

FOSTERING RESILIENT LEARNING PROJECT

ENVIRONMENTAL AND SOCIAL MANAGEMENT FRAMEWORK (ESMF)

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Abbreviations and Acronyms

AIDS Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome

CERC Contingency Emergency Response Component

C-ESMP Contractor's – Environmental and Social Management Plan

CLB Charles Leopold Bell
CoC Code of Conduct
DOC Department of Culture
ECC Education Care Center
ES Environmental and Social

EHSG Environmental Health and Safety Guidelines
EMIS Education Management Information System

EMP Education Master Plan

ESCP Environmental and Social Commitment Plan ESHS Environmental, Social, Health and Safety ESS Environmental and Social Standards

ESMF Environmental and Social Management Framework

ESMP Environmental and Social Management Plan

FRLP Fostering Resilient Learning Project

GBV Gender Based Violence
GDP Gross Domestic Product
GoSM Government of Sint Maarten
GRM Grievance Redress Mechanism

HIV Human Immuno Virus

LMP Labour Management Procedures

MECYS Ministry of Education, Culture, Youth and Sport MMIS Ministry Management Information System

MoGA Ministry of General Affairs

MOJCS Ministry of Justice

MOU Memorandum of Understanding

MSIP Management Strategies Implementation Plan

NRPB National Recovery Program Bureau NRRP National Recovery and Resilience Plan

OHS Occupational Health and Safety
PIU Project Implementation Unit
PJL Philipsburg Jubilee Library
PPG Project Preparation Grant
SDG Sustainable Development Goals
SEA Sexual Abuse and Exploitation
SEP Stakeholders Engagement Plan

SIMARC Sint Maarten Archaeological Center SKOS Stichting Katholiek Onderwijs Sint Maarten

Foundation Catholic Education Sint Maarten

SML Sister Marie Laurence

SMNHF Sint Maarten National Heritage Foundation

SXM Sint Maarten

VROMI Ministry of Public Housing, Spatial Planning, Environment, and Infrastructure

VSA Ministry of Public Health, Social Development and Labour



1 Executive Summary

This Environmental and Social Management Framework (ESMF) was drafted to manage any Environmental and Social risks and impacts which may arise from the implementation of the Fostering Resilient Learning Project, ensuring implementation is in line with the principle of the World Bank to 'do no harm' and the NRPB to 'build back better'. The Fostering Resilient Learning Project aims to secure a resilient and efficient education structure on the island of Sint Maarten, following the destruction caused by the passage of Hurricanes Irma and Maria in 2017.

The project is fully funded by the Sint Maarten Recovery and Reconstruction Trust Fund, which is financed by the Government of the Netherlands, and administered through a tripartite partnership of the Sint Maarten and the Netherlands governments, and the World Bank.

The Project will include five components:

- (i) Rebuilding Safe Schools. Sister Marie Laurence (SML) and Charles Leopold Bell (CLB) Schools will be demolished and rebuilt. The reconstruction will take place on the current site of the damaged buildings. The Project will support both schools to implement their special education programs. A part of the CLB having a historical significance will be restored.
- (ii) Rebuilding the Philipsburg Jubilee Library (PJL); Component 2 will finance the design and reconstruction of the PJL. The Project will also finance furniture, educational materials, technical equipment, and a collaboration assessment with other entities.
- (iii) Building the Ministry's Management Information System (MMIS). The objective of this component is to build an MIS for better management of the sector, introduce data-based decision-making in various areas, as well as to help strengthen the efficiency of the education system.
- (iv) Project Management. This Component will support project management and coordination, including monitoring and evaluation, procurement, financial management, environmental and social risk management and citizen engagement, and other technical assistance.
- (v) Contingent Emergency Response. The Contingent Emergency Response Component (CERC) will not have a funding allocation but will allow for a prompt reallocation of resources in case of an eligible emergency.

All three project sites are situated in populated areas. SML Primary School (which had an enrolment of 185 students prior to the hurricane) is located in the Middle Region area (Lower Prince's Quarter District) near Philipsburg, which is considered a low-income area. Before Hurricane Irma, SML engaged with vulnerable social groups and provided after school artistic activities for children in the neighbourhood and special care programs for children with special needs. Charles Leopold Bell Primary School (165 students enrolled prior to the hurricane) is located in Cole Bay, which is a residential, commercial and marine intersection. The construction of an Educational Care Center at the CLB Primary School will cater to primary public-school students from across the country who have behavioural challenges. The Philipsburg Jubilee Library (PJL) is located in Philipsburg, the capital of St. Maarten. The library provided reading materials for the population, and it was visited by around 40,000 people annually before Hurricane Irma.



The project Component 1 & 2 activities' potential adverse risks and impacts on the environment will be temporary in nature and mainly localized around the project area of works. Traffic disturbance, dust and noise pollution from construction and demolition activities might occur during works in the (urban) areas where the facilities are located. Assessments will screen for presence of asbestos considering that the existing infrastructure was built several years ago. Occupational Health and Safety risks associated with demolition/construction of the facilities might also be considerable. Environmental risks of Components 3 & 4 are considered low, possibly requiring e-waste management measures. Regarding Component 5 (CERC), activities are expected to fall under low or medium environmental risk, while the mitigation measures will be detailed in the CERC-ESMF, which will be addended in the FRLP ESMF.

Social risks for Components 1 and 2 are centered around the resettlement required for one individual living in the library building (Component 2), and around gathering meaningful stakeholder inputs in the designs of the library and the schools selected for rebuilding. Other identified social risks relate to Occupational Health and Safety (OHS), Community Health and Safety, Stakeholder and Public Engagement, Covid 19 and Gender Based Violence/Sexual Exploitation and Abuse/Harassment (GBV/SEA/H).

OHS risks are those associated with demolition and construction works. Community Health and Safety Risks are also related to these demolition and construction activities, which may cause a temporary nuisance to nearby communities and construction workers. This includes road blockages and the restriction of the movements of members of the communities. Stakeholder and Public Engagement risks are linked to possible deficiencies in communication about the project and the inconvenience which may be experienced by the communities as a result of project activities. Covid 19 risks are those common to construction sites where there are workers in close proximity to each other and also where people may possibly travel from overseas to work on the project. GBV/SEA/H risks are expected to be similar to those which exist in the wider society. These risks are associated with harassment and discrimination because of gender.

Component 3, the MMIS are mainly associated with leaks of private data, recording of inaccurate data and personal risks to data collectors during the data collection exercise.

Component 4, Project Management, would have the same risks as with the other projects comprising the NRPB portfolio. Some of which include labour risks, grievance management and a lack of technical capacity.

Table 1 below summarizes the Environmental and Social risks and impacts of the project, along with the proposed mitigation measures for minimizing any adverse effects. More detailed information can be found under Chapter 7.



Table 1: Summary of Potential E&S impacts and mitigation measures

Components	Potential E&S Impacts and Risks	Mitigation Measures
Component 1 & 2 (Common Risks & Impacts) Demolition and reconstruction of the Library, CML and SML schools	Debris and Waste Generation. Debris and other waste material will be generated from the demolition and cleanup activities as well as from the Reconstruction of the Buildings. Improper waste management may cause pollution of soil and water bodies.	Waste. Solid waste will be collected and separated on site and transported to the MSWS, where some components can be reused or recycled, and others can be disposed of. Asbestos. All buildings will be assessed for asbestos before start of works. Asbestos will be removed
	Asbestos, which has been classified as a known human carcinogen, may be present in the construction materials. Mold may have infested some of the buildings or stored materials. Mold contaminants are a known health risk	Mold. Mold assessment will take place at CLB historical building and Library storage containers. Remediation plans will be proposed accordingly.
	for individuals who are susceptible to or have known allergenic health problems.	OHS. Contractor will engage qualified ESHS personnel, perform Job Safety Analysis and detailed OHS plan for each site.
	Occupational Health and Safety (OHS) Risks. OHS risks are associated with demolition, debris collection and removal activities such as lifting, separating, sweeping and hauling; and other risks generally	Community HS. Nuisance to communities shall be minimized by reducing noise, dust and traffic. Community will be notified for works taking place.
	associated with the demolition and construction works including use of scaffolding and work at heights. Community Health and Safety	SEP. NRPB has prepared and will apply a Stakeholder Engagement Plan for project preparation and implementation. A GRM is in place to resolve complaints.
	Risks. Noise and vibration, dust and vehicular movement from the demolishing/construction activities may cause a nuisance to the nearby communities and construction workers.	Covid-19. National and WHO Covid-19 guidelines shall be followed to prevent virus spread on the project sites.
	Stakeholders and public engagement. Risks associated with lack of or inadequate communication about and inconvenience to community members and local business occurring as a result of project activities. Access to recreation	GBV/SEA . All workers shall receive sensitization training and sign a Code of Conduct before mobilizing to work sites.



Components	Potential E&S Impacts and Risks	Mitigation Measures
	or other facilities and local parking availability may be hindered.	
	Covid-19 spread risk associated with people traveling from abroad and construction workers in close spaces.	
	GBV/SEA/H Risks. Risks associated with the ways in which discrimination and harassment based on gender which are existing in society can manifest on a project or be encountered during project implementation.	
	New Designs. New buildings will better integrate hurricane resilience norms, universal access provisions, Life & Fire Safety standards, energy & water conservation and wastewater management.	
Component 1	SML Primary School Teachers not adequately trained to	Teachers will receive training to implement inclusive education strategies.
	implement inclusive education strategies CLB Primary School	CLB. A Cultural Heritage Assessment Report and Management Plan will be prepared for CLB historical building.
	CLB . Renovations and repairs of the CLB building considered as cultural heritage, may interfere with the original architecture of the building.	Public Awareness is part of the Stakeholder Engagement Plan for the FRLP to include key messages on the value of the program and promotion of non-discriminatory attitudes and behaviours.
	Risk of fear of stigmatization from members of the community of children enrolled in the Special Needs Programs at the SML and CLB Schools.	Training of Care Teams in needs assessment for inclusive education and Special Needs, as defined by the project.
	Inadequate capacity to assess students for enrolment in the program resulting in improper diagnosis of	Provision of transportation for student enrolled in the program (to and from school).



Components	Potential E&S Impacts and Risks	Mitigation Measures
	children's socio-emotional and educational needs. Distance of CLB Primary School may be prohibitive, resulting in reduced accessibility for children living far away from both facilities.	CLB School program will be made accessible to all attending students in appropriate language and format and through the adaptation of teaching strategies for students with different needs (learning, emotional, behavioural and intellectual). Where required, multilingual educational tools will be made available/utilised.
	Limits to access to Special Needs programs at CLB due to language or other barriers.	
Component 2	Resettlement impacts on people in the library. Great Salt Pond, which is an important Bird Area, is at 110m from the Library. Pond and wildlife will need to be protected from contamination caused by direct solid and wastewater releases from the construction site.	Conduct a census and establish a cut-off date for the library. Prepare a RAP and implement the RAP during project implementation or before. Pond. Pond will be protected from pollution caused by wastewater, fuels, paints, waste or silt releases.
Component 3 Ministry Management Information System (MMIS)	Personal sensitive data may not be adequately protected. Small quantities of e-waste may need to be properly disposed of.	An MMIS consultant will be hired and be engaged with the MMIS development and risks management. Ministries' personnel will be assisted in capacity development. Collaboration between MECYS and other ministries will be facilitated for more efficient exchange of information grounded in applicable legislative requirements. Close collaboration with the Digital Leadership team in Government to ensure adequate privacy legislation and policies will be in place.



Components	Potential E&S Impacts and Risks	Mitigation Measures
		E-waste management guidelines are drafted.
Component 4 Project Management	Labour risks to employees and contractors/consultants Indirect risks may include: Lack of sufficient capacity within stakeholders Budget restrictions and cost increase Project implementation delays Insufficient coordination between NRPB and ministries.	MECYS and other relevant ministries will be supported through training, placing coordinators and engaging technical consultants. Risks will be communicated to stakeholders. Supervisor will be engaged for managing the civil works implementation. Accessibility of GRM to NRPB and project partner's personnel and adequate communication on the existence of this tool.
Component 5 Contingency Emergency Response - CERC	Details of this component are not known but potential ESHS risks relevant to small scale civil works are to be anticipated. Those include OHS hazards, waste management, and Community nuisance.	A CERC-ESMF will be drafted and addended in this ESMF.



2 Purpose and Contents of the Environmental and Social Management Framework

This **ESMF** is intended to be a practical tool during project design, monitoring and implementation and describes the steps involved in identifying and mitigating potential negative environmental and social impacts of future investment activities. The ESMF will set out the principles, rules, guidelines and procedures to screen the risks and impacts for the specific subprojects listed in the various components, the mitigation measures, the applicable ES standards as defined in the World Bank ESF, and the budgeting for the costs of the proposed measures which are presented in Section 7.

2.1 Contents of the Framework

This ESMF consists of the following Sections:

- Section 1: Executive Summary
- Section 2: Purpose and Contents of the ESMF
- Section 3: Project Description. This section describes the activities carried out under the Fostering Resilient Learning Project (FRLP) (project components), the objectives, site selection, priorities, and cost.
- Section 4: Legal and Policy Framework. This section explains the Environmental and Social Standards (ESSs) triggered by the project and the relevant national legislation.
- Section 5: Baseline Environmental and Social Conditions. This section describes the existing environmental and social conditions of the project area.
- Section 6: Environmental and Social Risks and Mitigation Measures. This section
 describes the environmental and social setting of the project area and potential
 environmental and social impacts and risks associated with the project activities. It
 also describes proposed detailed management plans, mitigation measures to address
 these impacts and risks and a monitoring plan.
- Section 7: Implementation Schedule for Environmental and Social Risk Management Instruments
- Section 8: Project Institutional Arrangements and Capacity. This section describes the institutional arrangements for implementation of the project and the ESMF.



3 Project Description – The Fostering Resilient Learning Project (FRLP)

The Fostering Resilient Learning Project (FRLP) will support the implementation of Sint Maarten's 2018 National Recovery and Resilience Plan (NRRP), which lays out priorities and a roadmap for Sint Maarten's recovery, reconstruction, and resilience following Hurricane Irma generally, and emphasizes the importance of rebuilding Sint Maarten's education sector to a higher, more resilient standard.

3.1 Background of the Project

Following the devastation caused by Hurricanes Irma and Maria, the Government of Sint Maarten (GoSM) prepared a consolidated National Recovery and Resilience Plan (NRRP) that prioritizes immediate, short, medium, and long-term needs for the recovery, reconstruction and resilience of Sint Maarten. This Plan includes estimates of the financial requirements, costs and investments that are necessary to build Sint Maarten back better.

Since January 2018, the World Bank has been assisting the Government of Sint Maarten in the establishment and implementation of a recovery and reconstruction program to implement the NRRP. A significant component of this program is financed through a Trust Fund financed by the Netherlands, managed by the World Bank and implemented by the Government of Sint Maarten.

In parallel to the establishment of the Trust Fund and the execution of the NRRP, the Government of Sint Maarten developed an institutional structure for the implementation of Trust Fund financed projects. This structure is materialized in the National Recovery Program Bureau (NRPB) and serves as the Project Implementation Unit (PIU) for Trust Fund projects for which the Government of Sint Maarten enters into a Grant Agreement. As such, the NRPB represents the Government of Sint Maarten vis-a-vis the World Bank in the implementation of Trust Fund financed projects.

To respond to the emergency needs in the education sector which arose after the passage of Hurricanes Irma and Maria in 2017, the Government of Sint Maarten developed an Education Master Plan (EMP) in 2018. The project supports the EMP's first and second components, which focus on

(i) repair and reconstruction of Cultural Heritage Center, and sports facilities and (ii) a care and special aid program, which aims to provide students and education staff with a safe learning environment and addresses the needs of special care students and students from lower-income families, their families, teachers, and education staff who were affected by the hurricane.

The proposed FRLP was developed at the request of the SXM TF Steering Committee²² and complements a US\$5 million Child Resilience and Protection Project (CRPP – P172582, approved by the World Bank in October 2020), which is implemented by UNICEF NL²³ in collaboration with MECYS and stakeholders. Activities will be coordinated, and synergies will be sought with ERP, CSPFRP, and the Digital Government Transformation Project, also financed by the SXM TF.



3.2 Project Development Objectives

The objectives of the FRLP are to:

- (i) restore access to a safe education, learning and cultural environment and
- (ii) improve the resilience of Sint Maarten's education system

3.3 Project Components

The Project will include five components: (i) Rebuilding Inclusive Schools, (ii) Rebuilding the Philipsburg Jubilee Library; (iii) Building the Ministry's Management Information System, (iv) Project Management; and (v) Contingent Emergency Response. The Contingent Emergency Response Component (CERC) will not have a funding allocation but will allow for a prompt reallocation of resources in case of an eligible emergency.

Component 1: Rebuilding Inclusive Schools, aims to restore access to adequate and inclusive learning environments by restoring student access in the Middle Region district and the Cole Bay district to two primary schools damaged beyond repair by Hurricane Irma and vandalized in its aftermath. Students of Sister Marie Laurence (SML) and Charles Leopold Bell (CLB) were relocated to schools in other districts. The Project will finance the reconstruction of and the provision of furniture and equipment to both the schools.

Architectural designs for the reconstruction of SML have already been prepared, while the design of the CLB school will be financed by the Project. During project preparation, existing designs will be reviewed, revised and adapted, in particular to meet the requirements of the special needs programs that SML school will implement. The reconstruction of SML and CLB primary schools will be based on disaster-resistant standards, ensuring that they are fully accessible to students and staff with disabilities. The reconstruction will take place on the current site of the damaged buildings, and demolition will be needed to clear the way for construction. It is expected that there will be no land acquisition and no population displacement. The Project will also finance the costs related to the design and supervision of the civil works.

In principle the schools will be demolished and rebuilt. However, a part of the CLB school does have a historical significance which will be maintained. This part will not be demolished but restored.

Special Needs and Inclusive Education at the SML and CLB Primary Schools The Project will support both schools to implement their special education programs. SML's Special Care program aims to support students showing socio-emotional and behavioral problems. The school will offer an after-school program that provides an option for continued supervised engagement of the most vulnerable social groups. The school identified that the most prevalent behaviors recognized amongst the students are aggression, bullying, hyperactivity, impulsivity, and social skills deficits. To address behaviors that students are exhibiting as a result of challenging socio-environmental contexts, SML has instituted a positive behavior support (PBS) system to increase quality of life and decrease problem behaviors through teaching life skills and enforcing changes to a student's environment. PBS is not an individual therapeutic intervention, but rather a psychosocial support intervention to provide holistic support. (Extracted from Draft PAD).



Regarding CLB, the Government approved the establishment of a transitional program at the Educational Care Center (ECC) to serve 50-75 students exhibiting exceptional and diagnosed behavioral disorders that cannot be handled in a traditional school environment. The ECC is to identify and assess these children that are in need of extra support in elementary schools. Through this program, students are transferred from their regular schools and temporarily placed in a controlled environment where their needs can be addressed, through behavior modification, remediation, re-socialization, and/or individualised learning.

The Project will strengthen SML's Special Care and CLB's ECC program by providing technical support so that the programs can start as soon as the schools are functional. Technical assistance will be provided to implement a pilot phase of the programs, before scaling them up.

Component 2: Rebuilding the Philipsburg Jubilee Library, will finance the design and reconstruction of the Philipsburg Jubilee Library (PJL), which will take place on the current site of the damaged building, and demolition will be needed to clear the way for construction. The Project will also finance the costs related to the design, based on MECYS approved framework and supervision of the civil works. Land acquisition and population displacement are not expected to result from this reconstruction. The Project will also finance furniture, educational materials, technical equipment and the facilitation of cultural and learning exchanges, and/or the establishment of a digital platform for the Library. An assessment will be supported to review the ongoing collaboration between the Library, SIMARC and the Museum and the vision for future services for PJL. The findings of this assessment will be presented in a report (Annex 13).

Component 3: Building the Ministry's Management Information System is included in the FRLP. This component will support the development of a comprehensive MMIS to support data-based decision-making. The MMIS will help improve the overall performance of the education system by monitoring students' performance and put learning outcomes at the heart of the decision-making process through an Education Management Information System (EMIS). The MMIS will also help strengthen MECYS' disaster management capacity and efficient allocation of resources before and after a natural disaster or epidemic.

Component 4: Project management. This component will support project management and coordination, including monitoring and evaluation, procurement, financial management, environmental and social risk management and citizen engagement, and other technical assistance. As a result, the Project will finance, inter alia, technical assistance, goods, audits, workshops, training, and operating costs.

Component 5: Contingency Emergency Response Component – CERC. Due to Sint Maarten's high vulnerability to natural disasters, including those exacerbated by climate change, an unfunded Contingency Emergency Response Component is included, to allow for rapid response in the event of an eligible emergency. The CERC would be activated upon GoSM request, based on triggers and under conditions, defined during project preparation. In the event of an emergency, uncommitted funds may be reallocated from other components based on a Government Emergency Action Plan. The amount to be reallocated to the CERC is decided at the time of the emergency in agreement with the World Bank. Activities to be funded under the CERC will follow specific Environmental and Social screening criteria.



3.4 Site Selection and Prioritization of the Two Schools

Schools on Sint Maarten sustained significant damage during Hurricane Irma in September 2017. The World Bank is working with the government of Sint Maarten and other stakeholders to determine how financial and other assistance can be designed to have the greatest impact. Due to the limited funds available from the Sint Maarten Recovery and Reconstruction Trust Fund, not all the required repairs nor the wish from stakeholders to fund new buildings/reconstruction can be facilitated by the Ministry of Education, Culture, Youth and Sport (MECYS) via the funds allocated via the Trust Fund thus far. To ensure that the scarce resources available are allocated in a substantiated and sustainable way a criterion was drafted by the MECYS.

According to the Priority List for Public Buildings (Annex 1) that was approved by the Council of Ministers, the reconstruction of the Charles Leopold Bell (CLB) and the Sister Marie Laurence (SML) schools have the highest priority. **The Sister Marie Laurence (SML) School** is an existing school in the Middle Region district (Figure 1). Since the passing of Hurricane Irma, the school is damaged and unfit for students to continue their education there. Students from the SML School are currently housed at two classes at the Sister Magda School and six classes at the St. Dominic Primary school. Rebuilding a school in Middle Region will benefit students by allowing them to remain in their own district and not depend on a school bus to take them to school.

By having the SML School rebuilt, the students from Middle Region and surrounding districts can return to their district and preferred school. This will also allow more space for students in the South Reward area to be able to enrol in a school which is in their proximity. MECYS has been in discussions with other parties to find ways to reduce the amount of traffic in the South Reward area, which is presently overcrowded.





Figure 1: Aerial View of Sister Marie Laurence Primary School

MECYS recognized and prioritized the need for reforms and modernization of schools and learning environments. The construction of new schools therefore recognizes and supports the need for quality and up to date learning environments that suit the changing needs and expectations from students, parents and society at large.

The Charles Leopold Bell (CLB) School has already been approved by the Government of Sint Maarten to be used as the Educational Care Center (ECC) (Div#5037). This advice was followed by a memo from the Minister dated 27 October 2015 confirming that the decision on the Educational Care Center at the CLB was signed by the Council of Ministers (COM), which approved several matters which included the upgrading and renovation of facilities at the CLB school.

The purpose of the program at the ECC is to assess and adapt at-risk children who need extra support and to provide a safe, caring therapeutic educational setting for these students. The motivation for the CLB school to be rebuilt can be linked to the already approved advice from the Council of Ministers. In addition, after the disaster in 2017, extensive stakeholder meetings identified a need for a robust Educational Care Center accessible for all special needs students.

The children and teachers who attended and worked at the two schools have been integrated into other schools.





According to information from the Department of Culture, the Charles Leopold Bell School is *not* on the official monument list. The building is owned by Government and 2020 marked its 100th Anniversary. One of the key factors that gives this CLB school an historical significance, is its strategic location at a triple cross-roads for the Cole Bay area, situated between the road to Philipsburg, the road to Marigot, and the road to Cape Bay. It is therefore considered to be a historical landmark by the Cole Bay community (Figure 2). In the past 20 years or so, renovations and repairs have been done that did interfere with the original architecture of the building. The original foundation stone-mortar walls are still present though, covered atop by the recent restorations work.

Figure 2: Charles Leopold Bell Primary School (Historical Building proposed for Restoration)

3.5 Cost of the Project

The Fostering Resilient Learning Project is funded by the Trust Fund from the Netherlands Government and is estimated to cost a total of US\$30m, distributed across four components as illustrated in Table 2.

Table 2: Project Costs

All Components USD\$ (Million) Source Component 1: Rebuilding Safe Schools 17,800,000.00 Component 2: Restoring a Community and Learning 9,000,000.00 **Environment** Trust Fund Component 3: Strengthening the Ministry's 2,000,000.00 Management Information System **Component 4: Project Management** 1,200,000.00 Total Project Cost¹ 30,000,000.00

¹ Project budget includes the cost of E&S mitigation measures. Further details and break-down of E&S mitigation measures can be found in Table 14, Section 6.17

¹⁹ FRLP Environmental and Social Management Framework (ESMF)



4 Legal and Policy Framework

4.1 World Bank Environmental and Social Standards (ESSs)

The Environmental and Social Framework (ESF) enables the World Bank and Borrowers to better manage environmental and social risks of projects and to improve development outcomes. It offers broad and systematic coverage of social and environmental risks. This is done through a set of ten (10) Environmental and Social Standards (ESS) which set out the requirements that apply to Borrowers.

The Environmental and Social Standards set out the requirements for Borrowers relating to the identification and assessment of environmental and social risks and impacts associated with projects supported by the Bank through Investment Project Financing. The Bank believes that the application of these standards, by focusing on the identification and management of environmental and social risks, will support Borrowers in their goal to reduce poverty and increase prosperity in a sustainable manner for the benefit of the environment and their citizens.

The ten Environmental and Social Standards that establish the standards that the Borrower and the project will meet through the project life cycle, are as follows:

- ✓ ESS1: Assessment and Management of Environmental and Social Risks and Impacts
- ✓ ESS2: Labor and Working Conditions
- ✓ ESS3: Resource Efficiency and Pollution Prevention and Management
- ✓ ESS4: Community Health and Safety
- ✓ ESS5: Land Acquisition, Restrictions on Land Use and Involuntary Resettlement
- ✓ ESS6: Biodiversity Conservation and Sustainable Management of Living Natural Resources
- ✓ ESS7: Indigenous Peoples/Sub-Saharan African Historically Underserved Traditional Local Communities
- ✓ ESS8: Cultural Heritage
- ✓ ESS9: Financial Intermediaries
- ✓ ESS10: Stakeholder Engagement and Information Disclosure

According to the Concept Note prepared for the project, the following Environmental and Social Standards apply, or may apply:

ESS 1: Assessment and Management of Environmental & Social Risks and Impacts

This standard sets out the Borrower's responsibilities for assessing, managing and monitoring environmental and social risks and impacts associated with each stage of a project supported by the Bank through Investment Project Financing (IPF), in order to achieve environmental and social outcomes consistent with the Environmental and Social Standards (ESSs).

