Africa Catalytic Growth Fund
Grant Agreement
(Second Additional Financing for Rural Community-Driven Development Project)

between

REPUBLIC OF GUINEA-BISSAU

and

INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION
acting as administrator of the Africa Catalytic Growth Fund

Dated May 11, 2016
ACGF GRANT NUMBER TF0A2392

AFRICA CATALYTIC GROWTH FUND GRANT AGREEMENT

AGREEMENT dated __________, 2016, entered into between: REPUBLIC OF GUINEA BISSAU ("Recipient"), and INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION ("World Bank"), acting as administrator of the Africa Catalytic Growth Fund for the purpose of providing additional financing for activities related to the Original Project and the First Additional Financing Project (as defined in the Appendix to this Agreement).

The Recipient and the World Bank hereby agree as follows:

Article I
Standard Conditions; Definitions


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 its Ministry of Finance 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 three million five hundred thousand United States Dollars ($3,500,000) ("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
Effectiveness; Termination

4.01. This Agreement shall not become effective until evidence satisfactory to the World Bank has been furnished to the World Bank that:

(a) The execution and delivery of this Agreement on behalf of the Recipient have been duly authorized or ratified by all necessary governmental action.

(b) The Financing Agreement has been executed and delivered and all conditions precedent to its effectiveness or to the right of the Recipient to make withdrawals under it (other than the effectiveness of this Agreement) have been fulfilled.

4.02. As part of the evidence to be furnished pursuant to Section 4.01 of this Agreement, there shall be furnished to the World Bank an opinion or opinions satisfactory to the World Bank of counsel acceptable to the World Bank or, if the World Bank so requests, a certificate satisfactory to the World Bank of a competent official of the Recipient, showing, on behalf of the Recipient, that this Agreement has been duly authorized or ratified by, and executed and delivered on its behalf and is legally binding upon it in accordance with its terms.

4.03. Except as the Recipient and the World Bank shall otherwise agree, this Agreement shall enter into effect on the date upon which the World Bank dispatches to the Recipient notice of its acceptance of the evidence required pursuant to Section 4.01 of this Agreement (“Effective Date”). If, before the Effective Date, any event has occurred which would have entitled the World Bank to suspend the right of the Recipient to make withdrawals from the Grant Account if this Agreement had been effective, the World Bank may postpone the dispatch of the notice referred to in this Section until such event (or events) has (or have) ceased to exist.

4.04. This Agreement and all obligations of the parties under it shall terminate if it has not entered into effect by the date ninety (90) days after the date of this Agreement, unless the World Bank, after consideration of the reasons for the delay, establishes
a later date for the purpose of this Section. The World Bank shall promptly notify the Recipient of such later date.

Article V
Recipient's Representative; Addresses

5.01. The Recipient's Representative referred to in Section 7.02 of the Standard Conditions is its Minister responsible for economy and finance.

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

Ministério da Economia e Finanças
Avenida Amílcar Cabral
Caixa Postal N° 67
Bissau
Republic of Guinea-Bissau

Phone: (245) 675 2983

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

International Development Association
1818 H Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20433
United States of America

Cable: Telex: Facsimile:

INDEVAS 248423 (MCI) or 1-202-477-6391
Washington, D.C. 64145 (MCI)
AGREED at Bissau, Guinea-Bissau, as of the day and year first above written.

REPUBLIC OF GUINEA BISSAU

By

[Signature]
Authorized Representative

Name: Gualdo Mendes
Title: Minister of Economy and Finance

INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION
acting as administrator of the Africa Catalytic Growth Fund

By

[Signature]
Authorized Representative

Name: Louise J. Cord
Title: Country Director
SCHEDULE 1

Project Description

The objective of the Project is to support the Recipient’s efforts to increase access to priority basic social and economic infrastructures and services in participating Communities in at least two regions of the Recipient’s territory.

