UNEP NIE Support Programme in Asia and the Pacific Region

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Background on Adaptation Fund

- Adaptation Fund established in 2001 under Kyoto Protocol of UNFCCC
- Funds generated from CDM proceeds and voluntary pledges
- Finances concrete CCA projects in developing countries party to Kyoto Protocol
- Using Direct Access modality
AF allows countries to access fund through

- Multilateral Implementing Entities (MIEs)
- Regional Implementing Entities (RIEs)
- National Implementing Entity (NIE)

Green Climate Fund (GCF) also applying direct access modality

Process of NIE accreditation and access of financial resources requires a country to meet certain requirements and standards
Accreditation process for Direct Access

- Direct Access requires accredited National Implementing Entity
- Accreditation of NIE gauged on
  - Financial Integrity and Management
  - Institutional Capacity
  - Transparency and Self-investigative Powers
- AF Board requested UNEP support to countries in capacity building on Direct Access
UNEP-MOEJ Regional Support Programme

Trustee

Board

RIE

MIE

NIE

Ex. Entity

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Accredited NIEs in the Asia Pacific region very low

Multi-year regional support programme, financed by Ministry of the Environment of Japan started in 2012

Beneficiary countries currently include Cambodia, Cook Islands, Maldives, Palau, Samoa, Sri Lanka, Tuvalu

Combination of technical and financial support
**UNEP-MOEJ Regional Support Programme**

* UNEP support is demand-driven
* Support at any stage of Direct Access
* Customized support
* Network of strong experts on Direct Access
* Regional Help Desk
* Community of Practice
* Regional knowledge sharing workshop
UNEP’s a-la-carte services

- NIE accreditation support
  - Support NIE identification and selection
  - Support assessment of capacity gaps
  - Assistance on capacity development
  - Support accreditation application and address feedback from AF
UNEP’s a-la-carte services

- Project formulation support
  - Checklist for identification of adaptation projects
  - Assistance in implementation modality
  - Guidance on project preparation
  - Primary assessment of project proposals
Further Information