INITIAL ENVIRONMENTAL EXAMINATION (IEE) THRESHOLD DECISION
(Amendment 4)

Jordan Broad-based, Inclusive Economic Development Accelerated Program

Objective: DO 1: Broad-based, Inclusive Economic Development Accelerated

Country/Region: Jordan

Funding Period: October 2017 – August 2022

Purpose: The purpose of this document is to amend the IEE for Development Objective 1: Broad-based, Inclusive Economic Development Accelerated to add threshold determination for one activity.

Project Begin: 01 October 2012  
IEE expiration date: 31 August 2022  
Life of Project (LOP) Amount: $300 million

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Date: July 23, 2019

If "Yes," Number and Date of Original IEE:  
ME 13-149 dated 17/09/2013
ME 18-19 Amendment (1) dated 01/11/2018
ME 18-55 Amendment (2) dated 06/06/2018
ME 19-19 Amendment (3) dated 03/13/2019

ENVIRONMENTAL ACTION RECOMMENDED: (Place X where applicable)

Categorical Exclusion: X  
Deferral:

Positive Determination:  
Negative Determination: X

With Conditions: X (see Table 1.B modified)  
Exemption:
**Updated Activity:**

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PFMA activity will support the Government of Jordan's (GoJ) journey to self-reliance by improving revenue performance, budget management, treasury functions and strategic planning. A key part of this effort is to enhance the Ministry of Finance's (MoF) organizational and operational systems for the purpose of improving its structure, operation and the quality of its workforce. Additionally, PFMA will develop the MoF’s capacity to communicate and collaborate with stakeholders, and foster the participation of citizens and groups.

**Activities: Technical Assistance, training, education, analysis, studies, assessment, research workshops, meetings, document and knowledge transfer, projects or activities intended to develop the capabilities of GoJ**

| Activities: Procurement of related materials and/or office equipment. | New | CE | No Action Required. |

**Public Financial Management and Administration (PFMA) TBD**

The implementer is required to ensure that equipment, commodities (see also ADS 312) and materials are procured from certified retailers; environmental safety and quality certificates conforming with national and/or international standards are available; equipment and materials are used in an environmentally sound and safe manner, properly disposed of when applicable at the end of their useful life in a manner consistent with best management practices according to USG, European Union or equivalent standards acceptable to USAID.

**Climate Risk Management (CRM)**

The Public Financial Management and Administration (PFMA) activity supports IR1.3: Fiscal stability and Public Financial Management improved. Based on the PAD level Climate Risk Screening which is included in Annex 4 of Amendment 1 of the DO1: Inclusive Economic Development PAD, both Sub-IRs 1.3.1 (Revenue performance enhanced) and 1.3.2 (Budget efficiency and transparency improved) are ranked LOW for climate risks; Therefore, an activity level screening is not required.
Limitations:

The determinations recommended in this document apply only to projects/activities and sub-activities described herein. Other projects/activities that may arise must be documented in either a separate IEE, an IEE amendment if the activities are within the same project/activity or other type of environmental compliance document and shall be subject to an environmental analysis within the appropriate documents listed above.

Other than projects/activities determined to have a Positive Threshold Determination, it is confirmed that the projects/activities described herein do not involve actions normally having a significant effect on the environment, including those described in 22 CFR 216.2(d).

In addition, other than projects/activities determined to have a Positive Threshold Determination and/or a pesticide management plan (PERSUAP), it is confirmed that the projects/activities described herein do not involve any actions listed below. Any of the following actions would require additional environmental analyses and environmental determinations:

- Support project preparation, project feasibility studies, or engineering design for activities listed in §216.2(d)(1);
- Affect endangered and threatened species or their critical habitats per §216.5, FAA 118, FAA 119;
- Provide support to extractive industries (e.g. mining and quarrying) per FAA 117;
- Promote timber harvesting per FAA 117 and 118;
- Lead to new construction, reconstruction, rehabilitation, or renovation work per §216.2(b)(1);
- Support agro-processing or industrial enterprises per §216.1(b)(4);
- Provide support for regulatory permitting per §216.1(b)(2);
- Lead to privatization of industrial facilities or infrastructure with heavily polluted property per §216.1(b)(4);
- Research, testing, or use of genetically engineered organisms per §216.1(b)(1), ADS 211;
- Assist the procurement (including payment in kind, donations, guarantees of credit) or use (including handling, transport, fuel for transport, storage, mixing, loading, application, clean-up of spray equipment, and disposal) of pesticides or activities involving procurement, transport, use, storage, or disposal of toxic materials. Pesticides cover all insecticides, fungicides, rodenticides, etc. covered under the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act per §216.2(e) and §216.3(b).

Revisions:

Per 22 CFR 216.3(a)(9), when ongoing programs are revised to incorporate a change in scope or nature, a determination will be made as to whether such change may have an environmental impact not previously assessed. If so, this IEE will be amended to cover the changes. Per ADS 204, it is the responsibility of the USAID A/COR to keep the MEO/REA and BEO informed of any new information or changes in the activity that might require revision of this environmental analysis and environmental determination.
USAID APPROVAL OF ENVIRONMENTAL ACTION(S) RECOMMENDED:

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