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#### **ENVIRONMENTAL SCREENING REPORT**

Of the Sub-project:

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#### **ACRONYMS**

BOQ Bill of Quantities

D&SC Design and Supervision Consultant

DoE Department of Environment
DRP Displaced Rohingya people
EA Environmental Assessment

EC Electrical Conductivity

EMCRP Emergency Multi-Sector Rohingya Crisis Response Project

ESMP Environmental Management Plan

ERP Emergency Response Plan

ESMF Environmental and Social Management Framework

ESMP Environmental and Social Management Plan

FDMN Forcibly Displaced Myanmar National

FGD Focus Group Discussion
FSM Faecal Sludge Management
GBV Gender Based violence

GRM Grievance Redress Mechanism

HBB Herring Bone Bond

IEFs Important Environmental Features
ISCG Inter Sector Coordination Group

IUCN International Union for Conservation of Nature

IWM Institute of Water Modeling

LGED Local Government Engineering Department
MPSC Multi-purpose Community and Service Center
NDRCC National Disaster Response Coordination Center

PIU Project Implementation Unit **PMU** Project Management Unit PPE Personal Protective Equipment **PSC Project Steering Committee** SPM Suspended Particulate Matter **SWM** Solid Waste Management TDS **Total Dissolved Solids TSS Total Suspended Solids** 

UNHCR The United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees

VAT Value-Added Tax WB World Bank

#### **Executive Summary**

The Emergency Multi-Sector Rohingya Crisis Response Project (EMCRP) has been designed in order to reduce the vulnerability of both Forcibly Displaced Myanmar National (FDMN) and people from the host communities in Cox's Bazar District, to different hazards and improve the basic service delivery system through resilient infrastructure development and prohibiting Gender-Based violence to both the communities. The project is jointly being implemented by Local Government Engineering Department (LGED), Department of Public Health Engineering (DPHE) and Ministry of Disaster Management and Relief (MoDMR) under their respective mandate and scope of works and financed by the World Bank.

LGED itself along with the World Bank is keen to strengthen LGED's capacity in both national and local level to harness the best output from every single intervention it takes across the country. Therefore, improvement of existing LGED building with spacious facilities for training & meetings, administrative works, accommodation and work-out spaces, has been planned at the north-west of the current LGED office of Cox's Bazar.

In assessing the impacts during the improvement/implementation of this facility, it was found that the proposed sub-project is not located within any environmentally sensitive area and will not cause any significant negative effects to the environmental settings of the area, neither to any important environmental features. Within 1 km of the proposed site, there are nothing but buildings of government and non-government organizations including several lodges and motels and few social institutions: to the north Motsho Bhaban (50m), Water Development Board Mosque (200m), Wabda Mosque (200m); to the south UNHCR Office (50m); to the east side several Households (50m), Roundabout Mosque (500m); and to the west Hotel Shoibal (30m).

During the construction period, some renovation work will be involved, so air, noise and dust pollution will be occurred within a small-scale. Few disturbances to some of the nearby establishments/features is anticipated due to construction activities for the case of not being in a sufficient distance from the construction site. Safety measures, such as, strict construction site management system- including restrictive work schedule during the daytime only, water-sprinkling twice a day in and around the open sites where the gate will be installed or the lift will be placed inside the building, temporary fencing with warning sign around the working spaces, safe storage of materials et cetera are to be maintained. Occupational health and safety measures, such as using low VOC contained paints, using earplug while working in high-sound environment, using hand-gloves and safety boot while working with electric systems and heavy-weight machineries/appliances, using forklift (if available) while carrying heavy machineries or goods, etc. shall be entertained. All safety measures in relation to the working heights will be maintained as described in the ESMP. In order to avoid strong noisy environment for the office users, consultation with the office staff for suitable time-slot shall be ensured.

Considering the environmental settings of the sub-project area, it can be assumed that possible impacts would be largely renovation work-related and could be addressed through adoption of good engineering practices; good housekeeping; better *in-situ* construction materials management; and observance of health and safety protocols during the implementation period. Contractor's staffs and workers will be given training on good practice construction works, health safety, fire/hazard safety and efficient site management, and relevant awareness building sessions will also be conducted, and records of all those training and awareness building sessions will be kept on-site as part of effective

management and monitoring of safeguard works. Any accidental leakage of chemicals or wastes to soil may require some remediation methods which may not be readily available in Bangladesh and costly to adopt; therefore, strong vigilance to working procedure and emphasis on best engineering practices (e.g., stockpiling of chemicals on impervious bunded areas, etc.) shall be adopted by the contractor. Hence, contractor shall engage an Environment & Social/Safeguard Personnel on its own part, for the entire duration of the contract.

To offset the loss or attenuating the environmental degradation, a set of mitigation measures will be adopted, on top of general practice of standard construction procedure or following the relevant codes of practices.

#### 1. INTRODUCTION

#### 1.1 Project background

An estimated 730,000¹ people of Rohingya community has fled to neighboring Cox's Bazar district of Bangladesh since August 25, 2017 to escape extreme violence in Rakhine State of Myanmar, which caused the total number of Forcibly Displaced Myanmar National (FDMN) in the district to be about 923,033². This huge number of displaced population account for about one-third of the total population of Cox's bazar, a district which was already facing many development challenges and suffering from resource-constrained basic service delivery system even before the crisis evolved and the mass exodus of FDMN has worsened the situation further. The Emergency Multi-Sector Rohingya Crisis Response Project (EMCRP) has been designed in order to reduce the vulnerability of both Forcibly Displaced Myanmar National (FDMN) and people from the host communities in Cox's Bazar District, to different hazards and improve the basic service delivery system through resilient infrastructure development and Prohibiting Gender-Based violence to both the communities. This project will follow a sustainable development pathway that is resilient to disaster and climate change.

The project is jointly being implemented by Local Government Engineering Department (LGED), Department of Public Health Engineering (DPHE) and Ministry of Disaster Management and Relief (MoDMR) under their respective mandate and scope of works. Apart from the interventions in Addressing Gender and Social Inclusiveness and Preventing Gender Based Violence with the Support from UNFPA and building Communication and Awareness among all affected parties through an effective engagement of BCCP (Bangladesh Center for Communication Programs) in the areas, LGED is implementing a good number of infrastructural facilities, including construction drainage facilities, rubber dams for irrigation, jetty rehabilitation, climate-resilient primary schools/disaster shelters, and climate-resilient community service centers/disaster shelters, climate-resilient access and evacuation roads and footpaths, awareness program for sanitation as well as installing lightning protection systems, solar street lights, nano-grids, and building firefighting/search and rescue warehouses. Given the project interventions, sensitivity of the areas and volume of people in or around the sites, the project is more likely to trigger certain Operational Policies and Bank Procedures, namely Environmental Assessment (OP/BP 4.01), Natural Habitat (OP/BP 4.04), Forest (OP/BP 4.36) and Physical Cultural Resources (OP/BP 4.11).

#### 1.2 Background of the Sub-project

EMCRP will support the Government of Bangladesh in addressing the immediate and urgent needs of the displaced people from Myanmar in Cox's Bazar, within the scope of improving access to basic services and building social service-oriented facilities of the displaced and local population.

Under the additional financing of EMCRP/AF/W09, a LGED building will be improved under the Municipality area of Cox's Bazar Sadar Upazila in Cox's Bazar district. The catchment area of the subproject comprises the surrounding area in the municipality. Relevant significant features of the renovations work for the sub-project have been illustrated in Table 1.2.

Table 1.2: Significant features of the area and the Sub-project

Name of the sub project	LGED Building
District	Cox's Bazar
Upazila	Cox's Bazar Sadar
Union/locality	Cox's Bazar Municipality

Owner of land	Government
Land Available (sq.ft.)	12,987
Interventions	Repairing works include Building works (RCC slab repairing, fitting homogenous floor tiles, window/door fitting and supplying frames, paint job with high quality enamel paints and thinners with plastering works etc.) &
	Sanitary/water supply (uPVC pressure pipes for water supply, sanitary-ware products etc.), Gas and Electric connection repairing works (Supply and installation of Gang switch, Universal switch socket outlets, Light holders, Fans, concealed wiring works/conduit wiring works etc.) &
	Installation works include lift/escalator and Entry gate.
Catchment area	Cox's Bazar Municipality
Tribal people	No tribal people found in the catchment area of the Sub- project
Connecting road	Motel Road, Cox's Bazar
Land acquisition	Not required
Current land condition	The land is situated on the north-west of the current LGED
	office of Cox's Bazar and it is currently used as scrap yard.
	The location is enclosed with brick wall fencing with a small
(2000) 15: 11	access gate to the east.

