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**REPORT ON THE IMPLEMENTATION OF ARTICLE 66.2  
OF THE TRIPS AGREEMENT**

CANADA

The following communication, dated 11 October 2020, from Canada, is being circulated pursuant to paragraph 1 of the Decision on Implementation of Article 66.2 of the TRIPS Agreement (document IP/C/28).

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**1 INTRODUCTION**

1. Article 66.2 of the Agreement on Trade Related Aspects of Intellectual Property Rights (TRIPS) requires that "developed country Members shall provide incentives to enterprises and institutions in their territories for the purpose of promoting and encouraging technology transfer to least developed countries (LDCs) in order to enable them to create a sound and viable technological base."
2. Following the Decision of the Council for TRIPS of 19 February 2003 (document IP/C/28), developed country Members submit annual reports on the actions taken or planned in pursuance of their commitments under TRIPS Article 66.2. Further to that decision, Members decided to provide new, detailed reports every third year, with updates in the intervening years. Canada's most recent detailed report was submitted in September 2019 (document IP/C/W/656/Add.4). The present report constitutes an update to Canada's 2019 report, with a view to providing current information on incentives in this area. This includes a detailed overview of actions taken or planned, with information on specific project or programme incentives provided in Canada with respect to the technology transfer provisions under TRIPS Article 66.2. As in previous years, the Annex to this year's report provides an illustrative, non-exhaustive overview of incentives provided to Canadian enterprises and institutions in this area, which are either targeted specifically at LDCs or to groups of countries that at a minimum include an LDC.
3. It is noted that the activities in this report are distinct from those outlined in Canada's corresponding 2019 report on technical cooperation activities under Article 67 of the TRIPS Agreement. However, as noted by various Members, and as expressed by the WTO Secretariat in the past, there is some overlap between the concepts of technology transfer and technical assistance. For instance, some forms of technical and financial assistance can constitute incentives for the transfer of technology, insofar as the IP-related legal and regulatory environment in a Member country can serve as a key consideration in creating enabling conditions for sustainable technology transfer.
4. A variety of financial and non-financial incentives can exist in developed country Members to facilitate the transfer of technology. These incentives may include, *inter alia*, co-financing, tax incentives, insurance, and technical advice, as well as aid grant and loans, such as by way of official development assistance (ODA) in support of technology transfer-focused projects, programmes and government-funded research. Most of the incentives outlined in this year's report fall under the latter category of programmes or projects funded by Canadian ODA, primarily those aimed at the transfer of technology to LDC Members with a view to enabling them to create a sound and viable technological base.

5. Canada understands technology transfer to include the transfer of technology embedded in physical goods and services (such as machinery and equipment), as well as the dissemination of technical and business information and knowledge upon which a product, process or service is based, as well as the transfer of skills and know-how. Accordingly, technology transfer may include, for instance, the embedded IP in transferred goods and services, management and business know-how to support the production and distribution of goods and services; and human resource capacity-building.

## **2 OVERVIEW**

6. Several Canadian government departments, agencies, and programmes are involved in providing direct or indirect incentives to Canadian enterprises and institutions to engage in activities involving technology transfer to LDCs. This document describes and updates on the ongoing activities of these bodies.

7. Canada notes the continuing interest of LDC Members in learning more about the impact and the functioning of developed country Members' technology transfer incentives. As a result, and further to LDCs' October 2011 format proposal for reports submitted by the developed country Members under TRIPS Article 66.2 (document IP/C/W/561), specific examples of technology transfer to LDCs are presented in the Annex to this year's report. As in previous reports, each example also includes an online link to the specific project or programme webpage, with a view to facilitating access to additional information on each technology transfer initiative. For ease of reference, the projects, programmes, and initiatives in the Annex have also been grouped thematically under the following headings:

- Digital economy, information and communications technology (ICT), and entrepreneurship;
- Agricultural technology and innovation;
- Environment and climate change technology and innovation; and
- Health technology and innovation.

8. Canada would be pleased to provide additional information on any of the examples outlined in this year's report upon request. Canada is also interested in exchanging further information with LDC Members, as well as with developed country Members, on the types of incentives that are available to encourage technology transfer to LDCs, as well as with respect to priority sectors and technologies for LDCs.