The Project consists of the following parts:

Part A: Capacity-building for Community Development

Developing capacity of institutions at regional, Administrative sectors and Community levels for preparation of Community Development Plans, and Micro-projects, including:

1. Preparing and implementing a communication strategy and action plan to improve the flow and exchange of information, and conducting targeted communication activities to raise awareness, disseminate good practices and keep Communities informed.
2. Supporting Communities to prepare CDPs.
3. Supporting the preparation, appraisal and implementation of Micro-projects.
4. Supporting capacity building at regional and national levels, including the establishment and operation of a local development thematic group to facilitate the sharing of information, knowledge and experience gained under Micro-projects for local development.

Part B: Community-Based Micro-projects

Carrying out Micro-projects that are prioritized in the CDPs.

Part C: Project Coordination and Monitoring and Evaluation

1. Strengthening the capacity for Project management and coordination, including supporting the PCU within MEF to develop the expertise for operational and fiduciary management through the provision of technical advisory services.
2. Supporting the development and implementation of a participatory monitoring and evaluation system, including a management and information system and associated data gathering plan and tools.
3. With respect to the NSC, building the capacity for Project management, coordination and oversight, through the provision of technical advisory services, Training and financing of Operating Costs.
Part D. Delivery of Education and Health Services

Carrying-out of education and health programs through the provision of resources to pay for Teachers and Health Workers' salaries.

Part E. Prevention of the Ebola Epidemic

Supporting the implementation of an Ebola outbreak contingency plan, including, *inter alia*, complementary disease-specific communications campaigns, strengthening the capacity of health staff and provision of monitoring and management tools to health facilities.

Part F: Pilot Cash Transfer Program

1. Providing financing for the Cash Transfer Program (the “CTP”) to selected Beneficiaries in accordance with the provision set forth in Section IV.B.1(b) of Schedule 2 to the Financing Agreement.

2. Providing goods, consultants’ services, training and operating costs to establish the basic elements of the CTP through, *inter alia*: (a) the development of a management and information system; (b) the development of a unified registry of Beneficiaries; (c) the carrying out of training activities for local authorities and community leaders regarding procedures to identify Beneficiaries and for staff to administer the database; (d) monitoring and evaluation; (e) information and communication campaigns; (f) design of the CTP; and (g) preparation of studies, manuals and evaluations of the CTP.
SCHEDULE 2

Project Execution

Section I. Institutional and Other Arrangements

A. Institutional Arrangements

1. Ministry of Economy and Finance (MEF)

The Recipient shall designate MEF to be responsible for the implementation of the Project and, to this effect, shall provide MEF with the staffing and other resources satisfactory to the World Bank, required for the purpose of ensuring the prompt and efficient overall coordination, monitoring, reporting, evaluation and communication of Project activities.

2. National Steering Committee (NSC)

(a) Without limitation upon the provisions of Section A.1, the Recipient shall maintain, at all times until the completion of the Project, a National Steering Committee, with a composition, mandate and resources satisfactory to the World Bank, including representatives from the Recipient’s Ministry of Finance, the Recipient’s Ministry of Territorial Administration, the Recipient’s Ministry of Health, the Recipient’s Ministry of Agriculture, the Recipient’s Ministry of Education, and civil society.

(b) Without limitation to sub-paragraph (a) of this paragraph, the National Steering Committee shall be responsible for overall guidance and strategic advice including, inter alia: (i) reviewing and endorsing the Annual Work Plans and Budgets; (ii) reviewing progress made towards achieving the Project objectives; (iii) facilitating the coordination of Project activities among the regions, and making recommendations for removal of any obstacles to the implementation of the Project; and (iv) providing comments on reports and reviews prepared by the Project Coordination Unit for the benefit of the World Bank. The NSC shall meet for one day twice every year during Project implementation or as reasonably requested by the PCU.

