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Abbreviations and Acronyms

CAE	Child Abuse and Exploitation
CDR	Council for Development and Reconstruction
CoC	Code of Conduct
CoM	Council of Ministers
DGA	Directorate General of Antiquities
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EHS	Environment Health and Safety
ESHS	Environmental, Social, Health and Safety
ESMF	Environmental and Social Management Framework
ESMP	Environmental and Social Management Plan Female Headed Households
FHH	
GER	Gross Enrolment Ratio
GBV	Gender Based Violence
GOL	Government of Lebanon
GRM	Grievance Redress Mechanism
H&S	Health and Safety
IFC	International Finance Cooperation
ILO	International Labour Organization
LULC	Land Use Land Cover
MoA	Ministry of Agriculture
MoC	Ministry of Culture
MoE	Ministry of Environment
MoWE	Ministry of Water and Energy
MoIM	Ministry of Interior and Municipalities
MoL	Ministry of Labor
MoPH	Ministry of Public Health
MoPWT	Ministry of Public Works and Transportation
MoSA	Ministry of Social Affairs
NER	Net Enrolment Rate
NGOs	Non-Governmental Organizations
OP	Operational Plan
OHS	Occupational Health and Safety
OSHA	Occupational Safety and Health Administration
PAPs	Project Affected Persons
PHS	Public Health and Safety
PIU	Project Implementation Unit
PM	Particulate Matter
KPI	Key Performance Indicator
REP	Roads and Employment Project
RPF	Resettlement Policy Framework
SEA	Sexual Exploitation and Abuse
SH	Sexual Harassment
WB	World Bank
WBG	World Bank Group
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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Introduction

The Lebanon Roads and Employment Project (REP) is a World Bank (WB) funded project that aims through its first component to improve transport connectivity along select paved road sections and create short-term jobs for the Lebanese and Syrians. The project is implemented by the Council for Development and Reconstruction (CDR) in coordination with the Ministry of Public Works and Transport (MoPWT), noting that all the roads under the REP are under the jurisdiction of the MoPWT.

More specifically, the first component of the REP "Roads Rehabilitation and Maintenance "consists of rehabilitating and maintaining of about 500 km of primary roads (including International roads/ Highways) throughout Lebanon.

Considering that the anticipated civil works will result in environmental and social impacts, an Environmental and Social Management Plan (ESMP) shall be prepared under the requirements of OP4.01, which classifies the project as Category B to reduce the footprint of REP's operations in Metn. Accordingly, Dar Al Handasah Nazih Taleb & Partners, which was assigned by CDR to prepare all the tender documents needed for the rehabilitation and maintenance works of the roads located within Metn Caza, developed in year 2020 an ESMP covering roads that were selected by the Lebanese Government for full rehabilitation works. The ESMP was consulted upon, cleared by the WB and disclosed on the CDR and the WB websites.

In this report a specific ESMP was developed for Metn Caza to cover routine maintenance activities for primary roads/ Highways including repair of expansion joints on highway. More specifically, to manage the environmental and social risks associated with the project, relevant mitigation measures as well as necessary institutional arrangements were covered through this ESMP Report. Relevant stakeholders were consulted as well to prepare adequate management and monitoring plans. The objective is to ultimately achieve REP Environmental, Social, Health and Safety (ESHS) requirements.

Noting that the Project was signed before October 2018, date of effectiveness of the World Bank (WB) Environmental and Social Framework (ESF).

Project Description

The project consists of routine maintenance activities in Lot 15- Metn Caza namely for primary roads (including International roads/ Highways). These activities include incidental repair works, pavement repair works, concrete repair works, installation of traffic control and safety devices and repair the damaged expansion joints of highway bridge BR-5 (i.e. Antelias bridge).

Accordingly, the assessment was conducted at the Caza level with focus on BR-5 and six representative roads of the total primary network of Metn with a total length of 85.5 Km:

- Road M1 Baabdet- Bekfaya- Delb (9 km);
- Road M2 Nahr Al Mot Al metn Highway-Beit Mesik- Atchane (15km);
- Road M3 Bteghrine Wadi el Jamamjem-Baskinta (11km);

- **Road M4** Mkales-El Mansouriyet-Beit Mery-Broummana (15.5 km);
- Road M5 Dhour El Choueir –Baabdet- Aintoura-Tarchich (21 km) and
- **Road M6** Daoura-Nahr el Kaleb (sea side) (11km).

The goal of this six-month project is road improvement. It is projected to engage 20 workers on regular workdays, with the potential to expand the workforce to as many as 30 individuals during peak maintenance periods, such as the period preceding the rainy season.

Existing Policies, Legal and Administrative Framework

This ESMP was conducted in accordance with the WB environmental and social standards and the Lebanese laws and regulations namely Law No. 444 (2002) for Environmental Protection. More specifically, routine maintenance activities will be done under OP 4.01 Environmental Assessment.

World Bank Policies and Procedures: Compliance with OP/BP 4.01 on Environmental Assessment and OP/BP 4.12 on Involuntary Resettlement. According to OP/BP 4.01, a public consultation with project-affected people and local non-governmental organizations (NGOs) must be conducted for all projects under Category A and Category B.

The WB Group (WBG) Environmental, Health and Safety (EHS) Guidelines are mandatory and need to be adopted throughout the project duration.

Baseline assessment

The assessment recorded the existing physical, biological and socioeconomic conditions within the area of influence prior the project implementation. This data was then analyzed for impact prediction and assessment.

The geology of the Caza was investigated for outcropping formations, subsurface stratigraphy, hydrogeology and hydrology. The analysis was conducted to depict the proportional distribution of hydrogeological classes within the Caza and along road alignments. The findings unveiled that nearly 50% of the Caza area rests upon a karstic formation known for its high transmissivity, rendering it susceptible to potential contamination. For instance, Road M1 is nearly entirely situated (96%) atop a karstic formation, while Roads M2 and M3 cover 86% and 78% of their paths over a karstic formation, respectively.

The assessment revealed that Wadi Antelias is positioned at varying distances from Roads M6, M1, and M2: a mere 1 meter, 4 meters, and 8 meters, respectively. Nahr el Kaleb is found 4 meters away from Road M3 and at a distance of 20 meters from Road M6.

Regarding natural habitats and biodiversity, the focus was mainly on adjacent areas to the concerned roads. The assessment revealed that certain sections of these roads pass through specific biotopes with significant ecological value, requiring special attention and care. These biotopes include riparian habitats, as well as oak maquis, and pine forests. Notably, pine forests make up 24% of the Caza's Land Use and Land Cover (LULC). Moreover, approximately 48% of Road M2, 40% of Road M3, 17% of Road M4, and 22% of Road M5 are adjacent to either

dense or low-density pine forests. These habitats and their associated flora could be negatively impacted if the ESMP was not effectively implemented.

Lastly, a socio-economic survey was conducted in the project area to map the demographic, social and economic baseline conditions at the level of Metn Caza. A set of social indicators were investigated. The aim is to ensure that the communities surrounding the roads including vulnerable groups, if any, will not be adversely affected. Assessment focused as well on detecting immediate sensitive receptors along road alignments, namely, residents, hospitals/medical centers, places of worship, schools, shops, and agricultural lands. It was shown that nearly all assessed roads include segments that are in close proximity to residential buildings, shops (along all roads including BR-5) and churches (e.g., Saint Sarkis and Bakhos church 31m away from Road M1, Our lady of Perpetual help is located 86 m away from M1). Some roads include as well sections that are in close proximity to agricultural terraces and fruit trees (e.g. Road M3 in Baskinta) whereas others are in close proximity to schools (e.g. Bteghrine official high school and Autism school are located 116 m and 135 m away from Road M3 and Road M6, respectively) and hospital and medical centers (e.g. Wadih Al Haj Health center is only 4 m away from Road M3 at Baskinta, St Joseph Hospital is 165 m away from Road M6, and Bhannes hospital is 60 m away from Road M1). These sensitive receptors could be highly affected, in case of improper implementation of the ESMP and lack of adequate application of the project Traffic Management Plan (TMP).

Impacts Evaluation

Impacts were assessed at the Caza level, including the representative roads, for all activities under the scope of work, and worst-case scenario impacts were considered.

Environmental impacts are expected to be localized and moderate. Moreover, given that the project aims to upgrade existing roads, environmental impacts are mainly limited to dust emissions and degradation of soil and water quality, if activities were not managed properly. Despite the temporary and localized nature of routine maintenance works, dust and odor emissions are expected to be high during works execution. Moreover, potential impacts on water and soil quality along assessed roads due to potential accidental spillages and contaminated storm water runoff, are expected to be of medium significance (majority of roads lie on karstic formation). In other words, road sections where the subsurface has a high transmissivity and is sensitive in terms of contamination, care should be taken, and activities (including waste management) should be closely monitored to avoid groundwater contamination. In addition to the expected temporary disturbance of the natural ecosystems (dust accumulation on roadside vegetation, noise pollution, increase in traffic, and accidental spills with subsequent ecosystem impairment), direct destruction of vegetation and population might occur if wastes (e.g., excavated materials) were directly discharged into the roadside ecosystems. Special care is needed when the adjacent habitats to roads involve rivers, oak maquis and pine forests.

Potential social risks related to the project include (a) labor influx (in case the Contractor didn't recruit labor from the surrounding community), (b) potential risk of labor induced Sexual Harassment (SH) towards female workers and Sexual Exploitation and Abuse (SEA) towards women in the surrounding community; (c) potential risk of child labor; (d) inadequate P labor conditions, (e) dissatisfaction with job allocation; (f) risk of under-participation or underemployment of women; (g) nuisance, traffic disturbance and temporary obstruction of

access routes to sensitive receptors (e.g., obstruction of access to residential units, schools and shops and dust accumulation on nearby receptors/receiving environment). Specifically, the impact assessment indicates that GBV risk (SEA/SH) is high due to the close proximity of human settlements to Metn primary roads. Similarly, traffic disturbance is expected to be significant knowing that the majority of assessed roads are urbanized with noteworthy traffic volume (e.g. high traffic flow for M6 and BR-5). Consequently, risk of traffic-related accidents and injuries to workers and local communities are expected to be significant, if adequate precautions, control measures, and a proper TMP (including a special TMP for highways) are not implemented. TMP shall be implemented, as first stage before starting works. For example, when executing works on highways including the repair of joints, the traffic shall be diverted to the edge lanes or to service lanes in a safe manner, ensuring the continuity of traffic circulation with an acceptable flow.

Potential positive environmental impacts of the routine maintenance activities, if activities were managed properly, are associated with enhanced road conditions. For instance, improved drainage will decrease blockages, improve surface storm water run-off, and control erosion, which in turn reduces the risk of water stagnation which can damage road pavement and is associated with several waterborne diseases. Additionally, the project will improve the safety conditions of the roads through repair of pavements, safety barriers, and retaining walls. Most importantly, the project will create short-term employment opportunities to local residents and Syrian refugees who will execute earthworks.

Development of the ESMP

This ESMP provides avoidance and mitigation measures to identified impacts. The aim is to assist the project Contractor to reduce the footprint of its operations in Metn and to ultimately achieve REP expectations regarding environmental and social performance.

Measures to control exhaust emissions, dust and odor emissions, and soil manipulation activities during the execution of work are provided. Moreover, proper measures and guidelines on the control of accidental spills of construction materials are provided including specific/stricter measures to critical segments/stretches of roads (i.e. where roads are crossed or are in close proximity to rivers or particular biotopes). Regarding biodiversity, provided recommendations to guide the project Contractor in reducing the negative impacts on natural habitats and biodiversity are related to activities and waste management. Contractors must be careful so that the direct impacts (direct destruction) on rich ecosystems and associated fauna would be minimal. In other words, waste should not be dumped into the adjacent natural habitats. Soil and water contamination could have irreversible impacts on biodiversity. Finally, activities near dense pine forests with rich understory should be planned carefully and buffer zones must be created if needed.

The social risks of this project can be mitigated through periodic monitoring of labor conditions, specific required clauses within contracts that protect workers and the Code of Conduct (CoC) for Gender Based Violence (GBV) issues. This ESMP guides the contractor to preferably hire local workers, not to hire individuals below the legal working age in accordance with the labor law of Lebanon, and ensure proper implementation of the CoC. Further, close coordination with the concerned municipalities is recommended in relation to road obstruction issues and REP GRM must be clearly communicated to all stakeholders during and before project

implementation. Similarly, Health & Safety (H&S) risks can be mitigated through precaution and control measures including the development of site-specific safety and traffic management plans. Further, the ESMP provides key/measurable project indicators to monitor the detected risks. Project monitoring will be undertaken CDR (i.e. Supervisor Consultant) to ensure compliance and performance. Project progress reports will be prepared by CDR and submitted to the WB for review.

Public Consultation

The ESMP underwent public consultation with key stakeholders. An inclusive meeting in Metn at Deir Mar Elias Theatre in Antelias on Thursday July 3, had 17 participants, including 2 women, from various backgrounds. They were briefed on project objectives, design, local resources, risks, and mitigation plans, along with the establishment of a multi-channeled GRM in Metn Caza to handle grievances and complaints.

The discussion centered on road maintenance, prioritizing international and primary roads due to budget constraints. Municipalities expressed their intent to submit road assessment requests, and positive feedback on phase 1 of REP was received. Attendees were assured that relevant municipalities would be informed in advance of the project's start, and a public notice with GRM procedures would be posted for transparency. QR codes on project signboards would facilitate grievance reporting and resolution as outlined in the ESMP.

Project GRM

The purpose of a grievance mechanism is to ensure that all feedback and complaints received from stakeholders, employees, contractor staff and the public in general are documented, considered and addressed in an acceptable and timely manner.

The REP GRM has been established and is already accessible to communities to send their concerns and complaints. Citizens will be informed about the GRM mechanism before commencement of work through municipalities (i.e. through public announcement letters that will be posted at the public board of concerned municipalities including the number of Contractor's site engineer to be contacted and also through project sign boards). This multi-channeled GRM has three levels:

- <u>Level 1</u>: If any person has any complaint or concern regarding the project implementation, he/she can lodge an oral or written grievance to the site Manager. In case an oral complaint is made, it should be written by the Contractor Social expert. The issue must be resolved within a maximum duration of one week.
- <u>Level 2</u>: If the person is not satisfied with the action of the Contractor, he/ she can send the complaint to the PIU social specialist through Phone: 01980096 ext:317, Email: <u>GRM.REP@cdr.gov.lb</u> or official letter registered at the CDR. The issue shall be resolved within a maximum of two weeks.
- <u>Level 3</u>: If the person is not satisfied with the decision of the social specialist of PIU, he or she can bring the complaint to the attention of the PIU Director's Office. Once the PIU Director receives the complaint, it needs to be resolved within a maximum of two weeks. Citizen can also register an official letter at the CDR (Address: Tallet al Serail Riad el Solh, Beirut Lebanon).

The GRM for internal employees follows a similar structure, but with different contact people for each level. Level 1 involves the health and safety officer and E&S expert, and Level 2 is reported to the PIU Director, with the same one-week resolution timeframe

Conclusion

Assessments showed that the project risks can be mitigated if the Contractor succeeded in implementing this ESMP in an adequate manner, which documents the project's risks management strategy.

In order to achieve that, CDR has to oversee the implementation of this strategy by the Contractor.

Accordingly, if the Contractor succeeded in complying with the WB environmental and social standards and in ensuring a safe operation of activities, the project is expected to enhance the safety conditions of the select roads and most importantly create short-term jobs for the Lebanese and Syrians.

1 Introduction

1.1 Project Background

The Lebanon REP is a WB funded project that aims to improve transport connectivity along select paved road sections and create short-term jobs for the Lebanese and Syrians, and support farmers engaged in crop and livestock production. The REP was approved by the WB Board of Executive Directors in February 2017 and ratified by the Lebanese Parliament in October 2018.

The Council for Development and Reconstruction (CDR) is acting as the executing agency on behalf of the GOL and its Council of Ministers (COM).

The REP originally had three components. Following its restructuring in March 2021, a fourth component was added to address the impact of the COVID-19 on the agriculture sector. REP components are as follows:

- Roads Rehabilitation and Maintenance (US\$178 million): to finance works and related consultancy services for the rehabilitation and maintenance of about 500 km of primary, secondary, and tertiary roads, including road safety and spot improvements and repair of existing expansion joints on highways;
- (ii) Improvement of the MoPWT' Road Emergency Response Capacity (US\$4.5 million), especially during climate extremes;
- (iii) Capacity Building and Implementation Support (US\$7.5 million): to build the capacity of Lebanese agencies in planning and managing the road sector; and
- (iv) Support to farmers engaged in crop and livestock production (US\$10 million): to support continued agricultural production and vaccination of animals.

Accordingly, the REP ESMF was updated using an Addendum that can be found here https://www.cdr.gov.lb/getmedia/4254c2bd-3c63-4dfc-aeb7-dfb78eaada4f/REP-Component-4-ESMF_Vol-1_for-Disclosure_20210608.pdf.aspx.

This ESMP only deals with the first component of REP that aims at (a) rehabilitating, upgrading, and maintaining selected primary (including International Roads/Highways), secondary and tertiary roads, (b) providing technical assistance for the design, procurement, and supervision of said sub-projects, and (c) preparing safeguards instruments for the Project.

More specifically, this ESMP that was prepared by Dar Al Handasah Nazih Taleb & Partners, which was assigned by CDR to prepare all the tender documents needed for the rehabilitation and maintenance works of the roads located within Metn Caza under CDR contracts No.20832, covers the new envisaged routine maintenance activities in Lot 15 - Metn Caza. The aim is to manage the environmental and social risks associated with the new addition (i.e. routine maintenance activities in Metn Caza, primarily targeting the maintenance of primary roads/Highways, including the repair of expansion joints of Antelias bridge (BR-5)). Therefore, relevant mitigation measures as well as necessary institutional arrangements were covered through this ESMP Report.

It is important to note that REP Environmental and Social Management Framework (ESMF) (<u>https://www.cdr.gov.lb/CDR/media/CDR/StudiesandReports/Roads%20and%20Employment/</u><u>ESMF.pdf</u>) which was cleared by the WB and disclosed in April 2018 identified the potential environmental and social aspects associated with the project as well as the recommended respective management and monitoring measures.

Furthermore, the project's Resettlement (RPF) cleared by the WB and disclosed in April 2018 (https://www.cdr.gov.lb/CDR/media/CDR/StudiesandReports/Roads%20and%20Employment/ <u>RPF.pdf</u>) outlined the principles for resettlement impact mitigation as well as the organizational arrangements needed during project preparation and implementation; it also included the compensation measures that need to be implemented for any Project Affected Persons (PAPs) for any possible loss of land, properties or livelihoods.

Moreover, 25 site-specific ESMPs were prepared between 2019 and 2020, consulted upon, cleared by the WB and disclosed on the CDR and the WB websites. This includes the Metn - specific ESMP prepared by Dar Al Handasah Nazih Taleb & Partners covering roads that were selected by the Lebanese Government for full rehabilitation works (ESMP for Metn Caza is available on CDR Website via the following link:

https://www.cdr.gov.lb/CDR/media/CDR/StudiesandReports/Roads%20and%20Employment/C aza/Metn_Final-ESMP.pdf

1.2 Project Rationale

According to Schwab, 2017, in terms of road connectivity, Lebanon ranked 95 and achieved a poor connectivity score index of 48.7 out of 100. As for the road conditions, approximately 95% of the roads are paved but lack proper maintenance. In this context, to deal with increasing safety challenges, the Lebanese Government is implementing REP that among its stated objectives mentioned above, aims to enhance transport connectivity and safety along specific roads.

However, infrastructure projects can exert a substantial strain on the environment and natural resources. Only with sustainable practices and proper waste management plans enforced, the burden on the environment can be reduced. Sustainable projects can generally be achieved by considering the environmental impact of the construction process (Hoeckman et al., 2012). Similarly, the socio-economic effects of infrastructure projects can be reduced through transparency and fair compensation processes (Morris, 2007). In this context, this ESMP that covers routine maintenance works in Metn Caza was prepared by Dar Al Handasah Nazih Taleb & Partners for development decision to go hand in hand with environmental and social protection under the requirements of WB OP4.01, that classifies the project as Category B.

1.3 Report Objectives

The main aim of this ESMP for Metn Caza, is to stipulate the control measures required to manage and monitor the project environmental, social, and H&S risks in accordance with environmental laws and regulations in Lebanon and the WB guidelines.

This ESMP will serve as a practical tool for the project Contractor who is supposed to implement the devised management strategy to (1) reduce the footprint of REP' operations in Metn Caza

and (2) ensure safe operation of activities and prevent injuries to workers or the public. To reach the above-mentioned objective, the ESMP will:

- 1. Describe all activities of the project
- 2. Establish environmental and socio-economic baseline within the study area
- 3. Identify relevant environmental and social National Legal and Institutional Standards & WB Policies and regulations
- 4. Conduct an inclusive public consultation session that takes into consideration the views of Project Affected Persons (PAPs) to feed the project design and management plan;
- 5. Identify potential social, environmental, and H&S impacts associated with the implementation of the proposed project;
- 6. Propose feasible and applicable mitigation measures for the identified impacts;
- 7. Develop a plan to monitor the identified impacts and their associated mitigation measures;
- 8. Guide on creating short term jobs for communities within a gender workforce equality environment;
- 9. Identify the responsible authorities and assign roles for different organizations in the efficient implementation of this ESMP;
- 10. Implement a robust GRM that is multi-channeled and fully functional and that is clearly communicated to all PAPs.

1.4 Methodology

This ESMP encompasses the planned routine maintenance activities for primary roads and highways in Metn. It was prepared by **TIVÈL Consultancy** in response to Dar Al Handasah Nazih Taleb & Partners's request and serves as a comprehensive documentation of the project's risk management strategy. This fulfillment of environmental and social requirements aligns with the objectives outlined in component 1 of REP.

The methods used for setting the data collection, stakeholders' engagement, and impact assessment are elaborated in this section.

