will resume the urban regeneration effort along the Downtown Kingston waterfront and combine it with targeted interventions to maximize the benefits of the proposed Project for communities in the surrounding areas, building on interventions and activities that have proved successful in the previous Projects.

2.1 Project Development Objectives

Revitalize Kingston's downtown waterfront area, improve economic development opportunities, and enhance the institutional capacity to enable future private sector-led redevelopment.

The project will achieve its PDO through 4 components.

Component 1: Green, resilient and inclusive waterfront. This component will finance the transformation of the Kingston waterfront into an open, high-quality public space, to improve the resilience of Downtown Kingston to climate-related events such as hurricanes, floods, and heat waves. Investments will include the construction of a green and resilient urban park and amenities specifically designed to allow for future private sector-led urban development in residential, retail, and services in Kingston Downtown.

Component 2: Economic Inclusion. This component will finance small-scale infrastructure works, technical assistance and capacity building, and in-kind support to micro, small, and medium enterprises located at the waterfront and/or the commercial district to the North of the proposed Project site. Investments under this component will aim to increase competitiveness and productivity of selected beneficiaries.

Component 3: Institutional Strengthening. This component will build the foundations for future private sector investments by helping to upgrade technical knowledge, strengthen institutional capacity, clarify decision making, streamline waterfront development planning and generally enhance the public sector's capacity to implement the vision of revitalizing Downtown Kingston into a socially and economically vibrant, mixed-use and dense place.

Component 4: Project Management. This component will support the administrative management of the Project by JSIF and implementing partners through, but not limited to, (a) a project coordinator; (b) financial management (FM) and procurement specialists to carry out the fiduciary aspects of the Project, including audits; (c) monitoring and evaluation (M&E) specialists; (d) technical experts needed for project preparation and implementation (including E&S management and social protection specialists); and (e) technical focal points in the Urban Development Corporation (UDC).

2.2 Project Environmental and Social Risks

The **environmental risk** classification of the project is **substantial** based on the location, type, sensitivity, and scale of project intervention, nature, and magnitude of potential E&S risks and impacts, and client capacity and ownership. The project area is urbanized and may be considered a brownfield redevelopment. The possible project environmental risks under Component 1 include negative effects typical of civil works associated with sea defense and road improvements (noise, dust, water quality, solid and liquid waste, storm water runoff, turbidity, and temporary disturbance of marine ecosystem) and worker health and safety. Component 2 is likely to enable vendors and entrepreneurs located at the waterfront and/or the commercial district to the North of the proposed Project site to benefit from the revitalization of the waterfront. These interventions will focus on creating social and economic development opportunities that can be leveraged by Component 1. These activities are not likely to pose significant environmental and health risks and should be mitigated with the standard environmental management practices.

The **social risk** classification of the project is **substantial**. The project will finance civil works under Component 1. The activities under Component 2 are designed to enable vendors and entrepreneurs located at the waterfront and/or the commercial district to the North of the proposed Project site, to benefit from the revitalization of the waterfront district and will support a deep community engagement process throughout the proposed Project cycle. While the project is expected to bring positive benefits to both the Kingston waterfront and the surrounding communities, there are social risks related to its implementation. If managed well, their impact may be temporary and reversible. Based on the project concept, potential social risks include risk of social exclusion, safety and security, economic and physical displacement, interactions between the contractor(s) and the public, traffic management and risks related to chance findings of cultural heritage in the project area.

3 Previous Stakeholder Engagement Activities

This table contains information related to consultations that have already taken place and consultations that will take place by the end of March 2023.