9. Canada will participate in the Fifth UN Conference on least developed countries as an elected member of the Preparatory Committee Bureau throughout 2020-2022. The preparatory process will involve negotiations for a new ten-year programme of action for LDCs to follow the Istanbul Programme of Action for the Decade 2011-2020. Technology transfer is likely to be considered for inclusion in the new programme of action. Canada's role on the bureau will provide further opportunities to engage with LDC Members and discuss their priorities for sustainable development in line with the United Nations' 2030 Agenda and the Sustainable Development Goals.

## **3 GLOBAL AFFAIRS CANADA**

10. Global Affairs Canada is the lead organization responsible for Canada's ODA, which is administered through the Department's development branches. The list provided in this year's report outlines a range of projects, programmes, and initiatives funded through Canadian ODA in partnership with private sector enterprises and institutions. A more exhaustive list of these initiatives is also available through Global Affairs Canada's searchable International Development Project Browser.

11. Global Affairs Canada works with a number of Canadian and international partners in providing development assistance, including by supporting the work of these key partners and stakeholders, and collaborates with many programming partners across various sectors of international development. For instance, Global Affairs Canada collaborates with the International Development Research Centre (IDRC) through the Canadian International Food Security Research Fund (CIFSRF)

to address the critical challenge of global hunger through applied research, supporting partnerships in developing countries and LDCs that test and scale up practical solutions to increase food production, raise income for farming families, and improve nutrition (see Section 4, "International Development Research Centre", below).

#### **4 INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT RESEARCH CENTRE (IRDC)**

12. A Crown corporation under Canada's foreign affairs and development portfolio (Global Affairs Canada), IDRC invests in knowledge, innovation, and solutions to improve the lives of people in the developing world, including LDCs. IDRC provides financial support to researchers in developing countries to work on problems crucial to their communities; engages with researchers throughout the innovation process; and facilitates access to information and services, as well as to researchers, policymakers and businesspeople. IDRC was established by an act of Canada's parliament in 1970 to help developing countries find solutions to their challenges.

13. With respect to technology transfer, IDRC supports research in LDCs to promote growth and development. It does so using an approach that combines financial support to create new opportunities for research, intellectual engagement and mentoring with recipients in the research process, and brokering that helps move research to policy. These activities assist LDCs to develop their own technologies, adapt existing technologies to their needs, and increase their know-how to manage research.

#### **5 NATIONAL RESEARCH COUNCIL (NRC)**

14. The National Research Council's (NRC's) Industrial Research Assistance Programme (IRAP) encourages and supports Canadian small and medium sized entities to develop international technology based partnerships, including in LDCs. IRAP, in partnership with Global Affairs Canada, supports group missions to explore opportunities for partnerships. IRAP also carries out activities independently and with other partners. In addition to group missions, IRAP is involved with individual companies, sectors and competitive technical intelligence. IRAP international initiatives are focused on providing support in a number of key areas, including:

- Direct support to small and medium-sized enterprises with international interests;
  - Technology partnering, including technology sourcing, transfer, and matching; and
  - Joint research and development projects, and other technology ventures.
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## ANNEX<sup>1</sup>

Name of programme or project	Empowerment of the Young Women of Ouagadougou and Guédiawaye
<b>Objective or purpose</b>	The project aims to increase the social and economic empowerment of young women in Ouagadougou in Burkina Faso, and Guédiawaye in Senegal. This is done by increasing their entrepreneurial potential and their community's commitment to women's entrepreneurship and valuable work for young women. The project works to strengthen young women's entrepreneurial skills and reduce socio-cultural barriers to their participation in the labour force. Project activities include: (1) developing and deploying an entrepreneurship awareness training programme in schools and communities; (2) conducting reinforcement training and workshops for stakeholders; (3) implementing an awareness programme on sexual and reproductive health and education rights (gender equality) for young women; (4) implementing a psychosocial support and guidance programme for vulnerable young women; (5) providing technical and financial support for the start-up and development of individual and collective social economy projects and/or businesses; (6) implementing an awareness programme for men and women; and (7) creating a community consultation process. The project is expected to directly benefit 510 young women and 35 young men, as well as 8,928 indirect beneficiaries.
<b>Entity making the incentive available</b>	GAC - KFM Partnerships for Development Innovation
<b>Eligible enterprises or institutions in developed country Member</b>	Centre de Solidarité Internationale du Saguenay-Lac-Saint-Jean
<b>Beneficiary Member(s)</b>	Burkina Faso; Senegal
<b>Beneficiary Observer(s)</b>	
<b>Beneficiary enterprises or institutions</b>	
<b>Nature of incentive measure</b>	Aid grant excluding debt reorganisation
<b>Financial implications</b>	Budget of CAD 1,006,865.
<b>Field of technology</b>	Entrepreneurship
<b>Category of technology</b>	Other
<b>Output or impact</b>	The expected outcomes of this project include: (1) increased young women's confidence in their entrepreneurial potential in Ouagadougou and Guédiawaye; and (2) increased commitment (positive attitude) of community actors to women's entrepreneurship and valuable work for young women in Ouagadougou and Guédiawaye.
<b>Status of the programme or project</b>	Current or in progress
<b>Duration and timing</b>	2020-2023
<b>Website for further information</b>	<a href="https://w05.international.gc.ca/projectbrowser-banqueprojets/project-projet/details/P005845001">https://w05.international.gc.ca/projectbrowser-banqueprojets/project-projet/details/P005845001</a>
<b>Contact point for further information</b>	<a href="mailto:dean.foster@international.gc.ca">dean.foster@international.gc.ca</a>