[D&SC and Field survey, November 2023]

The objective of this Environmental Screening Report is to screen out the major environmental features of the proposed sub-project site and surrounding areas and assess the potential impacts in respect to the planned interventions on the site and suggest with site and activities specific management plan including appropriate mitigation options.

#### 1.3 Location of Sub-Project

The Sub-project is located in Municipality area of Cox's Bazar District. The site location is relatively a plain land and accessible through vehicles as 25ft wide BC road is present near the site which relates to all major roads in the municipality area. The location details of the Sub-project have been summarized in Table 1.3. The District Map with project location, Location map of LGED building shown in Figure 1.3, Figure 1.3.2 respectively.

Table 1.3: Location Details of the Sub-project

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Division	Chattogram						
District	Cox's Bazar						
Upazila	Cox's Bazar Sadar						
Union	Cox's Bazar Municipality						
GPS position	21.43653°N and 91.97167°E						
Distance from Upazila HQ	5.53 Km						
Nearby major road	Motel Road, Cox's Bazar						
Nearby river/canal	No mentionable feature						

[Sources of data: D&SC Field survey, November 2023]

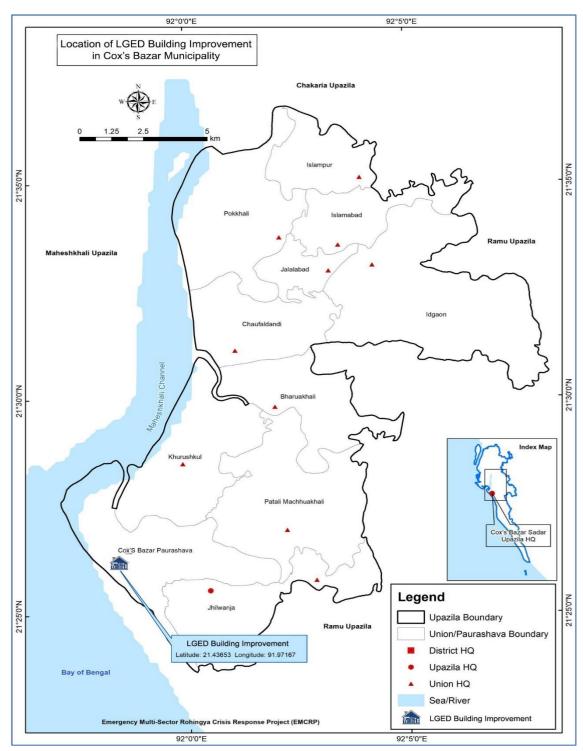


Figure 1.3.1: Location map of LGED Building in Cox's Bazar Municipality

#### 1.4 Boundary of the Sub-Project Site

The important features or establishments around the Sub-project site, mostly within half a km radial distance from the site which might face direct/indirect impacts from the construction works, have been summarized in Table 1.4.1. Photographs showing present condition of the Sub-project area and location of construction area are shown in Figure 1.4.1.

Table 1.4.1: Important features/establishments around the Sub-project site

Direction	Important features/ establishment (approx. distance from the proposed site)
North side	Motsho Bhaban (50m), Water Development Board Mosque (200m), Wabda
	Mosque (200m)
South side	UNHCR Office (50m)
East side	Households (50m), Roundabout Mosque (500m)
West side	Hotel Shoibal (30m)

[Sources of data: D&SC Field survey, November 2023]









Figure 1.4.1: Present condition of the Sub-project area

#### 2. PUBLIC CONSULTATION AND PARTICIPATION

#### 2.1 Methodology

Public participation and community consultation has been taken up as an integral part of environmental assessment process of the project. Field visit has been carried out on 19 November 2023 in and around the Sub-project site. As part of the impact assessment, participatory public consultation was conducted in that area by the field level staffs, and consultants from PIU and D&SC. The consultation meeting was attended by 12 persons, and they were all LGED officials. Therefore, the meeting was organized in an

informed, expressive and unbiased manner, wherefrom different views and concerns came across which will be properly taken care of during the design and construction phases. Their concerns and comments were very critical for this intervention, and for the safeguard screening as well, since all the items are selected for implementation within the LGED premises. The planning and adjustment which may be needed during, prior and post construction phases are to be moderated by the LGED only. This location has no major complications and is in relevance with the current authority.

Refer to Figure 2.1 and Appendix-5 for selected photographs of the participatory public consultation held at site of the LGED Building of Cox's Bazar Municipality and list of attendees in that public consultation meeting, respectively. In addition, several walk-through informal group consultations were also held in the vicinity. A questionnaire was kept ready, and responses were elicited. During these consultations, the communities were explained about the project, its benefits, and associated social and environmental aspects and possible mitigation measures.



Figure 2.1: Public Consultation in the Proposed Sub-project Site

As such, public consultation is a living process as the types of problems/ difficulties, involved parties or stakeholders and mode of settlement or resolution processes are more likely to differ with time. Thus, consultation with different parties or stakeholders will be continued throughout the sub- project implementation period and records of resolutions, whatsoever and wherever possible, will be kept in writing at the site and made available on any enquiries or requests by all parties concerned.

#### 2.2 Issues Raised by the Participants

The issues raised by the participants were as follows:

- They are very much in need of a better facility, so that they can ensure proper administrative works and facilitate officials and field level staff.
- Lack of renovation works has left the building in poor condition, which has been realized critically after taking a good many projects in Chattogram region and in the district.
- Possible dust and noise pollution during the construction works.
- Safety of staff at the sites during construction works.

#### 2.3 Suggestions and recommendations of the participants

The participants presented the following suggestions and recommendations:

• The participants in the meeting have considered that this sub-project targeting to improve the LGED building will take part in the development of its capacity from both the technical and social

point of view.

- The participants have also expressed their greater interest for this renovation works for using this facility with its highest compatibility.
- There are service toilets in the ground floor of the building, which could be used by the labors during their working period.
- Public safety should be ensured by properly placing indoor fencing at the work places, and workers' safety by providing necessary safety gears/first aid boxes, as required. Low VOC (Volatile Organic Compounds) paints should be used as much as possible.
- They also requested to keep provision for facilities in respect to sanitation and hygiene for the construction manpower.
- They have also ascertained that the selected site is free from any events related to resettlement and any significant environmental impacts.
- The adverse environmental impacts that may come in the way of air quality, noise, solid waste, occupational health & safety during the construction period, and will persist for a short duration, yet proper management/conservative options should be adopted.

#### 3. ENVIRONMENTAL SCREENING

#### 3.1 General

This section identifies the potential impacts that the various elements of the proposed Project may have on the physical, biological and socio-economic environment Environmental Assessment (EA) based on this screening study for the Sub-project, that has been conducted to identify and determine which potential Project impacts may be significant and therefore require the application of reasonable and effective management and/or mitigation measures.

To realize the exact physical, biological and socio-economic environment of the proposed sub-project site and the influence area regarding the implementation measures, an extensive field visit was carried out on 19 November 2023 in the Sub-project area. Environmental Screening form, as adopted in Appendix 2 of the Environmental and Social Management Framework of EMCRP, was administered for identifying the impacts and their extents.

The screening data and information for this Sub-project and details screening summary have been formulated and shown in Appendix-1.

#### 3.2 Major Findings

The proposed sub-project is not located within any environmentally sensitive area and will not cause any significant negative effects to the environmental settings of the area, neither to important environmental features. The building will be improved within a selected site allocated where no agricultural land/activities or fish farming will be available or disturbed due to the construction of the sub project since it is confined within the existing LGED building boundary. However, air, noise and dust pollution will be occurred within a small-scale during construction period. Within 1 km area of the construction site some government and non-government offices, social institutions and touristic establishments are present: to the north Motsho Bhaban (50m), Water Development Board Mosque (200m), Wabda Mosque (200m); to the south UNHCR Office (50m); to the east side several Households (50m), Roundabout Mosque (500m); to the west Hotel Shoibal (30m) are located. Few disturbances to some of these establishments/features is anticipated due to construction activities for the case of not being in a sufficient distance from the construction site. Construction related activities along with associated facilities and their management issues will be accounted for impacts more likely to be generated during the pre, post and construction

period. Noise pollution from drilling, air pollution caused by dust may take place, which may affect the workers first, and also the employees of LGED. Working with heavy machineries and lifts could pose occupational hazards for the workers. Further, VOC (Volatile Organic Compounds) contained in paints may cause nausea and other health effects for the workers. Soil can further be eroded and polluted from chemical spills or improper disposal of waste materials. Construction works may cause high abstraction of ground water and accidental disposal/leakage of pollutants to the surrounding area or affect groundwater may result in low impact. There is no evidence of presence of elephants in the subproject area.

In order to offset the loss or attenuating the environmental degradation, a set of mitigation measures will be adopted, on top of general practice of standard construction procedure or following the relevant codes of practices.