1.4.1 Collection of Environmental and Social Baseline information

Baseline data were collected from field surveys, previously conducted assessments in Metn Caza under REP, and generated GIS maps. Meteorological data, which play a vital role in transport and dispersion of air pollutants, were investigated and collected in shape of a statistical distribution of weather conditions over a period of time. Also, the ambient air quality for the study area was examined to assess the social wellbeing and health status of Metn community. A geospatial analysis was performed to indicate the percentages distribution of geological outcrops and hydrogeological classes at Metn Caza and along concerned highways/primary road alignments. Similarly, a Land Use Land Cover (LULC) analysis was conducted to better understand the percentage distribution of LULC at the Caza level and along road alignments. Results were then compiled with site visit observations. Regarding the social assessment, socio-economic information about Metn Caza was obtained from several national sources, as well as from the Ministry of Social Affairs (MoSA) and previous REP studies for Metn Caza. Finally, a list of main sensitive receptors was generated to better determine the PAPs.

1.4.2 <u>Methodlogy for Stakeholders Engagement</u>

The Stakeholder Circle methodology (Bourne, 2016) was used for defining the stakeholder community and recognizing the communication needed to influence each stakeholder's prospects and actions. Stakeholders were first identified, prioritized, and then engaged through directed communication. Emails, letters, and direct phone calls were adopted to personalize the communication with main recognized stakeholders. Finally, a formal invitation letter was sent to all stakeholders in relation to the arranged formal public meeting at Deir Mar Elias Theatre in Antelias on Thursday July 3, 2023.

1.4.3 <u>Methodology for Impact Assessment</u>

Impacts were assessed at the Caza level, including the representative roads, for all activities under the scope of work, and worst-case scenario impacts were considered following the grading methodology established by the Lebanese Ministry of Environment, detailed in Decision No 261/1 dated 2015 (refer to classification/grading method in Annex 3).

More specifically, knowing that drainage works, pavement repair works, and removal/installation of concrete structures are the riskiest of the whole spectrum of routine maintenance activities (Huang et al., 2009), the "worst-case scenario" impacts were considered.

Further, given that impacts are directly affected by the environmental and social conditions of the surrounding environment/adjacent areas to target roads, stricter mitigation measures were provided for segments of roads that are critical in terms of transmissivity, proximity to river, proximity to sensitive receptors, and proximity to critical natural habitats.

Based on the above, this ESMP was developed and included a monitoring plan, which is needed to ensure compliance of the project with environmental and social conditions and regulations. Based on the current institutional setup of the Roads and Employment Project, the institutional setup and the requirements for capacity development was described to ensure that project implementers have sufficient technical and human resources available to effectively undertake the environmental and social management and monitoring tasks.

2 Existing Policies, Legal and Administrative Framework

2.1 Legal Framework

Similar, to all the developed ESMPs within the REP project, this ESMP is conducted in accordance with the WB Safeguards and national and international laws/regulations that are related to environmental and social impact assessments (namely law 444 for the protection of environment, Laws 77 and 78 in relation to water and air protection, Law 80 and Decree 5605 on solid waste management, and the decisions on environmental standards that are elaborated in section 2.3). REP works contracts must comply with the national law on labor and the ILO obligations, which have been ratified by Lebanon (Penal code decree 340/1943; Labor Law/1946: The Lebanese Labor Code, Law No. 335/2001: Pursuant to the International Labor Organization ILO Convention No 182; Law 400 – 2002: Ratification of ILO convention No. 138, Decree 8987 – 2012; Law 205 – 2020; Law 28/2017, Decree 6940/2020; Decree 8987/2012:

Prohibition of employment of minors under the age of 18; and Decree 3791/2016: Minimum Wage).

Finally, Occupational Health and Safety (OHS) laws must be applied as well to avoid adverse impacts on workers. An overview of the main Lebanese environmental, social, and occupational legislations is provided in Table A in Annex 1.

2.2 Institutional Framework

The project is implemented by the CDR in coordination with the MoPWT. The other main national institutions that are in relation to REP include (1) municipalities in Metn Caza that were consulted at this stage of the project and they will supervise projects' implementation in their municipal territories; and (2) relevant ministries and governmental departments (e.g., Ministry of Environment (MoE), Ministry of Energy and Water (MoEW), Internal Security Forces/traffic department) that must be consulted when needed before and during project implementation in relation to hazardous waste management, water, electricity, and traffic matters (these institutions and their corresponding mandates are presented in Table B, in Annex 1).

2.3 Environmental Standards

Environmental standards that must be respected by the project Contractor are provided in this section. The Lebanese wastewater emission standards are less strict than the WB standards, but stricter for ambient air quality and similar for noise. In this context, during works execution, the stricter limits must be followed.

Allowable Wastewater Discharge

The allowable discharge requirement as specified by WB are presented in Table 2-1.

Wastewater Effluent Pollutants Threshold		
Parameters/pollutant	WB requirements	
рН	6 - 9	
BOD mg/l	30	
COD mg/l	125	
temperature Co	-	
Total nitrogen mg/l	10	
Total phosphorus mg/l	2	
Oil and grease mg/l	10	
Mercury mg/l	0.01	
Total suspended solids mg/l	50	
Total coliform bacteria (Most Probable Number/100 ml)	400	

 Table 2-1 Allowable wastewater discharge levels (WB requirements)

Air Emissions Targets

According to Decision 16/1 dated 2022, the maximum allowable limits for generators with capacity \geq 200 kW (or \geq 60 kVA) are shown in the below table.

Monitoring Parameter	Maximum Allowable Limits (mg/Nm ³)	Fuel type	Measurement Frequency
Dust	50	-	Continuous
CO	100	-	Mandatory if capacity
NO ₂	2,000	-	>=10MW
SO ₂	10	Diesel	Optional if capacity
302	750	Other	<10MW

Table 2-2 Reciprocating engine generator with capacity >=200 kW (or >=60 kVA)

Noise Emissions Targets

The expected noise pollution levels should not exceed the values listed in the MoE Decision 52/1 dated 1996. The limited; values are presented in the table below.

Table 2-3 Sound pressure limits (MoE Decision 52/1, 1996)

Phase	Sound Pressure Level dB(A)
Working Location (less than 8 working hrs.)	90
Working Location (requires good speech hearing)	80

Therefore, the maximum national standard of 90 (dB) for occupational noise exposure limits should not exceed an average duration of 8 hours working days.

If the limits are higher than the acceptable limits, then the exposure duration should be reduced as mentioned in the table below.

Table 2-4 Roise exposure mints (NoE Decision 32/1, 1990)		
Sound Pressure Level dB(A)	Exposure Duration (hrs.)	
95	4	
100	2	
105	1	
110	0.5	
115	0.25	

 Table 2-4 Noise exposure limits (MoE Decision 52/1, 1996)

Moreover, the following table indicates the Lebanese noise guidelines in different zones and at different periods of the day.

 Table 2-5 Lebanese noise guidelines for different zones (MoE 52/1, 1996)

Area classification	Maximum accepted noise level dB(A)			
Area classification	Day ¹	Evening ²	Night ³	
Residential area with few construction sites, activities or on a highway	50 - 60	45 – 55	40 - 50	
Urban residential area	45 - 55	40 - 50	35 - 45	
Residential suburb	40 - 50	35 - 45	30 - 40	
Rural residential, hospital, public garden	35 - 45	30 - 40	25 - 35	
Industrial zone	60 - 70	55 - 65	50 - 60	
⁽¹⁾ 7 a.m. to 6 p.m. ⁽²⁾ 6 p.m. to 10 p.m.	⁽³⁾ 10 p.m. to 7 a.	m.		

2.4 World Bank Policies and Guidelines

2.4.1 <u>Safeguard Policies</u>

The ESMP for Metn Caza should comply with the safeguard policy of the WB, specifically, the OP/BP 4.01 regarding Environmental Assessment. The OP 4.01 is triggered as the project could have impacts on the environment due to the maintenance of road infrastructures and associated civil works. Under the requirements of OP4.01, the proposed project is classified as Category B.

Impacts have no severe effects on the environment and can be mitigated via an environmental, safety, and social management plan.

Despite that OP 4.12 was triggered by this project and RPF was accordingly prepared (disclosed on the CDR website), in the context of Metn and in accordance with site specific plans, no involuntary resettlement or land acquisition will take place. In other words, the project will be implemented primarily within the existing "right of way" and there will be no displaced persons by the project activities (this includes local and Syrian refugees).

2.4.2 Access to Information, Consultations and Disclosure Policy

The WB allows access to any information in its possession that is not on a list of exceptions. Moreover, transparency is essential to building and maintaining communal dialogue, and increasing public awareness about the WBG's development role and mission. In this context, a formal consultation process with the public took place during the preparation of this ESMP for Metn Caza (refer to section 7.1). Moreover, this ESMP will be disclosed on CDR's and concerned municipalities' website.

3 Description of the Proposed Project

3.1 **Project Scope and Location**

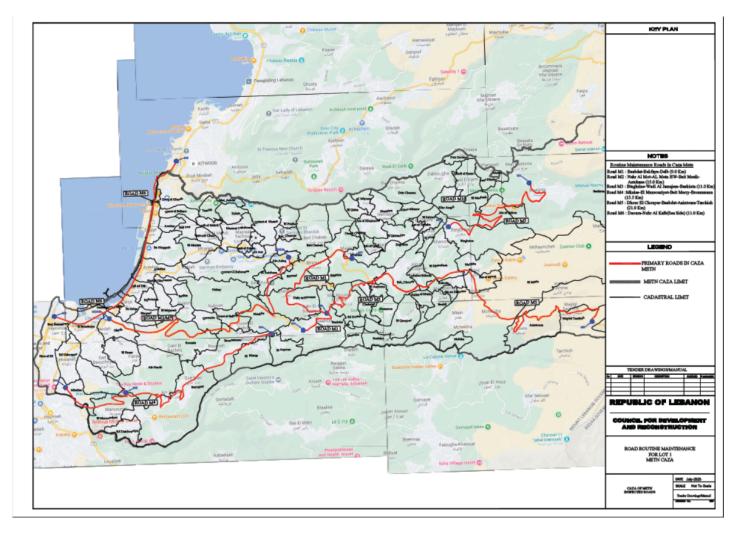
The project comprises routine maintenance activities in Lot 15 - Metn Caza, primarily targeting primary roads, including International roads that range from one lane in each direction with low traffic volume to multiple lanes in each direction with high traffic density, known as Highways (this includes the repair of expansion joints for Antelias bridge BR-5). Secondary roads will be considered if there is sufficient budget.

To assess the roads' conditions, a comprehensive evaluation was conducted at the Caza level, focusing on six representative roads and BR-5 as detailed in a separate technical reports prepared by Engineer Dar Al Handasah Nazih Taleb & Partners (refer to Table 3-1 and Figure 3-1). The total length of these roads is around 85.5 km.

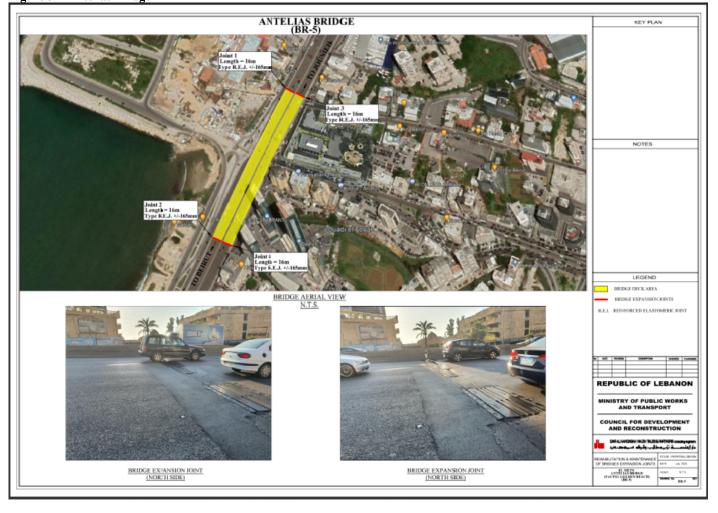
Road name	Description	Classification
Road M1	Baabdet- Bekfaya- Delb (9 km)	Primary
Road M2	Nahr Al Mot –Al metn Highway-Beit Mesik- Atchane (15km)	Primary
Road M3	Bteghrine-Wadi el Jamamjem-Baskinta (11km)	Primary
Road M4	Mkales-El Mansouriyet-Beit Mery- Broummana (15.5 km)	Primary
Road M5	Dhour El Choueir –Baabdet-Aintoura- Tarchich (21 km)	Primary
Road M6	Daoura-Nahr el Kaleb (sea side)(11km)	Highway

 Table 3-1 Representative roads in Metn Caza

Figure 3-1 Metn Caza primary roads



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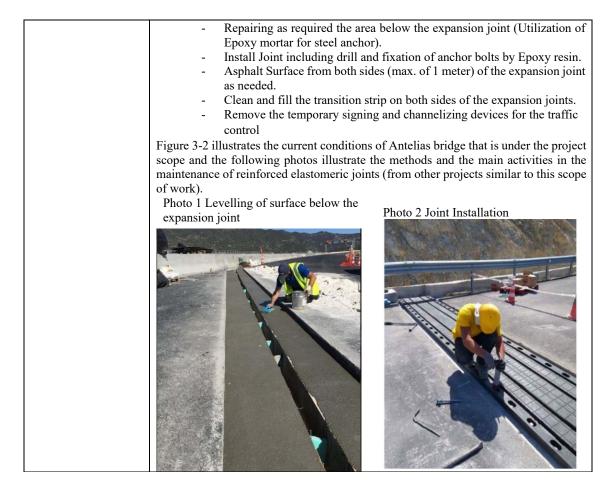
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3.2 **Project Activities**

The envisaged general roadway repair works within Metn Caza were grouped into incidental repair works, pavement repair works, concrete repair works, and installation of channelizing devices and traffic control devices (Table 3-2).

Category	Maintenance Activity
- Incidental	Clearing and grubbing
repair works	
_	Repair of Masonry wall
	• Cleaning of waterways, hydraulic structures, drainage pipes, and box culverts,
- Pavement	• Pavement overlay, for a limited area, consists of paving over the existing roadway
repair works	
1	• Shallow patching works, for a limited section, includes removing the existing
	pavement (milling); generally, between 4 to 5 cm, and paving the area that was milled
	• Deep patching works, for a limited section, may be needed when the structural
	integrity of the road is compromised. Including excavation, base course (30 cm),
	prime coat, asphalt binder course, tack coat and asphalt wearing courses
	• Crack sealing
	• Milling & overlay for sunken but stable trench, width less than 1 m including tack
	coat
	• Removal and reinstatement of damaged trench width less than 1 m including excavation, base course (30cm), prime coat, asphalt binder course, tack coat and asphalt wearing courses
- Concrete	• Repair of box culverts, headwalls, concrete channel, concrete safety barrier,
repair works	retaining walls, and cover channels
- Installation	• Installation of thermoplastic reflectorized road paint lines including surface
of Traffic	preparation and removal of existing paint lines (where needed)
control	• Installation of thermoplastic reflectorized special road marking including speed
devices	limit marking, cats eye, pavement studs, bituminous speed humps; rumble strips;
	delineators and makers posts; temporary traffic signs, barricade with flashers etc.
- Temporary	• Installation and reinstallation of concrete barrier, removable single face concrete
Channelizin	g safety barrier, or removable double face concrete safety barrier.
Devices	
- Repair of	Works will be subject to the state of defect which is described based on two folds:
existing	• In case of slight defect: the repair of existing joints consists of replacing the
highway	damaged parts of joint and restoring/repairing the deteriorated parts of anchorage
expansion	systems without full replacement of existing joints.
joints	• In case of complete defect: the rehabilitation of deck expansion joints includes
	mainly replacing the existing one by a similar type of joint according to the
	method statement presented hereafter. The majority of highway joints under this scope of work are reinforced elastomeric
	joints and the required maintenance works consist mainly of fully/partially replacing
	the damaged joint with a new one having similar technical specifications.
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	The execution of required works can be classified as a simple maintenance activity
	that will be carried out with a limited number of labourers (between 5 & 8 workers for
	each joint bridge), light machine (pick-up truck, bobcat), and in a quick time (not to
	exceed two weeks per bridge). It will include the following activities:
	- Install as necessary the temporary signing and channelizing devices for
	the traffic control plan in the working area.
	- Remove of the existing expansion joints, all related materials and
	accessories.

Table 3-2 Envisaged routine maintenance activities for Metn caza



3.3 Equipment and Materials/Items

Typical equipment used for routine maintenance activities include shovel, grass cutter, wheel roller, crusher, grader, paver, compacting equipment (compactor/roller), milling machines, cleaning machines, lifting devices etc. A typical tabular format, which shows the raw materials and items needed for the routine maintenance activities, is presented in Table E in Annex 1.

3.4 Staffing and Site Facilities

Routine maintenance activities are typically of small scale (i.e., activities will occur on a small section of the road), but widely dispersed, and most of them require skilled and unskilled manpower. The number of required unskilled workers (laborers) needed to perform repair works on-site will depend on each maintenance activity and on the timing of works. In this context, and as an indicative number only, the number of workers is estimated to be 20 workers for normal days and can increase to reach up to 30 workers during the peak maintenance period (e.g., before the rainy season.

Accordingly, the Contractor will be encouraged to hire laborers from the local community living in the project area (with a balanced distribution between Lebanese and Syrian workers).

The Contractor's skilled labors include environmental, social, and OHS experts who will be responsible of the implementation of this ESMP in collaboration with project manager, site engineers, and site officers. They will also train non-skilled workers on how to follow the safeguards requirements.

The Project site will not include labor camps, lodging on site, and repair garages. During the implementation phase, the Contractor will have to rent a flat located in the Project area to serve as a project office. The office will be fully used by the Contractor Engineers, technical skilled workers and the Supervising Consultant. The flat will be equipped with toilet, kitchen (including drinking water and appliances), lockers and other supplies needed for the daily administrative activities. If applicable, the on-site rest point will be decided by the Contractor at the time of works. Finally, the Contractor will have to service the on-site with a portable cabin toilet. The porta cabin will be mobile and its placement depends on the work zone (wastewater management in relation to the porta cabin are provided in Table 5-1).

4 Description of the Environment and Social Context

Existing conditions within the area of influence were recorded prior the project implementation. This data was then analyzed for impact prediction and assessment. Baseline data covers the status of the following receptors: air quality, water/soil quality, hydrogeological conditions, climate and meteorology, natural habitats, land-use/land-cover, and socio-economic conditions.

4.1 Physical Environment

4.1.1 <u>Topography</u>

Roads under consideration are located in Metn Caza. Primary roads start off at the coast and ascend into the mountains. Attitude approximately range between 2 m to 1477 m.

BR-5 is situated at 13 m above sea level with a maximum clear height from ground level of about 7 m, whereas, the variation of surface elevation of representative roads is presented in the table below:

Dood Alignmont		Elevation (m)					
Road Alignment	Min	Max	Mean				
M1	782	916	984				
M2	4	427	761				
M3	823	987	1248				
M4	34	479	824				
M5	913	1248	1477				
M6	2	4	21				

 Table 4-1 Variation of surface elevation of representative roads in Metn Caza

4.1.2 <u>Subsurface and Surface Conditions</u>

4.1.2.1 Geological Outcrops

In order to obtain a better understanding of the geology in the area, a geospatial analysis (Figure A in Annex 2) was performed to indicate the percentages of geological outcrops encountered at the Caza level. The summary of the geological outcrops exposed in the study are listed and described in Table F in Annex 2. The outcropping lithological formations in and around the study area belong to multiple geological time periods namely, to the Cretaceous (22 %) and Jurassic (45%) geological time periods.

The assessment covered as well the percentage of outcrops per road (refer to Table G). For example, Road M1 sits quasi entirely (91%) over a J6 formation whereas Roads M2 and M3, are 86 %, and 80 % over J6 formation, respectively.

4.1.2.2 Hydrogeological Conditions:

Geological units can be defined as aquifer or aquiclude in term of storing and transmitting water, and these types depend on the geological environment in which they occur. In summary, in terms of hydro-stratigraphy, the project covers several classes:

- <u>Karstic limestone formation</u> represented as 1,2, and 3 in Figure A and described in Table A (in Annex 2): these types of formations **are highly susceptible to contamination** in the event of mismanagement of generated wastes due to the shallow water table and easy subsurface water flow which enhances spread of contamination when it occurs.
- <u>In-porous formation</u> represented as 10,11, and 15 in Figure B these types of formations typically limit subsurface water flow and therefore any contamination that manages to infiltrate to the subsurface is highly unlikely to spread.

Similar to the geological analysis, a hydrogeological analysis was done to determine the percentage distribution of hydrogeological classes at the Caza level; where 48% consists of karstic and high transmissivity formations with wide and rich water table. Statistics for each individual road are shown in Table L (in Annex 2).

4.1.2.3 Surface Water

The main rivers in Metn Caza are: El Kaleb" river (Nahr El Kaleb), Nahr Beirut and 'Wadi Antelias.

The general surface layout map of Metn Caza is shown in Figure B Annex 2 and in Table J for the representative roads. For instance, the assessment shows that Wadi Antelias is located at distances of 1 meter, 4 meters, and 8 meters from Roads M6, M1, and M2, respectively. On the other hand, Nahr el Kaleb is situated 4 meters away from Road M3 and 20 meters from Road M6.

4.1.3 <u>Climate</u>

The climate and meteorological parameters play a vital role in transport and dispersion of pollutants in the atmosphere. One of the most significant meteorological parameters that influence project activities is precipitation due to its ability to enhance the infiltration of accidental spills and contaminated maintenance wastewater within the area depending on site operation procedures. The total precipitation ranges between 803 mm at coastal area (lowest point) and 954 mm at mountain (highest point) whereas, the hottest month in the area is August (31.85 °C) and coldest month is January (-1.49 °C) (CHIRPS and MODIS satellites).