ESS1 calls for environmental and social assessment of project related risks and impacts, these will be managed through this ESMF. The ESMF will be publicly disclosed and consulted with relevant stakeholders. An ESCP has been developed that sets out the material measures and action required to comply with the ESSs. Monitoring and regular reporting on the environmental and social performance of the project against the ESS's will be conducted. Contractors will need to prepare site specific C-ESMPs, engage qualified ESHS personnel and report regularly on compliance to the environmental and social risk management.



ESS 2: Labour and Working Conditions

ESS2 recognizes the importance of employment creation and income generation in the pursuit of poverty reduction and inclusive economic growth.

ESS2 applies to all project workers, people employed/engaged directly by NRPB, through third parties, consultants, and contractor's workers. Labour Management Procedures (LMP) applicable to the project have been developed and will be publicly disclosed and consulted upon. The Project will not employ any workers under the age of 18. Contractors shall develop and operate their own GRM for workers complaints. Next to that, the NRPB's GRM functions as the labour GRM and is open to receive all worker complaints that might arise in the FRLP. The arrangements for project-worker complaints are described in the LMP. The details of the Contractor's GRM will be made available to all workers and the NRPB's GRM for workers is available for all members of the public and for workers on NRPB's website.

ESS 3: Resource Efficiency and Pollution Prevention and Management

ESS3 recognizes that economic activity and urbanization often generate pollution to air, water, and land, and consume finite resources that may threaten people, ecosystem services and the environment at the local, regional, and global levels.

Resource efficiency is relevant to the project and energy efficiency interventions in buildings will be considered during the design, in close coordination with school boards, the library and MECYS, depending also on the available funds. Emissions to air, wastewater discharges and noise levels will need to comply with World Bank EHS Guidelines. Demolition, construction waste and e-waste, including hazardous materials like asbestos, will be properly disposed of on- or off-island as needed.

ESS 4: Community Health and Safety

ESS4 addresses the health, safety, and security risks and impacts on project-affected communities and the corresponding responsibility of Borrowers to avoid or minimize such risks and impacts, with particular attention to people who, because of their particular circumstances, may be vulnerable.

ESS4 is relevant to the project, since demolition/construction works may impact the urban community where those sites are located, increasing traffic/congestion and road accidents risks, noise & vibration levels, covid-19 transmission, releasing dust to air and creating nuisance to sensitive receptors.

ESS 5: Land Acquisition, Restrictions on Land Use and Involuntary Resettlement

This standard is relevant and applies to the sole individual living in the library. This person has occupied the site over the last few months. A census was conducted, and a RAP is being developed and will be implemented prior to the start of works.

There is no anticipated land acquisition or restrictions on land use. However, occasionally, there may be the need to temporarily occupy adjacent land, which is vacant. This may be for the temporary placement of site offices, storage of materials and/or equipment and other construction related purposes. If this need arises formal agreements will be signed between the Contractor and the property owners, copies of which will be provided to the Supervisor. At present the land is not occupied, neither are there any stalls operating at or near any of the sties.



Land is owned by Government and in Long Lease to the Philipsburg Jubilee Library Foundation. Deeds are available.

Based on current assessments, there will be no other need for resettlement than indicated above. However, if this should arise in the future, then the ESMF and related instruments will be updated accordingly.

ESS 8: Cultural Heritage: This standard sets out measures designed to protect cultural heritage throughout the project life cycle. It recognizes that cultural heritage provides continuity in tangible and intangible forms between the past, present and future. People identify with cultural heritage as a reflection and expression of their constantly evolving values, beliefs, knowledge, and traditions.

ESS8 includes specific provisions/requirements for archaeological sites and material, built heritage, natural features with cultural significance, and movable cultural heritage.

The CLB school is a 100-year-old building which is considered an important historic building. Even though it is not on the list of Sint Maarten's official registry of historic monuments, it is considered a historical landmark by the community.

Demolition and reconstruction of the CLB School will be guided by a Cultural Heritage Management Plan developed by a consultant hired specifically for that purpose. Based on current understanding and communication with PJL Foundation, there are no materials, photos, recordings or books in the library collections, which would trigger ESS8.

ESS 10: Stakeholder Engagement and Information Disclosure

ESS10 recognizes the importance of open and transparent engagement between the Borrower and project stakeholders as an essential element of good international practice. Effective stakeholder engagement can improve the environmental and social sustainability of projects, enhance project acceptance, and make a significant contribution to successful project design and implementation.

A Stakeholders Engagement Plan (SEP) has been developed for the project and includes a schedule for engagement with the schools and library users as plans for the new buildings are developed and finalized.



4.2 Sint Maarten National Regulations

Applicable Policies, Legislation and Regulations of the Government of Sint Maarten

Previously part of the Netherlands Antilles, Sint Maarten became an autonomous country within the Kingdom of the Netherlands on October 10, 2010. Sint Maarten has full autonomy for internal affairs, including environmental and labour legislation. The Dutch Government retains responsibility for defence and foreign affairs.

According to Article 22 of the 'Constitution of the Country of Sint Maarten,' it shall be a constant concern of the GoSXM to keep the country habitable and to protect and improve the natural environment and the welfare of animals. Currently, the country has no comprehensive legislation related to environmental protection and no law for carrying out environmental impact assessment (EIA) for any development projects. Should the GoSXM establish any relevant legislation or ordinances on environmental protection during the implementation of this Project, the Special Project's Management Team commits to, after consultation with World Bank, adhere to these policies. If new legislation leads to additional costs or impediments to carry out the Project, renegotiation will start with the World Bank.

The Government has some existing policies and regulations on the management of environmental and social issues. These regulations and their applicability to the Project, particularly as they apply to the World Bank's Environmental and Social Standards relevant to the project are summarised in Table 3 below, with a brief gap analysis. More details about local legislation can be found in Annex 3.



Table 3: Summary of Sint Maarten National Laws

General Environmental and Social Management Provisions	National Laws and Requirements	Gaps
ESS1: Environmental and Social Assessment.	A number of national laws govern the environmental and social management (see legislation listed in the rest of the table below). Specific legislation may contain provisions based on which an environmental and/or social impact assessment may be required, such as in the event of a request to develop a specific area (art. 28, par. 4, of the National Ordinance Spatial Development Planning (17-04-2015, AB 2015, no.9)),	
ESS2: Labour and Working Conditions	Labour Legislation of St Maarten National ordinance concerning safeguarding labor in enterprises a.k.a. Safety Ordinance (AB 2013, GT no. 438). Safety Decrees I-III (AB 2013 GT no. 348; no. 280; no. 350) A National HIV and AIDS Workplace Policy (2012)	The current labour legislation covers the issues of minimum wages, employee dismissal, prohibition of child labor, occupational injury, holidays and special leaves etc; however, there is no specific section on vulnerable workers such as women, persons with disabilities, children of working age, migrant workers, contracted workers, and community workers.
ESS3: Resource Efficiency and Pollution Prevention Management	National Energy Policy (2014) The current Electricity Concessions Ordinance (AB 2013, GT no. 147) and the Electricity Concession of N.V. GEBE Waste Ordinance (AB 2013, GT no. 135). National Ordinance Wastewater (AB 2013, GT no. 142) The National Ordinance for Nature Protection and Management (AB 2013, GT no. 809) The National Ordinance for the Prevention of Pollution from Ships (AB 2013, GT No. 298) National Ordinance Clearance of Ships and Wrecks (AB 2013, GT no. 314)	Policies and ordinances are in place to promote sustainable water and energy use. There are gaps with regard to pollution emission and discharges standards. The current Waste Ordinance does not address management, storage and transport of hazardous materials, chemicals and pesticides.



	Environmental Norms for Air & Sound, Water & Wastewater, Waste Article 28 A (Lrop)	
ESS4: Community Health and Safety	Hindrance Ordinance and derivative regulations. (AB 2013 GT nr. 139 and AB 2013 GT nr. 140). National Ordinance Public Health (AB 2018, 20). National Decree of the Governor of Sint Maarten Concerning Public Health Rules National Decree on Public Health (AB 2017, GT No. 33).	There are no current regulations that require facilities to inform adjacent communities of potential risks and hazards including hazardous wastes, traffic safety, impacts of labor influx and issues associated with security personnel.
ESS5: Land Acquisition, Restriction on Land Use and Involuntary Resettlement	St. Maarten adopted its own Planning and Zoning Ordinance in 1993 (Eilandsverordening Ruimtelijke Ontwikkelingsplanning St. Maarten, "EROP") and it is updated in 2013 which is the National Ordinance Spatial Development Planning (AB 2013, GT no. 144). National ordinance, concerning Buildingand Public Housing a.k.a. Building Ordinance (AB 2013, GT no. 136). There are two National Decrees for execution of Article 19 (AB 2013, GT no. 146) and Article 43 (AB 2013, GT no. 401) of the Building Ordinance. As per April 26, 2020 Article 28a of the National Ordinance Spatial Development Planning (Lrop) has recently come back into effect. Article 28a. regulates the requirements for a civil works permit, which will allow the Minister to review certain planned works prior to approval. This will ensure that the works will not cause undesirable and irreversible damage to the environment and are executed with concern to the environment and that the works fit within the Government Spatial Development Vision. In addition, the article allows the government to impose conditions on the execution of the works.	Currently, there are no requirements to address adverse impacts related to land acquisition, nor assess economical and social impacts. There are no specific requirements that insure protection for all people affected including people who do not have full legal rights to land or assets.



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	 Approval by the Minister would be required for the following works: The excavation, raising, leveling or explosion of land; The construction of roads and other pavements; Works and projects that impact the water management and the groundwater level; The felling and clear-cutting of trees or other cultivation; The demolition of structures; The filling and/or dredging of water. 	
ESS6: Biodiversity Conservation and Sustainable Management of Living Natural Resources	National ordinance, concerning management of nature and protection of the prevalent fauna and flora (AB 2013, GT no. 809). National Decree, entailing general measures, concerning management and protection of flora and fauna as well as nature parks (AB 2013, GT no. 143). There are two relevant island policies that are not covered by legislation; Beach Policy (Public notice August 1994). Hillside Policy (Public notice No. 986/98). Temporary Fishing Prohibition Cartilage Fish Decree (AB 2011, no. 35). Fisheries Land Decree (AB 2013, GT no. 405). Fisheries Products National Decree (AB 2013, GT no. 354). National Nature Conservation Ordinance – Ao2001, No. 41; Nature Conservation Ordinance St, Maarten- AB2003, No. 35 St Maarten Proposed Land Parks Management Plan (2009); Sint Maarten Nature Policy has been drafted; but not yet finalized.	Measures to protect, conserve, maintain and restore natural habitats and biodiversity have been proposed; however, it has not been legalized. Although there are laws regarding development activities impacting critical habitats and biodiversity, degradation continues because of the lack of enforcement. There is not an adequate legal and regulatory framework to guide environmental and social impact assessments. There is a limited number of elements that meet environmental and social assessment good practice. Incorporating ecosystem services into national capital is not required under current legal mandates.
ECCO. Cultural	drafted; but not yet finalized.	Comprehensive regulation address in a
ESS8: Cultural Heritage.	The Philipsburg Declaration and Action Plan (2015) National decree, entailing general	Comprehensive regulation addressing potential adverse impacts on cultural property requires additional formulation.
	measures of the execution of the	



	Monuments ordinance (AB 2013, GT no. 50). National decree indicating protected monuments (AB 2013, GT no. 46). National decree monuments register (AB	Legal protection relating to commercial use of cultural heritage remains ambiguous.
	2013, GT no. 49).	
ESS10: Stakeholder Engagement and Information Disclosure.	There is no national law or regulation.	Stakeholder engagement and information disclosure are designed at the project level in related to project's stakeholders and their needs.

4.3 Conventions and Guidelines

4.3.1 Convention Agreements

In case hazardous materials, or other relevant waste materials, need to be recycled or finally disposed off-island, then such activities, including transportation, will be completed in compliance with the relevant articles of the Conventions below, in case transportation happens to countries that have ratified them (Sint Maarten is not party to either of the Conventions). In addition, applicable local regulations shall be followed.

Basel Convention http://www.basel.int/

The Basel Convention is a multilateral agreement governing all transboundary movements of hazardous waste for recovery or disposal. As of November 2020, 187 countries and the European Commission are parties to the Basel Convention (United States is not a party). Basel Convention was introduced to reduce the movements of hazardous waste between nations, and specifically to prevent transfer of hazardous waste from developed to less developed countries. In addition to conditions on the import and export of the above wastes, there are stringent requirements for notice, consent and tracking for movement of wastes across national boundaries.

International Agreement on Transboundary Shipments of Waste (OECD)
 The OECD Control System for waste –recovery - OECD

The Agreement applies to transboundary movements of waste destined for recovery operations between OECD Member countries. There are 37 OECD Member countries, including USA.



4.3.2 World Bank Group Environmental, Health and Safety (EHS) Guidelines

The World Bank Group Environmental, Health and Safety (WBG EHS) guidelines are technical reference documents with general and industry specific examples of Good International Industry Practice (GIIP). EHS guidelines are applied as required by their respective policies and standards. The applicability of specific technical recommendations should be based on the professional opinion of qualified and experienced persons. When host country regulations differ from the levels and measures presented in the EHS Guidelines, Projects are expected to achieve whichever is more stringent. World Bank EHS guidelines are available at:

https://www.ifc.org/wps/wcm/connect/Topics_Ext_Content/IFC_External_Corporate_Site/Sustainability-At-IFC/Policies-Standards/EHS-Guidelines.

4.3.3 Additional Operational Guidance

- OSHA Asbestos General Standard (29 CFR 1910.1001)
 https://www.govinfo.gov/content/pkg/CFR-2011-title29-vol6/pdf/CFR-2011-title29-vol6-sec1910-1001.p-f
- OSHA Asbestos Construction Standard (29 CFR 1926.1101) https://www.govinfo.gov/content/pkg/CFR-2011-title29-vol8/pdf/CFR-2011-title29-vol8-sec1926-1101.pdf
- WHO COVID-19 Guidance for schools, workplaces & institutions <u>Technical guidance (who.int)</u>
- St Maarten Covid-19 Health & Safety Guidelines for Workplaces
 http://www.sintmaartengov.org/government/VSA/Health-Updates/NOVELCORONAVIRUS/Documents/COVID-19%20Guidelines%20for%20workplaces.pdf

4.3.4 United Nations Convention on the Rights of The Child

The Convention on the Rights of the Child is a legally binding international agreement on childhood which sets out the civil, political, economic, social and cultural rights of every child, regardless of their race, religion or abilities. It is the most widely ratified treaty which has helped to transform the lives of children globally. In ensuring that its goal "For Every Child, Every right", is achieved, the CRC promotes four (4) basic principles:

- Non-Discrimination.
- Best interests of the child.
- The right to survival and development.
- The views of the child.



4.3.5 United Nations Sustainable Development Goal #4

The Seventeen (17) Sustainable Development Goals adopted by all United Nations Member States in 2015, "provide a shared blueprint for peace and prosperity for people and the planet, now and into the future. The SDGs are an urgent call for action by all countries - developed and developing - in a global partnership. They recognize that ending poverty and other deprivations must go hand-in-hand with strategies that improve health and education, reduce inequality, and spur economic growth – all while tackling climate change and working to preserve our oceans and forests".

SDG #4, is to "Ensure inclusive and equitable quality education and promote lifelong learning opportunities for all. This promotes the right to education as the basis to all human rights.

The objectives of SDG4 which are of particular relevance to the FRLP are:

- 4.1 Ensuring that all girls and boys can complete primary and secondary education in a free, equitable and high-quality way by 2030, leading to relevant and effective learning outcomes
- 4.a Build and improve educational facilities that address children, people with disabilities and gender equality and provide a safe, non-violent, inclusive and effective learning environment for all.

5 Baseline Environmental and Social Conditions

5.1 Physiography

Sint Maarten is an island country in the Leeward Islands of the Caribbean. It is a constituent country of the Kingdom of the Netherlands. It encompasses the southern 40% of the Caribbean Island of Saint Martin, while the northern 60% of the island constitutes the French overseas territory of Saint Martin. Sint Maarten is centred on 18° 01'N Latitude and 63° 05' W Longitude. The island hinges between the Lesser and the Greater Antilles and lies between the Atlantic Ocean and the Caribbean Sea. Other neighbouring island territories include Saba, Sint Eustatius Anguilla, St. Kitts and Nevis and St. Barthélemy. The total land area of the entire island is 90 km2 (15km long and 13 km wide at its widest point).

The island features a series of jagged ranges of hills from north to south terminating at Pic Paradis, 424 m the highest point, on the French side of the island. The coastline is a series of beaches, coastal lagoons, rocky areas and mangroves, and the interior is characterized by many valleys, most of which are rather flat.

5.2 Climate

The climate of Sint Maarten is tropical with hot and sunny weather all year around. Daily average temperature ranges from 25 degrees Celsius (°C) in the period from January to March, to 28 °C between June and October. The night temperature rarely drops below 20 °C, while sometimes it can reach 35 to 37 °C during the day from June to November. Average annual rainfall is 1045 mm. In the period from June to November (but mostly from August to October), Sint Maarten can be hit by tropical depressions and hurricanes, as happens in general in the Caribbean.



5.3 Natural Hazards

Sint Maarten is highly vulnerable to natural disasters and adverse climatic events due to its location within the Atlantic hurricane zone. For the past decades, the country has been exposed to high winds, intense storms and numerous hurricanes including: Donna in 1960 (Category 3), Hugo 1989 (category 3-4), Luis in 1995 (Category 4), Lenny (1999) and Irma 2017 (Category 5 on Saffir-Simpson scale). Due to the size of the country, a single storm has the potential to impact the entire population directly. High winds, rainfall and flooding are the principal risk factors while the country is also vulnerable to earthquakes. Coastal areas are exposed to flood risk from storm surge and tsunamis. Increased urbanization along with climate change and limited country capacity to build with resilience adds to its vulnerability to natural hazards.

5.4 Biological Environment

The major part of Sint Maarten is covered with secondary vegetation derived from either seasonal formations or dry evergreen formations. Only on the top of the hills, some more or less original semievergreen seasonal forest is found. This type of forest has regionally become extremely rare too. Because of its small area, this forest formation is very vulnerable. On the higher hills of the two ridges in the middle part of the island, and the hills of the eastern ridge, dense secondary woodland vegetation is growing, preventing erosion and with a high scenic value.

Along the coast and inland waterways remains of mangrove forests and other types of coastal vegetation survive, which are of high ecological value, and also have scenic value.

The fauna of St. Maarten is limited in species, not only because of St. Maarten's small size, but also because of habitat destruction, hunting and imported predators. Like the other Lesser Antilles, Saint Martin was never connected to a continent. Subsequently, it has a relatively low diversity of native fauna, particularly those that cannot fly. During the colonial period, most native habitats were destroyed for agriculture, including deforestation of the interior and the draining of mangrove wetlands. It is presumed that at least most of the current forests are secondary growth.

The introduction of non-native animals, both accidental (rats, mice) and deliberate (livestock, mongoose) has also been implicated in the destruction of habitat and the extinction of native species. More recently, development for tourism has resulted in further destruction and degradation of habitats such as the lagoon and the numerous salt ponds on the island.

Without peaks high enough to support a cloud forest, the highlands are primarily tropical deciduous forest, where many trees lose leaves during the dry season. Dry scrubland also makes up a good deal of the interior of the island, particularly in areas that are used as pasture for goats or cattle. There are numerous salt ponds on the island, and most are ringed with mangrove wetlands. While there are dry gulches that may fill temporarily after strong rains, there are no permanent rivers. Beaches and rocky shorelines ring the island, and in areas that are not developed, littoral (seaside) forest or scrub can be found. There is a large, enclosed lagoon in the southwest part of the island. In the seas surrounding the island, a mix of sand, seagrass beds and coral reefs can be found².

² Source: The Incomplete guide to the Wildlife of Saint Martin



5.5 Demography and Socio-economy

Sint Maarten is a constituent country of the Kingdom of the Netherlands in the Caribbean. It is the most densely populated country in the Caribbean with a population of over 50,000 in an area of 34 square km and a per capita Gross Domestic Product (GDP) of U\$25,381.

English is the widely spoken language though both Dutch and English are the official languages of the country. In addition to the registered inhabitants, there is a significant group of unregistered migrants, estimated to be between 10,000 and 15,000.

Tourism and tourism-related industry is the major source employment in the country. Only about 10 % of the land is considered suitable for domestic agricultural production, and over 90% of food products are imported. Nearly 30% of the male working population (45% for female workers) earn less than ANG 2,000 (USD 1,115) per month. Literacy rate in people over the age of 14 is 95.8%.

5.6 Site Specific Social and Environmental Baseline Conditions of Project's Area of Impact

Sister Marie Laurence (SML) Primary School

SML Primary School is located in the Middle Region area (Lower Prince's Quarter District) near



Figure 3: Aerial view indicating the general location of the SML Primary School

Philipsburg, and is considered a low-income area, although poverty data per region has not been provided. Lower Prince's Quarter is residential area with a population of approximately 11,846 making it the largest settlement on the island.





Figure 4: Aerial view of the SML Primary School

Before Hurricane Irma hit the Island in 2017, SML provided artistic activities for children in the neighbourhood, after school. engaging with vulnerable social groups and special care programs for children with special needs. MECYS has deemed the school buildings unsafe and uninhabitable and the construction of a brandnew school is required. Since the hurricane hit, students and the afterschool program have been relocated to two other Catholic schools in other districts.



Charles Leopold Bell School Primary located in Cole Bay. Cole Bay lies at the eastern shores of the Simpson Bay Lagoon in southern St. Maarten, in the foothills of the steep hillsides bordering Philipsburg. Cole Bay is a residential, commercial and marine intersection. with a population of approximately 8,158. The hillside woodland vegetation prevents erosion and offers a high scenic value.

Figure 5: Aerial View indicating the general location of the CLB Primary School

The Hillside Policy was established to conserve, protect and restore the hillsides. It remains a policy and is not consistenly enforced/implemented.

Before the hurricane, CLB had 165 students with 16 teachers, a care team, and management. After the Hurricane, students and their teachers were relocated to the closest public school. The oldest of the buildings at the Charles Leopold Bell Primary School was built in 1920 and while it



is not yet on Sint Maarten's official registry of historic monuments, some of the buildings are considered a historical landmark by the community and cultural heritage organizations.





The proposed subproject in Component 2 of the FRLP contemplates the demolition and reconstruction of 4 buildings, and the restoration of the oldest historical building. Renovations and repairs of the oldest building will be done without interfering with the current architecture of the building. The Cultural Heritage Assessment Report is attached as Annex 5.

Figure 6: Charles Leopold Bell Primary School

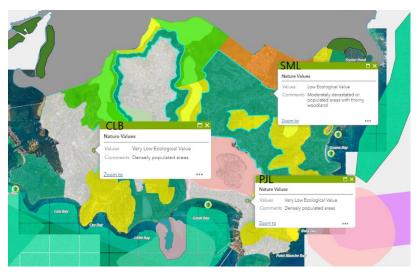
At the same time, the construction of an Educational Care Center at the CLB Primary School will cater to primary public school students from across the country who have behavioral challenges. Post Hurricane Irma photographs of the sites are provided in Annex 4.

The **Philipsburg Jubilee Library** (PJL) is located in Philipsburg, the capital of St. Maarten. With a population of approximately 1,506, the capital sits on a narrow strip of land between Great Bay and the Great Salt Pond. The town is a commercial center packed with shops, restaurants, casinos, and hotels.



Figure 7: Aerial view of the general location of the PJL





The PJL is located in proximity with the Great Salt Pond, which has been designated as a national monument based on its cultural and historical significance. The Pond is also an Important Bird Area (IBA) and a critical habitat for shorebirds and birds. water lt shelters populations of fish, such as mullet, mollusks, and small invertebrates such as fiddler crabs, which provide a great source of food for the birds.

Figure 8: Ecological value of project areas



The constructions will take place on the current plots of the damaged buildings, and demolition will be needed to clear the way for construction. It is expected that there will be no land acquisition but there is a need for one individual to be displaced from the site., This number was finalized and a census was done on December 10th, 2021, establishing resettlement cut-off date, as per ESS5.

Figure 9: Aerial view of the PJL

The required RAP will be prepared before the project reaches negotiation, disclosed, and then implemented during project preparation. The financing for the RAP will likely come from the project funds.

MECYS's objective is to have the library facilitate access to culture and learning for the entire community. The library will continue to provide access to books, media, print and digital archives, and computers to all and will host after-school and reading programs. In addition, the GoSM will expand the library's role as a community center through the organization of special events such as introduction to arts, awareness, protection, and response to gender-based violence (GBV). The library provided reading materials for the population, and it was visited by around 40,000 people annually before Hurricane Irma.

The project will finance the reconstruction of the library, the provision of furniture and equipment, and cultural and learning exchanges with countries that have implemented a similar model of



community center. It may also support the establishment of a digital platform for the library and the community center.

The Philipsburg Jubilee Library, the Sint Maarten National Heritage Foundation (Museum) and Sint Martin Archaeological Research Center (SIMARC) signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the objective of rebuilding the library, and potentially adding separate sectioned of/standalone units within the building, where amongst others, the Sint Maarten Museum and Archaeological Center could be housed, potentially becoming a "Heritage Center" besides the standalone Library.

An assignment to assess feasibility and organization set-up was funded under the PPG. A Consultant is engaged with the main scope of developing an institutional framework for collaboration between the interested parties (Library, Museum, SIMARC) and advising on functionality of the new building. Consultancy expected to be finalized in December 2021.

The Heritage Center is no longer a part of the FRLP. As such, the structure to be built will operate solely as a library.



Figure 10: Zoning data of project areas

All three project sites are situated in populated areas. The SML School is located in a highly populated residential area of the island, followed by the CLB School, which is in the Cole Bay area along the busy Union Road. Construction activities will need to consider these factors and the corresponding mitigation measures activated. The PJL is within a more commercial area and therefore is less populated. (See Table 4).



Table 4: Demographic Data with Approximate Numbers

Name	District	Total Population of District	Male	Female	Dwellings
Sister Marie Laurence (SML)	Lower Prince's Quarter	11,846	5,317	6,529	4,882
Charles Leopold Bell Public (CLB)	Cole Bay	8,158	4,000	4,158	3,202
Philipsburg Jubilee Library(PJL)	Philipsburg	1,506	668	838	542

Table 5 presents a summary of the footprint of each project area. Since the disruption caused by the hurricanes, students from both schools have been displaced to other schools. The PJL has also been rehoused at another facility. Environmental and Social screenings have taken into account the existing conditions and have planned accordingly for mitigation.

