Tajikistan Final Joint Programming Mission Terms of Reference October 4-11

- I. The World Bank, European Development Bank (EBRD), and Asian Development Bank (ADB) will field the final Joint Programming Mission to Tajikistan under the Pilot Program for Climate Resilience, from October 4-11, 2010. The mission objective is to refine the content and implementation arrangements for a draft Strategic Program for Climate Resilience, to be considered by the PPCR sub-committee at its next meeting in November.
- II. The SPCR outlines a series of potential investment and capacity-building activities (totally \$50 million in grant financing plus additional co-financing) that will be carried out under Phase 2 of the PPCR. The SPCR reflects: (i) outcomes from previous Joint Missions, (ii) progress on Phase 1 technical assistance efforts approved in June 2010, (iii) discussions at the technical/sectoral level that have taken place over the last few months by MDB teams with their Government counterparts, and (iv) consultations with stakeholders facilitated by a team of national and international consultants (generously supported by the UK-DFID).
- III. Mission dates have been agreed to by Government (at the Deputy Prime Minister level) and will be preceded by a capacity-assessment workshop and other preparatory activities the prior week by MDB staff in country and the consulting team. The Joint Mission will include: (i) working sessions with the government Focal Point and key ministry/committee staff to discuss progress on Phase 1 and refine individual SPCR components and implementation arrangements, (ii) informational sessions and workshops with civil society, bilateral aid and international organizations and others to seek their feedback and build synergies with complimentary efforts, (iii) working sessions amongst the team to edit the full SPCR, and (iv) wrap-up meetings with senior government officials to begin the formal review and approval cycle. The mission will closely coordinate with staff of the United Nations Development Program given the agency's key role in capacity-building on climate adaptation, and possible formal engagement under the PPCR.
- IV. The mission will be based in Dushanbe but may include one day outside the capital for further consultations if needed and possible. The World Bank Country Office has graciously agreed to continue as the informal base of operations for the mission. Funding for the mission is obtained from the PPCR Trustee; channeled through the CIF Admin Unit, and supplemented in cases by MDB country or HQ programming budgets.
- V. The overall MDB coordinator and lead for the World Bank on mission is Ron Hoffer (Environment and Water Advisor, Washington DC). The lead from the ADB is Peter Hayes (Senior Climate Change Specialist, based in Manila) and for EBRD is Craig Davies (Principal Environmental Advisor, based in London). The mission will coordinate with the International Finance Corporation given their potential role on co-financing private sector investments. A final list of international and local staff comprising the mission and the first full draft of the SPCR will be available on or around September 27, 2010.

The mission will prepare a draft Aide Memoire on mission summarizing progress and next steps.