

# Republic of Mali

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## MALI COVID-19 EMERGENCY RESPONSE PROJECT Additional Financing

### ENVIRONMENTAL AND SOCIAL COMMITMENT PLAN (ESCP)

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1. The Republic of Mali (the Recipient) shall implement the Additional Financing of COVID-19 EMERGENCY RESPONSE PROJECT, through the Ministry of Health and Social Development (MSDS). The International Development Association (hereinafter the Association) has agreed to provide financing for the Project additional financing.
2. The Recipient shall ensure that the activities financed by the AF project comply with the requirements of the Environmental and Social Framework (ESF). This environmental and social commitment plan (ESCP) defines the material measures and actions, provides guidelines for the implementation of specific documents or plans as well as the timetable for their development and / or updating.
3. The Recipient is responsible for compliance with all requirements of the ESF as reflected in this ESCP regardless which Ministry, agency or unit is referenced in paragraph 1 as responsible.
4. Implementation of the material measures and actions set out in this ESCP shall be monitored and reported to the Association by the Recipient as outlined herein and the conditions of the Legal Agreement. The Association shall support the implementation and monitor and assess progress and completion of the ESCP during implementation of the AF Project.
5. As agreed by the Association and the Recipient, this ESCP may be revised from time to time during Project implementation, to reflect adaptive management of AF Project changes and unforeseen circumstances or in response to assessment of AF Project performance conducted under the ESCP itself. In such circumstances, the Recipient shall agree to the changes with the Association and shall update the ESCP to reflect such changes. Agreement on changes to the ESCP shall be documented through an exchange of letters signed between the Association and the Recipient. The Recipient shall promptly disclose the updated ESCP per the requirements of the ESF.
6. Where AF Project changes, unforeseen circumstances or AF Project performance result in changes to the risks and impacts during AF Project implementation, the Recipient shall provide additional funds, if needed, to implement actions and measures to address such risks and impacts.

MATERIAL MEASURES AND ACTIONS		TIMEFRAME	RESPONSIBLE ENTITY/AUTHORITY
<b>MONITORING AND REPORTING</b>			
A	<b>REGULAR REPORTING:</b> The Ministry of Health and Social Development, through the PCU, shall prepare and submit to the Bank regular environmental and social monitoring reports indicating the state of compliance with the measures presented in the ESCP <sup>1</sup> , in particular with regard to the implementation and the application of the measures proposed in the environmental and social tools on parent project developed and published: the ESMF <sup>2</sup> , the ESMP <sup>3</sup> , the infection prevention and control plan and the management of waste from healthcare, including the Action Plan related to GBV <sup>4</sup> / ESA <sup>5</sup> / SH <sup>6</sup> but not limited to SEP <sup>7</sup> and RCCE <sup>8</sup> and GRM <sup>9</sup> .	<i>Quarterly throughout project implementation</i>	<i>Ministry of Health and Social Development</i>
<b>ESS 1: ASSESSMENT AND MANAGEMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL AND SOCIAL RISKS AND IMPACTS</b>			

<sup>1</sup> Environmental and Social Commitment Plan

<sup>2</sup> Environmental and Social Management Framework

<sup>3</sup> Environmental and Social Management Plan

<sup>4</sup> Gender Based Violence

<sup>5</sup> Exploitation Sexual Abuse

<sup>6</sup> Sexual harassment

<sup>7</sup> Stakeholder Engagement Plan

<sup>8</sup> Risk Communication and Community Engagement

<sup>9</sup> Grievance Mechanism

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<p>1.1 <b>ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE:</b> The Ministry of Health and Social Development shall retain the existing PCU for the implementation of the REDISSE III and COVID 19 project with adequate and qualified staff and resources to support the management of the ESHS<sup>10</sup> risks and impacts of the project and compliance with the measures presented in the ESCP, including the hiring or appointment of an environmental safeguard specialist (ESS<sup>11</sup>) in charge of environmental risks / impacts in addition a social safeguard specialist (SSS<sup>12</sup>) in charge of related risks / impacts to populations, to gender. A third party entity may be required to support the monitoring and evaluation of the implementation.</p>	<p>The PIU shall be maintained throughout project implementation a full-time Social Safeguard Specialist as well as additional specialists</p> <p>Completed the recruitment of Environmental Safeguard Specialist (ESS) before AF effectiveness such as the</p> <p>Completed the recruitment Communication Specialist for implementation of SEP before AF effectiveness</p> <p>Throughout project implementation.</p>	<p><i>Ministry of Health and Social Development</i></p>

