

Republic of Niger
Ministry of Economy and Finance

**Livestock and Agriculture Modernization
Program (LAMP) (P179276)**

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**ENVIRONMENTAL AND SOCIAL
COMMITMENT PLAN (ESCP)**

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1. The Republic of Niger (the Recipient) will implement the Livestock and Agriculture Modernization Program (LAMP) (P179276) (the Project), with the involvement of the Ministry of Agriculture and Livestock (MOAL), as set out in the Financing Agreement. The International Development Association has agreed to provide financing for the Project, as set out in the referred agreement.
2. The Recipient shall ensure that the Project is carried out in accordance with the Environmental and Social Standards (ESSs) and this Environmental and Social Commitment Plan (ESCP), in a manner acceptable to the Association. The ESCP is a part of the Financing Agreement. Unless otherwise defined in this ESCP, capitalized terms used in this ESCP have the meanings ascribed to them in the referred agreement.
3. Without limitation to the foregoing, this ESCP sets out material measures and actions that the Recipient shall carry out or cause to be carried out, including, as applicable, the timeframes of the actions and measures, institutional, staffing, training, monitoring and reporting arrangements, and grievance management. The ESCP also sets out the environmental and social (E&S) instruments that shall be adopted and implemented under the Project, all of which shall be subject to prior consultation and disclosure, consistent with the ESS, and in form and substance, and in a manner acceptable to the Association. Once adopted, said E&S instruments may be revised from time to time with prior written agreement by the Association.
4. As agreed by the Association and the Recipient, this ESCP will be revised from time to time if necessary, during Project implementation, to reflect adaptive management of Project changes and unforeseen circumstances or in response to Project performance. In such circumstances, the Recipient through the MAG/EL and the Association agree to update the ESCP to reflect these changes through an exchange of letters signed between the Association and the Ministry of Agriculture and Livestock (MOAL). The MOAL shall promptly disclose the updated ESCP.

MATERIAL MEASURES AND ACTIONS		TIMEFRAME	RESPONSIBLE ENTITY
MONITORING AND REPORTING			
A	<p>REGULAR REPORTING</p> <p>Prepare and submit to the Association regular monitoring reports on the environmental, social, health and safety (ESHS) performance of the Project, including but not limited to the implementation of the ESCP, status of preparation and implementation of E&S instruments required under the ESCP, stakeholder engagement activities, and functioning of the grievance mechanism(s).</p>	<p>Submit quarterly reports to the Association throughout Project implementation, commencing after the Effective Date. Submit each report to the Association no later than 5 days after the end of each reporting period.</p>	LAMP Project Management Unit
B	<p>INCIDENTS AND ACCIDENTS</p> <p>Promptly notify the Association of any incident or accident related to the Project which has, or is likely to have, a significant adverse effect on the environment, the affected communities, the public or workers, including, inter alia, cases of sexual exploitation and abuse (SEA), sexual harassment (SH), and accidents that result in death, serious or multiple injury. Provide sufficient detail regarding the scope, severity, and possible causes of the incident or accident, indicating immediate measures taken or that are planned to be taken to address it, and any information provided by any contractor and/or supervising firm, as appropriate.</p> <p>Subsequently, at the Association’s request, prepare a report on the incident or accident and propose any measures to address it and prevent its recurrence.</p>	<p>Notify the Association not later than 48 hours after learning of the incident or accident and not later than 24 hours for the cases of SEA/SH and fatality.</p> <p>Provide subsequent report to the Association within a timeframe acceptable to the Association</p>	LAMP Project Management Unit
C	<p>CONTRACTORS’ MONTHLY REPORTS</p> <p>Require contractors and supervising firms to provide monthly monitoring reports on ESHS performance in accordance with the metrics specified in the respective bidding documents and contracts, and submit such reports to the Association.</p>	<p>Submit monthly reports to the Association upon request as annexes to the reports to be submitted under action A above.</p>	LAMP Project Management Unit
ESS 1: ASSESSMENT AND MANAGEMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL AND SOCIAL RISKS AND IMPACTS			
1.1	<p>ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE</p> <p>Establish and maintain a Project Management Unit with qualified staff and resources to support management of ESHS risks and impacts of the Project including an environmental safeguard specialist, a social safeguard specialist, a GBV/SEA/SH specialist and a security specialist.</p>	<p>Establish and maintain a PMU as set out in the Financing Agreement, prior to the Effective Date. The Environmental Safeguard Specialist and the Social Safeguard Specialist shall be recruited prior to the Project Effective Date] and maintained throughout Project implementation.</p>	LAMP Project Management Unit

