



**REPUBLIC OF LEBANON**  
**MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT**

THE MINISTER

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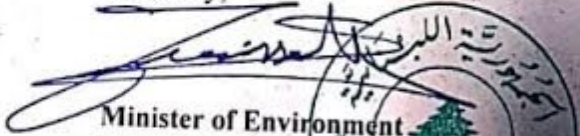
**Subject:** Endorsement for "Increasing the resilience of both displaced persons and host communities to climate change-related water challenges in Jordan and Lebanon"

In my capacity as designated authority for the Adaptation Fund in Lebanon, I confirm that the above regional project/programme proposal is in accordance with the government's national and regional priorities in implementing adaptation activities to reduce adverse impacts of, and risks, posed by climate change in Lebanon. The project aligns specifically with Lebanon's climate change policy and Intended Nationally Determined Contributions (INDC). The regional approach shall also improve management of water challenges and pressure on resources regionally and foster our cooperation with Jordan, including under the Regional Refugee and Resilience Plan 2020- 2021.

Also, the Ministry of Environment reviewed and approved the Environmental and Social Impact Assessment and the Environmental Risk Management and Monitoring Plan that was submitted by UN-Habitat with the exception of the 'Constructed Wetlands' which is still under review (EIA report approval pending).

Accordingly, I am pleased to endorse the above project/programme proposal with support from the Adaptation Fund. If approved, the project/programme will be implemented by UN-Habitat and executed in Lebanon by UNICEF, Litani River Authority (LRA), Bekaa Water Establishment (BWE), and Lebanese Agricultural Research Institute (LARI).

Sincerely,

  
Minister of Environment  
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