Table 5: Summary of Project's Area of Impact

School Name	Students/ Visitors	Location	Sensitive receptors	Natural environment	Cultural Environment	Businesses
Sister Marie Laurence School	185 (age 3- 12) & 68 after- school -24 personnel	1 Ellis Rd, Middle Region District	Lucia's Learning & Baby center @ 180m	Urban setting with very limited natural features.	Urban environment, with no monuments or other cultural features	Mini markets, bakery, grocery
Charles Leopold Bell School	165 students & 16 teachers	Rubber Tree Dr, Cole Bay	Worship Places @ 80 & 120m.	Green hill @ 200m	-CLB is a historical landmark -Worship Places @ 80 & 120m.	A number of restaurants, Supermarket and shops
Philipsburg Jubilee Library	40,000 visitors annually	3 Walter A. Nisbeth Rd, Philipsburg	Sundial School adjacent	Great Salt Pond @110m Great Bay@340m	Peace Monument (Statue of Simon Bolivar) is adjacent	Busy commercial area and public buildings



6 Environmental and Social and Risk and Mitigation Measures

6.1 Summary of Potential Risks and Impacts of the Project

The scope of works and a summary of potential E&S impacts are described in the following Table 6.

Table 6: Summary of Potential E&S impacts

Component/Activities with Potential Environmental and Social Impacts	Scope of works	Potential Environmental and Social Impacts and Risks
Component 1 & 2	Demolishing of the	Debris and Waste Generation. Debris and other
(Common Risks & Impacts)	Buildings. Damaged parts of buildings will be demolished. SML, parts of CLB school and the Library will be completely demolished. Common construction waste	waste material will be generated from the demolition and cleanup activities as well as from the Reconstruction of the Buildings. Improper waste management may cause pollution of soil and water bodies.
	debris includes blocks, metal panels, wood, glass, concrete and gypsum boards.	Asbestos has been classified as a known human carcinogen. Exposure to asbestos may occur through inhalation of fibers in air, released during construction works on buildings containing asbestos materials.
	Asbestos may be present in the construction materials.	Mold contaminants are a known health risk for individuals who are susceptible to or have known allergenic health problems.
	Mold Remediation may be needed in some of the	CLB . Renovations and repairs of CLB building(s) considered as cultural heritage may interfere with the original architecture of the building.
	buildings exposed to rainwater Repair of Damaged Parts of the Buildings. The damaged	Occupational Health and Safety (OHS) Risks. OHS risks are associated with debris collection and removal activities such as lifting, separating, sweeping and hauling; and other risks generally associated with the demolition and construction works including use of scaffolding and work at heights.
	parts of the buildings will be repaired according to the engineering designs. Reconstruction of Buildings. Buildings will be reconstructed based on new	Community Health and Safety Risks. Noise and vibration, dust and vehicular movement from the demolishing/construction activities may cause a nuisance to the nearby communities and construction workers.
	designs in the existing premises of the affected buildings. No additional land acquisition will be required	Risks associated with inconvenience occurring as a result of project activities. In general demolition works and movement of materials/ heavy equipment will impact movement of members of the community. Road blockages (temporary), resulting in traffic



for these construction activities.

Provide equipment, furniture and educational material.

diversions may cause delays and other types of inconvenience.

Safety concerns due to the introduction of the project in the areas include crimes which may occur due to the increased number of workers concentrated in the same area.

Since the schools are currently closed, and the library was temporarily relocated, teachers, students, staff and users will not be impacted by the works.

The library is situated adjacent to an operational secondary school (Sundial School). Which will be affected as previously mentioned.

Stakeholders and public engagement. Risks associated with lack of or inadequate communication about and inconvenience to community members and local business occurring as a result of project activities. Access to recreation or other facilities and local parking availability may be hindered.

Covid-19 risks associated with people traveling from abroad and construction workers in close spaces.

GBV/SEA/H Risks. Risks associated with the ways in which discrimination and harassment based on gender which are existing in society can manifest on a project or be encountered during project implementation.

The gender disparities in hiring of employees or sexual harassment, exploitation and abuse are identified as the most likely to occur.

Great Salt Pond, which is an important Bird Area, is at 110m from the Library. Pond and wildlife will need to be protected from contamination caused by direct solid and wastewater releases from the construction site.

Accessibility. The design of the new buildings is anticipated to provide better accessibility to people with disabilities.

Resilience & Efficiency. Design of the new buildings is anticipated to better adapt into hurricane (and seismic) resilience norms. Energy and water conservation measures will be included. Wastewater will be properly disposed off.

Life & Fire Safety. Buildings should incorporate all local building codes, fire department regulations and in accordance with an internationally accepted Life &



		Fire Safety standard (i.e. the Life Safety Code by US NFPA)
		Jobs. Construction works generally increase employment and income opportunities through job openings and construction materials selling.
		Learning. Schools & Library reconstruction will promote easier access to learning. SML and CLB special care programs will promote learning opportunities to children with special needs.
Component 1	SML Primary School	
	Teachers not adequately trained to implement inclusive education strategies	Teachers will receive training to implement inclusive education strategies.
	CLB Primary School	
	CLB. Renovations and repairs to section of the CLB building considered as	CLB . A Cultural Heritage Assessment Report and Management Plan will be prepared for CLB historical building.
	cultural heritage, may interfere with the current architecture of the building.	Public Awareness included in the Stakeholder Engagement Plan for the FRLP to include key messages on the value of the program and promotion of non-discriminatory efficiency and behaviours.
	Risk of fear of stigmatization from members of the community of children enrolled in the Special Needs Programs at the SML and	of non-discriminatory attitudes and behaviours.
	CLB Schools.	Training of Care Teams in needs assessment for inclusive education and Special Needs, as defined by the project.
	Inadequate capacity to assess students for enrolment in the program resulting in improper diagnosis of children's socioemotional and educational needs.	
	Distance of SML and CLB Primary Schools may be	Provision of transportation for student enrolled in the program (to and from school).
	prohibitive, resulting in reduced accessibility for children living far away from both facilities.	School spaces will be made accessible to all students in a language and format for all students through the adaptation of teaching strategies for students with different needs (learning, language, emotional, behavioural and intellectual)



	Limits to access to Special Needs programs at both schools due to language or other barriers. Resettlement Impacts	Sites have been assessed, and are vacant, Signage has been posted to establish a cut of date at both schools.
Component 2	Resettlement Impacts Great Salt Pond, which is an important Bird Area, is at 110m from the Library. Pond and wildlife will need to be protected from contamination caused by direct solid and wastewater releases from the construction site.	A census was prepared, and a cut-off date established to limit further occupation of the site. A RAP with compensation measures will be prepared. Pond. Pond will be protected from pollution caused by wastewater, fuels, paints, waste or silt releases.
Component 3	Personal sensitive data may not be adequately protected. There is a risk that data will not be accurate and reliable to support decision making. Small quantities of e-waste may need to be properly disposed of.	An MMIS consultant will be hired and be engaged with the MMIS development and risks management. Ministries' personnel will be assisted in capacity development. Collaboration between MECYS and other ministries will be facilitated for more efficient exchange of information grounded in applicable legislative requirements. Close collaboration with the Digital Leadership team in Government to ensure adequate privacy legislation and policies will be in place. e-waste management guidelines are drafted
Component 4	Project Management	Lack of sufficient capacity within stakeholders Budget restrictions and cost increase Project implementation delays Insufficient coordination between NRPB and ministries
Component 5	Contingency Emergency Response – CERC	Details of this component are not known but potential ESHS risks relevant to small scale civil works are to be anticipated. Those include OHS hazards, waste management, and Community nuisance.



6.2 Environmental and Social Screening Matrix

An Environmental and Social (E&S) Screening is an initial step in the due diligence for project execution and undertaken in the early stages of project development. The E&S Screening assists in assigning the environmental and social risk categories of project activities. The Screening Matrix inserted below (Table 7 & Table 8 *Table*) helped identify the key aspects that need to be further examined and managed, outlining the depth of social and environmental mitigation which may be required.

The information collected will inform the actions of the project towards reducing or eliminating potential negative social and environmental impact. Each risk is presented in the form of a Screening Question, followed by a response and what the likely effect can be. The risk rating is determined by the level of impact (varying levels of significance). Actions for mitigation are then explained.

Table 7. Environmental Screening Matrix

Screening Questions	Yes/No/? Briefly Describe	Is this likely to result in a significant effect? Yes/No/? – Why?	Component
1. Will construction, operation or decommissioning of the proposed works involve actions which will cause physical changes in the area (topography, land use, changes in water bodies, etc.)?	Yes SML, parts of CLB school and the Library will be demolished and reconstructed on same land, according to new design. New buildings will potentially have different physical characteristics (height, ground coverage, etc)	No All buildings are in residential areas. Building permits shall be in place before works commencement, to ensure compliance with Building Ordinance. The responsibility to acquire the Building Permit lies within NRPB or the Architectural Firm that will prepare the designs. Physical changes will not be significant.	1&2&5
2. Will construction or operation of the proposed works use natural resources such as land, water, materials or energy, especially any resources which are non-renewable or in short supply?	Yes Mineral resources and wood (in the form of construction materials) will be used for reconstruction and repairs of the buildings. Energy will be required for transportation, machinery and tools. Energy is	No Standard construction materials and resources that will be used are not in short supply. Sustainability activities and interventions will be designed and implemented	1&2&5



Screening Questions	Yes/No/? Briefly Describe	Is this likely to result in a significant effect? Yes/No/? – Why?	Component
	produced from non-renewable resources (fossil fuels)	in close collaboration with school boards and MECYS.	
3. Will the works involve use, storage, transport, handling or production of substances or materials which could be harmful to human health or the environment or raise concerns about actual or perceived risks to human health?	Y <u>es</u> See below for asbestos	No with measures See below for asbestos	<u>1&2&5</u>
4. Will the works require asbestos removal or extensive mold remediation actions?	Yes SML, parts of CLB and Library buildings will be demolished, mold remediation is therefore determined to be unnecessary. Mold may be present though in the eldest CLB school building. Due to buildings old age, asbestos may be present in the construction materials.	Mold assessment will be carried out only for parts of the CLB school that will be repaired and not for those that will be demolished. Mold assessment will be carried out on the books which were removed from the damaged Library and stored in containers on the premises. Before demolition of SML, CLB and Library, an asbestos assessment will be performed and any potential asbestos material shall be removed. CLB building under repair shall also be assessed for asbestos presence before works start. Asbestos and Mold assessments will be completed by NRPB before works procurement and Remediation plans will be developed by Contractors where appropriate, before site works commencement.	18285



Screening Questions	Yes/No/? Briefly Describe	Is this likely to result in a significant effect? Yes/No/? – Why?	Component
		A Contractor's ESMP (C-ESMP) shall be in place.	
5. Will the proposed works produce solid wastes during construction or operation or decommissioning?	Yes Significant solid waste volume will be produced in demolition stage and smaller quantities during reconstruction works.	No with measures Solid waste will be collected and separated on site and transported to the MSWS, where some components can be reused or recycled, and others can be disposed of. A Solid Waste plan will be part of the C-ESMP. All equipment will be cleared from the buildings prior to commencement of works. SML school and Library have already cleared most of the equipment from the buildings.	1&2&5
6. Will the proposed works release pollutants or any hazardous, toxic or noxious substances to air?	Yes Dust emission from demolition works. Exhaust emissions from vehicles and machinery. Asbestos fibers could be released during demolition. Spills of diesel, gas or paints during construction are inherent to (large) construction projects	No with measures Will be managed and mitigated with appropriate measures. A Contractor's ESMP (C-ESMP) shall be in place.	1&2&5
7. Will the proposed works cause excessive noise and vibration or release of light or heat energy?	Yes Noise and vibration levels will increase both during demolition and repair activities.	Yes potentially Noise levels will be exceeded during specific phases of the works, even with noise control measures in place. Usual measures will be a combination of noise barriers, organising noisiest activities outside of rest hours, location of noise producing installations as	1&2&5



Screening Questions	Yes/No/? Briefly Describe	Is this likely to result in a significant effect? Yes/No/? – Why?	Component
		far away from residential or other noise sensitive receptors (i.e. schools, churches, hospitals, elderly care centres etc.), optimizing tracks schedule, speed limits, control delivery areas, maintain equipment and vehicles in good working order, measure noise levels, among others. Impact will be mitigated as part of the Community ESHS sub-plan of the C-ESMP.	
8. Will the proposed works lead to risks of contamination of land or water from releases of pollutants onto the ground or into surface waters, groundwater, coastal waters or the sea?	Yes potentially Only in case of improper solid waste and wastewater management.	No with measures See 5 above for solid waste management.	1&2&3&5
9. Will there be any risk of accidents during construction or operation of the Project which could affect human health or the environment?	Yes potentially Demolition and construction activities are associated with workers Health and Safety concerns. Environmental accident potential is not considered to be substantial.	No with measures Health and Safety planning is an integral part of any demolition and construction activity and shall be addressed extensively in the C-ESMP.	1&2&5
10. Are there any other factors which should be considered such as consequential development which could lead to environmental effects or the potential for cumulative impacts with other existing or planned activities in the area?	Yes NRPB is funding multiple reconstruction and repair activities, for numerous beneficiaries. Those activities may coexist and impose a cumulative impact on the neighbourhoods and the MSW. Private owners' reconstruction works also contribute to overall impact.	Yes There is urgent need for St Maarten to proceed with reconstruction and repair works as soon as possible. Short term cumulative impact is to be expected.	1&2&5



Screening Questions	Yes/No/? Briefly Describe	Is this likely to result in a significant effect? Yes/No/? – Why?	Component
11. Are there any areas on or around the location which are protected under international or local legislation for their ecological, landscape, cultural or other value, which could be affected by the project?	Yes Part of CLB is built in 1920 and while it is not in Sint Maarten's official registry of historic monuments, it is considered a historical landmark by the community. The Library is at approximately 110m from Great Salt Pond, which part of has been designated as a national monument based on its cultural and historical significance.	No with measures -Renovations and repairs of the CLB building(s) considered as cultural heritage should be done without interfering with the original architecture of the heritage building. The CLB or parts thereof should be restored based on a Cultural Heritage Assessment Report and Management Plan. -Pond will be protected from contamination caused by direct solid and wastewater releases from the construction site, by implementing mitigation measures described in the Waste Management plan of the C-ESMP related to Library reconstruction NRPB will review and approve the C-ESMP.	182
12. Are there any other areas on or around the location which are important or sensitive for reasons of their ecology, e.g. wetlands, watercourses or other water bodies, the coastal zone, mountains, forests or woodlands, which could be affected by the project?	Yes Library is 340m away from the Great Bay beach, 110m from the Great Salt Pond and 40m from a water canal. See also 13 below for more details regarding Great Salt Pond.	No See 13 below	2
13. Are there any areas on or around the location which are used by protected, important or sensitive species of fauna or flora, e.g. for breeding, nesting,	Yes <u>Library</u> is at 110m from Great Salt Pond, which is an important Bird Area. It is a critical habitat for shorebirds and water birds. The pond shelters populations	No Reconstruction works will not have an impact on the pond, ocean and beach as long as proper mitigation	2



Screening Questions	Yes/No/? Briefly Describe	Is this likely to result in a significant effect? Yes/No/? – Why?	Component
foraging, resting, overwintering, migration, which could be affected by the project?	of fish, such as mullet, mollusks, and small invertebrates such as fiddler crabs, which provide a great source of food for the birds.	measures of C-ESMP are implemented.	
14. Are there any inland, coastal, marine or underground waters on or around the location which could be affected by the project?	Yes See 13 above.	No See 13 above	2
15. Are there any areas or features of high landscape or scenic value on or around the location which could be affected by the project?	Yes Library is at 110m from Great Salt Pond	No See 11 above	1&2
16. Are there any routes or facilities on or around the location which are used by the public for access to recreation or other facilities, which could be affected by the project?	Yes, There are routes which are used by the public for access to recreation or other facilities. At SML there is a (newly constructed) playground and basketball court adjacent to the which are being used by the community. PJL has a paid parking lot in front of the building where visitors of the city could park. CLB is situated adjacent to a main road with residential units situated more land inwards. Renovation/reconstruction could result in access roads being used more than normal by heavy equipment.	Yes Those facilities may be affected or closed due to works mobility arrangements and safety concerns. A Traffic Management & Community ESH Plan shall be part of the C-ESMP to mitigate the risks.	1&2
17. Are there any transport routes on or around the location which are susceptible to congestion or which cause environmental problems, which could	Yes All sites are located in areas with transport routes in the immediate area or in close proximity	Yes potentially Some roads may be affected or closed due to works. A Traffic Management Plan shall be part of the C-ESMP.	1&2



Screening Questions	Yes/No/? Briefly Describe	Is this likely to result in a significant effect? Yes/No/? – Why?	Component
be affected by the project?	The Library is located in proximity to Philipsburg's commercial, residential, recreational activity.		
18. Is the project in a location where it is likely to be highly visible to many people?	Yes All buildings under consideration are in residential areas.	No Buildings are in residential areas and visible by many people. No significant change is expected as part of the project.	1&2&5
19. Are there any areas or features of historic or cultural importance on or around the location which could be affected by the project?	Yes See 11 above	No See 11 above	182
20. Is the project located in a previously undeveloped area where there will be loss of greenfield land?	No	No	All
21. Are there existing land uses on or around the location e.g. homes, gardens, other private property, industry, commerce, recreation, public open space, community facilities, agriculture, forestry, tourism, mining or quarrying which could be affected by the project?	Yes A complete Table is included under Baseline Conditions section.	Yes potentially Will be managed and mitigated with appropriate measures. A C-ESMP shall be in place.	1&2&5
22. Are there any plans for future land uses on or around the location which could be affected by the project?	No Project doesn't affect future development.	No	All
23. Are there any areas on or around the location which are densely populated or	Yes	Yes potentially Noise, dust, traffic increase, can potentially have	1&2&5



Screening Questions	Yes/No/? Briefly Describe	Is this likely to result in a significant effect? Yes/No/? – Why?	Component
built-up, which could be affected by the project?	All buildings under consideration are located in residential or commercial areas.	adverse effect on the public. The effect shall be managed and mitigated with proper measures, as part of the C-ESMP.	
24. Are there any areas on or around the location which are occupied by sensitive land uses e.g. hospitals, schools, places of worship, community facilities, which could be affected by the project?	Yes Sensitive receptors are in proximity with the buildings under repair. A complete Table is included under Baseline Conditions section.	Yes potentially Noise, dust, traffic increase, may adversely affect nearby facilities. The effect shall be managed and mitigated with proper measures, as part of the C-ESMP.	1&2&5
25. Are there any areas on or around the location which contain important, high quality or scarce resources e.g. groundwater, surface waters, forestry, agriculture, fisheries, tourism, minerals, which could be affected by the project?	Yes See 13 above for Great Salt Pond	No See 13 above	2
26. Are there any areas on or around the location which are already subject to pollution or environmental damage e.g. where existing legal environmental standards are exceeded, which could be affected by the project?	Yes Great Salt Pond has been affected by the landfill operation and residential sewage overflow.	No Pond will be protected from contamination caused by solid and wastewater releases, by implementing mitigation measures described in the Waste Management plan of the C-ESMP. NRPB will review and approve the C-ESMP.	2
27. Is the project location susceptible to subsidence, landslides, erosion, flooding or extreme or adverse climatic conditions which could cause the works to require additional	Yes Hurricane preparedness requires special considerations. Not susceptible to flooding	Yes Emphasis will be given on climate change adaptation and seismic considerations.	1&2&5



Screening Questions	Yes/No/? Briefly Describe	Is this likely to result in a significant effect? Yes/No/? – Why?	Component
environmental considerations?			
28. Will pesticides, rodenticides or any other vector control products be used during any stage of project implementation and operation?	Yes potentially Mold remediation products may be required. Vector control will be elaborated on in the C-ESMP.	Managed and mitigated with appropriate measures, as part of the C-ESMP.	1&2

Table 8. Social Screening Matrix

Will the sub-project:	Yes/No	Is this likely to have a significant effect and why?	Component
	R	esettlement Impacts	
Do the works require temporary displacement of people from their current settlement/homes?	YES	Permanent displacement required under component 2 only, for the library site and is not considered significant because only one individual will be resettled. The impacts on the individual will be managed through a RAP prepared by the NRPB and cleared by the Bank. The Project is expected to finance the resettlement costs and compensation payments for the individual. Schools have not been operational since Irma. Students and their teachers were temporarily relocated to alternative locations. Signs have been placed at each site stating that no occupation or use of the properties is allowed. Please see Annex 4 for images of the posted signage on each site. Students from the SML School are currently housed at two classes at the Sister Magda School and six classes at the St. Dominic Primary school.	2



		The Library has been closed since December 2018. In March of 2019 it was moved around the corner to the first floor of the Adolphus Richardson building.		
Will the work interfere with the normal health and safety of the worker/employee?	No	No The Code of Conduct and C-ESMP will employ appropriate mitigation methods to address workers health and safety.	All	
Will the work reduce the employment opportunities for the surrounding communities?	No	No Construction works generally increase employment and income opportunities through job openings and construction materials selling. Consultants and other specialized professionals will be engaged on project preparation and implementation.	All	
Will the work cause limits to people's access to the water, public services or other resources that they depend on?	No	No Access to public services will not be affected by the works. Road blockages and other disruptions to traffic will be managed by the Contractor's Traffic Management Plan.	<u>1&2&5</u>	
Will there be a reduction in income for the communities?	No	No Construction and other works under the project increase employment and income opportunities through job openings and construction materials selling. No businesses will be disrupted.	All	
Will the work induce disagreements? How?	No	No Extensive consultation will be required to ensure stakeholders engagement from an early stage, especially parent associations and school boards.	1&2&3&5	
Community Health and Safety				
Is there a possibility that the work will cause child delinquency (school dropouts, child abuse, child labour, etc.?)	No	No These schools have not been operational since Irma and classrooms have been relocated to alternative schools. After the reconstruction, SML will continue to provide artistic activities for children in the neighborhood afterschool, engaging with	1	



		vulnerable social groups and special care programs for children with special needs. Part of the CLB scope of works is the	
		construction of an Educational Care Center which will cater to primary public-school students from across the country who have behavioral challenges.	
Is there a chance that the work will cause labour influx to the area?	No	No Though there are considerable reconstruction works in St Maarten, labour influx from abroad is not expected for this project. Details shall be clarified in consultation with awarded contractor and will also depend on the timeframe of works execution. Contractor can be encouraged to hire within the project community. The awarded contractor must follow the local	1&2&5
		labour laws & policies and LMP in place.	
Is there a risk that the project will lead to gender disparity or sexual harassment/ exploitation abuse?	Yes	GBV is a possibility. Sensitization training on GBV, legal ramifications for infraction and the Contractor's and NRPB's GRM provides guidance for dealing with GBV matters.	All
		The NRPB Code of Conduct for Construction outlines the obligations on all the Contractor's staff regarding GBV/SEA/SH, that all workers are expected to adhere to. The Contractor is required to include this in their own CoC which is subject to NRPB's approval.	
		The Contractor is usually requested to include in the C-ESMP, a section on investigation of possible violations and the consequences thereof.	
		Disciplinary sanctions are firstly governed by the country's labour legislation and secondly by the contract specific arrangements.	
		GBV matters may fall inside the realm of criminal law and the consequences thereof will be determined by the relevant authorities. This will subsequently lead to consequences imposed by the Contractor upon the respective worker.	
		All workers are required to sign the CoC prior to starting any work. Workers must follow the Contractor's Training which shall include GBV/SEA/SH related topics. GBV/SEA/SH training can also be repeated when necessary,	



		particularly where an incident of non-compliance has occurred. The Contractor is required to refer any community complaints with a SEA/SH/GBV component to the NRPB's GRM and will be dealt with appropriately. Depending on the needs of the complainant, referral to service providers and/or law enforcement will take place. Contractor to be encouraged to hire women to work on their projects to ensure gender equity/distribution, once the female applicants have the required skill, training, or academic qualifications.	
Is there a possibility that there will be an increased exposure of the community to communicable diseases such as HIV/AIDS?	No	Risk of HIV/AIDS exposure no more than as exists nationally.	All
Is there a risk that there will be increased safety concerns due to introduction of the project?	Yes	There might be crime/safety concerns due to increased number of workers concentrated in the same area, which will be mitigated according to the LMP in place and the fact that areas in question are regularly patrolled by the police. Community consultations and awareness campaigns will be held periodically during project implementation as a component of the SEP to address matters of safety both at the site and where workers reside.	1&2&5
		Contractor's Traffic Management Plan will outline the safety measures for movement of construction vehicles, transportation and disposal of materials and other related activities.	
Is there a risk that the work will lead to substance abuse (drug abuse, excessive alcohol consumption, etc.)?	No	Contractor, in consultation with NRPB, shall take necessary actions to prevent improper behavior of its personnel. Regulations must be outlined at orientation with workers, prior to the commencement of the works. Contractor to have periodic meetings with staff.	All
Is there a possibility that there will be an increased exposure of the community to COVID-19?	No with measures	Mitigation and preventative measures will be in place to protect all concerned and will be referenced in the relocation logistics plan and C-ESMP.	All



	Lab	or Issues	
Are there potential hazards to the workers?	Yes	Good practice in Health and Safety, together with the C-ESMP and supervision, shall minimize potential hazards on construction workers. Asbestos and mold exposure assessment shall be completed before works commencement.	<u>1&2&5</u>
Are the proper PPEs provided to the workers?	Yes	No Supervision, training, toolbox meetings, signs and supervision and inspections on site will aim to ensure that construction company and workers comply with requirements.	<u>1&2&5</u>
Are COVID-19 provisions in place?	Yes	No Covid-19 provisions shall be part of contract requirements and the C-ESMP. Supervision and training shall ensure that construction company and workers comply with requirements. Any potential labor influx shall be also monitored and screened during arrival.	All
Are there going to be workers housing facilities?	No	No. Labour will be locally hired and workers will already have housing. Specialists may be required and might be recruited from overseas in small numbers and will look after their own housing. The projects are not of the scopes which require a large work force which necessitate workers' housing facilities.	All
Are there procedures incorporated that can be used in emergency situations?	Yes	No The contractor's ESMP will address procedures to be used in emergency situations as a result of natural or man-made disasters. Hurricane, Fire and Earthquake preparation will be required.	1&2&5
Are sections of the population at risk of being denied access to the special needs education programs at the CLB Primary School?	Yes	No Access barriers resulting from geographical distance - transportation provided to primary school students by MECYS.	1



		School programs will be made accessible to all students using adaptive teaching strategies to cater for their differences, including the use of multilingual approaches.	
Is there a possibility that teachers will lack the relevant skills for implementing the strategies required	Yes	No Teachers will be trained in	1
Is there a possibility that needs assessments may not adequately identify the needs of children targeted to be enrolled in the CLB program?	Yes	No Training of Care Teams in needs assessment for inclusive education and Special Needs, as defined by the project.	1
Is there a risk that parents/students may refuse enrolment in the program due to a fear of discrimination by the general public?	Yes	No. Public awareness is a component of the SEP prepared for the project, focusing on key messages on the value of the Special Needs programs and promotion of non-discriminatory attitudes and behaviours.	1

6.3 E&S Impacts and Proposed Mitigation Measures

Table 9 below summarizes the Environmental and Social risks and impacts of the project, along with the proposed mitigation measures, plans and instruments for minimizing any adverse effects and responsibilities. Impacts can be negative or positive. Impact scale is classified as Minor, Moderate or High. Relevance of the impact to each of the subcomponents (1 to 5) and project phases (demolition, construction/implementation and operation) is also indicated.

