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Concept Note: Stockholm+50 National Consultations-Somalia

Background

Fifty (50) years after the United Nations **Conference** on the Environment held in Stockholm 1972, the UN General Assembly is set to convene an international meeting entitled *“Stockholm+50: a healthy planet for the prosperity of all – our responsibility, our opportunity”*, in Stockholm on 2 and 3 June 2022”, during the week of World Environment Day. The meeting will be convened by the Government of Sweden with the support of the Government of Kenya.

The meeting is designed to help accelerate the implementation of the Sustainable Development Goals during the Decade of Action including through a sustainable recovery from the COVID-19 pandemic.

On the heels of this global summit, UNDP country office is entrusted to lead the country-level consultations in Somalia. The objective is to stimulate an inclusive, bottom-up debate/discussion on Stockholm+50 themes relevant to Somalia context. UNDP will facilitate inclusive consultations at the national, state and local levels by leveraging existing in-country programming and partnerships including its support to the Nationally Determined Contributions of Somalia and broader work on Environment, Climate, Resilience, and other integrated SDG themes.

The consultations will run from March to May 2022 and will be held in Garowe, Hargeisa and Mogadishu. In addition, local/community level consultations will be organized in different locations. The results of the consultations in Somalia will be recorded and will feed into the global report to inform the Stockholm+50 discussions and its follow-up.

Objective of the Consultations

The objective is to stimulate an inclusive, bottom-up debate/discussion on Stockholm+50 themes relevant to Somalia context. The proposed S+50 consultations in Somalia is expected

to advance the different Stockholm+50 thematic priorities such as biodiversity, nature-based solutions, the SDG and Green economy, leveraging the NDCs as an entry point. The Nationally Determined Contributions (NDC) will remain a key focus of the Stockholm+50 Consultation process in Somalia.

The idea is to facilitate a consultation process which is based on people’s experiences and ideas for “A Healthy Planet for the Prosperity of All.

- The dialogue will aim to harvest recommendations from government (FGS and FMS level), civil society and private sector on priority actions that can advance national and sectoral policies that address climate change and leverage nature-based solutions. This can build on and inform the updated Nationally Determined Contributions (NDCs) of Somalia, National Biodiversity Strategies and Action Plans (NBSAPs), green economy/green recovery, and SDG frameworks.
- The consultations will also seek to amplify the voices of the poor, youth, women, marginalized groups, and local communities; and influence national debates that consider the views of all stakeholders.

Expected Outputs

- Consultations at federal, state and local levels organized.
- A National Consultation Report prepared and submitted.

Timeline of key events

In terms of the structure of the consultations, we are anticipating to hold and conclude state level (Tier 2) and local level (Tier 3) consultations in March. This will be followed by federal/national level (Tier 1) consultations which will build on the momentum and outcomes of Tier 2 & 3 consultations. These will be structured as follows:

| Proposed Themes | Relevant topics | Duration | Moderators (tbs) | | | Schedules for S+Consultations | |
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| | | | Federal | State | Local | March | April |
| Food security | Agriculture, food security, poverty reduction, livelihoods; Youth | Session-1/Day-1 | FAO | | | Tier 2 (state level) & 3 (local level) Consultations completed | Tier 1 consultations completed |
| Water and Disaster Management | Drought response, IWRM Covid/green recovery, and Climate-Security nexus, Youth, Gender | Session-2/Day-1 | UNDP | | | | |
| Nature-based Solutions | Coastal/marine environment; fisheries; Forestry, Green SDGs; green Jobs | Session-3/Day-2 | UNEP | | | | |

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| Urban Resilience | Human settlements; IDPs and Durable solutions; Solid waste Management, | Session-4/Day-2 | UN-Habitat | | | | |
| Energy and Infrastructure | Renewable energy; green jobs; Infrastructure including Roads, and Bridge; PPP | Session-5/Day-3 | Sida + WB | | | | |

Key Global themes:

The S+50 consultations are structured around the following global themes for the leadership dialogue:

- Leadership dialogue 1: Reflecting on the urgent need for actions to achieve a healthy planet and prosperity of all;
- Leadership dialogue 2: Achieving a sustainable and inclusive recovery from the coronavirusdisease (COVID-19) pandemic; and
- Leadership dialogue 3: Accelerating the implementation of the environmental dimension of sustainable development in the context of the decade of action and delivery for sustainable development.

National themes

The national dialogue will also feature engagements on the following priority national and sectoral themes which are based on the updated NDC of Somalia:

- Theme 1: Achieving Food security in a changing climate.
- Theme 2: Water and Disaster Management.
- Theme 3: Nature based Solutions
- Theme 4: Urban Resilience
- Theme 5: Energy and Infrastructure