Global Environment Facility
Grant Agreement

(Oases Ecosystems and Livelihoods Project)

between

REPUBLIC OF TUNISIA

and

INTERNATIONAL BANK FOR RECONSTRUCTION
AND DEVELOPMENT

acting as an Implementing Agency of the
Global Environment Facility

Dated August 4th, 2014
GEF GRANT NUMBER TF017362

GLOBAL ENVIRONMENT FACILITY
GRANT AGREEMENT

AGREEMENT dated ______________________, 2014, entered into between:

REPUBLIC OF TUNISIA ("Recipient"); and

INTERNATIONAL BANK FOR RECONSTRUCTION AND DEVELOPMENT
("World Bank"), acting as an implementing agency of the Global Environment Facility
("GEF").

The Recipient and the World Bank hereby agree as follows:

Article I
Standard Conditions; Definitions

1.01. The Standard Conditions for Grants Made by the World Bank Out of Various
Funds, dated February 15, 2012 ("Standard Conditions") constitute an integral
part of this Agreement.

1.02. Unless the context requires otherwise, the capitalized terms used in this
Agreement have the meanings ascribed to them in the Standard Conditions or in
this Agreement.

Article II
The Project

2.01. The Recipient declares its commitment to the objectives of the project described
in Schedule 1 to this Agreement ("Project"). To this end, the Recipient shall
carry out the Project through METMSD in accordance with the provisions of
Article II of the Standard Conditions.

2.02. Without limitation upon the provisions of Section 2.01 of this Agreement, and
except as the Recipient and the World Bank shall otherwise agree, the Recipient
shall ensure that the Project is carried out in accordance with the provisions of
Schedule 2 to this Agreement.
Article III
The Grant

3.01. The World Bank agrees to extend to the Recipient, on the terms and conditions
set forth or referred to in this Agreement, a grant in an amount equal to five
million seven hundred sixty thousand seven hundred thirty United States Dollars
($5,760,730) ("Grant") to assist in financing the Project.

3.02. The Recipient may withdraw the proceeds of the Grant in accordance with
Section IV of Schedule 2 to this Agreement.

3.03. The Grant is funded out of the abovementioned trust fund for which the World Bank
receives periodic contributions from the donors to the trust fund. In accordance with
Section 3.02 of the Standard Conditions, the World Bank’s payment obligations in
connection with this Agreement are limited to the amount of funds made available
to it by the donors under the abovementioned trust fund, and the Recipient’s right to
withdraw the Grant proceeds is subject to the availability of such funds.

Article IV
Recipient’s Representative; Addresses

4.01. The Recipient’s Representative referred to in Section 7.02 of the Standard
Conditions is the Minister of Economy and Finance.

4.02. The Recipient’s Address referred to in Section 7.01 of the Standard Conditions
is:

Ministry of Economy and Finance
State Secretariat for Development and International Cooperation
Place Ali Zouaoui
1069, Tunis
Republic of Tunisia

Facsimile:
216-71-351-666/ 216-71-799-069

4.03. The World Bank’s Address referred to in Section 7.01 of the Standard Conditions
is:

International Bank for Reconstruction and Development
1818 H Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20433
United States of America
Cable: INTBAFRAD 248423 (MCI) or 1-202-477-6391
Telex: 248423 (MCI) or 1-202-477-6391
Facsimile: 64145 (MCI)

AGREED at Tunisi, Tunisia, as of the day and year first above written.

REPUBLIC OF TUNISIA

Le Ministre de l’Economie et des Finances

By

Hakim BEN HAMMOUDA
Authorized Representative

Name: HAKIM BEN HAMMOUDA
Title: Minister of Economy and Finance

INTERNATIONAL BANK FOR RECONSTRUCTION AND DEVELOPMENT
acting as an Implementing Agency of the Global Environment Facility

By

Authorized Representative

Name: Eileen Murray
Title: Country Manager
The objective of the Project is to improve sustainable natural resources management, and promote livelihoods diversification in the Selected Oases.