Table 9: Summary of Environmental and Social risks and mitigation measures

Impact Categorization	Impact Categorization	Component	Phases
(-) Negative (+) Positive	Mi – Minor Mo -Moderate H-High	 Schools Library MMIS Management CERC 	D-Demolition C-Construction or Implementation O-Operation

Example:

(-) (Mi) (1&2) (C&O)

(Negative impact) (Minor impact) (Component 1&2) (Construction & Operation phase)



Impact Category	Potential Impact	Mitigation Measures	Responsibility
Physical changes in the area	New buildings will potentially have different physical characteristics. (-) (Mi) (1&2) (C&O)	-Build inside same plots -Residential areas -Improved architectural design -According to building permits	NRPB, Architect, MECYS, SKOS, PJL
Use of natural resources	Construction materials (minerals, wood, etc.) and energy (fossil fuels) will be required. (-) (Mi) (1&2&5) (D&C&O)	Materials and resources not in short supply or significant quantity.	NRPB
	Energy & water usage during operational phase of buildings. (+) (Mi) (1&2) (O)	Sustainability interventions will be designed and implemented in new buildings	NRPB, Architect, MECYS, SKOS PJL
Hazardous Materials	Asbestos may be present and released during demolition or repairs. (-) (H) (1&2&5) (D&C&O)	-Asbestos assessment before start of works -Asbestos removal and disposal before start of works	NRPB, Contractor
	Small qualities of e-waste may need to be disposed. (-) (Mo) (1&2&3&5) (D&C&O)	Dispose according to the e- waste guidelines in the Annex	NRPB, MECYS, Contractor
Mold infestation	Mold impacted buildings present a health hazard. (-) (Mo) (1&2&5) (C&O)	-Mold assessment for CLB school historic buildingMold assessment for Library storage containers.	NRPB
Solid waste	Considerable solid waste volume will be produced in demolition stage and smaller quantities during reconstruction and operation phase. (-) (Mo) (1&2&5) (D&C&O)	Solid waste will be collected and separated on site and transported to the MSWS, where some components can be reused or recycled, and others can be disposed of. A Solid Waste plan will be part of the C-ESMP.	Contractor
Air emissions	Dust emission from demolition and construction works. Exhaust emissions from vehicles and machinery. (-) (Mo) (1&2&5) (D&C)	Dust suppression and equipment regular maintenance provisions will be included in the C-ESMP.	Contractor
Pollution	Spills of fuels, engine oils, thinners or paints may be released during construction or demolition. (-) (Mo) (1&2&5) (D&C)	Secondary containments, spill absorbents and other measures shall be part of the C-ESMP.	Contractor
Wastewater	Wastewater produced from demolition/construction workers (-) (Mo) (1&2&5) (D&C)	Contractor will be responsible for collecting and disposing wastewater. Details will be in the C-ESMP.	Contractor
	Wastewater produced from users of the facilities. There is potential of improvement compared to previous status. (+) (Mo) (1&2) (O)	New buildings will be connected to the sewage network or have their own treatment plant.	NRPB, MECYS, SKOS, PJL, VROMI



Impact Category	Potential Impact	Mitigation Measures	Responsibility
Noise	Noise and vibration levels will increase both during demolition and repair activities. (-) (H) (1&2&5) (D&C)	Noise levels will be monitored and controlled (noise barriers, respect rest hours, speed limits, etc.). Details will be in the C-ESMP.	Contractor
Health & Safety	Demolition and construction activities are associated with workers Health and Safety concerns. (-) (H) (1&2&5) (D&C)	Health and Safety planning is an integral part of any demolition and construction activity and shall be addressed extensively in the C-ESMP. A Job Safety/Hazard Analysis shall be also prepared.	Contractor
Cumulative impacts	Multiple reconstruction and repair activities from NRPB and private owners may cumulate. (-) (Mo) (1&2&5) (D&C)	Short term cumulative impact is to be expected. Consultation with affected communities shall address concerns and manage complaints.	NRPB
Cultural resources	Part of CLB is built in 1920 and it is considered a historical landmark by the community that needs protection. (+) (Mo) (1) (C&O)	Renovations and repairs of the CLB old building should be done without interfering with the original architecture of the heritage building. A Cultural Heritage Assessment Report and Management Plan will be prepared.	NRPB
Ecology and water resources	The Library is in proximity to the Great Salt Pond, which is also an important Bird Area, and to the water canal. Those resources may be affected from pollution and/or noise. (-) (Mi) (2) (D&C&O)	Mitigation measures already described regarding hazardous waste, noise, air and pollution will address any potential impact.	NRPB, Contractor
Public access	At SML there is a playground and basketball court. PJL has a paid parking lot. Access to those facilities will be hindered. (-) (Mo) (1&2) (D&C)	Community will be consulted and safety risks will be explained.	NRPB
	The design of the new buildings is anticipated to provide better accessibility to people with disabilities. (+) (Mo) (1&2) (D&C&O)	Universal accessibility provision will be included in the new buildings design.	NRPB, Architect, SKOS, PJL, MECYS
Life & Fire Safety	The design of the new buildings should incorporate all local building codes, fire department regulations and in accordance with an internationally accepted Life & Fire Safety standard (+) (Mo) (1&2) (D&C&O)	A suitable qualified L&FS professional should audit and certify: (i) L&FS Master plan, (ii) fire protection technical design, (iii) final testing and commissioning of fire protection systems, and (iv) final delivery of L&FS documentation	NRPB, Architect, Contractor



Impact Category	Potential Impact	Mitigation Measures	Responsibility
Traffic	All sites are located in residential areas. Some roads may be affected or closed due to works. (-) (Mo) (1&2&5) (D&C)	Notifications will be given in advance and traffic control measures will be in place. A Traffic Management Plan shall be part of the C-ESMP.	Contractor
Sensitive Receptors	Sensitive receptors (schools, clinics, etc.) are in proximity with works sites and may be impacted by nuisance. (-) (Mo) (1&2&5) (D&C)	The effect shall be managed through measures (regarding noise, dust, traffic minimization) already described and will be further detailed as part of the C-ESMP.	Contractor
Climate adaptation	Design of the new buildings is anticipated to better adapt into hurricane (and seismic) resilience norms. (+) (Mo) (1&2&5) (C&O)	Hurricane (and seismic) resilience will be considered and included in the design of all 3 new buildings. Hurricane, Fire and Earthquake preparation plans will be required from Contractors.	NRPB, Architect, Contractor
Resettlement	Schools and Library are not operational. Resettlement required at the library, for 1 person. (-) (Mo) (1&2&5) (D&C)	The buildings/sites of the two schools have been posted with signage state that no occupation is allowed. A census has been conducted, and a RAP will be prepared. The financing of the RAP which be implemented during implementation or before will be most likely financed from the project. Where applicable, gates or entryways bill be properly closed off to prevent access to the sites. A Security Guard, under employment of PJL, is stationed at the PJL site. He will continue to monitor the situation and request trespassers to leave the premises.	NRPB PJL Foundation
Employment and/or Income Opportunities	Construction works generally increase employment and income opportunities through job openings and construction materials selling. (+) (Mo) (1&2&5) (D&C)	The positive impact will be spread in the community since most of the workforce will be locally hired.	Contractor



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Child Literacy and/ or Delinquency	Schools & Library reconstruction will promote easier access to learning. SML and CLB special care programs will promote learning opportunities to children with special needs. (+) (Mo) (1&2) (O)	SML will continue to provide afterschool activities. Part of the CLB scope of works is the construction of an Educational Care Center. Library functionality will be designed according to latest learning trends.	NRPB, MECYS, SKOS, PJL.
Labor Influx	Considerable labor influx is not expected. Specialized professionals (consultants, engineers, IT, etc.) will be needed for project implementation. (-) (Mi) (1&2&3&4&5) (D&C&O)	Contractors can be encouraged to hire within the project community. The awarded contractors and all personnel involved in this project, must follow the local labour laws & policies and LMP in place.	NRPB, Contractor
Covid-19, HIV/AIDS	People traveling from abroad, close contact in enclosed spaces and inadequate protection measures may lead to Covid-19 spread. (-) (Mo) (1&2&3&5) (D&C&O)	Comply to country protocols Comply to WHO protocols Contractors to prepare and implement Covid-19 plans.	NRPB, Contractor
GBV/SEA/SH, Substances, Criminality, Improper behavior	Gender and sexual harassment or improper behaviour is a possibility on/around construction sites. (-) (Mo) (1&2&5) (D&C)	Sensitization training will be provided by Contractors. Code of Conduct shall be signed by all workers before starting works. Contractors will have in place a GRM for workers NRPB has in place a GRM for all stakeholders.	Contractor, NRPB
Induced Disagreement	There are diverse stakeholders involved in this project and disagreements may arise. (-) (Mo) (1&2&3&5) (D&C)	Stakeholders consultations and awareness campaigns will be held periodically during project implementation as a component of the SEP to address matters.	NRPB, MECYS, SKOS, PJL
Contractor's Compliance	There is a risk that civil works contractors may not fully comply with the ESHS requirements of the project. (-) (H) (1&2&5) (D&C)	Contractors will need to engage experienced and qualified ESHS personnel. An ESHS performance guarantee will be submitted by contractors C-ESMPs will be prepared by contractors and approved by NRPB	Contractors, NRPB
Stakeholder Engagement	Inadequate stakeholder engagement and information disclosure may hinder successful project design and implementation.	NPRB has developed and will implement a Stakeholder Engagement Plan. A project Coordinator is positioned at MECYS.	NRPB



Impact Category	Potential Impact	Mitigation Measures	Responsibility
	(-) (H) (1&2&3&4&5) (D&C&O)	Needs assessment survey is undertaken for the new Library. Environmental and Social risk management documents will be publicly disclosed A GRM is in place for resolving complaints Online surveys were conducted to gather stakeholders' inputs into the design of the PJL. Further consultation with parents and teachers will be held as plans are drafted – as described in the SEP.	
Data and Data Protection	Personal sensitive data may not be adequately protected. There is also a risk that data will not be accurate and reliable to support decision making. (-) (Mo) (3) (C&O)	An MMIS consultant will be hired and be engaged with the MMIS development and risks management. Ministries' personnel will be assisted in capacity development. Collaboration between MECYS and other ministries will be facilitated for more efficient exchange of information.	NRPB, MECYS, VSA, MOJCS
Project Management	Project preparation may be hindered by lack of capacity, delays and budget restrictions. (-) (Mo) (1&2&3&4&5) (D&C&O)	MECYS and other relevant ministries will be supported through training, placing coordinators and engaging technical consultants. Risks will be communicated to stakeholders. Supervisor will be engaged for managing the civil works implementation.	NRPB, MECYS



6.4 Risk Mitigation Measures to Comply with ESSs Requirements of the Project

The ten Environmental and Social Standards (ESSs) establish the standards that the NRPB and the project will meet through the project life cycle.

Table 10 Table 10 describes the relevant World Bank ESSs, explains the relevance of each Standard to the Project and provides details about the requirements and actions taken by NRPB to comply with the ESS requirements.

Table 10: Environmental and Social Standards, Actions and Responsibilities

ESS	Relevance	Requirements of ESS	Actions taken (or to be taken) to comply with ESS requirements	Applicable Component	Responsibility
ESS 1: Assessment and Management of Environment al and Social Risks and Impacts	The assessmen t of risks and impacts of the project or subprojects will not require full environme ntal and social impact assessmen ts. The expected environme ntal and social risks and potential negative impacts can be managed through this Environme ntal and Social Manageme nt Framework prepared for the Project.	Conduct an environmental and social assessment of the proposed project to assess the environmental and social risks and impacts of the project throughout the project life cycle. The assessment will be proportionate to the risks and impacts of the project.	✓ Environment and Social Risks of Components 1 & 2 are considered Moderate. An ES Screening report has been prepared to identify key concerns and propose mitigation measures. The ES Screening report has been implemented into the ESMF. Risks are considered temporary, highly localized and manageable through environmental risk management instruments and mitigation measures described in the ESMF. ✓ ES risks of Components 3 & 4 are considered low. ✓ Regarding Component 5, ES screening and mitigation measures will be included in the CERC ESMF, once the activities are known. ✓ Structural elements of the project will be designed and constructed by competent professionals and certified or approved by competent authorities	✓ 1 & 2 ✓ 3 & 4 ✓ 5	✓ NRPB



ESS	Relevance	Requirements of ESS	Actions taken (or to be taken) to comply with ESS requirements	Applicable Component	Responsibility
		Undertake stakeholder engagement and disclose appropriate information in accordance with ESS 10.	The NRPB regularly engages its stakeholders through various channels throughout the project. The ESMF and the SEP will be disclosed and inputs received will be included. Section 7.9 summarizes the stakeholder engagement details.	All	NRPB
		Develop an ESCP, and implement all measures and actions set out in the legal agreement including the ESCP.	The NRPB has developed an Environmental and Social Commitment Plan (ESCP) for the preparation phase and a separate plan for the implementation phase. NRPB will implement all actions indicated in the ESCPs.	All	NRPB
		Conduct monitoring and reporting on the environmental and social performance of the project against the ESS's.	The NRPB will prepare and submit to the Bank bi-annual monitoring reports on the environmental, social, health and safety (ESHS) performance of the Project, including but not limited to the implementation of the ESCP, status of preparation and implementation of E&S documents required under the ESCP, stakeholder engagement activities, functioning of the grievance mechanism(s).	All	NRPB
		Undertake a process of meaningful consultation of the project's risks and impacts in a manner that provides	This ESMF will be disclosed on the NRPB social media and website. Input from any feedback originating in the consultation phase is deliberated in the project team for relevance,	All	NRPB



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		stakeholders with opportunities to express their views on project risks, impacts and mitigation measures.	feasibility of implementing. Applicable suggestions will be included in the final ESMF and results of suggestions will be fed back to project design and to relevant stakeholders.		
		All contractors engaged on the project operate in a manner consistent with the requirements of ESSs.	✓ Contractors will need to submit a Contractor's Environmental and Social Management Plan (C-ESMP) prior to their mobilization for NRPB approval. ✓ Contractors shall submit its Code of Conduct that will apply to its employees and subcontractors. ✓ Contractors shall engage an ESHS Specialist, who will be responsible for implementing the contractors' environmental, social, health and safety responsibilities. This expert shall be on island during works implementation phase. ✓ Relevant aspects of the ESCP and ESMF will be included in the tender documents.	✓ 1 & 2 ✓ All ✓ 1 & 2 ✓ all	Contractor
ESS 2: Labour and Workers Condition	Typical safety risks associated with the constructio n and demolition of works	Develop and implement Labour Management Procedures applicable to the Project.	Labour Management Procedures (LMP) have been developed and will be available on the project page of the NRPB website within 30 days of project effectiveness.	All	NRPB
	under Component 1 are 2 are expected (OHS risks; noise	A child under the minimum age will not be employed or engaged in connection with the project.	The Project will not employ any workers under the age of 18.	All	NRPB/Supervis or/Contractor



ESS	Relevance	Requirements of ESS	Actions taken (or to be taken) to comply with ESS requirements	Applicable Component	Responsibility
	pollution; dust pollution	Measures relating to occupational health and safety (OHS) will be applied to the project. The OHS measures will include the requirements of this Section and will take into account the General Environmental Health and Safety Guidelines (EHSGs) and, as appropriate, the industry-specific EHSGs.	occupational H&S issues have been considered as part of the ES Screening and referenced in this ESMF. A Workers H&S plan will be part of the Contractor's ESMP. The General Environmental Health and Safety Guidelines (EHSGs) will be included in tender documents and shall be considered by Contractor when drafting the C-ESMP. The standard mitigation measures for civil works attached in Annex 12 will also apply. ✓ NRPB has adopted a Code of Conduct to guide the conduct of all contracted under the project including with regard to Sexual Harassment and Exploitation in the workplace. The Code of Conduct can be found in Annex 8.	✓ 1 & 2 ✓ AII	Contractor
		A grievence mechanism will be provided for all project workers to raise workplace concerns.	The LMP for this project will have a GRM for project workers. The NRPB Labour GRM is currently under preparation and will be finalised within 30 days of project effectiveness.	All	NRPB
		The contractor will be required to provide a GRM for the workers on the project site to file labour complaints in the C-ESMP.	The NRPB will require that C-ESMPs have LMPs with GRM for labour related complaints See pages 17 – 18 of LMP.	All	Contractor to submit, NRPB to approve.



ESS	Relevance	Requirements of ESS	Actions taken (or to be taken) to comply with ESS requirements	Applicable Component	Responsibility
ESS 3: Resource Efficiency and Pollution Prevention and Management	It is expected that the works will include site specific excavation and filling during constructio n The risks and impacts of	Resource Efficiency: The Grantee will implement technically and financially feasible measures for improving the efficient consumption of energy, water and raw materials, as well as other resources.	Energy Efficiency interventions in buildings will be considered during the design, in close coordination with school boards, the library and MECYS, depending also on the available funds.	1 & 2	NRPB
	impacts of excavation, materials sourcing for the facilities, disposal of constructio n and demolition waste, energy and resources efficiency to ensure the implementa tion of the works must adhere to the safety measures spelled out in this standard. This also pertains to the acquisition of new electronic products to incorporate energy efficiency, for	Pollution prevention and management: The NRPB will avoid the release of pollutants or, when avoidance is not feasible, comply with the national or EHSG standards, which ever most stringent. This applies to the release of pollutants pollutants to air, water and land due to routine, nonroutine and accidental circumstances, and with the potential for local, regional, and transboundary impacts. The Contractor will minimise the generation of waste including nonhazardous waste and manage the waste that is safe for human health and the environment. If the project involves	✓ Emissions to air, wastewater discharges and noise levels will need to comply with World Bank EHS Guideline. This requirement will be added in the tender documents as well. ✓ Contractor will need to submit a Contractor's Environmental and Social Management Plan (C-ESMP) prior to their mobilization for NRPB approval. This plan will include among others a Waste management plan (including pollution prevention, wastewater management, solid waste management); and a Fuels and hazardous substances management plan. ✓ Solid waste from demolition and construction activities will be collected and separated on site and transported to the Municipal Solid Waste Site (MSWS), where some components can be reused or recycled, and others can be	√1&2 √1&2 √1&2 √1&2 √1&2 √1,2&5	✓ Contractor ✓ NRPB/Contractor ✓ Contractor



ESS	Relevance	Requirements of ESS	Actions taken (or to be taken) to comply with ESS requirements	Applicable Component	Responsibility
	3 the EMIS,	measures, the Grantee will give preference to integrated pest management practices.	Waste plan will be part of the Contractor's ESMP. ✓ Asbestos and Mold assessments will be completed by NRPB before works procurement and Remediation plans will be developed by Contractors where appropriate, before site works commencement Any e-waste that is produced as a result of the project will be collected and disposed of according to appropriate e-waste guidelines (Annex 11).		
ESS 4: Community Health and Safety	The construction and demolition of the facilities under Component 1 and 2 might affect people living in the proximity of the construction sites. Covid 19 risks are relevant to workers on the project and also to members of the community in the event of public consultations	Evaluate the risks and impacts on health and safety of the affected communities during project cycle and propose mitigation measures	Community H&S issues have been considered as part of the ES Screening and referenced in this ESMF. A Community ESHS plan will be part of the Contractor's ESMP. National Covid 19 protocols will be implemented to reduce the risks of transmission.	1 & 2	Contractor



ESS	Relevance	Requirements of ESS	Actions taken (or to be taken) to comply with ESS requirements	Applicable Component	Responsibility
		Design, construct and operate structural elements of the project considering safety risks to communities, climate change and natural hazards.	The Project will follow the application of adequate and updated construction standards and "building back better," with emphasis on climate change adaptation, seismic considerations and Life & Fire Safety. Structural elements of the project will be designed and constructed by competent professionals and certified or approved by competent authorities or professionals.	1 & 2	NRPB/Architect
		Avoid or minimize the potential for community exposure to hazardous materials and substances that may be released from the project.	Asbestos presence is possible considering the age of the buildings. Asbestos assessments will be completed by NRPB before works procurement and Remediation plans will be developed by Contractors where appropriate, before site works commencement.	1 & 2	NRPB/Contract or
ESS 5: Land Acquisition, Restrictions on Land Use and Involuntary Resettlement	The Project Engineers, Environme ntal and Social risk manageme nt specialists and Project Manageme nt Team have visited all three sites on many occasions. One of the sites became occupied during project	Avoid or minimize involuntary resettlement by exploring project design alternatives Avoid forced eviction Improve living conditions of poor or vulnerable persons who are physically displaced, through provision of adequate housing, access to services and facilities, and security of tenure.	A census survey was conducted on the individual who occupies the PJL site. A RAP is being prepared for clearance by the World Bank.	2	NRPB



ESS	Relevance	Requirements of ESS	Actions taken (or to be taken) to comply with ESS requirements	Applicable Component	Responsibility
	preparation, the library. The two schools sites are not occupied but to establish a cut off date signs have been posed at these locations.	Ensure that resettlement activities are planned and implemented with appropriate disclosure of information, meaningful consultation, and informed participation.			
ESS 6: Biodiversity Conservation and Sustainable Management of Living Natural Resources	The Library is at 110m from Great Salt Pond, which is an Important Bird Area.	Identify the potential project related risks and impacts on habitats and the biodiversity they support. Manage the risks and impacts in accordance with the mitigation hierarchy.	Pond and wildlife will be protected from contamination caused by direct solid and wastewater releases from the construction site. Noise mitigation measures will be also considered to protect the community and natural habitat as well. Specific plans will be included in the Contractor's ESMP. Nuisance will be temporary and localized within construction site.	2	Contractor
ESS 7: Indigenous Peoples/ Sub-Saharan African Historically Underserved Traditional Local Communities		Not relevant to the	e Project		
ESS 8: Cultural Heritage	The CLB school is a 100 year old building which is considered an	Avoid impacts on cultural heritage. When avoidance of impacts is not possible, measure will be identified and implemented to	A cultural heritage assessment for the Charles Leopold Bell Public School will be conducted and a Cultural Heritage Management and	1	NRPB/Cultural Consultant



ESS	Relevance	Requirements of ESS	Actions taken (or to be taken) to comply with ESS requirements	Applicable Component	Responsibility
	important historic building even though it is not on the list of Sint Maarten's official registry of historic monument s, it is considered a historical landmark by the community. Renovation s and repairs should be done without interfering with the original architectur e of the building.	address impacts on cultural heritage in accordance with the mitigation hierarchy. Where appropriate, the NRPB will develop a Cultural Heritage Management Plan. To address cultural heritage as an integral aspect of sustainable development. To promote meaningful consultation with stakeholders regarding cultural heritage. To promote the equitable sharing of benefits from the use of cultural heritage.	Restoration Plan will be prepared by the ESS8 consultant hired by the NRPB. The Cultural Heritage Management Plan will include an implementation timeline and an estimate of resource needs for mitigation measures.		
		A Chance Finds Procedure will be followed if previously unknown cultural heritage is encountered during project activities. It will be included in all contracts relating to construction of the project, including excavations, demolition, movement of earth, flooding or other changes in the physical environment.	A Chance Find Procedure will be drafted by the ESS8 expert hired by NRPB	1	NRPB/ Cultural Consultant
	Heritage Center	ESS8 requirements:	An assessment will be supported to review the	2	NRPB/Consulta nt



ESS	Relevance	Requirements of ESS	Actions taken (or to be taken) to comply with ESS requirements	Applicable Component	Responsibility
		Protection of Cultural Heritage The NRPB will implement globally recognized practices for field-based study, documentation and protection of cultural heritage in connection with the project.	ongoing collaboration between the Library, SIMARC and the Museum and the vision for future services for PJL. The findings of this assessment will be presented in a report		
		Stakeholder Engagement for Cultural Heritage:			
		The NRPB will identify, in accordance with ESS10, stakeholders that are relevant for the cultural heritage that is known to exist or is likely to be encountered during the project life cycle.			
		The NRPB will carry out meaningful consultations with stakeholders in accordance with ESS10 in order to identify cultural heritage that may be affected by the potential project; consider the significance of the cultural heritage affected by the project; assess the potential risks and impacts; and			



ESS	Relevance	Requirements of ESS	Actions taken (or to be taken) to comply with ESS requirements	Applicable Component	Responsibility
		and mitigation options.	-		
ESS 9: Financial Intermediarie s		Not relevant to th	e Project		
ESS 10: Stakeholder Engagement and Information Disclosure	There will be many stakeholder s for this project, who will be consulted with at different stages of the project cycle.	The Grantee will identify the different stakeholders of the project, both project-affected parties and other interested parties. The Grantee has developed a Stakeholder Engagement Plan (SEP) and will seek the views of stakeholders on the SEP, through a public consultation process. The plan will be disclosed prior to project appraisal and consulted on.	The SEP describes the different stakeholders of the project and how they will be engaged through the project The SEP will be disclosed on the NRPB website prior to project appraisal for public review and comment. Targeted consultations requesting feedback and suggestions on the proposed SEP for specific engagement on the drafting of site and building plans have been and are ongoing with the school community and the Library. Consultation outcome will be included in the SEP.	All	NRPB/Consultants
		Prior to project appraisal the Grantee will disclose project information to allow stakeholders to understand the risks and impacts of the project.	This ESMF will be disclosed (prior to project appraisal) on the NRPB social media, website and its availability communicated through notifications in the Daily Herald and in social media (including the Facebook pages of the NRPB and Government of Sint Maarten (GoSM). Full details can be found in Annex 14.	All	NRPB
		The Grantee will maintain, and disclose as part of	Stakeholder feedback will be sought on the design of the buildings,	All	NRPB



the environmental and social disruption of traffic and other matters relating to demolition works and of stakeholder engagement, including a description of the stakeholders consulted, a summary of the feedback received and a brief	Responsibility	Applicable Component	Actions taken (or to be taken) to comply with ESS requirements	Requirements of ESS	Relevance	ESS
explanation of how the feedback was taken into account, or the reasons why it was not.	NRPB	All	grievance redress, disruption of traffic and other matters relating to demolition works and construction. Comments received will be included in the SEP, . Additional consultations will be carried out during project execution to facilitate project updates and other relevant stakeholder issues. The NRPB Grievance Redress Mechanism will continue to be in place to receive concerns and grievances which arise from the project. Contractors will be required to develop their GRM as part of the C-ESMP. However, project related complaints lodged must be reported to the NRPB for management/resolution. The process is described in the NRPB GRM. The Grievance Redress Mechanism will be shared online as part of the SEP and consulted	the environmental and social assessment, a documented record of stakeholder engagement, including a description of the stakeholders consulted, a summary of the feedback received and a brief explanation of how the feedback was taken into account, or the reasons why it was not. The Grantee will implement a grievance mechanism to receive and facilitate the resolution of concerns and grievances from the project related parties related to the environmental and social performance of the project in a timely manner. Prior to project appraisal the process and means by which grievances can be raised will be	Relevance	ESS

6.5 Cultural Heritage Management Plan (CHMP)



Restoration works will be carried out in the manner to preserve the original architecture of the CLB school office which has a cultural historical significance to the community. **ESS8**, **Cultural Heritage**, sets out measures designed to protect cultural heritage throughout the project life cycle. It recognizes that cultural heritage provides continuity in tangible and intangible forms between the past, present and future. People identify with cultural heritage as a reflection and expression of their constantly evolving values, beliefs, knowledge and traditions.