#### 4. ENVIRONMENTAL AND SOCIAL PROTECTION/SAFEGUARDS

#### 4.1 Mitigation and Management Measures

Considering the environmental settings of the sub-project area, it can be assumed that possible impacts would be largely from small scale construction-related, and renovation works and could be addressed through adoption of good engineering practices; good housekeeping; better *in-situ* construction materials management; and observance of health and safety protocols during the implementation period.

The proposed renovation works will be performed on the existing vicinity of the LGED building where some matured vegetation is found. Due to the construction activities of this Sub-project, air pollution might be faced for small period. Since the existing office boundary of LGED is quite spacious and buildings within the premises are well-fenced with brick-masonry wall, and access is restricted by professional security personnel, very few disturbances are anticipated from this renovation works. The site is located in an office area, where mostly government and some international organizations' offices are present, and most of these offices have their own spacious campuses. Therefore, goodhousekeeping, better in-situ management and safety practices are the key to avoid or minimize any type of potential impacts.

Safety measures, such as, strict construction site management system- including restrictive work schedule during the daytime only, water-sprinkling twice a day in and around the open sites where the gate will be installed or the lift will be placed inside the building, temporary fencing with warning sign around the working spaces, safe storage of materials et cetera are to be maintained. Occupational health and safety measures, such as using low VOC contained paints, using earplug while working in high-sound environment, using hand-gloves and safety boot while working with electric systems and heavy-weight machineries/appliances, using forklift (if available) while carrying heavy machineries or goods, etc. shall be entertained.

Contractor must adhere to the best practice debris management procedure to minimize the effect to the least level. Waste and debris from the renovation and construction works should be stored in designated areas or dustbins, and be transported outside by the waste collection and management services provided by the municipality for eventual management. Further the sub project must be kept under close consideration and appropriate mitigation and management measures will be taken with due care and vigilance. In order to minimize the risks of fire hazards or small fire incidents during the construction period, appropriate type of fire extinguishers shall be kept at site (building's fire system can be used as well).

Contractor's staffs and workers will be given training on good practice construction works, health safety, fire/hazard safety and efficient camp management, and relevant awareness building sessions will also be conducted, and records of all those training and awareness building sessions will be kept on-site as part of effective management and monitoring of safeguard works. Any accidental leakage of chemicals or wastes may require some remediation methods which cannot be found readily available in Bangladesh and also costly to adopt; therefore, strong vigilance to working procedure and emphasis on best engineering practices (e.g., stockpiling of chemicals on impervious bunded areas, etc.) shall be adopted by the contractor. Hence, contractor shall engage an Environment & Social/Safeguard Personnel on its own part, for the entire duration of the contract. With all the required efforts, once the overall effects for this proposed construction works are minimized to its least level and controlled efficiently, it will turn into a welcoming and beneficial project for the Institution.

The subproject specific environmental management plan has been outlined in **Appendix-2**. The mitigation measures as well as monitoring program of ESMP have also been incorporated in the management plan.

#### 4.2 Cost of Environmental Enhancement Works in BOQ

In consideration to the above-mentioned environmental impacts and their mitigation measures for this sub-project component, a set of items are included in the BOQ of this sub-project. Due expenditure for employing an Environment & Social/ Safeguard Personnel for ensuring proper implementation of Environmental and Social Management Works under the Package EMCRP/AF/W09 has also been added into the BOQ. The total costing and estimation have included enhancement works, such as, Dust Suppression mechanisms, etc. On the other hand, in order to ensure health safety and sanitation of workers PPE, First Aid Box, drinking water facility with water tests, separate male-female latrines as well as waste disposal systems has been accounted for. Ensuring sustainable labor performance in regard to environmental and social considerations motivational training has been taken into account. An overview of the estimation is given in **Appendix-3**.

#### 5 MONITORING MECHANISM FOR ESMP IMPLEMENTATION

Monitoring, as such, is required to ensure that the mitigation and enhancement measures are being properly implemented and at the same time, to determine whether the benefits of these measures are being realized over time. A comprehensive monitoring framework is suggested in Project ESMF and the responsibilities lie on all the responsible parties or institutions directly involved with or oversee the construction works.

There will be several tiers in monitoring framework to ensure the proper implementation of ESMP. Contractors, throughout the construction or implementation period, must ensure that environmental and social risks and impacts are minimized effectively while working at sites and adequate health and safety measures are put in place not only for their workers but also for the surrounding host communities. Contractors' employed site managers and safeguard supervisors or persons with similar responsibilities) shall take all reasonable steps to protect the environment on and off the Site and to avoid damage or nuisance to persons or to the properties belong to public and private individuals/entities or to different features and establishments, from pollution, noise or other detrimental causes arising as a consequence of different methods of operation and activities. The said employees shall instruct as well as supervise the day-to-day progress of ESMP implementation activities on contractors' behalf. Apart from the ESMP implementation, some specific management plans, e.g. drainage management, traffic management, emergency preparedness and response, etc.,

whichever required, need to be prepared by the Contractor and strong supervision for the implementation of those plans is also a part of the said employees' responsibilities.

Design and supervision consultants shall stand at the first tier of the monitoring mechanism. When the contractors are mobilized in the field, safeguards consultants from D&SC firm and the Resident Engineer will ensure that contractors are adherent with every suggestive measure delineated in the ESMP, on top of the best engineering practices at sites including Occupational Health and Safety (OHS). D&SC firm will prepare regular monitoring reports based on the findings of stringent supervision and monitoring on its part.

PIU will have safeguards specialists stationed in Cox's Bazar and will conduct field visits very frequently. Moreover, Executive Engineer's office in Cox's Bazar and Upazila Engineers' office in Cox's Bazar Sadar will play a vital role in upholding the proper monitoring and supervision of civil works and associated project activities, including social and environmental safeguards in and around the subproject sites. Safeguard's specialists of PIU will monitor that all staffs of the contractors and other counterparts who are involved in project implementation receive both initial and ongoing environmental and social safeguard awareness and training sufficient to ensure the best practices in the field. Local Engineers from LGED and PIU safeguards specialists shall ascertain those contractors' cleaning and reclamation works after the decommissioning of sites/ end of construction works are perfectly done and will also suggest for punitive measures against the contractors if any negligence or indifference is found in following the ESMP to the fullest in effectiveness.

The highest tier in the monitoring system is bestowed upon the respective Ministerial Project Steering Committee (PSC) chaired by the Sr. Secretary/Secretary, LGD, MoLGRD&C. The PIU, in collaboration with the PSC, will also ensure that Environmental and social safeguards training are provided to all Project personnel.

#### 6 CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

The overall conclusion is that if the mitigation, compensation and enhancement measures are implemented in full, there will be no significant negative environmental impacts in regard to the selection of location, interventions, renovation/construction, and/or operation procedure of the proposed Sub-project. There will in fact be tremendous benefits from recommended mitigation and enhancement measures and major improvements in quality of office environment, opportunities for the officials/staff in getting trained up, and enhancement in ensuring quality works and project management, will be achieved once the scheme is in operation.

The conclusions of the Screening study can be summarized as follows:

- The LGED officials (local and regional) will receive large benefits through improving the office building and improved infrastructural facilities.
- The short-term negative impacts that may come by the way of air quality, noise, solid waste, occupational health & safety need to be minimized through the management plan.
- The project will create employment for those who live in the vicinity of the construction site and will provide them a short-term economic gain.
- A comprehensive Environmental and Social Management Plan (ESMP) has been prepared to mitigate and reduce the adverse impacts that will come out from the Subproject activities.

Implementation of this Sub-project will have large positive impacts to both the LGED and project

Officials, and surrounding communities in terms of opportunities to learn and career development, and enhancement of personal, professional and economic gain from the sub-project as per scoping differentiation. This sub-project will contribute greatly in enhancing LGED's capacity to managing projects in both efficient and economically viable way, in regional context as well as in national paradigm. So, strong recommendation should be put in place to implement the sub-project within shortest possible period, and with great care and efficiency.

#### Appendix-1: Filled in Environmental Screening Form

#### **Environmental Screening Form**

<u>Sub-Project Description Form: (LGED Building Improvement)</u>

Name of Sub-Project: LGED Building Improvement at Cox's Bazar. (EMCRP/AF/W09)

Implementing Agency/Agencies: Local Government Engineering Department (LGED)

Estimated total cost of sub-project (in Taka): 1,48,17,598.00 BDT

Estimated construction period duration: 2 Years

Estimated Operation and Maintenance period (life of sub-project): 15 years

**District**: Cox's Bazar Sadar **Union**: Cox's Bazar Municipality

Name of Community/Local Area: Bazarghata, Municipality, Cox's Bazar

Description of proposed sub-project activities (incl. type of activities, footprint area, natural resources required, etc.): Existing LGED building will be improved by Repairing works include Building works (RCC slab repairing, fitting homogenous floor tiles, window/door fitting and supplying frames, paint job with high quality enamel paints and thinners with plastering works etc.) & Sanitary/water supply (uPVC pressure pipes for water supply, sanitaryware products etc.), Gas and Electric connection repairing works (Supply and installation of Gang switch, Universal switch socket outlets, Light holders, Fans, concealed wiring works/conduit wiring works etc.) & Installation works include lift/escalator and Stainless Steel Entry gate.

