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WORLD BANK WORK PROGRAMME

COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE FUND SECRETARIAT

1. The World Bank requested funding for the activities indicated in Table 1, amounting to US \$2,129,400 for its 1998 work programme.

Table 1:

1998 Work Programme and corresponding funding levels

Country	LVC	First Inv Funds	Activity/Project	Type	Completion Date	Amount Requested (US \$)	Amount Recommended (US \$)
Argentina			Project preparation in the refrigeration, halon, MAC and methyl bromide sectors	PRP	Not provided	110,000	Pending
Chile			Project preparation in the methyl bromide sector (tomatoes and peppers) and for the third phase of the Chile auction programme	PRP	Not provided	105,000	Pending
China			Project preparation in the aerosol, foam, MAC, commercial refrigeration and CFC production sectors	PRP	Not provided	600,000	600,000
Colombia			Project preparation in the commercial refrigeration sector	PRP	Not provided	90,000	90,000
Ecuador	Yes		Project preparation in the foam, refrigeration, halon and methyl bromide sectors	PRP	Not provided	69,000	Pending

Country	LVC	First Inv Funds	Activity/Project	Type	Completion Date	Amount Requested (US \$)	Amount Recommended (US \$)
India			Project preparation in the refrigeration, solvent and production sectors	PRP	Not provided	80,000	80,000
Indonesia			Project preparation in the halon recycling sector	PRP	Not provided	18,000	18,000
Jordan			Project preparation in the in the foam and halon recycling sectors	PRP	Not provided	30,000	30,000
Mexico			Project preparation in the commercial refrigeration end user conversion sector	PRP	Not provided	80,000	80,000
Pakistan			Project preparation in the foam and refrigeration sectors	PRP	Not provided	63,000	63,000
Thailand			Project preparation in the foam, halon and commercial refrigeration end users solvent sectors	PRP	Not provided	110,000	110,000
Tunisia			Project preparation in the aerosol and foam sectors	PRP	Not provided	40,000	25,000
Turkey			Project preparation in the aerosol, foam, recycling and methyl bromide sectors	PRP	Not provided	150,000	150,000

Country	LVC	First Inv Funds	Activity/Project	Type	Completion Date	Amount Requested (US \$)	Amount Recommended (US \$)
Uruguay	Yes		Project preparation to formulate a national program to phase out the residual use of CFCs	PRP	Not provided	45,000	pending
Zimbabwe			Project preparation in the methyl bromide recycling sector	PRP	Not provided	100,000	pending
Sub-Total						1,690,000	pending
Agency support costs			(13%)			219,700	
Total						2,129,400 ¹	pending

COMMENTS

2. The Secretariat reviewed the work programme in the context of past approvals by the Committee of activities in the countries listed in the above table, and in the light of decision 23/51.

3. The requests for the following countries may not be eligible for funding at this stage as indicated below:

(a) Argentina due to the regulatory impediments identified in the Bank's business plan, and the fact that a methyl bromide demonstration project was approved for it at the Twenty-third Meeting.

(b) Chile with regard to projects for Phase III of the auction programme where decision 19/15 mandates that "no additional funding would be provided until there had been an evaluation of the project as funded to date".

(c) Tunisia: the entire aerosol sector in Tunisia has been funded; also more than 80 per cent of the country's consumption has already been funded for phase-out

(d) Uruguay: where 80 per cent of their consumption has already been funded for phase-out and a market survey has been funded to identify remaining ODS uses, but has not yet been submitted.

(e) Zimbabwe: where the activity is not within the scope of the interim guidelines for methyl bromide demonstration projects nor the proposed draft guidelines presented to this meeting in addition to the fact that a demonstration project for methyl bromide was funded at the Twenty-third Meeting for UNIDO.

(f) No methyl bromide use was specified for project preparation requests in Ecuador or Turkey.

RECOMMENDATION

The Executive Committee may wish to consider the following:

1. Approving the requests as indicated in the above table except those requested for Argentina, Chile, Uruguay and Zimbabwe
2. Determining whether countries with reported pending policy/regulatory impediments such as Argentina should receive funds at this stage or require the Bank to submit a work programme amendment during the year after the policy issues has been resolved
3. Defer approval of the requests for:
 - (a) Chile pending the submission of an evaluation report per decision 19/15
 - (b) Uruguay pending the completion and submission of the market survey that was funded by the Executive Committee.
4. Not to approve the request for the methyl bromide demonstration projects for Zimbabwe.