



FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF Somalia
MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT & CLIMATE CHANGE
Office of the Director General

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To: African Development Bank

Subject: Acknowledgment and Approval of ESIA Report for Revitalizing Irrigation Infrastructure and Climate-Smart Agriculture in Somalia: Beero oo Barwaaqee Somalia (BBS) Project.

Dear Representatives of AfDB,

The Ministry of Environment and Climate Change acknowledges receipt of the Environmental and Social Impact Assessment (ESIA) report for the Revitalizing Irrigation Infrastructure and Climate-Smart Agriculture in Somalia: Bero Oo Barwaaqee Somalia (BBS) Project.

The Ministry has conducted a thorough review of the proposed interventions, which span across Somaliland, Puntland, North East, Galmudug, Hirshabelle, Southwest, and Jubaland States. We confirm that the project has been classified as Category B, indicating a low risk level in accordance with our national ESIA regulations. Based on this assessment and the proposed mitigation strategies, we are pleased to grant approval for the project to proceed.

The BBS project is a Strategic initiative in our national efforts to modernize irrigation infrastructure and promote climate-smart agricultural practices. The Ministry remains committed to supporting sustainable development while ensuring that all environmental safeguards are strictly upheld during the implementation phase across the designated member states.

Should you require any further clarification, please do not hesitate to contact us. We value our continued partnership and look forward to the successful implementation of this initiative to benefit the Somali people.

Sincerely,

Abdirisak Ahmed Ali
Director General,
Ministry of Environment and Climate Change