Estimated footprint / land area for this sub-project is 12,987 sq. feet

### Brief description of sub-project site: (e.g. present land use, Important Environmental Features (IEFs) near site, etc.:

Proposed LGED building will be improved within an identified location in the Sadar (town) area. To the north Motsho Bhaban (50m), Water Development Board Mosque (200m), Wabda Mosque (200m); to the south UNHCR Office (50m); To the east side Households (50m), Roundabout Mosque (500m); to the west Hotel Shoibal (30m) are located. Surrounding areas in the municipality of Cox's Bazar is mostly inhabited by host communities and local establishments.

#### **Overall Comments**

People of the subproject area are very much optimistic about the success of the project and are also eager to participate in the project activities. The subproject is environmentally sustainable and socially acceptable. LGED Cox's Bazar officers, who attended in the participatory public consultation meeting, do not have any objection to the construction of this infrastructure in the proposed site; the community also appreciated the initiative of LGED as it will create some employment generation, esp. during the construction period. The public consultation meeting has confirmed that the presence of this LGED building will improve in the office premises and also the options for better equipped service delivery system from the government.

The proposed Sub-project area for the construction of LGED building is not located within any identified environmentally sensitive area, and therefore, does not seem to cause any adverse impact on the important environmental features. No significant impact is expected on the ecosystem and biodiversity, no agricultural land/ activities or fish farming will be disturbed, due to the construction of the sub project. As the building construction work is restricted within the predefined boundary, no outside activity will be involved.

#### Types of waste to be generated during construction and operation phase:

During the construction period solid waste will be generated due to construction of this building on the selected location. The types of wastes are gravel, stones, rock, wood, copper wires, iron, plastic etc. Negligible amount of plastic and human wastes might be generated in labor camps.

## Sensitive environmental, cultural, archaeological, religious sites near (within 1km) of site including elephant migration routes and remaining forests:

Within the influence area of the subproject no historical sites were identified. To the north Motsho Bhaban (50m), Water Development Board Mosque (200m), Wabda Mosque (200m); to the south UNHCR Office (50m); to the east side Households (50m), Roundabout Mosque (500m); to the west Hotel Shoibal (30m) are present in the surrounding area of this target location. Some degree of disturbance is anticipated due to the construction activities to those components since they are located in very close proximity. In this sub-project area, no elephant migration routes exist (ref. IUCN).

### Completed environmental and social screening forms are given below Section A: Sub-Project Overview

#### Description of sub-project/component interventions:

Proposed LGED Building will be improved by repairing works include Building works (RCC slab repairing, fitting homogenous floor tiles, window/door fitting and supplying frames, paint job with high quality enamel paints and thinners with plastering works etc.) & Sanitary/water supply (uPVC pressure pipes for water supply, sanitaryware products etc.), Gas and Electric connection repairing works (Supply and installation of Gang switch, Universal switch socket outlets, Light holders, Fans, concealed wiring works/conduit wiring works etc.) & Installation works include lift/escalator and Stainless Steel Entry gate.

#### **Sub-project Location:**

The sub-project area is situated in Cox's Bazar municipality under Cox's Bazar district. The sub-project area is located at 21.43653°N and 91.97167°E. The distance from the Upazila headquarter is about 5.53 Km. Nearby major road is Motel Road, Cox's Bazar.

#### Land ownership

Land is owned by the Government.

**Expected construction period:** 2 Years

Description of project intervention area and project influence area with schematic diagram (where relevant, indicate distance to sensitive environmental areas such as elephant corridors, water bodies, etc. and historical or socio-cultural assets): Please also explain any analysis on alternative location was conducted:

Project intervention area is found to be a scrap yard, but influence area should consider nearly half a kilometer radius around the proposed site.

To the north Motsho Bhaban (50m), Water Development Board Mosque (200m), Wabda Mosque (200m); to the south UNHCR Office (50m); To the east side Households (50m), Roundabout Mosque (500m); to the west Hotel Shoibal (30m) are located. However, there is no chance of causing significant disturbances during this construction activity. No tree is expected to be affected by this construction activity. No mentionable eco concerned establishment, neither any sociocultural site is located nearby.

Within the influence area of the subproject no historical sites were identified. Currently, there is no evidence of presence of elephants in the subproject influence area (checked with IUCN representative).

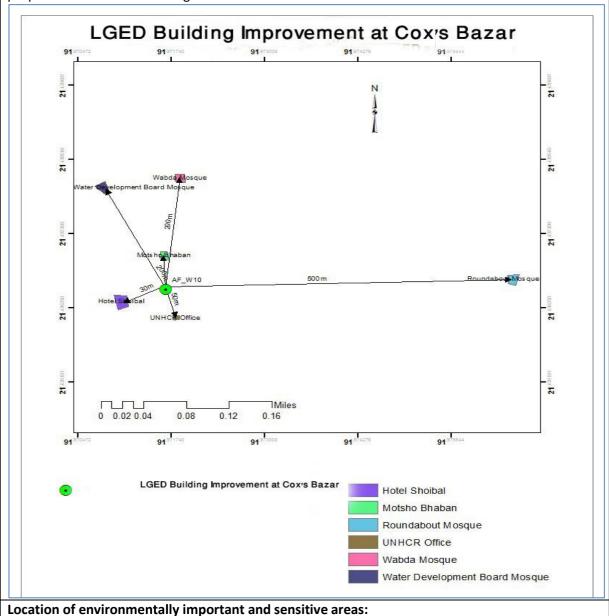
#### **Section B: Environmental Screening**

#### **B.1**: Environmental feature of sub-project location

Description of cultural properties (if applicable, including distance from site):
Sensitive environmental, cultural, archaeological, religious sites near (within the catchment area) of site including elephant migration routes and remaining forests:

To the north Motsho Bhaban (50m), Water Development Board Mosque (200m), Wabda Mosque (200m); to the south UNHCR Office (50m); to the east side Households (50m), Roundabout Mosque (500m); to the west Hotel Shoibal (30m) are located. There are no sensitive environmental, cultural, archaeological sites exists within the catchment area of this sub-project.

A diagram showing the major features around and apparent distances (in parentheses) from the proposed construction site is given below:



There are no environmentally important or sensitive areas found in the areas, except some matured vegetation around this location. Several mosques, markets and human settlement were found during the survey. Not tree is expected to be affected by the construction works, as the activities will be carried out within the existing selected boundary, and necessary preventive and mitigation measures will be followed during the entire construction period.

#### (1) Within/near Elephant Migration Routes Yes/No\*

There is no existence of Elephant corridor/ route in the sub-project area, which have been checked on the basis of elephant migration route map established by UNHCR/IUCN (latest updated maps as of 22 February 2018 and later June 05, 2018).

#### (2) Potential impacts on remaining forests in/around camps Yes/No

N/A (This activity will be ensured in host community and within existing LGED Xen office boundary)

#### (3) Other issues:

No more mentionable issues raised.

\*This question needs to be answered by checking the elephant migration route map established by UNHCR/IUCN

#### **Baseline air quality and noise levels:**

Ascertaining distinctively the baseline air and noise quality level in respect to any sites at different parts of Cox's Bazar district is nearly impossible because of the huge burden of physical developmental works including roads, bridges, culverts, building structures, markets, jetties, etc. being carried out simultaneously across the areas. Therefore, the apparent baseline of the predevelopment period can only be anticipated and results of visual observation are worth to be presented here.

#### Dust:

Ambient air quality data was not readily available, but quality is apparently good due to the appearance of vegetative settings around. Dust is slightly generated through movement of pedestrians. Natural air action over the road surface is very prevailing in the area which causes dust circulation.

#### Noise:

Noise in the Sub-project area is not a major concern because noise level is within the tolerance limit. Vehicles such as tempo, auto rickshaw, motorbikes, cars, trailer, etc. moving on roads adjacent to sub-project throughout the day and night generate noise but within tolerable limit in most cases.

#### Baseline soil quality:

The Sub-project area is located mainly on red, alluvial soil. The soil developing from the weathered sandstones tend to be sandy to clay loams. Presence of Organic matter content in the soil is moderate.