In order to meet ESS8's objectives of

- (i) protecting cultural heritage from the adverse impacts of activities of the project
- (ii) supporting the preservation of cultural heritage

and because of the integral part it plays in sustainable development, the NRPB is hiring a consultant to conduct a cultural heritage assessment of the Charles Leopold Bell Primary School and to develop the relevant environmental and social risk management instruments to ensure compliance with ESS8 during the rehabilitation. These are the Chance Find Procedures and a Cultural Heritage Management and Restoration Plan (Annex 5).

6.6 Labour Management Procedures (LMP)

NRPB developed Labour Management Procedures which outline the requirements for assessing and managing labour and working conditions for all components of the project. Additionally, there are typical safety risks associated with the construction and demolition works under Component 1 and 2 which are expected. During project implementation, the Labour Management Procedures will be updated as needed.



6.7 Consultants and Staff

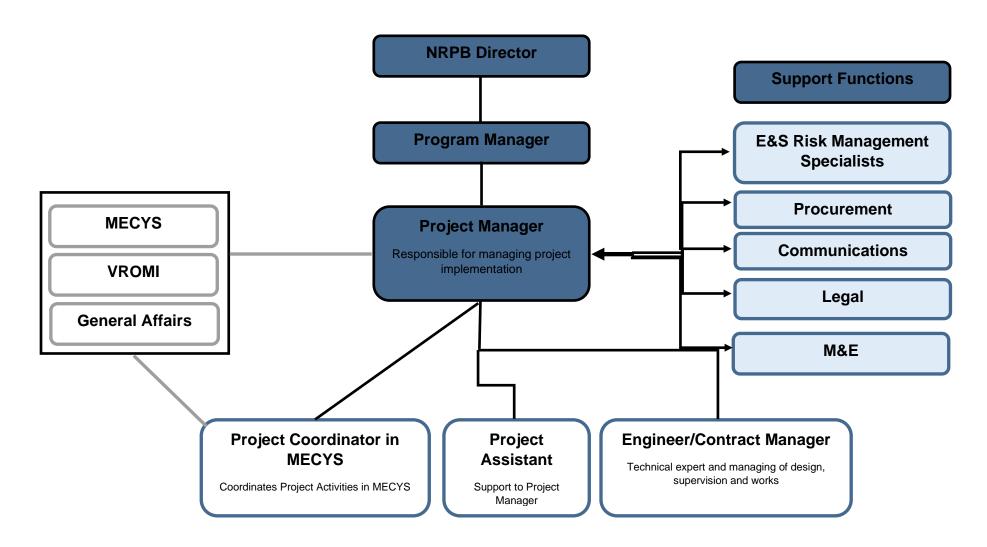
In 2020, the NRPB engaged Environmental and Social Risk Management Specialists to provide additional support to the Environmental and Social Risk Management Team. The E&S Specialists have developed the following Environmental and Social Risk Management instruments for the FRLP:

- Environmental and Social Management Framework (ESMF)
- Environmental and Social Commitment Plan (ESCP)
- Stakeholders Engagement Plan (SEP)
- Labour Management Plan (LMP)
- Terms of Reference for a Cultural Heritage ESS8 Specialist for the assessment and management of the cultural heritage aspect of the project at the CLB Primary School

The NRPB will maintain an organizational structure with qualified staff and resources to support management of E&S risks and preparation of the Environmental and Social Risk Management instruments/documents needed for the Project. The Project will provide financing for the hiring of an Environmental and Social Risk Management Specialist to support compliance thereto.



Figure 11: Fostering Resilient Learning Project Organizational Chart





6.8 ESHS Conditions in the Bidding Documents

NRPB will include the following Environmental, Social, Health and Safety (ESHS) Conditions in the bidding documents to ensure all the mitigation measures proposed in this ESMF are effectively implemented:

- ✓ Past ESHS performance. The Bidder shall declare any civil work contracts that have been suspended or terminated and/or performance security called by an employer for reasons related to the non-compliance of any environmental, or social (including sexual exploitation and abuse (SEA) and gender-based violence (GBV) or health or safety requirements or safeguard in the past five years.
- ✓ **ESHS Specialist**. The Bidder shall propose an Environmental, Social, Health and Safety (ESHS) Specialist as the Contractor's Key Personnel at the Site. The specialist shall have a Bachelor's degree in Engineering, Environmental Management, Occupational Health & Safety, or similar, with 5 years' experience in supporting comparable projects in a similar position. This expert shall be on island during works implementation phase.
- ✓ **Performance Security**. The Bidder shall submit the ESHS Performance Security in the form of a "demand quarantee" in the amount of one percent (1%) of the Contract Amount.
 - **Mitigation measures**. The Contractor shall comply with the World Bank Group's General Environmental Health and Safety Guidelines.
- ✓ Payments for implementation of ESHS measures. The cost of the delivering of the ESHS requirements shall be a subsidiary obligation of the Contractor. No separate payments will be made for implementation of ESHS requirements.
- ✓ Code of conduct of Contractor's Personnel; Provisions for the management of the contracted workers will be reflected in the bidding documents for the works and required in the Contractor's ESMP for the specific subprojects. This includes standards for personal conduct including sanctions pertaining to sexual harassment and gender-based violence.
- ✓ MSIP & C-ESMP. The Bidder shall submit Management Strategies and Implementation Plans (MSIP) to manage the key ESHS risks described in the ESMF. The Contractor shall be subsequently required to submit, before mobilisation, and implement the Contractor's Environment and Social Management Plan (C-ESMP), which will include a Contractors' Response Plan for Management of GBV and SEA/H Incidents/Complaints.

6.9 Contractor's-Environmental and Social Management Plans (C-ESMPs)

Contractors engaged in demolishing and reconstruction activities under Components 1 & 2 will need to submit a Contractor's Environmental and Social Management Plan (C-ESMP) prior to their mobilization for NRPB approval.

This plan will consist of the following site-specific management sub-plans/chapters that will be prepared in compliance with the requirements of the bidding documents, ESMF and World Bank EHS guidelines:

- Mobilization Strategy;
- Demolition Plan;
- Traffic Management Plan;



- Code of Conduct
- Sexual Exploitation and Abuse (GBV/SEA) prevention and response action plan;
- Covid-19 prevention plan;
- OHS Workers Health & Safety Plan;
- A Training Plan for Workers
- Community Health & Safety Plan (including Traffic Management, Noise Prevention, Dust minimization, Complaint management procedure for community complaints);
- Labour Management Plan (LMP which includes a Labour Grievance Redress Mechanism for Workers (Labour GRM);
- Community Engagement and Consultation Plan;
- Waste management plan (including pollution prevention, wastewater management, solid waste management);
- Fuels and hazardous substances management plan;
- Mold and/or Asbestos management plan (if applicable);
- Chance Find Procedures
- Emergency preparedness plan (Hurricane, Fire and Earthquake).

The Contractor shall prepare monthly environmental and social monitoring reports on the status of implementation of environmental, social, health and safety aspects, and update the C-ESMP quarterly. A Reporting Template has been developed to aid Contractors in fulfilling their monthly reporting obligations. The Template is attached in Annex 6. The contractor will recruit an ESHS Specialist, who will be responsible for implementing the contractors' environmental, social, health and safety responsibilities. This expert shall be on island during works implementation phase. When drafting the C-ESMP, Contractor shall also apply the standard mitigation measures for civil works attached in Annex 12.

6.10 Stakeholders Engagement Plan (SEP)

A draft Stakeholders Engagement Plan (SEP) has been prepared for the Project consistent with the World Bank's Environmental and Social Framework (ESF) and Environmental and Social Standards (ESS) which both take into consideration the various levels of capacity of civil society actors and plans for consultations with all stakeholders as the intended beneficiaries throughout the project life cycle. The SEP will indicate the key stakeholders, engagement approaches for consultations, grievance redress procedures, and proposed consultation dates.

The project has a broad range of stakeholders, who will be either directly or indirectly impacted by project activities. These stakeholders are broadly categorised in to two categories in accordance with ESS 10, these are shown below in Table 11.

- (I) Project Affected Stakeholders
- (II) Project Interested Stakeholders.



Table 11: Categories of Project Stakeholders

Project Affected	Component 1: Schools
Stakeholders	Direct Beneficiaries: Students, Parents, Teachers
	Component 2: Philipsburg Jubilee Library
	Direct Beneficiaries: Users of the PJL Library, Sint Maarten
	National Heritage Foundation (Museum), Sint Martin
	Archeological Research Center (SIMARC), Academia/Students, Visitors
	Academia/Students, Visitors
	Component 3: Education Management Information
	System Direct Beneficiaries: Students, Parents, Teachers, School
	Management
Project Interested	Component 1:
Stakeholders	Ministry of Education, Culture, Youth and Sport
	Catholic School Board
	Community Councils
	Component 2:
	Academia
	PJL Foundation
	Component 3:
	Ministry of Education, Culture, Youth and Sport

The timing of consultations and the consultation approach with these groups are elaborated on in the project's SEP.

Architectural designs for the reconstruction of SML have already been prepared, while the design of the CLB school will be financed by the Project. During project preparation, existing designs will be reviewed, revised and adapted, in particular to meet the requirements of the special needs programs that SML school will implement. The different types of engagement with each category of beneficiaries are outlined in the SEP.

6.10.1 Access to Information

The NRPB is committed to providing information to direct stakeholders, government agencies, beneficiaries as well as the wider general public on Sint Maarten of on-going project activities. This will take place through regular updates via various media channels as listed in the SEP, through a variety of beneficiary feedback mechanisms. Finally, anyone can request specific feedback or post specific questions through a variety of social media and direct communication channels as listed in the feedback mechanism in the GRM and the SEP.

During the preparation of this project drafts of the E&S risk management documents will be publicly disclosed on the NRPB's social media and website and consultations will be held with stakeholders. These consultations will continue throughout the project life cycle at various levels, using the appropriate media.



6.10.2 Consultation meetings on the ESMF and SEP and Feedback

Development of the ESMF required intensive research and discussions with the Project Management Team and other project stakeholders. During the project preparation phase, the PMT and the team of the Environmental and Social Risk Management Specialists (NRPB) had meetings with the Catholic School Board and the Ministry of Education, Culture, Youth and Sports (MECYS) as outlined in Chapter 6 in the SEP. The issues raised and outcomes of public consultations will be described in Annex 14 of this ESMF.

A first draft of the ESMF will be uploaded/disclosed for public review and comments alongside the SEP, prior to project appraisal. The documents will be shared with targeted stakeholders via e-mail. The documents will furthermore be shared via various online media:

- (i) The NRPB Facebook Page
- (ii) LinkedIn
- (iii) Text messages

All comments will be recorded and responded to. Comments which are deemed to be applicable and actionable will be acted upon. Comments which are not actionable will be recorded, and a response also provided. The final draft of the ESMF will be submitted to the World Bank for review and No Objection.

6.11 Grievance Redress Mechanism (GRM)

The NRPB has an existing GRM in place to fairly, efficiently and effectively handle concerns and grievances received from the Project's stakeholders. zThe NRPB's GRM is currently being updated and will be used in this project. The system is well established and provides a credible avenue for all Project beneficiaries and stakeholders to file their complaints during the Project's implementation.

NRPB's GRM can be found on the website: <u>Complaints Procedure – National Recovery Program Bureau</u> (nrpbsxm.org)

Complaints received by the NRPB will be reviewed and managed by the Complaints Officer at the NRPB. Complaints received by the contractor in relation to the project will be handled in the following manner:

Contractors are obligated to report any submitted complaints, depending on the nature. Incidental reports are required to be submitted within 24 hours of the occurrence, depending on the level of urgency. Additionally, regular reports are expected in the Contractor's monthly ESHS reports to the NRPB. The NRPB's Complaints Officer instructs the Supervisor and Contractors on the operation of their Project-level GRM with regards to the respective complaint and the Complaints Officer may take over the management of the complaint, if deemed necessary by the NRPB.

When a complaint is received, relating to the Project, the Complaints Officer will act according to the provisions of the NRPB GRM. The NRPB Complaints Officer has the following responsibilities:

- Monitor the various channels for the receipt of grievances
- Investigate the grievance and liaising with the external stakeholder/s
- Develop resolutions and actions to remediate any issues
- Draft advice for the respective project manager; assessment of the complaint and proposed resolution, accompanied by a draft letter to be sent out to the complainant to formally offer the resolution.



- Coordinate inter-departmental communication on the proposed resolution
- Follow up and track progress of grievance
- Document any interactions with external stakeholders
- Monitor the grievances and assign a safeguard specialist to support when necessary.
- Facilitate meeting(s) with complainant in case there are any challenges in finding agreement on a proposed resolution
- Make sure the grievance mechanism procedure is being adhered to and followed correctly
- Maintain grievance register and monitor any correspondence
- Raise internal awareness of the grievance mechanism among contractors, employees of contracted firms and relevant external stakeholders
- Provide training to the Contractors on the Grievance Redress Mechanism, to include use of the Grievance Form.

An example of a Grievance Form is attached as Annex 7. The GRM is described in more detail in the Stakeholder Engagement Plan. The contact details for filing complaints will be posted at the Public Service Centers in Phillipsburg and Simpson Bay, and are:

- Via an online form available on the NRPB's website: <u>Complaints Procedure National Recovery Program Bureau (nrpbsxm.org)</u>: By email to <u>complaints@nrpbsxm.org</u> with the complainant's project name "Fostering Resilient Learning Project" as the email's subject.
- By mail to: National Recovery Program Bureau

#57 Walter A. Nisbeth Road, Philipsburg, Sint Maarten

Telephone Number: +1(721) 542-8886/7

• In person at the address above where the person will be given a complaints form to complete.

Labour Grievance Redress Mechanism for Workers (Labour GRM)

Contractors are required to develop their own labour grievance redress procedures, to manage concerns from their employees.

Further details on the requirements for the Contractor's GRM are available in the Labour Management Procedures (LMP) developed for this project. The LMP also addresses Occupational Health and Safety and other relevant labour issues. The Contractor is required to include a complaint handling procedure for workers' complaints in the C-ESMP.

Labour GRM for NRPB Staff and other project workers.

The NRPB's GRM is referred to as the Program-level GRM. As the overarching GRM it is opened to receive complaints from any project affected individual or group. In addition the GRM contains a Labour GRM which is open to project workers, such as staff and consultants of the NRPB and project-workers hired by a contractor or their sub-contractor. Refer to Chapter 6 of the NRPB GRM.



6.12 Gender Based Violence (GBV), Sexual Harassment and Sexual Exploitation Response Framework

There are plans to develop a GBV SEA/H Response Framework for the entire portfolio of projects of the NRPB, his will be added to this ESMF as an annex when completed. In relation to this project there are a range of specific actions that will be in place to both mitigate against the risk of GBV on the project and to respond if identified, these are detailed in Table 12 below.

Table 12 Provisions for the mitigation of risks associated with GBV and SEA/H

Mitigation Measure	Details
NRPB Code of Conduct	The NRPB Code of Conduct for Construction outlines the obligations on all the Contractor's staff with regard to GBV/SEA/SH, that all workers are expected to adhere to.
	Quote from NRPB Staff Code of Conduct "Be intolerant of GBV, inhumane treatment, sexual activity with children, sexual harassment" (See full Code of Conduct in Annex 8)
Contractors' Code of Conduct	All workers are required to sign the CoC prior to starting any work.
	Clause from Code of Conduct which workers are expected to sign "Not engage in any act of sexual harassment (whether through use of language or behavior, towards men or women or children, that is inappropriate, harassing, abusive, sexually provocative, demeaning or culturally inappropriate)" (See full Sample Template for Contractor Code of Conduct in Annex 9"
Contractors' Staff Training	Workers must follow the Contractor's Training which shall include GBV/SEA/SH related topics. GBV/SEA/SH training can also be repeated when necessary, particularly where an incident of non-compliance has occurred.
Contractors' Environmental and Social Management Plan (C-ESMP)	Contractors' Response Plan for Management of GBV and SEA/H Incidents/Complaints
NRPB GRM	Section 3.3: Includes GBV as an admissible grievance
Contractor GRM (Project Level GRM)	Section 6.3: GBV included as a category of labour complaints for Project workers in the Project-level GRM
	Chapter 7.2: Specific Procedures for Complaints regarding GBV/SEA/H
Contractors' ESHS Monthly Reports	For incident reporting to include GBV/SEA/H incidents
GBV service provider.	Cases will be referred to local service providers, when required (e.g. Safe Haven) which provide free services for GBV victims.



6.12.1 Guidelines for Works Contractors for the development of the C-ESMP

Gender Based Violence, Sexual Exploitation and Abuse (GBV/SEA) Prevention and Response Action Plan.

Contractors shall prepare a plan and implement appropriate activities to reduce GBV/SEA risks prior to civil works commencing and during execution such as:

- Have project workers undergo training and sensitization on GBV/SEA. Describe the training program in detail. First training should be prior to, or combined with, signing the Code of Conduct. The training should be provided in the respective languages of the workers.
- Describe how the understanding of SH/SEA/GBV after the training, is being assessed.
- Describe how compliance with the Code of Conduct, with respect to SH/SEA/GBV, is being monitored.
- Describe how aspects that need more attention, will be identified and how these will be addressed.
- Have separate, safe and easily accessible facilities for women and men working on the site. Locker rooms and/or latrines should be located in separate areas, well-lit and include the ability to be locked from the inside.
- Visibly display signs around the project site (if applicable) that signal to workers and the community that the project site is an area where GBV/SEA is prohibited.
- Monitor GBV/SEA incidents using a simple tracking system to document events staff hear about and observe. This entails developing a simple, anonymous and confidential tracking system that staff can use to document when they observe/hear about GBV/SEA incidents, in the program context.

6.13 Covid 19 Impact and Management

The NRPB has adopted the Covid 19 Policies currently being implemented by the Government of Sint Maarten and modified as required in its own Covid 19 Protocols. However, additional protocols will be implemented to reflect international and World Bank practice for Covid 19 Management on construction sites, available at the link provided below.

https://biwta.portal.gov.bd/sites/default/files/files/biwta.portal.gov.bd/page/f3ca1ff6_95b0_4606_849f_2c0844e 455bc/2020-10-01-11-04-ad9ef55c947057f54b4f4f76f5be54ff.pdfContractors for the FRLP will be expected to provide Covid 19 Protocols as part of the C-ESMP, also reflecting these guidelines.

Special provisions for Covid 19 Protocols on a construction site include:

A Site Supervisor or senior staff should be identified as a focal point to deal with COVID-19 issues. This person will be responsible for coordinating preparation of the site and making sure that the measures taken are communicated to the workers, those entering the site and the resident community. One person will be designated to be a back-up person, in case the focal point becomes ill. That person will be aware of the arrangements that are in place.



Workers will be encouraged to use the existing project grievance mechanism to report concerns relating to COVID-19, preparations being made by the project to address COVID-19 related issues, how procedures are being implemented, and concerns about the health of their coworkers and other staff.

The Contractor will be expected to, inter alia:

- Prepare a detailed profile of the project work force, key work activities, schedule for carrying out such
 activities, different durations of contract and rotations, those from the local community, those from
 outside, underlying conditions, or otherwise at risk.
- Ensure minimum movement in and out of the site by employees to reduce interaction with external parties
- Conduct regular health checks, particularly for symptoms of Covid 19
- Control entry/exit to work site by employees to restrict movement by securing the boundaries of the site, establishing entry/exit points
- Confirm that employees are fit for work
- Train security staff who will be monitoring entry to the site
- Check the temperature of employees entering the site and during daily briefings remind staff to selfmonitor
- Prevent any worker from an infected area or who has been in contact with an infected person from returning to the site for the required period (as determined by national regulations)
- Train workers and staff on site on the signs and symptoms of COVID-19, how it is spread, how to
 protect themselves (including regular handwashing and social distancing) and what to do if they or
 other people have symptoms. (Tool- box Training)
- Placing posters and signs around the site, with images and text in local language.
- Ensuring handwashing facilities supplied with soap, disposable paper towels and closed waste bins exist at key places throughout site, including at entrances/exits to work areas; where there is a toilet, canteen or food distribution, or provision of drinking water; at waste stations; and in common spaces.
- Alcohol based sanitizer (if available, 60-95% alcohol) will also be provided when necessary.
- The number of workers at any one location will be limited as much as possible.
- Workers will be provided with face masks or shields and will be encouraged to practice social distancing.

6.14 CERC - ESMF

The NRPB is exploring a program wide CERC, so regarding Component 5 (CERC), once the arrangements are known, the NRPB will draft a CERC-ESMF applicable to the activities which would be eligible under a CERC. When an eligible emergency occurs the NRPB will screen the proposed works using the screening tool in the CERC-ESMF and classify the ES risk category according to the CERC-ESMF. The exact activities to be implemented under this component are not known but there will be a positive and negative list in the CERC Manual which gives an indication of the likely activities, the potential ESHS risks relevant to small/medium scale civil works are to be anticipated. Those include OHS hazards, waste management, and Community nuisance.

The CERC ESMF will be attached as Addendum 1 of this ESMF and will also be publicly disclosed on the NRPB's website.



6.15 Code of Conduct for Contractors

The Contractor shall submit its Code of Conduct that will apply to its employees and subcontractors in the draft C-ESMP, to ensure compliance with its Environmental, Social, Health and Safety (ESHS) obligations under the contract. In addition, the Contractor shall detail how this Code of Conduct will be implemented. This will include:

- how it will be introduced into conditions of employment/engagement,
- what training will be provided,
- how it will be monitored and
- how the Contractor proposes to deal with any breaches.

The Contractor will be expected to be guided by the CoC of the NRPB (attached as Annex 8) and draft and implement their own CoC subject to NRPB approval. A template is provided in **Annex 9**, as a model which the contractor can use in the development of the Code of Conduct which each employee is expected to sign prior to commencement of Works.

6.16 ESHS Monitoring Plan

NRPB will monitor the implementation of the proposed Mitigation Measures applicable to demolition and construction works under Components 1 & 2. Table 13 indicates the monitoring parameters that the NRPB's, Supervisor's and Contractor's Environmental and Social risk management specialists will apply. NRPB has prepared an Inspection Checklist that will be used during site visits. The checklist is attached as Annex 10.

Table 13. ESHS Monitoring Plan for Demolition/Construction Works per Site

#	Monitoring Parameter/ Activity	Means of Monitoring	Indicator/I broshold		Responsibility & Frequency	Responsibility & Frequency
1	Controls for workplace hazards	Visual inspection to ensure controls for workplace hazards are in place	Implementation of Control Measures specified in the Inspection report. Unauthorized access shall be prohibited.	NRPB bi-weekly	Supervisor twice weekly	Contractor daily
2	Workers attend the ESHS Risks and Code of Conduct sessions	Inspection of training records and interviews with the workers	100 percent of workers have attended ESHS and CoC sessions and signed the CoC	NRPB bi-weekly	Supervisor twice weekly	Contractor Daily
3	Use of PPE and Covid-19 protection measures by staff	Visual inspection on use of relevant PPEs	100 percent use of relevant PPE	NRPB bi-weekly	Supervisor twice weekly	Contractor Daily



#	Monitoring Parameter/ Activity Means of Monitoring		Compliance Indicator/Threshold Limits	Responsibility & Frequency	Responsibility & Frequency	Responsibility & Frequency
4	Licensed equipment operators and vehicle drivers	Visual inspection of driving licenses	All operators and drivers have valid monthly Supervise weekly licenses		Supervisor weekly	Contractor weekly
5	Water and sanitation facilities at worksites	Visual inspection and interviews			Supervisor twice weekly	Contractor Daily
6	Cleanliness at worksites and residences	Visual inspection	Worksites shall be kept clean and free of garbage	clean and free of bi-weekly t		Contractor Daily
7	First Aid Kits at worksites	Visual inspection and interviews	All worksites shall have adequate well stocked first aid kits	well stocked bi-weekly t		Contractor Daily
8	from workers grievances adding registered and resolved. com com days direct		All grievances shall be addressed within 5 days of the receipt of the complaint. Unresolved complaints after the 10 days after receipt will be directed to the NRPB's GRM immediately.	NRPB bi-weekly	Supervisor twice weekly	Contractor Daily
9	Air pollution	Visual inspection of equipment/vehicle exhausts, records of vehicle maintenance, covered loose material piles	All equipment and vehicles shall be maintained and serviced as required. Loose material and waste piles are covered.	NRPB bi-weekly	Supervisor twice weekly	Contractor Daily
10	Wastewater Discharges	Visual inspection of wastewater discharges	tewater directed to the bi-weekly		Supervisor twice weekly	Contractor Daily
11	Waste Management	Waste management as per the approved plan	Facilities are clean, and waste collection and disposal facilities are in place	NRPB bi-weekly	Supervisor twice weekly	Contractor Daily
12	Traffic Safety	Visual inspection for traffic management	The smooth flowing of traffic; and placement of traffic signs and flagperson as deemed necessary by the Ministry of Public Housing, Spatial Planning, Environment and Infrastructure (Ministry of VROMI) and the Ministry of Justice.	NRPB bi-weekly	Supervisor twice weekly	Contractor Daily



#	Monitoring Parameter/ Activity	I WIDANG AT I - I REGNANGINIITY I		Responsibility & Frequency	Responsibility & Frequency	
13	Hydrocarbon and chemical storage and handling	Visual Inspection of storage facilities	No leakages from the containers in the storage. Handling follows procedures to avoid spillages.	NRPB bi-weekly	Supervisor twice weekly	Contractor Daily
14	Restoration of Work Sites	Visual Inspection	Upon finalization of works the facilities will be made free of all debris construction and all other waste.	NRPB Once upon completion	Supervisor Once upon completion	Contractor Daily
15	Complaints reports(from the community and workers)	Record review	Records are up to date and complaints are satisfactorily addressed by contractor within 15 days. If not, they should be escalated to NRBP.	NRPB bi-weekly	Supervisor twice weekly	Contractor Daily



6.17 Expected Costs of Mitigation Measures

The costs to mitigate the social and environmental risks are outlined in table **Table 14**: **Costs of Environmental and Social Risks Mitigation Measures** Table 14: Costs of Environmental and Social Risks Mitigation Measures below. The mitigation costs include those related to demolition. Since the schools are located in densely populated residential areas, there will be dire need for communication and consultation with the respective communities. CLB is located along the Cole Bay Highway and works would have an impact on traffic flow.

