

# The Arab Republic of Egypt

## CAIRO ALEXANDRIA TRADE LOGISTICS DEVELOPMENT (CATLD) PROJECT

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**Ministry of Transport/ Egyptian National Railways**

### **Draft ENVIRONMENTAL AND SOCIAL COMMITMENT PLAN (ESCP)**

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## ENVIRONMENTAL AND SOCIAL COMMITMENT PLAN

1. The Arab Republic of Egypt (hereinafter the Borrower) will implement the Cairo Alexandria Trade Logistics Development Project (the Project), with the involvement of the Ministry of Transport and the Egyptian National Railway, as set out in the Loan Agreement. The International Bank for Reconstruction and Development (the Bank) has agreed to provide financing for the Project, as set out in the referred agreement.
2. The Borrower shall ensure that the Project is carried out in accordance with the Environmental and Social Standards (ESSs) and this Environmental and Social Commitment Plan (ESCP), in a manner acceptable to the Bank. The ESCP is a part of the Loan Agreement. Unless otherwise defined in this ESCP, capitalized terms used in this ESCP have the meanings ascribed to them in the referred agreement(s).
3. Without limitation to the foregoing, this ESCP sets out material measures and actions that the Borrower shall carry out or cause to be carried out, including, as applicable, the timeframes of the actions and measures, institutional, staffing, training, monitoring and reporting arrangements, and grievance management. The ESCP also sets out the environmental and social (E&S) instruments that shall be adopted and implemented under the Project, all of which shall be subject to prior consultation and disclosure, consistent with the ESS, and in form and substance, and in a manner acceptable to the Bank. Once adopted, said E&S instruments may be revised from time to time with prior written agreement by the Bank.
4. As agreed by the Bank and the Borrower, this ESCP will be revised from time to time if necessary, during Project implementation, to reflect adaptive management of Project changes and unforeseen circumstances or in response to Project performance. In such circumstances, the Borrower through the Ministry of Transport and the Egyptian National Railway and the Bank agree to update the ESCP to reflect these changes through an exchange of letters signed between the Bank and the Borrower. The Borrower shall promptly disclose the updated ESCP.

MATERIAL MEASURES AND ACTIONS		TIMEFRAME	RESPONSIBLE ENTITY
<b>MONITORING AND REPORTING</b>			
A	<p><b>REGULAR REPORTING</b></p> <p>Prepare and submit to the Bank regular monitoring reports on the environmental, social, health and safety (ESHS) performance of the Project, including but not limited to the implementation of the ESCP, status of preparation and implementation of E&amp;S instruments required under the ESCP, stakeholder engagement activities, and functioning of the grievance mechanism(s). The content of the monitoring report will be further specified in the Project Operations Manual.</p>	<p>Quarterly reports to the Bank throughout Project implementation, commencing after the Effective Date. Submit each report to the Bank no later than 21 days after the end of each reporting period.</p>	ENR/PMU
B	<p><b>INCIDENTS AND ACCIDENTS</b></p> <p>Promptly notify the Bank of any incident or accident related to the Project which has, or is likely to have, a significant adverse effect on the environment, the affected communities, the public or workers, including, inter alia, cases of sexual exploitation and abuse (SEA), sexual harassment (SH), and accidents that result in death, serious or multiple injury. Provide sufficient detail regarding the scope, severity, and possible causes of the incident or accident, indicating immediate measures taken or that are planned to be taken to address it, and any information provided by any contractor and/or supervising firm, as appropriate.</p> <p>Subsequently, at the Bank’s request, prepare a report on the incident or accident and propose any measures to address it and prevent its recurrence.</p>	<p>Notify the Bank no later than 48 hours after learning of the incident or accident.</p> <p>Provide subsequent report to the Bank within a timeframe acceptable to the Bank.</p>	ENR/PMU
C	<p><b>CONTRACTORS’ MONTHLY REPORTS</b></p> <p>Require contractors and supervising firms to provide monthly monitoring reports on ESHS performance in accordance with the metrics specified in the respective bidding documents and contracts and submit such reports to the Bank.</p>	<p>Submit the monthly reports to the Bank as annexes to the reports to be submitted under action A above.</p>	ENR/PMU
D	<p><b>NOTIFICATIONS RELATING TO DAAB COMPLIANCE REVIEW OF CONTRACTOR COMPLIANCE WITH SEA/SH PREVENTION AND RESPONSE OBLIGATIONS</b></p> <p>Notify the Bank of any referral submitted to the Dispute Avoidance and Adjudication Board (DAAB) to initiate a process of compliance review in relation to a contractor’s obligations to prevent and respond to sexual exploitation and abuse (SEA), and/or sexual harassment (SH) specified in the respective works contract with such contractor; and, in the event of any such referral, notify the Bank of: (i) the DAAB’s decision on such referral; (ii) the contractor’s Notice of Dissatisfaction, if any, with such DAAB decision; (iii) any notification received on the commencement of an emergency arbitration proceeding or full arbitration proceeding in relation to the DAAB’s decision; and (iv) the resulting emergency arbitration order and/or full arbitration order, if any.</p>	<p>No later than 7 days after the issuance or receipt, as applicable, of the relevant document (i.e., referral to the DAAB, issuance of DAAB decision, Notice of Dissatisfaction, notice of commencement of emergency/full arbitration, emergency/full arbitration order, as applicable).</p>	ENR/PMU