<sup>1</sup> In English and French only.

Name of programme or project	Technologies for the Artisanal Sector in Mali
<b>Objective or purpose</b>	<p>The initiative is aimed at increasing women's participation in the Fédération nationale des artisans du Mali (FNAM), a unionized socio-professional organization that defends the rights of artisans with public authorities and helps artisans to develop their businesses. Using an electronic and cell phone portal, the initiative focuses on the following three areas: (1) improve the fluidity of data collection and of consultation/collaboration processes at the local, regional and central levels; (2) develop a culture of networking, information and communication; (3) improve the production of information/recommendations, monitoring/evaluation, and the advocacy strategy for public institutions and stakeholders in the artisan sector.</p> <p>The project's activities include the following: (1) implementing a mechanism to consult artisan members of the FNAM, especially women and marginalized groups; (2) developing a governance model within the FNAM and its regional and local divisions; (3) creating a programme to provide members and partners with a portal, and mobile telephone services for FNAM members and partners; (4) implementing communication methods, including a portal and mobile telephone services, to promote networking and information sharing within Mali's artisan sector; (5) adapting a technology platform for monitoring and evaluation; (6) developing an advocacy unit to improve public services for workers in the artisan sector.</p>
<b>Entity making the incentive available</b>	Global Affairs Canada, Partnerships for Development Innovation Branch
<b>Eligible enterprises or institutions in developed country Member</b>	C2D Services Inc.
<b>Beneficiary Member(s)</b>	Mali
<b>Beneficiary Observer(s)</b>	
<b>Beneficiary enterprises or institutions</b>	
<b>Nature of incentive measure</b>	Government financing through an Official Development Assistance programme (aid grant; project-type interventions)
<b>Financial implications</b>	Budget of CAD 3.3 million
<b>Field of technology</b>	Information and communication technology (ICT)
<b>Category of technology</b>	Information and communications technology
<b>Output or impact</b>	<p>The expected intermediate outcomes for this project include: (1) enhanced equitable and inclusive participation in democratic decision-making processes, especially by women and marginalized groups, through the use of technology; (2) increased use of technology by people, especially women and marginalized groups, to hold their governments to account; and (3) increased responsiveness of public institutions to the diverse needs and rights of people, especially women and marginalized groups, through the use of technology.</p>
<b>Status of the programme or project</b>	Current or in progress
<b>Duration and timing</b>	2017-2020
<b>Website for further information</b>	<a href="http://w05.international.gc.ca/projectbrowser-banqueprojets/project-projet/details/D003003001">http://w05.international.gc.ca/projectbrowser-banqueprojets/project-projet/details/D003003001</a>
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Name of programme or project	Food Security Innovation and Mobilization
<b>Objective or purpose</b>	To increase the food security of women, men, and youth in the arid and semi-arid rural areas of multiple countries, including Burkina Faso. The project's main objective is to strengthen the agricultural value chain, from farming to marketing, while taking into account the needs of these groups.
<b>Entity making the incentive available</b>	Global Affairs Canada, Partnerships for Development Innovation Branch
<b>Eligible enterprises or institutions in developed country Member</b>	L'Oeuvre Léger (Jules and Paul-Émile Léger Foundation)
<b>Beneficiary Member(s)</b>	Burkina Faso
<b>Beneficiary Observer(s)</b>	
<b>Beneficiary enterprises or institutions</b>	
<b>Nature of incentive measure</b>	Government financing through an Official Development Assistance programme (aid grant; project-type interventions)
<b>Financial implications</b>	Budget of CAD 17 million (approx. CAD 7.9 million or 47% of total devoted to Burkina Faso)
<b>Field of technology</b>	Transfer of production technologies (i.e. distribution of genetic material for artificial insemination; technical assistance missions carried out by Canadian agricultural experts; installation of hydroponic modules and biodigestors, etc.)
