

DRAFT RESOLUTIONS (Version 1)

Working Group on Environment (WGE-14)
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1. At the very outset, WGE expresses deep regret at the loss of life and damage caused by cyclone Nargis in Myanmar and requests EOC to help mobilize resources to undertake an environmental assessment of damages and impact of the cyclone taking into account findings of the Joint UN/WB/ADB mission to Myanmar.
2. WGE appreciates the large number of concept notes provided to the WGE members and division between what could be considered for funding under the Supplementary to RETA 6289 and what funding needs to be additionally sourced.
3. WGE also welcomes the proposal of EOC to carry out consultations at country level to further discuss, narrow down, and finalize priorities for funding under the RETA Supplementary. The proposed process and time frame during the period August – October 2008 is as follows:
 - a. WGE Focal Points to convene/organize country meetings supported by EOC (31 July 2008);
 - b. Visit of EOC team to the GMS Countries (15 Aug – 14 Sep 2008);
 - c. Internal EOC discussions after receiving and compiling results of Country Discussions (30 September 2008);
 - d. Sending out of Draft Final list of concepts prioritized to all GMS Focal Points (10 October 2008);
 - e. Agreement among WGE Focal Points on the priorities to be tabled to WGE Semi-Annual Meeting (31 October 2008).

4. WGE members highlighted the need to strengthen the focus on key areas as laid out in the RETA 6289 Report and Supplementary paper.
5. The total amount of funding to be committed should be within the total amount available under the Supplementary. Any concepts that are deemed important by WGE members but are not selected for funding from the Supplementary will be listed as important and funding is to be sourced.
6. Endorsements by WGE will be made on the final selection of concept notes to be implemented in the period 2008-2011 to be funded under the Supplementary by the semi-annual meeting of the WGE scheduled [for](#) November 2008.
7. WGE requests ADB to assist in seeking additional resources for funding the concept notes that have been endorsed but which cannot be covered under the Supplementary RETA.
8. WGE appreciates a short, medium, and long term approach to institutional development of the future of EOC. In this connection, WGE members recommend that EOC continues to organize consultations and identify options along with cost estimates that are to be submitted to WGE by June 2009.
9. As per alphabetical order, it is Myanmar's turn to host WGE 15. WGE members will have further consultations with the Asian Development Bank to decide on the date and venue.