Integrated Small Grant Aggregator Platform

Overview of the project
The Adaptation Fund Climate Innovation Accelerator (AFCIA) was released by the Adaptation Fund (AF) Innovation Grant Program, as part of AF’s Medium-Term Strategy —under its Innovation Pillar. The objective of the Innovation Pillar is to support the development and diffusion of innovative climate change adaptation practices, tools, and technologies. The United Nations Development Programme (UNDP), along with the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP), have been selected to serve as the multilateral implementing entity aggregators for small innovation grants.

ICCCAD Role:
The ISGAP project focuses on supporting local communities and entrepreneurs to innovate or reinterpret the technologies or techniques which is needed to make their local realities more resilient to withstand the impact of climate change. ICCCAD’s experience in the locally led Adaptation (LLA) in south Asia plays a pivotal role in this project. ICCCAD team supports by providing access to trusted knowledge from the experts in climate change adaptation, assembling innovative solutions, knowledge sharing platform creation, and collaborative learning on how to invest in resilience for development.

Methodologies and Implementation Strategies
ISGAP project is divided into a timeframe of three years from February 2022 to December 2024. As some of the activities will be ongoing and other activities are for a certain period of time in a year so the detailed work plan will help to navigate the activities. The project activities plan will be initiated with the detail for three years and developed by GRP and ICCCAD team. The implementation strategies against each activity are as follows-

- Activity 1.2 One annual induction workshop to promote peer learning and disseminate resilience knowledge There will be series of workshops to promote peer learning and disseminate resilience knowledge which will be co-produced by GRP and ICCCAD team under this activity. The workshops will be designed to provide a holistic approach to optimising potential for transformative and sustainable change. The workshops will be held virtually in zoom platform where different tools like menti-meter, zoom pool, breakout rooms, jamboard etc. will be used to make the workshop more interactive.

- Activity 1.3 Two yearly convening’s on topics including resilience program design, measurement, evidence and learning As the purpose of the learning webinars is to enable the participants to inspire, share, and learn from each other on specific topics connected to resilience knowledge and its applications. Therefore the topics or themes of workshops will be selected on basis of grantees suggestion and the webinars will be designed from the lesson learned from locally led adaptation perspective. The suggestions will be collected through questionnaire survey in google form or any other platform. Through the webinars, there will be knowledge exchange and peer-to peer learning opportunities. The webinars and workshops will be held and scheduled in zoom platform with the availability of the grantees and experts. The links will be shared with the grantees beforehand of the webinars. A report will be produced after each and every webinar and workshop.
- **Activity 1.4** An annual leadership academy for grantees Initially GRP will form a leadership academy in a virtual platform. ICCCAD team has a long experience in leadership so they will provide support as per requirement. The leadership academy will enable the grantees to be well capacitated and confident to pitch their ideas to potential donors. Through this leadership academy, the grantees will come together at regular interval with tremendous energy, build new relationships, and work together on their ideas.

- **Activity 1.5** A biennial investor matchmaking event As the event will focus on scaling up the projects for getting more funding from potential donors, ICCCAD will support the grantees and GRP team in planning, information sharing, incorporating different tools and techniques for idea pitching, communication ways etc. In post matchmaking event at Washington DC, the grantees undergo a survey to share their experience of pitching the ideas as a part of follow up. Later the team will analyze the strategies of idea pitching and create a documentation to measure the success and failure.

- **Activity 2.1** Contribute to the annual knowledge report and other knowledge products - Collaboration in GRP-based platforms like evidence forum, resilience knowledge coalition, and ICCCAD based knowledge sharing platforms Gobeshona Global Conference (GCA) and Climate Tribune (CT) will be used to capture the knowledge products. The knowledge products will be disseminated through the ICCCAD website, social media platforms, and different networks. Prior to the knowledge product, the 3-formulation ICCCAD team will arrange a workshop with the grantees on how to produce a well-articulated article. ICCCAD will follow UNDP annual report format and share input according to the activities that the team will complete over the time project timeline.