Table 14: Costs of Environmental and Social Risks Mitigation Measures

Description	USD\$	Component
ESHS mitigation measures related to demolition	n/a – (part of Contractor's bidding	1 & 2
and construction works	price)	
Environmental and Social Risk Management	150 000	All
specialists		
ESS8 Consultant	180 000	1
Heritage Centre Review(PPG)	5 000	2
Stakeholders Engagement and Consultations	10 000	All
during implementation		
Training	5 000	All
RAP implementation	5 000	2



7 Implementation Schedule for Environmental and Social Risk Management Instruments

In order to mitigate the risks, specific instruments have been prepared as a guide and plan for action during project execution as outlined in Table 15 below. These instruments will be available for public review for comments and feedback. Where necessary, public opinion will be considered in project design and mitigation of social and environmental risks. The preparation and disclosure of these instruments will be synchronised with the project's overall timeline.

Table 15: Implementation Schedule

Instrument	Timeline	Responsibility	Component
ESMF		NRPB	All
Draft SEP	Drafts prior to project appraisal Final submitted to the WB within 30 days of project effectiveness.	NRPB	All
LMP	Final submitted to the World Bank within 30 days of project effectiveness	NRPB	All
Labour GRM	1	NRPB & Contractors	All
Cultural Heritage Assessment & Plan	Within 30 days of project appraisal	ESS8 Consultant	1
Heritage Centre Report		Heritage Centre Consultant	2
Contractor – MSIP	During Bidding Stage	Contractor/s	1 & 2
Final Approved Contractor- ESMPs	Before commencement of works	Contractor/s	1 & 2
ESHS Reporting to WB	Bi-annually	NRPB	All
ESHS Reporting for Contractors	Monthly	Contractors	1 & 2

8 Project Institutional Arrangements and Capacity

8.1 Institutional Arrangements for ESMF Implementation

The National Recovery Program Bureau will act as the Project Implementation Unit (PIU) for the FRLP and ultimately the implementation of the ESMF. The collaboration between the NRPB and the related Government Ministries will continue as the project proceeds throughout the project life cycle. The specialist within the Environmental and Social risk man Unit of the NRPB has developed instruments to guide the execution of the project while mitigating the identified social and environmental risks.

Each ministry has oversight and will contribute efforts and resources to ensure that the requirements of the ESMF are met, but the NRPB is accountable for the commitments in the ESMF. This section of the ESMF and

Table 16



Table 16 below outlines the responsibilities across the NRPB, the supervisor, and the contractor in the fulfilment of the terms of this ESMF.



Table 16: Roles and Responsibilities for Environmental and Social Management of the Project

Organization	Responsibilities
	✓ Overall oversight of ESMF implementation of the project
	✓ Periodic monitoring and reporting of ESCP (every 6 months).
NRPB	✓ Ensure that the Labour Management Procedures (LMP) that have been
	developed for the project are implemented
	✓ Investigate and report all incidents related to environmental, social and health
	aspects. Carry out root cause analysis for all major incidents, and recommended
	actions to be taken to rectify the failure that led to these incidents.
	✓ Prepare and submit to the Bank bi-annually monitoring reports on the
	environmental, social, health and safety (ESHS) performance of the Project, including, the implementation of the ESCP and the ESMF, stakeholder engagement activities, status of complaints received by the grievance mechanism(s), and other aspects of monitoring ESHS as detailed in the ESMF. Promptly notify the Bank of any incident or accident related to the project which
	has, or is likely to have, a significant adverse effect on the environment, the affected communities, the public or workers, such as possible impact of natural hazards during Project implementation or any violations of the Code of Conduct.
	✓ Carry out periodic site inspections to ensure ESHS compliance in workplaces.
	✓ Review and approve the Contractor's ESMP and monthly ESHS Reports.
	✓ Manage the grievance mechanism for the project, as described in the SEP.
	✓ Review tender documents and ensure compliance with the ESMF
Supervisor	✓ Supervise ESHS compliance of Contractor
	✓ Provide guidance to the contractor on implementation of ESHS aspects and provide training to the contractor's staff
	✓ Review Contractor's ESMP and advise NRPB on compliance.
	✓ Review Contractor's monthly ESHS Reports and advise NRPB on compliance.
	✓ Carry out regular site inspections to ensure ESHS compliance in workplaces.
	✓ Engage an ESHS Specialist responsible for environmental and social risk compliance
Contractor	✓ Draft a Contractor's Environmental and Social Management Plan (C-ESMP) prior to works commencement for NRPB's approval. The C-ESMP will include ES action plans with site-specific mitigation measures.
	 ✓ implementation of mitigation and monitoring measures proposed in the C-ESMP, ESMF and EHS guidelines
	Review the C-ESMP periodically, at least quarterly, and update in a timely manner.
	 ✓ Prepare for approval of a Job Safety/Hazard Analysis at the beginning of construction works at each new site.
	✓ Prepare monthly ESHS reports
	✓ Promptly notify NRPB & Supervisor for accidents or incidents related to
	environmental, social and health aspects.
	✓ Engage an ESHS Specialist responsible for Environmental and Social compliance



8.2 Institutional Arrangements for Project Implementation

The NRPB will be the implementing agency for the project. NRPB will be responsible for reporting and monitoring and evaluation, financial management, contracts management, Environmental and Social risk management oversight, and procurement processing. Execution of activities for the FRLP will be carried out by the NRPB with technical input from VROMI and MECYS, with the support from the World Bank.

8.3 Ministry of Public Housing, Spatial Planning, Environment, and Infrastructure (VROMI)

The Ministry of VROMI consists of the following departments:

- Staff
- Infrastructure & Management
- New Works
- VROM (Policies)
- Domain Affairs
- Permits and
- Inspection.

It is expected that in relation to this project the following departments within VROMI will be involved:

Permits Department

In principle, permits are required for new to be built structures and revisions, where structural elements are changed(removed/renewed). Additionally, when during revisions a change of material is implemented for example a wooden roof to a concrete roof. The Permits Department is responsible for Hindrance Permits and Building Permits and will therefore be the department where the plans for this project will have to be submitted to.

Domain Affairs

Domain Affairs is the Department which is responsible for parcels of government land and gives these parcels out in Long Lease.

New Works

In principle, for (new) governmental projects such as building, projects whereby existing water and electricity lines need to be updated and/or relocated or new ones need to be installed and civil works permits (depending on the status of the land) and excavation/demolition permits (as per April 26th, 2021) the New Works Department is responsible. New Works would coordinate the projects further within VROMI pertaining to required permits and government land aspects.

Inspection Department

During any construction activities under this project the Inspection Department would have the responsibility to ensure that all being constructed is in accordance with applicable legislation pertaining to the Building Codes being followed during construction; Environmental Regulations being followed subsequent to operations starting and Electrical Inspections being up to code.

With the demolishing/reconstruction of the buildings, components like asbestos and mold could be encountered.



8.4 Ministry of Education, Culture, Youth and Sport (MECYS)

Pertaining to the renewal of the schools the Ministry of MECYS has an important role as the responsible and decision-making ministry for education. As the schools (CLB and SML) will be demolished/renewed/renovated. Currently the pupils of SML and CLB have been relocated to other nearby schools.

MECYS will actively support the Project and will be responsible for making policy decisions, providing oversight, technical input during project design. The Ministry will also be responsible for the implementation of specific activities according to the Action Plan.

A MECYS Resilient Team (MRT), stationed within the Ministry, will execute the above roles by providing technical assistance, support, providing strategic oversight making policy decisions. The MRT comprises of the Secretary-General of the Ministry, the Focal Point, Financial Controller and Management (Department Heads). The MRT will be supported by the Division of Education Innovation. The FRLP's Project Manager from the NRPB will work with a "Project Coordinator MECYS" hired by the Project, who will be stationed in the Ministry to ensure that the MRT has oversight, receives proposals to make policy decisions and address project implementation issues in Government.

The MMIS project activities will be implemented by the NRPB's project coordinator in close collaboration with the consultants and the MECYS MMIS project team. The project team reports according to the project management and communication structure. The project coordinator will work in close collaboration with the NRPB for reporting to the World Bank. The MMIS will support short- and long-term informed policy planning, based on meaningful data, and improve the overall governance, performance, efficient use of resources and resilience of the sectors that MECYS oversees. MECYS' staff will be trained on strategic and educational databases management and data analytics to ensure that there is capacity within MECYS' team to gather, analyse and use the MMIS data.

8.5 Ministry of Public Health, Social Development and Labour (VSA)

The project entails demolishing and reconstruction as well as the renovation of a small historic building. The Ministry of VSA amongst other aspects is responsible for Labour conditions/regulations during these works, for the public health at the work site.

The mission of the Ministry of VSA is:

- to promote a healthy and social supportive community.
- to prevent unhealthy living conditions, protect socially vulnerable groups, promote employment opportunities and the general wellbeing of St. Maarten's society.
- to promote the general wellbeing and quality of life of our population by means of services such as of health protection, health promotion, labor mediation, labor & dismissal licenses, emergency medical services, social security, community development and social work & counseling and supervision.
- to secure accessibility to health insurance and social security systems.



8.6 Ministry of Justice: The Court of Guardianship

The Ministry of Justice serves as an integral division within the St. Maarten government, its constitution and its citizenry. It is the mandate to develop, adopt (codification) and revise the civil, criminal, administrative and commercial laws and procedures regarding:

- immigration matters including admission and expulsion
- youth criminality the maintenance of public order
- crime control and prevention
- the detention care, prisons, detention, and release as well as pardon, amnesty or general pardon
- policing and border control system
- the courts, the judiciary, and prosecutors

Pertaining to the schools there is a need for a Management Information System (ICT-based), information registration, reporting and tracking system for, amongst other aspects, child abuse.

8.7 Ministry of General Affairs

The Fire Department falls under the Ministry of General Affaires. Their role is to ensure that the Fire Safety Aspects, i.e. the Fire Safety stations etc., of the to be constructed/renovated structures, in conjunction with the Ministry of VROMI the Permits Department and Inspection, is in accordance.

For Component 3 specifically, the IT department plays an important role, which is situated in the MoGA.

The Government of Sint Maarten, through the Ministry of General Affairs, has committed to the Sint Maarten Digital Government Transformation Project (DGTP), which is being implemented by the NRPB. The Digital Leadership Team (DLT) in the Ministry of General Affairs will provide leadership on the digital transformation, manage the technical implementation of the Project and perform project management duties. Synergies between the DGTP and FRLP projects will be explored through close coordination between the DLT and MMIS teams.

8.8 Coordination between Ministries

In principle most indicated Ministries play a different role in the project and operate separately. However, the Ministry of VROMI (Permits Department) collaborates with the Ministry of General Affairs (Fire Department) when it pertains to the fire safety aspect of requested Building Permits and on (external) safety with requested Hindrance (environmental) Permits.

Additionally, there are focal points from the various Ministries in contact with the NRPB, as central contact point, pertaining to their part/relation in and to the project.



9 Annexes

Annex 1: Priority List of Buildings

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Annex 2: Damage Assessment Report "Hurricane Irma" Prepared by the Ministry of VROMI

Government Publ	ic Schools	S				
Charles Leopold Bell Sc September 12 th , 2017	hool	Ministry ECYS; Department of Public Education				
Impact Area	Yes / No	Elucidation:	Actions:	Total Unit (m2 etc.)	Unit Price	Estimated Cost:
A. Structural Damage (Building, ceiling, doors, fencing, gates, windows, rolling system etc.)	Yes	1. Roof structure destroyed over 6 classrooms; 2. Parapet wall were destroyed; 3. Ring beam at certain areas damaged; 4. Ceiling tiles (and system) destroyed.; 5. Damaged doors; 6. Several windows blown out; 7. Fixed glass windows damaged; 8. Glass louvres windows broken; 9. Aluminum shutters damaged;	1. A new structure will have to be rebuilt; 2. To be rebuilt where necessary; 3. To be rebuilt to facilitate new roof; 4. New ceiling to be constructed; 5. Door are to be replaced; 6. New windows to placed; 7. Broken louvres to be replaced; 8. Louvres to be replaced; 9. New shutters to be placed;	1. 418m²; 2. 100m²; 3. 20.7m³; 4. 481m² 5. 6 doors; aprx size; 0.9mx2.0m; 6. 11 windows: aprx size: 1.5mx 2.5m; 7. 2 windows: 0.4mx 0.7m; 8. 37 pieces; 0.15mx1.00 m; 9. 0.9mx0.6m		1. ;
B. Technical Damage:	Yes	1.	1.			
C. Flooding (Yard, classrooms, offices, etc.)	Yes					

D. School Material / Furniture (Books, desks, chairs, cupboards etc.)	No				
E. Open area / Playground (Damages etc.)	Yes	Basketball court poles down and damaged; Fencing down; Gate down	New poles are to be placed; 2.	2 basketball poles	
F. Availability of classroom/office space (Rooms available for immediate use)	No				
G. Damaged Equipment (Office Equipment /Computer Equipment)					
Total					



Annex 3: Sint Maarten National Regulations

Applicable Government Regulations and Standards

Sint Maarten, previously part of the Netherlands Antilles, became an autonomous country within the Kingdom of the Netherlands on October 10, 2010. Sint Maarten has full autonomy for internal affairs, including environmental and labour legislation. The Dutch Government retains responsibility for defence and foreign affairs.

According to Article 22 of the 'Constitution of the Country of Sint Maarten,' it shall be a constant concern of the Government of Sint Maarten (GoSM) to keep the country habitable and to protect and improve the natural environment and the welfare of animals. Currently, the country has no comprehensive legislation related to environmental protection and no law for carrying out environmental impact assessment (EIA) for any development projects. Should the GoSM establish any relevant legislation or ordinances on environmental protection during the implementation of this Project, the Special Project's Unit commits to, after consultation with World Bank, adhere to these policies. If new legislation leads to additional costs or impediments to carry out the Project, renegotiation will start with the World Bank.

The Government has some existing policies and regulations on the management of waste and labour issues.

The Building Ordinance and Decree

The Building Ordinance, P.B. 1935, no. 64 (AB 2013, GT no. 136) and Decree, PB 1935, no. 91 (AB 2013, GT no. 146) indicate when a Building Permit is required and what the Building Codes are applicable.

In conjunction with the above mentioned the following legislation/policy is also often considered:

- The Hillsides Policy
- The Beach Policy
- Conditions within Long Lease agreements (Government Parcels)
- Planning permits
- Zoning Plans of the various districts of Sint Maarten when the preparatory resolution thereof is in effect

In principle, (a) Building Permit(s) would be required prior to commencement of the project for the various structures. Each structure (SML, CLB and the Library/Cultural/Heritage) requiring their own approved permit. As these are considered governmental projects, government would be responsible for ensuring the structures have the required permits in place.

It must be taken into consideration that with the eventual bidding process(es) that this/these should only be done with the officially approved/permitted plans and not plans which could be subject to change.

The Labour Legislation

The Labour Legislation describes provisions concerning the worktimes, periods of rest, overtime, nightshift, standby shift, holidays, prohibition of child labour, the prohibition of night work and dangerous work for youths. A copy of the regulations can be obtained from the GoSXM website.2 According to this Legislation, children under the age of 15 years are prohibited from working, whether or not in exchange for wages of compensation, and youth between 15 and 18 cannot perform dangerous work.

The Ministry of Public Health, Social Development & Labour also endorses that children ages 16 and older are allowed to work. However, convention No. 182 prohibits all forms of hazardous work for children.



The intention is to ensure that every girl and boy has the opportunity to develop physically and mentally to her or his full potential, prohibiting all work by children that jeopardizes their education and development.

The project requires technical staff with skills that require experience and education, which will not be possible for children or those below the age of 18 to possess. The issues of migrant and seasonal workers, labour influx or gender-based violence do not apply. A register of all persons under the age of eighteen years employed by the project and the dates of their births will be kept in keeping with the Employment Act of Sint Maarten. No person under the age of eighteen years shall be employed or allowed to work between the hours of 9.00 p.m. to 6.00 a.m.

The head or director of an enterprise has an obligation to report occupational injuries to the Department of Labour and the police. The injuries should be reported as soon as possible, but no later than 24 hours. For the reporting of injuries, but also other labour-safety matters, the following should be contacted:

Department of Labour/Safety Inspection, Kanaalsteeg 1, Philipsburg Sint Maarten, D.C.,

Phone: +1-721-5422059/5422079.

All firms to be procured under the project will be responsible for complying with the Labour Regulations.

National HIV and AIDS Workplace Policy

The purpose of the National HIV and AIDS Workplace policy is to ensure a uniform and fair approach to the effective prevention of new HIV infections among employees, their families and dependents and provide social protection within the workplace to employees directly impacted by HIV. The principles of the policy are aligned to the International Labour Organization (ILO) Code of practice on HIV/AIDS and Recommendation No. 200 concerning HIV and AIDS and the World of Work and include the recognition of HIV as a workplace issue, non-discrimination in employment, no screening, no forced disclosure, protection of confidentiality, social dialogue, gender equality, HIV prevention, treatment, care and support measures as critical components for addressing the epidemic in the workplace.



Annex 4 Photos and Maps

Sister Marie Laurence Primary School









Charles
Leopold Bell
Primary
School















Philipsburg Jubilee Library





View of back portion of the PJL with empty fishpond





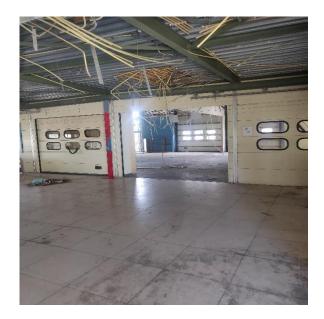
Containers in the PJL's parking lot loaded with books, furnishings and equipment salvaged after Hurricane Irma

Random shots of the PJL site

















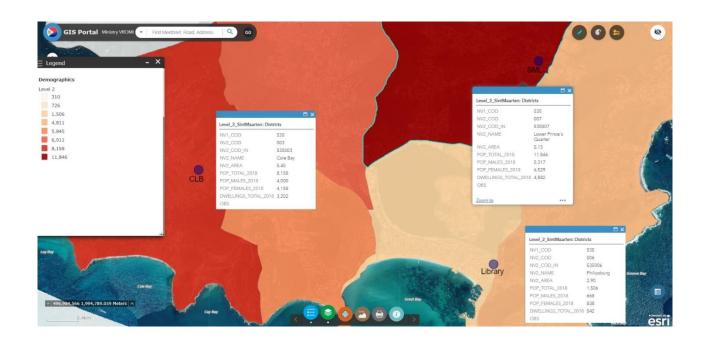


Figure 1. Demographic data of project districts

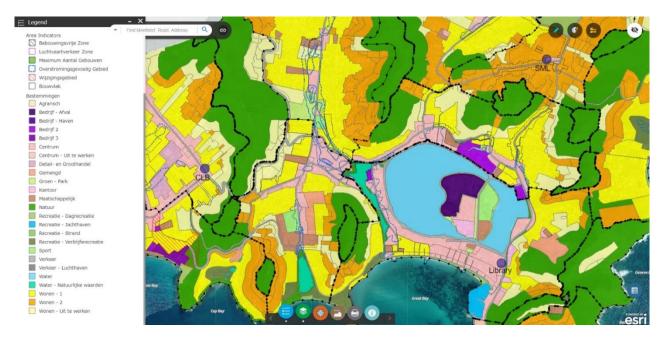


Figure 2. Zoning data of project areas



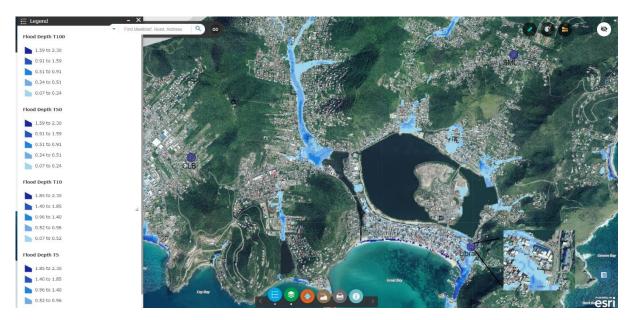


Figure 3. Flood prone assessment of project areas

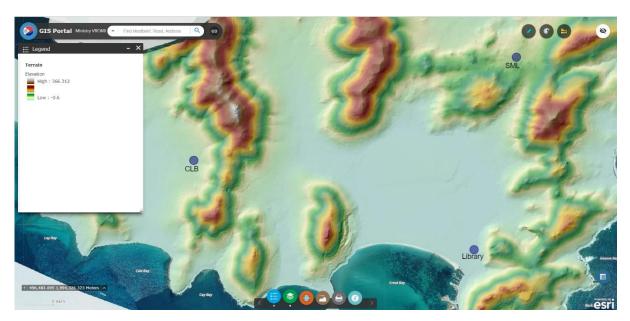


Figure 4. Terrain details of project areas



Annex 5 – Cultural Heritage Assessment Report and Management Plan (Pending)

National Recovery Program Bureau (NRPB) Attention: Mr. Romain Laville, Project Manager FRLP 57 Walter J.A. Nisbeth Road Philipsburg, St. Maarten Dutch Caribbean

Re: Site inspection, historical feature observations, and preliminary recommendations for the Charles Leopold Bell School property

24 January 2022

Dear Mr. Romain Laville,

As per our previous agreements and discussions, this general summary letter regarding the Charles Leopold Bell School, is hereby submitted to the NRPB for consideration of the historical features at the property, which can have potential for restoration and educational development through the Fostering Resilient Learning Project (FRLP).

The Charles Leopold Bell School (CLBS) is located in the Cole Bay district of St. Maarten (UTS 18.0352187 / 63.077563, Union Road/Sandbox Tree Drive), and has served as a Primary School from the early 20th century until its severe damage in Hurricane Irma in 2017. Although not on the official registered Monuments List for St. Maarten, nor on the 2006 PREAM monuments listing, this property has been well recognized by the Cole Bay community as an historical feature of the Cole Bay landscape (see Figure 1).

Of interest is the fact that this school was originally named the Alfred Leonald Conner School, after a school teacher there from 1911, with the school named after him in 1960. The Conner School transferred to the new school facility at Cape Bay shortly thereafter, when the name of the older structure at Cole Bay was changed to the Charles Leopold Bell School (see Figure 2).

The photo in Figure 2, indicates a large modern structure at the entrance area, which has subsequently been dismantled, probably by Hurricane Irma. After the hurricane in 2017, the 165 elementary students and 16 teachers were transferred to the new Leonald Conner School facility at Cape Bay, where they remain until today.



One of the key factors that gives this CLB school an historical significance, is its strategic location at a triple cross-roads for the Cole Bay area, situated between the road to Philipsburg, the road to Marigot, and the road to Cape Bay. Historic maps of this area from 1775, 1817, 1864, and 1916 all indicate this strategic location of this triple cross-roads corner (see Figure 3). Prior to 2 May 1907, this roadway was for horses and carriages only, with an upgrade to accommodate motorized vehicles and renaming to Union Road, in that same year.

Of the above noted historical maps, it is the 1916 Werbata Map which provides the best data for archaeological features at this site (see Figure 4). The Werbata maps, produced between 1906-1916, are among the best reference maps for the Netherlands Caribbean islands, including St. Maarten, such that they provide detailed information regarding archaeological features at the site. In Figure 4, can be seen the 'Openbare School' and 'Politie Wacht' indicated at the corner cross-roads of Union Road. Noted on the 1916 Werbata map are two building structures at this site, with a bush hedge surrounding the property. As will be described below, both of these two structures still have remnants at the property.

Site Inspection and Observations

I visited the CLBS property on three occasions between November and December 2021, for both surface and exposed feature observations, and finally for a physical crawl under the foundations of the Main School Building, to observe potential features there. What follows here are brief descriptions of the observed historical features noted at the site.

From the perspective of historic natural features, there are two large mango trees at the property, both of which qualify as Historic Trees (having trunk diameters over 50cm) under the St. Maarten historic trees registry (see Figure 5). No other historic natural features were noted at the site, as the property is almost completely covered with a concrete flooring.

At the entrance to this property from Union Road, is a stone-mortar Entrance Gate (Feature A) having two tall, square, stone-mortar pillars (ca. 1.8m max. height) and low connecting walls (ca. 1m height), all with iron fencing (see Figure 6). This low stone-mortar wall continues on the west boundary of the property line only, however without the iron fencing still present.



At the front (south) face of these original Feature B foundations, beneath the floor beams and front porch of the new building, were noted two stonemortar steps (each ca. 1.2m height) and an opening with two wooden shutters (see Figure 10). These two steps and wooden shutters match the same features noted on the old image of this school building in Figure 1.

Recommendations

From these site inspections at the CLBS property, it is suggested here that the original historical structure of Feature C, has minimal preservation, and as such would not be suitable for potential restoration. However, the stonemortar Entrance Gate (Feature A) adjacent to it, should be considered for restoration. The two historic mango trees noted on the property should also be considered for preservation, and would additionally provide shade and a natural setting for a restored school facility.

The most important historical feature noted at the CLBS site, is the original stone-mortar foundations located beneath the Main School Building. This Feature B foundation wall structure, including the two original front steps and shuttered opening, and the foundation wall extension to the north, are recommended for preservation and should be incorporated into any new constructions, and/or restorations, at this site. Indeed, having the old image of this school (Figure 1) provides an excellent reference for how the original structure appeared, and should be used for any restoration plans.

Such that the overall CLBS property is almost completely covered with concrete flooring and/or new building constructions, no other historical features are expected at this site.

This summary letter is submitted as Archaeological observations, thus it should be indicated here that further follow-up to this project should also require insights from an Historical Architect, as well.

Please feel free to contact me should you have any further questions. Sincerely,

Dr. Jay B. Haviser,



Archaeologist



Figure 1. 1970s image of the Charles Leopold Bell School at Cole Bay; (center) Main Building Feature B (note the two front steps and the shuttered opening [behind car] in the foundations); (right) the original small front building Feature C, and (front) the Entrance Gate wall Feature A.



Figure 2. Charles Leopold Bell School, after restoration of Main Building Feature B; and with an expanded large front building, Feature C, present prior to Hurricane Irma.





Figure 3. Historical maps of the Cole Bay area, from 1775 and 1864, both indicating the strategic triple cross-roads location of the CLB School property.

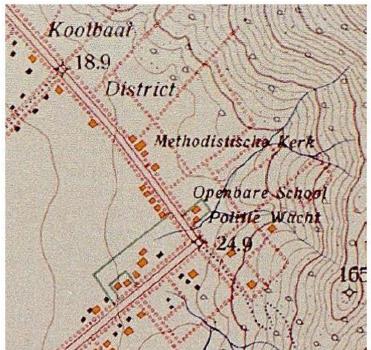


Figure 4. Werbata map of 1916; indicating the 'Openbare School' location and site structural features at the CLBS property.





Figure 5. Historic Trees at the CLBS property; (left) located between Features B-C; (right) north of Feature B adjacent modern structures.



Figure 6. Entrance Gate structure (Feature A) at the CLBS property.



Figure 7. Feature B, being a reduced foundation structure at the CLBS property.





Figure 8. Modern restored Main Building structure above Feature B; (lower left) new steps on the east side, (lower right) the two new steps at the north side.









