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Invitation of Project Proposals from CSO/NGO/CBOs

The Global Environment Facility Small Grants Programme (GEF/SGP) of the United Nations Development Programme in Nepal invites innovative project proposals or concept papers from civil society organizations (CSOs) or NGOs and CBOs that have extensive experiences in rural community development using environmental conservation approaches in general, and GEF/SGP focal areas and operational programmes in particular. The development goal of the GEF/SGP is to secure global environmental benefits in the areas of biodiversity conservation, climate change mitigation, protection of international waters, reduction and elimination of persistent organic pollutants (POPs) and chemicals, and prevention of land degradation through community-based initiatives and actions. Priority will be given to projects that aim to conserve and enhance Indigenous Community Conserved Areas (ICCAs), carbon stocks, sustainable harvest and value chain development of non-timber forest products, management of critical wetlands, addressing issues of POPs and chemicals, transfer of energy efficiency technologies, and promotion of improved and environment friendly agriculture. GEF/SGP focuses on landscape approach of project development in its Operational Phase 6

Project should include strategies of the following: monitoring, sustainability, co-financing, gender and social inclusion, communications, and transparency. CSOs applying for GEF/SGP funding should also submit their institutional profile and registration certificates and updates, documents verifying financial transaction done in the past, HR policy, and financial and procurement regulations. They should be able to demonstrate their ability to – a) forge partnership with local communities; b) mobilize resources in addition to the GEF/SGP support, and c) show visible impact of the interventions. CSOs are recognized as the development partners and will play catalytic role to achieve the objectives of the GEF/SGP.

Interested CSOs are encouraged to visit the following website or contact the GEF/SGP Office to obtain Guidelines for the preparation of project proposals. Proposal should be submitted both in papers as well as in electronic version (CD/pendrive or email attachment in MS Word programme readable by XP Professional) on the above-mentioned focal areas **not later than 20th of September 2016**. Mention clearly in the proposal the postal and email address and the daytime contact telephone number/s of the person-in-charge or office of the proponent.

The National Steering Committee is responsible for reviewing and approving the project proposals. The Steering Committee reserves the right to accept or reject without any reason whatsoever. Only the proponents of the selected proposals will be informed during Dec 2016.

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