#### Landslide potential (high/medium/low, with explanation):

N/A (the sub-project will be improved within an identified LGED Xen office)

#### Baseline surface water and groundwater quality (FE, TDS, fecal coliform, pH):

Groundwater is the main source of potable water in the Sub-project area. The shallow depth is about 100 feet and deep tubewell depth is 600 feet. In the sub-project area, deep groundwater is salt and arsenic free. Shallower aquifers having depth around 100 feet surrounding the Sub-project area are full of iron. Deep groundwater table (drinkable) varies from 600-800ft (Field survey, 2021).

Groundwater quality: pH-5.17 to 8.51, DO-2.26 to 8.14mg/l, TDS-23.40 to 320 mg/l, EC -25.7 to 681µs/cm, Fe-0.5 to 7.0 mg/l and As-Nil (IWM Study Report, 2019)

#### **Status of wildlife movement:**

**N/A** (None of the information was found about the wildlife movement in or across the area)

#### State of forestation:

Few large trees are located on the proposed site.

Summary of water balance analysis (For water supply scheme only):

N/A

#### **B.2: Pre construction Phase**

## Information on Ancillary Facilities (e.g., status of access road or any other facility required for subproject to be viable):

A BC road named Motel Road is passing by the west side of the sub-project. It is possible to carry the construction materials on this road to the construction site.

## Requirement of accommodation or service amenities (toilet, water supply, electricity) to support the workforce during construction:

Toilet and water supply facilities will be ensured by the contractor in the vicinity of the construction area for all the components of the sub-project, electric connection will be established with the accommodation facility due for the workforce.

#### Possible location of labor camps:

Labor camp is not needed since local labor force will participate in the works. However, if needed this will have to be done with the consent of LGED authority, and with the supervision of the Engineer in charge.

#### Requirement and type of raw materials (e.g. sand, stone, wood, etc.):

i) Bricks, ii) Sand iii) cement iv) aggregates v) metals vi) water, vii) Bamboo & wood from mobilized materials and other electro-mechanical equipment and viii) clay are the most common type of building material used in construction.

#### Identification of access road for transportation (Yes/No):

A BC road named Motel Road is passing by the west side of the sub-project. It is possible to carry the construction materials on this road to the construction site.

#### **Location identification for raw material storage:**

Best option for raw material storage is any sufficiently available space next to the labor camp or the site office and away from steep slopes. However, this will need to arrange an open field and should be consulted with LGED authority. Considering the criteria, within the LGED Xen office boundary would be a good option. Material storage area must be well fenced and materials will be covered with tarpaulins.

## Possible composition and quantities of wastes (Solids wastes, demolition materials, sludge from old latrines, etc.):

Earth/ mud, plastics, brick chips, dust from bricks during construction of project components will be produce. Also, sludge will be produced from labor camp latrines and kitchen waste mostly composing of organic matters as fiber, starch, carbohydrates and proteins. 10% of the kitchen waste may be classified as plastics or non-biodegradables. Solid waste may amount to 10 kg daily and sludge may amount to 3 kg per day.

#### **B.3: Construction Phase**

#### Type and quantity of waste generated (e.g. Solids wastes, liquid wastes, etc.):

Residual waste from construction works will be generated. Equipment maintenance/vehicles on-site and scrap material will occur during construction work which is mostly solid wastes. Leftover oils or spills from machinery can have a high probability of generating liquid waste. Waste from civil works may be produced as much as 80 kg a day.

#### Type and quantity of raw materials used (wood, bricks, cement, water, etc.):

**Type:** i) Bricks, ii) Sand, iii) cement, iv) aggregates, v) water, vi) Bitumen are the most common type of raw materials to be used in construction period.

**Quantity:** Anticipating the quantity of raw materials to be used needs detail calculation as per design, which is beyond the scope of this report, but presented in engineering design/estimates of the sub-project.

## Approx. area (in square meters) of vegetation and soil in the right-of-way, borrow pits, waste dumps, and equipment yards:

Around 12,987 sq. feet land is required for the sub-project establishment.

There is thick vegetation around the sup-project area. A flower garden is found in front of the subproject side. The vegetation will not be affected by construction work. The open area inside the LGED Xen office boundary is clearly enough to accommodate stack/equipment yards, temporary waste dumping sites, as well as the target construction plots.

## Possibility of stagnant water bodies in borrow pits, quarries, etc., encouraging for mosquito breeding and other disease vectors: (High/Medium/Low with explanation)

**Low**: No borrow pit or quarries will be required to dig out during the construction period in or around/ adjacent to the sub-project area. During construction period one or two water reservoir may be constructed due to construction activities. But all those will completely be demolished and cleared out, once the construction period is over.

## Disturbance or modification of existing drainage channels (rivers, canals) or surface water bodies (wetlands, marshes): (High/Medium/Low with description)

No pre-existing drainage channel is found. There are no water bodies which will be affected. Nonetheless proper construction site management practices will be required.

## Destruction or damage of terrestrial or aquatic ecosystems or endangered species directly or by induced development: (High/Medium/Low with description)

Low: The site is free from any aquatic ecosystems or habitats of endangered species. There are some terrestrial flora species around the project site, which will not be affected by the works. Life cycle or movement of some terrestrial living species (fauna) (i.e. Insects - ant, bees, earthworm, reptiles, birds etc.) might be disturbed for the time being, but with very less impact indeed. So, overall potential effect is very low or absent for this specific sub project.

#### Activities that can lead to landslides, slumps, slips and other mass movements in road cuts:

The soil in the proposed site is already compacted and developed and the area is largely flat, so there is almost no chance to trigger the landslide or any type of mass movement of soil for the said construction works.

## Erosion of lands below the roadbed receiving concentrated outflow carried by covered or open drains: (High/Medium/Low with description)

N/A

#### Describe possible traffic movement impacts on (unwanted) light, noise and air pollution:

No traffic movement impact on light is anticipated, but low effects of noise and air pollution may

appear resulting from the movement of vehicles carrying construction materials.

High = Likely to cause long-term impacts or over large area (>1sqkm); Medium = Likely to cause temporary damage or over moderate area (0.5 to 1sqkm); Low = Likely to cause little, short-term damage and over small area (<0.5sqkm)

#### **B.4: Operation Phase**

## Activities leading to health hazards and interference of plant growth adjacent to roads by dust raised and blown by vehicles:

During the operation phase of this subproject, small amount of dust and exhaust gas might be produced by the vehicles bound to emergency cases and while passing over the adjacent road which will be low in frequency. So, causing any health hazards and interference of plant growth is not very likely to happen by such activities for quite a short duration.

## Chance of long-term or semi-permanent destruction of soils: (High/Medium/Low with description)

There is no chance of activities during the operation period, which can lead to any long-term or semi-permanent destruction of soils.

## Possibility of odor and water, soil quality impacts from SWM and FSM disposal system: (High/Medium/Low with description)

Low. There is no possibility of odor and water, soil quality impacts from SWM and FSM disposal system in this subproject site during the operation phase, rather those systems will be more instrumental and effective to support services. LGED field office has its own SWM and FSM disposal system, with regular monitoring and maintenance services, with the assistance from existing municipal waste management system.

## Possibility of stagnant water bodies in borrow pits, quarries, etc., encouraging for mosquito breeding and other disease vectors: (High/Medium/Low with explanation)

There is no possibility of creating new stagnant water bodies that can encourage mosquito breeding and other disease vectors, during the operation phase.

#### Likely direct and indirect impacts on economic development in the project areas by the subproject:

During the operation phase, this field office will have more capacity to house more project staffs and more in-house government activities in hall room, which effectively will strengthen LGED's capacity in local level (in Cox's Bazar District) to provide different forms of project-oriented supports, which eventually will have numerous positive impacts on economic development in/around the project areas (Sadar Upazila) and surpass the boundary as well.

## Extent of disturbance or modification of existing drainage channels (rivers, canals) or surface water bodies (wetlands, marshes): (High/Medium/Low with description)

No existing drainage channels or surface water bodies are present within the sub-project boundary area, and no extent of disturbance or modification during the operation period is anticipated.

## Extent of destruction or damage of terrestrial or aquatic ecosystems or endangered species directly or by induced development: (High/Medium/Low with description)

There is no protected area in or around the project sites, and no known areas of ecological interest.

#### Activities leading to landslides, slumps, slips and other mass movements in road cuts:

The entire sub-project component area is nearly flat; thus, no such type of impacts is anticipated.

## Erosion of lands below the roadbed receiving concentrated outflow carried by covered or open drains: (High/Medium/Low with explanation)

N/A

Describe possible traffic movement impacts on (unwanted) light, noise and air pollution:

A BC road connects the sites with main road. The roads are used for pedestrian access and vehicles like bicycles, motorbike, three wheelers, truck, cars etc. Therefore, during the operation period traffic congestion is expected. If not properly maintained and supervised, low effects of noise and air pollution will be occurred, primarily because of the noise and emission from vehicular movement and dust being dispersed around during the dry weather, and accidents may occur on the nearby road due to the bad condition of the access road and unsafe driving through it.