4.1.4 <u>Ambient Air</u>

Air quality is an essential component in assessing social wellbeing and health status of a community. Atmospheric air quality data was collected from the Sentinel 5P Tropomi Satellite which provides daily near real time data for various gases in the atmosphere. The mean tropospheric NO2 column density was calculated using the Google earth engine code java script editor resulting in Figure C (in Annex 2) which revealed in the mean NO2 values across the border of Lebanon between year 2018 up to end of year 2023. It is clear that the NO2 pollution is concentrated above the Beirut area and decreases when moving east to reach its lowest value in the eastern Bekaa plain. The routine maintenance roads of Metn Caza are overlain as white alignments over the below NO_2 map to have an idea of the ambient air quality in the surrounding area.

4.1.5 <u>Land Use /Land Cover</u>

A LULC analysis was conducted to determine the distribution of LULC over the whole Caza (% of LULC distribution throughout the Caza are presented in Figure D in Annex 2). Further the analysis determined as well the % of LULC distribution along the representative road alignments with a fixed buffer of 50 m from roads centerlines (refer to Table L in Annex 2).

The assessment revealed that 24% of the Caza's Land Use and Land Cover (LULC) is comprised of pine forests. Additionally, 48% of Road M2, 40% of Road M3, 17% of Road M4, and 22% of Road M5 are bordered by either dense or low-density pine forests.

Grasslands account for 19% of the land cover, while outcrop areas make up 7%. Additionally, 12% of the Caza's LULC is composed of urban fabric. The remaining land cover includes oak maquis, shrublands, deciduous fruit trees, and agricultural terraces, as detailed in Annex 2.

4.2 Biological Environment

A rapid biological assessment was carried out to draw the ecological profile of the adjacent areas to Metn primary roads. The assessment was based on the LULC analysis/map. Results Were then compiled with site visit observations. Potential flora species were also considered in this assessment and their ecological value was based on their local ecological importance (distribution of species and degree of endemism (Tohmé and Tohmé, 2014) and IUCN classification).

The project area ranges from the Thermo-Mediterranean near the coast to the Eu-Mediterranean and Supra-Mediterranean at Tarchich level (1477 m absl). The altitudinal range plays an important role in plant composition (Abi Saleh, 1996).

Beside observed pine forests that are of significant ecological importance, distinct biotopes were recorded (despite not being in their optimal state), including riparian habitats that serve as excellent refuges for various avian, reptilian, and amphibious species (e.g., observed near Road M3 in proximity to Naher el Kaleb). Oak woodlands (e.g., segments adjacent to Road M2) also feature among these recorded biotopes (refer to Figure E), necessitating protection throughout Lebanon. A comprehensive account of encountered habitats and their corresponding flora is presented in Table M in Annex 2.

4.3 Socio-Economic Condition

4.3.1 General Background

Demographics - CAS (2020) data reveals that in 2018–19, Metn Caza represented approximately 10.6% of Lebanon's total population, with about 511,000 residents (excluding Syrian refugees). The population was relatively evenly split by gender, with 51.1% females and 48.9% males. Age-wise, residents aged 25 to 64 years constituted the largest group at 51.5%, while those under 18 accounted for 22.7%, and those aged 18 to 24 comprised 11.8%. The remaining 14% consisted of individuals aged 65 years and older. Notably, Metn boasted a lower age dependency ratio (48.2%) compared to the national average of 53.9%, positioning it as one of the districts with the lowest dependency ratios (CAS, 2020).

The average household size in Metn was reported as 3.5 individuals (CAS, 2020). Data regarding Female Headed Households (FHH) in Metn indicated that 18% of households were led by women, while the majority, 82%, were headed by men (CAS, 2020). In terms of headcount poverty, Metn exhibited a lower rate at 11%, in contrast to Lebanon's average of 27% (UNDP, 2008). There is no updated data available concerning impoverished households and individuals with disabilities in Metn. However, it is evident that the economic crisis has disproportionately affected already vulnerable groups, including persons with disabilities and those aged 65 and above (ILO, 2021).

The number of registered Syrian refugees in Metn stood at 20,237 (UNHCR, 2023). No official Syrian refugees' camps or tent settlements were observed along assessed roads. Syrian refugees typically reside in concrete buildings within the local communities (including in Metn). There is no updated data on Syrian refugees at Metn level. At the national level, in 2019, 18% of Syrian households were led by women, and 6% by individuals above the age of 59. Moreover, the proportion of households with at least one member having specific needs, such as disability or chronic medical conditions, increased from 64% in 2018 to 70% in 2019 (VASyR, 2019). The vulnerability of Syrian refugees also escalated, with a growing number falling below the poverty and severe poverty lines in 2019 (VASyR, 2019).

It is important to mention that, given that Syrian refugees are not living in specific 'camps', they are considered as part of the local communities in this assessment. Moreover, the mitigation measures outlined in this ESMP are designed to ensure that the communities around the roads in Metn Caza, including any vulnerable groups such as impoverished households, the

elderly, and Syrian refugees, if present, will not be negatively impacted. The assessment focused on immediate sensitive receptors as specified in section 4.3.2.

Connectivity to infrastructure and utilities- In terms of drinking water sources, 83.4% of households in Metn relied on non-piped water supply (CAS, 2020). Only 16.5% of households had access to piped water directly at their residence, while a negligible 0.1% lacked any drinking water facility (CAS, 2020). Almost all households in Metn were connected to the public electricity network, and 95.6% had subscriptions to a private electricity source or owned a private generator (CAS, 2020).

Education - Both the Gross Enrolment Ratio (GER) and Net Enrolment Rate (NER) exhibited a decrease with higher educational levels. In Metn, the GER was 96.6% at the elementary level and 88.3% at the secondary level. The NER was 87% at the elementary level but declined to 69.9% at the secondary level. Compared to the national level, Metn had a higher GER at the secondary level, while the NER was higher at both the intermediate and secondary levels (CAS, 2020).

Schooling and illiteracy rate- In Metn, a higher percentage of students aged 3-24 years enrolled in private educational institutions (66.9%) rather than public institutions (28.6%) (CAS, 2020). Several public and private schools are established in the project area such as Betghrine official high school (116 m away of Road M3) and Saint Coeur Dhour Choueir School (572 m away from M5). Encountered schools are reported in section 4.3.2 and in Table N in Annex 2.

About one-third of residents aged 3 years and above in Metn (29.2%) had achieved a universitylevel education or above (CAS, 2020). The illiteracy rate increased with age, with 10.3% of residents aged 65 years and above being illiterate. In contrast, only 1.6% of those aged between 10 and 17 years were illiterate. Illiteracy was more prevalent among women aged 18 years and above, particularly among those aged 65 years and above (CAS, 2020).

Road conditions - The roads in El Metn are narrow, damaged and lack proper safety measures, hence increasing the risk of accidents. Such deteriorating roads also hinder the easy access to the rural peripheries by limiting the mobility of the general population. Moreover, the absence of sufficient rainwater collection canals leads to often blocked roads during severe weather, mainly during the winter.

Healthcare Sector- The main healthcare centers and hospitals in Metn are: Serhal hospital, Middle East Institute of Health, Saideh hospital, Eye and Ear Hospital International, Centre Hospitalier Beit Chabab, Bhannes hostpital (locaed 60 m way from Road M1), Dahr al Bachek Governement Hospital, BelleVue Medical Center, St. Joseph Hospital (located 165 m away from Road M6), Haroun Hospital (116 m away from Road M6), Hopital AbouJaoude, Bitar Hospital, St. Jean Hospital, Jabal Lebnan hospital, Machrek Hospital (located 300 m way from M4) and Wadih Al Haj Health Center (located 4 m away from Road M3 in Baskinta).

4.3.2 **<u>Road Sensitive Receptors</u>**

Environmental receptors

As indicated in the physical and biological analysis, specific road segments have been identified as critical due to their proximity to particular environmental features. These

environmental features/sensitive receptors include rivers, as well as ecologically significant ecosystems/adjacent to roads, including riparian habitats, oak maquis, and pine forests, all of which require preservation:

- <u>Wadi Antelias</u> is located at distances of 1 meter, 4 meters, and 8 meters from Roads M6, M1, and M2, respectively.
- <u>Nahr el Kaleb</u> is situated 4 meters away from Road M3 and 20 meters from Road M6.
- Riparian habitats that serve as excellent refuges for various avian, reptilian, and amphibious species (e.g., observed the above mentioned rivers) even if not in their suboptimal state the project should not affect them.
- <u>Oak woodlands</u> were observed along some road segments <u>-</u> (e.g., segments adjacent to Road M2)
- <u>Pine forests</u> that are of ecological significance were observed along all assessed roads. For instance, 48% of Road M2, 40% of Road M3, 17% of Road M4, and 22% of Road M5 are bordered by either dense or low-density pine forests.

Additionally, some roads are deemed critical because they are situated on Karstic formations, which renders the adjacent soils (the receiving environment) highly susceptible to potential contamination. Particular caution is required when conducting operations along Road M1, as it predominantly covers a J6 formation (approximately 91%). Roads M2 and M3 also warrant special attention, as they traverse 86% and 80% of a J6 formation (which is permeable), respectively.

This ESMP provided specific measures such as limiting the use of noisy machinery, implementing stricter procedures for handling raw materials, ensuring responsible storage practices, and establishing buffer zones when necessary, especially when roads are in proximity to sensitive receptors.

Social receptors

Table N in Annex 2 summarizes the nearby sensitive receptors surrounding the main roads in Metn Caza along with their respective distances from the nearest segment of the road.

Nearly all assessed roads include segments that are in close proximity to residential buildings, shops (along all roads including BR-5) and churches (e.g., Saint Sarkis and Bakhos church 31m away from Road M1, Our lady of Perpetual help is located 86 m away from M1). Some roads include as well sections that are in close proximity to agricultural terraces and fruit trees (e.g. Road M3 in Baskinta) whereas others are in close proximity to schools (e.g. Bteghrine official high school and Autism school are located 116 m and 135m away from Road M3 and Road M6, respectively) and hospital and medical centers (e.g. Wadih Al Haj Health center is only 4 m away from Road M3 at Baskinta, St Joseph Hospital is 165 m away from Road M6, and Bhannes hospital is 60 m away from Road M1) (refer to Table N, Figure F and Figure G in Annex 2).

When sections are at a distance of 50 m or less to or cross the surrounding sensitive receptors special care is needed in case they will be maintained. The Contractor should inform the local community about work schedule and execute the works at a good timing in order not to affect citizen going to church, patients or students to anticipate and avoid obstruction of access.

Further, coordination with owners of shops and nearby residents need to start before work execution and water spraying is crucial during the execution of works near agricultural terraces to limit impacts on farmers produce.

5 Potential Impacts and Proposed Mitigation measures

In this Chapter, the project positive impacts and the identified REP's potential negative impacts are elaborated along with their correspondent mitigation measures. The impact assessment methodology is described in Annex 4.

5.1 Positive Impacts

Potential positive environmental impacts of the routine maintenance activities to be executed in Metn are associated with enhanced road conditions. For instance, improved drainage will 1) decrease blockages and improve proper disposal of surface storm water run-off, 2) improve traffic safety, and 3) control erosion, which in turn reduces the risk of water stagnation which can damage road pavement and is associated with several waterborne diseases and contamination. Additionally, the project will improve the safety conditions of the roads through repair of pavements, safety barriers and retaining walls. Most importantly, the project will create short-term employment opportunities to local residents and Syrian refugees. Considerable additional jobs will also be created in the supply chain industries as well as the engineering and consultancy services.

Finally, the project will boost as well economic activities along the active roads, for instance, shops owners will benefit from the influx of labor, and local garages will benefit from increased business in vehicle and equipment maintenance.

5.2 Negative Impacts

Potential negative impacts on local environment, communities, and workers are presented in Table 5-1.

Impacts were assessed, following MoE grading (refer to Annex 4), for the general routine maintenance activities under the project scope. The worst-case scenario impacts were considered for critical road segments (i.e. segment of roads that are in close proximity to rivers or critical natural habitats or that fall on karstic formation) where impacts are expected to be more significant and accordingly specific mitigation measures are provided.

Regarding the social impact assessment, impacts on socio economic conditions of vulnerable groups will be assessed as part of the impacts on the surrounding inhabited areas, as in Metn, displaced Syrians are not living in specific camps, and thus are considered as part of the local communities. Moreover, it is important to mention that maintenance works in Metn will not require land acquisition, therefore, vulnerable groups will not be relocated.

Impacts that are expected to be localized and moderate include fugitive dust emission during maintenance work, increase in noise pollution derived from machinery, degradation of water quality, potential damages to existing utilities, and disturbance of local biodiversity. Potential social risks related to the project include nuisance; traffic disturbance; potential labor influx; potential social tensions; increase in GBV risks (mainly SEA and SH); inappropriate labor

conditions; obstruction of temporary access routes to sensitive receptors and road users, damages of public utilities, and others. Further, adverse HS and OHS impacts that are associated with project activities (exposure to physical, chemical, biological hazards and traffic-related accidents) are expected to be of high significance in the absence of an effective Environment Health and Safety (EHS)/OHS management system and TMP or in case of safety gaps (e.g., incomplete risk assessment and lack of safety procedures, training, engineering and administrative controls, emergency preparedness and response plan).

5.3 Environmental and Social Management Plans

All identified impacts must be controlled and mitigated as early as possible. Thus, the aim of the management plans is to ensure effective and fast action responses to achieving good environmental, social, and safety performances.

In addition to the environmental management plan (Table 5-1) and the social management plan (Table 5-2), a separate OHS management plan was provided in Table 5-3. Both the ESMP and the OHS management plan must be implemented to fulfill REP safeguard requirements. In other words, the Contractor is obliged to implement reasonable precautions to provide a safe environment for the work force and public. Measures to prevent and control occupational and community hazards are provided at this stage of the project. However, an OHS plan, in line with CDR (2007), IFC, EHS/OHS, and OSHA guidelines for construction sites (including site-specific risk assessments), should be submitted by the Contractor before initiating works. The OHS manual plan should at least include the developed measures in Table 5-3 and a comprehensive Job Hazard Analysis (JHA). The results of these analyses should be prioritized as part of an action plan based on the likelihood and severity of the consequence of exposure to the identified hazard. Finally, measures in relation to traffic management and guidance in relation to the Traffic Management Plan (TMP) that should be prepared as well by the Contractor with special considerations for Highways (to be approved by consultant before commencement of work) are provided along with H&S control measures in Table 5-3.

Table 5-1 Environnemental Management Plan

Parameter	eemental Management Plan Activities	Impacts	Significance of Impacts Before Mitigation	Mitigation Measures	Significance of Impacts After Mitigation	Responsibility
Water and soil Quality	 Works with Potential to Cause Impacts in case of <u>mismanagement of</u> <u>generated waste</u>, <u>improper handling</u> <u>of construction materials</u>, and <u>uncontrolled spills and littering</u>: Pavement repair works Excavations and milling can produce substantial amounts of dust and scattered pavement materials. Pavement repair works will result in the generation of solid and hazardous wastes; mainly old asphalt layers, crushed sub-base aggregates, solvent and oil products etc. Accidental spills of bituminous materials with construction runoff and storm water might result in water and soil quality deterioration. Drainage Maintenance Improper disposal of waste of removed obstructions, debris and waste; from cleaning hydraulic structures Improper disposal of excess waste during replacement of drainage appliances Installation/removing of road markings and paintings Improper storage and disposal of chemical compounds (e.g., paint). Spillage of chemical paint substances Installation of concrete barriers and concrete repair works Spills from on-site concrete pouring 	 Pollution of surface water where road cross rivers. Pollution of underground aquifers specially that mainly all studied road alignments fall on karst limestone aquifers. Increased water turbidity due to the generated dust that can either enter water courses when it is mixed and directed by rain or it can be deposited naturally. Pollution of water resources and soil quality due to improper management of toxic substances (e.g., asphalt layer), inadequate disposal of solid waste, debris Pollution of water and soil quality due to accidental spills of bituminous materials, chemicals/paint and leachate of concrete pouring. Pollution of water and soil quality due to improper management of the generated domestic solid waste and wastewater from the porta cabin. Deterioration of water and soil quality due to contaminated stormwater runoff with bituminous materials, fuel/oil. 	Medium	 Dust Control During excavation, water should be sprinkled to hamper fugitive dust emissions that could pollute surrounding water quality. Construction Solid Waste and Wastewater Management Excavated soil should be stored and transported offsite to the nearest licensed dumpsite "due to possible heavy metal contamination. During pavement repair works Cleared subgrade or reclaimed asphalt must not be disposed into the road adjacent ecosystems and rivers. Compacted, unsuitable/degraded materials shall be disposed in a licensed landfill and suitable materials should be sent to facilities to be reused in construction. Cleared materials and debris (soil, stones and sticks) should not be neither stored nor disposed into the nearby streams and rivers. Cleared materials should be properly collected away from drainage waterways When cleaning hydraulic structures: store wastes collected from cleaning activities of the drainage system in appropriat containers or themporary storage sites in a manner that prevents disposed of to a safe place. Management of Accidental Leakages/Spills Accidental leakate during concrete pouring should be immediately cleaned, collected in an impermeable bag and disposed along the municipal solid waste collection route. Have a spill response plan in place and spill kits on site. All workers should be trained on its implementation. Accidental should be cleaned with an absorbent pad or saw dust. Contaminated absorbent and/or soil should be collected in an impermeable bag to be deposed along the existing municipal waste collection route, in the absence of a national licensed landfill for hazardous waste. Proper Handling of fresh asphalt, slury, paints, an		Project Contractor

Parameter	Activities	Impacts	Significance of Impacts Before Mitigation	Mitigation Measures	Significance of Impacts After Mitigation	Responsibility
				 During installation of concrete barriers and concrete repair works, on-site concrete pouring must be done in a way to avoid leaching in nearby streams and water bodies. Concrete works should be performed at least 40 meters away from nearby streams or sensitive habitats. <u>Control of Stormwater Runoff</u> In case of temporary storage of excavated materials, accidental contamination or spills of the removed soil should be avoided to limit contamination of storm water runoff and in turn the surrounding streams. Any stockpiled construction material should be covered with an impermeable layer to avoid contamination of stormwater runoff. <u>Domestic Solid Waste and Wastewater Management</u> Domestic-like waste shall be removed daily from the routine maintenance sites. The generated waste onsite should be properly segregated at source into recyclables and organic waste in appropriately labelled waste bins. The Contractor should link the porta cabin toilet to the existing wastewater network. In case of linking the porta cabin toilet to a polyethylene storage tank, the following should be done: A specialized contractor and licensed by the relevant authority (e.g. municipality) should be selected to periodically collect the wastewater from the polyethylene tank. The tank should be inspected regularly to check for any leakages and to ensure that the generated wastewater is properly collected before it's full. Timing of Works Clean drain structures and repair slopes and road shoulders prior to the wet season for easier control of deleterious materials and runoff. If intervention in rainy season is needed, special care is required to allow water away from the road and avoid erosion. If the schedule requires working in the rain, the work area shall be isolated and appr		
Soil erosion	 Earth works Cleaning and grubbing Repair works resulting in disturbed areas which aren't properly re-vegetated. 	 Excavation of soil may result in disturbance of soil structure and thus may cause an increase in soil erosion and release of sediments. This will permanently change the structure of the soil and surface geology. Cleaning and grubbing grass and weeds may result-in erosion of the slopes and removal of vegetation. 	Medium	 After repairing shoulders, it is important that the side slope is immediately covered with grass turfing. When trimming of grass and weeds from roadway it is important to ensure that the grass is not grubbed but only trimmed to avoid erosion of the slopes. 	Low	Project Contractor
Air quality	 Excavation and milling works Movement of raw materials transporting vehicles on unpaved surfaces Unloading of raw materials Open storage of raw materials 	 Exhaust emissions from vehicles transporting workers to/from site (i.e., buses, mini-vans, cars). Exhaust emissions from power generators. Exhaust and dust emissions from excavators, paving vehicles (graders, sweepers, dump trucks, asphalt pavers, compactors/rollers, steel wheel 	High	 <u>Control of Exhaust Emissions</u> Ensure the maintenance of all construction equipment and vehicles regularly, at least once a month. Machinery and equipment should be equipped with air pollution control equipment that should be monitored regularly to ensure its effective operation. Power generators should be equipped air pollution control equipment. Avoid idling time of machinery. 	Low	Project Contractor

