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**Comments from the United States on the Approval by Mail: Cambodia:  
Mainstreaming Climate Resilience into Development Planning (ADB) - Project  
Number XPCRKH016A**

U.S. comments on the Cambodian project are attached.

Thank you,  
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Questions on proposed project from the United States

1. We appreciate the work that the Government of Cambodia is doing to integrate climate adaptation planning into its planning processes, especially in creating the Department of Climate Change. Why will the PPCR planning and coordinating unit be housed in the Ministry of Environment as opposed to the Department of Climate Change?
2. Please describe the relationship between the NAPA and the SPCR and how NAPA projects complement SPCR planning.
3. In the “**Design and Monitoring Framework**” the performance indicator for “Sustained institutional and technical capacity to integrate adaptation concerns into development” is to integrate strategies into at least 3 sectors. How will these sectors be chosen? And how significant are these sectors to the Cambodian economy and development planning? Another indicator for this same outcome is to have at least 25% of approved projects be climate-proofed by 2018, noting that currently no projects are climate-proofed. Please confirm that zero projects are the baseline?
4. A significant amount of the funding for this project (\$4m out of \$7m) is to fund consultants. Could you please explain the plan to build capacity within the Cambodian staff including if the staff slots will be built into the domestic budget?
5. In the section entitled “**Activities and Milestones**”, #2 lists the detailed feasibility studies that will be conducted, including those that could receive funding from the LDCF, Adaptation Fund and GCF. How will the feasibility studies be designed so as to ensure they are appropriate for any of these three funds?
6. Have target provinces been identified for the sub-national parts of the TA? If not, how will they be prioritized?
7. The activities under **Output 3** focus on helping NGOs and CSOs to carry out studies. How will additional studies create a portfolio of 30+ CBA and DRR projects by 2017 (p. 7)? How could these activities help to support communities and CSOs/NGOs more directly?

8. **Output 4** mentions "awareness raising and multi-stakeholder workshops." Could you please provide more detail on what they will accomplish and who they will involve?