High = Likely to cause long-term impacts or over large area (>1sqkm); Medium = Likely to cause temporary damage or over moderate area (0.5 to 1sqkm); Low = Likely to cause little, short-term damage and over small area (<0.5sqkm)



#### **Section D: Environmental Screening Summary**

	Main Environmental	Impact	Sussesien	oring Suggestions
Section	Impacts	Significance*	Mitigation	ors Frequency
1. Sub- project Intervent ions	Improvement of LGED Building (degradation of air, water and soil quality, and noise pollution)	Under the sub- project intervention, the overall score is low	<ul> <li>Watering of dry exposed surfaces and stockpiles of aggregates at least twice daily, as necessary;</li> <li>Precautions might be taken when rainstorms are likely, when a rainstorm is imminent or forecast, and actions to be taken during or after rainstorms.</li> <li>The material stockpile sites shall be far away from surface water bodies and areas prone to surface run-off. Loose materials shall be bagged and covered.</li> <li>Channels, earth bunds, netting, tarpaulin and or sandbag barriers shall be used on site to minimize air pollution or soil erosion.</li> <li>All precautions to store chemicals/oil/fuel properly so that no chance of spill.</li> <li>Workers must specify waste dump locations to avoid littering which in turn might negatively affect ground water.</li> <li>Monitor water quality according to the environmental management plan.</li> </ul>	during the construction period.

2. Pre-	Site planning (i.e.	Under the sub-	•	The construction area is inside the	Contractor,	Location of	Prior to the
constru ction Phase	construction of material storage area etc.)		•	predefined vicinity. The entire area within the selected boundary shall be well demarcated so that children, people and others could be protected from any accidental events/injuries.  Material storage area should be located at the site & approved by the Environmental Specialist of D&SC.	Environmental specialist of D&SC	stockpiles and labor shed	start of Construction works.
	Material storage area for construction (Creating dust/ air pollution, Spillage of liquid/ hazardous substances i.e. oil, paint, chemicals, etc., Risk of crime, Access of office staff, children, animals, etc.)	Under the sub- Project intervention, the overall score is low.	•	The contractor shall submit a method statement and plans for the storage of hazardous materials (fuels, oils, and chemicals) and emergency procedures.  Proper procedure for stockpiling/ storage of construction materials at the site will be proposed by the contractor & approved by the Environmental Specialist of D&SC.  Proper covering of dust producing materials with polythene sheet,  Proper fencing around the storage area in order to be secure, to be safe from access by, office staff, children, animals, etc.  Spills/ hazardous substances should be disposed of at the site proposed by the contractor & approved by the Environmental Specialist of D&SC to avoid soil/ water contamination.	Contractor, Environmental specialist of D&SC	List of selected sites; Identified sources and storage place of materials.	During Design Stage

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	Accidents	Under the sub-project intervention, the overall score is Low.	•	Provision of standard safety protocol.  Providing training on Environmental health and safety to the labors and associated field staffs is the responsibility of Upazila Engineer & Contractors.  Training should be scheduled twice, once before starting the construction & another in the middle of construction period.  Safety & protection gears, first aid box etc. should be available in the site during construction period.	Contractor, Environmental specialist of D&SC	Complaints from community; Regular inspection of materials transport vehicles.	Before and during construction phase
3. Constructi on Phase	Noise Impacts	Under the sub- project intervention, the overall score is Medium.	•	Avoid high noise making activities during active hours. One very effective method is to discuss with the authority and settle for a time for heavy machinery usage.  Involve the office authority in planning the work program so that any particularly noisy or otherwise invasive activities can be scheduled to avoid sensitive times.  Avoid using of construction equipment producing excessive noise at office time & at night.  Ear protection devices for the workers & site staffs should be available in site during construction period.		Number of complaints from stakeholders, Use of silencers in noise producing equipment and sound barriers, Noise Level following decibel meter (dB)	Weekly

Air Quality	Under the sub-project	•	Damp down exposed any sand stockpiled	Contractor,	Location of	Monthly
Conducting works at dry season and moving large quantity of materials may create dusts and increase in concentration of vehicle related pollutants which will affect people who live and work near the sites. The impacts are negative but short-term, site-specific within a relatively sma area and reversible by mitigation measures.	intervention, the overall score is low.	•	on site by spraying with water during dry weather.  Use tarpaulins to cover soils, sand and other loose material when transported by trucks.  Unpaved surfaces used for haulage of materials within settlements shall be maintained dust-free.  Arrangements to control dust through provision of water sprinklers and dust extraction systems shall be provided at all stone crushers (if these establishments are being setup exclusively for the subproject).  Limiting speed of construction vehicles in work sites to maximum of 10 km/h.  Regular monitoring of air quality.	Environmental specialist of D&SC	stockpiles, Covering of trucks, Records of air quality inspection, Numbers of complaints from sensitive receptors, Heavy equipment and pollution control devices, Maintain records	
Biodiversity (There are no protecte areas in or around subproject sites, and n known areas of ecological interest.)	score is low.	•	Prohibit employees from cutting of trees for any use.  If during detailed design cutting of trees is required, compensatory plantation for trees lost at a rate of 5 trees for every tree cut.  Prevent workers or any other person from removing and damaging any flora (plant/vegetation) and fauna.	Contractor, Environmental specialist of D&SC	If tree cutting required, to be determined during Design stage, numbers of complaints from sensitive receptors	Monthly

Work	ker's health and	Under the sub-project	•	Prevent excessive noise.	Contractor,	Numbers of	Monthly
safet		intervention, the overall score is low.	•	Construction staff are to make use of the existing facilities provided for them.  No fires permitted on site except if needed for the construction works;  Staff must be trained up for operating equipment,  Availability and access to first-aid equipment and medical supplies.  Ensure the presence and use of safety gear at site: Ear protection devices,  Goggles, Illuminating jackets, Masks,  Gloves, Helmets, Uniforms etc.,  Paint containing low VOC shall be used, and workers must use nose-mask during the painting works.  Ensure adequate supply of drinking water.  Sanitation facilities for male & female workers separately.	Environmental specialist of D&SC	complaints from sensitive receptors; Number of walkways signage, and metal sheets placed at project location;	
Accid	dents	During the sub-project intervention period, the overall score is Medium.	•	Providing on-site training on health and safety to the labors and associated field staffs for the specific scope of works in the construction site by the Field Supervisor and Field Residential Engineer.  Training should be scheduled twice, once before starting the construction & another in the middle of construction period.  The construction being for a high storied building, height works will be predominant at the site and ensuring safety during this works is more crucial. To do so, body harness to be used by the workers during such scheduled work and training should focus on the significance and application	Contractor, Environmental specialist of D&SC	Complaints from community; Regular inspection of materials transport vehicles.	Before and during construction phase

4.	Construction clean-up	Under the sub-project	•	of the gear. In order to prevent falling from height and accident at height, provide stable access, safety nets and harnesses, install edge protection, and use prefabricated components as far as possible.  Remove all spoils wreckage, rubbish, or		Worksite is	After the
Post- Construc tion Phase	(Damage due to debris, spoils, excess construction materials)	intervention, the overall score is low.	•	temporary structures (such as buildings, shelters, and latrines) which are no longer required; All affected structures rehabilitated/compensated; The area that previously housed the construction camp is to be checked for spills of substances such as oil, paint, etc. and these shall be cleaned up; All imported materials are to be removed and the area shall be re-vegetated as per specification that forms part of this document; The contractor must arrange the cancellation of all temporary services;		Restored to original conditions; worksite cleanup is satisfactory; camp has been restored to pre project conditions.	completion of Works
	Odor& waste disposal	Under the issue the overall score is low.	•	Use bin covers and/or tarpaulins during transport of wastes.	Contractor; Monitored by Consultant of D&SC and PIU	Complaints from communities	Site inspection daily/ weekly basis.

<sup>\*</sup> Overall Impact Score: High = Likely to cause long-term E&S impacts; Medium = Likely to cause temporary impacts; Low = Likely to cause little, short-term impacts

Recommendation for further environmental and social assessment and/or site specific environmental and social management plan: Yes

<sup>\*\*</sup>Post-construction phase denotes the time period contractor use to clear and clean up the sites after the construction work is ended, perform tree plantation, grass turfing, and minor rectification till the official handing over the site to LGED, or owner of the site.