The Project consists of the following parts:

Part I: Strengthening Capacities for Sustainable Management of Oasis Ecosystems

Strengthening the capacities of the METMSD, MA, MEF and MT, the decentralized technical services of such Ministries, the Governorates of Gabes, Kebili, Gafsa and Tozeur, GDAs and CSOs to create an enabling environment for the scaling up of sustainable management practices in the Recipient’s traditional oases, through the following:

1. (a) preparation of an action plan for the national strategy for sustainable development of the Recipient’s oases to define priority actions as well as specific targets and indicators; (b) formulation and implementation of a communication strategy to raise awareness on ecosystem-related issues; and (c) preparation of monographic profiles for each traditional oasis along with a web-based geographic information system to highlight the potential of said traditional oases.

2. (a) provision of training and technical advisory services on topics related to monitoring and evaluation, environmental and social safeguards, fiduciary management, key aspects of community development and participatory approach, biodiversity, SLWM techniques, legal and institutional frameworks, sensitization of local development associations, preparation of community-driven micro-projects, diagnostics assessments, and decision-making; and (b) strengthening oasis biodiversity through: (i) conducting inventory of and identifying genetic materials of Selected Oases; (ii) identifying threatened vegetal species, collecting and preserving their seeds; (iii) maintaining and enriching the existing collection of date palms in Deguache; (iv) rehabilitating some rare varieties of date palms in the Selected Oases; (v) conducting an inventory of fruit and vegetable varieties in the Selected Oases; and (vi) reproducing fruit and vegetable species in the Selected Oases.

3. Monitoring and evaluating Project activities through the establishment of a monitoring and evaluation system.

Part II: Supporting the Implementation of the PDPOs

Supporting the implementation of the PDPOs through:
1. Carrying out Micro-projects in the areas of SLWM and biodiversity aimed at protecting oases against flooding, sand invasion and wild boars, improving the productivity of agricultural activities; and restoring and protecting biodiversity; and

2. Carrying out Micro-projects in the area of the diversification of local livelihood aimed at promoting alternative farming and non-farming activities.

**Part III: Project Coordination and Management**

1. Supporting the Project Management Unit through the acquisition of equipment, the provision of technical advisory services and Training, and the financing of the Incremental Operating Costs.

2. Carrying out of the audits for the Project.
SCHEDULE 2

Project Execution

Section I. Institutional and Other Arrangements

A. Institutional Arrangements

1. The Recipient, through METMSD, shall vest the overall responsibility for Project management and implementation in DGEQV. To this end, the Recipient, through METMSD, shall maintain DGEQV with functions, staffing and resources satisfactory to the World Bank.

2. The Recipient shall maintain throughout Project implementation the Steering Committee under terms of references and with membership composition satisfactory to the World Bank. The Steering Committee shall oversee Project implementation, provide guidance to the METMSD, review and approve Project Reports and Annual Work Programs, and ensure consistency between the Project and the Recipient’s sectoral policies and programs.

3. The Recipient shall, through METMSD, maintain at all times during Project implementation, the Project Management Unit, with functions, staffing and resources satisfactory to the World Bank, to be responsible for: (i) the day-to-day implementation of the Project, procurement, financial management; and (ii) reporting to the Steering Committee and the World Bank on all matters pertaining to the implementation of the Project and the use of proceeds of the Grant.

4. Not later than six (6) months after the date of this Agreement, the Borrower shall recruit for the Project Management Unit: (a) at the central level, a Project assistant, an environmental, social and monitoring and evaluation specialist, and a local development expert; and (b) at the local level, at least three (3) fiduciary experts, and three (3) community development/participation experts; all in compliance with the provisions of Section III.C of this Schedule 2.

