I. Introduction and Context

Country Context

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Over the years, the IGAD Secretariat with active participation and involvement of the member states, relevant regional and international organizations and agencies elaborated a disaster management strategy and compiled a comprehensive Disaster Risk Management Programme. The IGAD Council of Ministers endorsed the Disaster Risk Management Programme for the IGAD Region in 2004 and entrusted the Secretariat with its implementation. The Secretariat, therefore, has responded to these challenges since 2004 by implementing the Regional Disaster Risk Management Programme (DRM). IGAD Member States with the support from the Secretariat and partners have made encouraging progress towards the implementation of the DRM programme by putting in place appropriate policies, plans, institutional frameworks and capacities among other mechanisms.
Despite such progress there still remain many gaps and challenges impeding the realization of DRM. Experiences have shown that past strategies and response mechanisms have never been adequate. In this regard, there is need for a comprehensive policy on disaster risk management that is proactive, harmonises policies and activities as well as opens initiatives for regional collaboration, take initiation in integrating DRM and Climate Change adaptation measures and strengthen institutional capacities.

Sectoral and Institutional Context
In 2004 the African Union published the "Africa Regional Strategy for Disaster Risk Reduction" and in the subsequent years implemented the "Extended Program of Action" – thereby setting a milestone for DRR in Africa and worldwide. In the Horn of Africa, IGAD plays an important role in addressing trans-boundary hazards and coordinating regionally harmonized preparedness and response activities. It has the mandate to coordinate sub-regional DRR policies, preparedness and response activities.

Relationship to CAS/CPS/CPF
Strengthening the technical capacities of IGAD will be a valuable way to reach national authorities and help develop policies and launch programmes that have a direct impact on poverty reduction and sustainable development of national and local communities. It will strengthen the regional organization and enhance its ability to champion, facilitate and coordinate collective responses to regional disaster issues, and downstream to national concerns. The activity also promotes mainstreaming of DRM into national development processes, integrating DRR in development programming, including through the IGAD regional resilience platform, contributes to reduction of underlying risks to poverty reduction and sustainable development. Supporting the development, strengthening and implementation of national DRM policy and programme frameworks will further strengthen preparedness for effective response including post-disaster loss and needs assessment and recovery programming.

II. Project Development Objective(s)

Proposed Development Objective(s)
To strengthen the resilience of IGAD's sub-region, member countries Kenya, Uganda, Djibouti, Ethiopia, Sudan, South Sudan and Somalia) and communities to the impacts of natural disasters, including the potential impacts of climate change, in order to reduce poverty and promote sustainable development.

Key Results
IGAD DRM Strategy/Program is reviewed and framework/strategy to integrate DRM and CCA developed and adapted by DRM and climate services institutions in the member states; Policies, strategies and legal framework for DRM in member states reviewed and in place, and fully operational; Awareness and political commitment to DRM increased in the IGAD region and legislative process considered in member states; Framework policy/protocol for sharing information on cross border hazards developed and endorsed by member states; IGAD Disaster Response Fund (IDRF) is strengthened and fully operational and capacity on monitoring and disaster assessments strengthened; Framework/strategy to establish flood-hazard early warning systems at regional level and tested at selected member states as well as demonstration of early warning and early action developed and adopted; Institutional capacity of IGAD & DRM authorities in the member states to manage disaster risks strengthened; Framework/strategy for mainstreaming DRM in school (education) curricula with potential linkages to the safe school program developed and adopted by member states; and involvement of the youth in the region in DRM is ensured; Promotion of Climate Smart Agriculture in an integrated manner is enhanced and replicated in some member states; Strengthened implementation and coordination capacity at the IGAD Secretariat

III. Preliminary Description

Concept Description

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Expected results & proposed activities

The program is developed around eight components to be implemented in three phases, over a period of 4 years. Expected results and proposed activities are the following:

1. IGAD DRM Strategy/Program is reviewed and framework/strategy to integrate DRM and CCA developed and adapted by DRM and climate services institutions in the member states;
   • Engage expert(s) to review DRM program and develop framework to integrate DRM and...
CCA.
  • Organize meetings to review drafted framework.
2. Policies, strategies and legal framework for DRM in member states reviewed and in place, and fully operational; awareness and political commitment to DRM increased in the IGAD region and legislative process considered in member states; framework policy/protocol for sharing information on cross border hazards developed and endorsed by member states;
  • Support member states in formulating DRM policy, strategies.
  • Establish regional and national DRM parliamentarians’ forum.
  • Organize outside and within the region exposure visits to policy and parliament levels.
3. The IGAD Disaster Response Fund (IDRF) is strengthened and fully operational and capacity on monitoring and disaster assessments strengthened;
  • Recruit technical assistant to assist in operationalizing the IDRF.
  • Organize meetings of DRM Technical Advisors.
  • Organize trainings and disaster assessments missions.
  • Involving the private sector in emergency response and strengthening the Fund.
  • Mobilization of resources for the Fund.
4. Framework/strategy to establish flood-hazard early warning systems at regional level and tested at selected member states as well as demonstration of early warning and early action developed and adopted;
  • Review existing policies on flood warning
  • Develop flood forecasting policy
  • Develop web-based post flood GIS and remote sensing assessment tools
  • Maintenance of the regional post flood assessment tools: consultancy services
  • Publication and translation
5. Institutional capacity of IGAD &DRM authorities in the member states to manage disaster risks strengthened;
  • Conducting Post Disaster Needs Assessment Trainings (PDNA).
  • Promoting Community Based DRM.
  • Conducting trainings on DRM for media, journalists and DRM technicians.
  • Carryout vulnerability & risk assessment in hazard prone areas (using the IGAD hazard maps).
6. Framework/strategy for mainstreaming DRM in school (education) curricula with potential linkages to the safe school program developed and adopted by member states; and involvement of the youth in the region in DRM is ensured;
  • Develop framework for mainstreaming DRM in school curricula.
  • Mainstreaming DRM in school curricula in selected member states.
  • Organize workshops, meetings.
  • Promote youth involvement in DRM.
7. Promotion of Climate Smart Agriculture in an integrated manner is enhanced and replicated in some member states;
  • Technical expert to lead the promotion activity.
  • Organize technical workshops.
  • Sharing climate smart agricultural practices through exchange visits.
8. Strengthened implementation and coordination capacity at the IGAD Secretariat

Overall implementation arrangements

This program shall support IGAD Secretariat in its efforts to improve its institutional performance in
dealing with DRM and that of the MS. The IGAD Climate Predictions and Applications Centre (ICPAC) is a specialized institution of IGAD where the DRM program is hosted and this particular program is being implemented. ICPAC is an important IGAD institution with regard to analysis and prediction of climate at regional level; it makes important contributions in addressing potential climate related hazards in the IGAD region that cause disasters. ICPAC is one of the African Regional Climate Centres qualified to benefit and obtain EU funds under the current 10th EDF funding and implementation arrangements. IGAD Secretariat/ICPAC and particularly the DRM Unit will play the coordination role during the implementation period. The Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) is the mechanism established by the IGAD MS to provide technical guidance and support to the DRM section, monitor the progress of DRM, and prioritize hazards to address in member states and in the region. The same TAC members will play a crucial role during the project implementation period. The Executive of IGAD and the Directorate of ICPAC will provide overall policy directives, supervision and the DRM Unit will be in charge of the overall day to day project implementation.

IV. Safeguard Policies that Might Apply

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