<sup>\*</sup>If yes, please specify what assessments/plans would be required. Mention some recommendation on E&S assessment .... ESMP

#### Appendix-2: Environmental and Social Management Plan (ESMP) of this Sub project (site specific)

#### ESMP for Construction of LGED Building (EMCRP/AF/W09): LGED Building Improvement at Cox's Bazar

Project Stage	Potential Environmental & Social Impacts/Issues	Proposed Mitigation Measures	Institutional Responsibilities	Supervision Responsibility
Pre-Construction Stage	Loss of land / and other physical assets	No land acquisition is allowed within this sub-project activity so, there is no mitigation measures according to this impact.	PIU	Social Development Specialist and Gender Specialist of PIU, PSC
Pre-Construction Stage	Loss of livelihood	Under this subproject, there is no scope of negative impact on livelihoods of the people of catchment area.	PIU & Contractor	Social Development Specialist and Gender Specialist of PIU, PSC
Pre-Construction Stage	Stakeholders Engagement	<ul> <li>All the project stakeholders will be consulted</li> <li>Consultation meeting with the authority about the project objectives and scope of works as well as officials.</li> <li>Officers representing stakeholder interest (LGED officials) will be involved with the GRM</li> <li>All the stakeholders will be informed about the GRM.</li> </ul>	PIU & Contractor	Social Development Specialist and Gender Specialist of PIU, PSC
Pre-Construction Stage	Loss of right to access	<ul> <li>In case of unavoidable circumstances, alternative access will be provided.</li> <li>Access road shall be well demarcated and accessibly paved.</li> </ul>	PIU	Social Development Specialist and Gender Specialist of PIU, PSC
Stage	Site Preparation: Soil Erosion; Alteration of natural drainage, clearing vegetation.	<ul> <li>Minimize cut &amp; fill operations, the site clearing and grubbing operations should be limited to specific locations only.</li> <li>The contractor shall ensure that site preparation activities do not lead to disruption of activities of the office staff or the local residents.</li> </ul>	PIU & Contractor	Environmental Consultant of PIU, PSC
Construction Activity	Noise from construction works	<ul> <li>Construction activities will be finished at day time within 05 PM. Proper measures will be taken to avoid any disturbances.</li> </ul>	Contractor	Environmental Consultant of PIU, PSC

Project Stage	Potential Environmental & Social Impacts/Issues	Proposed Mitigation Measures	Institutional Responsibilities	Supervision Responsibility
		<ul> <li>All Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) will be available in site before starting any kind of construction works.</li> </ul>		
Construction Activity	Dust	<ul> <li>Construction machinery shall be properly maintained to minimize exhaust emissions of CO, particulate matter (SPM, PM2.5, PM 10) and Hydrocarbons.</li> <li>Provision of using water sprinklers to dust control.</li> <li>Construction materials should be covered properly while carrying in vehicles to the site.</li> <li>Vehicle movement will be controlled on haul roads/access roads for limiting dust generation.</li> </ul>	Contractor	Environmental Consultant of PIU, PSC
Construction Activity	Safety Issues	<ul> <li>Unauthorized entry to the site area is completely prohibited and the work area will be properly fenced with a single entry, for this purpose.</li> <li>It will be ensured that proper training and guidance are provided on general and occupational health and safety to Contractors' personnel and labors forces, and records of training sessions are to be kept on site.</li> <li>All kinds of Child labor will be completely prohibited.</li> </ul>	Contractor	Environmental Consultant of PIU, PSC
Construction Activity	Traffic Management	• Contractors will discuss with traffic management authorities and take site specific traffic management measures to avoid traffic jam and any unwanted incidents or accidents.	Contractor	Environmental Consultant of PIU, PSC
Construction Activity	Conflicts with existing users due to the scarcity of resource base.	<ul> <li>A detailed assessment of the available resources and consent of the local representative for withdrawal of water from existing surface water sources shall be taken.</li> <li>If ground water is withdrawn, adequate approvals from the LGED need to be undertaken before setting up bore wells.</li> <li>Any type of consent letter or agreement for withdrawing water from either surface or underground sources will be kept on site.</li> </ul>	PIU & Contractor	Social Development Specialist and Gender Specialist of PIU, PSC

Project Stage	Potential Environmental & Social Impacts/Issues	Proposed Mitigation Measures	Institutional Responsibilities	Supervision Responsibility
		LGED officials must be consulted before any construction work starts.		
Construction Activity	Increase in road accidents	<ul> <li>Maintain safety measures during the movement and operation of heavy machineries and equipment.</li> <li>Office staff will be trained up about traffic management and awareness.</li> </ul>	Contractor	Environmental Consultant of PIU, PSC
Construction Activity	Labor Conflicts with the local residents	<ul> <li>Awareness building session will be undertaken about prevention of child abuse, child marriage, GBV, sexual harassment, trafficking of women and children as well as illegal drug trade. Written records of this awareness building session shall be kept on site.</li> <li>Work force should be prohibited from disturbing the flora, fauna including hunting of animals, wildlife hunting, poaching and wood cutting.</li> <li>Adequate facilities ensuring sanitation for labor camps will be put in place.</li> <li>Treated water will be made available at site for drinking purpose.</li> <li>Labor code of conduct is to be disclosed through consultation.</li> </ul>	Contractor	Social Development Specialist and Gender Specialist of PIU, PSC
Construction Activity	Waste Management: Improper management and handling of hazardous and non-hazardous waste during construction.	<ul> <li>Preparation of a waste management plan covering the following aspects:</li> <li>Working areas are always kept clean and tidy.</li> <li>Construction site is to be checked for spills of substances i.e., chemical, oil, paint, etc.</li> <li>Bins and/ or skips should be emptied regularly, and waste/ debris should be disposed of at waste disposal areas and/ or at the site.</li> <li>Hazardous waste viz. waste oil etc. will be collected and stored in the paved and bounded area and subsequently sold to authorized recyclers.</li> </ul>		Environmental Consultant of PIU, PSC

Project Stage	Potential Environmental & Social Impacts/Issues	Proposed Mitigation Measures	Institutional Responsibilities	Supervision Responsibility
Construction Activity	<ul> <li>Health &amp; Safety Risks:</li> <li>The potential for exposure to safety events such as tripping, working at height activities, fire from hot works, smoking, failure in electrical installation, mobile plant and vehicles, and electrical shocks.</li> <li>Exposure to health events during construction activities such as manual handling and musculoskeletal disorders, hand-arm vibration, temporary or permanent hearing loss, heat stress, and dermatitis.</li> </ul>	types of work activities on site.	PIU & Contractor	Environmental Consultant as well as Social Development and Gender Specialists of PIU, PSC

Project Stage	Potential Environmental & Social Impacts/Issues		Proposed Mitigation Measures	Institutional Responsibilities	Supervision Responsibility
			provided that are suitable and can do the works.	•	• •
		•	Awareness training will be given to all personnel involved		
			during the construction phase in order to highlight/make		
			aware of the heat related illnesses of working in hot		
			conditions such as heat cramps, heat exhaustion, heat		
			stroke, and dehydration.		
		•	Adequate quantities of drinking water will be available at		
			all Sites, on different locations within the site.		
		•	Provision to maintain proper PPE wherever necessary and		
			to ensure that there are satisfactory washing and changing		
			facilities.		
		•	Provision to ensure all workers exposed to a risk are aware		
			of the possible dangers and also given thorough training on		
			how to protect themselves and there should be effective		
			supervision to ensure that the correct methods are being		
			used. For this instance, the construction will deal with a		
			high storied building, height works will be predominant at		
			the site and ensuring safety during this works is more		
			crucial. In order to prevent falling from height and accident		
			at height, providing stable access, safety nets and		
			harnesses, installing edge protection, and using		
			prefabricated components as far as possible are some of		
		the key measures that have to be adopted by the			
			contractor.		
Construction	Pollution of water bodies	•	Contractor will ensure monitoring of nearby surface and	Contractor	Environmental
Activity			underground water bodies for signs of contamination.		Consultant of
			Parameter include: pH, TDS, TSS, Coliforms, Pb, Cd and Hg.		PIU/D&SC, PSC
			Test results are to be compared with Bangladesh		

Project Stage	Potential Environmental & Social Impacts/Issues	Proposed Mitigation Measures	Institutional Responsibilities	Supervision Responsibility
		Environmental Quality Standards of DoE.		
Operation & Maintenance	Noise disturbances to fauna	<ul> <li>Provision to maintain noise from the operation and maintenance of machinery and equipment by proper monitoring and measures.</li> <li>Provision to take necessary lighting, caution for the works and necessary maintenance should be done in day light.</li> </ul>	PIU	UNO, Upazila Chairman of Upazila Parishad
Operation & Maintenance	Odours and pollution caused by latrines and faecal sludge impacting surrounding flora and fauna	Preventative maintenance schedule should be followed.	PIU	UNO, Upazila Chairman of Upazila Parishad
Operation & Maintenance	Maintenance of assets, properties and equipment	<ul> <li>Periodic checking and maintenance should be carried out for building sanitary and electrical systems which have been newly installed or been repaired. Replacing weathered or damaged associated equipment is to be ensured.</li> <li>Water tanks should be cleaned properly at least once in a quarter.</li> </ul>	PIU	UNO, Upazila Chairman of Upazila Parishad.