| Stakeholder(s) | Date of Consultation | Topics Discussed | Feedback from Stakeholder(s) | Interest of/Impact |
|---|----------------------|---|---|--|
| Community level actors in Parade Gardens, Hannah Town, Tivoli Gardens | January 31, 2023 | - Project concept, -Geographic area of interest, -Environmental and Social Risks, | Safety concerns related to gang violence and pollution (solid/liquid waste and smell). Proposed solutions: | Safety concerns related to gang violence and pollution (solid/liquid waste and smell). |

| Stakeholder(s) | Date of Consultation | Topics Discussed | Feedback from Stakeholder(s) | Interest of/Impact |
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| | | <p>-Community engagement, -Interaction between the proposed park and the communities/ corridors to the north of the park, -Impact of the redevelopment of the business district on residents and users of the space, -Awareness of other interventions in the area</p> | <p>Increased policing, installation of cameras/CCTV and proper street lighting, behavioral change and re-socialization for residents and people who work in the area, inclusion of residents and users of the space (i.e. having them working in the construction of the park), rely on political actors to interact with influential people in the communities to help guarantee no chaos or interruption to project activities.</p> <p>Vulnerable populations – mentally ill; homeless; drug addicts; LGBT youth (“gully men”); squatters in an area called ‘Settlement’ (Hanover St)</p> | |
| <p>Corporate Foundations: Grace Kennedy Foundation/ Grace Kennedy & Staff Foundation; Jamaica National Foundation, Project STAR, Digicel Foundation; Multi-Care Youth Foundation</p> | <p>January 31, 2023</p> | <p>Project concept, geographic area of interest Environmental and Social Risks, Interaction between the proposed park and the communities/corridors above the park, the impact of the redevelopment of the business district on residents and users of the space, Awareness of other interventions in the area</p> | <p>Request to justify the scope of the project and the choice of the geographic area.</p> <p>Interest in knowing how this project fits into the wider Masterplan for Downtown Redevelopment; what is the masterplan and associated timelines</p> <p>Need to sensitize the Government about psychological impact of construction projects on people. The usual focus on formal business spaces, CCTV etc serve to keep community people at bay.</p> <p>Concern about gentrification, the exiting levels of pollution and the odour at the waterfront and need for a waste management plan.</p> <p>Need to manage people’s concern of being displaced.</p> | <p>Interest in knowing how this project fits into the wider Masterplan for Downtown Redevelopment; what is the masterplan and associated timelines</p> |

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| | | | <p>Need to focus on quality rather than quantity of consultations</p> <p>Need for behaviour change and need for the government to state their philosophy on how they see people engaging with public spaces.</p> <p>Benefits include assets for the downtown space, the livability of the area and psychological boost of green space/park. Suggestion to encourage 'the natural expressions of the people' in terms of entertainment spaces/opportunities; facilities that are economic by day and support recreation at night</p> <p>Remove barriers to informal economic activities within the space, include multipurpose facilities. Barriers include: warzones, time, money, bureaucracy, understanding of systems/rules. Ensure transportation is throughout the space, not just at waterfront & Parade.</p> <p>Additional key stakeholders: Chinese wholesale operators, taxi operators & bus drivers; bankers, attorneys, retailers</p> | |
| <p>Civil Society Entities that provide support to vulnerable groups:</p> <p>Missionaries of the Poor, Council of Voluntary Social Services (National Volunteer Center),</p> | <p>February 2, 2023</p> | <p>Project concept, Geographic area of interest Environmental and Social Risks, Impact on vulnerable groups, Influence and inclusion of vulnerable groups who live or use the</p> | <p>Safety/security and pollution as a main concern to be addressed.</p> <p>The extent to which their views and ideas will be integrated to the project design and if they will be shared with decision</p> | <p>Safety/security and pollution as a main concern to be addressed.</p> |

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| <p>KSAMC Poor Relief Dept for Marie Atkins Night Shelter, , National Council for Drug Abuse, Open Arms Drop-in Center, Rise Life Management Services, Good Samaritan Inn, GSI Foundation</p> | | <p>area, Awareness of other interventions in the area.</p> | <p>makers (they were assured that the scope of consultation is to share their concerns and views with decision makers).</p> <p>Need for a map of residents that includes vulnerable groups such as homeless, mentally challenged, sex workers, people who occupy empty buildings, drug users (considering that drug users migrate based on location of dealers).</p> <p>Deal with the life of homeless and vulnerable as a first step before proceeding with economic development. Ensure that “relocation is not transference of the problem”.</p> <p>Shelters can accommodate the homeless in the area but would require upgrade of their structures.</p> <p>Concern about the fact that when the area is redeveloped the rent and the bus fares will increase.</p> <p>If the park has the objective of social integration there is a need to re-socialize people and promote behavioral change in the area.</p> <p>Other stakeholders suggested who have data: Violence Prevention Alliance, KSAMC Board of Supervision</p> | |
| <p>People who have an economic interest in the area (1):</p> | <p>TBC By end of March 2023</p> | <p>As representatives of people who will be mainly impacted by the project their awareness, inputs</p> | | <p>TBD after the consultations and that will be reflected in the updated SEP and in the timeframe of the Environmental and Social Commitment Plan.</p> |

