

Loan Contract No. 3798/BL-GY
Amendment No. 1

AMENDATORY CONTRACT

AMENDATORY CONTRACT entered into between THE CO-OPERATIVE REPUBLIC OF GUYANA (hereinafter referred to as the “Borrower”) and the INTER-AMERICAN DEVELOPMENT BANK (hereinafter referred to as the “Bank”, and together with the Borrower, as the “Parties”).

CONSIDERING THAT

The Parties entered into Loan Contract No. 3798/BL-GY on February 21, 2017 (hereinafter referred to as the “Loan Contract”) to cooperate in the execution of the Sustainable Agricultural Development Program (hereinafter referred to as the “Program”).

On February 17, 2021, the Borrower requested the Bank to make adjustments to the Program’s components and budget. Such adjustments are consistent with the objectives of the Program.

NOW,

The Parties hereby agree to amend the Loan Contract in the manner and to the extent set forth below.

ARTICLE ONE

1. Section 4.06(a) of the Special Conditions of the Contract is amended in its entirety to read as follows:

“Period for Physical Initiation of Works of the Program. (a) The period for physical initiation of the works of the Program shall be one and a half (1.5) years, from the date of effectiveness of the amendment to the Loan Contract.”

2. Section 4.07(c) of the Special Conditions of the Contract is amended in its entirety to read as follows:

“Environmental and Social Management. (c) Prior to the bidding of each of the works related to abattoir under Component 3, to present for the Bank’s approval the design plans for the abattoir according to international standards, detailing, *inter alia*, the source of water and waste management procedures.”

3. Section 4.09(a) of the Special Conditions of the Contract is deleted in its entirety.

4. Section 4.09(c) of the Special Conditions of the Contract is amended in its entirety to read as follows:

“Other Execution-related Special Obligations. (c) Prior to the building of infrastructure works related to the meat processing facility financed under Component 3, the subscription and entry into effect of an agreement between MoA and one or more qualified private sector entities responsible for operating the abattoir, according to the terms and conditions previously agreed with the Bank.”

5. Paragraph 2.02 of the Annex of the Contract is amended in its entirety to read as follows:

“Component 1. Information for policy making and natural resource management

2.02 This component will finance: (a) the strengthening of the MoA’s Agricultural Information System, including: (i) the strengthening of the MoA’s M&E Unit; (ii) the provision of technical assistance to update of regulations and legal framework; (iii) training of MoA and the GBS’s staff; (iv) purchase of equipment and software; and (v) dissemination activities; and (b) the implementation of a national agricultural survey. The agricultural survey will collect data from priority regions of Guyana and will use the latest technology for collection, analysis, and quality control. Among other topics, the survey will assess the involvement of women and vulnerable groups in agriculture. Field activities will include training, pilot testing and a communication strategy.”

6. Paragraph 2.03 of the Annex of the Contract is amended in its entirety to read as follows:

“Component 2. Strengthening the agricultural innovation and extension system

2.03 This Component will finance the implementation of research programs, including the setup of an extension strategy tailored to the different groups of beneficiaries. Adoption of sustainable practices will be promoted through an incentives scheme targeting small and medium farmers. The main activities to be financed include: (a) support to the upgrade of the agricultural center in Ebini; (b) support to the soil laboratory in Region 10 for research purposes; (c) design and implementation of research programs in, among others, cassava, peanuts, orchards, livestock (cattle and small ruminants) and pastures, including the financing of visiting researchers, inputs for agricultural research, equipment and training for NAREI and GLDA staff; (d) preparation and implementation of an extension strategy that will include incentives for technology adoption for small and medium farmers; and (e) support to the EPA for environmental monitoring.”

7. Paragraph 2.04 of the Annex of the Contract is amended in its entirety to read as follows:

“Component 3. Support for compliance with sanitary and phytosanitary standards

2.04 This component will finance the provision of technical assistance to develop the legal and regulatory framework and specific investments to improve SPS standards in Guyana. The main activities to be financed include: (a) development and implementation of a simplified grading system for beef; (b) update of abattoir standards and preparation of legal framework; (c) technical assistance for the adaptation of the International Codex Alimentarius to the Guyana context; (d) provision of support to GLDA to enforce standards; (e) technical assistance for the preparation of regulations pertaining to the new Food Safety Act; (f) provision of infrastructure to accommodate the Guyana Food Safety Authority; (g) financing of a meat processing center that will include infrastructure for processing, waste management, and equipment; (h) training of GLDA staff in meat inspection, effective enforcement and audit, and training in management, standards, best practices, and environment protection; and (i) strengthening of producers associations to enhance management.”

8. Paragraph 3.01 of the Annex of the Contract is amended in its entirety to read as follows:

“3.01 The distribution of the resources of the Loan and the Additional Resources is set forth in the following table:

Cost and Financing
(in US\$)

	Bank	Total	%
Component 1: Information for policy making and natural resource management	1,600,000	1,600,000	10.7%
Component 2: Strengthening the agricultural innovation and extension system	7,446,260	7,446,260	49,6%
Component 3: Support for compliance with sanitary and phytosanitary standards	4,010,987	4,010,987	26,7%
Monitoring and Evaluation	400,000	400,000	2,7%
Program Administration	1,542,753	1,542,753	10,3%
Total	15,000,000	15,000,000	100%

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9. Paragraph 4.02(b) of the Annex of the Contract is amended in its entirety to read as follows:

“4.02 Agreements: (b) For purposes of the implementation of the meat processing facility under Component 3, the Executing Agency shall subscribe an agreement with qualified private sector entities to manage such facility, as referred to in Section 4.09(c) of the Special

Conditions, which shall include, *inter alia*: (i) the length of the lease or other form of transfer of the meat processing facility to the private entity; (ii) the responsibilities of the private entity and the MoA; and (iii) the monitoring and evaluation role of the MoA.”

10. Paragraph 4.04 of the Annex of the Contract is amended in its entirety to read as follows:

“4.04 Incentives for technology adoption. Component 2 will finance incentives aimed at facilitating technology adoption and enhancing the probability of increases in productivity of selected farmers/communities. The POM will detail the process to identify the farmers and implement the incentives strategy, which shall include, *inter alia*: (a) the area under production or fallow; (b) the agriculture/forestry as the main source of income; (c) that the farmers have farms located in priority areas of the country; and (d) evidence that the farmer has the property rights, possession, community rights or rights of use of land, as applicable. Farmers will receive an incentive of at least fifty percent (50%) of the technologies.”

ARTICLE TWO

The Parties hereby agree that all other provisions of Loan Contract 3798/BL-GY remain in full force and effect.

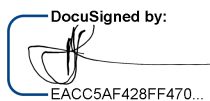
ARTICLE THREE

The Parties agree that this Amendatory Contract shall enter into force from the date of signature by the authorized representative of the Borrower.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Borrower and the Bank, each acting through its authorized representative, have signed this Amendatory Contract in Georgetown, Co-operative Republic of Guyana.

CO-OPERATIVE REPUBLIC OF GUYANA

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