#### **Waste Management Plan:**

The Contractor shall develop a waste management plan for various specific waste streams prior to commencing of construction and submit to LGED for approval. The plans must include following principles or series of actions, which will be carried out/followed by the contractor and supervised by the Field level Environmental Specialist and Social Development Specialist. For wastes generated from construction debris:

- The quantity of waste materials shall be minimized by 3R (Reduce, Recycle and Reuse) approach, and wastes shall be segregated accordingly, wherever practical; and stored in designated places/facilities in the site.
- Construction site shall be maintained in a cleaner, tidy and safe condition and appropriate facilities shall be provided and maintained as temporary storage of all wastes before transportation and final disposal.
- Hazardous waste viz. waste oil etc. will be collected and stored in a paved and bounded area with separate container which cannot be carbonized under high temperature or incidents of fire and subsequently sold to authorized recyclers.
- The scrap material generated from the erection of structures and related construction activities will be collected and stored separately in the stack

yard and sold to local recyclers. Parts of construction debris (Brick, concrete and masonry) can be recycled as filling materials for low grounds if found near the site or be sold for using as sub-base material or driveway bedding.

- All wastes generated during construction shall be disposed of in an environmentally acceptable manner. This will include consideration of the nature and location of disposal site, so as to cause less environmental impact.
- Proper waste management chain should be maintained, in case of collected waste and debris from demobilization or construction site, separation in accordance with the type of waste must be maintained. After which all remains shall be kept in a separate location designated for the purpose of segregation and storing until transported to disposal sites allocated by the administration.
- Organic wastes produced in the camp site during the construction period shall be collected and transported in vehicles covered with tarps or nets to prevent spilling waste along the route to the designated disposal site;
- Burning of any type of wastes in the construction site shall be prohibited completely.

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Appendix-3: Proposed Cost of Environmental Mitigation and Healthy Safety Enhancement Works for LGED Building Improvement at Cox's Bazar

In consideration to the environmental impact's mitigation and healthy safety measures for this sub-project, the following items and cost are proposed to include in BOQ.

#### Cost of Environmental Enhancement Works in BOQ

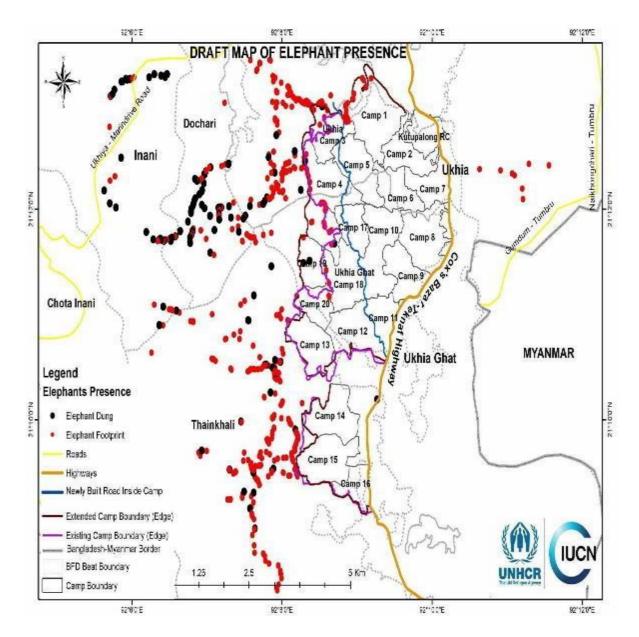
SI no.	Description of item	Quantity	Unit price	Total amount
1.	First Aid Box	1 no.	@6500 Tk. Per box	6,500
	Supply of first aid box with standard contents and as per direction of the E.I.C.			
2.	<u>Dust suppression measures</u>	Each	Lump sum @ 40,000	40,000
	Dust suppression measures like water sprinkling on aggregates/ unpaved roads, in and		BDT	
	around the work site and as per direction of the E.I.C.			
3.	Health safety warning sign & Project Signboard	Each	Lump sum @ 10,000	10,000
	Health safety warning sign and as per direction of the E.I.C.			
4.	Motivation training	10 persons	Approx. @ Tk.	20,000
	Motivation training (twice: before and after construction start) of the Upazila Engineer		1000.per person (twice:	
	'sand Contractor's representatives on safety practice and as per direction of the E.I.C.		before and after	
			construction start)	
5.	Site Cleaning and preparation	Each	Lump sum @ 20,000	20,000
	Site Cleaning and preparation including providing necessary protective fencing and safety			
	measures with sign board and removal and disposal at a safe distance etc. all complete as per			
	direction of E.I.C.			
6.	Personal Protection Equipment for Workers	20 nos.	@ Tk. 5000	100,000
	Providing and maintaining appropriate (safe design, fit and comfort) personal protection			
	equipment (PPE) to ensure the highest possible protection for employees in establishing and			
	maintaining a safe and healthful working environment at workplace, including			



SI	Description of item	Quantity	Unit price	Total
no.	Description of Item	Qualitity	Unit price	amount
	demonstrating, providing training on proper understanding and development of skill in the use of PPE, including supplying (i) best quality safety jacket, (ii) suitable hand protection gloves, (iii) appropriate foot protection shoes, (iv) best quality safety helmets, face shields, ear muffs etc. (v) suitable eye protection goggles			
	Providing Safety gear package like hand gloves, eye protection glasses, helmets, rubber shoes, light reflecting dress etc. for 20 sets as per direction of E.I.C.			
7.	Tree plantation  Tree plantation around the building including maintenance for 2 years as per direction of E.I.C. (Coconut, Mango, Jackfruit etc. to be planted. The payment is to be made only when trees are fully grown) and as per direction of E.I.C.  Total 25 nos. of trees shall be planted around the periphery of the proposed site.	25 nos.	@ Tk. 1000 for each tree.	25,000
8.	Temporary Sanitary Latrine Temporary Sanitary Latrine/ Septic Tank/ Portable Toilet: 2 nos. (1 no of Toilet for female and 1 no of Toilet for male) and as per direction of E.I.C. (If workers use service toilets located in the ground floor of the LGED office building, this amount shall not be paid to the contractor.)	2 nos.	@20,000 per toilet	40,000
9.	Waste disposal Temporary camp site waste disposal facility improvement 2 nos. (1 no of organic waste and 1 no of inorganic waste disposal facility) and as per direction of E.I.C. (If local workers are used only and no camp is established, this amount shall not be paid to the contractor.)	2 nos.	@10,000 each	20,000

10.	<u>Drinking Water Facilities</u>	2 nos.	LS @ Tk. 30,000	60,000
	Providing continuous adequate drinking water supply at worksite and site office where			
	applicable or any other means depending on local situation, also providing essential			
	arrangement for storing drinking water by supplying portable best quality water tank			
	equivalent to Gazi/ Padma of adequate capacity depending on the number of users,			
	including supplying 1 (one) no. best quality water filter of minimum capacity 30 liters with			
	necessary kits, etc. all complete as per satisfaction and direction of the Engineer-in-charge.			
	Environmental management	1 person	Monthly basis	840,000
11.	Environmental management costs of the Environment & Social/ Safeguard Personnel for		@Tk.35000 for 24	
	Environmental and Social Management and Monitoring during construction and operation		months. (Net payment	
	phase for their salary & transport (Net payment excluding Tax &VAT). And as per direction		excluding Tax & VAT)	
	of the E.I.C.			
	Subtotal Bill: Environmental facilities for Training Facility Building Construction	1		1,181,500

Appendix-4: Elephant Presence map for the nearby areas



Elephant presence map (latest information published by on 24 May 2018)

#### Appendix-5: List of attendees in the consultation meeting

### LGED BUILDING IMPROVEMENT AT COX'S BAZAR DISTRICT Package Number : EMCRP/AF/W9

#### Emergency Multi-Sector Rohingya Crisis Response Project (EMCRP)

জরুরী ভিত্তিতে রোহিঙ্গা সংকট মোকাবেলায় মাল্টি সেক্টর প্রকল্প Local Government Engineering Department (LGED) Public Consultation Participants List

#### **Focus Group Discussion**

Upazila: Cox's Bazar Sadar

District: Cox's Bazar

Time: 4:00 PM

Dated: 19 11 2023

Purpose of consultation: LGED Building Improvement
Place of meeting: Office of the Executive Engineer, LGED, COX'S Bazar

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