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<b>ESS 1: ASSESSMENT AND MANAGEMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL AND SOCIAL RISKS AND IMPACTS</b>		
<p>1.1 <b>ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE</b>                      The Project Management Unit (PMU) created for the implementation of the Railway Improvement and Safety for Egypt (RISE) Project will implement the CATLDP project.</p> <p>A) Maintain and strengthen the PMU within the ENR that is tasked with ESHS management, with support from ENR Environmental affairs department (EAD). The EAD department will have the overall responsibility on the project’s E&amp;S requirements and will dedicate to the project One (1) E&amp;S manager for the project, two (2) environmental specialist, two (2) Occupational and health and Safety specialists (OHS), and two (2) social specialists.</p> <p>B) ENR to allocate adequate logistical and financial resources for the EAD staff dedicated for the project to support management of E&amp;S risks and impacts of the Project including computers, officers, logistical support, etc.</p> <p>C) Appoint the Owner’s Representative firm to supervise component 2.1 and 2.3 (a), including an adequate number of environmental specialists, social specialists and Health and Safety specialists and a Community Liaison Officers to supervise project preparation and construction phase.</p> <p>D) Appoint the Owner’s supervisor and system Integrator to supervise component 2, including an adequate number of environmental specialists, social specialists and Health and Safety specialists to supervise project preparation and construction phase.</p> <p>E) Hire E&amp;S consultancy firm as needed during the project implementation to support the project.</p>	<p>A) Appoint 7 additional environmental specialist, social specialist, Health and Safety specialist no later than 30 days from effectiveness date, and thereafter maintain these positions throughout Project implementation.</p> <p>B) throughout the project implementation.</p> <p>C) before starting the land acquisition and the civil works for component 2.1. and 2.3 (a) and thereafter maintain these positions throughout Project implementation.</p> <p>D) before starting track and signaling works for component 2 and thereafter maintain these positions throughout Project implementation.</p> <p>E) As needed, during the project implementation</p>	<p>ENR/PMU/EAD</p>
<p>1.2 <b>ENVIRONMENTAL AND SOCIAL INSTRUMENTS</b></p>		<p>ENR/PMU</p>

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<p>1. Adopt and implement the Environmental and Social Management Framework (ESMF) for the Project, consistent with the relevant ESSs. Screen any proposed subproject in sub-component 2.3 and 2.4 under Component 2 in accordance with the ESMF prepared for the Project, and, thereafter, draft, adopt, and implement the environmental and social management plans or other instruments required for the respective sub-project in accordance with the ESSs, the ESMF, Labor Management Procedures (LMP), the EHSGs, and other relevant Good International Industry Practice (GIIP) including relevant WHO guidelines on COVID-19, in a manner acceptable to the Bank.</p> <p>2. Adopt and disclose the Draft Environmental and Social Impact Assessment (ESIA), and corresponding Environmental and Social Management Plan (ESMP) for sub-components 2.1 and 2.2 under Component 2 for the Project, consistent with the relevant ESSs.</p> <p>3. Consistent with the final alignment for sub-component 2.1, finalize the Draft ESIA/ESMP, that was disclosed on 08/29/2022, adopt and implement the final ESIA/ESMP.</p> <p>4. In case of changes in the project design or alignment of any of the project components under Component 2 for the Project, update and implement the relevant E&amp;S instruments .</p> <p>5. Prepare, adopt and implement a Comprehensive ESIA for sub-components 2.3, consistent with the relevant ESS and the project’s ESMF.</p> <p>6. Prepare, adopt and implement a Comprehensive ESIA for sub-components 2.4, consistent with the relevant ESS and the project’s ESMF.</p>	<p>1. The ESMF was finalized and disclosed on 08/27/2022. Implement the ESMF throughout Project implementation.</p> <p>2. The Draft ESIA was disclosed on 08/29/2022. Adopt the Draft ESIA and ESMP prior to starting the construction workers for subcomponents 2.1 and 2.2 and thereafter implement the ESIA and ESMP throughout Project implementation.</p> <p>3. The final ESIA/ESMP will be finalized, disclosed and adopted prior to amending the current agreement with the General Authority for Road and Bridges (GARB) as mentioned in 1.3, and thereafter implement the ESIA and ESMP throughout Project implementation.</p> <p>4. The ESIA and ESMP to be updated, cleared and disclosed prior to starting the construction workers for subcomponents 2.1 and 2.2 and thereafter implement the ESIA and ESMP throughout Project implementation.</p> <p>5. Prepare the ESIA before preparing the bidding documents/contracts for sub-component 2.3, and thereafter implement the ESIA throughout Project implementation</p> <p>6. Prepare the ESIA before preparing the bidding documents/contracts for sub-component 2.4, and thereafter implement the ESIA throughout Project implementation</p>	

