



**National Climate Change Committee
CAMBODIA CLIMATE CHANGE ALLIANCE (CCCA) TRUST FUND**

**“Call for Proposals”
(Grant Window #: CCCA-TF 2012/01)**

CCCA is a comprehensive and innovative approach to address climate change and disaster risks in Cambodia. It is a multi-donor initiative funded by EU, Sida, Danida and UNDP. It is anchored in the Government’s National Climate Change Committee (NCCC), a mandated Government coordinating and policy support entity for all aspects of climate change.

CCCA Trust Fund has been established within CCCA as a unified engagement point for development partners and a multi-donor financial facility to provide resources for climate change capacity building at national and local government level.

NCCC, under its CCCA Trust Fund, invites concept notes for climate change adaptation projects which will support capacity development and institutional strengthening to address climate change; ensure climate change integration into policies, strategies, plans and programmes; and promote climate change knowledge and awareness in Cambodia.

Focus for the 2nd Call for Proposals

1. Projects must have a strong focus on institutional strengthening of Government bodies at national and/or sub-national level for climate change adaptation in the following sectors: **Agriculture, Forestry, Fisheries, Water Resources, Health, Infrastructure and Meteorology.**
2. Projects that consider climate change adaptation linkage with cross-cutting issues, such as gender, poverty reduction, biodiversity, governance, community-based development, disaster risk reduction and aid-effectiveness are also eligible.
3. Project concept should include relevant field demonstration activities that promote climate change resilience in the above-mentioned sectors.

Project Scope

CCCA Trust Fund is designed for providing funding in general accordance with the following requirements:

1. Projects/activities aimed at capacity development and institutional strengthening in support of the priorities and actions identified in the National Strategic Development Plan Update 2009-2013 and the National Adaptation Programme of Action to Climate Change (“NAPA”).
2. Projects/activities which will facilitate and ensure integration of climate change considerations into national/subnational/sectoral policies, strategies, plans and programmes.
3. Projects/activities which seek to integrate climate change considerations into other mainstreaming actions for other cross-cutting issues, thereby leveraging mutual benefits such as gender, poverty reduction, biodiversity, governance, community-based development, disaster risk reduction, aid-effectiveness, etc.
4. Projects/activities which will raise awareness and preparedness in Government and the broader society on the challenges and opportunities of climate change and how to adapt to the consequences of climate change.
5. Projects which will contribute to establishment and operation of a Climate Change Knowledge Management and Learning Platform.
6. Projects which promote replication of best practices in climate change adaptation.

Eligible applicants

- Government institutions (including sub-national entities)
- International organisations
- NGOs
- Research institutions/universities

International organisations, NGOs, and research institutions/universities are required to enter into partnership with relevant Government institution(s) to be eligible applicants.

Note 1) Line ministries¹ which are receiving grants under CCCA Result 1 budget with the aim of developing sectoral strategies for climate change are eligible to apply for the CCCA Trust Fund under this Call for Proposals as long as they can ensure that there is no duplication in scope and proposed activities between the grant they are receiving under Result 1 and the new concept note submitted to the CCCA Trust Fund.

¹ The following line ministries are receiving grants under CCCA Result 1 budget: MAFF, MoH, MoWRAM, MRD, MIME, MPWT, NCDM, MoEYS, MoWA, MoP and MEF.

Note 2) No indirect costs can be charged by the project.

Applicants are requested to carefully review the Grant Application Guidelines under “2. Eligibility Criteria”.

Co-financing requirement

Co-financing will not be mandatory for this Call for Proposals. However, any co-financing, whether in cash or in kind, is encouraged and will be taken into considerations in the review.

Award

Applicants are invited to propose a project for up to US\$300,000 for a period of up to 15 months. For CSO applicants, the maximum amount is US\$150,000.

Awarding grants under the CCCA Trust Fund is subject to availability of funds. CCCA Trust Fund reserves the right to cancel the Call for Proposals at any time.

Review Criteria

All concept notes received will be reviewed by the CCCA Trust Fund Secretariat and an expert panel. Successful applicants will be invited to develop full project proposals.

Review will primarily focus on:

- Strong rationale for proposed activities
- Quality and soundness of partnership
- Relevance of capacity building
- Emphasis on national ownership
- Consideration for relevant cross-cutting issues
- Strong management and technical capacity
- Relevant experience and proven track record in managing similar projects
- Innovation and replication of best practices in climate change adaptation
- Sustainability.

How to apply

Concept Notes must be prepared following the templates and guidance provided in the Grants Application Guidelines. Concept notes that do not follow the prescribed template will not be accepted.

To submit Concept Notes, applicants are requested to deliver a sealed envelope containing all the required documents in hard copy (1 set) together with a CD-ROM (or USB Flashdisk) containing the same set of documents in soft copy, to the address below **no later than Friday 1, June 2012, 17:00 (Cambodia time).**

Submission made after this deadline will not be accepted.

Please deliver your submission to:

CCCA Trust Fund Secretariat
 c/o Ministry of Environment
 #48, Samdech Preah Sihanouk Blvd
 Phnom Penh, Cambodia

Indicative Timelines for the 2nd Call for Proposals

Mid April 2012	Launch of the 2 nd Call for Proposals
30 April 2012	Orientation Workshop
1 June 2012	Deadline for submission of concept notes
Early June 2012	Review of concept notes
Early June 2012	Notification of results sent to all applicants
June-July 2012	Development of full Project Proposals (by successful applicants only)
August 2012	Review of full Project Proposals
September 2012	CCCA Board decision
October-November 2012	Finalization of project documents and signing of grant agreements
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December 2012	Transfer of 1 st installment
January 2013	Start of the grant implementation

Inquiries

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