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IMPLEMENTATION OF THE NAP/NFMCP

FORESTRY DEPARTMENT

NOVEMBER 2017

JAMAICA/ EU BUDGET SUPPORT PROGRAMME:

- **CONTINUED IMPLEMENTATION OF THE NAP/NFMCP WILL BE FACILITATED THROUGH A FOUR YEAR BUDGET SUPPORT PROGRAMME, TO START APRIL 2018.**
- **TITLE OF PROGRAMME: ADDRESSING ENVIRONMENTAL AND CLIMATE CHANGE CHALLENGES THROUGH IMPROVED FOREST MANAGEMENT IN JAMAICA (IFMJ)**
- **FINANCED UNDER 11TH EUROPEAN DEVELOPMENT FUND (11TH EDF)-THESE FUNDS ARE THE MAIN SOURCE OF EU DEVELOPMENT AID FOR THE AFRICAN, CARIBBEAN AND PACIFIC (ACP) COUNTRIES AND THE OVERSEAS**

PROGRAMME DETAILS:

- FOCAL SECTOR - ENVIRONMENT AND CLIMATE CHANGE SECTOR
- TOTAL ESTIMATED COST: EUR 16,695,000
 - TOTAL AMOUNT OF EDF CONTRIBUTION: EUR 16,550,000 OF WHICH:
 - EUR 14,000,000 FOR BUDGET SUPPORT;
 - EUR 900,000 FOR COMPLEMENTARY SUPPORT (TA-SUPPLY, PROJECTS);
 - EUR 1,300,000 FOR GRANTS TO CIVIL SOCIETY ORGANISATIONS (NON STATE ACTORS – NSAS); AND
 - EUR 350,000 FOR COMMUNICATION, VISIBILITY, EVALUATION AND AUDIT

OBJECTIVE OF PROGRAMME:

- TO ASSIST THE GOVERNMENT OF JAMAICA (GOJ) IN IMPLEMENTING THE FOREST POLICY -WHITE PAPER 2017 (AND SUPPORTING THE NATIONAL ACTION PLAN/NATIONAL FOREST MANAGEMENT AND CONSERVATION PLAN (NAP/NFMCP 2016-2026)), TO SUSTAINABLY MANAGE AND UTILISE JAMAICA'S FOREST RESOURCES TO ENHANCE SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND CONTRIBUTE TO BUILDING THE COUNTRY'S CLIMATE RESILIENCE.
- TWO SPECIFIC OBJECTIVES (INFORMED FROM THE NFMCP) AND FIVE EXPECTED RESULTS HAVE BEEN IDENTIFIED:
- SO1: REVERSE FOREST DEGRADATION, DEFORESTATION AND THE LOSS OF FOREST BIODIVERSITY, THROUGH CONSERVATION AND SUSTAINABLE FOREST MANAGEMENT, AS WELL AS STRENGTHENING THE LEGISLATIVE, POLICY AND INSTITUTIONAL FRAMEWORK OF THE SECTOR.
 - *ER 1.1 STRENGTHENED GOVERNANCE, POLICY AND LEGISLATIVE FRAMEWORK TO ENSURE SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT OF THE FOREST SECTOR*
 - *ER 1.2 IMPROVED PARTICIPATORY PLANNING TO PROTECT, CONSERVE AND MANAGE JAMAICA'S FORESTS.*

OBJECTIVE CONT'D:

