NATIONAL CORPORATE SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY (CSR) FOUNDATION

ASSESSMENT CRITERIA FOR CSR PROJECTS

1. **Relevance**: Does the proposed CSR Project fall within the 10 priority areas and approved fields of intervention? (See document annexed).

2. **Effectiveness**: How effective is the proposed CSR Project to meet the social outcome of the priority areas and/or the field of intervention? All the outcomes must be defined prior to the submission of the proposal and quantified based on the nature of the projects. KPIs may be developed with the NGO or non-profit making organization prior to disbursement as a capacity building exercise.

3. **Expertise**: The experience of the NGO/nonprofit making organization as supported by its proven track records of completed social projects and outcomes will represent another assessment criteria in the selection process.

4. **Timeline**: The time period to achieve results is an important aspect to consider. A Gantt chart for example can be used in the project to clarify the different milestones of the projects and the relative resources planned.

5. **Project cost**: Applications falling within the following range will be considered for funding: (a) up to MUR 1,000,000 and (b) between MUR 1,000,000 and MUR 3,000,000

6. **Administrative costs**: Another key factor in assessing the project is the percentage of administrative overheads as compared to the funding amount requested. The administrative overheads need to be clearly defined and justified in the project proposal.

   A project to be financed from a CSR Fund should not include administrative overheads greater than 15% of the total project costs. Administrative overheads refer to the expenditure incurred which do not directly relate to the project as compared to the direct costs which refer to the expenditure incurred which can be directly traced back to the product/service.

   Expenses on local training and capacity building aimed at improving services, may be included, provided these combined do not exceed 5% of total project costs.

7. **Sustainability of the proposal of the project**: The SDGs project for the longer term. Projects need to be demonstrate their long term impact and contribution towards these SDGs.

   Projects will be assessed by independent Evaluation Committees and recommended to the Council.

   Bereaved parties may make an appeal to the Council within **Fifteen days** of the date of award.