

**Environmental Checklist: 20. Wastes Management and Disposal (1)**

Category	Environmental Item	Main Check Items	Confirmation of Environmental Considerations
1 Permits and Explanation	(1) EIA and Environmental Permits	Have EIA reports been officially completed? Have EIA reports been approved by authorities of the host country's government? Have EIA reports been unconditionally approved? If conditions are imposed on the approval of EIA reports, are the conditions satisfied? In addition to the above approvals, have other required environmental permits been obtained from the appropriate regulatory authorities of the host country's government?	
	(2) Explanation to the Public	Are contents of the project and the potential impacts adequately explained to the public based on appropriate procedures, including information disclosure? Is understanding obtained from the public? Are proper responses made to comments from the public and regulatory authorities?	
2 Mitigation Measures	(1) Air Quality	Do air pollutants, such as sulfur oxides (SOx), nitrogen oxides (NOx), and soot and dust, and dioxins emitted from various sources, such as incinerators, and vehicles used for waste collection and transportation comply with the country's emission standards and ambient air quality standards?	
	(2) Water Quality	Do effluents from various facilities comply with the country's effluent standards and ambient water quality standards? Does the water quality of leachates from the waste disposal sites comply with the country's effluent standards and ambient water quality standards? Are adequate measures taken to prevent contamination of surface water and groundwater by these effluents and leachates?	
	(3) Wastes	Are wastes, such as treatment residues, cinder, and fly ash generated from crushing and segregation processes, and diverted wastes from composting process properly treated and disposed of in accordance with the country's standards? Are hazardous and dangerous wastes properly segregated from other wastes, stabilized, treated, and disposed of in accordance with the country's standards?	
	(4) Soil Contamination	Are adequate measures taken to prevent contamination of soil and groundwater by leachates from the waste disposal sites?	
	(5) Noise and Vibration	Do noise and vibrations generated by the facility operations (especially incinerators, waste segregation and crushing facilities), and vehicle traffic for waste collection and transportation comply with the country's standards?	
	(6) Odor	Are there any odor sources? Are adequate odor control measures taken?	

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3 Natural Environment	(1) Protected Areas	Is the project site located in protected areas designated by the country's laws or international treaties and conventions? Is there a possibility that the project will affect the protected areas?	
	(2) Ecosystem	<p>Does the project site encompass primeval forests, tropical rain forests, ecologically valuable habitats (e.g., coral reefs, mangroves, or tidal flats)?</p> <p>Does the project site encompass the protected habitats of endangered species designated by the country's laws or international treaties and conventions?</p> <p>If significant ecological impacts are anticipated, are adequate protection measures taken to reduce the impacts on the ecosystem?</p> <p>Is there a possibility that the project will adversely affect aquatic organisms? If impacts are anticipated, are adequate measures taken to reduce the impacts on aquatic organisms?</p> <p>Is there a possibility that the project will adversely affect vegetation and wildlife? If impacts are anticipated, are adequate measures taken to reduce the impacts on vegetation and wildlife?</p>	
	(3) Management of Abandoned Sites	<p>Are environmental protection and restoration plans (such as landfill gas and leachate collection and treatment systems, prevention of illegal dumping, and reforestation) after facility closure considered?</p> <p>Is a sustainable management framework for the abandoned sites established?</p> <p>Are adequate financial provisions secured to manage the abandoned sites?</p>	
4 Social Environment	(1) Resettlement	<p>Is involuntary resettlement caused by project implementation? If involuntary resettlement is caused, are efforts made to minimize the impacts caused by the resettlement?</p> <p>Is adequate explanation on relocation and compensation given to affected persons prior to resettlement?</p> <p>Is the resettlement plan, including proper compensation, restoration of livelihoods and living standards developed based on socioeconomic studies on resettlement?</p> <p>Does the resettlement plan pay particular attention to vulnerable groups or persons, including women, children, the elderly, people below the poverty line, ethnic minorities, and indigenous peoples?</p> <p>Are agreements with the affected persons obtained prior to resettlement?</p> <p>Is the organizational framework established to properly implement resettlement? Are the capacity and budget secured to implement the plan?</p> <p>Is a plan developed to monitor the impacts of resettlement?</p>	

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4 Social Environment	(2) Living and Livelihood	<p>Is there a possibility that the project will adversely affect the living conditions of inhabitants? Are adequate measures considered to reduce the impacts, if necessary?</p> <p>Are considerations given to the existing recovery systems, including waste pickers?</p> <p>Is there a possibility that waste transportation will adversely affect the regional traffic?</p> <p>Is there a possibility that effluents from the project and leachates from the waste disposal sites will adversely affect fisheries and other water uses by local inhabitants (especially drinking water)?</p> <p>Is there a possibility that pathologic insects or other disease vectors will breed as a result of the project?</p>	
	(3) Heritage	<p>Is there a possibility that the project will damage the local archeological, historical, cultural, and religious heritage sites? Are adequate measures considered to protect these sites in accordance with the country's laws?</p>	
	(4) Landscape	<p>Is there a possibility that the project will adversely affect the local landscape? Are necessary measures taken?</p>	
	(5) Ethnic Minorities and Indigenous Peoples	<p>Does the project comply with the country's laws for rights of ethnic minorities and indigenous peoples?</p> <p>Are considerations given to reduce the impacts on culture and lifestyle of ethnic minorities and indigenous peoples?</p>	
5 Others	(1) Impacts during Construction	<p>Are adequate measures considered to reduce impacts during construction (e.g., noise, vibrations, turbid water, dust, exhaust gases, and wastes)?</p> <p>If construction activities adversely affect the natural environment (ecosystem), are adequate measures considered to reduce impacts?</p> <p>If construction activities adversely affect the social environment, are adequate measures considered to reduce impacts?</p> <p>If necessary, is health and safety education (e.g., traffic safety, public health) provided for project personnel, including workers?</p>	
	(2) Monitoring	<p>Does the proponent develop and implement monitoring program for the environmental items that are considered to have potential impacts?</p> <p>Are the items, methods and frequencies included in the monitoring program judged to be appropriate?</p> <p>Does the proponent establish an adequate monitoring framework (organization, personnel, equipment, and adequate budget to sustain the monitoring framework)?</p> <p>Are any regulatory requirements pertaining to the monitoring report system identified, such as the format and frequency of reports from the proponent to the regulatory authorities?</p>	

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6 Note	Reference to Checklist of Other Sectors	Where necessary, pertinent items described in the Forestry Projects checklist should also be checked (e.g., projects including large areas of deforestation).	
	Note on Using Environmental Checklist	If necessary, the impacts to transboundary or global issues should be confirmed (e.g., the project includes factors that may cause problems, such as transboundary waste treatment, acid rain, destruction of the ozone layer, or global warming).	

- 1) Regarding the term “Country’s Standards” mentioned in the above table, in the event that environmental standards in the country where the project is located diverge significantly from international standards, appropriate environmental considerations are made, if necessary.  
In cases where local environmental regulations are yet to be established in some areas, considerations should be made based on comparisons with appropriate standards of other countries (including Japan' experience).
- 2) Environmental checklist provides general environmental items to be checked. It may be necessary to add or delete an item taking into account the characteristics of the project and the particular circumstances of the country and locality in which it is located.