

**Joint Multilateral Development Bank Mission to Support
Bangladesh Developing the Strategic Program for Climate Resilience for
Pilot Program for Climate Resilience, Phase I
Second Joint Mission**

Mission's Objective:

A joint mission for the preparation of SPCR was launched under the leadership of the Ministry of Environment and Forest (MoEF) of the Government of Bangladesh (GOB) in February 2010. The mission concluded with the recommendation to prepare a draft Strategic Program for Climate Resilience (SPCR) and detail TOR for the project preparation for PPCR phase II. Following a number of technical missions, 2 field visits to the coastal area and various discussions between the World Bank, the Asian Development Bank, the MoEF, the Disaster Management Bureau (DMB), the Bangladesh Water Development Board and the Local Government Division (LGD), a Draft SPCR has been prepared.

The objective of the proposed mission is to undertake consultations over the Draft SPCR prior to its finalization and submission by GOB to the PPCR Sub Committee.

During the mission, the team will address the following key considerations:

1. **Working closely with the PPCR focal points.** Four focal points have been assigned to work jointly in the preparation of the SPCR: the Ministry of Environment and Forests is the key counterpart, other focal points include: the Disaster Management Bureau (DMB), the Bangladesh Water Development Board (BWDB) and the Local Government Division (LGD). During the mission, the MDAs will work closely with the focal points especially to finalize drafting of the TORs for Annex 9, 10 and 11 of the SPCR (mainly: Raising Greenbelt/Coastal Plantation Along the Polders/Embankments and the Improvement of the Early Weather Forecasting and Warning System).
2. **Consultation with key development partners.** Within the context of creating a platform for coordinating climate change initiatives in the country, the pilot program is being designed to provide windows or entry points for other development partners to engage and invest in the process. For Bangladesh, the main four development partners involved in PPCR related activities other than the ADB, IFC, and the World Bank are CIDA, DfID, JICA and UNDP. While in Dhaka, the team will further discuss with the four development key aspects of the SPCR.
3. **Consultation with local stakeholder.** Building on the stake holder engagement initiated during the joint programming mission and various field visits, the team will hold dialogues with District Officials and UP leaders to ensure that their feedback are duly reflected in the SPCR for an inclusive communication and consultative design process.

During the mission, the team will also interact with participants from projects which have participatory initiatives to the extent that we can learn from their experiences. Additionally, the team will identify and interact with NGOs that can facilitate an inclusive design approach.

4. **Finalization of the Proposal for Project Preparation Fund.** Based on the above consultations and input from various partners, the team will assist MOEF in finalizing the proposal for project preparation fund.
5. **Institutional Structure for the PPCR.** A Department of Climate Change has very recently been established within MOEF. Although the actual implementation agency(ies) of the proposed project is(are) likely to be different from MOEF, the mission will discuss how best to ensure coordination between various climate change activities in Bangladesh through the Department of Climate Change. The mission will also explore the type of technical assistance needed for the Department of CC.

Mission's Agenda:

Aug. 23 Secretary (MOEF) and Addl. Secretary (ERD) - courtesy calls

Aug. 23 PPCR Focal Points, ADB, IFC, WB and any other GOB representatives - detailed review of draft SPCR (at World Bank office)

Aug. 24 (All day) - DFID, JICA, CIDA, UNDP, Other DPs, ADB, WB, IFC, Focal Points - Consultation over SPCR (at ADB)

Aug. 25 (AM) - District/Local Officials, Legislators from SPCR areas, Polder community representatives - provide feedback on draft SPCR (at MOEF)

Aug. 25 (PM) - NGO community, civil society, academics - feedback on draft SPCR (at MOEF)

Aug. 26 - MOEF, Focal Points, ADB, WB, IFC - take stock of the previous 4 days meetings and agree on any changes to be made (at World Bank)

Aug. 27 - 31 - Revision of SPCR

Sept. 2 (AM) - Wrap up with GOB and DPs (at MOEF/ERD)

Sept. 2 (PM) - WB, ADB, IFC and Focal Points meet to agree on next steps (at World Bank)