

Annex IV

Revised Terms of Reference for the UNDP/GEF Yellow Sea Project Inter-ministerial Coordinating Committee (IMCC)

Background: The Inter-ministerial Coordinating Committee (IMCC) will provide guidance and ensure coordination of a wide range of national institutions and organizations directly responsible for the implementation of the Project at the national level. One IMCC will exist in each country. The IMCC is basically a national function, which will coordinate with the PMO through the NPC.

Membership: The IMCC should be comprised of all Ministries having a major stake or interest in the Project, including resource ministries, foreign ministries, economic/ finance ministries, environmental ministries, transport ministries, industrial ministries, etc. As such, the IMCC will have the above key Ministries and a full time, small secretariat (national and donor-supported) headed by the National Project Coordinator reporting to the National Focal Point.

Tasks:

- Ensure an integrated and coordinated approach to facilitating the necessary national co-ordination needed for the long-term health of the Yellow Sea ecosystem;
- Identify appropriate national modalities for the implementation of the Project, according to national capabilities, division of national responsibilities, and other national considerations;
- Coordinate national actions across ministries;
- Co-ordinate and prepare national positions on policy issues to be considered by the Project Steering Committee (PSC);
- Co-ordinate and facilitate national contributions to Transboundary Diagnostic Analysis (TDA) and Strategic Action Programme (SAP), and preparation of National Yellow Sea Action Plans (NYSAP);
- Facilitate timely national and donor contributions to necessary 'baseline' activities needed for the health of the Yellow Sea ecosystem; and
- Assist with the development of Priority Investment Portfolio (PIP), by assuring broad dissemination of PIP materials, and identifying possible projects for the PIP.