<b>Category of technology</b>	Food and agriculture
<b>Output or impact</b>	Among the results obtained as of March 2017 : In the project countries (including Burkina Faso), the project has joined 6,097 producers (87.1% of the 7,000 producers targeted over five years), of which 60.2% are women. Of the targeted producers, about two-thirds (more than 50% of whom are women) use agri-environmental technologies adapted to climate change and/or inputs (seeds of cowpea, sorghum, fertilizer, etc.) and quality agricultural production equipment and/or new techniques for the collection and conservation of agricultural products and dairy products. In Burkina Faso, 1,309 producers out of 3,000 members of the three participating organizations in the Northern Region, the Boucle du Mouhoun region and the Central North and Central Plateau regions increased their average production by 61%. These results contribute to increasing the yield and sustainability of agricultural and dairy production in targeted communities, particularly women producers.
<b>Status of the programme or project</b>	Current or in progress
<b>Duration and timing</b>	2015-2020
<b>Website for further information</b>	<a href="http://w05.international.gc.ca/projectbrowser-banqueprojets/project-projet/details/D001691001">http://w05.international.gc.ca/projectbrowser-banqueprojets/project-projet/details/D001691001</a>
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Name of programme or project	Support for Women's Entrepreneurship Within the Rice Sector
<b>Objective or purpose</b>	This project aims at improving women parboilers' living conditions in the southern part of Benin in the Department of Collines through assisting professional rice steaming organizations. Parboiled rice is a method of husking rice, thus enabling the retention of 80% of its nutritional value, increasing its resistance to breakage and allowing for better storage conditions. The project is directly benefitting over 1 500 women parboilers and indirectly contributing to the economic well-being of over 21 000 members of their local community. The project's activities include: (1) developing suitable and accessible funding for the women parboilers; (2) improving access to the rice market, in particular, through the development of appropriate infrastructures (for instance: rice steaming processing centres); (3) strengthening steamer unions' capacity in good governance and business administration; (4) enhancing women parboilers' access to professional expertise and technological innovation in the area of rice steaming; and (5) providing support aimed at professionally structuring agricultural holdings and promoting agricultural entrepreneurship by professional local organization
<b>Entity making the incentive available</b>	GAC - WGM Africa
<b>Eligible enterprises or institutions in developed country Member</b>	CECI - Centre for International Studies and Cooperation
<b>Beneficiary Member(s)</b>	Benin
<b>Beneficiary Observer(s)</b>	
<b>Beneficiary enterprises or institutions</b>	
<b>Nature of incentive measure</b>	Aid grant excluding debt reorganisation
<b>Financial implications</b>	Budget of CAD 9,248,143
<b>Field of technology</b>	Agriculture, Industry (SMEs)
<b>Category of technology</b>	Food and agriculture; Other (Industry (SMEs))
<b>Output or impact</b>	This project's expected intermediate outcomes are as follows: (1) the steady improvement of the strategic positioning of the women parboilers Regional Union located in Glazoué, of the women parboilers National Union and the rice farmers collaborative council of Benin taking into consideration the cross-cutting themes which are gender equality, governance and environmental sustainability; and (2) the continuous improvement of the profitability and the competitiveness of these women parboilers businesses (1500) through their associations (30) operating six rice steaming processing centres and one central wrapping centre.
<b>Status of the programme or project</b>	
<b>Duration and timing</b>	2017-2022
<b>Website for further information</b>	<a href="https://w05.international.gc.ca/projectbrowser-banqueprojets/project-projet/details/D002441001">https://w05.international.gc.ca/projectbrowser-banqueprojets/project-projet/details/D002441001</a>
<b>Contact point for further information</b>	<a href="mailto:dean.foster@international.gc.ca">dean.foster@international.gc.ca</a>