<sup>10</sup> Environmental, Social, Health and Safety

<sup>11</sup> Environmental Safeguard Specialist

<sup>12</sup> Social Safeguard Specialist

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<p>1.2 <b>ENVIRONMENTAL AND SOCIAL ASSESSMENT/MANAGEMENT PLANS AND INSTRUMENTS/ CONTRACTORS</b></p> <p>a. Evaluate the environmental and social risks and impacts of the proposed AF project activities, in accordance with the Environmental and Social Management Framework (ESMF) of parent project and published according to the provisions of the first funding agreement, in particular to ensure that individuals or groups (due to their particular situation which may be disadvantaged or vulnerable) have access to the benefits of development resulting from the project.</p> <p>b. Implement all the environmental and social safeguard tools developed in the frame of the parent project (ESMF, IPCWMP<sup>13</sup>, SEP, RCCE and LMP<sup>14</sup>) or any other instrument required to guide the implementation of AF project activities in accordance with the ESF<sup>15</sup>, including the GRM the Staff Training Plan.</p> <p>c. Incorporate into the ESHS specifications of procurement documents and contracts with contractors and supervision companies the relevant aspects of this ESCP, including, among others, the developed environmental and social safeguard tools generated within the framework of the project, the requirements of ESS2<sup>16</sup> and any other environmental and social measures required. Then ensure that contractors and supervision companies comply with the ESHS specifications of their respective contracts, including all measures intended to prevent GBV / ESA/ SH.</p>	<p>a. The implementation of the ESMF - prepared for the parent project - shall be extended to all AF activities in accordance with ESS1<sup>17</sup></p> <p>b. The implementation of plans or instruments developed throughout the implementation of AF project activities</p> <p>c. Before launching the procurement process for the relevant Project activities, and thereafter throughout the carrying out of such activities.</p>	<p><i>Ministry of Health and Social Development</i></p>