MATERIAL MEASURES AND ACTIONS	TIMEFRAME	RESPONSIBLE ENTITY
	<p>The security and GBV-SEA/SH specialists shall be recruited not later than 6 months after the Effective Date, and maintained throughout Project implementation as required.</p>	
<p>1.2 ENVIRONMENTAL AND SOCIAL INSTRUMENTS</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Adopt, disclose and implement an Environmental and Social Management Framework (ESMF) for the Project, consistent with the relevant ESSs. 2. Adopt, disclose, and implement a Resettlement Framework (RF), consistent with ESS5. 3. Adopt, disclose, and implement a Labor Management Plan (LMP) for the Project, consistent with ESS2. 4. Adopt, disclose, and implement an Integrated Pest and Pesticide Management Plan (IPPMP) for the Project, consistent with ESS3. 5., Adopt, disclose a Security Risk Assessment (SRA) , and Prepare and implement a Security management Plan (SMP) for the Project, consistent with ESS4. 6. Adopt, disclose, and implement a Stakeholder Engagement Plan (SEP) for the Project, consistent with ESS10. 7. Adopt, disclose, and implement a Prevention and Response Action Plan against GBV, including SEA/SH. 8. Adopt, disclose, and implement an Environmental and Social Management System (ESMS), consistent with the ESS 9. 9. "Adopt and implement an Environmental and Social Impact Assessment (ESIA), and corresponding Environmental and Social Management Plan (ESMP) for all infrastructure/works of the Project for which the ESIA/ESMP is required, consistent with the relevant ESSs." 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The ESMF will be adopted and disclosed prior to project appraisal, then implemented throughout project implementation. 2. The RF will be adopted and disclosed prior to project appraisal then implemented throughout project implementation. 3. The LMP will be adopted and disclosed prior to project appraisal, then implemented throughout project implementation. 4. The IPPMP will be adopted and disclosed prior to project appraisal then implemented throughout project implementation. 5. The SRA will be adopted and disclosed prior to project appraisal then a SMP will be prepared three months after effectiveness and implemented throughout Project implementation. 6. Adopt and disclose the SEP prior to project appraisal, then implement the SEP throughout project implementation. 	<p>LAMP Project Management Unit / SAHFI (ESMS)</p>

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		<p>7. The SEA/SH Action Plan will be adopted and disclosed prior to project appraisal, then implemented throughout project implementation.</p> <p>8. The ESMS will be adopted and disclosed prior to project appraisal, then implemented, consistent with ESS 9, throughout project implementation.</p> <p>9. Adopt the specific risk management instruments (ESIA/RAP/ESMP) before launching the bidding process for the respective subproject that requires the adoption of such an instrument. Once adopted, implement the respective instrument throughout Project implementation. Screen activities considering the exclusion list throughout the Project.</p>	
1.3	<p>MANAGEMENT OF CONTRACTORS</p> <p>Incorporate the relevant aspects of the ESCP, including, inter alia, the relevant E&S instruments, the Labor Management Procedures, and code of conduct, into the ESHS specifications of the procurement documents and contracts with contractors and supervising firms. Thereafter ensure that the contractors and supervising firms comply and cause subcontractors to comply with the ESHS specifications of their respective contracts.</p>	<p>During the preparation of tender documents. Before the signature of any service contract and its execution.</p> <p>Supervise suppliers and service providers throughout Project implementation.</p>	LAMP Project Management Unit
1.4	<p>TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE</p> <p>Ensure that the consultancies, studies (including feasibility studies), capacity building, training, and any other technical assistance activities under the Project are carried out in accordance with terms of reference acceptable to the Association, that are consistent with the ESSs. Thereafter ensure that the outputs of such activities comply with the terms of reference.</p>	Throughout Project implementation.	LAMP Project Management Unit