Parameter	Activities	Impacts	Significance of Impacts Before Mitigation	Mitigation Measures	Significance of Impacts After Mitigation	Responsibility
	 Disturbances to material stockpiles by local winds and material handling, which is of great significance depending on the road location. Wind blow during transportation of materials by vehicles and specifically when transporting on unpaved roads 	 rollers, bitumen tanks with spreaders). Dust emissions from disturbances to material stockpiles by local winds, material handling and traffic using unpaved roads. The generated fugitive dust will highly affect the nearby agricultural lands. 		 During excavation and dust generating activities, water should be sprinkled to hamper fugitive dust emissions. In specific, water should be sprayed on exposed surfaces during dry periods near residents, schools, churches and agricultural lands surrounding the roads (refer to Table N in Annex 2). Ensure that trucks hauling raw materials are properly covered. Ensure that stockpiles of raw materials are always covered Ensure that all trucks carrying removed materials/waste from construction sites are covered. Additionally, when the maintenance works are conducted in close proximity to critical segments (e.g. near river, natural habitat), the following should be implemented: Loading and off-loading of raw materials should be performed away from sensitive ecosystems and/or nearby rivers. Stockpiles of raw materials should be placed at least 50 m away from sensitive habitats. 		
Odor	 Pavement repair works Installation of road marking and painting 	 Odors from asphalt fumes and paint can cause unpleasant smells to the surrounding. Odor emissions might be generated from mismanagement of solid waste and wastewater and disrupt the local environment. 	High	 Transport trucks, specifically trucks transporting asphalt, are to be tightly covered at all hauling times to reduce as much as possible release of unpleasant odors. When maintenance activities will be performed in close proximity to sensitive receptors (refer to Table N in Annex 2), the community should be informed beforehand regarding the expected odor emissions. Ensure daily collection of solid waste from the site and adequate management of the generated wastewater. 	Low	Project Contractor
Noise	 Elevated noise levels will mainly result from excavation, pavement and milling, and concrete placement, etc. Noise and vibration might be caused by the operation of earth moving and excavation equipment, concrete mixers, cranes and the transportation of equipment, materials and workers. 	• Heavy and noisy machinery such as, excavators, bob cat, steel roller, compressors, pick- up, dump trucks that generate unpleasant noise levels and disrupt nearby settlements and natural habitats.	Medium	 Regular maintenance of the machinery, equipment and vehicle should be performed to prevent excessive noise. Appropriate work schedule should be applied to avoid nuisance to the surrounding receptors. Vehicles and equipment that meet national standards for noise and vibration should be used. Avoid noise generating activities near roads surrounded by sensitive receptors (mainly road segments that are surrounded by forests) 	Low	Project Contractor
Biodiversity	 Routine maintenance debris, excavated materials and other used construction materials if discharged directly into the adjacent rivers and valleys. Wastewater discharge into the roadside woodlots and riparian habitats can severely affect the local fauna and flora and eventually lead to population destruction. Contamination of terrestrial habitat due to accidental spill The generation of emissions and disturbances such as noise, dust, and pollutants in adjacent areas' soil and vegetation. Clearing and grubbing (i.e., removal within the limits of 	 Temporary disturbance of nearby ecosystems Direct destruction of population Habitat Alteration Road kills (i.e., mortality due to vehicular collisions). Contamination of terrestrial habitat due to accidental spills Fauna injuries due to collision with machine 	Medium	 General Mitigation Measures During drainage maintenance, culverts should be surveyed for the presence of nesting communities Culverts where wildlife have been determined to be absent do not require buffers or exclusion practices Prior to grubbing or excavation, the contractor should inspect the working zones for areas of endangered plant or animal species, Any findings shall be reported immediately Whenever any vegetation is scheduled to remain in-place, selective clearing techniques shall be employed. All vegetation listed to remain should be marked Contractor's personnel should not damage remaining shrubs, trees or their root systems during selective clearing A waste management plan must be taken to avoid contaminating adjacent natural habitats and direct destruction of wildlife Strict Measures Near Critical Habitats: In case works will take place near riparian habitats (i.e., when roads cross or are in close proximity to rivers and streams) provide a filter strip between the road and the river/stream (e.g., Wadi Antelias, Nahr el Kalebetc.). Prevent spillage of construction materials and do not discharge unused or removed materials during maintenance activities into adjacent natural habitats (refer to critical natural habitats in Table M in Annex 2). 	Low	Project contractor

Parameter	Activities	Impacts	Significance of Impacts Before Mitigation	Mitigation Measures	Significance of Impacts After Mitigation	Responsibility
	 working area all vegetation, surface debris and scattered stones and rocks etc.) could include accidental removal of sensitive and protected species. Fauna injuries due to collision with machine and vehicles due to increase in traffic movement 			 Restricting the use of noisy machines and/or adopting noise-reducing means (silencers) for construction machines, especially near sensitive areas Washing of vehicles and machinery should be done offsite and away from particular biotopes (wooded lands and riparian ecosystems); In case works will take place along roads that involve oak maquis (e.g., C6) avoid direct destruction of reptile communities by creating a buffer zone. Road cross-section must be fixed during works to reduce the impact on biodiversity, for example, by flattening side slopes. This makes crossing easier for animals that find roads a physical barrier (WB)- If feasible (in case major maintenance activities will take place at roads involving critical natural habitats e.g. segments of road bordering pine forests, oak maquis and riparian habitats). 		
Resources Consumption	 Water will be used for domestic purposes, for construction activities (curing of concrete, moisturizing temporary stockpilesetc.) and for cleaning and dust suppression. Energy will be consumed for the operation of vehicles and equipment. 	• During the routine maintenance works, overconsumption of water and energy will lead to exploitation of natural resources.	Medium	 Control of Freshwater Demand Dry clean-up methods should replace wet cleaning methods whenever practical (sweeping, dust collection vacuum, wipingetc.). Appropriate plastic sheeting or waterproof paper should be used to cover the concrete after water curing to preserve moisture and reduce the evaporation that leads to decrease water quantities used. Signs near water-using appliances should be installed to encourage water conservation. Control of Energy Demand Turning off non-used equipment should be done. Machinery and generators shall be regularly maintained and operated in an efficient manner. Vehicles should not be allowed to remain idle for long periods. 	Low	Project Contractor

Table 5-2 Social Management Plan

Parameter	Activities	Impacts	Significanc e of Impacts before Mitigation	Mitigation measures	Significance of Impacts After Mitigation	Responsibility
Social Risks	All project activities	 Socio-Economic Conditions Community Potential Labor influx Labor-induced SH and SEA Traffic disturbance and obstruction of access routes to sensitive receptors Disturbance of sensitive receptors Disturbance of public utilities and interference with private properties/lands 	High	 Potential Labor influx and labor induced SEA/SH Providing workers with the necessary training and awareness raising session on issues regarding SEA/SH, GBV prior to signing the CoC. Ensuring that workers sign the Code of Conduct (CoC) (refer to Annex 5) that targets GBV risks, specifically SEA induced by labor influx, and penalizes the perpetrators of SEA/SH. Ensuring that REP established GRM is well disseminated to affected communities (before commencement of works) through municipalities public boards, project sign boards, and mobile GRM signs. Ensuring that REP GRM (including the QR code along active roads) is properly functioning to record complaints from the surrounding communities. This will ensure the management of complaints and the implementation of corrective actions. Ensuring that training on GBV/SEA are regularly delivered, and REP GRM and the referral pathways are functioning. REP GRM specific procedures for SEA/SH, including confidential reporting with safe and ethical documenting of SEA/SH cases must be communicated to all workers. The Contractor should employ a social/environmental specialist to supervise the GBV issues related to SEA/SH etc. Obstruction of access routes to sensitive receptors Adequate and timely communication with the concerned municipalities and dissemination of project-related work schedule with the surrounding community. Routine maintenance works should not be performed during peak traffic hours (e.g., works can take place when students are already at school and in a way not to disturb people going 		Project Contractor

Parameter	Activities	Impacts	Significanc e of Impacts before Mitigation	Mitigation measures	Significance of Impacts After Mitigation	Responsibility
				 to church where roads are in close proximity to schools, churches and other sensitive receptors as shown in Annex2). The temporary traffic control can involve lane width reduction, lane closures depending on the type and duration of routine maintenance activities to be performed. Detours and diversions should be designed and provided as needed to ensure a continuous traffic movement. Traffic control measures will be provided in the project TMP. Provision of safe passages and crossings for pedestrians namely for roads that involve schools, hospitals, and churches (refer to sensitive receptor map and table in Annex 2) and for farmers when road segment are in close proximity to agricultural lands (refer to LULC maps in Figure F and Figure G in Annex 2). Disturbance of sensitive receptors (noise and dust) Noise levels and air emissions should be maintained within the national permissible limits and the contractor should be limited to working hours as defined with local municipalities. Activities should be planned in consultation with the local community so that activities with the greatest potential to generate noise are planned during periods of the day that will result in least disturbance. Nighttime activities, if any, should be performed using low-noise technologies. When performing noise generating activities, the Contractor should inform sensitive receptors such as nearby residences, schools, hospitals, and churches, if they lie in close proximity to the assessed roads, as shown in Table N in Annex 2). During excavation and dust generating activities, water should be sprinkled to hamper fugitive dust emissions. In specific, water should be sprayed on exposed surfaces during dry periods near schools, churches, and agricultural lands surrounding the roads. Strict supervision must be applied when roads are in close proximity to the detected sensitive receptors i.e. ensuring that the Contractor will apply the above provided		
	All Project activities and the recruitment process	 Labor Conditions Inadequate labor conditions Workers tension (Syrian/Lebanese ratio) Child labor Under-participation of women 	Medium	 Procedures for rapid notification in the case of disruption of any existing utility Immediate assistance with re-instatement, and close follow-up with concerned authorities Child Labor The project should have measures in contracts to ensure that those below the working age are not hired and ensure that labor law of Lebanon is followed. Labor registry and age verification must be maintained during the whole project through an age verification mechanism to be implemented by the Contractor with documentation and records to be checked by the supervising engineer (including the continuous ID control). Penalty provisions should be available for hiring child labor. During the employment procedure, the contractor or subcontractor should abide by the Lebanese Law No.0 dated 1946. Inadequate Labor Conditions Safety and protection of workers should be implemented in order to ensure the protection of laborers. Contractors should be forced to abide by the specified Lebanese law determining the minimum wage and minimum working age for children. Contractor must comply with Decision 29/1 dated 2018 which restricts significant number of jobs 	Low	Project Contractor

Parameter	Activities	Impacts	Significanc e of Impacts before Mitigation	Mitigation measures	Significance of Impacts After Mitigation	Responsibility
				 to Lebanese only and allows Syrians to occupy jobs that are not restricted to Lebanese. Continuous monitoring is required to maintain adequate labor conditions. Ensure that all workers (locals and foreign, skilled and unskilled) shall be compensated and are contracted equally as per the scale of market price rates, have equal contractual benefits and working conditions, and have access to internal GRM Social tensions and conflict over job-sharing and dissatisfaction with allocation of project-generated jobs. Clear criteria for job selection and allocation should be adopted accounting for the ratio of Syrian and Lebanese community workers in Metn Caza and types of positions available. It is important to avoid competition between Syrian workforce willing to accept lower wages and skilled Lebanese labor. The Contractor should ensure a fair allocation of job opportunities, and most importantly non-discrimination and fair treatment should be ensured among workers (such as equal contractual wages/benefits and working conditions). Clear communication with all affected workers and good implementation of REP GRM are essential to mitigate the potential risk of social tensions or dissatisfaction among Syrian and Lebanese workers. Under-participation or underemployment or discrimination of women Setting minimum percentage of women at the employment phase. The project should ensure that gender equality is attained when it comes to recruitment, salary levels and others. Promoting the employment of females in appropriate jobs such as managerial or administrative positions. 		
Physical Cultural Resources	• Excavation, milling and grubbing.	• During excavation (shallow and deep) and other geotechnical works, there is a potential to unexpectedly find and impact archaeological materials in an area not previously known for its archaeological interest.	Medium	 Prior to grubbing or excavation, the contractor should inspect the working zones for areas of archaeological remains. Chance-find procedure: All maintenance activities in place of the discovery must cease immediately once discovery of an archaeological artefact or complex is discovered. The site must be fenced (protected) and authorities (Ministry of Culture / Directorate General of Antiquities (MoC/DGA)) must be informed within 24 hours following the national procedures (law 166/LR of 1933 that regulates antiquities and law 37 of 2008 on Cultural properties The area should be secured in order to prevent any destruction or disappearance of the archaeological complexes. Work should not be commenced without the DGAs' written decision on how to handle the findings and recommence the work. 	Low	Project Contractor

Table 5-3 H&S Management Plan (in accordance with IFC EHS/OHS guidelines) – see more details in Annex 7

Table 5-3 H&S Health and Safety Hazards	Activities	in accordance with IFC EHS/OHS guideli Impact	nes) – <i>see more o</i> Significance of Impacts before mitigation measures	Mitigation Measures	Significance of Impacts after mitigation measures	Responsibility
Community Health and Safety	• All activities	 General site hazards Disease Occurrence Traffic accidents 	High	 Communication of risk with local community Placing of warning signs to warn the passing citizens about the potential hazards. Signage should be in accordance with international standards (e.g., OSHA 29 CFR 1910.145) and be well known to, and easily understood by the general public as appropriate. Restricting access to working sites, through directorial controls and dangerous spots in the working sites such as pits, trenches, etc. must be clearly marked and fenced. Disease prevention When repairing rain cuts and minor slips, if material was borrowed along the sides of the embankment, it is important to ensure that it does not become a pond of stagnant water where mosquitos can breed, particularly when it is situated nearby human settlements Developing a TMP A TMP must be prepared by the Contractor and approved by the Consultant and PIU before commencement of work to ensure traffic safety (refer to traffic safety section of this table) The TMP should address the partial closure requirements to limit interference to the traveling public and minimize project-related traffic delay and accidents by applying effective traffic mitigation plans and timely diffusion of information to the community and motorists concerning construction operations. These plans must cover alternative routes when needed and must focus on preventing, minimizing and managing traffic incidents. The TMP shall be approved by the Consultant prior the execution of work. A special TMP for highways must be prepared as well and approved by the Consultant, where it is advised to favor non-peak hours. In case of accidents In case of accidents, the CDR needs to be made aware of the incident within 24 hours of its occurrence, and the Bank within 48 hours 	Low	Project Contractor
Occupational Health and Safety	• All activities	 Job Hazards Workplace/Site Hazards Injuries Physical hazards (covering all planned routine maintenance activities) Noise Lifting, slipping, electrical, equipment and working at height hazards Vibration and excavation hazards Vehicle driving & site traffic hazard Environmental hazards Culvert-specific hazards Confined space Hazardous atmosphere Culvert collapse Water: High flow rates can create dangerous footing conditions Animals, particularly snakes, in the culvert can be dangerous, especially if trapped Entrapment: Deep mud can entrap personnel walking through it 	High	 Hazard Identification and Risk Assessment A JHA must be conducted before commencement of work. The results of the analysis should be prioritized as part of an action plan based on the likelihood and severity of the consequence of exposure to the identified hazards. Permit to Work (PTW) should be used for Higher Risk activities. Workplace Clean eating area, potable water supply, lavatories and showers, first aid kits, lighting, fire detectors and fire-fighting equipment must be provided by the Contractor Metn site office. Equipment should be adequate for the dimension of the office and the maximum number of people present. Fire and emergency alarm systems must be installed. A person must be appointed to be responsible for the fire protection. Workstations must be equipped with first-aid stations, rest areas, and eye-wash stations Fire extinguishers must be available in foremen cars. First Aid and Injuries The Contractor should ensure that qualified first-aid can be provided at all times. First aid kits must be available at project site office and at foremen cars. One laborer onsite should know where the first aid facilities are located and how to adequately use first aid kits. A complete list of nearby hospitals, medical centers and emergency contact numbers should be provided to workers at project site offices and to foremen. In case of any severe incidents/accident, immediate reporting to CDR within 24 hours of their occurrence, and the bank with 48 hours must be done Special care must be taken: If manual methods for removing brush, and other vegetation are labor-intensive and require close supervision to ensure good production and worker safety. In order to avoid serious physical injury or equipment damage when debris being cut by a machine shatters and flies in unpredictable directions. 		Project Contractor

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Health and Safety Hazards	Activities	Impact	Significance of Impacts before mitigation measures	Mitigation Measures	Significance of Impacts after mitigation measures	Responsibility
		 Working with precast concrete elements -specific hazards Incorrect loading and unloading methods: High-risk activity (serious injuries) Uncontrolled collapse of elements Incorrect lifting and/or unsafe lifting equipment Poorly secured loads Inappropriate or unstable work areas for cranes Chemical hazards Exposure to toxic, corrosive, sensitizing or oxidative substances. Exposure to asphalt fumes is linked to breathing problems, and skin irritation (Norseth et al, 1991). Biological hazards Covid-19 spread/ labor- intensive project 		 Area signage and labelling of equipment Huzardous areas (e.g., storage and excavation areas), installations, materials, and emergency exit, etc. must be marked appropriately. All containers that may contain substances that are hazardous must be labeled as to the contents and hazard (i.e., based on MSDS), or suitably color coded. Copies of the hazard coding system must be posted outside the storage area where they are likely to come to the attention of safety personnel. All energized electrical devices and lines should be marked with warning signs. Machines with moving parts must be turned off, all electrical devices must be marked with warning signs. (Marger/outtion signs, general safety information signs, emergency and direction signs) must be installed at sites, offices, parking/storage areas as needed. Site security Coommunication of risks to workers must be implemented. Signage should be easily understood by workers. Good house-keeping practices (e.g., placing loose construction materials in established areas and properly managing generated wasts.) Training Ensure that all workers are given proper site-specific instructions on OHS prior to commencing work. The OHS training should consist of hazard awareness and control measures. Provide specialized trainings for supervisors of High-Riak activities to enhance personal safety (e.g., for people working at height, supervisor must be assigned and trained on rink assessment, impection of scaffolds according to CTR 29 OSHA Part 1926 standards (SCF) and for basic fall arrest and basic resuue). Training on PTW must be conducted to all workers participating in the job. First Aid Training must be delivered to workers by a certified trainer from Red Cross to help them learn to be more conscions of safety on site and how to deal with accidents occurrence in a proper way. Physica		

Health and Safety Hazards	Activities	Impact	Significance of Impacts before mitigation measures	Mitigation Measures	Significance of Impacts after mitigation measures	Responsibility
				 Assess thoroughly the work area in order to identify areas at high risk for slip, trip, and fall injuries and control it; conduct regular inspections on general cleaniness, spill response, and the effectiveness of cleanings; Turning off or disconnecting machinery with exposed moving parts. Working with precast concrete – specific hazards (OSHA standards) The lifting hardware must be capable of supporting at least 5 times the maximum intended load No employee shall be permitted under precast concrete elements being lifted Use of tag lines to eliminate potentially hazardous situation Exposure to vibration Installation of vibration dampening pads or devices. Limiting the duration of exposure. Exposure levels should be checked on the basis of daily exposure time and data provided by equipment manufacturers. Excavation hazards (IFC OHS guidelines): Controlling site-specific features which may contribute to excavation slope instability (e.g., use of excavation dewatering, side-walls support, and slope gradient adjustments that minimize the risk of collapse and entrapment). Providing safe means of access and egress from excavations, such as graded slopes, or ladders. Vehicle driving and literaffic hazards (IFC OHS guidelines): Training and litensing vehicle operators in the safe operation of specific vehicles Enstudishing rights-of-way, site speed limits, vehicle inspection requirements, operating rules and procedures, and control of traffic control procedures (e.g., application of traffic control devices and assigned traffic control peciple). Traffic control procedures must be communicated to workers prior to starting work and used for toolbox safety meetings. Implementation of traffic patterns. Implementation of traffic outhice apace entry procedures (e.g., clearing and grubbing) can be		
				 Chemical hazard All workers should be responsible for understanding the MSDS for any chemical that they may be exposed at the construction site (toxic, corrosive, sensitizing or oxidative substances). All workers should handle hazardous materials properly, clean up any spills that occur. All workers must wear proper PPE at all times. Hazard associated with working with Asphalt The application temperature of heated asphalt must be kept as low as possible. 		

Health and Safety Hazards	Activities	Impact	Significance of Impacts before mitigation measures	Mitigation Measures	Significance of Impacts after mitigation measures	Responsibility
				 Worker exposure to asphalt fumes and asphalt-based paint aerosols must be minimized. Recommended PPE when working with asphalt are respiratory protection/ chemical goggles, loose clothing with closed collars and buttoned cuffs, thermally insulated gloves with gauntlets that extend up the arm, safety shoes at least 150 mm high and laced. Long handled sprayers with flexible hoses should be used when emulsified asphalts are applied by hand for tack coats. Hazardous materials plan The containers of hazardous substances shall be placed in a leak-proof container to prevent spillage and leaking (e.g., banded-container). Secondary containment system must be free of cracks and able to contain the spill. Any leaking containers must be removed immediately from the site and appropriate remediation measures must be undertaken on resulting contaminated areas. Chemicals should be managed, used and disposed, and precautionary measures taken as required MSDS. Workers who may be in contact with such products must be trained on their handling and toxicity. Hazardous material containers must be kept in designated storage areas. Biological Hazards Covid-19 measures Specific posters, signs and kits in relation to Covid-19 must be available at offices and working zones. All workers should keep proper spacing of at least 1.5 m. All workers should wash their hands often and clean them with an alcohol-based hand sanitizer that contains 60 to 95% alcohol All workers should cover their mouth and nose with a tissue when they cough or sneeze. All workers should avoid sharing personal items. 		
				 PPE Selection of PPE should be based on the hazard and risk ranking. Correct use of PPE should be part of the OHS training program for employees. Ensure that workers wear PPEs all the time during working hours. Specific PPE should be used when handling corrosive or poisonous substances and working with asphalt (NIOSH, 2003) including thermally-insulated gloves to keep asphalt from burning or irritating the skin; steel-toed safety shoes; a face shield with the safety glasses. Ensure proper maintenance of PPE, including replacement when damaged. 		
Traffic Safety: Community and Workers (in accordance with CDR/WB guidelines on TMP)	 All activities that will affect traffic movement Transportation of raw materials 	• Increase in movement of heavy vehicles for the transport of construction materials and equipment may increase the risk of traffic-related accidents and injuries to workers and local communities.	High	 Community Signs, barriers and traffic diversions signs (vertical signalization and signs at the beginning of work zone) should be placed prior the working zone to inform the public that routine maintenance activities are taking place. Protection screens should be mounted on the concrete barriers delineating the work zone boundaries to avoid the drivers' distraction with the routine maintenance activities, to reduce the dust and noise resulting from these activities and prevent anyone from entering the work site. Advanced warning and regulatory signs should be installed prior and along the work zone. The signs should be placed at decision-making points on routes approaching the construction site and detour to inform motorists about alternate routes to avoid the constructions works. Advisory speed limit signs should be placed in advance or the reduced speed zone to inform the drivers about any driving speed changes. Installation of signs to ensure access to nearby facilities. Pedestrian safety must be ensured namely children if the school is in the vicinity. Traffic should be allowed only in the lane not being sealed. Car must go in a direction opposite of the seal coat operation. This prevents cars being turned on freshly placed seal coat. Some emulsions may require up to 24 hours of traffic control or until the first sweeping occurs. 	Low	Project Contractor

Health and Safety Hazards	Activities	Impact	Significance of Impacts before mitigation measures	Mitigation Measures	Significance of Impacts after mitigation measures	Responsibility
				 Workers Regular traffic safety training sessions must be delivered to workers. Safe movement and working environment for workers must be provided (e.g. temporary traffic barriers should delimitate the work zones to protect the workers from any errant vehicle). The concrete barriers should be flared to the clear zone outer edge to avoid any vehicle head-on collision with the upstream barrier. Entrance and exit gates should be provided to allow the access of workers, trucks and other construction equipment. 		
Road users and Nearby communities	 All routine maintenance activities on highway Repair of existing expansion joints 	• Routine Maintenance on highway and the repair of expansion joints	High	 The traffic management plan shall be implemented, as first stage before starting works. During the execution of maintenance works including the repair of joints, the traffic shall be diverted to the edge lanes or to service lanes in a safe manner, ensuring the continuity of traffic circulation with an acceptable flow If joints will be repaired during daytime, the implementation of traffic management plan will divert the traffic to the edge lanes or to a service lane since traffic flow is low. If joints will be repaired during night time, although traffic volume is low at night, the TMP will include measures to alert road users of any detours or diversions in a clear visible manner. 	Low	Project Contractor

6 Environmental and Social Monitoring Plans

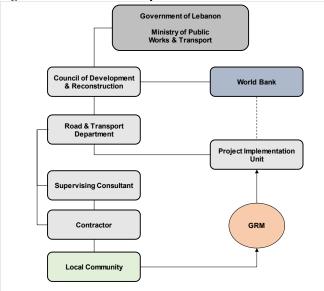
Monitoring aims to ensure that all project activities undertaken are environmentally and socially sound, while considering the mitigation measures provided in this ESMP. It does so by defining a clear set of measurable indicators in an attempt to properly evaluate the project's performance and compliance with WB safeguards. These indicators can then be used to assist in the early detection of non-compliances. This allows the involved parties to take corrective measures and limit any unsatisfactory performance if such a case arises. It also allows them to accurately communicate the performance and compliance of the project with REP proponents.