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| Vendors and small business Associations, SDC, LED, managers of big restaurants in the waterfront area ie. Glorias etc | | and collaborations are crucial | | |
| People who have an economic interest in the area (2): Street vendors/businesses and fishermen in the waterfront area | TBC By end of March 2023 | Vendors and fishermen are direct beneficiaries of the project and need to be informed, aware and active part | | TBD after the consultations and that will be reflected in the updated SEP and in the timeframe of the Environmental and Social Commitment Plan. |
| NGOs: USAID/NIA, the Spotlight Initiative (EU/UN), National Council for Senior Citizens (not an NGO but govt entity), Jamaica Council for Persons with Disabilities (not an NGO, but govt entity), Jamaica Society for the Blind, J-FLAG- LGBTQ, WE Change- LBT Women, Transwave- Trans persons | TBC Before the end of March 2023 | Stakeholders implementing social and economic interventions in the space, who may also have connections to the business community and vulnerable groups (e.g. the homeless, addicts, etc) are crucial | | TBD after the consultations and that will be reflected in the updated SEP and in the timeframe of the Environmental and Social Commitment Plan. |
| Government actors: UDC, KSAMC (including Mayors and MPs), SDC, LED, PSOJ, MLSS, MLGRD | TBC By the end of March | Engagement needed for general awareness, collaboration/support, and management of expectations etc | | TBD after the consultations and that will be reflected in the updated SEP and in the timeframe of the Environmental and Social Commitment Plan. |
| Private sector actors: Chamber of commerce, PSOJ, Digicel, MKPMG, ROK Hotel, Grace Kennedy, Scotiabank, NCB | TBC By the end of March | Engagement needed for general awareness, collaboration/support, management of expectations etc | | TBD after the consultations and that will be reflected in the updated SEP and in the timeframe of the Environmental and Social Commitment Plan. |
| Vulnerable People who live in the waterfront area and the nearby communities: Homeless, LGBTQ, women/girls, people living with | TBC By the end of March 2023 | The waterfront area is home to several vulnerable groups who will be direct or indirect actors, directly or indirectly impacted by the projects, beneficiaries or | | TBD after the consultations and that will be reflected in the updated SEP and in the timeframe of the Environmental and Social Commitment Plan. |

| Stakeholder(s) | Date of Consultation | Topics Discussed | Feedback from Stakeholder(s) | Interest of/Impact |
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| disabilities, at-risk-youth (males) | | victims of project benefits and risks | | |
| Jamaica National Heritage Trust +1 876-922-1288 jnht@jnht.com 79 Duke St, Kingston, Jamaica Institute of Jamaica, Chinese Temple on Barry Street (Chinese Benevolent Society), National Gallery | TBC By the end of March 2023 | When Digicel and MFAFT office were built in the waterfront area some artifacts were found; cultural and heritage sites/considerations within the proposed space; awareness of and concerns re proposed project. | | TBD after the consultations and that will be reflected in the updated SEP and in the timeframe of the Environmental and Social Commitment Plan. |
| Community leaders and influential people in the targeted communities | TBC By the end of March 2023 | It is fundamental to include and inform community leaders who are influential personality in their communities, to ensure inclusion and grant a smooth course of project activities | | TBD after the consultations and that will be reflected in the updated SEP and in the timeframe of the Environmental and Social Commitment Plan. |

4 Stakeholder Identification and Analysis

As required under ESS10, the Project Implementation Unit will engage with project stakeholders throughout the project cycle. The stakeholders with whom the project will engage are divided into two broad groups- **project affected parties** and **other interested parties**. Both categories of stakeholders are identified in the following sections.