B. Project Implementation Manual

The Recipient shall take all necessary measures to implement the Project in accordance with the Project Implementation Manual. The Recipient shall not amend, suspend, abrogate, repeal or waive any provision of the Project Implementation Manual without the prior approval of the World Bank.
C. Micro-projects

1. The Recipient, through METMSD, shall select Eligible GDAs and Eligible CSOs which comply with the eligibility criteria set forth in the Project Implementation Manual which shall include, but not be limited to:

   (a) any Eligible GDA and Eligible CSO shall be located and be operating in one of the Selected Oases;

   (b) each of the members of the Eligible GDAs and the Eligible CSOs shall be residing in one of the Selected Oases; and

   (c) any Eligible GDA and Eligible CSO shall have a valid experience in the topic covered by their proposed Micro-projects.

2. The Recipient, through METMSD, shall screen Micro-projects in accordance with the selection and eligibility criteria set forth in the Project Implementation Manual which shall include, but not be limited to:

   (a) any Micro-project shall be prepared and submitted to the Recipient by an Eligible GDA or an Eligible CSO;

   (b) any Micro-project shall be prepared in compliance with the relevant PDPO, the ESMF and the RPF;

   (c) any Micro-project shall be related to the Selected Oases;

   (d) any Micro-project shall be positively technically assessed by an Ad-hoc Technical Committee; and

   (e) the total cost of any Micro-project shall not exceed the equivalent of USD$50,000; the implementation period of any Micro-project shall not exceed twelve (12) months; and the Eligible GDA or Eligible CSO proposing a Micro-project shall provide an in-kind contribution equivalent to at least thirty percent (30%) of the total cost of the Micro-project.

3. The Recipient shall make each Micro-project Sub-grant under a Micro-project Sub-grant Agreement with the respective Eligible GDA or Eligible CSO on terms and conditions acceptable to the World Bank, which shall include the following, namely that the Recipient shall obtain rights adequate to protect its interests and those of the World Bank, including the right to: (i) suspend or terminate the right of the Eligible GDA or Eligible CSO to use the proceeds of the Micro-project Sub-grant, or obtain a refund of all or any part of the amount of the Micro-project Sub-grant upon the failure of the Eligible GDA or Eligible CSO to perform any
of its obligations under the Micro-project Sub-grant Agreement; and (ii) require each Eligible GDA or Eligible CSO to: (A) carry out its Micro-project with due diligence and efficiency and in accordance with sound technical, economic, financial, managerial, environmental and social standards and practices satisfactory to the World Bank, including in accordance with the provisions of the Anti-Corruption Guidelines applicable to recipients of grant proceeds other than the Recipient; (B) provide promptly as needed, the resources for the purpose; (C) procure the goods, works and services to be financed with the Micro-project Sub-grant in accordance with the provisions of this Agreement; (D) maintain policies and procedures adequate to enable it to monitor and evaluate in accordance with indicators acceptable to the World Bank, the progress of the Micro-project and the achievement of its objectives; (E) maintain a financial management system and prepare financial statements in accordance with consistently applied accounting standards acceptable to the World Bank, both in a manner adequate to reflect the operations, resources and expenditures related to the Micro-project; and (2) at the World Bank’s or the Recipient’s request, have such financial statements audited by independent auditors acceptable to the World Bank, in accordance with consistently applied auditing standards acceptable to the World Bank, and promptly furnish the statements as so audited to the Recipient and the World Bank; (F) enable the Recipient and the Bank to inspect the Micro-project, its operation and any relevant records and documents; and (G) prepare and furnish to the Recipient and the World Bank all such information as the Recipient or the World Bank shall reasonably request relating to the foregoing.

4. The Recipient shall exercise its rights under each Micro-project Sub-grant Agreement in such manner as to protect the interests of the Recipient and the World Bank and to accomplish the purposes of the Grant. Except as the World Bank shall otherwise agree, the Recipient shall not assign, amend, abrogate or waive any Micro-project Sub-grant Agreement or any of its provisions.

