

WORKPLAN FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE MERCURY STORAGE AND DISPOSAL PROJECT IN Trinidad & Tobago

GENERAL OBJECTIVE : To create a framework for ESM of Hg storage and disposal for T&T

Output/Activities	Tasks	Responsible	Partners	Timeframe	Resources
Specific Objective 1: Determine whether the Project is still a National Priority following General Elections					
Obtain written confirmation on whether the Project is still a National Priority	Conduct internal meetings in the MEWR to determine the priority of the Project following General Elections.	EPPD	-	5 months	GORTT
Specific Objective 2: To establish a National Steering Committee for the Project.					
Establishment of a National Steering Committee	Identify the stakeholders (private and public sector including NGOs and CBOs) and contact persons for each stakeholder.	Ministry of Environment and Water Resources (MEWR)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Environmental Management Authority (EMA) • BCRC-Caribbean 	2 weeks	- GORTT
	Formally contact stakeholders (via official correspondence,	MEWR	-	1 month	- GORTT

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	telephone, e-mail) to discuss the requirements of the Project.				
Define the Work Plan for the Committee	Identify the objectives of the Committee, form sub-committees for specific objectives and establish milestones for the Committee	MEWR	BCRC	1 month	GORTT INTERNATIONAL FUNDING
Specific Objective 3: Assess National Legislation and Propose Regulation as necessary					
Generate a Report on the review of all existing legislation, conventions and operational plans/policies with the Minamata Convention	Review and compare the existing legislation and conventions to which T&T is signatory (local and regional) to the Minamata Convention.	MEWR	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • EMA • BCRC-Caribbean • Min. of Energy and Energy Affairs • Min. of Health • Min. of Transport • Min. of Trade (MTIIC) • Customs and Excise Division • Tobago House of Assembly/TEMA • Min. of National Security (ODPM, Coast Guard, Fire 	2 months	GORTT

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	Review and compare the operational plans and procedures of the various governmental agencies and private sector with the Minamata Convention.	MEWR	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Private Sector Organizations (AUOTT, TTMA, AMCHAM, Chamber of Commerce) • BCRC 	2 months	GORTT
Generate a Report Develop a Gap Analysis of the existing regulatory framework with the Minamata Convention	Compile the information generated from the review of existing regulatory framework (above) and make recommendations	MEWR	National Committee BCRC Ministry of Legal Affairs	2 months	GORTT
Specific Objective 4: Conduct or Update a Mercury Waste Inventory					
Develop a Mercury Waste Inventory	Review the existing Hazardous Waste Inventory and use the Mercury Toolkit to develop a Mercury Waste Inventory	EMA	BCRC-Caribbean MEWR SWMCOL	6 months	GORTT, GREEN FUND

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Specific Objective 5: Determine the Organizational Structure					
Confirm the Organizational Structure	Identify the staffing demands to manage the requirements the mercury waste storage and disposal plan.	EMA	MEWR BCRC-Caribbean	3 months	GORTT, GREEN FUND
Specific Objective 6: Identify the ESM options for Storage and Disposal					
Identify ESM	Assess the current storage and disposal options in T&T (disposal companies and technologies used to process mercury waste)	EMA	National Committee	4 months	GORTT, GREEN FUND
	Conduct a feasibility study on the use of local options versus export	MEWR	EMA	2 months	GORTT
Specific Objective 7: Assess costs of implementation (funding options)					
Generate a Report on the cost of Implementation	Determine the funding options for developing or improving on local options for storage and disposal versus export	National Committee	BCRC-Caribbean	3 months	GORTT, INTERNATIONAL

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Specific Objective 8: Determine Schedule for Implementation Specific Objective 9: Implementation					
Implementation of the Action Plan	Identify the responsible persons/entities for various aspects of the Plan	National Committee	BCRC-Caribbean	3 months	GORTT,INTERNATIONAL

Table 1: Work Plan by Country