6.1 Institutional Setup

During the routine maintenance work, the Contractor would be the primary actor; ensuring compliance of works with the different items specified in the management plans. Accordingly, the Contractor will be supervised by several entities appointed by CDR (executor of REP on behalf of MoWPT) through weekly and/or monthly reports (sent by the Contractor) and site visits, ensuring and enforcing mitigation measures. In order to achieve proper management and monitoring, a clear, functional institutional structure was defined (refer to Figure 6-1).

The project will be monitored by CDR Project Implementation Unit (PIU) dedicated to REP, which includes social, environmental, and H&S specialists through the assigned Supervising Consultant who will directly oversee the Contractor and report to the PIU. More specifically, PIU will be responsible for providing the overall plan direction and validation of management plans and monitoring of compliance and progress reporting to the WB. The assigned Supervising Consultant will be in charge of ensuring sound application of the ESMP and report to PIU. Accordingly, in practice the Supervising Consultant will have to appoint qualified experts to directly supervise and guide the Contractor team and ensure project compliance. Finally, the main concerned municipalities will be involved in managing and communicating citizen's potential complaints to the CDR (PIU).





6.2 Capacity Building

In order to ensure safeguard procedures, instruments and monitoring needs of REP are well understood by the Contractor staff, CDR (i.e. Supervising Consultant) will ensure that skilled and unskilled workers receive trainings covering environmental; social (including SEA, CAE, GBV, GRM, Coc), and OHS/First aid issues/requirements before initiation of works. These trainings aim to familiarize the Contractor's staff on REP safeguards management and monitoring requirements as specified in this ESMP. Further, refreshers and specialized training sessions must be conducted at all times during the implementation of the project. In practice, before commencement of work, the Contractor must develop a tailored training / capacity-building plan, covering OHS and E&S issues, that aligns with the planned specific maintenance works and road location. Accordingly, the plan, agenda and training materials need to be submitted to the Supervisor engineer for review and approval.

6.3 Environmental and Social Monitoring Plans Implementation

Contractors' experts and officers and the Supervising Consultant's safeguard expert will monitor the developed key indicators to ensure the implementation of this ESMP. Compliance monitoring involves visual observation/inspection, interviews with employees and external stakeholders, measurements and inspection of equipment, document review, and assessment of activities and parameters (Table 6-1).

This will allow detecting, reporting, and correcting the non-compliances. More specifically, the Supervisor Consultant must ensure that (1) Contractor staff are receiving safeguard trainings and signing CoC, (2) Contractor is filling out (a) workers' registration and muster roll sheets; (b) complaints, and (c) environmental & OHS forms (e.g., incident forms, waste log, traffic inspection checklists, training records, equipment inspection checklists etc.) which shall be reported in the monthly progress report (3) Contractor is not hiring underage labors (age verification mechanism-regular inspection of workers IDs).

The Supervising Consultant must also inform CDR/WB on any severe accident on-site. Finally, ministries (e.g., MoE, MoA, MoC/DGA etc.) would also be expected to follow up, if deemed necessary, on the proper implementation and abidance by the relevant laws and regulations.

Table 6-1 Environmental, Social, and H&S Mon	itoring Plans
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Impact	Parameters to Monitor	Frequency	Monitoring Location	Monitoring Method	Standard/Guidelines	Monitoring	Institutional	Approximate Cost
Environmental Mon			8		National/International	Responsibility	Follow-up	(USD/year)
Air Emissions/GHG/ Dust	PM2.5-10, SO _x , NOx, O ₃ , CO,Total Suspended Particles (TSP)	Measurement (upon complains Visual (weekly)	 Construction vehicles exhaust Working sites for dust 	 Single point sampling (at one quarter the diameter across the stack/source) Visual opacity Smoke inspection 	Decision 16/1 dated 2022 Particulate Matter (PM _{<10}) 50 mg/Nm ³ Sulfur dioxide (SO ₂) 10 mg/Nm ³ Nitrogen dioxide (NO ₂) 2,000 mg/Nm ³	Supervising Consultant	CDR (PIU)	(1,500 per test)
Noise	Noise Levels (Lmin, Lmax, and Leq)	Continuous during the execution of noisy operation (measurements to be conducted upon complains)	 At the working site, especially near loud machinery and excavation sites Near sensitive receptors 	• One sample per location (near sensitive receptors)	Decision 52/1 dated 1996 and international standards when more stringent (refer to section 2.3)	Supervising Consultant	CDR (PIU)	Included in Routine maintenance Cost
WW Generation	Domestic-like wastewater	Monthly	• Polyethylene storage tank (in case porta cabin toilet is not linked to WW network)	• Visual inspection ensuring no leaks from tank	Lebanese and International standards (refer to section 2.3)	Supervising Consultant	CDR (PIU)	Included in Routine maintenance Cost
Accidental Releases	Number of spills/leaks (of lubricants, oil, fuel, or other chemicals)	Continuously-during the execution of maintenance activities	• Around the Routine maintenance site, especially near equipment, material, and storage tanks	• Visual inspection	N.A.	Supervising Consultant	CDR (PIU)	Included in Routine maintenance Cost
Solid Waste storage, transport, and disposal	Collection and transport of the generated waste to the designated site.	Continuously-during the execution of maintenance activities	 Solid Waste Collection Point Storage areas Transport trucks 	Visual inspectionReview of solid waste log	N.A.	Supervising Consultant	CDR (PIU)	Included in Routine maintenance Cost
Biodiversity Monito	ring					-		
Biological Resources	Ecological audit for particular biotopes	When maintenance activities will occur near critical natural habitats	 Riparian habitats Forests and woodlands	• Samples and photos per location and GPS point	N.A.	Supervising Consultant	CDR (PIU)	Included in Routine maintenance Cost
Social Monitoring P	lan	1			1	1		
SEA/SH	 CoC signed by new workers Delivery of induction training (including GBV) 	Before commencement of works or every time a new worker is recruited	• At site office	 Signed CoC Number of workers trained Training attendance sheet Interview with workers Review of received GBV-related grievance 	N.A.	Supervising Consultant	CDR (PIU)	Included in Routine maintenance Cost
	GBV-related internal grievances	Upon grievance occurrence	At routine maintenance site	Received complaints and GRM records	N.A.	Supervising Consultant	CDR (PIU)	Included in Routine maintenance Cost
Social Tensions and Conflicts over Job- Sharing	 Number of related grievances Percentage of workers (based on gender, nationality) 	Continuously-during the execution of maintenance activities	• At routine maintenance site	 Received complaints and records Check workers 'sheets 	N.A.	Supervising Consultant	CDR (PIU)	-
Obstructing Access to Amenities	• Type, location, and duration of amenity to which access was obstructed	Before and during the execution of maintenance activities	• At routine maintenance site	Visual inspectionComplaint records	N.A.	Supervising Consultant	CDR (PIU)	Included in Routine maintenance Cost
Working conditions	 Labor's wages and working hours GRM in place Grievances recorded 	Monthly	Laborers' contracts	 Review workers' complaints records Interview with workers Labor law verification 	Lebanese Labor Law dated 1946	Supervising Consultant	CDR (PIU)	-

Impact	Parameters to Monitor	Frequency	Monitoring Location	Monitoring Method	Standard/Guidelines National/International	Monitoring Responsibility	Institutional Follow-up	Approximate Cost (USD/year)
Child labor	Labor's age	Continuously-during the execution of maintenance activities	• At routine maintenance site	 Labor registry Government-issued IDs and Badges (age verification) 	Lebanese Labor Law dated 1946	Supervising Consultant	CDR (PIU)	-
Underemployment of Women	Percentage of female employees in workforce	Monthly	• At site office	Labor registry	N.A.	Supervising Consultant	CDR (PIU)	-
Other Grievances	• Internal and external grievance reports	Upon grievance occurrence	• At each routine maintenance site	Complaints records	N.A.	Supervising Consultant	CDR (PIU)	Included in Routine maintenance Cost
Safety monitoring I	Plan					T		
	 Regular OHS- training- OHS – verifying training logs (covering all OHS matters) Total number of work injuries 	Continuously-during the execution of maintenance activities	• At routine maintenance site	Attendance sheetEmployee recordsOHS incident form	N.A.	Supervising Consultant	CDR (PIU)	Included in Routine maintenance Cost
OHS	 Recorded incidents including near misses Availability of safety barriers along the concerned road segment Availability of OHS procedures onsite (JHA, work permitsetc.) Presence of qualified OHS officer and foremen onsite Ensure use of PPE Availability of fire extinguishers onsite Good housekeeping onsite OHS-related internal grievances recorded Covid-19 precaution measures in place Traffic violations and accidents recorded (number of accidents) 	Continuously-during the execution of maintenance activities	• At routine maintenance site office	 Review of OHS records (inspection reports, follow-up reports, incidents, and training records) Review of covid-19 checklist (reported cases) Inspection of driving license, drivers' medical checkup reports, and drug tests Review of traffic inspection checklists 	WBG OHS guidelines for construction sites CDR OHS guidelines OHS national laws/decree Lebanese Traffic Law 243 dated 2012 (licenses requirements) MoPH guidelines/measures in relation covid-19	Supervising Consultant	CDR (PIU)	Included in Routine maintenance Cost
Traffic Hazards	 Safe traffic flow on roads under maintenance in accordance with TMP Availability of adequate safety and warning signs and restricted access measures Availability of Flagmen Availability of appropriate safety barriers Availability of TMP onsite, where (fully implemented) Availability of qualified Traffic Safety officer onsite, 	Continuously-during the execution of maintenance activities	• At routine maintenance site	• Visual inspection	N.A.	Supervising Consultant	CDR (PIU0	Included in Routine maintenance Cost

Impact	Parameters to Monitor	Frequency	Monitoring Location	Monitoring Method	Standard/Guidelines National/International	Monitoring Responsibility	Institutional Ap Follow-up	proximate Cost (USD/year)
	• Availability of logs and records of traffic incidentsetc.							
Other Impacts – Mo	nitoring							
Damage to existing infrastructure	• Type, size, and number of damaged infrastructure entities	Continuously-during the execution of maintenance activities	• At routine maintenance site	Visual inspection	N.A.	Supervising Consultant	CDR (PIU)	-
Risk on cultural resources	 Possible archaeological features found during the works Adequate implementation of the archeological chance find procedure. 	Upon discovery	• At routine maintenance site	• ID and photographic records of all archaeological features found during the works	Lebanese Antiquity Law No. 166	Supervising Consultant	DGA	-

6.4 Documentation and Reporting

Monitoring yields lots of data regarding project performance. As a result, proper documentation is necessary for two reasons: first to prepare and send performance reports to the concerned parties and second to analyze the acquired data and implement changes when necessary. In this context, monitoring reports will take place as described below.

- Contractor's experts submit compliance reports to the Supervising Consultant <u>on a monthly</u> <u>basis</u> including completed workers' sheets, GRM log, and environmental and OHS forms these forms should encompass a wide range of information, including but not limited to: Environmental, Social, and OHS indicators that have been monitored since the last monitoring visit; details about the condition of the workstations; Information about the prevailing weather conditions during the reporting period; Photographic documentation to visually support and illustrate the reported information. This is to provide a comprehensive view of the project's compliance with environmental, social, and OHS standards, as well as the conditions at the work site.
- The Supervision Consultant experts review and approve contractor reports and submit them to PIU <u>on a monthly basis</u>.
- PIU submits environmental/social progress as part of their quarterly project progress reports to the WB <u>on a quarterly basis</u>.

All incidents must be recorded and reports in the regular monthly progress reports.

In case of severe incidents (e.g. fatality on site) immediate reporting within 24 hours to CDR and within 48 hours to the WB must be done.

7 Consultation, Disclosure and GRM

7.1 Public Consultation

The public participation meeting was held at Deir Mar Elias Theatre in Antelias on Thursday July 3. Invitations were sent by the consultant on behalf of CDR to concerned municipalities and NGOs through official letters. A sample of the invitation letter is attached in Annex 7. Invitations were sent to the concerned parties at least one week in advance from the meeting date. The number of attendees was 17 of which 2 were women.

Invited local NGOs include Yasa, Amel Association, Fifty-fifty, Women in front, Antelias رعية الثقافية, Frontier s rights. As for international NGOs, ACTED, ANERA, and DRC were invited. Out of the invited NGOs, only YASA attended the meeting Details in relation to invited NGOs are presented in Annex 8.

During the meeting, attendees were informed about the project objectives, the identified natural, economic, and social resources of importance in the area, the project's possible environmental and social risks and the planned mitigation measures.

The consultant explained as well that a multi-channeled GRM was established for REP project in Metn Caza to register and address grievances and complaints from all project stakeholders. REP GRM was disseminated, and it was explained that for each worksite, a QR code will be added on the project sign board (which includes the project GRM and the online feedback form before the commencement of work). This will ensure addressing/responding to grievances and reporting to stakeholders as indicated in the ESMP (all complaints will be individually followed up).

The discussion primarily focused on the road selection process for routine maintenance activities, including the potential inclusion of non-primary roads in the scope of work. Participants emphasized the urgent need for maintenance on secondary roads, especially in small municipalities, and sought assistance in this regard.

Considering the constraints of limited funds, the Consultant clarified that international and primary roads would be given higher priority. The Ministry of Works and Transportation (MoWT) will collaborate with CDR to select the roads for maintenance. The MoWT provides a list of candidate roads to CDR, who will assess their eligibility for routine maintenance activities, with the Consultant Engineer undertaking the eligibility assessment.

Municipalities expressed their intention to submit request letters for the assessment of specific roads to both the Consultant and the MoPWT. During the public participation meeting, some municipality representatives shared letters related to their requests. Annex 8 of the ESMP contains received letters requesting the inclusion of specific roads in the project's scope (letters received from Zabougha and Atchaniyeh municipalities). The Consultant engineer will assess the potential for including the requested roads based on these letters as explained to the attendees.

Mekhtaret Fraike, who attended the meeting, provided positive feedback about the execution of works during REP phase 1 in Metn. She expressed as well her desire to include a secondary road in the REP routine maintenance scope of work.

Finally, the Consultant explained that after roads are determined for routine maintenance activities, all relevant municipalities will be informed beforehand, prior to the commencement of works, about the Project. Additionally, a public notice will be posted at each relevant municipality, including the GRM procedure, to ensure transparent implementation of the Project's activities.

7.2 Grievance Redress Mechanism (GRM)

A multi-channeled GRM was established for REP project in Metn Caza to register and address grievances and complaints from all project stakeholders. Anonymous grievances will be addressed in both GRMs for communities and workers. The maximum anticipated time needed to close a GRM case is 45 days.

7.2.1 <u>GRM for Surrounding Communities</u>

The REP GRM has been established and is already accessible to communities to send their concerns and complaints. Citizens will be informed about the GRM mechanism before commencement of work through municipalities (i.e. through public announcement letters that will posted at the public board of concerned municipalities including the number of Contractor's site engineer to be contacted and also through project sign boards). REP GRM levels are as follows and the schematic illustration is shown in Annex 5:

- <u>Level 1</u>: If any person has any complaint or concern regarding the project implementation, he/she can lodge an oral or written grievance to the site engineer. In case an oral complaint is made, it should be written by the Contractor Social expert. The issue must be resolved within a maximum duration of one week.
- <u>Level 2</u>: If the person is not satisfied with the action of the Contractor, he/ she can send the complaint to the PIU social specialist through Phone: 01980096 ext:317, Email: <u>GRM.REP@cdr.gov.lb</u> or official letter registered at the CDR. The issue shall be resolved within a maximum of two weeks.
- <u>Level 3</u>: If the person is not satisfied with the decision of the social specialist of PIU, he or she can bring the complaint to the attention of the PIU Director's Office. Once the PIU Director receives the complaint, it needs to be resolved within a maximum of two weeks. Citizen can also register an official letter at the CDR (Address: Tallet al Serail Riad el Solh, Beirut Lebanon).

All complaints will be individually followed up on and documented accordingly in a GRM log. The designated person at each level should report to the PIU on the number and subject of new complaints received, and the status of the already existing complaints, if any (i.e. the Contractor social expert will report to the Supervising Consultant expert who will report monthly to the PIU (CDR) who will, in turn, submit the consultants' monthly reports to the WB). The Complaints Register form or GRM log (refer to Annex 6) includes details/ nature of the complaint, the complainant's name and their contact details, date, corrective actions taken in response to the complaint.

Finally, an online form has been designed using the IMPACT platform to allow citizens to share their feedback (<u>https://cdr.impact.gov.lb/worldbankmobile/home/main?lang=en</u>). The link was shared with concerned municipalities and NGOs during the public participation meeting. It was also clarified that for each worksite in Metn a link to the form will be shared with the local communities via location-based SMS, email and social media. At each worksite, a QR code will also be added on the project sign board (which already includes the project GRM) to automatically direct participants to the online form.

7.2.2 **GRM for Workers**

Similar to the GRM for surrounding communities, a GRM for internal employees, namely the labors onsite are also necessary. It aims to allow labors to report any wrongdoings in their favor or important concerns they might have. Workers must be informed about this GRM before commencement of works through induction training (refer to section 6.2). This internal GRM is similar in nature to the one previously discussed (in terms of accessibility, reporting means, etc...). The only main difference is the contact people for each level. In this context, the first level involves reporting to the health and safety officer and the social expert and has a duration of one week. The second level involves reporting to the PIU Director and should be resolved within one weeks. It also follows the Complaints Register form (refer to Annex 5).

8 Conclusion

Assessments showed that the project risks are localized, moderate, and can be mitigated if the Contractor succeeded to implement this ESMP, which documents the project's risks management strategy. In order to achieve that, CDR (i.e. the Supervising Consultant) plays a major role in assisting and supervising him during project implementation.

Most importantly, this ESMP guides the Contractor on critical road segments that need special care if they are to be maintained. Noting that local communities were engaged at this phase of the project. However, engaging stakeholders including local and regional (when needed) communities is a continuous process that needs to be effectively adopted by the Contractor.

Finally, if the Contractor succeeded in complying with standards and in ensuring a safe operation of activities, the project is expected to enhance the safety conditions of the concerned roads and most importantly create short-term employment opportunities to local residents and Syrian refugees.

