**Egypt**

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| **Programme Title:** | Climate Change Risk Management in Egypt |
| **Programme number & MDTF ref:** | MDGF-1675-E-EGY Climate Change (67149) |
| **Window:** | Environment & Climate Change |
| **Approved Budget by NSC (US$):** | 4 million |
| **Participating Organizations:** | UNESCO, UNIDO, UNDP, IFAD, FAO, UNEP |
| **First Tranche transferred on:** | 11-Oct-2008 |
| **Second Tranche transferred on:** | 7-Jan-2010 |
| **Third Tranche transferred on:** | 14-Dec-2010 |

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| **ACTIVITIES Reported:** |
| The current support given to the Supreme Energy Council (SEC) is based on the vision of developing a decentralized institutional setting for energy efficiency. The SEC is to drive the main energy consuming sectors towards higher efficiency using agreed-to benchmark indicators. The EEU has presented a proposal on energy efficiency in government buildings to SEC and it was approved. |
| The CDM APU has provided technical assistance for the private sector to expand carbon trading. Six CDM potential sectors have been identified and thirteen sectorial workshops have been conducted. 28 PINs have been prepared and submitted to Egyptian DNA and UNFCCC, out of 35 PINs prepared. In 2010, four projects have been registered as CDM projects with the assistance of the CDM/APU. In addition, the CDM APU is assisting the small businessmen in developing project bundles (PoAs) to earn carbon credits. |
| Regarding the forecasting of precipitation on the Nile Basin, 5 Regional Circulation Model scenarios have been finalized by UKMet in addition to completing a sixth scenario by the Nile Forecast Centre. Regarding adaptation of the agriculture sector, one season remains for testing field crops for Climate Change stress-tolerance. To date, there has been 3 seasons tested for 4 different crops. Adaptation capacity of professionals has been developed for staff of MWRI and MALR. Formulation of adaptation policy will take place during 2011 and 2012. |
| **Problems and lessons learned:** |
| Like any policy development activity requiring changes in mind-set and market behavior. While the importance of Energy efficiency is recognized, the heavy subsidies provided to fossil fuel remain a large barrier.  Regarding the completion of the RCM related activities, there have been delays due to the international subcontractors’ (DHI) workload and staffing issues. To resolve this, a number of discussions have been held between the component members and DHI representatives to agree on a realistic work plan to complete all the activities. A contract extension up to end of June 2011 has been also agreed and will be shared with UNEP and MWRI for approval. |
| **The programme reports relevant linkage to the UNDAF:** Yes |
| **The programme has communications strategy in place:** Yes |

CHARTS & FIGURES[[1]](#footnote-2)

As of 31 December 2010



1. The financial information presented in this brief is from Participating Organizations’ Headquarters and may differ from the information provided at the field level. [↑](#footnote-ref-2)