4.1 Project Affected Parties

This refers to individuals, groups or organizations that will be directly impacted by the project. They are outlined in Table 4.1.

Table 4.1-Project affected parties

| Project Affected Party | Potential Impact |
|---|--|
| Residents of the interested geographical area | Improved living conditions due to the construction of a green and inclusive park, infrastructure upgrade, economic inclusion, job opportunities (during and after the construction of the park) and access to a new inclusive green space, increased safety, and cleanliness of the space. |
| Small vendors, local businesses and MSMEs. | Increased business capacity and infrastructures, increased business opportunities with more and new visitors in the area. |

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| Vulnerable and disadvantaged groups | Provision of a more inclusive common space (for disabled people, women, and children) and improvement in the provision of services (for homeless, mentally challenged, drug users). |
| GoJ, policymakers and private sector | Increasing technical capacity and knowledge, strengthening institutional capacity, increased private/public sector partnership |

4.2 Other Interested Parties

This refers to individuals, groups or organizations that may not necessarily be impacted by the project but will have an interest in its implementation. They are outlined in Table 4.2.

Table 4.2- Other interested parties

| Other Interested Party | Project Interest |
|--|---|
| Visitors and general public | The project will provide a green and inclusive space that will attract more visitors into the area, who will benefit from a safer and cleaner downtown area |
| People who commute to downtown to work | Safer and cleaner downtown area to linger after work |

4.3 Vulnerable/Disadvantaged Groups

These are stakeholders who, by virtue of their circumstances are considered to face challenges in participation or in accessing project information, activities and or benefits. There are a variety of vulnerable groups relevant to the project. These include unemployed workers, informal workers, youth transitioning into the labor market, women, LGBT community, the homeless, drug addicts, sex workers and people with disabilities. In order to ensure that they are consulted about the project and its benefits, special considerations must be taken into account for them. These may include, inter alia, hosting separate consultations for some groups, providing childcare during meeting times, working through NGOs or community representatives to identify and mobilize members of vulnerable groups to participate in meetings and consultations, host in-person consultations for those who may not have access to technology or may be unable to use it effectively and use venues for in-person consultations that have access for persons with disabilities.

A description of the methods of engagement that will be undertaken by the project is provided in later sections of the document.

4.4 Summary of Stakeholder Needs

The specific needs of each type of stakeholder are included below.

Table 4.3- Stakeholder needs

| Stakeholder | Array of preferred means of Communications | Consultation Considerations |
|---|---|---|
| Project Affected Parties | | |
| Residents of the interested geographical area | Community walks or communication through community leaders, social media | The Social Development Commission (SDC) will provide us with an updated census which will help us identifying residents |
| Small vendors, local businesses and MSMEs. | Community walks or communication through community leaders, social media and focus groups | Meetings may be held in the evening time if vendors don't want to leave their post during the day in the middle of their vending activities |
| Vulnerable and disadvantaged groups | Community walks or communication through responsible entities | |
| GoJ/policy makers/private sector | Virtual and in person meetings, emails, reports, social media | No need for consultation considerations |
| Other Interested Parties | | |
| General public | Press releases, social media, TV, radio | The project will prioritize a strong communication campaign |
| People who commute to downtown to work | Press releases, social media, TV, radio | The project will prioritize a strong communication campaign |
| Foundations | In person and virtual meetings, emails, social media, phone calls | No need for consultation considerations |
| Social Actors and community leaders | In person and virtual meetings, emails, social media, phone calls | Meetings will be held at a location proposed by the stakeholders, based on safety concerns |
| Political actors | In person and virtual meetings, emails, social media, phone calls | Meetings will be held at a location proposed by the stakeholders, based on safety concerns |

5 Stakeholder Engagement Program

The project will utilize a multi-stakeholder engagement process that will be conducted throughout the project's life cycle. Stakeholder engagement will be done using both public consultation and information disclosure throughout preparation and implementation.

5.1 Proposed Strategy for Information Disclosure

Different methods will be used to disclose information to project stakeholders. The information will be disclosed to allow stakeholders to understand the project’s risks and impacts and potential opportunities for their inclusion. Information will be disclosed on the websites of the Jamaica Social Investment Fund, the Urban Development Corporation, the Planning Institute of Jamaica and the World Bank, on social media and in the JSIF office (where the PIU will reside) in a manner that is accessible and, considering the needs of any vulnerable groups. Information disclosure as per Table 5.1. is the responsibility of JSIF.