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10 Annex 1: Figures and Tables Related to Chapters 2 and Chapter 3 Table A National Applicable Legal Framework

Relevant Sector	Legislation	Date	Brief Description	Relevance to The Project	
	MoE Decision 52/1	29/06/1996	Environment quality standards and criteria for air, water and soil pollution. Revised standards for water, air and soil pollution (partly updated in Decision 8/1 dated 30/1/2001).	Decision 52/1 was referenced in the study to specify the National Standards for Environmental Quality and the Environmental Limit Values for Air and Water. The described decision (Annex 12 in decision 52/1) was used for monitoring air emissions.	
	Decision No.97	1998	Nahr el Kaleb protected by MoE under this decision	When primary roads are close to Nahr el Kaleb, special attention is needed	
	Decision 8/1	30/01/2001	Amendment to part of MoE Decision 52/1 dated 29/6/1996. National Standards for Environmental Quality (NSEQ) that covered air and liquid emissions for all sectors.	This decision will be used to monitor air and water quality during implementation of project activities.	
Environment	Law 444 29/07/2002		Environment Protection Law: Fundamental principles and public rules (7 parts, 68 articles), Organization of environmental protection, Environmental information system and participation in the management and protection of the environment, Environmental Impact Assessment, Protection of environmental media, Responsibilities and fines. Other regulations (miscellaneous, institutional).	It is essential for the proposed project as the protection of the environment is a must throughout all of the steps of the project.	
	Law 77	13/04/2018	Water Resources Law	Penalizes unauthorized discharges or disposal of any kind of waste in water resources	
	Law 78	13/04/2018	Law for the protection of air quality	The requirements of the law shall be adhered to for the management of air emissions from the project	
	Law 80	10/10/2018	Integrated Solid Waste Management which sets integrated solid waste management principles and provides guidelines for the management of waste.	Solid waste generated during the project should be managed in accordance with Law 80, which includes limiting quantities generated, when possible, as well as properly disposing of any generated waste.	
	Decree 5605 11/09/2019		Decree 5605 focuses on the importance of source sorting, reducing and reusing, the sorting method according depending on the type in order to protect the environment and reduce the damages.	The generated domestic solid waste are to be properly sorted as per decree 5605	

	Decision 16/1	2022	Updated ELVs for air quality stated in Decision 8/1 and stated additional parameters for various industries.	Exhaust emissions from mobile onsite generators and heavy machinery should abide by the standards set in this decision	
Health and	Law 64	12/8/1988	water biodiversity soil and people	Precautionary measures should be taken to limit any potential damage from generated hazardous wastes (if any)	
safety	Decree 11802	30/01/2004	Occupational health and safety decree	The occupation health and safety conditions during maintenance works should comply with this decree.	
	Labor Law	23/09/1946	Labor Law that sets basic labor rights in Lebanon including minimum working age, working and resting hours etc	It protects employees from any sort of violations dictated in this law.	
	This law is the ratification of ILO convention No. 182: The agreement required the ratifying country to take immediate or d offective measures to prohibit the worst forms of labor Does not allow the employment		Does not allow the employment of children and protects them from engaging in any work activities that could harm their health and safety.		
Labor Laws	Law 400	5/6/2002	This law is the ratification of ILO convention No. 138: This agreement aims to develop a general instrument on the subject of minimum age for employment to gradually replace the instruments applied in specific economic sectors, aiming to completely eliminate child labor	Minimum age of employment on tasks and works that pose risks or hazards to health and safety	
	Decree 8987	29/09/2012	Prohibition of employment of minors under the age of 18 in work that may harm their health, safety or morals	Adhere to the requirements of this decree with regards to employment for this project.	
	Decree 3791	30/06/2016	Sets minimum wage for employees and workers	Adhere to the requirements of this decree with regards to wages of employees on this project.	
Traffic	Law 243	22/10/2012	Aims at the elimination of any kind of traffic violations such as: exceeding the speed limit, driving without a license or driving under any substance alternating the normal mental and physical state.	All transportation vehicles utilized during project implementation should abide by the general rules specified in Law 243.	
General	Decree law 166	7/11/1933	Antiquity law (166/LR) regulates antiquities and Directorate General of Antiquities (DGA) has the authority to halt any development that is damaging archeological deposits.		
	Decree 340	01/03/1943	The text of Article 522 of the Lebanese Penal Code, applies to cases of assault of women, by force, violence, and		

		manipulations which are acts that affect a woman's dignity, physical health, psychological state, and moral integrity.	
Law 118		Municipalities and Municipalities councils.	Defines the roles of municipalities in the provision of environmental services such as solid waste management, wastewater management, etc.
Law 58	29/05/1991	Law of properties and expropriation	Despite that no expropriation activities will be done; this law is added because OP 4.12 was triggered by the project.
Law 53		Abolishment of article 522 of the penal code that exempts a rapist from punishments if he marries a victim	This law was mentioned as the project may hold risks on women during maintenance works (influx of workers (men) to the concerned area).
Law 28	16/02/2017		This law should be followed throughout the implementation of the project.
Decree 6940	24/09/2020		This decree should be followed throughout the implementation of the project.
Law 205	30/12/2020	Criminalizing sexual narassment and nanifilating its victims	This law should be implemented, in case of sexual harassment.

Lebanon's legislative body is represented by the Lebanese Parliament that approves and issues Laws. Lebanon's executive body is represented by the Council of Ministers (COM) and is headed by the Presidency of the Council of Ministers. The COM enacts regulations in the form of Decisions (denoted COM Decision Number) and Decrees. Decisions are issued by a specific minister and are limited to the affairs of the ministry that promulgated it. Ministerial Decisions are subject specific

Institution	Roles and Responsibilities
	MoPWT is responsible for the management of public roads, and for developing a
	sustainable strategy for the transportation sector within the urban and rural areas.
MoPWT	• MoPWT will work closely with CDR during project implementation to ensure
	that important decisions on road (selection priorities, road designs, equipment
	specifications, and road asset management) are well coordinated.
	CDR is a public institution established through Decree No. 5 dated 31st January 1977.
	CDR's main responsibilities is to:
	• Coordinate with relevant government agencies and with the relevant
	government agencies, particularly MoPWT, regarding roads priorities,
CDR	technical aspects, and project's requirements.
	 Monitor the project. In particular, every six months CDR must submit to the
	Bank project progress reports summarizing all project aspects and progress
	achieved in project implementation.
	• Municipalities in Metn Caza are responsible for their municipal area.
Municipalities	According to Decree 118/1977, municipalities are responsible for supervising
r	projects' implementation in their municipal territories. In this context they were
	consulted for this project.
Ministry of	 MoE is responsible for planning and monitoring of environmental issues.
Environment	• MoE is in charge of protecting the environment in general, setting regulations
(MoE)	and standards, and advising on implementing projects and programs in a
	sustainable manner. Accordingly, this ESMP must comply with the Lebanese
	environmental standards and regulations issued by MoE.
Ministry of	MoA is responsible for monitoring all activities related to forestry and
Agriculture	agriculture. It regulates the introduction of new species in agriculture and
(MoA)	livestock, protects, supervises and manages natural resources and provide
	technical assistance whenever necessary.
	• The REP will not involve the construction of new roads or widening of existing
	ones (i.e., no tree cutting will occur). However, in the context of maintenance
	works, if the contractor had to cut native trees for traffic safety issues, the MoA
	must be consulted. Tree cutting permits are provided by MoA.
Ministry of	 Monitoring the quality and determination of surface and groundwater.
Energy and	• Design, study, and implement major water infrastructure installations.
Water (MoEW)	 Protecting water resources from waste and pollution by taking the necessary
	measures to prevent pollution.
Traffic	• Ensuring public safety
Department at	 Maintaining regular traffic control
the Internal	
Security Forces	
~	• MoL is responsible for all labour and employment issues. Labour inspection is
	the responsibility of the Department of Labour Inspection, Prevention and
	Safety (DLIPS) under the Labour Relations Authority of the MoL.
	 DLIPS supervises the implementation of all laws, regulations, decrees and rules
	• DEFY supervises the implementation of an faws, regulations, decrees and fules pertaining to the terms and conditions of employment, and the protection of
Ministry of	
Labour (MoL)	workers in the workplace, including the provisions of international labour
. ,	Conventions ratified. Labour inspectors ensure the supervision of compliance
	with regulations regarding conditions of employment and protection of workers
	including occupational safety and health. The works contracts must comply
	with the national law on labour and the ILO obligations, which have been
	ratified by Lebanon
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Table B Institutional framework

	Table	С	Labor	Conventions
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ILO Convention	Name	Entry into force	Ratification Date	Description	Relevance to Project
ILO no. 29	Convention Concerning Forced or Compulsory Labor	01/05/1932	25/06/1977	Its object and purpose are to suppress the use of forced labor in all its forms irrespective of the nature of the work or the sector of activity in which it may be performed. With some exceptions such as military service.	This project should abide by this convention to protect employees from being forced into any type of work activity that they do not want to engage in.
ILO no. 105	Abolition of Forced Labor Convention	17/01/1959	25/06/1977	Aims at the elimination of forced labor and cancels certain forms of forced labor still allowed under the Forced Labor Convention of 1930	This project should comply with the guidelines of this convention in order to protect employees from being forced into any type of work activity without their will.
ILO no. 111	Discrimination (Employment and Occupation) Convention	15/06/1960	25/06/1977	Enable legislation which prohibits all discrimination and exclusion on any basis including of race/color, sex, religion, political opinion, national or social origin in employment.	This project should abide by this convention to ensure a healthy environment between the employees and between the employer and employees in the work place by enforcing equality and respect between them.
ILO no. 122	Employment Policy Convention	09/07/1965	25/06/1977	Aim at ensuring that there is freedom of choice of employment and the fullest possible opportunity for each worker to qualify for, and to use his skills and endowments in, a job for which he is well suited, irrespective of race, color, sex, religion, political opinion, national extraction or social origin.	This project should comply with the guidelines of this convention to ensure that employees are given the right opportunities, based on their qualifications, irrespective of their origin, affiliations.
ILO no. 138	Minimum Age Convention for Admission to Employment and Work	19/06/1976	25/06/1977	It stipulates that States should progressively raise the minimum age to a level consistent with the fullest physical and mental	This project should abide by this convention in order to abolish the employment of children below the

		development of	specified minimum
		young people. It	age.
		establishes 15 as the	
		minimum age for	
		work in general and	
		18 as the minimum	
		age for hazardous	
		work.	

Table D International treaties and conventions in relation to REP

Date	Convention/Agreement	Status	Relevance to Project
1992	United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change.	Covered by Law No. 359 dated 11th August 1994.	This project must control activities that release green-house gases such as emissions from machineries used (most of which rely on fuel).
1992	Rio de Janeiro Convention on Biological Diversity.	Covered by Law No. 360 dated 11th August 1994.	This project should abide by this convention to avoid or control activities that may pose a threat on biodiversity at all levels, since improvement of roads sometimes leads, directly or indirectly, to the loss and degradation of natural habitats and biodiversity.

Table E Raw material and items needed for routine maintenance work

Item	Description	Unit
В	Incidental Repair Works	
B1	Clearing and Grubbing	m ²
B2	Repair and adjustment of manholes (replace damaged ones)	Nr
B3	Cleaning of waterways hydraulic structures, drainage pipes and box culverts	m ³
B4	Galvanized Steel Guardrail	lm
B5	Repairing Mortared Masonry wall	m ²
С	Pavement Repair Works	
C1	Shallow Patching works	m ²
C2	Deep Patching works	m ²
C3	Crack sealing	lm
C4	Trench Shallow Patching	lm
C5	Trench Deep Patching	lm
D	Concrete Repair Works	
D1	Cast-in-situ Reinforced concrete, Class 250/20 (B25) for repair of box culverts, headwalls and wing walls, concrete channels and retaining walls (all types and shapes)	m ³
D2	Plain concrete for patching for deteriorated concrete in culverts, channels, walls and safety barriers	m ²
D3	Cast-in-situ Reinforced concrete, Class 250/20 (B25) for channel's cover	lm
Е	Traffic Control Devices and Safety Barriers	
E1	Road Paint Lines width	m ²
E2	Special Road Marking	m ²
E3	Cats eye	Nr
E4	Bituminous speed humps	m ²
E5	Rumble strips	lm
E6	Delineators J4	Nr
E7	Small Signs	m ³
E8	Concrete Single Face New Jersey Barrier free standing. Concrete class 360/20	lm

11 Annex 2: Figures and Tables Related to Chapter 4 Table F Summary of main geological outcrops exposed at the Metn Caza

Geology	Name	Description
C1	Chouf Sandstone (Grés de Base), Neocomian- Barremian	Varicolored, cross bedded Sandstone with inter-beds of shale; contains heavy minerals; color depends upon percentage of hematite and presence of volcanic giving purplish color; Sand is sometimes white; contains coal seams and traces of brittle amber. This formation can reach 300 meter in thickness.
C2a	C2a1: Abey Formation, Lower Aptian	Clastic: mixture of clay, sand and calcareous material in varying proportions forming clay, sandy clay, marl, marly limestone etc. The calcareous material may be slightly to moderately indurated. Where marl prevails, its fresh color is bluish, weathering to creamish brown. This formation can reach 125 meter in thickness.
024	C2a2: Mdeirej Limestone, Lower Aptian	Karstic, massive marine depositional environment Limestone forming a prominent cliff, which often used as a marker bed. Transition with the Abey Formation consists of three layers of green clay intercalating limestone. This formation is outcropping to the East of the site and it can reach 45 meter in thickness.
C2b	Hammana Formation, Upper Aptian	Marl intercalated with marly Limestone with thick layers of Sand on top; layers of ferro-oolitic limestone sometimes overlie the sand. This formation can reach 20 meter in thickness
С3	Hammana Formation, Albian	Green Marl (containing glauconite) intercalated with thick layers of marly Limestone forming cliffs 3 - 4 m in height; may contain some thin sand layers in the lower part of the formation. This formation can reach 150 meter in thickness.
C4	Sannine Limestone, of Cenemonain age	(C ₄); this unit is divided into three subunits: C_{4a} : Dolomitic Limestone, within this formation, geodes of different sizes filled or voided can be recorded. Thickness of this unit is about 300 meters. C_{4b} : Bluish marl and shale containing crystals of quartz, chert nodules and bands form. Thickness of this unit is about 100 meters. C_{4c} : Limestone and dolomitic limestone white to brown in color. Limestone is highly karstified. Thickness of this unit is about 300 meters.
J6	Bikfaya Limestone, Portlandian epoch	Finely crystalline, massive, cliffy Limestone that includes trace to abundant brown chert nodules. This formation is chemically deposited with smooth fresh fracture. The thickness of this unit is ranging from 60 to 65 m and Type section is Bikfaya.
bj6	Black Basalt	Volcanic formation with about 50 m of thickness, overlapping J6 (Bikfaya Limestone). This type is an impermeable rock, aquiclude layer that results in seasonal spring discharges.
Bc1	Volcanics of Chouf Sandstone	Associated with this pre-Chouf Sandstone uplift, the Basaltic volcanic of the Chouf Sandstone (C_1) is located. It is described as reddish clayey beds which appear to be weathered volcanic tuffs.
J7	Salima limestone	Composed of Chocolate brown Shale and bluish Marl, in many parts it's intercalated with thick oolitic Limestone bed. The marl weathers to a creamish, ochre color and Crinoids fossil can be recorded in this formation. Thickness varies from zero-few meters to 150 m. Type section is Salima.
Q	Quaternary formation	Quaternary formation belonging to the Quaternary age. This formation can reach a thickness of 100 m and typically consists of sandy beaches, detrital LS, conglomerates, volcanic coastal or alluvial deposits

Source: Dubertret, (1945)

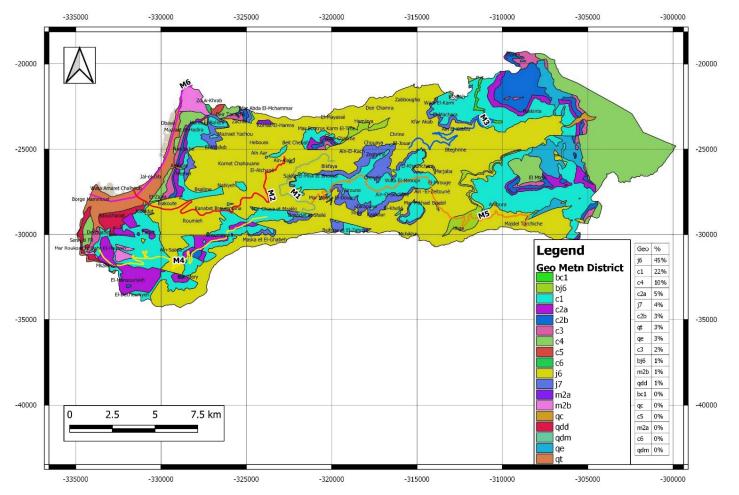


Figure A Geology map of Metn Caza showing exposed outcrops and % of exposure of each class

Road M1	% of geology coverage
bj6	2%
c1	2%
j6	91%
j7	5%
Road M2	% of geology coverage
c1	6%
c4	0%
j6	86%
qt	8%
Road M3	% of geology coverage
bc1	7%
c1	9%
j6	80%
j7	5%
Road M4	% of geology coverage
c1	52%
c2a	32%
c2b	4%
j6	11%
m2b	1%
Road M5	% of geology coverage
bj6	18%
c1	41%
j6	40%
j7	1%
Road M6	% of geology coverage
m2b	8%
qdm	1%

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Figure B Hydrogeology map of Metn Caza (showing water potential of the subsurface)- Refer to table I for description of hydrogeology classes

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Geology Class	Groundwater sheets		Lithology	Age	Flows of the Sources L/sec.	Probable Instantaneous Flows of the Works L/sec.	Transmissivity m²/Sec	
1	In Karstic Formations		Massive limestone and dolomitic limestone with interval marls Thickness: >1000 m.	Jurassic Bathonien- Portlandien	<100 100-1000 >1000	>100	Generally, high	
2		e And Rich Water Table	Limestone regularly bedding Thickness: 800 à 1000 m.	Cretaceous Cénomanien- Turonien	<100 100-1000 >1000	>100	$10^{-2} \le T \le 1$	
5			Reef limestone thickness: 200 to 250 m.	Neogene Miocene	100-1000	<100	Often High	
10	SNOIL		Sandstone Thickness : 150 à 250 m.	Cretaceous Grès De Base	<10	<10	$10^{-5} \le T \le 10^{-4}$ Poor with weak	
11	SNOILEW U NOLEW NO SNOILEW SNO		Detachments gravel slopes and mud flows. Thickness: variable	Quaternary	_	<10	Poor with weak	
12	US F	Water Table	Red soils Thickness: variable	Quaternary	Diffuse Discharge	<10	Poor with weak	
15	IN PORO		Coastal sandstone thickness: variable	Quaternary	Diffuse Discharge	<10	Poor with weak	
16	Areas Generally Without Water Table or		Alternations of clay-sandy, limestone beds and marl Thickness: 300 to 400 m.	Cretaceous Aptien_Albien	<5 (Sources intermittent)	<5	Weak with very weak	
22		ry Local Water Table	Basalt of variable thickness	Cretaceous Inf. Miocene Pliocene Quaternary	_	Very weak	Very weak	

Table H Summary of hydrogeological classes exposed for all Metn roads (legend of hydrogeological map)

Road M1		% Hydrogeology
	1	96%
	10	4%
Road M4		% Hydrogeology
	1	15%
	10	48%
	16	37%
Road M5		% Hydrogeology
	1	48%
	10	41%
	22	11%
Road M6		% Hydrogeology
	5	13%
	15	87%
Road M2		% Hydrogeology
	1	86%
	10	4%
	15	10%
Road M3		% Hydrogeology
	1	78%
	10	22%

Table I Hydrogeological classes coverage (%) per each representative road in Metn Caza

 Table J Existing surface water in the Caza with respect to representative roads

River	Min Distance (m)
Road M1	
Naher Beirut	545
Wadi Antelias	4
Road M2	
Wadi Antelias	8
Road M3	
Naher El Kelb	4
Road M4	
Naher Beirut	219
Road M5	
Naher Beirut	125
Road M6	
Naher El Kelb	20
Wadi Antelias	1

Figure C Distribution of air pollutant Nitrogen Dioxide (NO2) in the troposphere above the Lebanese border average from year 2018 up to August 2023 (data retained from Sentinel-5 precursor/TROPOMI Level 2 Product

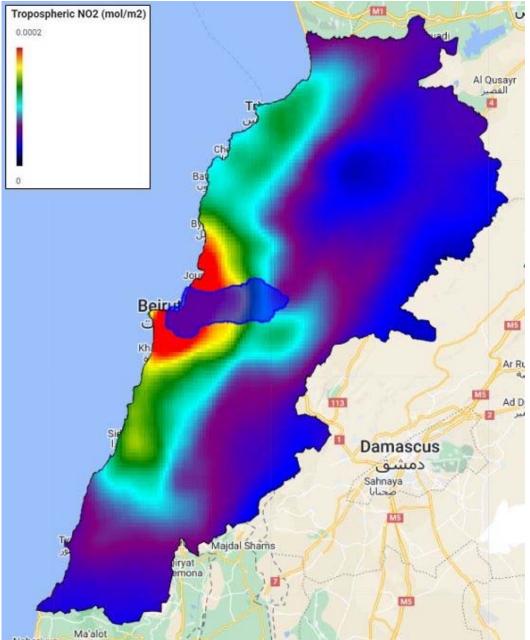
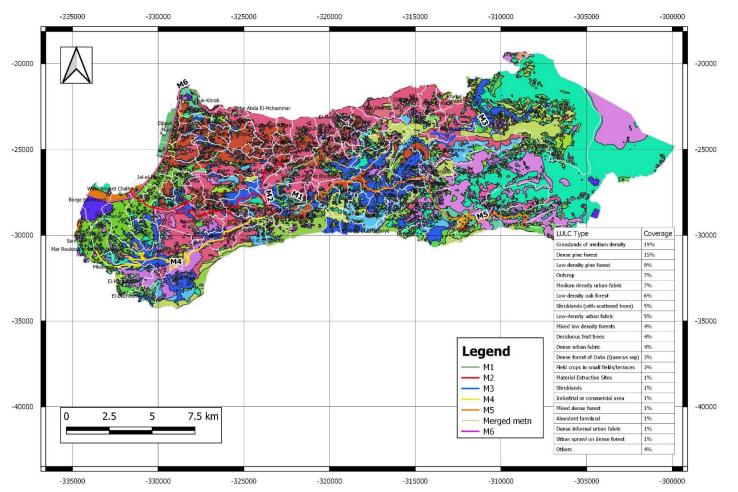


Table K LULC	Analysis com	plemented by	y field observations
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LULC analysis	Field observations	
Dense pine forests	Pine forests (stone pine forest and Calabrian pine	
	forests)	
Outcrops	Bare rocks in garrigue	
	Rocky outcrops	
Low density oak forests	Oaq maquis dominated by Kermes oak	
Shrubland with scattered trees	Open garrigue vegetation	
	Stony shrubland	
Low density pine forest	Pine woodlots on sandstone	
	Clear pines intermixed with oak trees	
	Clusters of Calabrian pine (Pinus brutia) trees	
Grassland of medium density	Grasslands used for agriculture and forage (croplands)	
Olives, field crops in small fields/terraces, deciduous	Olive groves (Olea europaea) and fruit terraces.	
fruit trees		
Medium density urban fabric	Rural settlements and urbanized areas	
Extraction sites	Extraction sites	

Figure D LULC of Metn Caza



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Table L Distribution of LULC over the length of Metn roads with a 50 m fixed buffer from the road centerline (% of LULC distribution per
road)

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Road M1 LULC	% of LULC distribution along the road
Medium density urban fabric	46%
Low-density urban fabric	9%
Low density pine forest	9%
Field crops in small fields/terraces	8%
Mixed low density forests	8%
Grasslands of medium density	7%
Urban sprawl on low density forests	4%
Deciduous fruit trees	4%
Dense pine forest	4%
Dense forest of Oaks (Quercus ssp)	1%
Open horticulture	0%
Shrublands (with scattered trees)	0%
Road M2 LULC	% of LULC distribution along the road
Low density pine forest	31%
Dense pine forest	17%
Material Extraction Sites	16%
Grasslands of medium density	13%
Dense urban fabric	8%
Shrublands (with scattered trees)	2%
Outcrop	2%
Medium density urban fabric	2%
Industrial or commercial area	2%
Field crops in small fields/terraces	2%
Urban sprawl on dense forest	2%
Low-density urban fabric	1%
Diverse Equipment	1%
Road M3 LULC	% of LULC distribution along the road

