

Egypt Status Progress of AEIN Implementation (phase II)

Until 1st, of November 2008

<i>ACTIVITIES/SERVICES</i> (as listed in the MOU)	<i>STATUS</i> (complete/delayed / ongoing)	<i>OUTPUTS/ RESULTS</i> (as listed in the MOU)	<i>DESCRIPTION</i>	<i>TIMELINE</i> (Extensions Requested)
Activities, outputs and timelines in the MOU (MOUs due to expire in 30 September 2007)				
1. Undertake to fill the data gaps (City, sub-national and national) identified during the assessment done by your institution during the pilot phase of AEIN, of the status of Environment information systems (EIS); environmental data and information needs, availability and gaps in Egypt.	Completed	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A comprehensive data compendium of environmental data (with clear details of data gaps if any). The compendium will contain statistics, satellite data, etc (city, sub-national and national) 	<p>A central datawarehouse database in EEAA which will hold summary data from the Regional Branches (EREMIS) databases as well as data from other data providers in EEAA .</p> <p>An Environmental Data/Information Portal is currently development to disseminate environmental information through INTRANET (air quality, coastal water, noise and biodiversity) in the form of statistics, charts, indexes, reports, and maps.</p>	
2. Further to the above, and using the AEO-Environment Information System toolkit developed within the AEIN framework, populate the database with the findings of the assessment and data gaps filled using format(s) agreed upon by the AEO Data Working Group (AEO-DWG).				
3. Collate and aggregate data identified within the AEIN process and during the national integrated environment assessment and reporting process and prepare a comprehensive compendium of environmental data (with clear details of data gaps if any) for Egypt. The compendium will contain statistics, satellite data, etc.		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> An inventory and a comprehensive listing on the environmental data and indicators for integrated environmental assessment and reporting in Egypt 		
4. Prepare an inventory and a comprehensive listing on the environmental data and indicators for integrated environmental assessment and reporting in Egypt.		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A comprehensive data compendium of environmental data (with clear details of data gaps if any). The compendium will contain statistics, satellite data, etc (city, sub-national and national). <p>The data warehouse and the portal will support the state of environment reporting in Egypt. Egypt State of the Environment Report 2007 was issued in October 2008.</p>		

<p>5. Strengthen the national implementation structure for AEIN consisting of a national node (or secretariat) supported by technical committees and working groups in accordance with the guidelines provided by UNEP and ensure that national level environment information network strategy, concepts, and implementation in Egypt are taken on board and internalized in your institutional structure to facilitate sustainability and ownership of the networking concepts.</p>	<p>Completed</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A functional national EIN implementation structure established. 		
<p>6. Identify two (2) sites in Egypt where there has been significant environmental change(s) over the last 20-30 years for inclusion into the Atlas of Africa's Changing Environment. Egypt will also provide some ground photos, maps, satellite images if any. Further to this prepare write-up/narrative/story of 200 words on what and why these changes are/have taken place.</p>	<p>Completed</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Two (2) sites in Egypt where there has been significant environmental change(s) over the last 20-30 years identified, ground photos, maps, satellite images and a 200 word narrative/story of what and why these changes are/have taken place. 	<p>The two sites are: 1- Monitoring Coastal Zone Erosion (Domiatta Governorate at the Nile delta). 2- Monitoring Urban Encroachment (khanka Region North Cairo). Information about 2 sites as well as Egypt Profile was published in Atlas of Africa.</p>	
<p>7. Prepare one (1) national fact sheet (using illustration such as graphics and the satellite data, etc) on AEIN implementation, major environmental issues, trends, emerging environmental issues etc in Egypt, for distribution at strategic meetings, conferences, etc based on the findings of environmental assessment and reporting process in Egypt.</p>	<p>Completed</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • One (1) national fact sheet (using illustration such as graphics and the satellite data, etc) on AEIN implementation, major environmental issues, trends, emerging environmental issues etc in Egypt, for distribution at strategic meetings, conferences, etc based on the findings of environmental assessment and reporting process in Egypt. 	<p>Based on: Egypt Environmental Profile, Priorities, Hotspots, and Egypt State of Environment.</p>	
<p>8. Link with the Africa Network of Environment Journalists (ANEJ) focal point in Egypt and working closely with the national chapter of ANEJ, facilitate the work of ANEJ in Egypt to track major environmental issues, trends and emerging issues in Egypt and to prepare two (2) electronic newsletters on major environmental issues, trends and emerging issues in Egypt</p>	<p>Completed</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Two (2) electronic newsletters on major environmental issues, trends and emerging issues in Egypt published on the national network website. 	<p>News and press releases on major environmental issues in Egypt as well as published 4 Environmental Indicators Newsletters on EEAA web site (www.ecaa.gov.eg).</p>	

9. Prepare based on the findings of the integrated environmental assessment and reporting in Egypt, a country profile for Egypt	Completed	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Country profile for Egypt 	An Environmental Profile of Egypt was prepared and published on EEAA web site (www.eeaa.gov.eg).	
10. Update the national website for environmental information and publish the electronic versions of, listing of the environmental data and indicators; the environmental data compendium; fact sheets and national newsletter on major environmental issues, emerging environmental issues in Egypt	Completed	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A national website for environmental information, with all the national AEIN related products, links to websites of national core environmental data producers established/updated 	A Page for AEIN implementation in Egypt was developed and published on EEAA web site (www.eeaa.gov.eg). It is continuously updated to include all national AEIN related products.	
11. Collect data and information during AEIN implementation and prepare a comprehensive report for submission to UNEP on the lessons learnt, results and impact of both the pilot phase and well as the AEIN implementation process in Egypt during this period. i.e. Document the impacts, lessons (positive and negative) learnt at every stage of AEIN	Completed	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A comprehensive report on the lessons learnt, results and impact of the AEIN implementation process in Egypt prepared 		
<p><i>Coordinator's general comments/observations</i></p> <p>Name and Title of Coordinator:</p> <p>Eng. Moheeb Abdel-Sattar Ebrahim Director of Information & computer Center Egyptian Environmental Affairs Agency, EEAA</p>		<p><i>Director/head of Institution general comments/observations</i></p> <p>Name of Director/Head of institution:</p> <p>Dr. Mwaheb Abu Elazm Chief Executive Officer Egyptian Environmental Affairs Agency, EEAA</p>		