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Award ID: 00071972
Award Title: Feasibility Bio-fuel Production from Arundo donax
Start Year: 2013
End Year: 2015
Implementing Partner (Executing Agency): Ministry of Natural Resources

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Responsible Party
(Implementing Agent): Ministry of Natural Resources
Revision Type: Project Approval

Brief Description:

The primary goal of the feasibility study, which is supported by pilot scale activities, is to establish the agronomic and techno-economic viability of Arundo donax plantations within the mined-out areas of the Moengo region, as well as to assess the socio-economic and environmental impact that commercial-scale implementation of the project will have on the region. The Arundo donax will be converted through thermochemical conversion processes into solid and liquid biofuels.

The pilot scale activities of the project will be conducted in partnership with SURALCO as part of their remediation actions and will seek to restore the ecological integrity of the in areas selected twenty (20) hectares of mined-out bauxite lands.

The feasibility study includes three major components:
1. Assessments of agricultural activities including the pilot demonstration of an Arundo donax farm in Moengo (earmarked by SIDS DOCK intervention);
2. Assessments of technical and economic activities;
3. Management support (earmarked by SIDS DOCK intervention) and Policy support.

The requested financial assistance from SIDS DOCK based on the first and (part of the) third component of the feasibility study amounts to USD 250,000. After successful completion of the first component, the outcomes as expected are to (a) have a sufficient uniformity in soil to allow for representative sampling, (b) have political and local support to include the willingness of stakeholders to give accurate information, (c) have identified areas for test farms and (d) improve the environmental design of the project and have accurate GHG calculations and farm records.

Agreed by: Ministry of Natural Resources
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