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1.5	<p>CONTINGENT EMERGENCY RESPONSE FINANCING (CERC)</p> <p>a) Ensure that the CERC ESMF or an addendum to the ESMF includes a description of the ESHS assessment and management arrangements for the implementation of the CERC component, in accordance with the ESSs.</p> <p>b) Adopt any environmental and social (E&S) instruments which may be required for activities under the CERC component of the Project, in accordance with the CERC Manual and the ESSs, and thereafter implement the measures and actions required under said E&S instruments, within the timeframes specified in said E&S instruments.</p>	<p>a) The adoption of the CERC ESMF or an addendum to the ESMF in form and substance acceptable to the Association is a withdrawal condition under Section III.B.1[(d)] of Schedule 2 of the Financing Agreement for the Project.</p> <p>b) Adopt any required E&S instrument and include it as part of the respective bidding process, if applicable, and in any case, before the carrying out of the relevant Project activities for which the E&S instrument is required. Implement the E&S instruments in accordance with their terms, throughout Project implementation.</p>	LAMP Project Management Unit / MOAL
ESS 2: LABOR AND WORKING CONDITIONS			
2.1	<p>LABOR MANAGEMENT PROCEDURES</p> <p>Adopt, disclose, and implement the Labor Management Procedures (LMP) for the Project, including, inter alia, provisions on working conditions, management of workers relationships, occupational health and safety (including personal protective equipment, and emergency preparedness and response), code of conduct (including relating to SEA and SH), forced labor, child labor, grievance arrangements for Project workers, and applicable requirements for contractors, subcontractors, and supervising firms.</p>	The LMP will be adopted and disclosed Project and shall be implemented throughout Project implementation.	LAMP Project Management Unit
2.2	<p>GRIEVANCE MECHANISM FOR PROJECT WORKERS</p> <p>Establish and operate a grievance mechanism for Project workers, as described in the LMP and consistent with ESS2.</p>	Establish grievance mechanism prior engaging Project workers and thereafter maintain and operate it throughout Project implementation.	LAMP Project Management Unit
ESS 3: RESOURCE EFFICIENCY AND POLLUTION PREVENTION AND MANAGEMENT			
3.1	<p>WASTE MANAGEMENT PLAN</p>	The IPMP will be publicly disclosed before project appraisal.	LAMP Project Management Unit/ Contractors and suppliers

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	<p>Due to expected use of pesticides and fertilizers, the Borrower has prepared and consulted upon an Integrated Pest Management Plan (IPMP) that integrates waste management aspects to prevent the harmful effects of pesticide use on the environment, human and animal health. Irrigation development and others civil work under the project will involve consumption of energy, water and raw material. Using heavy vehicles and machinery associated with construction activities will generate dust, greenhouse gases, traffic disturbance and noise. The ESMF, and site-specific ESIA, will include measures to avoid or minimize (a) emissions of pollutants, and/or (b) risks of soil destruction, erosion and salinization due to improper agriculture and irrigation practices.</p> <p>Where necessary, project contractors, suppliers and service providers will develop and implement Waste Management Plans for specific subprojects, for both non-hazardous and hazardous waste in accordance with ESS1 and a ESS3 requirements and in a manner acceptable to the association. The specific ESIA/ESMPs associated with these activities will also make use of the General and Industry-specific Environmental Health and Safety Guidelines.</p>	Where necessary, a WMP will be adopted prior to work started, then implemented throughout work implementation.	
3.2	<p>RESOURCE EFFICIENCY AND POLLUTION PREVENTION AND MANAGEMENT</p> <p>Incorporate resource efficiency and pollution prevention and management measures in the ESMP to be prepared under action 1.2 above.</p> <p>Adopt the specific risk management instruments (ESIA/RAP/ESMP) before launching the bidding process for the respective subproject that requires the adoption of such an instrument. Once adopted, implement the respective instrument throughout Project implementation.</p>	Adopt the specific risk management instruments (ESIA/RAP/ESMP) before launching the bidding process for the respective subproject that requires the adoption of such an instrument. Once adopted, implement the respective instrument throughout Project implementation.	LAMP Project Management Unit /Contractors
ESS 4: COMMUNITY HEALTH AND SAFETY			
4.1	<p>TRAFFIC AND ROAD SAFETY</p> <p>Incorporate measures to manage traffic and road safety risks as required in the ESMP to be prepared under action 1.2 above.</p>	Same timeframe as for the adoption and implementation of the ESMP.	LAMP Project Management Unit
4.2	<p>COMMUNITY HEALTH AND SAFETY</p> <p>Assess and manage specific risks and impacts to the community arising from Project activities, including, inter alia, behavior of Project workers, risks of labor influx, response to emergency situations, and include mitigation measures in the ESMPs to be prepared in accordance with the ESMF.</p>	Same timeframe as for the adoption and implementation of the ESMP.	LAMP Project Management Unit
4.3	<p>SEA AND SH RISKS</p>	Timeline as indicated in the section 1.2. above.	LAMP Project Management Unit

