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**FREETOWN EMERGENCY PUBLIC DISCLOSURE NOTICE FOR SAFEGUARDS
REPORTS (EIA, ESMP AND ARAP) FOR THE FREETOWN EMERGENCY RECOVERY
PROJECT (FERP)**

Following the event of the August 14 2017 landslide in Freetown, the Freetown Emergency Recovery Project (FERP) was designed to support the government to recover from the impacts of the disaster. The project is implemented under the auspices of the Ministry of Finance, through Project Fiduciary Management Unit (PFMU); with a technical coordinating unit providing support to direct beneficiary institutions including Freetown City Council, Guma Valley Water Company and Sierra Leone Road Authority (SLRA). The Project Development Objective (PDO) is to rehabilitate selected critical infrastructure and to strengthen government capacity for managing disaster risk. The PDO will be achieved through two components, which align with the findings of the DaLA, and support the Government's overall recovery program: (i) Rehabilitation of Public Infrastructure and Slope Stabilization; and (ii) Strengthening Institutional Capacity.

The infrastructure component of the project includes construction of Bridges, Culvert and Drainages which requires to undertake Environmental Social Health Impact Assessment to provide technical and scientific information that will inform stakeholders including the Environment Protection Agency to make decision on the project. Hence, three sets of EIAs have been prepared under this project.

It is in this respect and on behalf of the World Bank Country Office (WBCO) and the Ministry of Finance (of the Government of Sierra Leone), the Freetown Emergency Recovery Project (FERP) would like to inform all Project Affected Persons (PAPs) of the upcoming public disclosure meetings that would be held from the 14th to 17th July 2020, at the Special Fork Canteen, Special Court for Sierra Leone Compound, New England, and the BOSS J PLAZA and Entertainment, 45 Upper Passionate Street, Shell Old Road, Freetown respectively.

An invitation letter would be sent to stakeholders and all Project Affected persons in the beneficiary communities prior to the disclosure meetings. For more information, please call the Project Coordinating Unit on **23275438581** or visit the project office on the 4th Floor of the Sierra Leone Commercial Bank Building at Lightfoot Boston Street.