3. Project Coordination Unit (PCU)

(a) Without limitation upon the provisions of Part A.1 of this Section, the Recipient shall maintain at all times until the completion of the Project the PCU within the MEF and regional PCU offices in selected regions of the Recipient’s territory and including a Project coordinator, a financial management specialist, a senior accountant, a procurement specialist, a
monitoring and evaluation specialist, a safeguard specialist, Regional Coordinators, Development Agents and administrative staff, each with experience, qualifications, expertise and terms of reference acceptable to the World Bank in accordance with the provisions of Section III of Schedule 2 to this Agreement.

(b) Without limitation to sub-paragraph (a), the PCU is responsible for the day-to-day implementation of the Project as detailed in the PIM, including, inter alia: (1) ensuring timely implementation in accordance with the PIM; (2) financial management and procurement; (3) preparing IFRs and arrangements for the annual financial audit of Project Financial Statements, as well as preparing semi-annual and annual Project Reports and their subsequent submission to the World Bank by the Recipient in a timely manner; (4) preparing Annual Work Plans and Budgets and annual Procurement Plans; (5) overseeing Project activities under its direct responsibility and of those under the responsibility of other agencies involved in Project implementation and coordinate collaboration with the CMC for Community participation in the development of the CDPs and on supervision of the implementation of Micro-projects; (6) managing Project finances; (7) maintaining consolidated Project accounts; (8) ensuring adherence to the ESMF and the RPF of all agencies involved in the implementation of the Project; and (9) developing and maintaining a system of monitoring the Project key performance indicators.

B. Implementation Arrangements

1. PIM

(a) The Recipient shall carry out the Project in accordance with the PIM.

(b) Except as the World Bank shall otherwise agree, the Recipient shall not amend, waive or fail to enforce the PIM, or any provision thereof. In case of any conflict between the provisions of this Agreement and those of the PIM, the provisions of this Agreement shall prevail.

2. Annual Work Plans and Budgets

(a) The Recipient shall prepare and furnish to the World Bank for its approval, no later than December 31 of each year during the implementation of the Project, or such later date as the World Bank may agree, an Annual Work Plan and Budget, and an updated Procurement Plan containing all eligible Project activities and expenditures planned for the following Fiscal Year, including a specification of the source or sources of financing for all eligible expenditures, modified in a manner satisfactory to the World
Bank, taking into account the World Bank’s comments and reviews on the matter.

(b) The World Bank shall ensure that the Project is implemented in accordance with the Annual Work Plan and Budget and original or updated Procurement Plan approved for the respective Fiscal Year; provided, however, that in case of any conflict between the Annual Work Plans and Budgets and Procurement Plan and the provisions of this Agreement, the provisions of this Agreement shall prevail.

C. Anti-Corruption

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

D. Safeguards

1. The Recipient shall carry out the Project in accordance with the environmental, social and resettlement guidelines, rules and procedures defined in the ESMF, and the RPF. To this end, in cases of any Micro-project requiring the adoption of an ESMP and RAP, the Recipient shall:

   (a) prepare, disclose and implement ESMPs (including pest management plans) in accordance with the ESMF and in form and substance acceptable to the World Bank, defining: (i) the measures to be taken during the implementation of the Micro-projects to eliminate or offset adverse environmental or social impacts, or to reduce them to acceptable levels; and (ii) the actions needed to implement these measures; and

   (b) prepare, disclose and implement RAPs in accordance with the RPF and in form and substance acceptable to the World Bank, defining a program of actions, measures and policies for compensation and resettlement of Displaced Persons, including the magnitude of displacement, proposed compensation and resettlement arrangements, budget and cost estimates, and sources of funding, together with adequate institutional, monitoring and reporting arrangements capable of ensuring proper implementation of, and regular feedback on compliance with, the RAPs.

2. The Recipient shall not amend or waive, or permit to be waived, the ESMF, RPF, RAPs, the ESMPs, or any provision of any one thereof, without the prior written consent of the World Bank.