Table 5.1 - Information disclosure strategy

| Project Stage | Information to be disclosed | Method proposed | Timetable: Locations /dates | Target Stakeholders |
|-------------------------------------|--|--|---|---------------------|
| Preparation, prior to effectiveness | Environmental and Social Commitment Plan (ESCP) | JSIF website and during consultations | During project preparation | All |
| | Stakeholder Engagement Plan (SEP) with | | | |
| Implementation | Disclosure of Grievance Mechanism | JSIF website | Continuous, during project implementation | All |
| | Project-related information (progress, activities etc). Semi-annual reporting of activities. | JSIF website, media, focus groups, social media and other channels used by the JSIF to inform project stakeholders | Bi-annually | |
| | Labour Management Procedures with Workers’ Grievance Mechanism | | | |

5.2 Proposed Strategy for Consultations

Consultations, in English, will take place through different channels and are not restricted to in person gatherings. They can take place through virtual means (platforms like Zoom or Teams, for instance as well as WhatsApp messaging, direct phone calls or the completion of surveys. The in-person meetings/focus groups will ensure that proper COVID-19 transmission prevention protocols are adhered to, in line with

national guidelines. Consultations are the responsibility of JSIF, but can be carried out by co-implementing agencies such as UDC.

Table 5.2- Stakeholder consultation strategy

| Project stage | Purpose of engagement activity | Method used | Timetable | Target Stakeholders |
|----------------|---|--|--|--|
| Preparation | Consult on project concept (including geographic area and proposed activities), environmental and social risks and GM and integration of feedback | Virtual or in person consultations including dedicated meetings with representatives of vulnerable groups. Provision of a channel to receive feedback | During project preparation | All, but with special focus on integrating the views of representatives of vulnerable groups |
| | Consult on the implementation of the project activities and integration of feedback | Small focus groups Satisfaction surveys Virtual and in-person meetings | Focus groups will take place at least once a year Satisfaction surveys will take place after the second year of implementation and twice a year Virtual and in person meetings will take place twice a year or on demand | All, but with special focus on vulnerable groups |
| Implementation | Promoting greater inclusion of vulnerable groups | Public consultations Surveys One on one interviews | Every six months to evaluate and get feedback. | Vulnerable groups |

5.3 Proposed Strategy to Incorporate Views of Vulnerable/Disadvantaged Groups

The project will ensure that all the vulnerable groups are participating in consultative processes and that their voices/views are not ignored. This may require specific meetings with some of the above identified vulnerable groups, in addition to general consultations. For example, persons with disabilities may require meetings that are closer to their homes. Further, it is important to rely on other consultation methods as well, which do not require physical participation in meetings, such as social media, SMS, or radio broadcasting, where feasible, to ensure that groups that cannot physically be present at meetings can participate. Where this is not possible, JSIF staff will visit households of vulnerable people, in particularly

persons with disabilities. Given the specificities of the project, much of the inclusion of vulnerable groups will be managed by entities that represent them, which are listed above.

5.4 Stakeholder Feedback

Feedback from stakeholders will be solicited during preparation and implementation. For meetings/focus groups (whether virtual or in person), comments will be recorded through meeting minutes. Additionally, the JSIF will be responsible for receiving and recording any queries, concerns or complaints against the project. Comments and decisions made will be collated and reported to stakeholders once the final decision on the course of action related to the comments has been made. Records will also be maintained on the methods used to inform stakeholders on dates and/or locations where they can gather project information and provide feedback.

In addition, stakeholders will be allowed to file complaints about the project through the Grievance Mechanism (GM) detailed in Section **Error! Reference source not found.** All records relating to this mechanism including, grievance forms, grievance log, notes, interviews, meeting minutes, release forms etc. will also be archived.

5.5 Timelines

The project will be implemented from August 2023¹ and close July 2028². The stakeholder consultations shall be conducted throughout the project lifecycle. Information disclosure and consultations during project implementation will include regular visits and meetings.