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<p>7. Notify the Bank promptly of any proposed changes to the scope, design, implementation or operation of the project that are likely to cause an adverse change in the environmental or social risks or impacts of the project.</p> <p>8. Carry out, as appropriate, additional assessment and stakeholder engagement in accordance with the ESSs, and propose changes, for approval by the Bank, to the ESCP and relevant management tools, as appropriate, in accordance with the findings of such assessments and consultation. Disclose the updated ESCP.</p> <p>9. For all Technical studies to be financed by the project in component 1, the studies' terms of reference (TORs) will include environment and social considerations in accordance with the ESF and as per the project ESMF, that are acceptable to the Bank.</p>	<p>7. As soon as the changes are identified, Throughout the project implementation</p> <p>8. Throughout the project implementation</p> <p>9. Before preparing TORs for the Component 1 studies.</p>	
<p>1.3 <b>MANAGEMENT OF CONTRACTORS</b></p> <p>1. Incorporate the relevant aspects of the ESCP, including, inter alia, the relevant E&amp;S instruments, the Labor Management Procedures, and code of conduct, into the ESHS specifications of the procurement documents and contracts with contractors and supervising firms for all the project components including the Owner's supervisor and system integrator. Thereafter ensure that the contractors and supervising firms comply and cause subcontractors to comply with the ESHS specifications of their respective contracts.</p> <p>2. Amend the current agreement with the General Authority for Road and Bridges (GARB) to include the requirement of executing the government financed activities in component 2 in accordance with the ESSs, and the E&amp;S instruments in section 1.2 above.</p> <p>3. Ensure that contractors comply with and implement the provisions set forth in the project's ESF instruments (ESCP, SEP, ESIA, ESMF, Labor Management Procedure), including requirements related to workers' GM.</p> <p>4. Ensure that GARB supervising firms and the contractors appoint or hire an environmental specialist, a social specialist and an occupational health and safety specialist.</p>	<p>As part of the preparation of procurement documents and respective contracts.</p> <p>1. Throughout Project implementation.</p> <p>2. Before bidding/contracting of civil works contractors</p> <p>3. Throughout Project implementation.</p> <p>4. Prior to commencement of any works, for subcomponent 2.1 and 2.3 and throughout project implementation.</p> <p>5. Prior to commencement of any works, for subcomponent 2.1 and 2.3 and throughout project implementation</p>	<p>ENR/PMU</p>

