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Quick Facts

Countries	Tunisia
Financial Institutions	World Bank (WB)
Status	Proposed
Bank Risk Rating	U
Voting Date	2020-12-14
Borrower	Government of Tunisia
Sectors	Climate and Environment
Investment Type(s)	Loan
Investment Amount (USD)	$ 80.00 million
Project Cost (USD)	$ 160.00 million

Project Description

According to bank documents, the project objective is to improve Tunisia's disaster risk management and financing, and enhance the protection of the targeted population and their assets from disaster and climate-related events.

The Program will support the following Result Areas:

1. Result area 1: Scaling up Disaster Risk Reduction. This Results Area (RA) will support the GoT in its efforts to avoid negative impacts of adverse events and reduce existing risks by: (i) investing in already identified small-scale flood risk protection projects and supporting the implementation of the National Flood Risk Management Plan; (ii) the implementation of the GPSS roadmap to improve school infrastructure resilience and mainstream DRM in the education sector; and iii) support to the GoT in taking the necessary steps for the establishment of a para-seismic building code.
    I. Result 1.1: The number of people living in flood risk-prone areas who are covered by flood prevention infrastructure is increased.
    II. Result 1.2: Key public-school infrastructure is built or retrofitted according to hazard resilient standards.
    III. Result 1.3: Paraseismic building code is established.
2. Result area 2: Enhancing Disaster Preparedness and Early Warning Systems. This RA will support the GoT in strengthening disaster preparedness through improvement of hydrometeorological services and EWS, as well as capacitybuilding for preparedness and response planning at national and sub-national levels.
    I. Result 2.1: Number of people reached by Early Warning Systems.
    II. Result 2.2: Sub-national and sectoral preparedness plans are endorsed and implemented.
3. Result area 3: Strengthening Financial Protection. This area will support the GoT in strengthening its financial protection capacity by defining, adopting and implementing a national DRF strategy combining sovereign financial instruments and fostering the development of private sector solutions. By leveraging domestic insurance markets to transfer risks away from most vulnerable businesses and populations, a more comprehensive financial response framework to address a predefined range of disaster events and losses will be possible. Both actions will rely on the development of data management systems to inform decision making.
    I. Result 3.1: A sovereign DRF strategy is implemented.
    II. Result 3.2: Catastrophic insurance market is developed.
4. Result Area 4 (cross-cutting): Harnessing institutional coordination, a sound regulatory environment and knowledge for risk management. The Program will be supporting political and technical dialogue on the way forward to improve institutional coordination, the DRM regulatory environment and risk understanding/knowledge. An initial analysis on the institutional and legal framework for DRM, presenting potential scenarios for institutional strengthening, was supported by the WB and used as a basis for multi-institutional dialogue during FY20. The WB will continue to support long-term national efforts towards a comprehensive reform of the legal, institutional and knowledge-management framework for DRM. Tentative DLIs could include: the adoption of the national DRR strategy; the development of a new DRM Law; the adoption of a multi-year costed action plan for institutional/legal strengthening; the set-up of institutional mechanisms for coordination around DRM; and/or the adoption of risk information systems.

Investment Description

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