<sup>13</sup> Infection Prevention and Control and Waste Management Plan

<sup>14</sup> Labor Management Procedure

<sup>15</sup> Environmental and Social Framework

<sup>16</sup> Environmental and Social Standard 2

<sup>17</sup> Environmental and Social Standard 1

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<p>1.3 <b>EXCLUSIONS:</b> Exclude the following type of activities as ineligible for financing under the AF Project:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Any activities that involve any permanent or temporary land acquisition, land use restriction and/or involuntary resettlement;</li> <li>All the other excluded activities set out in the ESMF of the AF Project.</li> </ul>		
MATERIAL MEASURES AND ACTIONS		
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ESS 2: LABOR AND WORKING CONDITIONS		
<p>2.1 <b>LABOR MANAGEMENT:</b> The AF project shall be executed in accordance with the requirements of ESS2, in a manner acceptable to the Association, the implementation of the Labor Management Procedure Manual (LMP) developed under the parent project which includes the adequate occupational health and safety measures, emergency preparedness and response measures, accessible GRM, arrangements for project workers and manpower requirements in ESHS specifications documents procurement and contracts with contractors and supervision companies.</p>	<p>The LMP shall be maintained, implemented, monitored and evaluated throughout Project implementation. All other measures specified shall also be implemented throughout the AF Project implementation period.</p>	<p><i>Ministry of Health and Social Development</i></p>
ESS 3: RESOURCE EFFICIENCY AND POLLUTION PREVENTION AND MANAGEMENT		
<p>The implementation of relevant aspects of this standard shall be taken into account, as appropriate, as part of the environmental and social risk / impact assessment of AF project activities in accordance with IPCWMP and ESMF, including, among others , measures to manage health care waste and other types of hazardous and non-hazardous waste. The health care waste management plan and ESMF developed under parent project shall be extended to AF.</p>	<p>Throughout AF Project implementation.</p>	<p><i>Ministry of Health and Social Development</i></p>
ESS 4: COMMUNITY HEALTH AND SAFETY		
<p>The implementation of relevant aspects of this standard shall be taken into account, where appropriate, in the context of the environmental and social risk / impact assessment of AF project activities in accordance with the ESMF, including, among others, measures to: minimize the potential for exposure of the community to communicable diseases; ensure that individuals or groups (due to their particular situation, which may be disadvantaged or vulnerable) have access to the development benefits resulting from the AF project; manage the risks associated with the potential use of security personnel; and preventing and responding to the risks associated with sexual exploitation and abuse and sexual harassment (ESA / SH).</p>	<p>The Recipient shall continue to implement - the ESMF adopted under the parent project throughout the AF, - including the community health and safety plan (CHSP) and the guidelines concerning the assessment of risks related to GBV / ESA / SH and the mitigation measures throughout the implementation of the AF project</p>	<p><i>Ministry of Health and Social Development</i></p>
ESS 5: LAND ACQUISITION, RESTRICTIONS ON LAND USE AND INVOLUNTARY RESETTLEMENT		
<p>Not currently relevant.</p>		
ESS 6: BIODIVERSITY CONSERVATION AND SUSTAINABLE MANAGEMENT OF LIVING NATURAL RESOURCES		

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Not currently relevant.		
<b>ESS 7: INDIGENOUS PEOPLES/SUB-SAHARAN AFRICAN HISTORICALLY UNDERSERVED TRADITIONAL LOCAL COMMUNITIES</b>		
Not currently relevant.		
<b>ESS 8: CULTURAL HERITAGE</b>		
Not currently relevant.		
<b>ESS 9: FINANCIAL INTERMEDIARIES</b>		
Not currently relevant.		
<b>ESS 10: STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT AND INFORMATION DISCLOSURE</b>		
10.1 <b>STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT PLAN:</b> Implement Stakeholder Engagement Plan (SEP) prepared under parent project in accordance with ESS10 and WHO provisions (January 26, 2020).	The SEP shall be implemented throughout the implementation of the AF project.	<i>Ministry of Health and Social Development</i>
<b>COMMUNICATION PLAN ON RISKS AND COMMUNITY PARTICIPATION (RCCE) :</b> Implement RCCE developed in accordance with WHO technical guidelines and published to ensure that populations and communities potentially affected by the AF project are informed and adopt good practices regarding sanitary risks	RCCE developed and published under parent project shall be implemented throughout the implementation of the AF project.	<i>Ministry of Health and Social Development</i>
10.2 <b>GRIEVANCE MECHANISM:</b> The parent project GRM developed established and published shall remain accessible and functional to receive and facilitate the resolution of concerns and grievances in relation to the AF project as described in the ESF and in accordance with ESS10 <sup>18</sup> . Adequate resources shall be provided for the continued operation of the GRM on AF project activities.	AF project GRM shall be retained and ensured to be functional prior to the carrying out of any project activities and shall be maintained throughout project implementation.	<i>Ministry of Health and Social Development</i>
<b>CAPACITY SUPPORT (TRAINING)</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Provide training to health workers and surface technicians regarding environmental risks and waste management.</li> <li>- Provide training to complaint management committees on GRM management and follow up.</li> <li>- Provide training to staff of health delivery facilities regarding the adequate use of personal protection equipment and diagnosis, care and notification of positive COVID-19 cases.</li> <li>- Provide training on security, SEA/SH under implementation of AF activities</li> </ul>	The training plan developed within the framework shall be implemented throughout the duration of the AF project.	<i>Ministry of Health and Social Development</i>

<sup>18</sup> Environmental and Social Standard 10