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	5. Ensure that GARB appoints or hires an environmental, social and occupational health and safety focal point.		
1.4	<b>TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE</b> Ensure that the consultancies, studies including feasibility studies, capacity building, training, and any other technical assistance activities under the Project, are carried out in accordance with terms of reference acceptable to the Bank, that are consistent with the ESSs. Thereafter ensure that the outputs of such activities comply with the terms of reference.	Prior to the publication of the terms of reference and throughout Project implementation.	ENR/PMU
1.5	<b>ASSOCIATED FACILITIES</b> Ensure that the activities in identified as associated facilities in the ESIA and ESMF and other future instruments, to be screened, assessed, prepared, and carried out in accordance with the applicable requirements of this ESCP and the ESSs.	Throughout the project implementation	ENR/PMU
<b>ESS 2: LABOR AND WORKING CONDITIONS</b>			
2.1	<b>LABOR MANAGEMENT PROCEDURES</b> Adopt and implement the Labor Management Procedures (LMP) for the Project, including, inter alia, provisions on working conditions, management of workers relationships, occupational health and safety (including personal protective equipment, and emergency preparedness and response), code of conduct (including relating to SEA and SH), forced labor, child labor, grievance arrangements for Project workers, and applicable requirements for contractors, subcontractors, and supervising firms.	The LMP was finalized, adopted and disclosed on 08/27/2022. Implement the LMP throughout Project implementation.	ENR/PMU Contractors
2.2	<b>GRIEVANCE MECHANISM FOR PROJECT WORKERS</b> Establish and operate a grievance mechanism for Project workers, as described in the LMP and consistent with ESS2.	Establish grievance mechanism prior engaging Project workers and thereafter maintain and operate it throughout Project implementation.	ENR/PMU Contractors
<b>ESS 3: RESOURCE EFFICIENCY AND POLLUTION PREVENTION AND MANAGEMENT</b>			
3.1	<b>WASTE MANAGEMENT PLAN</b> 1- Prepare, adopt and implement a Waste Management Plan (WMP) and Hazardous material management Plan (HAZMAT) to manage hazardous and non-hazardous wastes sub-components (2.1, 2.2, 2.3 and 2.4), consistent with ESS3 and the requirements of the cleared instruments.	1- Adopt the WMP prior to starting any construction works, and thereafter implement the WMP throughout Project implementation.	ENR/PMU Contractors
3.2	<b>RESOURCE EFFICIENCY AND POLLUTION PREVENTION AND MANAGEMENT</b> Incorporate resource efficiency and pollution prevention and management measures in the ESIA, ESMF and ESMPs to be prepared under action [1.2] above.	Adopt the measures prior to starting any construction works, and thereafter implement the WMP throughout Project implementation.	ENR/PMU Contractors
<b>ESS 4: COMMUNITY HEALTH AND SAFETY</b>			

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4.1	<p><b>TRAFFIC AND ROAD SAFETY</b></p> <p>Incorporate measures to manage traffic and road safety risks as required in the ESIA, ESMF and ESMPs to be prepared under action [1.2] above.</p>	Adopt the measures prior to starting any construction works, and thereafter implement the measures throughout Project implementation.	ENR/PMU Contractors
4.2	<p><b>COMMUNITY HEALTH AND SAFETY</b></p> <p>Assess and manage specific risks and impacts to the community arising from Project activities as identified in the ESIA and ESMF and include mitigation measures in the ESMPs to be prepared in accordance with the ESMF.</p>	Adopt the measures prior to starting any construction works, and thereafter implement the measures throughout Project implementation.	ENR/PMU Contractors
4.3	<p><b>SEA AND SH RISKS</b></p> <p>Prepare, adopt and implement a SEA/SH Action Plan to assess and manage the risks of SEA and SH.</p>	Adopt the SEA/SH Action Plan no later than 1 months after Project Effectiveness, and thereafter implement the SEA/SH Action Plan throughout Project implementation.	ENR/PMU Contractors
4.4	<p><b>SECURITY MANAGEMENT</b></p> <p>Assess and implement measures to manage the security risks of the Project, including the risks of engaging security personnel to safeguard project workers, sites, assets, and activities, as identified in the ESIA and ESMF guided by the principles of proportionality and GIIP, and by applicable law, in relation to hiring, rules of conduct, training, equipping, and monitoring of such personnel.</p>	Adopt the measures prior to starting any construction works, and thereafter implement the measures throughout Project implementation.	ENR/PMU Contractors
<b>ESS 5: LAND ACQUISITION, RESTRICTIONS ON LAND USE AND INVOLUNTARY RESETTLEMENT</b>			
5.1	<p><b>RESETTLEMENT POLICY FRAMEWORK</b></p> <p>Adopt and implement a Resettlement Framework (RF) for the Project, consistent with ESS5.</p>	The RF was finalized, adopted and disclosed on 08/27/2022. Implement the RF throughout Project implementation.	ENR/PMU
5.2	<p><b>RESETTLEMENT PLANS</b></p> <p>Prepare, adopt and implement a resettlement plan (RP) for each activity under the Project for which the RPF requires such RP, as set out in the RF, and consistent with ESS5. RP to be reviewed and cleared by the Bank, disclosed and implemented before the commencement of any civil works in the sections of the rail corridors that will entail land acquisition. If resettlement will take place before the project effectiveness, the same condition should apply and no civil works should commence on the ground before an RP is prepared, reviewed and cleared by the Bank, disclosed and implemented.</p>	Adopt and implement the respective RP, including ensuring that before taking possession of the land and related assets, full compensation has been provided and as applicable displaced people have been resettled and moving allowances have been provided.	ENR/PMU
<b>ESS 6: BIODIVERSITY CONSERVATION AND SUSTAINABLE MANAGEMENT OF LIVING NATURAL RESOURCES</b>			