D. Anti-Corruption

The Recipient shall ensure that the Project is carried out in accordance with the provisions of the Anti-Corruption Guidelines.

E. Safeguards

1. The Recipient shall: (i) ensure that Part II of the Project is implemented in accordance with the ESMF, the RPF and the ESDFSs and the RAPs, if any; and (ii) not amend, suspend, abrogate, repeal or waive any provision of the ESMF, of the RPF or of any of the ESDFSs and the RAPs, without the prior approval of the World Bank.
2. Wherever required under the RPF or under the ESMF, the Recipient shall, for the purposes of any activity, and prior to implementation thereof, have a RAP or an ESDFS, as the case may be:

(a) prepared in form and substance satisfactory to the World Bank;

(b) except as otherwise agreed with the World Bank, submitted to the World Bank for review and approval; and

(c) thereafter, adopted and locally disclosed.

3. The Recipient shall ensure that adequate information on the implementation of the ESMF, the RPF and the ESDFSs and the RAPs is suitably included in the Project Reports referred to in Paragraph A.1, Section II of this Schedule 2, including information on:

(a) measures taken in furtherance of such frameworks and plans;

(b) conditions, if any, which interfere or threaten to interfere with the smooth implementation of such frameworks and plans; and

(c) remedial measures taken or required to be taken to address such conditions.

Section II. Project Monitoring, Reporting and Evaluation

A. Project Reports; Completion Report

1. The Recipient shall monitor and evaluate the progress of the Project and prepare Project Reports in accordance with the provisions of Section 2.06 of the Standard Conditions and on the basis of indicators acceptable to the World Bank. Each Project Report shall cover the period of one calendar semester, and shall be furnished to the World Bank not later than forty-five (45) days after the end of the period covered by such report.

2. The Recipient shall prepare the Completion Report in accordance with the provisions of Section 2.06 of the Standard Conditions. The Completion Report shall be furnished to the World Bank not later than six months after the Closing Date.

B. Financial Management; Financial Reports; Audits

1. The Recipient shall ensure that a financial management system is maintained in accordance with the provisions of Section 2.07 of the Standard Conditions.
2. The Recipient shall ensure that interim unaudited financial reports for the Project are prepared and furnished to the World Bank not later than forty-five (45) days after the end of each calendar semester, covering the semester, in form and substance satisfactory to the World Bank.

3. The Recipient shall have its Financial Statements for the Project audited in accordance with the provisions of Section 2.07 (b) of the Standard Conditions. Each audit of the Financial Statements shall cover the period of one fiscal year of the Recipient. The audited Financial Statements for each such period shall be: (a) furnished to the World Bank not later than six (6) months after the end of such period; and (b) made publicly available in a timely fashion and in a manner acceptable to the World Bank.

Section III.  Procurement

A. General

1. Procurement and Consultant Guidelines. All goods, works, non-consulting services and consultants' services required for the Project and to be financed out of the proceeds of the Grant shall be procured in accordance with the requirements set forth or referred to in:

   (a) Section I of the “Guidelines: Procurement of Goods, Works and Non-consulting Services under IBRD Loans and IDA Credits and Grants by World Bank Borrowers” dated January 2011 (“Procurement Guidelines”) in the case of goods, works and non-consulting services, and Sections I and IV of the “Guidelines: Selection and Employment of Consultants under IBRD Loans and IDA Credits and Grants by World Bank Borrowers” dated January 2011 (“Consultant Guidelines”) in the case of consultants’ services; and

   (b) the provisions of this Section III, as the same shall be elaborated in the procurement plan prepared and updated from time to time by the Recipient for the Project in accordance with paragraph 1.18 of the Procurement Guidelines and paragraph 1.25 of the Consultant Guidelines (“Procurement Plan”).

