

## EUROPEAN UNION – JAMAICA PROJECT SHEET

Project Title	Climate Change Adaptation and Disaster Risk Reduction - Jamaica			
Sector	Climate Change -	Budget (Euro)	Total project cost: €4,482,420	
	Envirionment		EU contribution : € 4.130,000	
Location	JAMAICA	Budget (J\$ equiv.)	Total project cost: <b>J</b> \$	
		Xrate = 109.6	EU contribution : J \$ 450 mln	
Start Date (Est.)	Oct. 2010	End date (Est.)	April 2012	
Implemented by	UNEP and PIOJ			
Objective	The project has the objective to assist with the adaptation to climate change and to			
<b>V</b>	contribute to the sustainable development of Jamaica by increasing the resilience of			
	vulnerable areas and reducing the risks that are associated with natural hazards,			
	particularly in vulnerable communities			

## **Description**

The project specifically aims to reduce downstream run-off and associated negative environmental and human impacts through rehabilitation and improved management of selected watersheds; to increase resilience of coastal ecosystems to climate change impacts through restoration and protection of selected ecosystems; and to enhance institutional and local level capacity from climate change adaptation and disaster risk reduction through increasing capabilities and raising awareness.

The project is intended to assist with on-going efforts to build socio-economic and environmental resilience, and reduce the potential risks associated with climate change through hard and soft measures. It will address some of the land-based problems currently being faced which, in turn, will positively impact the health of coastal and marine ecosystems. Some measures will also be put in place to directly increase the resilience of those coastal and marine ecosystems. The capacity of the government will be bolstered through conducting an initial needs assessments and implementing appropriate capacity building for areas of greatest need. Awareness of climate change will be improved amongst various groups of the society through the dissemination of various tools with the hope that this will impact the knowledge and attitude of the society towards climate change.

The primary partners for the project are the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP); the Planning Institute of Jamaica (PIOJ); National Environment and Planning Agency (NEPA); the Environmental Management Division, Office of the Prime Minister (EMD, OPM); Forestry Department (FD); and Meteorological Services Jamaica. The Target groups for this project include Community Based Organizations (CBOs); Non- Governmental Organizations (NGOs), Students, Teachers, Farmers, Fisher folk, Private sector groups, Local Authorities, Private Land Owners and Identified Communities. The project is expected to have a total duration of 30 months and a total cost of €4,482,420.

## **Results**

Expected results are:

- Rehabilitated watersheds through slope stabilization measures such as reforestation of denuded hillsides; *Three LFCMs established and operational in the WMUs listed, 300 ha reforested in the selected WMUs, 35, 000 fruit and 35, 000 timber trees planted, 2,600 ha Forest Reserves declared*
- § Mechanisms established to improve management of coastal ecosystems Increased resilience of selected coastal areas against potential climate change impacts; established, particularly seagrass beds and mangrove forests; Alternative livelihoods promoted and adopted;
- § Climate change capacity building and awareness raising
  Launch of the climate change awareness campaign; At least one audio-visual kit produced; Material distributed to at least 24 institutions

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