

# Call for Project Concept Note (PCN)

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Mekong and Asia Pacific Community-based Adaptation to Climate Change (MAP-CBA) and Global Environment Facility's Small Grants Programme, Lao PDR (GEF-SGP, LAO PDR) (Small Grants Programme Community-based Adaptation (SGP-CBA)) Announce a **Call for Project Concept Notes** to award small grants projects up to US\$50,000 in the area of Community-based Climate Change Adaptation initiatives, to Lao civil society organizations that are either (a) registered with the Lao Government or (b) have submitted an application for registration, Communities and community-based organizations that are officially proof by local authorities.

## **SGP-CBA Projects to be awarded**

Local communities are the most affected by climate change impacts because they commonly depend directly upon climate-sensitive natural resources for their livelihoods. In response, adaptation measures are required to strengthen community-level resilience to climate change risks and ability to manage its negative impacts. The proponents to be awarded have to propose the project focus at village and households level answering the following outcomes and areas of focus below

**Outcome 1:** Necessary capacity strengthened among the NPAs and CBOs for designing and implementing community-based adaptation measures

- Strengthen capacity of CBOs in sustainable natural resource management
- Develop agro-forestry systems for watershed protection and erosion reduction in steep areas
- Development of small reservoirs in upland areas in order to provide water for wildlife/aquatic animals and plants during the dry season

- Conservation and development of major watersheds
- Providing access to safe water and improved sanitation to reduce diarrhoeal diseases

**Outcome 2: Climate change adaptation mainstreamed at the community level**

- Improve systems for the sustainable use of drinking water and sanitation with community participation in flood and drought prone areas
- Improve the capacity of the epidemic disease surveillance programmes to identify and respond to outbreaks of malaria and other infectious diseases
- Promote secondary professions in order to improve the livelihoods of farmers affected by natural disasters induced by climate change.
- Promotion of short-duration paddy and other cash crops in natural hazard prone areas
- Technical capacities of local agricultural officers in natural hazard prone areas strengthened.
- Train farmers on the processing and storing of human and animal food stuffs.
- Establishment and strengthening of farmers groups in natural hazard prone areas
- Promote soil improvement using locally available organic fertilizer and existing agricultural waste.
- Develop appropriate bank erosion protection systems for agricultural land in flood prone areas.
- Promote integrated pest management (IPM) and use of herbal medicines in pest management and livestock treatment

**Outcome 4: Lessons based upon effective approaches for implementing community adaptation measures documented**

- Enhancing information dissemination and extension support to Lao farmers in regard to climate change preparedness and responses.



The MAP CBA programme will be implemented under the existing established SGP implementation infrastructure. This includes making use of existing organizational structures such as the SGP National Coordinator (NC) and SGP National Steering Committee (NSC). Following the deadline Project Concept Notes, the NC and NSC will prescreen and shortlisted the eligible proponents by mid May 2010. The proponents entitled will be contact to take further step for development of **Project proposal**

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**Programme Strategy (CPS) and Project Concept Note Template:**

**<http://www.undplao.org/whatwedo/small%20grants.php>**

**The deadline for the submission of PCNS is April 30<sup>th</sup> 2010**