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	Adopt, disclose, and implement a Prevention and Response Action Plan against GBV, including SEA/SH		
4.4	<p>SECURITY MANAGEMENT</p> <p>Assess and implement measures to manage the security risks of the Project, including the risks of engaging security personnel to safeguard project workers, sites, assets, and activities, as set out in the Security Risk Assessment and the Security Management Plan, consistent with ESS4 and guided by the principles of proportionality and Good International Industry Practice (GIIP), and by applicable law, in relation to hiring, rules of conduct, training, equipping, and monitoring of such personnel.</p> <p>Adopt and disclose the SRA prior to project appraisal, then implement the SMP throughout Project implementation.</p>	Timeline as indicated in the section 1.2. above.	LAMP Project Management Unit
ESS 5: LAND ACQUISITION, RESTRICTIONS ON LAND USE AND INVOLUNTARY RESETTLEMENT			
5.1	<p>RESETTLEMENT POLICY FRAMEWORK</p> <p>Adopt, disclose and implement a Resettlement Policy Framework (RPF) for the Project, consistent with ESS5.</p>	Timeline as indicated in the section 1.2. above.	LAMP Project Management Unit
5.2	<p>RESETTLEMENT PLANS</p> <p>Adopt, disclose and implement a RAP for each activity under the Project for which the RF requires such RAP, and consistent with ESS5.</p>	Adopt, disclose and implement the respective RAP, including ensuring that before taking possession of the land and related assets, full compensation has been provided and displaced people have been resettled and moving allowances have been provided.	LAMP Project Management Unit
5.3	<p>GRIEVANCE MECHANISM</p> <p>Establish, publicize, maintain, and operate an accessible grievance mechanism, to receive and facilitate resolution of concerns and grievances in relation to the Project, 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, including concerns and grievances filed anonymously, in a manner consistent with ESS10.</p>	Establish the grievance mechanism by the Effective Date and thereafter maintain and operate the mechanism throughout Project implementation.	LAMP Project Management Unit
ESS 6: BIODIVERSITY CONSERVATION AND SUSTAINABLE MANAGEMENT OF LIVING NATURAL RESOURCES			
6.1	<p>BIODIVERSITY RISKS AND IMPACTS</p>	Timeline for the ESMF as indicated in the section 1.2. above.	LAMP Project Management Unit

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	Implement the biodiversity management measures set out in the Environmental and Social Management Framework (ESMF) prepared for the Project, and in accordance with ESS 6. When required under the ESMF, adopt and implement biodiversity management plans consistent with ESS6 as per the ESRS.		
ESS 7: INDIGENOUS PEOPLES/SUB-SAHARAN AFRICAN HISTORICALLY UNDERSERVED TRADITIONAL LOCAL COMMUNITIES			
	Not relevant.		
ESS 8: CULTURAL HERITAGE			
8.1	CHANCE FINDS Describe and implement the chance finds procedures, as part of the ESMF of the Project consistent with ESS8.	Timeline for the ESMF as indicated in the section 1.2. above.	LAMP Project Management Unit
ESS 9: FINANCIAL INTERMEDIARIES [
9.1	ENVIRONMENTAL AND SOCIAL MANAGEMENT SYSTEM (ESMS) Develop, maintain, and implement an ESMS to identify, assess, manage, and monitor the environmental and social risks and impacts of FI subprojects that receive support from the Project. The ESMS shall include, inter alia, the following elements: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Identification of the FI subprojects that may receive support from the Project. • An environmental and social policy endorsed by SAHFI senior management. • Clearly defined procedures for the identification, assessment and management of the environmental and social risks and impacts of FI subprojects, in accordance with ESS9, including, inter alia, stakeholder engagement and disclosure requirements applicable to FI subprojects. • Exclusion list with the FI subprojects that are not eligible for financing, • An organizational capacity and competency for implementing the ESMS with clearly defined roles and responsibilities as set out in actions 9.3 and 9.4 below. • Monitoring and reporting of environmental and performance of FI subprojects and the effectiveness of the ESMS. • Incidents and accidents notification and subsequent reporting requirements as set out in action B above. • An external communications mechanism, including measures to respond to public enquiries and concerns in a timely manner. Disclose a summary of each of the elements of the ESMS through the relevant website.	Adopt ESMS prior to project appraisal, and implement it throughout project implementation.	SAHFI SA and LAMP Project Management Unit
9.2	EXCLUSIONS Screen all proposed FI subprojects against the exclusion list set out in the ESMF and SAHFI’s ESMS report.	Screen FI subprojects before determining whether they are eligible to receive support from the Project.	SAHFI SA and LAMP Project Management Unit