3. The Recipient shall ensure that all measures for carrying out the recommendations of the ESMF, RPF, RAPs and ESMPs are taken in a timely manner.
4. Without limitation upon its other reporting obligations under this agreement and under Section 4.08 of the General Conditions, the Recipient shall:

(a) include in the Project Reports referred to in Section II.A of this Schedule adequate information on monitoring the measures defined in the ESMF, ESMPs, RPF and RAPs, giving details of:

(i) measures taken in furtherance of such ESMF, ESMPs, RPF and RAPs;

(ii) conditions, if any, which interfere or threaten to interfere with the smooth implementation of such ESMF, ESMPs, RPF and RAPs; and

(iii) remedial measures taken or required to be taken to address such conditions and to ensure the continued efficient and effective implementation of such ESMF, ESMPs, RPF and RAPs.

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 the indicators agreed with the World Bank. Each Project Report shall cover the period of three calendar months, 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 no later than six months after the Closing Date.

B. Financial Management, Financial Reports and Audits

1. The Recipient shall ensure that a financial management system be 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 quarter, covering the quarter, in form and substance satisfactory to the World Bank.

3. The Recipient shall have its Financial Statements 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 furnished to the World Bank not later than six months after the end of such period.

Section III. Procurement

A. General

1. **Goods and Non-consulting Services.** All goods and non-consulting 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 Section I of the Procurement Guidelines, and with the provisions of this Section.

2. **Consultants' Services.** All 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 Sections I and IV of the Consultant Guidelines, and with the provisions of this Section.

3. **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 and Non-consulting Services.** The following methods, other than International Competitive Bidding, may be used for procurement of goods and non-consulting services for those contracts specified in the Procurement Plan: (a) National Competitive Bidding, subject to the additional provisions referred to in subparagraph 3 below; (b) Shopping; (c) Direct Contracting; and (d) Procurement from the World Health Organization (WHO).

3. **Additional Provisions for National Competitive Bidding.** Procurement of goods, works and non-consulting services under National Competitive Bidding shall be carried out through an open tender ("Concurso aberto") as set forth in the Guinea-Bissau National Procurement Code (Decreto Lei nº 2/2012 dated August, 20, 2012), subject to the provisions of Section I and paragraphs 3.3 and 3.4 of Section III of the Procurement Guidelines and the following additional provisions: (i) a minimum of four (4) weeks will be provided for preparation and submission
of bids, after the issuance of the invitation for bids or availability of the bidding documents, whichever is later; (ii) for all procurement of goods, works, and non-consulting services, standard bidding documents acceptable to the World Bank will be used; (iii) bidding opportunities will be advertised in at least a national newspaper with wide circulation; (iv) bid evaluation and bidder qualifications criteria will be clearly specified in the bidding documents; (v) no preference margin will be granted to domestic and community bidders; (vi) no firm which is eligible in accordance with Section I of the Procurement Guidelines, whether foreign or domestic, will be excluded from participation in the competition; (vii) the results of the bid evaluation and of the award of the contract, and the procedures for bidders to protest, will be published; (viii) in case of an unsuccessful open bidding process ("Concurso infrutifero"), a new open tender ("Concurso aberto") will be launched; (ix) in accordance with the Procurement Guidelines, each bidding document and contract shall include: provisions stating the World Bank's policy to sanction firms or individuals found to have engaged in fraud and corruption; and provisions stating the World Bank's policy with respect to inspection and audit of accounts, records and other documents relating to the bid submission and contract performance; (x) the bidding documents shall not require foreign bidders to produce any administrative or tax related certificates prior to confirmation of awarding a contract; and (xi) any change in the contract amount which, singly or combined with all previous changes, increases the original contract amount by 15% (fifteen percent) or more must, be done through an amendment to the signed contract instead of signing a new contract.

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 contracts which are specified in the Procurement Plan: (a) Quality-based Selection; (b) Least Cost Selection; (c) Selection based on Consultants' Qualifications; (d) Single-source Selection of consulting firms; (e) Procedures set forth in paragraphs 5.2 and 5.3 of the Consultant Guidelines for the Selection of Individual Consultants; (f) Single-source procedures for the Selection of Individual Consultants; and (g) Selection of the World Health Organization (WHO).