Name of programme or project	Clean Technology Fund
<b>Objective or purpose</b>	<p>Canada provided CAD 200 million in financing to the Clean Technology Fund (CTF) of the Climate Investments Funds, to support the use of clean, low-carbon technologies, and to support investments in energy efficiency and in the power and transport sectors. The CTF provides new, large-scale financial resources for clean energy projects that help to successfully demonstrate, deploy and transfer low-carbon technologies with significant potential for long-term greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions savings.</p> <p>The CTF supports country or regional investment plans that: show significant GHG emissions savings, demonstrate the potential to be replicated elsewhere, are ready to be implemented, and promote environmental and developmental co-benefits that show how low-carbon technologies can contribute to national development goals and strategies.</p>
<b>Entity making the incentive available</b>	Global Affairs Canada, Global Issues and Development Branch
<b>Eligible enterprises or institutions in developed country Member</b>	World Bank
<b>Beneficiary Member(s)</b>	
<b>Beneficiary Observer(s)</b>	
<b>Beneficiary enterprises or institutions</b>	
<b>Nature of incentive measure</b>	Government financing through an Official Development Assistance programme (aid grant; fund dedicated to stimulate investment in low-carbon technologies to contribute to national development goals and strategies)
<b>Financial implications</b>	Budget of CAD 200 million
<b>Field of technology</b>	Climate change
<b>Category of technology</b>	Environmentally friendly or sustainable technology
<b>Output or impact</b>	<p>The expected intermediate outcomes for this project include: Transformed energy supply and demand to low-carbon development pathways.</p> <p>As of 31 March 2017, the CTF has approved 102 projects totalling USD 4.9 billion, of which USD 1.9 billion (39%) has been disbursed to projects. As a result of the CTF's active projects, greenhouse gas emissions have been reduced by eight megatons of CO2 equivalent per year; 1,172 MW of renewable energy capacity have been installed; and 3,591 gigawatt hours of energy are being saved annually. In addition to environmental benefits, CTF-funded projects have mobilized USD 4 billion in private sector co-financing for renewable energy and have resulted in 9,244 jobs.</p>
<b>Status of the programme or project</b>	Current or in progress
<b>Duration and timing</b>	2012-2032
<b>Website for further information</b>	<a href="http://w05.international.gc.ca/projectbrowser-banqueprojets/project-projet/details/M013704001">http://w05.international.gc.ca/projectbrowser-banqueprojets/project-projet/details/M013704001</a>
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Name of programme or project	Forest Carbon Partnership Facility - Carbon Fund
<b>Objective or purpose</b>	The Forest Carbon Partnership Facility (FCPF) is a World Bank-managed global partnership that assists developing countries in tropical and sub-tropical regions in their efforts to reduce greenhouse gas emissions from deforestation and forest degradation. It promotes forest conservation, sustainable management of forests and the enhancement of forest carbon stocks (amount of carbon stored in forest ecosystems). The Carbon Fund offers financial incentives to developing countries that implement emission reduction programmes to reduce the rate of deforestation and forest degradation within their country.
<b>Entity making the incentive available</b>	Global Affairs Canada, Global Issues and Development Branch
<b>Eligible enterprises or institutions in developed country Member</b>	World Bank
<b>Beneficiary Member(s)</b>	Democratic Republic of the Congo; Lao People's Democratic Republic; Madagascar; Mozambique; Nepal
<b>Beneficiary Observer(s)</b>	
<b>Beneficiary enterprises or institutions</b>	
<b>Nature of incentive measure</b>	Government financing through an Official Development Assistance programme (aid grant)
<b>Financial implications</b>	Budget of CAD 5 million (as of 2019)
<b>Field of technology</b>	Climate change, deforestation, forest degradation
<b>Category of technology</b>	Environmentally friendly or sustainable technology; Climate change mitigation technology
<b>Output or impact</b>	<p>Expected intermediate outcomes for the project include: improved forest conservation practices through benefit-sharing and incentive mechanisms, reduced GHG emissions.</p> <p>Results achieved as of June 2019 include: the signing of three Emission Reductions Payment Agreements (including with the Democratic Republic of the Congo, and Mozambique), unlocking up to CAD 155 million in performance-based payments from verified emission reductions through large-scale jurisdictional landscape programmes; 2) thirteen emission reductions programmes (including LDCs such as Lao People's Democratic Republic, Madagascar, and Nepal) were accepted in the portfolio, covering a range of activities to achieve climate-smart land use, protect forests, restore degraded land, and improve local livelihoods; and 3) advanced important tools for jurisdictional programmes, such as carbon transaction registries, financing plans, and guidance on benefits-sharing arrangements. These developments have enabled the Carbon Fund to begin funding and piloting new ways to sustainably manage forests in developing countries and LDCs.</p>