2. Definitions. The capitalized terms used below in this Section to describe particular procurement methods or methods of review by the World Bank of particular contracts, refer to the corresponding method described in Sections II and III of the Procurement Guidelines, or Sections II, III, IV and V of the Consultant Guidelines, as the case may be.
B. Particular Methods of Procurement of Goods, Works and Non-consulting Services

1. International Competitive Bidding. Except as otherwise provided in paragraph 2 below, goods, works and non-consulting services shall be procured under contracts awarded on the basis of International Competitive Bidding.

2. Other Methods of Procurement of Goods, Works and Non-consulting Services. The following methods, other than International Competitive Bidding, may be used for procurement of goods, works and non-consulting services for those contracts specified in the Procurement Plan:

   (a) National Competitive Bidding, subject to the following additional provisions:

      (i) the eligibility of bidders shall be as defined under Section I of the Procurement Guidelines; accordingly, no bidder or potential bidder shall be declared ineligible for reasons other than those provided in Section I of the Procurement Guidelines;

      (ii) no foreign bidder shall be required to submit a bid in association with domestic firms as a condition for bidding;

      (iii) the bidding documents shall clearly set out the bid evaluation process, the award criteria and the bidders' qualification criteria;

      (iv) bidding opportunities shall be advertised with not less than thirty (30) days for bid preparation;

      (v) technical and financial bids are always publicly and simultaneously opened, and such public bid opening shall take place immediately or closely after the deadline for submission of bids. No evaluation of bids shall take place at the bid public opening session;

      (vi) prior to issuing the first call for bids, a draft standard bidding document to be used under National Competitive Bidding must be submitted to, and found acceptable by, the World Bank;

      (vii) the procedures shall include publication of evaluation results and of the details of the contract awarded;

      (viii) bids shall be evaluated based on price and on other criteria disclosed in the bidding documents and quantified in monetary terms, and no domestic preference or any other kind of
preferential treatment for national companies or for goods of national origin shall be applied. The verification of the compliance of bids to the technical requirements set forth in the bidding documents shall not be limited to the technical offer of the bidder which has offered the lowest price;

(ix) the contract shall be awarded to the qualified bidder having submitted the lowest evaluated responsive bid, and no negotiation shall take place; and

(x) each bidding document and contract shall include provisions stating the World Bank's policy to sanction firms or individuals which have engaged in fraud and corruption as set forth in the Procurement Guidelines as well as the World Bank's right to inspection and audit;

(b) Shopping;

(c) Direct Contracting; and

(d) Community Participation procedures which have been found acceptable to the World Bank.

C. Particular Methods of Procurement of Consultants' Services

1. Quality- and Cost-based Selection. Except as otherwise provided in paragraph 2 below, consultants' services shall be procured under contracts awarded on the basis of Quality- and Cost-based Selection.

2. Other Methods of Procurement of Consultants' Services. The following methods, other than Quality- and Cost-based Selection, may be used for procurement of consultants' services for those assignments which are specified in the Procurement Plan: (a) Quality-based Selection; (b) Selection under a Fixed Budget; (c) Least Cost Selection; (d) Selection based on Consultants' Qualifications; (e) Single-source Selection of consulting firms; (f) Selection of Individual Consultants; and (g) Single-source procedures for the Selection of Individual Consultants.

D. Review by the World Bank of Procurement Decisions

The Procurement Plan shall set forth those contracts which shall be subject to the World Bank's Prior Review. All other contracts shall be subject to Post Review by the World Bank.
Section IV. **Withdrawal of Grant Proceeds**

A. **General**

1. The Recipient may withdraw the proceeds of the Grant in accordance with the provisions of: (a) Article III of the Standard Conditions; (b) this Section; and (c) such additional instructions as the World Bank may specify by notice to the Recipient (including the “World Bank Disbursement Guidelines for Projects” dated May 2006, as revised from time to time by the World Bank and as made applicable to this Agreement pursuant to such instructions), to finance Eligible Expenditures as set forth in the table in paragraph 2 below.

