

INTEGRATED PROJECT MANAGEMENT – Management of all aspects of the hydropower project implementation are integrated.

GOVERNANCE – Measures are being implemented for comprehensive governance of project implementation, including risk assessment and management and anti-corruption measures.

TRANSBOUNDARY ISSUES – A framework is being implemented to address any transboundary issues associated with the project.

SOCIAL MANAGEMENT PLAN – A social management plan should be developed and implemented to ensure targets and commitments to address social issues are clearly stated, publicly available, delivered, regularly reviewed and publicly reported.

CULTURAL HERITAGE – Level of impact and planning for protection and conservation of histories and indigenous heritage.

INDIGENOUS PEOPLES – Indigenous and ethnic communities affected either directly or indirectly by the project should be specifically identified, adequately represented in any consultation process, and not adversely affected by the project.

PUBLIC HEALTH – Public health risks and opportunities should be carefully assessed, with the objectives of avoiding and managing risks and improving public health conditions for impacted communities.

RESETTLEMENT – When developing hydropower projects, displacement should be dealt with in a fair and equitable manner, including investigating all alternatives to avoid/minimise displacement; thorough and transparent assessment and planning, and meaningful consultation and participation of affected communities. Displaced groups should have sufficient assistance to ensure that their livelihoods are improved or at a minimum re-established at no disadvantage, and that standards of living for both displaced and host communities are improved.

CONFLICT ANALYSIS - ?

AFFECTED COMMUNITIES – Communities who may be affected by a project are provided with the opportunity to be represented in a fair, open and inclusive process; participate in the development of mitigation and management measures. Affected communities are compensated for impacts, are the first to benefit from the project; and participate in the identification, planning and distribution of benefits.

CONSULTATION AND SUPPORT – Adequate, regular and ongoing consultation should be undertaken with potentially, directly and indirectly affected stakeholders. Stakeholders should have the opportunity for informed input into the decision making process. A negotiated and agreed outcome is achieved wherever possible.

SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT - ?

COMMUNITY ACCEPTANCE – Negotiated and agreed outcomes with affected communities are achieved wherever possible.

LABOUR AND WORKING CONDITIONS - ?

SUPPLIERS AND SERVICE PROVIDERS – Procurement should be based on consideration of sustainability criteria for selection of suppliers and service providers, and can be undertaken with full transparency.

GRIEVANCES, COMPLAINTS, DISPUTE RESOLUTION MECHANISMS - ?

COMMUNICATIONS – Communications in the identification, preparation, implementation and operation stages of hydropower projects meet objective standards of transparency, integrity and accountability.

BENEFIT SHARING – Project affected people will access and share in revenues generated by the project. Project affected peoples will have a role in decision making on the sharing of benefits from a project throughout the life of the project.

ADDITIONAL BENEFITS – The full potential for additional benefits of the project development are being pursued.

ASSOCIATED INFRASTRUCTURE IMPACTS – Impacts of infrastructure associated with project development are well manage and monitored.

ASSET AND COMMUNITY SAFETY – The first priority for dam designers, builders, owners and operators is dam safety and the protection of life, property and the environment from consequences of dam failure. Communities should not be exposed to unacceptable safety risks.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT – Environmental impacts associated with project development and operation are well managed and monitored.

ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT PLAN/SYSTEM – An environmental management plan is being implemented within an independently certified environmental management system.

CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT PLAN – A construction management plan is being implemented and is integrated into the broader management planning framework.

CATCHMENT MANAGEMENT – A catchment management plan is being implemented.

RESERVOIR MANAGEMENT – A reservoir management plan is being implemented.

ENVIRONMENTAL FLOWS – Provisions in place to ensure delivery and monitoring of agreed environmental flows.

BIODIVERSITY, HABITATS AND PROTECTED AREAS – Potential biodiversity, habitats and protected areas issues are well managed and monitored.

PEST AND INVASIVE SPECIES – Potential pest and invasive species issues are well managed and monitored.

SEDIMENTATION AND EROSION – Potential sedimentation and erosion issues are well managed and monitored.

WATER QUALITY – Potential water quality issues are well managed and monitored.