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9.3	<p>FI ORGANIZATIONAL CAPACITY</p> <p>Establish and maintain an organizational structure comprising qualified personnel with clearly defined roles and responsibilities for implementing the ESMS to perform due diligence and manage the environmental and social risks and impacts of IF sub-projects, where applicable.</p>	Prior to project appraisal, the SAHFI must be in place, including the positions/resources involved.	SAHFI SA and LAMP Project Management Unit
9.4	<p>SENIOR MANAGEMENT REPRESENTATIVE</p> <p>Designate a senior management representative to have overall accountability for environmental and social performance of FI subprojects that receive support from the Project.</p>	Prior to project appraisal, the SAHFI ESMS senior management representative shall be designated.	SAHFI SA and LAMP Project Management Unit
ESS 10: STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT AND INFORMATION DISCLOSURE			
10.1	<p>STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT PLAN PREPARATION AND IMPLEMENTATION</p> <p>Adopt, disclose, and implement a Stakeholder Engagement Plan (SEP) for the Project, consistent with ESS10, which shall include measures to, inter alia, provide stakeholders with timely, relevant, understandable and accessible information, and consult with them in a culturally appropriate manner, which is free of manipulation, interference, coercion, discrimination and intimidation.</p>	The SEP will be adopted and disclosed prior to appraisal and shall be implemented throughout Project implementation	LAMP Project Management Unit
10.2	<p>PROJECT GRIEVANCE MECHANISM</p> <p>Establish, publicize, maintain, and operate an accessible grievance mechanism, to receive and facilitate resolution of concerns and grievances in relation to the Project, 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, including concerns and grievances filed anonymously, in a manner consistent with ESS10.</p> <p>The grievance mechanism shall be equipped to receive, register, and facilitate the resolution of SEA/SH complaints, including through the referral of survivors to relevant gender-based violence service providers, all in a safe, confidential, and survivor-centered manner.</p>	Establish the grievance mechanism by the Effective Date and thereafter maintain and operate the mechanism throughout Project implementation.	LAMP Project Management Unit
CAPACITY SUPPORT			
CS1	<p>Target group: On-site workers, supervisory companies and entities.</p> <p>Training modules:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Occupational health and safety, including prevention of emergency situations, and how to prepare for and respond to such situations, including risks associated with the use of safety personnel, COVID-19, Sexually Transmitted Diseases and HIV/AIDS, 	During project implementation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> LAMP Project Management Unit Consultants

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Health and safety rules, • Solid and liquid waste management, • Public safety and security, including road safety, • Labor management procedures, including PMM for workers, • EAS/HS risk awareness, EAS/HS prevention and response action plan and codes of conduct. 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • National Environmental Assessment Office (BNEE)
CS2	<p>Target group: PMU, central services staff, Steering Committee, Coordinator, Project component leaders.</p> <p>Training modules:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Bank's new Environmental and Social Framework (ESF), • Stakeholder identification and engagement, • Environmental and Social Commitment Plan (ESCP), • Content of the Stakeholder Engagement Plan (SEP), • Occupational health and safety, including risks related to the use of security personnel, COVID-19, • GRM, including filing and processing of claims, • EAS/HS risk awareness, • EAS/HS prevention and response action plan. 	At the start of the Project with regular recycling.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • LAMP Project Management Unit • Consultants • BNEE • World Bank team
CS3	<p>Target group: Beneficiaries, local communities, authorities and NGOs.</p> <p>Training modules:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • GRM registration and processing procedure, • EAS/HS risk awareness, EAS/HS prevention and response action plan and codes of conduct, • Community safety and security, including road safety, prevention of the spread of COVID-19, Sexually Transmitted Diseases and HIV/AIDS, • Community workforce engagement. 	At the start of the project and at regular intervals during project implementation.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • LAMP Project Management Unit • Consultants • BNEE
CS4	<p>Target group: Suppliers, partners and subcontractors.</p> <p>Training modules:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Labor and working conditions module, • Employment conditions in accordance with national labor laws and codes of conduct for suppliers, contractors and subcontractors, • Workers' organizations and unions. 	During project implementation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • LAMP Project Management Unit • Consultants • BNEE