2. The following table specifies the categories of Eligible Expenditures that may be financed out of the proceeds of the Grant ("Category"), the allocations of the amounts of the Grant to each Category, and the percentage of expenditures to be financed for Eligible Expenditures in each Category:

<table>
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<tr>
<th>Category</th>
<th>Amount of the Grant Allocated (expressed in USD)</th>
<th>Percentage of Expenditures to be Financed (inclusive of Taxes)</th>
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<tr>
<td>(1) Goods, non-consulting services, consultants’ services, Incremental Operating Costs and Training under Parts I.1 (a), I.1 (c), I.2 and I.3 and Part III of the Project</td>
<td>1,326,730</td>
<td>100%</td>
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<td>(2) Micro-project Sub-grants for Micro-projects under Part II of the Project</td>
<td>4,434,000</td>
<td>100% of amounts disbursed</td>
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<tr>
<td>TOTAL AMOUNT</td>
<td>5,760,730</td>
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B. Withdrawal Conditions; Withdrawal Period

1. Notwithstanding the provisions of Part A of this Section no withdrawal shall be made for payments made prior to the date of this Agreement.

2. The Closing Date referred to in Section 3.06 (c) of the Standard Conditions is November 30, 2019.
APPENDIX

Definitions

1. "Ad-hoc Technical Committee" means the technical committee composed of representatives of decentralized technical services of relevant Ministries, to be established by the Recipient to review a specific Micro-project and ensure that the Micro-project is in compliance with national technical standards.

2. "Annual Work Program" means the Recipient's annual work program for the Project, which shall include, inter alia, the Micro-projects to be carried out during the relevant calendar year.


4. "Category" means a category set forth in the table in Section IV of Schedule 2 to this Agreement.

5. "CSO" means a civil society organization established and operating within the territory of the Recipient as an association pursuant to the Recipient's Law-Decree No. 2011-88 dated September 24, 2011.

6. "DGEQV" means Direction Générale de l'Environnement et de la Qualité de la Vie, the General Directorate for Environment and Quality of Life within METMSD.

7. "Eligible CSO" means a CSO which meets the eligibility criteria outlined in Section I.C.1 of Schedule 2 to this Agreement, as further set forth in the Project Implementation Manual.

8. "Eligible GDA" means a GDA which meets the eligibility criteria outlined in Section I.C.1 of Schedule 2 to this Agreement, as further set forth in the Project Implementation Manual.

9. "ESDFS" means the Environmental and Social Diagnostic Fact Sheet to be prepared by the Recipient in accordance with the ESMF and satisfactory to the World Bank, to be adopted by the Recipient and to be disclosed by the Recipient in country.

10. "ESMF" means the Environment and Social Management Framework, prepared and adopted by the Recipient, disclosed on March 6, 2014, and satisfactory to the World Bank, which sets forth environmental and other mitigation measures, staffing and budget for implementing such measures, monitoring and supervision of the execution of such measures, and capacity building activities, with the
objective to offset, mitigate, reduce and/or compensate for the negative impacts and to enhance the positive impacts of Part II of the Project, as such Framework may be amended from time to time with the prior approval of the World Bank in particular to cover the activities to be carried out under Part II of the Project.


12. "Incremental Operating Costs" means the incremental expenses incurred by the Project Management Unit on account of reasonable and necessary activities directly related to Project implementation, management and monitoring, including office supplies, vehicles, domestic travel and salaries, but excluding the salaries of civil servants.


15. “MEF” means the Recipient’s Ministry of Economy and Finance, or any successor thereto.


17. “Micro-project” means a set of specific community-driven activities, including as the case may be small-scale habitats, roads and gravel roads, to be carried out in the Selected Oases by an Eligible GDA or an Eligible CSO selected as eligible to be funded from a Micro-project Sub-Grant in accordance with the eligibility criteria outlined in Section I.C.2 of Schedule 2 to this Agreement, as further set forth in the Project Implementation Manual.

