Key Project Information for the Gold Standard for Global Goals Microscale project: "Reforestation of degraded indigenous lands in Khasi Hills for enhanced biodiversity and ecosystem restoration"

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SN	Particulars	Description
1	Project Developer or Coordinating and Managing Entity	Value Network Ventures Advisory Services (VNV) is a social enterprise based in Singapore and working with communities for community-based solutions to climate change mitigation.
2	Project Participant	The project is being implemented by the Ka Sunjuk Ki Hima Arliang Wah Umiam Mawphlang Welfare Society, a leading organisation with a strong track of conservation of natural resources and environment through mitigating activities and uplifting the socioeconomic and livelihood conditions of the community.
3	Non-technical Summary of the Project	The Synjuk and VNV have joined hands to initiate a Gold Standard for Global Goals microscale project based on Afforestation, Reforestation and Revegetation (ARR) activities. The project aims to preserve the forest and environment and to restore the biodiversity through afforestation across the Khasi Hills of Meghalaya. The project activity comprises planting of trees of several indigenous species in degraded indigenous parcels of land across the region thereby sequestering carbon. Planting of trees include activities such as seed collection, soil preparation, nursery training and monitoring, pit digging, plantation and maintenance until establishment. This will help generate livelihood generation opportunities at local level, higher nutritional status, equal opportunity for all individuals to participate in decision making and thus overall community empowerment. Overall, the project activities will lead to protection and enhancement of local and regional ecosystems and biological diversity.

4 Project Related Impacts

Proposed PoA will contribute to various dimensions of sustainable development.

Good health and well-being - Trees will provide healthy living environments for local communities by releasing oxygen, providing shade and bringing rainfall. Fruit trees, in addition, will lead to both elevation of community income and enhance their nutritional status.

<u>Sustainable Cities and Communities</u> – Project activities will ensure equal opportunity for all individuals to participate in and influence decisions that affect each of their lives. Reforestation and afforestation activities will account for protection and enhancement of local and regional ecosystems and biological diversity. Restored ecosystems will provide basic human needs for clean air and water.

<u>Climate Action</u> - Afforestation and reforestation activities will help in climate change mitigation through carbon sequestration. This will further help manage increasing temperatures due to global warming.

<u>Life on Land</u> – Trees will support a diverse variety of birds, insects, animals and reptiles while supporting soil biodiversity through enriching soil health and fertility.

Contact Details

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