Table 5.3- Project timelines

| Project Stage | Timeline/Date |
|--------------------|--------------------------------|
| Preparation/Design | April 2023 (tentative) |
| Implementation | August 2023 onward (tentative) |
| Closure | July 2028 (tentative) |

5.6 Resources and Responsibilities for Implementing Stakeholder Engagement Activities

5.6.1 Roles and Responsibilities:

Implementation and monitoring of the SEP and the other ESF instruments will be the responsibility of the JSIF. For this, the JSIF will designate an Environmental Officer and Social Officer (within one month of project effectiveness) as part of the Project Implementation Unit (PIU). The Social Officer and the Project Manager/Coordinator will be directly responsible for informing staff from the various entities involved in

¹ Tentative

² Tentative – Information will be updated latest 90 days after project effectiveness

the project implementation of all of the procedures included in the SEP. Further, the Social Officer will be responsible for tracking and recording the implementation of the SEP and its grievance mechanism (GM).

Table of roles and responsibility

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| Project Manager/Coordinator | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Manage and implement the Stakeholder Engagement Plan (SEP) • Dissemination of project information |
| Social Officer | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Collaborate with the Environmental Officer • Interface with stakeholders and respond to comments or questions about the project or consultation process. • Provide contact information if stakeholders have questions or comments about the project or consultation process. • Document any interactions with external stakeholders. • Maintain database, records for SEP • Leads public meetings, consultations, focus groups etc. • Makes sure the SEP is being adhered to and followed correctly. • Raise awareness of the SEP among PIU staff, employees contracted firms and relevant external stakeholders. • Manage and monitor the project GM and is the focal point for SEA/SH grievances. • Report on SEP and GM implementation and prepare inputs for regular reporting to WB. |
| Environmental Officer | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • JSIF to complete |

5.6.2 Contact Information for Stakeholder Engagement:

During project preparation, those willing to request information on the project can write to info@jsif.org or call +1 (876) 968 4545

5.6.3 Resources for Stakeholder Engagement

Table 5.4 - Stakeholder engagement budget

| # | Item | Amount ³ (\$USD) Yearly | Total (5 years) |
|---|--|---------------------------------------|-----------------|
| 1 | GM implementation | 5,000 | 25,000.00 |
| 3 | Consultations | 15,000 | 75,000.00 |
| 4 | Information Production and Dissemination | 20,000 | 100,000.00 |

³ Tentative and will be updated latest 90 days after project effectiveness.

| # | Item | Amount ³ (\$USD) Yearly | Total (5 years) |
|---|-------|---------------------------------------|-----------------|
| | | | |
| | TOTAL | 40,000.00 | 200,000.00 |

6 Grievance Mechanism:

The JSIF maintains an existing Grievance Mechanism as per the Grievance Redress Mechanism Policy (2021), which is a standardized system, however where possible, the process of handling grievances will be proportionate to the potential risks and impacts of the project and will be accessible and inclusive. The JSIF's GRM utilizes existing formal or informal grievance mechanisms, supplemented as needed with project-specific arrangements.

Channels for grievance are reflected in the table below:

- Direct complaints to a JSIF officers assigned to the particular sub-project.
- Direct complaints to site supervisors or consultants.
- Calling JSIF's telephone lines (876-968-4545)
- JSIF's social media platforms (jsifja to access Instagram, Facebook and twitter);
- E-mails (feedback@jsif.org); and
- Fax complaints at 876-929-3784
- Additionally, representatives of line ministries and other government agencies can communicate grievances to JSIF on behalf of PAPs.
- Employees can report grievances directly to HR, senior management, or through the suggestion box.

The JSIF will address concerns promptly and effectively, in a transparent manner that is culturally appropriate and readily accessible to all project-affected parties, at no cost and without retribution. The JSIF's GRM allows opportunities for access to judicial or administrative remedies for grievances expressed by project-affected parties. The JSIF will inform stakeholders and especially project-affected parties about the grievance process during community engagement activities and will make publicly available any records documenting the responses to all grievances received, if requested. The GM policy is attached below.