18. “Micro-project Sub-Grant” means a grant made or proposed to be made by the Recipient to an Eligible GDA or to an Eligible CSO out of the Proceeds of the Grant, for the purpose of financing a Micro-project, pursuant to the provisions of a Micro-project Grant Agreement and in accordance with the eligibility criteria and procedures outlined in Section I.C of Schedule 2 to this Agreement, as further set forth in the Project Implementation Manual.

19. “Micro-project Sub-Grant Agreement “ means the agreement to be entered between the Recipient and an Eligible GDA or an Eligible CSO, on the terms and conditions set forth in Section I.C.3 of Schedule 2 to this Agreement and the
Project Implementation Manual for the purpose of financing a Micro-project Sub-grant.

20. "MT" means the Recipient’s Ministry of Tourism, or any successor thereto.


22. "PDPO" means Plan de Développement Participatif des Oasis, the Oasis Participatory Development Plan prepared and adopted by the Recipient for each of the Selected Oases.

23. "Procurement Plan" means the Recipient’s procurement plan for the Project, dated May 5, 2014, and referred to in paragraph 1.18 of the Procurement Guidelines and paragraph 1.25 of the Consultant Guidelines, as the same shall be updated from time to time in accordance with the provisions of said paragraphs.

24. "Project Implementation Manual" means the manual adopted by the Recipient on February 17, 2014, describing the implementation, financial management, procurement, disbursement, monitoring and evaluation, and reporting arrangements for the Project, including the selection methods and eligibility criteria for Eligible GDAs, Eligible CSOs, Micro-projects and Micro-project Sub-grants, standard bidding documents and template of the Micro-Project Sub-grant Agreements, and referred to in Section I.B of Schedule 2 to this Agreement.

25. "Project Management Unit" means the unit established within DGEQV pursuant to a decision from the METMSD dated April 17, 2014, and referred to in Section I.A.3 of Schedule 2 to this Agreement.

26. "RAP" means a Resettlement Action Plan to be prepared by the Recipient in accordance with the RPF and satisfactory to the World Bank, to be adopted by the Recipient and to be disclosed by the Recipient in country.

27. "Regional Research Center for Oasis Agriculture" means a public establishment of an administrative character created in May 2006 under the Recipient’s ministry in charge of agriculture pursuant to the Recipient’s Decree no. 2006-1431 dated May 22, 2006.

28. "RPF" means the Resettlement Policy Framework prepared and adopted by the Recipient, disclosed on March 6, 2014, and satisfactory to the World Bank, which sets forth the policies, procedures, guidelines and arrangements to be applied in the event of land acquisition and the physical or economic displacement (temporary or permanent) of persons affected by any Project
activity under Part II of the Project, during the implementation of the Project, financial compensation therefor and the monitoring and reporting on such activities, as said Framework and procedures may be amended from time to time with the prior approval of the World Bank.'

29. “Selected Oases” means the traditional oases of Zarat, Noueil, El Guettar, Tamezgha, Chebika and Mides in the Recipient’s territory.

30. “SLWM” means sustainable land and water management.

31. “Steering Committee” means the committee established by the Recipient pursuant to a decision from the METMSD dated April 17, 2014, referred to in Section 1.A.2 of Schedule 2 to this Agreement, chaired by METMSD and comprised of representatives of MA, MEF, Governorates of Kebili, Tozeur, Gabes and Gafsa, the Institute of Arid Regions, the National Bank of Genes, and the Regional Research Center for Oasis Agriculture, the presidents of the GDAs of the Selected Oases and representatives of CSOs.

32. “Training” means the costs of: (i) reasonable expenditures for travel (domestic and international), and per diem expenditures for trainers and trainees and for non-consultant training facilitators in connection with training provided under the Project; (ii) course fees; (iii) training facility rentals; and (iv) training material preparation, acquisition, reproduction, and distribution expenses.