- SO2: ENHANCE ECONOMIC, SOCIAL AND ENVIRONMENTAL BENEFITS OF FORESTS THROUGH THE SUSTAINABLE UTILIZATION OF FOREST RESOURCES
 - *ER 2.1 STRENGTHENED INSTITUTIONAL CAPACITY FOR IMPROVED AVAILABILITY OF DATA AND CAPACITY FOR MONITORING AND KNOWLEDGE MANAGEMENT*
 - *ER 2.2: IMPROVED AVAILABILITY OF SPATIAL DATA FOR SUSTAINABLE FOREST MANAGEMENT PRACTICES, PROMOTING INVESTMENT, AND ASSESSING VULNERABILITIES AND RISKS IN THE FOREST SECTOR*
 - *ER 2.3 FOREST COMMUNITIES, THE GENERAL PUBLIC AS WELL AS TARGETED GROUPS OF PROFESSIONALS HAVE INCREASED KNOWLEDGE/CAPACITY AND PARTICIPATE IN SUSTAINABLE FOREST PRACTICES*
- PROGRAMME FOCUSES ON EIGHT (8) KEY INDICATORS (DISBURSEMENT INDICATORS) WHICH ARE TAKEN FROM THE NFMCP AND ITS PMER FRAMEWORK AND PLAN. THESE INDICATORS ARE FURTHER BROKEN DOWN INTO ACTIVITIES AND OUTPUTS

ACTIONS OF THEMATIC AREA 1: “FOREST GOVERNANCE AND CONSERVATION”

Action #	Action	Budget Support Activity	Responsibility
1-1	Implement in collaboration with the National Development Plan process and linked to the Medium-Term Framework, a cross-sectoral mechanism for integrating the Forest Sector into relevant national decision-making processes that support sustainable forest management, the building of the country's climate resilience, and the implementation of the NFMCP.	FY: 2017-2018- Establishment of a Technical Advisory Committee to guide implementation of NAP/NFMCP	Cabinet Office, MEGJC
1-2	Amend the Forest Act and its regulations along with related legislation to ensure harmonisation in order to: (i) fill existing gaps in the current act; (ii) add additional offences; and (iii) improve the Agency’s ability to protect, and regulate the forested areas.	Tabling of Bill in Parliament by end of Yr4- FY 2021/2022	MEGJC and FD, CPC, NEPA/TCPA, Cabinet Office

1-4	Transfer by the Commissioner of Lands, crown lands to the Forestry Department for the management of mangrove forests and swamp forests.	<p>-7,200ha of mangrove forest crown lands to be transferred. (Commissioner of Lands)</p> <p>-7000 Hectares of mangrove and swamp forests assessed/mapped by end of Yr3 (FY 2020/2021).</p>	NLA, FD, UWI
1-7	Expand and accelerate the boundary verification programme for forest estates.	-10,000 hectares of forest estates with boundaries verified in the field and updated into the GIS by end of Yr4 (FY 2021/2022)	FD

ACTIONS OF THEMATIC AREA 2: “FOREST UTILISATION”

Action #	Action	Budget Support Activity	Responsibility
2-4	Promote alternative livelihoods in forest communities through the development of ecotourism; honey production; and farming using sustainable land management practices on private land and other feasible alternatives.	Forty (40) agreements (valuing a cap of JMD270M) that relate to alternative forest livelihood activities including training on alternative forest livelihood topics awarded and activities completed by end of programme	FD, SDC, NGOs, LFMCS

ACTIONS OF THEMATIC AREA 3: “CAPACITY FOR SUSTAINABLE FOREST MANAGEMENT”

	Action	Budget Support Activity	Responsibility
3-1	Develop a comprehensive reforestation programme for forest estates.	<p>Social programme developed to accompany the reforestation programme to avoid lessons learned from past interventions.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -25% increase in seedling production of species to support reforestation programme. -1200 ha of forest plantations maintained. -300 ha of denuded lands reforested to reverse loss of forest cover & biodiversity 	FD, SDC
3-2	Develop three (3) Cluster Forest Management Plans.	<p>Dolphin Head & Stephney-Johns Vale FMP updated and approved by Year 2(FY 2019/2020) .</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Implementation of targeted alternative livelihoods & reforestation activities done in Year 3 & 4 	FD, SDC, LFMC
3-5	Collaborate in the development of a mangrove forest and swamp management plan.	National Mangrove Management Plan completed by end of Yr4 – FY 2021/2022	NEPA, FD, UDC MEGJC/ERMD, UWI/CSG, IOJ, NGOs