If needed, the existing GRM of the SEP will be updated within the timeframe set in the ESCP -90 days after project effectiveness.

Below is the link to JSIF Grievance Mechanism that the Project will use:



**Grievance Redress
Mechanism Policy_2!**

6.1 Addressing Sexual Exploitation and Abuse and Sexual Harassment (SEA/SH)

The specific nature of sexual exploitation and abuse and of sexual harassment (SEA/SH) requires tailored measures for the reporting, and safe and ethical handling of such allegations. A survivor-centered approach aims to ensure that anyone who has been the target of SEA/SH is treated with dignity, and that the person's rights, privacy, needs and wishes are respected and prioritized in any and all interactions.

The GM will specify an individual who will be responsible for dealing with any SEA/SH issues, should they arise. A list of SEA/SH service providers will be kept available by the project. The GM should assist SEA/SH survivors by referring them to Services Provider(s) for support immediately after receiving a complaint directly from a survivor.

To address SEA/SH, the project will follow the guidance provided on the World Bank Technical Note "Addressing Sexual Exploitation and Abuse and Sexual Harassment (SEA/SH) in Investment Project Financing Involving Civil Works". This GM will follow the official WB definitions described on the Technical Note as shown below:

Sexual Abuse (SA) is an actual or threatened physical intrusion of a sexual nature, whether by force or under unequal or coercive conditions

Sexual Exploitation (SE) refers to any actual or attempted abuse of a position of vulnerability, differential power, or trust, for sexual purposes, including, but not limited to, profiting monetarily, socially or politically from the sexual exploitation of another.

Sexual harassment (SH) is any unwelcome sexual advance, request for sexual favour, verbal or physical conduct or gesture of a sexual nature, or any other behaviour of a sexual nature that might reasonably be expected or be perceived to cause offense or humiliation to another, when such conduct interferes with work, is made a condition of employment or creates an intimidating, hostile or offensive work environment.

Sexual Exploitation and Abuse and Sexual Harassment (SEA/SH) service provider

An organization offering specific services for SEA/SH survivors, such as health services, psychosocial support, shelter, legal aid, safety/security services, etc.

Survivor-centered approach

The survivor-centered approach is based on a set of principles and skills designed to guide professionals—regardless of their role—in their engagement with survivors (predominantly women and girls but also men and boys) who have experienced sexual or other forms of violence. The survivor-centered approach aims to create a supportive environment in which the survivor’s interests are respected and prioritized, and in which the survivor is treated with dignity and respect. The approach helps to promote the survivor’s recovery and ability to identify and express needs and wishes, as well as to reinforce the survivor’s capacity to make decisions about possible interventions.

SEA/SH grievances can be received through any of the available channels and will be considered as “High-profile grievances - that if not resolved promptly may represent significant risks to the environment or community”. A list of SEA/SH service providers will be kept available by the Project. Additionally, if an incident occurs, it will be reported as appropriate, keeping the anonymity and confidentiality of the complainant and applying the survivor-centered approach⁴. Any cases of SEA/SH brought through the GM will be documented but remain closed/sealed to maintain the confidentiality of the survivor. The WB will be notified as soon as the Project Manager and the E&S specialist learn about the complaint.

If a SEA/SH related incident occurs, it will be reported through the GM, as appropriate and keeping the survivor information confidential. Specifically, following steps will be taken once an incident occurs:

ACTION 1: COMPLAINT INTAKE AND REFERRAL

If the survivor gives consent, the PIU Environmental and Social Specialist fills in a complaints form, excluding any information that can identify the survivor. The form will include:

- The nature of the allegation (what the complainant says in her/his own words without direct questioning)
- If the alleged perpetrator was/is, to the survivor’s best knowledge, associated with the project (yes/no)
- The survivor’s age and/or sex (if disclosed); and,
- If the survivor was referred to services

If the survivor does not want to provide written consent, her consent can be verbally received. If needed or desired by the survivor, the PIU Environmental and Social Specialist refers her/him to relevant SEA/SH

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service providers, identified in the mapping of SEA/SH service providers and according to preestablished and confidential referral procedures. The survivor's consent must be documented even if it is received verbally. The service providers will be able to direct survivors to other service providers in case the survivor wishes to access other services. The PIU Environmental and Social Specialist will keep the survivor informed about any actions taken by the perpetrator employer. If the survivor has been referred to the relevant SEA/SH service providers, received adequate assistance, and no longer requires support; and if appropriate actions have been taken against the perpetrator or if the survivor does not wish to submit an official grievance with the employer, the PIU Environmental and Social Specialist can close the case.