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6.1	<p><b>BIODIVERSITY RISKS AND IMPACTS</b></p> <p>Prepare, adopt and implement relevant mitigation measures identified in the studies in section 1.2 above in accordance with the guidelines of the ESIA prepared for the Project, and consistent with ESS6.</p>	Adopt the measures prior to starting any construction works, and thereafter implement the measures throughout Project implementation.	ENR/PMU Contractors ENR/PMU Contractors
<b>ESS 8: CULTURAL HERITAGE</b>			
8.1	<p><b>CULTURAL HERITAGE RISKS AND IMPACTS</b></p> <p>Adopt and implement chance finds procedure in the ESIA and ESMF under actions 1.2 and consistent with ESS8.</p>	Adopt the measures prior to starting any construction works, and thereafter implement the measures throughout Project implementation.	ENR/PMU Contractors
<b>ESS 10: STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT AND INFORMATION DISCLOSURE</b>			
10.1	<p><b>STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT PLAN PREPARATION AND IMPLEMENTATION</b></p> <p>Adopt and implement a Stakeholder Engagement Plan (SEP) for the Project, consistent with ESS10, which shall include measures to, inter alia, provide stakeholders with timely, relevant, understandable and accessible information, and consult with them in a culturally appropriate manner, which is free of manipulation, interference, coercion, discrimination and intimidation.</p>	The SEP was finalized, adopted and disclosed on 08/27/2022, and thereafter implement the SEP throughout Project implementation.	ENR/PMU Contractors
10.2	<p><b>PROJECT GRIEVANCE MECHANISM</b></p> <p>Establish, publicize, maintain, and operate an accessible grievance mechanism, to receive and facilitate resolution of concerns and grievances in relation to the Project, promptly and effectively, in a transparent manner that is culturally appropriate and readily accessible to all Project-affected parties, at no cost and without retribution, including concerns and grievances filed anonymously, in a manner consistent with ESS10. As needed, customized land related GM systems will be established and linked to the main project level mechanism.</p> <p>Establish an ongoing line of communication with GMs managed by relevant institutions (i.e., Egyptian Survey Authority (ESA) and General Authority for Roads and Bridges (GARB)) to ensure that ENR is continuously informed of all the project-level land acquisition grievances, to enable keeping track and documenting all grievances in the project-level GM log.</p>	<p>Establish the grievance mechanism no later than 3 months after the effectiveness, and thereafter maintain and operate the mechanism throughout Project implementation.</p> <p>Establish a line of communication with the relevant institutions prior to any land taking for the ESA and prior to starting any construction works for GARB, and thereafter implement the measures throughout Project implementation.</p>	ENR/PMU Contractors

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	The grievance mechanism shall be equipped to receive, register, and facilitate the resolution of SEA/SH complaints, including through the referral of survivors to relevant gender-based violence service providers, all in a safe, confidential, and survivor-centered manner, including through linking to ENR’s Railway Safety Campaign ( السكة ( امن )) and referral of survivors to ENR’s gender-based violence service providers.		
CAPACITY SUPPORT			
CS1	Training of the PMU, GARB ESHS and contractor ESHS staff for component 2: on WB ESF and the Environmental and Social Impact Assessment (ESIA), RF, ESMP, LMP (with emphasis on Code of Conduct), ESMF, and SEP. Owner's Works Supervisor and Integrator to develop and implement a capacity building plan.	Before and throughout project implementation	ENR/PMU
CS2	TRAINING FOR CONTRACTED WORKERS AND relevant ENR field and station Staff) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Prevention and management of OHS risks and impacts: General EHS, OHS training including Best Practices: i.e., OSHA training. Training topics should address all the project’s hazards.</li> <li>• Prevention of community and health safety risks and impacts including, at a minimum, prevention of COVID-19 spread, code of conduct and prevention of GBV, prevention of child labor, pedestrian and train safety</li> <li>• LMP and GM</li> <li>• Implementation of ESMP including plans therein, such as waste management plan, stakeholder engagement plan, etc.</li> <li>• Land management processes under the RF</li> </ul>	Before and throughout project implementation	ENR/PMU