Figure 9. Feature B main building historical sub-floor foundations; (upper left) access opening on the west side; (upper right) interior view; (lower left) north extension discontinuity with older foundation wall, and (lower right) drain opening in north extension, which may indicate it was formerly used as a cistern.



Figure 10. Feature B, Main School Building historical foundations, located beneath the floor beams of the new front porch, with two front steps and a shuttered opening.



Annex 6: Contractors' Reporting Template

Environmental, Social, Health & Safety Monthly Report Template

(*contractor to adjust content according to project specific requirements)

Cover Page

- Project Title
- Contractor's/Company's Name, Contact Information, Address
- Site Location
- Reporting Period
- Date of Report
- ESHS manager name
- ESHS Supervisor consultant name

Table of Contents

Project	Progress	Status
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Brief Description of Project Progress Status

Accidents and Incidents

- ✓ Environmental incidents or non-compliances with contract requirements, including contamination, pollution or damage to ground or water supplies;
- ✓ Health and safety incidents, accidents, injuries and all fatalities that require treatment;
- ✓ Near miss events
- ✓ Covid-19 confirmed cases

Date of Incident/Accident/Non-Compliance	Description	Results (Injuries. Fatalities, Treatment)	Current Status/Update



Inspection Schedule

(List ESHS site inspection dates of current and coming month)

Site Description	Date							
ESHS								
Inspector								
Name								

Mold or Asbestos Assessment and Remediation

GRM

Workers and community complaints and actions

Date of Lodging of Complaint	Site/Location of Complaint and Person Receiving	Nature of Complaint (Brief Description)	Action Taken to Resolve the complaint. If not resolved, state current status of the complaint, including follow-up actions



Training Overview

Training Topic	Date	Location	hrs	Instructor	Participants	% of Workers
Covid-19						
PPE use						
Working on Heights						
Scaffolds & Ladders						
Solid waste						
Wastewater, fuel, paints/solvents						
Fire extinguishing						
Code of Conduct and GBV						
GRM						
Asbestos						

(Training topics list is not inclusive. Please adjust according to project specific requirements)



Toolbox Topic	Date	Location	min	Instructor	Participants	% of Workers
Covid-19						
Slips, trips and falls						
Work at height, use of ladders and scaffolding						
Work near existing services						
Roofing						
Manual handling						
Electrical hazards						
Working in confined spaces						
Falling objects						
Fire safety						
Traffic safety						
Construction plant, equipment and tools						
Excavation						
Hazardous materials						
Eye protection, head protection, hearing protection and so on						
Materials storage						
Behaviour in accordance with the CoC						



(Toolbox topics list is not inclusive. Please adjust according to project specific requirements)

Future Actions &C-ESMP Updates

Describe lessons learned, coming month initiatives for improvement and necessary future updates of the C-ESMP based on past experience.

Non-Conformances

Date	Site	Inspector	Description of Non- conformance	Corrective actions	Date of Implementation & Responsibility	ESHS ID

ESHS ID

- PPE's use and signage.
- 2. Covid-19 measures (masks, social distancing, disinfectants, etc) and signage.
- 3. Working on Heights (scaffolding, ladders, harnesses, lanyards, etc)
- Community health & safety (Security fencing and signage, noise, safe pedestrian walkways, no road obstructions, traffic signs, etc)
- 5. Occupational health & safety (toilet, washing station, resting room, drinking water, first aid kit, emergency phone numbers, valid fire
- 6. extinguisher, etc)
- 6. Solid waste management, including dust prevention and a tide jobsite (skips, bins, tarps, recycling, etc)
- Wastewater management
- 8. Hazardous materials. Mold management. Asbestos management. Fuels, paints, thinners, etc, storage & disposal.
- 9. Electrical hazards
- 10. Code Of Conduct violation, GRM/GBV management, Accidents or Incidents reporting
- 11. Plans, Files and Records (C-ESMP reporting/updates, Permits/Licenses, Vehicles motor test/maintenance, training records, etc)



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Non-Conformances Statistics

ESHS ID	Explanation		nformances t Month)	Non-Conformances (Up to Date)		
		Total	Open	Total	Open	
1.	PPE's use and signage.					
2.	Covid-19 measures (masks, social distancing, disinfectants, etc) and signage.					
3.	Working on Heights (scaffolding, ladders, harnesses, lanyards, etc)					
4.	Community health & safety (Security fencing and signage, noise, safe pedestrian walkways, no road obstructions, traffic signs, etc)					
5.	Occupational health & safety (toilet, washing station, resting room, drinking water, first aid kit, emergency phone numbers, valid fire extinguisher, etc)					
6.	Solid waste management, including dust prevention and a tide jobsite (skips, bins, tarps, recycling, etc)					
7.	Wastewater management					
8.	Hazardous materials. Mold management. Asbestos management. Fuels, paints, thinners, etc, storage & disposal.					
9.	Electrical hazards					
10.	Code Of Conduct violation, GRM/GBV management, Accidents or Incidents reporting					
11.	Plans, Files and Records (C-ESMP reporting/updates, Permits/Licenses, Vehicles motor test/maintenance, training records, etc)					

Files & Records

Minimum Records to keep

- Updated MSIPs or CESMP
- Permits and licenses as applicable to the project
- Accidents and Incidents
- Non-conformances and corrective actions database
- GRM records
- Employees work permits
- Signed Code of Conduct by all workers
- Training records (training dates, training place, name of instructor, training duration, name of participants, signatures of participants)
- Toolbox briefings (training dates, training place, name of instructor, training duration, name of participants, signatures of participants)
- Warnings given and workers removed from site



- Drivers licenses
- Vehicles motor test records
- Equipment maintenance records

Mitigation Measures Implementation & Performance

(Note: Contractor should include photographs to record onsite mitigation activities as applicable.)

(Minimum mitigation measures are described below. Contractor to further elaborate based on C-ESMP)

	Percentage or Score	Comments
Jobsite General	L	
1. Clean and tide jobsite	1 to 10	
2. Posters and safety signs in place	%	
3. Emergency phone numbers posted	%	
Community Safety	ı	
4.Barriers to prevent unauthorized	%	
access		
5. Debris netting or other measures for	%	
falling objects		
6. Safe pedestrian walkways	%	
7. No obstruction on roads and sidewalks	%	
8. Traffic signs are placed wherever	%	
required		
9. Smooth traffic flow	1 to 10	
Work Hazards & Occupational Health		
10. Personal Protective Equipment (hard	%	
hats, goggles, respirators, boots, gloves,		
hearing protection)		
11. Scaffold barriers for >2m	%	
12. Safety harness for >2m	%	
13. Stable surface for scaffolds and	%	
ladders		
14. First Aid kit	%	
15. Access to area's for rest (canteen)	%	
16. Hygiene facilities	%	
17. Drinking water supply	%	
Solid Waste		
18. Sufficient waste bins/skips in place	%	
19. Rain and wind protection	%	
20. Segregate metal parts for recycling	%	
Dust		
21. Covered loose material stockpiles,	%	
waste skips and trucks		
22. Watering for dust prevention	%	
Wastewater		
23. Collection, storage and disposal in	%	
authorized facility		
Noise		



	Percentage or Score	Comments
24. Noise level at site boundaries <70dBA	%	% of measured values below 70dBA
25. Workers noise exposure <85dBA	%	
Hazardous Materials		
26. Stored inside covered premises and on impermeable surface	%	
27. Use of secondary spill containment equipment	%	
28. Availability of absorption materials	%	
29. Safe storage of used oils and paint buckets	%	
Covid-19	1	
30. Posts with hygiene practices on site	%	
31. Face masks provided by employer and used when necessary	%	
32. Washing facilities and/or Sanitizer on site	%	
33. Social distancing adhered to(2m)	%	
Fire & Electrical Safety		
34. Fire extinguishers number and type according to Fire Safety Plan	%	
35. Flammable materials (fuel, waste, etc) are safely stored	1 to 10	
36. All electrical equipment on site is RCD-protected	%	
37. Electrical equipment (including cords and leads) checked for faults and visible signs of damage	%	
38. Electrical equipment is protected from weather	1 to 10	
Social Considerations		
39. Number of workers that signed the CoC	%	
40. Number of workers with employment permit	%	



Annex 7: Grievance/Complaint Form



COMPLAINTS FORM

This objective of this complaint form is to ensure that the National Recovery Program Bureau handles complaints fairly, efficiently and effectively. The Bureau aims to provide quick and effective resolution to concerns and complaints.

Our complaint procedure intents to:

- 1. respond to complaints in a timely and cost-effective way
- 2. boost public confidence in our work and administrative processes, and
- 3. enhance and give a quality impulse to our products and services.

Filing this complaint is free of charge.

Personal and contact information

Please provide your EMAIL ADDRESS:

Please provide your FIRST and LAST name:

Please provide your PHONE NUMBER (this should be a number were can reach you, if needed):

Please provide your ADDRESS:

Information about the complaint

When did the issue you are complaining about take place? (mm/dd/yyyy)

What is the nature of your complaint?

- o I have a complaint regarding a staff of NRPB
- I have a complaint regarding a service provided by NRPB
- I have a complaint regarding a product from NRPB
- o Other:

Please describe what happened.



Did the occurrence lead to any damage to your property? o Yes o No								
If the occurrence led to any damage to your property, please attach pictures to document the damage (maximum of three pictures).								
Complaints Form F	Page 2							



Annex 8: NRPB Code of Conduct



NRPB Code of Conduct Environmental Social Health and Safety Management

The NRPB acknowledges that the overall wellbeing of Sint Maarten's population, the sound management of the man-made environment, the responsible use of our natural resources and the protection of our cultural heritage are key factors in the development of a more resilient and sustainable Sint Maarten. Social and environmental safeguards are, as such, a cornerstone of all our activities including, but not limited to, office management and the preparation, coordination, execution and evaluation of the recovery projects financed by the Sint Maarten Recovery, Reconstruction and Resilience Trust Fund.

The NRPB therefore strives to:

- · Provide for, manage and maintain a safe working environment;
- · Establish, implement and review internal and external environmental policies;
- Maintain sound environmental practices as an integral component of our daily activities;
- Minimize negative social and environmental impacts of all aspects of our operations;
- Minimize the generation of solid waste, prevent pollution and conserve natural and cultural resources:
- Conduct all our activities in compliance with applicable best practices, policies, local and international legal requirements;
- Apply applicable health and safety requirements as an essential component of all our programs and projects;
- Continuously improve our Occupational Health and Safety performance;
- Maintain respectful and productive interactions with members of the general public and other stakeholders;
- · Respect, promote and protect applicable human rights;
- · Promote gender equality and empowerment of women;
- Be intolerant of discrimination against any worker, consultant, individual or community (for example
 on the basis of family status, ethnicity, race, gender, sexuality, religion, language, marital status, birth,
 age, disability, or political conviction);
- Be intolerant of Gender Based Violence (GBV), inhumane treatment, sexual activity with children*, sexual harassment, use of illegal drugs and other illegal activities;
- Ensure that employees and contractors are qualified for the tasks they will be performing;
- Avoid conflicts of interest (such that benefits, contracts, or employment, or any sort of preferential treatment or favors, are not provided to any person with whom there is a financial, direct family, or personal connection):
- Actively engage with external consultants, contractors and other business relations to foster support for and adherence to the NRPB Environmental Social Health and Safety (ESHS) Policies and procedures, best practices, local and international legal requirements;
- Integrate ESHS requirements into procurement documents for works and supervision thereof;
- · Encourage individuals to report violations of this Code as a duty;
- Ensure protection against retaliation for all who report violations of this Code, if that report is made in good faith.





The NRPB requires external-consultants, contractors and other business relations to:

- Protect the health, safety and welfare of all their staff, subcontractors and communities possibly affected by works and projects;
- Carry-out works in such a manner that minimizes negative impacts on communities, the environment, natural and cultural heritage;
- Commit to an NRPB approved Code of Conduct regarding Environmental, Social, Health and Safety (ESHS) matters;
- Appoint a person responsible for monitoring and reporting on matters related to ESHS;
- Submit to NRPB audits and reviews regarding ESHS and adherence to the approved Code of Conduct;
- Inform staff and consultants of, and allow access to, a Grievance Redress Mechanism without fear of reprisals.

(* for the purpose of the policy statement, the term "child" / "children" refers to any person(s) under the age of 18 years.)

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Annex 9: Contractors' Code of Conduct Template

This Code of Conduct contains obligations on all Contractor's staff including its sub-contractors' staff. All staff hired by the Contractor should sign this Code of Conduct. Code of Conduct for the Implementation of Fostering Resilient Learning Project Contractor: Contract:
Comply with applicable laws, rules, and regulations of the Government of Sint Maarten. Comply with applicable health and safety requirements (including wearing prescribed personal protective equipment, preventing avoidable accidents and a duty to report conditions or practices that pose a safety hazard or threaten the environment); Not use illegal substances any anytime on or off the job. Not Discriminate against any other worker (for example based on family status, ethnicity, race, gender, religion, language, marital status, birth, age, disability, or political conviction) Have respectful interactions with community members (for example to convey an attitude of respect and non-discrimination) with communities. Not engage in any act of sexual harassment (whether through use of language or behavior, towards men or women or children, that is inappropriate, harassing, abusive, sexually provocative, demeaning or culturally inappropriate) Not engage in any act of violence or exploitation (including prohibition of the exchange of money, employment, goods, or services for sex, including sexual favors or other forms of humiliating, degrading or exploitative behavior) Ensure the perotection of children (including prohibitions against abuse, defilement, or otherwise unacceptable behavior with children, limiting interactions with children, and ensuring their safety in project areas) Uphold Sanitation requirements (for example, that all workers use specified sanitary facilities provided by their employer and not open areas) Avoid conflicts of interest (such that benefits, contracts, or employment, or any sort of preferential treatment or favors, are not provided to any person with whom there is a financial, family, or personal connection) Respect reasonable work instructions (including regarding environmental and social norms); Protect and properly use property (for example, to prohibit theft, carelessness or waste) Report violations of this Code as a duty. Be informed and allowed to access a Grievance Redress Mechani
On signing I confirm that: I have received a copy of this Code. The Code has been explained to me. I acknowledge that adherence to this Code of Conduct is a condition of employment; and I understood that violations of the Code can result in serious consequences, up to and including dismissal, or referral to legal authorities.
SIGNATURE: PRINTED NAME: EMPLOYER REPRESENTATIVE: DATE ·



Annex 10: Inspection Checklist



Environmental, Social, Health & Safety Inspection Checklist

Date Site/Project					
Inspector: Re	preser	ntative	e(s):		
	Yes	No	N/A	Comments	_
Jobsite General					
1. Clean and tide jobsite					
2. Posters and safety signs in place					
3. Emergency phone numbers posted					
Community Safety					
4.Barriers to prevent unauthorized access					
5. Debris netting or other measures for falling objects					
6. Safe pedestrian walkways					
7. No obstruction on roads and sidewalks					_
8. Traffic signs are placed wherever required					Т
9. Smooth traffic flow					
Files, Plans & Records	•				
10. Permits and Licenses					_
11. Accidents reports					
12. Training records (E&S, CoC, Fire, H&S)					
13. Traffic routes and time plan					
14. Community awareness procedure					_
15.Vehicle/equipment maintenance&					
inspection records					
16. Grievance redress mechanism and records					
17. Residents access plan					
18. Covid-19 provision plan					
20. Toolbox briefings log					
21. Supervisor consultant audit records					
22. Signed Code of Conduct by workers					
23. Truck drivers valid licenses					
Work Hazards & Occupational Health				•	
24. Personal Protective Equipment (hard hats,					
goggles, respirators, boots, gloves, hearing					
protection)					
25. Scaffold barriers for >2m					
26. Safety harness for >2m					
27. Stable surface for scaffolds and ladders					
28. First Aid kit					
29. Access to area's for rest (canteen)					_
30. Hygiene facilities					
31. Drinking water supply					_
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32. Sufficient waste bins/skips in place33. Rain and wind protection34. Segregate materials for recycling

35. Covered loose material stockpiles, waste



Annex 11: e-Waste Management Plan

E-Waste Environmental Health and Safety Guidelines

Recommended Procedures

1. General E-Waste Management

The following guidance applies to the management of non-hazardous and hazardous e-waste. Additional guidance specifically applicable to hazardous e-wastes is presented below. E-waste management should be addressed through an e-waste management system that addresses issues linked to e-waste, which include generation, waste management (reduction, reuse, recycling), transportation, disposal, and monitoring.

As part of the E-waste Management Plan, e-waste should be characterized according to composition, sources, types of e-waste, generation rates, and local legislation. Effective planning and implementation of e-waste management strategies should include: i) Revision of new e-waste sources during all project phases including planning, siting, and equipment upgrades, in order to identify e-waste generation, pollution prevention opportunities, and necessary treatment, storage, and disposal infrastructure; ii) Collection of data and information about the process and e-waste streams in existing facilities, including characterization of e-waste streams by type, quantity, and potential use/disposition; iii) Establishment of priorities based on a risk analysis that takes into account the potential Environmental Health and Safety (EHS) risks during the e-waste cycle and the availability of the infrastructure to manage the e-waste in an environmentally sound manner; iii) Definition of opportunities for source reduction, as well as for reuse and recycling; iv) Definition of procedures and operational controls for onsite storage; and, v) Definition of options/procedures/ operational controls for treatment and final disposal.

2. E-Waste Prevention Processes

This should be designed and operated to prevent, reduce or minimize, the quantity of e-waste generated and hazards associated with the e-waste generated in accordance with the following strategy: i) Substituting raw materials or parts with less hazardous or toxic materials, or with those where processing generates a lower e-waste volume; ii) Adopting and implementing good housekeeping and operating practices, including inventory control to reduce the amount of e-waste resulting from materials that are out-of-date, off-specification, contaminated, damaged, or are an excess to operational needs; and, iii) Reducing/minimizing hazardous e-waste generation by implementing stringent e-waste segregation to prevent the commingling of non-hazardous and hazardous e-waste from be managed.

3. Recycling and Reuse

In addition to the implementation of e-waste prevention strategies, the total amount of e-waste may be significantly reduced through the implementation of reuse and recycling plans, which should consider the following elements: i) Identification and reuse/recycling of products that can be reintroduced into the operational processes ii) Investigation of external markets for recycling by other industrial processing operations located in the neighborhood or region of the facility (e.g., e-waste exchange); iii) Establishing reuse/recycling objectives and formal tracking of e-waste generation and recycling rates; and, iv) Providing training and incentives to employees in order to meet objectives.

4. Treatment and Disposal

If e-waste materials are still generated after the implementation of feasible e-waste prevention, reduction, reuse, recovery, and recycling measures; then, e-waste materials should be treated and disposed of following all measures to avoid potential impacts to human health and the environment. Selected management approaches should be consistent with the specifications of e-waste characteristics and local regulations, and may include one or more of the following: i) On-site or off-site chemical, or physical treatment of the e-waste material to render it non-hazardous prior to final disposal; ii) Treatment or disposal at permitted facilities specially designed



to receive the e-waste; iii) Permitted and operated landfills or incinerators designed for the respective type of e-waste or other methods known to be effective in the safe, final disposal of e-waste materials.

5. Hazardous E-Waste Management

Hazardous e-waste should always be segregated from non-hazardous e-wastes. If the generation of hazardous e-waste cannot be prevented through the implementation of the above general e-waste management practices, its management should focus on the prevention of harm to health, safety, and the environment, according to the following additional principles: i) Understanding potential risks and impacts associated with the management of any generated hazardous e-waste during its complete life cycle; ii) Ensuring that contractors handling, treating, and disposing of hazardous e-waste are reputable and legitimate enterprises, licensed by the relevant regulatory agencies and following good international industry practice for the e-waste being handled; iii) Ensuring compliance with applicable local and international regulations.

6. Hazardous E-Waste Storage

Hazardous e-waste should be properly stored to prevent or control accidental releases to air, soil, and water resources in areas where: i) E-waste is stored in a manner that prevents the commingling or contact between incompatible e-waste and allows for inspection between containers to monitor leaks or spills. Examples include sufficient space between incompatible or physical separation such as walls or containment curbs; ii) Store in closed containers (some could be radioactive proofed), away from direct sunlight, wind and rain; iii) Secondary containment systems should be constructed with materials appropriate for the e-waste being contained and adequate to prevent loss to the environment; iv) Provision of readily available information on compatibility to employees, including labelling each container to identify its contents; v) Limiting access to hazardous e-waste storage areas to only employees who have received proper training; vi) Clearly identifying (labelling) and demarcating the area, including documentation of its location on a facility map or site plan; and, vii) Conducting periodic inspections of e-waste storage areas and documenting the findings.

7. Transportation of E-Waste

All e-waste containers designated for off-site shipment should be secured and labelled with the contents and associated hazards. This must be properly loaded and secured into transportation vehicles before leaving the site and must be accompanied by a shipping paper (i.e., manifest, record, etc.) that describes the load and its associated hazards, and which is consistent with the Transport of Hazardous Materials good practices and guidance.

8. Treatment and Disposal

In addition to the recommendations for treatment and disposal applicable to general waste, the following issues specific to hazardous e-wastes should be considered: i) Commercial or Government E-waste Contractors in the absence of qualified commercial or government-owned e-waste vendors (taking into consideration the proximity and transportation requirements), facilities generating e-waste should consider using: · Have the technical capability to manage the e-waste in a manner that reduces immediate and future impact to the environment, and have all required permits, certifications, and approvals, of applicable government authorities. Have been secured through the use of formal procurement agreements In the absence of qualified commercial or government-owned e-waste disposal operators (taking into consideration proximity and transportation requirements), project sponsors should consider using: i) Installing on-site e-waste treatment or recycling processes, ii) As a final option, constructing facilities that will provide for the environmental sound long-term storage of e-waste on-site or at an appropriate alternative location up until external commercial options become available.

9. Small Quantities of Hazardous E-waste

Hazardous e-waste materials are frequently generated in small quantities by many projects through a variety of activities such as equipment and building maintenance activities. Examples of these types of e-wastes include used batteries (such as nickel-cadmium or lead-acid); and lighting equipment, such as lamps or lamp ballasts, servers, computers, cables, etc. These types of e-waste should be managed, following the guidance provided in the above sections.



10. Special considerations for Monitoring Activities

Monitoring activities associated with the management of hazardous and non-hazardous e-waste should include: i) Regular visual inspection of all e-waste storage collection and storage areas for evidence of accidental releases and to verify that e-waste is properly labelled, and stored: ii) Inspection of loss or identification of cracks. corrosion, or damage to protective equipment, or floors; iii) Verification of locks, and other safety devices for easy operation (lubricating if required and employing the practice of keeping locks and safety equipment in standby position when the area is not occupied); iv) Checking the operability of emergency systems; v) Documenting results of testing for integrity, emissions, or monitoring stations; vi) Documenting any changes to the storage facility, and any significant changes in the quantity of materials in storage, vii) Regular audits of ewaste segregation and collection practices, viii) Tracking of e-waste generation trends by type and amount of ewaste generated, preferably by facility departments, ix) Characterizing e-waste at the beginning of generation of a new e-waste stream, and periodically documenting the characteristics and proper management of the ewaste, especially hazardous e-wastes; x) Keeping manifests or other records that document the amount of ewaste generated and its destination; xi) Periodic auditing of third party treatment, and disposal services including re-use and recycling facilities when significant quantities of hazardous e-wastes are managed by third parties. Whenever possible, audits should include site visits to the treatment storage and disposal location. In the event that e-waste (on-site storage and/or pre-treatment and disposal) is in direct contact with soil, additional procedures must be performed to ensure regular monitoring of soil quality.

Monitoring records for hazardous e-waste collected, stored, or shipped should include: i) Name and identification number of the material(s) composing the hazardous e-waste o Physical state; ii) Quantity (i.e., kilograms, number of containers); ii) E-waste shipment tracking documentation to include, quantity and type, date dispatched, date transported and date received, a record of the originator, the receiver and the transporter; iii) Method and date of storing, repacking, treating, or disposing at the facility, cross-referenced to specific manifest document numbers applicable to the hazardous e-waste o Location of each hazardous e-waste within the facility, and the quantity at each location.