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:

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<th>Category</th>
<th>Amount of the Grant Allocated (expressed in USD)</th>
<th>Percentage of Expenditures to be Financed (inclusive/exclusive of Taxes)</th>
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<td>(1) Good, Works, Consultants' services, Training and Operating Costs related to activities under Part B and C of the Project</td>
<td>3,500,000</td>
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<td>TOTAL AMOUNT</td>
<td>3,500,000</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 June 30, 2017.
APPENDIX

Definitions

1. "Administrative Sector" means an administrative and political subdivision of the Recipient's territory.

2. "Annual Work Plan and Budget" means any of the Project's annual work plans and budgets prepared annually for the Project as defined in Section I.B.2 of Schedule 2 to this Agreement.


4. "Beneficiaries" or "Beneficiary" means any or all of the beneficiaries who have met the eligibility criteria set forth in the Cash Transfer Manual and have received or are to receive Cash Transfers, in form and substance satisfactory to the World Bank.

5. "Cash Transfer" means a transfer of funds in the form of grants on behalf of the Recipient to a Beneficiary, made or to be made in accordance with the provisions of the Cash Transfer Manual and a CT Contract (hereinafter defined), including the fees for the Payments Agencies (hereinafter defined) as described in the CT Contracts (hereinafter defined).

6. "Cash Transfer Manual" means the manual to be adopted by the Recipient in form and substance satisfactory to the World Bank, giving details of guidelines and procedures agreed with the World Bank for the implementation of the Cash Transfer Program; as such manual may be amended from time to time with the prior written agreement of the World Bank.

7. "Cash Transfer Program" or "CTP" means a program of Cash Transfer payments to Beneficiaries under Part F of the Project, which shall receive part of the proceeds of the Grant allocated to Category (2) of the table in Section IV of Schedule 2 to the Financing Agreement.

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

9. "CDP" means community development plan, a time-bound and prioritized plan prepared by the Communities in collaboration with the PCU, including the activities proposed for Micro-projects to be developed by the Community in collaboration with the PCU, all in accordance with the provisions of the PIM.
10. "CMC" means the community management committee elected by the relevant Community, which represents the Community for purposes of the collaboration in carrying-out the Project.

11. "Community" or "Communities" means a tabanca or a group of tabancas, selected on the basis of eligibility criteria defined in the PIM.


13. "CT Contracts" means any of the agreements referred to in section 1.1(a) of Schedule 2 to the Financing Agreement to be executed between the Project Coordination Unit and each of the Payment Agencies for the implementation of the Cash Transfer Program under Part F of the Project.

14. "Development Agent" means a PCU staff individual located in the designated PCU offices in the selected region's of the Recipient, with specializations as required by the PCU, working under the direct supervision of a Regional Coordinator and responsible for general support in implementation of Micro-projects and to facilitate participation of stakeholders at the community level.

15. "Displaced Person" means any person who, on account of the execution of the Project, has experienced or would experience direct economic and social impacts caused by: (a) the involuntary taking of land, resulting in: (i) relocation or loss of shelter; (ii) loss of assets or access to assets; or (iii) loss of income sources or means of livelihood, whether or not such person must move to another location; or (b) the involuntary restriction of access to legally designated parks and protected areas, resulting in adverse impacts on the livelihood of such person.

16. "ESMF" means the document of the Recipient dated March, 2009 (including the terms of reference for preparation of pest management plans), as the said document may be amended and/or supplemented from time to time with the prior written concurrence of the World Bank, setting forth the modalities for environmental screening and procedures for the preparation and implementation of environmental assessments and management plans under the Project pursuant to Section I.D.1 of Schedule 2 to this Agreement, and such term includes all schedules and annexes to the ESMF.

17. "ESMP" means an environmental and social management plan (including any pest management plan), acceptable to the World Bank and consistent with the ESMF, adopted for the purposes of a Micro-project, and giving details of the magnitude of the environmental impacts, as well as the specific actions, measures and policies designed to facilitate the achievement of the objective of the ESMF under the Micro-project, including the budget and cost estimates, and sources of funding, along with
the institutional and procedural measures needed to implement such actions, measures and policies, as such ESMP may be amended from time to time with the prior written agreement of the World Bank.