Dense pine forest	40%
Low density oak forest	21%
Medium density urban fabric	8%
Low-density urban fabric	7%
Deciduous fruit trees	6%
Urban sprawl on dense forest	4%
Mixed low density forests	3%
Field crops in small fields/terraces	3%
Outcrop	3%
Grasslands of medium density	2%
Shrublands	2%
Shrublands (with scattered trees)	1%
Low density pine forest	1%
Road M4 LULC	% of LULC distribution along the road
Low-density urban fabric	47%
Low density pine forest	17%
Shrublands (with scattered trees)	9%
Dense urban fabric	8%
Grasslands of medium density	6%
Sport and leisure facilities	3%
Dense pine forest	2%
Deciduous fruit trees	2%
Urban vacant land	1%
Diverse Equipment	1%
Dense forest of Oaks (Quercus ssp)	1%
Mixed dense forest	1%
Mixed low density forests	1%
M5 LULC	% of LULC distribution along the road
Low density pine forest	17%
Grasslands of medium density	14%
Medium density urban fabric	12%

Deciduous fruit trees	11%
Low-density urban fabric	10%
Outcrop	7%
Shrublands (with scattered trees)	7%
Dense pine forest	5%
Low density oak forest	5%
Shrublands	4%
Field crops in small fields/terraces	2%
Material Extraction Sites	2%
Urban sprawl on low density forests	2%
Urban sprawl on permanent crops	1%
M6 LULC	% of LULC distribution along the road
	% of LULC distribution along the road 42%
M6 LULC	
M6 LULC Highway	42%
M6 LULC Highway Industrial or commercial area	42% 30%
M6 LULC Highway Industrial or commercial area Urban Extension and/or site	42% 30% 16%
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M6 LULC Highway Industrial or commercial area Urban Extension and/or site Sea Enbankments Complex Resort Shrublands Grasslands of medium density	42% 30% 16% 3% 3% 2%

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Road Name	Distance from Protected Areas (PAs), forests, valleys, and rivers	%LULC along the road (50 m fixed buffer)	Elevation (m)	Vegetation zone (Abi Saleh & Safi, 1996).	Characteristics of Natural Habitats
M1	 Runs close to Wadi Antelias 91%j6 (high transmissivity) 	• 17% low density pine forest	782-984	Thermo, Eu Mediterranean zones and Mountain zone	• Clear pine (<i>Pinus pinea</i> on sandstone)
M2	 Rich Pine Horsh on the road leading to Baabdet 	 31 %Low density oak forest 17% dense pine forest 	4-761	Thermo and Eu- Mediterranean zones	 Mediterranean oak woodland, dominated by the evergreen oak species <i>Quercus calliprinos</i> Open garrigue vegetation, discontinuous bushy associations of the Mediterranean calcareous plateaus. Dense pine forests including a horsh bordering M2 with rich understory
М3	 o 4 m away from Nahr el Kaleb River ✓ Nahr el Kaleb is under the protection of MoE 	 40% dense pine forest Low density oak forest 21 % 	823-1248	Eu- Mediterranean and Supra Mediterranean zones	 Dense pine forest with rich understory Dense pine patches including umbrella pine (<i>Pinus pinea</i>) and wild pine (<i>Pinus brutia</i>) intermixing with oak maquis Mediterranean oak woodland, dominated by the evergreen oak species <i>Quercus calliprinos</i>
M4	-	 9 % Shrublands (with scattered trees) 2 % low dense pine forest 6 % Grasslands 	34-824	Thermo and Eu Mediterranean zones	 The road is bordered by garrigue vegetation (rocky garrigue). Some segments involve pine forest/ or dense pine patches (namely stone pine forests)
M5	 Bordered by dense pine forests namely in Baabdet 	 Low density pine forest 17% Grasslands of medium density 14% Deciduous fruit trees 11% 	913-1477	Eu- Mediterranean and Supra Mediterranean zones	 Low density pine forests with poor understory – clear umbrella pine forests Dense pine forests Grasslands (croplands)

Table M Particular biotopes and natural habitats along the assessed roads

Figure E Encountered natural habitats along Metn roads Pine patches bordering Road M1 intermixing with residential buildings and houses



Pine Horsh along the road leading to Baabdet – Road M2



Clear Umbrella pine along M3 with poor understory



Ecosystem along Road M5 – open garrigue vegetation



Pine forest along Road M1



Open garrigue ecosystem bordering Road M3 in Bteghrine



Association of Oak and pine trees (rocky habitat) along Road M3



Oak maquis along M5 in Mten and cultivated deciduous fruit trees



Stone pine forests/stands in Baabdet Road M5





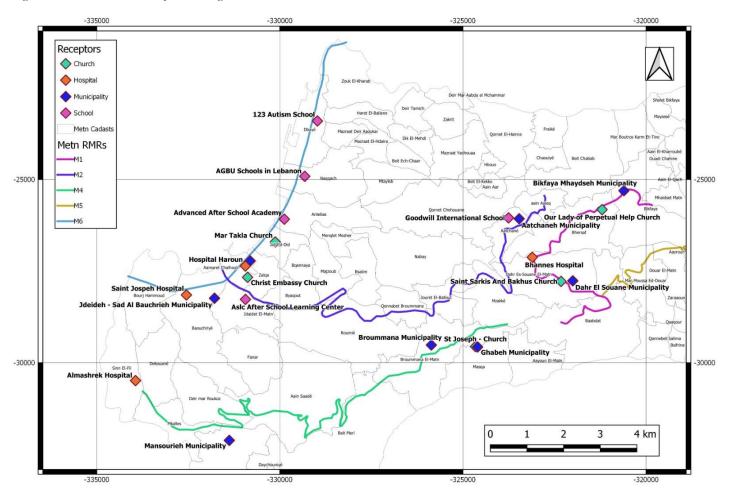
Table N Main Sensitive receptors recorded along main primary roads in Metn Caza

Receptor	Description	Road	Distance (m)
Saint Sarkis And Bakhus Church	Church	M1	31
Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church	Church	M1	86
Dahr El Souane Municipality	Municipality	M1	148
Bikfaya Mhaydseh Municipality	Municipality	M1	20
Sakiet el Misk - Bharsaf Municipality	Municipality	M1	15
Bhanes hospital	Hospital	M1	60
Christ Embassy Church	Church	M2	355
Goodwill International School	School	M2	294
Aslc After School Learning Center	School	M2	204
Aatchaneh Municipality	Municipality	M2	161
Wadih Al Haj Health center	Health center	M2	4
Bteghrine Official High School	School	M3	116
Bteghrine Municipality	Municipality	M3	27
Church	Church	M3	30
Saint Mary Church,	Church	M3	148
Mar Mikhael Church	Church	M3	153
St Joseph - Church	Church	M4	326
Ghabeh Municipality	Municipality	M4	367
Broummana Municipality	Municipality	M4	236
Mansourieh Municipality	Municipality	M4	376
Machrek hospital	Hospital	M6	300
Church of Our Lady	Church	M5	139
El Mrouj Evangelical Church	Church	M5	122
Sain Ceour Dhour Choueir	School	M5	572
Layla C Saad SABIS school	School	M5	972
Aintoura Municipality	Municipality	M5	18
Bolonia and Wata el Mrouj Municipality	Municipality	M5	115

Choueir Municipality	Municipality	M5	35
Aayroun Municipality	Municipality	M5	70
Mar Takla Church	Church	M6	289
Adbanced After School Academy	School	M6	137
AGBU Schools in Lebanon	School	M6	191
123 Autism School	School	M6	135
Zalka Municipality	Municipality	M6	118
Jdeideh - Sad Al Bauchrieh Municipality	Municipality	M6	388
Haroun Hospital	Hospital	M6	116
Hopital Saint Joseph	Hospital	M6	165

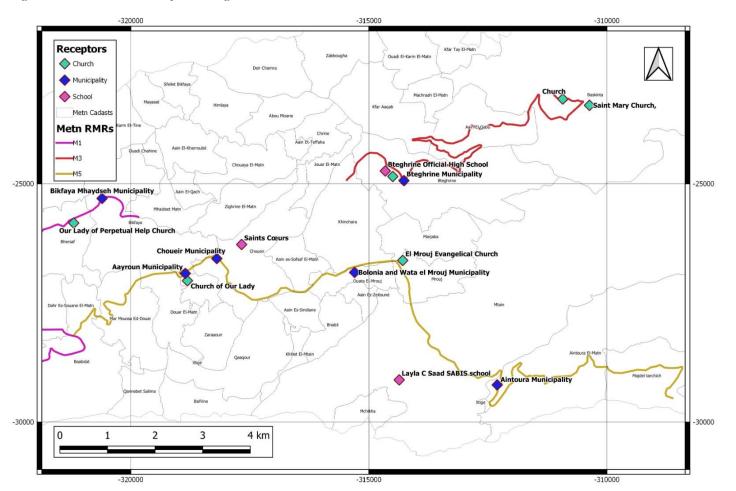
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Figure F Main sensitive receptors along Metn roads - 1



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Figure G Main Sensitive Receptors along Metn roads - 2



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Figure H Examples of sensitive receptors along Metn Roads

Residential buildings bordering Road M1 Municipality of Bharsaf bordering Road M1



Wadih Al Haj Medical center along Road M3 (Baskinta)



El Mrouj Church bordering M5





Urban segment along Road M4 (Broumana)



Highway sensitive receptors (along Road M6)



12 Annex 3: Impact Assessment Methodology

The assessment followed the Lebanese MoE grading methodology stated in Decision No 261/1, dated 2015. The impact grading methodology is explained in this section.

This approach was adopted in order to address the several sources of impacts from the project's activities. The stages of the evaluation process are the following:

- Identification of project-related activities (sources) and environmental aspects.
- Identification of potential impacts to the environment (physical, biological, human, cultural).
- Evaluation and assessment of the related unmitigated impact significance.

Impacts are first classified as shown in the table below:

Matrix	Classification	Criteria
	P (Positive)	The proposed activity offers benefits for the overall project
N	N (Negative)	Impacts having minimal to major negative influence
(Nature)	D (Direct)	Impact arising directly from the project activities
	I (Indirect)	Impacts arising from activities not directly related to the project development
	L (Low)	High potential to mitigate negative impacts on the physical, biological or human environment to the level of insignificant effects. Disturbance of degraded areas with little conservation value. Minor changes in species occurrence or variety. Simple mitigation measures may be needed to minimize impacts
M (Magnitude)	M (Moderate)	Medium range (beyond site boundary but restricted to local area). Medium-term (reversible over time, duration of operational phase). Potential to mitigate negative impacts on physical, biological or human environment. However, the implementation of mitigation measures may still not prevent some negative effects. Destruction/Disturbance of areas with potential conservation value. Complete changes in species occurrence or variety. Mitigation measures will help minimize impacts
	H (High)	Disturbance to areas of high conservation value. Destruction of rare or endangered species. Mitigation is required. Largely irreversible impacts on the physical, biological or human environment. Has a massive impact on the surrounding livelihood. Potentially irreparable damage to a site of social and/or cultural importance
	1	
E	L (Local)	Limited to the project area Locally occurring impact within the locality of the proposed project
(Extent)	G (Global)	Extend beyond the local area National impact affecting resources on a national scale
	1	
Т	S (Short-term)	Activities and their related impacts are characterized by a short duration of effect
(Timing)	M (Medium-term)	Activities and their related impacts are characterized by a medium duration of effect

Table O Classification of Impacts

Matrix	Classification	Criteria
	L (Long-term)	Activities and their related impacts are characterized by a long duration of effect
D	C (Construction)	Impacts arise during the construction phase of the proposed project
(Duration)	O (Operation)	Impacts arise during the operational phase of the project
R	R (Reversible)	Impacts may be reversible, or able to be rehabilitated upon the decommissioning of the proposed project
(Reversibility)	I (Irreversible)	Impacts may not be reversible, or able to be rehabilitated upon the decommissioning of the proposed project
L	L (Low)	The classified impact is unlikely to occur under normal operating conditions
(Likelihood of	M (Medium)	The classified impact may possibly occur
occurrence)	H (High)	The classified impact is unlikely to occur under normal operating conditions
	L (Low)	Results in no substantial adverse change to existing environmental conditions
S (Significance)	M (Medium)	Substantial adverse change to existing environmental conditions Can be mitigated to less-than-significant levels by implementation of proposed potentially feasible mitigation measures or by the selection of an environmentally superior project alternative
	H (High)	Substantial adverse change to existing environmental conditions Cannot be fully mitigated by implementation of all feasible mitigation measures

The environmental significance matrix adopted is based on the well-known "weighted scoring" or "weighing and scoring" method used as a tool in various decision analysis applications. In this method, the following steps takes place:

- Attributes relevant to the project are chosen
- Weights or numerical values are assigned to each attribute depending on its importance (values should be based on objective data or expert opinion to exclude subjectivity during the process).
- Scores are allocated to each option to reflect its status with respect to each attribute

The final result is a single weighted score for each option, which is used to quantify its overall performance/significance. As such, the adopted matrix is designed to allow subjective conclusions to be numerically recorded or quantified, therefore providing at the same time an impact evaluation and quantitative record to revert to in the future:

Table I Sig	mineane	e impaci n	Tatlia						
	Magni	Magnitude x Extent x Duration							
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
	2	4	6	8	10	12	14	16	18
	3	6	9	12	15	18	21	24	27
ood	4	8	12	16	20	24	28	32	36
kelih eque	5	10	15	20	25	30	35	40	45
Lik x Fre	6	12	18	24	30	36	42	48	54

Table P Significance Impact Matrix

Yellow: Negligible / Green: Low significance / Blue: Medium significance / Red: High significance

13 Annex 4: Code of Conduct

Individual CoC in Arabic

مدونة سلوك - Code of Conduct

مشروع الطرقات والعمالة – Roads & Employment Project المعوّل من قبل البنك الدولي (القرض رقم ٢٠٥٥ – لبنان)، بإدارة وتنفيذ مجلس الانماء والإعمار لمسالح وزارة الأشغال العامة والنقل

تعتبر مدونة السلوك هذه وثيقة ضرورية لحماية جميع العاملين في مشروع الطرقات والعمالة من جميع مظاهر العنف القائم على أسس اجتماعية، التئمر، سوء المعاملة، التحرش والاعتداء والاستغلال الجنسي وأي سلوك اجتماعي أخر يخلّ بحقوق الانسان، المجتمع المحلي والآداب العامة، بما في ذلك المعايير التالية:

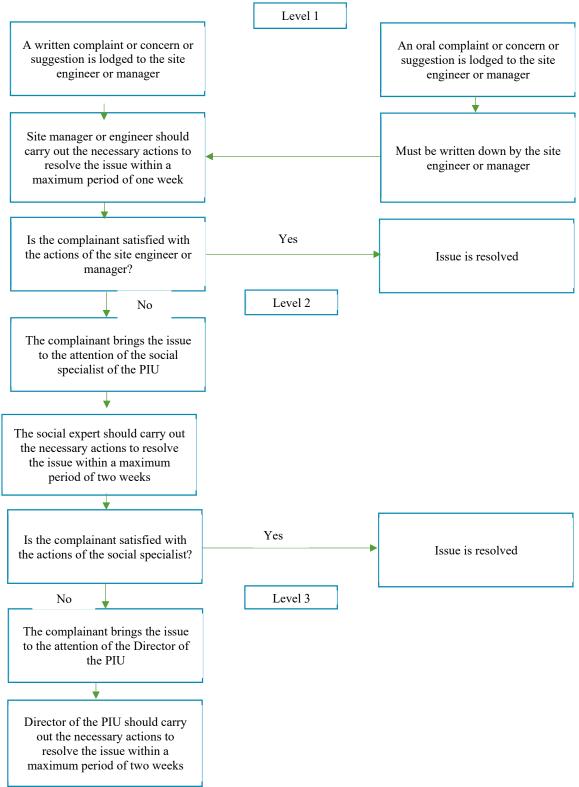
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الالتزام بالتصدي لأي شكل من أشكال التحرش أو التمييز أو التخويف أو الاستغلال أو الاعتداء الجنسي بما في ذلك التعليقات المهينة المتعلقة بالميل الجنسي، القدح بالقاب أو عبارات ذات دلالات جنسية، التحديق بطريقة ذات إيحاء جنسي، اللمس غير مرغوب فيه، القيام بحركات جنسية غير لائقة، تبادل الحكايات أو النكات الجنسية، توجيه رسائل ذات إيحاء جنسي بأي شكل من الأشكال، محاولة الاعتداء الجنسي أو ارتكابه، بما في ذلك الاغتصاب.	۲- التحرش والاعتداء والاستغلال الجنسي

أنا الموقع أدناه، أقر بأني قرأت وتُلِيَ عَلَيَّ وفهمت وتلقيت الشرح والتدريب والمعلومات الكافية عن مدونة السلوك التابعة لمشروع الطرقات والعمالة. وأوافق على الامتثال للمعايير الواردة فيها وأعرف أن أي إجراء يتعارض مع مدونة السلوك هذه قد يؤدي إلى اتخاذ إجراء تأديبي وقد يؤثر على استمرارية عملي ضمن مشروع الطرقات والعمالة.

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العامل يجيد القراءة، وقد دوّن اسمه وإمضاءه

العامل لا يجيد القراءة، وقد تُلَيْت عليه مدونة السلوك وتمّ الامضاء نيابةً عنه من قبل الأخصاني الاجتماعي



14 Annex 5: Schematic illustration of the GRM

15 Annex 6: Complaint Register Form

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Table Q Complaints Registration Form

16 Annex 7: Plans and Procedures during Maintenance Activities

Pollution Prevention Plan

The Contractor shall prepare and abide by a Pollution Prevention Plan to ensure that pollution to air, water or land is prevented or, where this is not possible, reduced and mitigated as far as practicable during the construction phase. The Pollution Prevention Plan will be developed for managing:

- liquid effluents
- air emissions
- noise and vibration
- fuel, oil, and chemical storage and handling
- hazardous, non-hazardous, and household waste handling, storage and final disposal
- vehicle and equipment selection and maintenance

Effluent Management Provisions

- No effluent shall be discharged under any condition neither into water courses or bodies including surface water bodies nor to ground surface or infiltrated into subsoils
- Install mobile porta-cabins and connect the generated wastewater from workers to the existing sewage network or to polyethylene tank
- Empty the tank in the sewer network or into nearby operational wastewater treatment plants either by municipality-owned or contracted wastewater tankers

Rainwater run-off Management Provisions

- Install temporary structures to prevent runoff from reaching nearby water bodies
- Remove base coarse and sand from active maintenance sites to prevent the transfer of suspended solids in rainwater
- All platforms where generators or hydrocarbon storage tanks are installed have an impervious layer
- Restrict excavation activities during periods of intense rainfall

Atmospheric Emissions and Dust Management Provisions

- Exercise care to minimize emissions of dust from its activities, including traffic, at work sites, in residential areas and on access roads.
- Stop dust generating activities during windy weather especially in residential areas
- Where it is deemed that dust is impacting or may have an impact on human, plant or animal receptors or where dust may cause sedimentation of watercourses/water bodies or unacceptable levels of soil loss, water shall be applied to the area creating the dust
- Control vehicle speeds to reduce traffic-induced dust dispersion and resuspension by setting and enforcing speed limits
- Post speed limit signs in sensitive areas
- Ensuring trucks hauling sand, dirt or other loose materials are covered (sheeting trucks)
- Cover dusty stockpiles
- Suspending topsoil stripping and replacement during strong winds
- Using a dust collection system for bulk materials unloading
- Ensure proper handling and storage of materials thus minimizing the areas of stockpiled materials
- When storage, transport and handling of bulk materials is made in the open air and exposed to the wind, necessary dust abatement measures shall be implemented
- Regular maintenance of construction machinery, equipment and vehicles **Spill Prevention and Management**
- Spill clean-up procedure to reduce the risks of accidental leakages
- Carry out all re-fuelling in designated areas with impervious surfaces and guarantee no fuel spills

- A spill collection tank must be installed under generators and specific equipment
- All chemicals shall be stored in dedicated areas on a paved or sealed floor and in tightly closed containers and be protected from adverse weather conditions
- Used oil or chemical must be stored in an appropriate area until it is collected and disposed in licensed sites
- Use of secondary containment basins for long term storage of lubricants and fuels
- Ensure that the plan is present at the construction site and that oil spill response kits are available
- Ensure proper housekeeping conditions are maintained at the oil/chemical storage areas
- Train all workers to implement this plan in case of accidental spillage

Waste Management Plan

This plan shall be developed and implemented by the Contractor to manage the generated waste effectively. The plan shall include the following components:

- •Establish and maintain a waste register which is at the disposal of the Engineer. This register will record all waste management operations: production, collection, transport and disposal. Waste shall be categorized according to the following definitions:
- •Non-hazardous solid waste generated at maintenance sites and offices includes excess fill materials from grading and excavation activities, scrap wood and metals, and small concrete spills. Other non-hazardous solid wastes include office and kitchen wastes.
- •Hazardous solid waste includes contaminated soils, oily rags, used oil filters, used oil, as well as spill cleanup materials from oil and fuel spills
- •Waste shall be collected from each maintenance sites and from offices at the same rate that it is produced
- •All the waste materials generated at work sites and offices shall be segregated into domestic (organic/ paper and cardboard/ metals, glass and plastics) and hazardous waste and disposed into the color-coded containers (one for the disposal of organic waste, one for paper and cardboard and one for aluminium, glass and plastics)
- •The domestic waste containers shall be emptied 2 to 3 times per week by the municipality to maintain maintenance sites sanitation
- Segregated recyclables shall be sent to recycling facilities in the area where possible
- •Reuse of excavation materials generated during cutting and filling activities whenever possible and disposal of remaining material in controlled disposal site to be identified by the contractor in coordination with the relevant municipality
- Approval letters shall be obtained from the concerned municipalities for domestic and construction waste disposal
- •Reuse or recycle the generated waste whenever possible
- •Train workers on waste reduction procedures
- Provide workers with nearby sanitation facilities and inform them about their location
- The work zone shall be cleaned on a daily basis. Construction leftovers that are external to the working zone shall be removed regularly. Site housekeeping must be maintained

Hazardous Materials Management Plan

A Hazardous Materials Management Plan will be developed for hazardous materials that pose a potential risk to human health or the environment and include cleaning chemicals, solvents and fuels. The plan shall include the following:

- Fuel and hazardous chemicals/materials shall be stored in designated areas, except for quantities generated or required for the daily construction activities.
- All fuel and hazardous chemical storage facilities shall be located on flat or gently sloping ground and shall be contained within a bund designed to contain at least 110% of the total capacity of the storage containers plus 10% of the aggregate tank volume within the containment area or as otherwise specified by regulatory requirements. The bund walls and floor shall be constructed of

concrete or other suitably impermeable material. The filling connection must be within the bund. No drain valves or other connections through the bund walls shall be permitted. Tanks shall be fitted with a gauge to allow the fill level to be monitored during refilling and preferably with a high-level alarm.