ACTION 2: INCIDENT REPORTING

The PIU Environmental and Social Specialist needs to report the anonymized SEA/SH incident as soon as it becomes known, to the Project Manager who will in turn inform the World Bank Task Team Leader (TTL) or directly to the TTL.

Complaint Forms and other detailed information should be filed in a safe location by the PIU Safeguards Specialist. Neither the PIU Environmental and Social Specialist nor the Project Manager should seek additional information from the survivor.

SEA/SH incident reporting is not subject to survivors' consent but the PIU Environmental and Social Specialist needs to provide ongoing feedback to the survivor at several points in time: (1) when the grievance is received; (2) when the case is reported to PIU and WB; (3) when the verification commences or when a determination is made that there is an insufficient basis to proceed; and (4) when the verification concludes or when any outcomes are achieved or disciplinary action taken.

As long as the SEA/SH remains open the PIU Environmental and Social Specialist and/or Project Manager should update the World Bank TTL on the measures taken to close the incident.

ACTION 3: GRIEVANCE VERIFICATION AND INVESTIGATION

Each SEA/SH incident should be verified to determine if it was related to the WB financed project. The SEA/SH responsible person in the PIU. verification committee will consider the SEA/SH allegation to determine the likelihood that the grievance is related to the project.

If after the committee review, SEA/SH allegation is confirmed and it is determined that it is linked to the project⁵, the verification committee discusses appropriate actions to be recommended to the appropriate

⁵ Project actors are: (a) people employed or engaged directly by the Borrower (including the project proponent and the project implementing agencies) to work specifically in relation to the project (direct workers); (b) people employed or engaged through third parties (Project staff, subcontractors, brokers, agents or intermediaries) to perform work related to core functions of the project, regardless of location (contracted workers); (c) people employed or engaged by the Borrower's primary suppliers

party—i.e., the employer of the perpetrator, which could be the PIU or a contractor. The PIU will ask contractors to take appropriate action. The committee reports the incident to the perpetrator’s employers to implement the remedy/disciplinary action in accordance with local labor legislation, the employment contract of the perpetrator, and their codes of conduct as per the standard procurement documents.

For SEA/SH incidents where the survivor did not consent to an investigation, the appropriate steps should be taken to ensure the survivor is referred to/made aware of available services and that the project mitigation measures are reviewed to determine if they remain adequate and appropriate or if they require strengthening.

If the survivor is interested in seeking redress and wishes to submit an official complaint with the employer, or with entities in the Country legal system, the PIU Environmental and Social Specialist should provide linkages to the relevant institutions. Ensuring due legal process is up to the police and the courts, not the SEA/SH verification committee. Unlike other types of issues, the PIU Environmental and Social Specialist does not conduct investigations, make any announcements, or judge the veracity of an allegation.

Any cases of SEA/SH brought through the GM will be documented but remain closed/sealed to maintain the confidentiality of the survivor. Here, the GM will primarily serve to:

- Refer complainants to the SEA/SH Services Provider; and
- Record the resolution of the complaint

The GM will also immediately notify both the Implementing Agency and the World Bank of any SEA/SH complaints **WITH THE CONSENT OF THE SURVIVOR**.

7. Monitoring and Reporting on the GM

The Social Officer in the PIU will prepare Quarterly Reports on the grievance issues received by the project. Reports on the GM shall be included as part of the project’s reporting to the World Bank.

8. Reporting to Stakeholders

Results of stakeholder engagements will be reported to them through bi-annual project reports produced by JSIF. The reporting will include feedback on how stakeholders’ concerns are being addressed, and all stakeholders will be reminded of the availability of the GM in case of any issues arising from the reporting.

(primary supply workers); and (d) people employed or engaged in providing community labor such as voluntary services or participation in project activities and processes (community workers).