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Annex 12: Standard Mitigation Measures for Civil Works

ESHS Risks/Impact/ Activity	Description of the Risk/Impact	Mitigation Measures	Respons	ibility
			Implementation	Supervision
Community health and safety	Community exposure to construction risks	The Contractor shall: - Establish a perimeter of the site, marked by barrier tape and signage indicating that Construction is ongoing and disallowing unauthorized access Sign a 'code of conduct' with all its staff before mobilizing them into the construction. The code of conduct will include the responsibilities of the workers in dealing with the I community, (personal) waste management and following the instruction from the supervisor	Contractor	NRPB
Hazards at Work Site	Occupational health safety risks associated with the proposed construction works may result from the exposure to potential hazards encountered in the workplace or while working.	The Contractor with the support of the NRPB and the Supervision consultant shall: - Identify the potential hazards at worksites associated with the construction activity - Appropriate measures and precautions will be taken to prevent danger and injury from construction activities.	Contractor	Supervision consultant NRPB
Asbestos	Asbestos has been classified as a known human carcinogen. Exposure to asbestos may occur through inhalation of fibers in air, released during construction works on buildings containing asbestos materials.	If in the event a construction project requires the stabilization or removal of asbestos construction materials, the contractor shall contact the Inspectorate Public Health, Social Services and Labor of the Ministry of Public Health, Social Development and Labour and The Inspection Department of the Ministry of Public Housing, Spatial Planning, Environment and Infrastructure (VROMI)) and work towards developing an asbestos management plan with appropriate experts and authorities. Contractor shall provide all relevant protective gear to workers.	Contractor	Supervision consultant NRPB



ESHS Risks/Impact/ Activity	Description of the Risk/Impact	Mitigation Measures	Respons	ibility
Occupational risks at work sites	Lack of awareness among workers on the ESHS risks and requirements of the Project	The NRPB and its supervision consultant shall provide ESHS awareness sessions and material to Contractors, before they start working on site, on primary ESHS risks associated with the proposed construction works; and the workers' responsibility. The Contractor shall ensure all its workers have been briefed on and have received the ESHS awareness material provided by the Engineer.	NRPB/ Contractor	NRPB
Personal Protective Equipment (PPEs) and First Aid Kits	Lack of relevant PPEs will increase the risk of worker's exposure to construction hazards Lack of First Aid Kits may aggravate possible minor wounds	Contractor shall provide appropriate personal protection equipment (PPE) for workers, such as safety boots, helmets, masks, gloves, protective clothing, goggles, body harness, and/ or ear protection as needed based on the work requirements and will have First Aid Kits available to address immediate/minor needs.	Contractor	Supervision consultant NRPB
Building demolition works	Hazards from falling debris and objects	 Remove or secure objects (glass, structural members) that may fall while workers work under them Use debris netting, sidewalk sheds, canopies, or catch platforms to reduce hazards from falling objects Verify the location of all utility lines; ensure lines have been shut-off, capped, or otherwise controlled outside the building before beginning work Notify utility companies before controlling their utility lines 	Contractor	Supervision consultant NRPB
Working at heights	Risk of fall from improper ladder and scaffold use	 Inspect ladders for cracked, broken, or defective parts before use Do not exceed the load rating of ladders or scaffolds-remember that load ratings include people, tools, and equipment Set up ladders and scaffolds on stable surfaces Use non-conductive ladders (e.g., fiberglass) and exercise extreme caution when working near power lines Secure ladders that can be displaced by work activities; consider barricades at the base to keep traffic away Ensure that the scaffold is built on firm foundations. Footings should be able to support the scaffold without settling or moving. Do not use unstable objects to support scaffolds Fully plank each scaffold on all working levels. For wood planking, use wood graded for the intended load 	Contractor	Supervision consultant NRPB



ESHS Risks/Impact/ Activity	Description of the Risk/Impact	Mitigation Measures	Responsibility
		- Provide guardrails or fall protection systems on platforms 2m or higher	
Working with the electrical lines and live electrical equipment	Risk of electrical shocks while working with the electrical lines, transformers and other electrical equipment	 Assume that electrical lines are energized until proven otherwise; lines may become energized because of back feed from portable generator use, circuit ties/switch point, lightning, or other downstream events; ensure that grounding procedures are accomplished and that all sources of electricity are isolated Inspect the work area for downed conductors and do not go near, drive over, or otherwise come in contact with them Downed electrical conductors can energize other objects, including fences, water pipes, bushes, trees, and telephone/ fiber optic cables Ensure that all workers assessing and repairing electrical installations are experienced Use electrical-specific PPE (gloves, face shields) needed based on the type and approximate voltage of service Unless de-energized and visibly grounded, maintain proper distance from overhead electrical power lines (at least 3 m) and/or provide insulating barriers 	Contractor Supervision consultant NRPB



ESHS Risks/Impact/ Activity	Description of the Risk/Impact	Mitigation Measures	Respons	ibility
Trenches and excavations	Risk of community individuals' fall in the trenches; and occupational risks	 Ensure that trenches excavated in public areas shall be adequately barricaded and provided with signs to prevent risk of public falling in to them Store all materials, including those removed from the trench or excavation, at least 2 feet away from the sides of the trench or behind a suitable restraining system Ensure that all adjacent buildings/structures or surface obstructions (e.g., trees, large rocks) near the trench are supported or removed Support and protect all utilities spanning a trench or excavation 	Contractor	Supervision consultant NRPB
Workers facilities at the works/construction sites	Lack of safe drinking water and sanitation facilities create unhygienic conditions at worksites	The contractor shall: - Arrange safe drinking water to workers - Provide adequate sanitation facilities - Maintain clean worksites - Ensure workers do not eat, drink or smoke in the work areas affected by mold	Contractor	Supervision consultant NRPB
Child and youth labor	Children under the age of 18 years are prohibited from working.	- The Contractor shall not hire any labor less than 18 years of age.	Contractor	Supervision consultant NRPB
Gender Based Violence (GBV) and Sexual Exploitation	Possible Gender Based Violence or Sexual Exploitation during works	 Contractor to enforce the Code of Conduct that NRPB approves The incident will be reported to NRPB directly. All relevant authorities shall be contacted if any such event occurs. The alleged victim's / complainant is leading. Judicial authorities are contacted if there is a legal obligation to do so and if the alleged victim /. complainant wishes to report to the judicial authorities. Contractor will act upon guidance from the NRPB. 	Contractor	NRPB
Grievance Mechanism	The project might generate workers concerns and grievances. Workers shall have access to GRM to raise workplace concerns.	Workers shall have access to a 2-tier GRM. Firstly, the Contractor will receive workers concerns and grievances and process them through the contractor's GRM. The Social risk management Specialist in NRPB will monitor if and how concerns are addressed by the contractor. If contractor does not address concerns, workers will be directed to the NRPB's GRM mechanism. Ensure the concern is processed through the NRPB's GRM, track the resolution of	Contractor	NRPB



ESHS Risks/Impact/ Activity	Description of the Risk/Impact	Mitigation Measures	Responsibility		
		complaints and present them in a quarterly report.			
Workplace injuries and accidents and other incidents	If incidents are not investigated and root causes are not identified, there is a risk that they may repeat	 The NRPB's Environmental and Social risk management specialists and their Supervision Consultant shall investigate all incidents related to workplace injuries and accidents; and, on the environment (e.g. oil spills, pollution events), and social (e.g. gender-based violence, the non-function of GRM, etc.) incidents. The Contractor shall implement the recommendations of the Supervision Consultant to avoid recurrence of these incidents. 	Contractor	Supervision consultant NRPB	
Waste from works/ construction sites	Pollution from the improper management of solid wastes and excess materials from the construction sites.	 The Contractor shall properly collect all waste from the worksites and transport these wastes to the disposal sites approved by Government. When discarding the damaged material affected by mold, the Contractor shall take appropriate measures to exterminate the mold according to standard industry practices. 	Contractor	Supervision consultant NRPB	
Mold remediation in small isolated areas	Mold remediation may pose health risks to the infants and persons recovering from surgery, immune suppressed people, or people with chronic inflammatory lung diseases (e.g., asthma, hypersensitivity pneumonitis, and severe allergies)	 The NRPB and the Contractor shall ensure the work area is unoccupied, and the nearby areas are free of infants and people with respiratory challenges. The contractor shall cover surfaces in the work area that could become contaminated with secured plastic sheets to contain dust and debris and prevent further contamination; and use approved biocides and detergents for the cleaning of mold. After the mold cleaning, the area shall be kept clean, dry, and free of visible debris. 	Contractor	NRPB	
Drainage and Wastewater from the construction sites	Drainage from the construction sites and material storage sites (sand and aggregates) may contain sediment load	 The Contractor shall Cover all stockpiles containing loose materials such as sand and aggregates with plastic covers to protect them from rain Not allow ponding of water near the construction sites. Dispose of all waste water according to the Guidelines of the Government of St. Maarten 	Contractor	Supervision consultant NRPB	



ESHS Risks/Impact/ Activity	Description of the Risk/Impact	Mitigation Measures	Respons	sibility
Noise pollution	Noise and vibrations from the construction activities and equipment may cause a nuisance to the nearby communities.	 The Contractor shall: Avoid undertaking the noisiest activities, where possible, when working at night near the residential areas. Maintain all equipment and vehicles to keep them in good working order. Inform the community of planned activities which may cause noise nuisance in a timely manner. 	Contractor	Supervision consultant NRPB
Air pollution	Dust from construction activities and emissions from construction equipment and vehicles may cause air pollution	The Contractor shall: - Take appropriate measures to suppress dust generation, especially during operations that may create a lot of dust, such as cutting or sawing silicacontaining materials, jack hammering, impact drilling, using heavy equipment, and demolishing structures - Maintain all machinery and vehicles in acceptable working conditions.	Contractor	Supervision consultant NRPB
Traffic and road safety	The temporary storage of materials on the streets and parking of equipment and vehicles, and excavations along the roads may block the local streets	The Contractor shall: Not block the local streets/roads for traffic without first obtaining the required authorization from the Ministry of Public Housing, Spatial Planning, Environment and Infrastructure (Ministry of VROMI) and the Ministry of Justice; In consultation with the Ministry of VROMI inform the General Public of any scheduled blocking of roads (Newspaper ads and PSAs). Where relevant, place traffic signs and flagmen at required places to control the traffic as directed by the Ministry of VROMI The contractor shall manage available parking spaces in a responsible manner, shall encourage or facilitate joint transportation for staff.	Contractor	Supervision consultant NRPB
Community complaints	Negative impact on the community	The contractor shall acknowledge, record the complaint and act on it and report the complaint to the NRPB. Should contractor fail to resolve complaint it will be taken up by NRPB social specialist who will in turn investigate and follow up with the complainant. If the complaint contains elements of GBV, the complaint is immediately referred to NRPB (also see previous text on mitigation measures to workplace incidents).	NRPB	Supervision consultant NRPB



ESHS Risks/Impact/ Activity	Description of the Risk/Impact	Mitigation Measures	Respons	ibility
Damage to private or public property	Negative impact on community and stakeholders	The contractor shall record, report the incident to the supervisor and NRPB Environment and Social Safeguard Officers who will work together to resolve the incident.	Contractor	Supervision consultant NRPB
Use of preservatives and paint substances	Hazardous substances in preservatives and paint substances	- All paints, solvents and preservatives shall be purchased from certified distributors and shall meet the Guidelines as set forth by applicable legislation including the National decree on Public Health (Landsbesluitpubliekegezondheid) The contractor shall provide the supervisor of works with a list of materials and estimated quantities to be used, storage, spill control and waste disposal plans to be observed by the supervisor of works during the execution of the contract. This plan is subject to the approval of the project manager.		Supervision consultant
Site stabilization and erosion control	Risks of soil erosion	- Contractor shall implement measures at the site of operations to manage soil erosion through minimization of excavated area, preservation of existing ground cover to the extent possible, provision of approved ground cover. Where excavations are made, contractor shall implement appropriate stabilizing techniques to prevent cave-in or landslide. Erosion control measures shall be approved by the contracting officer.		Supervision consultant



Annex 13: Consensus Report for PJL and Heritage Center (Pending)



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Annex 15: Guidelines and mitigation measures for waste, wastewater, dust and noise management

Dust

During construction and decommissioning activities, dust emissions may be caused by the demolition of concrete structures, earth moving and excavation equipment, cutting, grinding, storing of waste and the transportation of debris and other loose materials. Some recommended dust control strategies applicable include:

√ Minimizing dust from material handling sources, such as conveyors and bins, by using covers and/or control equipment (e.g. water suppression); $\sqrt{}$ Minimizing dust from open area sources, including storage piles, by using control measures such as installing enclosures and covers, and increasing the moisture content; √ Dust suppression techniques should be implemented, such as applying water or non-toxic chemicals to minimize dust from demolition works and vehicle movements: √ Truckloads of loose materials should be covered: √ Truckloads speed should regulated and truck routes should avoid residential areas.

Waste and wastewater management

Contractor should characterize their waste according to composition, source, types of wastes produced, generation rates, or according to local regulatory requirements. Effective planning and implementation of waste management strategies should include:

- ✓ Review of waste sources during planning, siting, and design activities, including during equipment modifications and process alterations, to identify expected waste generation, pollution prevention opportunities, and necessary treatment, storage, and disposal infrastructure;
- ✓ Definition of opportunities for source reduction, as well as reuse and recycling:
- ✓ Definition of procedures and operational controls for on-site storage;
- ✓ Definition of options / procedures / operational controls for treatment and final disposal:
- ✓ Prevent the commingling of non-hazardous and hazardous waste to be managed;
- ✓ Collect waste and ensure safe storage. Avoid contact with rainwater. Protect from wind blow;
 ✓ Dispose only at authorized sites;
- ✓ Human waste. Use portable toilets on site for safe human wastewater management. Ensure regular empty intervals and disinfection. Dispose sewage at authorized facilities;
- ✓ Gray wastewater from hand washing stations shall be collected and disposed at authorized facilities;
- ✓ Keep sites clean and tide at all times.

Contractor should identify waste materials expected on this project (differentiate between demolition and construction phase), their disposal method, and handling procedures. An example is given on table below. Contractor shall report metrics of material quantity disposed and keep Chain of Custody papers.



Material	Quantity	Disposal Method/Subcontractor	Handling Procedure
Concrete	XXX	Crushing facility at SXM Pond Island landfill site, operated by xxx	Separate concrete from other materials. Store in 2m3 skip containers. Cover with tarpaulin for air/rain protection.

<u>Noise</u>

During construction and decommissioning activities, noise and vibration may be caused by the operation of pile drivers, earth moving and excavation equipment, concrete mixers, cranes and the transportation of equipment, materials and people. Some recommended noise reduction and control strategies applicable include:

 $\sqrt{\ }$ Planning activities in consultation with local communities so that activities with the greatest potential to generate noise are planned during periods of the day that will result in least disturbance; $\sqrt{\ }$ Using noise control devices, such as temporary noise barriers and deflectors for impact and blasting activities, and exhaust muffling devices for combustion engines; $\sqrt{\ }$ Avoiding or minimizing project transportation through community areas; $\sqrt{\ }$ Comingle loads for minimizing load/drop-off movements; $\sqrt{\ }$ Limiting the hours of operation for specific pieces of equipment or operations, especially mobile sources operating through community areas; $\sqrt{\ }$ Re-locating noise sources to less sensitive areas to take advantage of distance and shielding; $\sqrt{\ }$ Developing a mechanism to record and respond to complaints.



Annex 16: RAP Survey Template

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Cou	ld you please confir	m that you consen	it to your pe	rsonal data being collected for this pu	ırpose? Y	N	_	
	I. LOCATION							
	i. LOOAHON							
	ORMANT (Use the sar			Quest. 1)				
1.1	Person ID	2. Forename and	surname		3	3. Age	4. Nationality	
INTE	RVIEW SITE							
	IKVIEW SITE			Other leasting (analytic)				
1			2	Other location (specify):				
	II. DWELLING IN	NFORMATION						
1.	Where was your	primary home lo	ocated					
1	(where you spent r	nost of the time)?						
2a	In the PJL site In other location (sp	ecify)						
2b	District:	eony)						
2c	Community:							
2d	Country (If is not in S	Sint Maarten):						
2.	Apart from that have other homes?	home/residence, do?	o you					
1	No							
2a	Yes							
2b	¿How many? District:							
2c 2d	Community:							

3. Your primary home was:

1	Owned	
2	Rented	
3	Borrowed	
2,3a	Name of the owner	
2.3b	Cellphone number of the owner:	

How long have you lived in this location?1	Less than a month	
2	Less than a year	
3	Over a year	

If possible, please indicate the reason why you live in this location.

Household survey

HOUSEHOLD MEMBER INFORMATION

1.	2.	3		4.	5.		6.	7.		8.		9.	10).	11.	12.	13.	14.	
Person ID	Forename and surname	Sex		Relationship with the head of the household		s only for n under ar)	Marital status (only for over 12 years) Free union 1 Married 2 Widower/widow 3 Divorced 4 Separated 5 Single 6	ONLY FOI YEARS AI OLDER do you kn to read an	ND ow how	ONLY FOR YEAF AND OLDE In the year, have atten a stu cente	3 RS ER: e last you ded dy	ONLY FOR 3 YEARS AND OLDER: The last degree level approved Kindergarten 1 Elementary school 2 Incomplete middle 3 school Complete middle 4 school Incomplete 5 secondary school Complete 6		In the dwelling long	ID Type ID Card 1 Passport 2 Other 3	ID Number	Nationality (include only if not native)	Head of ho (HoH)?	
		Male	Female		Years	Months		Yes	No	Yes	No	secondary school Incomplete 7 technical education Complete technical 6 education Incomplete 7 university Complete university 9	Sint	In the				Yes	No
а		1	2					1	2	1	2							1	2
b		1	2					1	2	1	2							1	2
С		1	2					1	2	1	2							1	2
d		1	2					1	2	1	2							1	2
е		1	2					1	2	1	2							1	2
f		1	2					1	2	1	2							1	2
g	-	1	2					1	2	1	2							1	2
h		1	2					1	2	1	2							1	2
i		1	2					1	2	1	2							1	2
j		1	2					1	2	1	2							1	2

Register summary	15. MEN	16. WOMEN	17. TOTAL	

LANGUAGE: ONLY FOR PEOPLE OVER 3 YEARS OF AGE

Person order			18. Native language		19. Second language (accept more than one answer)						
Person order	Spanish	English	Dutch	Other	NA	Spanish	English	Dutch	Other	NA	
а	1	2	3	4	5	1	2	3	4	5	
b	1	2	3	4	5	1	2	3	4	5	
С	1	2	3	4	5	1	2	3	4	5	
d	1	2	3	4	5	1	2	3	4	5	
е	1	2	3	4	5	1	2	3	4	5	
f	1	2	3	4	5	1	2	3	4	5	
g	1	2	3	4	5	1	2	3	4	5	
h	1	2	3	4	5	1	2	3	4	5	
i	1	2	3	4	5	1	2	3	4	5	
i	1	2	3	4	5	1	2	3	4	5	

PARTICULAR CONDITIONS AND ACCESS TO HEALTH AND EDUCATION SERVICES.

Person		1.	2.		3	3.	4	l.	5.		(i.	7.	8.	9).	10.
order	Do you have any chronic noncommunicabl e disease - NCD?		If you have an NCD, which one do you have? Cardiovascular diseases and stroke Cancer 2 Chronic respiratory diseases Diabetes 4 Obesity 5 Chronic kidney disease 6		which Do you receive regular medical care for the NCD?		Do you have any disability? I.e., any physical or mental condition that limits your ability to carry out normal daily activities?		If you have a disability, wone do you have? Visual disability Hearing Impairment Mental disability Motor disability Multiple Disability. not diagnosed until now	1 2 3 4 5 6 9 9	receive regular medical care for the disability?		If you receive medical care, How long does it take to get from your home to the medical center? (in minutes)	If you receive medical attention, what means of transportation do you use to get there? Walking 1 Own car 2 Motorcycle 3 Bicycle 4 Taxicab 5 Bus 6	Do you have health insurance?		If you have health insurance, which plan do you have? NA(8) DK/NO (9)
	Yes	No	Mental health Seizures Other, specify	7 8	Yes	No	Yes	No	Other, specify		Yes	No			Yes	No	
а	1	2			1	2	1	2			1	2			1	2	
b	1	2			1	2	1	2	·		1	2			1	2	
С	1	2			1	2	1	2			1	2			1	2	
d	1	2			1	2	1	2			1	2			1	2	
е	1	2			1	2	1	2			1	2			1	2	
f	1	2			1	2	1	2			1	2			1	2	
g	1	2			1	2	1	2			1	2			1	2	
h	1	2			1	2	11	2			1	2			1	2	
i	1	2			1	2	1	2			1	2			1	2	
j	1	2			1	2	1	2			1	2			1	2	

10.1 Do you red 10.1.1	ceive any social or other type of support from Sint Maarten Government? Yes/No If yes, describe what type of support:
10.2 Do you red	ceive any social or other type of support from NGOs? Yes/No If yes, describe what type of support:

10.3 Do you want to be referred to Sint Maarten Government or NGOs for social or other type of support, if applicable? Yes/No

Person		11.	12.	13.	14.
order	Are you current studyin	ly	If you are currently studying, in which educational institution are you studying?	If you are currently studying, on average, how long does it take to get to school? (in minutes)	If you are studying, what means of transportation do you use to get there??
	Yes	No	NA (8) DK/NO (9)	NA (8) DK / NO (9)	Walking 1 Own car 2 Motorcycle 3 Bicycle 4 Taxicab 5 Bus 6
а	1	2			
b	1	2			
С	1	2			
d	1	2			
е	1	2			
f	1	2			
g	1	2			
h	1	2			
i	1	2			
j	1	2			

.1) Would you be interested in participating in a vocational training? Yes/No
.1a) If yes, what would you be interested in?
.1b) If yes, do you have any preferences in terms of the duration of the training program (weeks) or when during the day you would be available to participate? Duration:
When during the day:

MAIN OCCUPATION: The ordinal number must correspond to that of the household member registration table.

Person	1.		2.	3	3.	4		5.	6.	7.	8.	
order	Did you cany activious obtain moincome for your hou during the year?	ity to onetary or you or isehold	Which was the last economic activity that you have spent MOST of YOUR TIME during the last year? Recycling at the landfill	Was the in the pu private s				Working as Independent 1 worker Employee 2 Unpaid family 3 worker NA 4	Term of employment	If you worked as an employee, what is the name of the company where you worked?		
	Yes	No	Cattle raising 6 Crafts 7 Building 8 Commerce 9 Tourism 10 Transport 11 Education 12 Other services 13 Industry 14 Other 15 Retiree / pensioner 16 Does not work 17 DK 99	PUB	PRI	Yes	No	NA 4			Yes	No
а	1	2		1	2	1	2				1	2
b	1	2		1	2	1	2				1	2
С	1	2		1	2	1	2				1	2
d	1	2		1	2	1	2				1	2
е	1	2		1	2	1	2				1	2
f	1	2		1	2	1	2				1	2
g	1	2		1	2	1	2				1	2
h	1	2		1	2	1	2				1	2
i	1	2		1	2	1	2				1	2
j	1	2		1	2	1	2				1	2

IV. HOUSEHOLD INCOME AND EXPENSES

1.	Do you have a bank account?	(1) YES	(2) NO	(9) DK/NO
2.	Who has access to this bank account?	(1) HoH	(2) HoH and Spouse	(3) Other: Specify

Person ID	3. On av month NA (8) DK/NO (9)	erage, how much was your Ily principal income?						4.
	USD Amount	Activity	USD Amount	Activity	USD Amount	USD Amount	USD Amount	
а								
b								
С								
d								
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j						·		

INCOMES EARNED

Person ID		rerage, how much is monthly principal ne?		age, how much do you nthly in a secondary ?	7. How much do you receive per month for pension or retirement? NA (8) DK/NO (9)	8. How much did you receive from money transfers, help from relatives or others in the last year? NA (8) DK/NO (9)	9. Other incomes NA (8) DK/NO (9)	10. TOTAL
	USD Amount	Activity	USD Amount	Activity	USD Amount	USD Amount	USD Amount	
а								
b								
С								
d								
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f								
g								
h								
i								
j								

15. In the last year, have you had access to any type of loan or credit?

	1	No → GO TO QUEST. 19
	2	Yes
	9	DK/NO (DON'T READ)

16. Why did you apply for this/those loans? (CHECK ALL THAT APPLY)

1	Build or improve the house
2	Invest in economic activity in the dwelling
လ	Invest in economic activity outside the
	dwelling
4	Educational expenses
5	Health expenses
6	Food expenses
7	Other (specify)
9	DK/NO (DON'T READ)

17. The loans or credits you had last year, you received in (check all that apply)

_	jearen an (enternamental approj)		
		Cash	
		Species (products, inputs, materials, etc.)	
ζ	9	DK/NO (DON'T READ)	

18. Talking in general about the household financial situation, how is the family's financial situation compared months ago? You would say that now it is

1	Better		
2	Same		
3	Worse		
9	DK/NO (DON'T READ)		

19. And how do you think the household financial situation will be in 12 months? You would say that...

٠.,	
1	It will improve
2	It will be the same
3	It will be worse
9	DK/NO (DON'T READ)

V. SOCIAL ORGANIZATION AND NETWORKS

 Of the following voluntary and activity organizations, please tell me if you belonged to any of them. READ THE CHOICES, WAIT FOR AN ANSWER AND CHECK ALL THAT APPLY

1	Religious associations (for example, church or				
	congregation)				
2	Educational organization (parent meetings)				
3	Syndicates, guilds, federations				
4	Committee or recyclers' assoc	iation			
5	Popular dining room or mother	rs club			
6	Political organizations or movements				
7	Sports or recreation organizations				
8	Credit associations or revolvin	g funds			
9	Other (specify):				
16	No, of none (DO NOT				
	READ)	à GO TO SECTION VII			
99	NK/NO				

For you, what are the two most important associations or organizations? (WRITE TEXTUAL AND MARK THE CODE ACCORDING TO THE TABLE ABOVE)

1a		1b	
2a		2b	
9	DK/NO (DON'T READ)		

VI. MIGRATION

1. Have you been absent from home for more than a month for work reason during the last year?

	1	No
Γ	2	Yes à Where did you go? (specify)
		a) City:
		b) Country:

2. During the last year, has any member of your family been absent from home for more than a month for work reasons?

1	No
2	Yes à Where did he/she go? (specify)
	a) City:
	b) Country:

VII. BELIEFS, VALUES, CUSTOMS

 Do you belong, believe or identify yourself with any religion? (If the answer is "yes", which one? If the answer is "no", circle the "0")

0	No, I don't belong, I don't believe, I don't identify with any
1	Roman Catholic
2	Protestant, Evangelical, Pentecostal
3	Israelite of the New Universal Pact
4	Adventist
5	Jehovah's Witness, Mormons
6	Others (specify)
9	DK/NO (DON'T READ)

2. In the last TWO months, excluding weddings, baptisms and funerals, how often did you attend a religious ceremony in the church or temple?

1	More than once a week
2	Once a week
3	Two or three times a week
4	Once a month
5	Less than once a month
6	Has not attended in the last two months
9	NK/NO

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PM

1. What did you value about the place where you lived?

1	Landscape	
2	Job opportunity	
3	Community services / equipment	
4	Social environment / family ties	
5	Others (specify)	
9	NK/NO	

2. What infrastructure and services did your community have? (check all that apply)

apply)				
2.1	Hospitals or health center	(1) Yes	(2) No	(9) NK/NO
2.2	Community dining room	(1) Yes	(2) No	(9) NK/NO
2.3	Community Centre	(1) Yes	(2) No	(9) NK/NO
2.4	Children's and / or youth centers	(1) Yes	(2) No	(9) NK/NO
2.5	Parks	(1) Yes	(2) No	(9) NK/NO
2.6	Parkland	(1) Yes	(2) No	(9) NK/NO
2.7	Sports institutions	(1) Yes	(2) No	(9) NK/NO
2.8	Police stations	(1) Yes	(2) No	(9) NK/NO
2.9	Formal public transportation	(1) Yes	(2) No	(9) NK/NO
2.10	Informal public transportation	(1) Yes	(2) No	(9) NK/NO
2.11	School transportation for primary education	(1) Yes	(2) No	(9) NK/NO
2.12	School transportation for secondary education	(1) Yes	(2) No	(9) NK/NO
2.13	Food market	(1) Yes	(2) No	(9) NK/NO
2.14	Recreation centers	(1) Yes	(2) No	(9) NK/NO

3. What are the top priorities for you when considering moving to a new residence?

1	Safety	
2	Affordability	
3	Size of available house/land	
4	Proximity to employment opportunities	
5	Proximity to services such as markets, schools, health centers, etc.	
6	Other: Specify	

4. Influence on the project

initidence on the project				
1	Does not participate in social organizations			
2	Able to influence your family and other families			
3	Relations with local authorities			
4	Has the ability to call social organizations			
5	Relations with high-level authority and can mobilize social groups			
9	NK/NO			

IX. INTERVIEWEE CONTACT DETAILS

1.	Cell phone number:	(8) N/A	(9) NK/NO
2.	E-mail:	(8) N/A	(9) NK/NO

X. CONTROL DATA

SURVEY END TIME

JUE	STIONS FOR THE INTERVI	EWER:		
<u>1. </u>	Language in which the su	rvey was conduc	ted:	
1	Spanish			
3	English and Charlet			
J	English and Spanish			
<u>.</u> .	In addition to the informa the survey?	nt, were there ot	her adults p	resent at the time
1	No			
2	Yes → Who were those pe	eople?		
<u> </u>	Name of the interviewer:			Code:
Г	Sex of the interviewer: 1 Female		2	Male
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I.1 S	urveyor's Voluntary Obser	vations:		
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ADDITIONAL REMARKS FROM RESPONDENT (if applicable)	
ADDITIONAL COMMENTS FROM INTERVIEWER (if applicable)	

Addendum 1: CERC - ESMF

Pending