3-8	Create and maintain a database of private forest landowners; to facilitate effective communication regarding the management and availability of incentive programmes for broadleaf, mangrove, swamp, and open short dry forest types.	Focus on CBL forest types- 3000 parcels of privately owned forest lands identified and are included within the database (NFD) by end of Yr4.	FD, NLA
3-9	Review the existing forest inventory approach and revise where necessary in order to meet the needs of Carbon Stock Monitoring (CSM) and potential carbon trading agreements.	Carbon values for nine (9) forest estates completed & approved by end of Yr 4. Final Assessment report completed.	FD, MSET, UWI, MEGJC/CCD
3-14	Facilitate access to funding to LFMCs and CBOs by providing support for project management training for the development of alternative livelihoods, community development, and conservation projects.	Forty (40) agreements (valuing a cap of JMD270M) that relate to alternative forest livelihood activities including training on alternative forest livelihood topics awarded and activities completed by end of programme	FD, SDC, NGOs, LFMCS

ACTIONS FOR THEMATIC AREA 4: “EDUCATION, TRAINING AND AWARENESS”

Action #	Action	Budget Support Activity	Responsibility
4-1	Design an education programme to strengthen the public’s understanding of the benefits of forests and their resources, the importance of sustainable forest management and conservation practices.	-27000 recorded participants (disaggregated by gender) exposed to public education/awareness events by end of Yr 4	FD, in collaboration with other agencies
4-3	Design and implement a public awareness and education programme on sustainable forest management, the related risks of forests and its impact on forest health and preventative methods in relation to forest fires.	-800 participants (disaggregated by gender) exposed to forest fire related community training events by end of Yr 4	FD, RADA, SDC
4-4	Develop outreach programme for private forestry programme participants and evaluate the programme on an ongoing basis.	-900 participants under the private forestry programme participating in outreach programmes from the by the end of Yr4	FD

ACTIONS FOR THEMATIC AREA “MONITORING AND INFORMATION MANAGEMENT”

Action #	Action	Budget Support Activity	Responsibility
5-2	Assess and map disturbance within Broad Leaf forests including mangrove forests and swamp forests, rate the condition of the areas and identify and map other areas likely to provide suitable habitats for these species in the likelihood of sea level rise.	Mapping of Mangrove & Swamp areas.	UWI/DLS, NEPA, FD and NGOs managing protected areas

OTHER ACTIVITIES TO BE DONE:

- REHABILITATE RECREATIONAL SITES (E.G. GOURIE, CLYDESDALE).
- BUILD THE CAPACITY OF THE AGENCY AND ITS PARTNER ORGANISATIONS TO CONDUCT NATURAL RESOURCE/ECOSYSTEMS VALUATIONS FOR ALL TYPES OF FORESTS.
- INCREASE SILVICULTURAL CAPACITY WITHIN THE AGENCY.
- INCREASE ENFORCEMENT CAPACITY
- BUILD THE CAPACITY OF THE AGENCY AND ITS PARTNER ORGANISATIONS TO CONDUCT CARBON STOCK MONITORING.

FINAL NOTE:

- THE AGENCY AND BY EXTENSION THE FOREST SECTOR SHOULD BY THE END OF THE FOUR YEAR PROGRAMME- (PAST THE HALF WAY POINT OF THE 10 YEAR NAP/NFMCP,) SEE STRONG PROGRESS ON ACTIVITIES DETAILED IN THE PLAN. PROGRESS WOULD HAVE BEEN MADE ON ACTIVITIES IN **ALL** FIVE THEMATIC AREAS WITH CAPACITY STRENGTHENED IN SPECIFIC KEY TECHNICAL AREAS ACHIEVED FOR THE SECTOR.