18. "Financing Agreement" means the Financing Agreement of same date herewith between the Recipient and the International Development Association for the Second Additional Financing for the Rural Community-Driven Development Project.


20. "First Additional Financing Project" means the Project described in the First Additional Financing Agreement.

21. "Fiscal Year" means the Recipient’s fiscal year, commencing on January 1st of a calendar year and ending on December 31st of the same calendar year.

22. "IFR" means interim unaudited financial reports.

23. "MEF" means the Recipient’s Ministry in charge of economy and finance and any successor thereto.

24. "National Steering Committee" or "NSC" means the Steering Committee referred to in Section I.A.2 of Schedule 2 to this Agreement.

25. "Operating Costs" means the reasonable incremental expenses incurred in connection with Project implementation, including consumable materials and supplies, communications, mass media and printing services, vehicle rental, operation and maintenance, charges for the opening and operation of bank accounts required for the Project, travel, lodging and per diems, but excluding salaries of officials of the Recipient’s civil service, and Training.

26. "Original Financing Agreement" means the Amended and Restated Financing Agreement for the Rural Community-Driven Development Project between the Recipient and the International Development Association, dated April 16, 2011 (Grant No H513-GW).

27. "Original Project" means the Project described in the Original Financing Agreement.

28. "Payment Agencies" or "Payment Agency" means any or all the entities that have entered into a CT Contract with the Recipient in accordance with the provisions of
Section 1.1 of Schedule 2 to the Financing Agreement and the Cash Transfer Manual.


30. "Procurement Plan" means the Recipient's procurement plan for the Project, dated March 7, 2016 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.

31. "Project Coordination Unit" or "PCU" means the unit referred to in Section I.A.3 of Schedule 2 to this Agreement.

32. "PIM" means the Recipient's Project implementation manual, dated January 2011, in form and substance satisfactory to the World Bank and adopted pursuant to Section I.B.1 of Schedule 2 to this Agreement, containing or referring to detailed arrangements and procedures for the implementation of the Project, including inter alia, in relation to: (i) day-to-day execution of the Project; (ii) disbursement and financial management; (iii) procurement; (iv) monitoring, evaluation and reporting; (v) procedures, measures and guidelines for the social and environmental management and implementation of the ESMF and the RPF; (vi) detailed eligibility criteria for the selection of the Communities to benefit from activities set forth in Part B of the Project and for the development of the CDPs; (vii) detailed eligibility criteria, implementation arrangements, supervision and Community participation for the Micro-projects; and (viii) such other administrative, accounting, financial, technical and organizational arrangements and procedures as shall be required for the Project, as such manual may be amended from time to time with the prior written agreement of the World Bank, and such term includes any schedules and annexes of said manual.

33. "Regional Coordinator" means a PCU staff individual housed within a regional office of the Recipient, having experience in community development, and charged with the responsibility to oversee the execution of the Micro-projects at the regional level and provide training to Development Agents and stakeholders.

34. "RAP" means a resettlement action plan referred to in Section I.D of Schedule 2 to this Agreement.

35. "RPF" or "Resettlement Policy Framework" means the framework dated March 2, 2009, outlining the modalities for land acquisition, resettlement and rehabilitation under the Project referred to in Section I.D of Schedule 2 to this Agreement.

37. “Training” means the costs associated with the training and workshops, based on annual plans and budgets approved by the World Bank pursuant to Section I.B.2 of Schedule 2 to this Agreement, including travel and subsistence costs for training and workshops participants, costs associated with securing the services of trainers, rental of training facilities, preparation and reproduction of training materials, and other costs directly related to course preparation and implementation.

38. “World Health Organization” and “WHO”, each means a specialized agency of the United Nations established in 1948 which is concerned with international public health.