• Hydrocarbons, lubricants, paints, solvents and batteries are transported in drums to suitable waste management facilities, if available

Emergency Preparedness and Response Plan

An Emergency Preparedness and Response Plan (EPRP) will be developed so that the Contractor is prepared to respond to accidental and emergency situations in a manner that prevents and mitigates harm to people and the environment. The EPRP needs to be discussed and disclosed to service providers and local affected communities prior to construction. The EPRP shall cover the following emergency situations as a minimum/;

- Medical emergency
- Fire or explosion;
- Hazardous Material Spill or Release; The EPRP will identify
- Accidents and emergency situations and the communities and individuals that may potentially be impacted
- Response procedures, provision of equipment and resources, designation of responsibilities, communication systems and channels and periodic response training

The Project will need to ensure that the Contractor shall

- Maintain fit-for-purpose Emergency Response Capability, which shall be clearly documented
- Make contingency arrangements for calling a Doctor and transporting injured persons to hospital. The telephone numbers of the emergency services and the name, address and telephone number of the Doctor and the nearest hospital shall be prominently displayed in the Contractor's office.
- Ensure that all personnel are informed and aware of how to react in an emergency situation, and responsibilities are defined. Information and awareness training shall be documented, and available on all Project Areas
- Organize and document emergency simulation exercises within 3 months of the physical start of the works, and subsequently once every 12 months

Traffic Management Plan

A Traffic Management Plan (TMP) will need to be developed by the main contractor. The TMP shall be a starting point for further discussion between the main contractor, local authorities and road agencies. The plan will include preventative measures to manage the risks from potential increases in traffic from construction activities including transportation of material and workers to and from the maintenance activity sites. In addition, it will include measures to protect workers and manage the risks from civilian traffic within close proximity to maintenance activities especially within residential areas. The TMP will be refined and updated as access routes are confirmed and the timing and type of abnormal loads become known. The TMP shall include the following:

- Proposed program of works;
- Details of key stakeholders;
- Details regarding the proposed method of construction;
- Proposed Temporary Traffic Control/ Management Plans (TTCP/ TMP);
- Various traffic diversion plan layouts for various type of activities;
- Diversion signs;
- Regulatory signs;
- Informative signs;
- Analysis of impacted roads;
- Risk Assessment;
- Proposed working hours; and

• Protection of Work Zones and road users including pedestrians;

The TMP shall be approved by the Consultant prior the execution of work.

A special TMP shall be prepared regarding works on Highways. Noting that Works on Highways shall be minimized during Peak- Hours and maximized during off-peak hours, 7 days a week.

Public Health and Safety Plan

An effective Public Health and Safety Plan for construction shall include at least the following components:

- Secure the site and restrict access to it
- Prohibit unattended/unauthorized public access
- No children are allowed to be present on the work site, reminding workers and community members of this in all related communications
- Install barriers with warning lights at night around excavations, material dumps or other obstructions at the maintenance sites
- Install warning signs for drilling and maintenance at the external part of the site and at a distance of 100 meters
- Inform residents and place proper safety and diversion signs at sensitive areas within the project area (i.e. near schools, shops hospitals and agriculture areas)
- Install pedestrian and vehicular passages near residential areas
- Accidental oil spillage shall be well controlled
- Make sure at least three sets of first aid kits are present on the construction site.
- Access to hospitals should not be impeded at any time
- Properly manage trucks and heavy machinery entering and exiting the construction site.
- Training of heavy machinery drivers about road safety
- Equip Project drivers with telephones for contacting the emergency services to enact the EPRP if necessary in case of emergency.
- Keep stakeholders informed of maintenance schedule and abide by assigned timing
- Manage the grievance mechanism through which community members can make complaints about project activities
- The community health and safety plan shall cross reference with other relevant management plans such as the TMP and EPRP. Local health care and emergency services shall be consulted in the development of the plan.

Occupational Health and Safety (OHS) Plan

In addition, the Contractor shall ensure the workers' health and safety against possible accidents and injuries from the various maintenance activities. The plan shall include the following:

- Hazard Identification and assessment including (Physical injuries from: Traffic accidents, Falling from moving vehicles, Loss of stability and overturning of equipment, Falling from height, Hit by construction materials, Slips, trips and falls, Electrical incidents, Burns from hot works, Health problems due to: Fumes and dust, Noise and vibration, Excessive manual handling, Disease outbreaks, Asphyxiation in confined spaces and Fire)
- OHS protection measures for the identified hazards
- OHS protection measures for Unexploded Explosive Ordnance
- Prevention and precaution measures for COVID-19
- Identify the mandatory personal protective equipment (PPE) to be used including hard hats, safety boots, reflective vest as well as specific PPEs
- Identify and manage dangerous substances planned to be used on the project area
- Work Permit System for Confined Space Entry, Hot Works, Excavation, Lifting, Working at Height, Handling of Hazardous Materials, and Electrical works
- Safe Work Method Statements

- Hazard communication
- Emergency and Evacuation procedures
- Accident and incident reporting and investigation

The Contractor shall implement mitigation measures as per the Occupational Health and Safety Plan. Measures include but not limited to:

- Personnel and visitors to maintenance activity areas shall be equipped with a safety helmet, safety shoes and a reflective jacket as a minimum.
- Adequate quantities of PPE shall be available on the project areas and stored properly
- Personnel shall be trained on how to use and care for PPE
- Conduct training and awareness meetings including correct use of PPE, health and safety procedures, and handling hazardous material containers and related wastes
- Ensure refreshing training session on occupational health and safety measures is conducted on a monthly basis
- Ensure that supervision, directly in charge of construction activities, fully brief and discuss with Personnel HS Tool Box Talks at the start of each work day and prior to commencing new activities. These talks shall be conducted in a language understood by the workforce. A checklist shall be utilised for this purpose. At a minimum it shall include the following: Nature of the job, associated hazards, safe working methods to be adopted and requirements of the Permit to Work
- Ensure a minimum of first-aid provisions on any work site, including: suitably stocked first-aid kits; a person, respectively an adequate number of staff appointed and trained to take charge of first-aid arrangements and ensure that staff and workers are informed about first-aid arrangements
- Equip the project area with a communication system exclusively for the purposes of communication with the first aid services. Information on how to communicate with the first aid services shall be clearly indicated near the communications equipment
- Collaborate with local health authorities and make arrangement with an appropriate number of local doctors, and/or nurses, hospitals and ambulance services to ensure that medical staff, first aid facilities, and ambulance service are available within the project area
- Measures as per national guidelines published by WHO and Ministry of Public Health regarding COVID-19 prevention and quarantine procedures
- Workplace inspections

Chance Finds Procedure

The chance find procedure is a project-specific procedure that identify actions necessary if previously unknown heritage resources, particularly archaeological resources, are unexpectedly encountered during project construction phase. A Chance Find Procedure will set out how chance finds associated with the project will be managed and will include the following requirements:

- Notify relevant authorities (Directorate of General of Antiquities) of found objects or sites
- Fence the area of finds or sites to avoid further disturbance
- Conduct an assessment of found objects or sites by cultural heritage experts in order to identify and implement actions consistent with the requirements of ESS8 and national legislation
- Train project personnel and project workers on chance find procedures

17 Annex 8: Public Consultation

Consulted NGOs were targeted according to their position in Lebanon. They consist of two levels as follows:

- a) Local NGOs: they are specific to each Caza. Their mission is to address different concerns and issues among the local society including social, economic, gender equality, environment, poverty, women empowerment, etc. The name of the invited NGOs and their field of activity are presented in the table below. Those local NGOs may play a role of advocates to reduce projects' social and environmental risks. Out of the invited local NGOs, only YASA attended the meeting.
- b) International NGOs: they are covering the whole country and their consultation will be applied to all the ESMPs of the REP. They provide relief and developmental aid to many developing countries. They support the society in responding to crises and helps people whose lives and livelihoods are shattered by conflict and disaster to survive, recover and gain control of their future. When the crisis in Syria erupted in early 2011, numerous International NGOs responded to the humanitarian crisis and worked directly with the Syrian in Lebanon by providing aid and responding to their critical situation. Accordingly, Syrian refugees were contacted through the International NGOs to seek their feedback about the Project. Accordingly, this ESMP did not receive any concern about the Project.

	Table K Consuled Local NGOS and then Activities		
Organization	Phone	Activities	
-	Number		
Women in Front	04-	Created in 2012, "Women in Front" aims at empowering women and	
	521096	increasing their participation in political and public life	
Amel	01-	Since its creation, in 1979, Amel has opened field hospitals, maternities,	
Association	317293	development and medical centers in addition to cooperatives in several areas,	
		regardless of their political or religious affiliations. As part of its support to	
		refugee's program, it provides humanitarian aid to refugee communities,	
		irrelevant of nationality. across the entire country.	
Frontiers' Rights	01-	Ruwad was founded in 2014 after long years of advocacy work launched by	
(Rouwad	383556	its activists in 1999. The association defends the fundamental rights of	
Houkouk)		marginalized groups in Lebanon, focusing on three areas: statelessness, right	
		to asylum, and right to personal freedom, safety and non-refoulement (non-	
		forced return to home country).	

Table R Consulted Local NGOs and their Activities

Table S Consulted International NGOs and their Activities

NGO Name	Intervention Sector(s)
ANERA Lebanon	Children & Youth
	• Development
	• Education
	Relief Services
	Water sanitation and hygiene
ACTED	• Development
	Infrastructure & Services Rehabilitation
	Labor & Livelihoods
	• Shelter
	Water sanitation and hygiene
Danish Refugee	Direct Assistance
Council (DRC)	• Protection
	• Shelter
	Community Empowerment and Livelihoods

<u>Photos: Metn Caza- Public participation meeting</u> **Public Participation meeting (August 3 2023)**



Invitation letter:

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الموضوع: دعوة لحضور إجتماع مشاركة عامة حول مشروع "الطرق والعمالة"

تحية طيبة وبعد،

بما أن مجلس الإنماء والإعمار يقوم بتمويل من البنك الدولي بتنفيذ مشروع "الطرق والعمالة" لتأهيل وصيانة الطرق في كافة الأقضية اللبنانية؛

ولما كانت شركة دار الهندسة نزيه طالب وشركاه قد تكلفت من قبل مجلس الإنماء والإعمار للقيام بالدراسات الهندسية والبيئية المتعلقة بالمشروع والتي بدورها كلَّفت شركة TIVÈL للإستشارات البيئية بإعداد خطة إدارة بيئية وإجتماعية للمشروع المذكور؛

وحيث أنه من الضروري عقد اجتماعات تشاورية مع الجهات المعنية والعامة بشؤون البيئة والأمور الإجتماعية ذات الصلة بمشاريع الطرق والإستماع إلى أرائهم ؛

وبما أن المسروع يهدف للقيام بأعمال صيانة لطرق دولية ورئيسية وتاتوية في قضاء المنّن؛

اذاك.

ندعوكم لحضور إجتماع مشاركة للعامة في تمام الساعة الحادية عشر صباحاً من يوم الخميس الواقع في ٣ آب في مسرح دير مار الياس في أنطلياس؛ ونتمنى على المواطنين الكرام، إبداء الملاحظات الخطيّة، في حال وجودها، حول المشروع المذكور، وإرسالها إلى شركة دار الهندسة نزيه طالب وشركاه يواسطة الفاكس على الرقم التالي 01/863434.

وتفضلوا بقبول فائق الاحترام

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2. أهداف اللقاء

تحقيق الشفافية عبر إعلام الرأي العام بالمشروع لإبداء ملاحظاتهم وذلك وفقاً لسياسة ضمادات البنك الدولي (سياسة تشغلية رقم 4.01)

عرض لأهم الاثار البيئية والاجتماعية والتنابير التخفيفية المرتبطة بتنفيذ المشروع

مداقشة خطة الإدارة البيئية والإجتماعية للمشروع التي تهدف لحماية الصحة البشرية، السلامة العامة والموارد البيئية

1. مقدمة

تتمتم شبكة الطرق في لبدان بطاق وتنطية كاقبرن بشكل عام لكن نسبة كبيره من تلك الطرق في حالة سيئة و هو الأمر الذي يؤدي إلى إعاقه التمرية المحلية والاقتصادية

متسروع الطربى والعمالة

- ينة: مجلس الإنماء والإعمار مشروع الطرق والعملة في لبنان وذلك بالتسيق مع وزارة الإشخال الدامة. والتق عبر تعويله من البنك النولي يشمل المشروع أعمال صيلة هذة طرق في بلنات من كافة الإقسنية اللبنانية.
- يميت المتروع الى تصن شبكات النقل البرى على امتناد أجزاء شعبَّة مختارة من الطرق المصنفة في لبنان، و إلى تحفز الإقصاد من خلال خلق قرص العمل.

مراحل إعداد خطة الإدارة البيئية والإجتماعية

- = تحديد الأطر السياسية والأطر القانوبية للمشروع = دراسة مكونات المشروع = دراسة البيئة المحيطة

 - تقييم الأثار المحتملة للمشروع
- = مشاركة العامة مسارك المعامة
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البنك الدولي	مموّل المشروع
مجلس الانماء والاعمار	إدارة وتتغيذ
دا <mark>ر</mark> الهندسة نزيه طالب وشركاه	استشاري هندسي
TIVÈL	استشاري بيقي



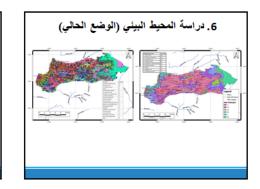


ماذا يتضمن المشروع خلال مرحلة التنفيذ؟

- الصياده الوقائيه والتي تعل على إطالة العمر الإفتراضي للطريق وتتم به الاعمال التالية
 - تعطية سطح الطريق بطبقات جديدة.
- إستبدال الطبقات الأسطلنيه سواءً بإعادة رصفها أو بإرالتها تماماً وإعادة إنشافها تبعاً لحالة الرصف.
 - إعادة إنشاء بعض أجزاء الطريق التي إنهارت طبقة القاعدة تحتها.
 تركيب عبارات إضافية الصرف.
- إصلاح العبارات الصندوقية (Culvert box) لإزالة الأضرار الداتجه عن السيول.

ماذا يتضمن المشروع خلال مرحلة التنفيذ؟

- 1. الصيادة العادية
- تنظيف الطريق .
- تعبئة التفققات وإصلاح العيوب البسيطة الموجودة على سطح الطريق.
- ه إصلاح الأكذاف والميول الجابية الطريق. • تنطيف منشأت تصريف مياه الأمطان والقيام بالإصلاحات البسيطة اللازمة للمنشأت المرسانية.
 - الازمة للمنشات العرسانية. • فحص وصيانة وإصلاح حواجز السلامة.
 - فحص وصداح حواجر استحمر.
 إصلاح أو إستبدال إشارات الطرق ودهان الطريق.
 - إلى المربع المربع المربع المربع ودمان المربع
 الإهتمام بنطافة وتشكيل حدود حرم الطريق.





التدابير التخفيفية	الأثار المحتملة على البيلة
 إستخدام آلات ذات البعاثات منخلصة ترجيه مصادر الإنبعاثات بعيداً عن المساكن المحيطة رق الطرق برالنظام بالعياه لمكافحة العبار تنظية مركبات نظل المواد الأولية والمعلقات من وإلى موقع المحروع تحديد سرعة الداحدات والمركبات 	تلوث اليواء
 استحدام حواجز لمدع وصول الترسيات الرملية الى قدوات العياه تعطية مواد البداء 	تلوث العياه

7. الآثار البيئية والاجتماعية الإيجابية للمشروع

مشاريع الطرق:

. تقلّل أو تمنع الغبار، وتحسن التصريف، وتقلّل العقبات المرورية تحسن مستويات السلامة على الطرقات وتحد من الحوادث المرورية

تحقز الاقتصاد من خلال خلق فرص العمل

• وطائف قصيرة للأشعال المدنية

وسيعود المشروع بالطع أيضاً على المنداعات المطية التي تساند قطاع الإنشاءات (المحاجر والتقل والإسمنت) والاقتصادات المحلية بقصل تحد شيكات القرق وزياندالطلب على السلع والهندمات المحلية.

خطة الإدارة البينية والاجتماعية

عف الخطة الادارة البيئية والإجتماعية: مراقبة المدروع والتألك من مطابقته مع جميع المعايير البيئية والإجتماعية. بعد دراسة الاثار المحتملة للمشروع التوم الدراسة باقتراح اساليب تحقيقية لهذه الاثار وسيل لمراقبتها.

خطة الادارة البينية والإجتماعية تتضمن:

• مراقبة نوعية المياه

• مراقبة نوعية التربة

- ا مراقبة نوعية الهواء
- · مراقبة نوعية التنوع البيولوجي
- مراقبة عملية التوظيف+ Work conditions • مراقبة الصبحة والسلامة العامة
- خطة طوارئ في حال حدوث اي حادث مفاجئ.

التدابير التخفيفية	الأثار المحتملة على المجتمع
تسريع العمل من خلال الوضع والالتزام بأهدات ومقاييس واضحة لتقييم الأداء ومتابعة سير العمل إعادة تأهيل الطريق بشكل تدريجي	تأثر الحركة التجارية للمؤسسات والمحال القائمة على جانبي الطريق
Awareness/Training, CoC, Sanctions ألية مراجعة الشكارىGRM	Labor induced Sexual Exploitation and Abuse الإستعلال الجنسي والاعتداء الجنسي
حصر الأعدل في ساعة معذدة ومصرح عنها سابقاً الحد من إستعدام الأجيزة والمعدات التي تسبب المعرضة عصوصاً بالقرب من المنشآت الحساسة	الضرهناء



10. آلية مراجعة الشكاوىGRM

بمكن للاشخاص المحتين الاستفسار عن مطومات اضافية أو أو تقنيم أية تشكرى (في حال وجودها) بالقواصل مع وحدة الية مراجعة الشكوى من الاثنين حتى الجمعة بين 9:00 صباحاً و15:00 بعد الظهر، عبر :

- 1. الهاتف: 01980096 مقسم 317
 - 2. البريد الالكتروني: GRM.REP@cdr.gov.lb
 - تسجيل كتاب رسمى لدى مجلس الانماء والاعمار
 - (العدوان: تلة السراي رياض الصلح، بيروت لبدان)

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Letters sent by Municipalities

Letter 1 – Atchaniyeh Municipality

الجمهورية اللبنانية العطشانة في ٢٠٢٢/٠٨/٠١ محافظة جبل لبنان قانمقامية المتن بلدية العطشانية بلدية العطشانة رقم التسجيل 2. 4 2.07/4: 12. 2 كتاب حضرة شركة Tivel المحترمة المستدعى : رئيس بلدية العطشانة السيد جورج سعيد جبور الموضوع : استكمال طريق المتن السريع وصلة مار شعيا العطشانة عين علق . عطفاً على كتابكم الموجه الينا من قبل شركتكم نبدى الملاحظات التالية : ان استكمال طريق المتن السريع وصلة مار شعيا العطشانة عين علق، باتت من اولويات منطقة المتن الشمالي نظر أ لموقعها الحساس والاستر اتيجي وذلك للأمور التالية : ١- ان هذه الطريق تربط المتن العالى والأوسط والساحل وصولاً الى نهر الموت وإن اتمامها يسهل العبور بين هذه المناطق ، ويخفف من ازمة المرور في منطقة انطلياس وجل الديب والزلقا . ٢- إن المرور حالياً عبر طريق قرية العطشانة تشكل عبناً و خطراً على السالكين نظر أ لانحدارها القوى وضيقها وهى طريق اعتمدت استثنائيا لعبور السيارات عند المياشرة يتنفيذ مشروع المتن السريع وصلة العطشانة ، ان عدم اكتمال الاعمال في هذه الطريق دفع بالشاحنات الى السير على الطريق الغير مؤهلة والغير معبدة مما تسبب بتطاير الغبار الكثيف وهذا ما ادى الى انتشار الغبار بين البيوت وعلى الأشجار الحرجية والمثمرة وشكل ضير أ جسيماً على صحة السالكين والعابرين . لذلك نرجو من جانبكم ايلاء استكمال هذا المشروع الذي شارف على الانتهاء خاصة المرحلة الأولى منه الذي لا ينقصه الا عملية التزفيت وحسب والاهتمام اللازم. مع شكرنا وامتناننا سلفا ر نيس الدمة العطشانية

ربطا : بعض الصور التي تبين مدى الضرر اللاحق بالسكان والبينة



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Letter 2 – Zabougha Municipality



زيوغا، في 2 اب 2023

المستدعى: مختار وأعضاء الهيئة الإختيارية - زبوغا - المتن الشمالي

بعدما تبلغنا رسالة من سعادة قائمقام المتن موضوعها تأهيل طرقات في قضاء المتن وبما أن قريننا زبوغا ضمن نطاق المتن نطلب من شركتكم إدراج طريق دير شمرا زبوغا حتى كفر عقاب في در استكم للطرقات الممولة من البنك الدولي وشكراً .