<b>Status of the programme or project</b>	Current or in progress
<b>Duration and timing</b>	2012-2025
<b>Website for further information</b>	<a href="http://w05.international.gc.ca/projectbrowser-banqueprojets/project-projet/details/M013696001">http://w05.international.gc.ca/projectbrowser-banqueprojets/project-projet/details/M013696001</a>
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Name of programme or project	Innovating for Maternal and Child Health in Africa Initiative
<b>Objective or purpose</b>	The Innovating for Maternal and Child Health in Africa Initiative seeks to improve maternal, new-born, and child health outcomes in sub-Saharan Africa by strengthening health systems, using primary health care as an entry point. Two inter-related components have been designed to achieve the goals of the Initiative: African-Canadian implementation research teams and African Health Policy and Research Organizations.
<b>Entity making the incentive available</b>	International Development Research Centre (IDRC), Global Affairs Canada (GAC), and the Canadian Institutes of Health Research (CIHR).
<b>Eligible enterprises or institutions in developed country Member</b>	University of Ottawa (Canada); Jimma University (Ethiopia); University of British Columbia (Canada); University of Malawi (Malawi); Université de Montréal (Canada); Université Laval (Canada); Société d'études et de recherche en santé publique (SERSAP) (Burkina Faso); University of Saskatchewan (Canada); Universidade Lurio (Mozambique); University of Ottawa(Canada); Women's Health and Action Research Centre (WHARC) (Nigeria); Cape Breton University (Canada); Teasdale Corti Foundation (Canada); Saint Mary's Hospital Lacor (Uganda); Bruyère Research Institute (Canada); Shirati KMT Hospital (Tanzania); Université du Québec en Abitibi-Témiscamingue (Canada); Action et Développement (Senegal); McGill University (Canada); Ibadan University (Nigeria); Health Bridge Foundation of Canada; University of Dar es Salaam (Tanzania); Hospital for Sick Children Toronto (Canada); Ifakara Health Institute (Tanzania); Queen's University (Canada); Dalhousie University (Canada); Tanzanian Training Centre for International Health (TTCIH) (Tanzania); St Michael's Hospital-Toronto (Canada); Addis Ababa University (Ethiopia); University of Calgary (Canada); Catholic University of Health and Allied Sciences(Tanzania); University of Alberta (Canada); Amref Health Africa (Malawi); Association de Recherche et de Formation en Anthropologie des Dynamiques Locales (Mali); Federation of Muslim Women Associations of Nigeria (Nigeria).
<b>Beneficiary Member(s)</b>	Burkina Faso; Kenya; Malawi; Mali; Mozambique; Nigeria; Senegal; Tanzania; Uganda
<b>Beneficiary Observer(s)</b>	
<b>Beneficiary enterprises or institutions</b>	
<b>Nature of incentive measure</b>	Government funding of research
<b>Financial implications</b>	Budget of CAD 36 million
<b>Field of technology</b>	Health systems
<b>Category of technology</b>	Health-related technology
<b>Output or impact</b>	<p>The Innovating for Maternal and Child Health in Africa Initiative reflects Canada's top priorities for international development, and continued commitment to supporting locally adapted and scalable solutions for improving the health of mothers, new-borns, and children, and reducing preventable morbidity and deaths around the world.</p> <p>The Initiative is contributing to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- addressing critical knowledge gaps and increasing awareness among policy decision-makers about affordable, feasible, and scalable primary healthcare interventions to improve maternal and child health delivery and outcomes;</li> <li>- building individual and institutional capacity for gender-sensitive health systems and solution-oriented research, and enhancing the uptake of relevant and timely research that informs policy and practice;</li> <li>- strengthening collaborations between Canadian and African researchers, working in partnership with African decision-makers, to implement and scale up high-quality and effective medicines, services, and technologies that improve maternal and child health outcomes</li> </ul>
<b>Status of the programme or project</b>	Current or in progress

<b>Name of programme or project</b>	<b>Innovating for Maternal and Child Health in Africa Initiative</b>
<b>Duration and timing</b>	2014-2021
<b>Website for further information</b>	<a href="https://www.idrc.ca/en/initiative/innovating-maternal-and-child-health-africa">https://www.idrc.ca/en/initiative/innovating-maternal-and-child-health-africa</a>
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<b>Name of programme or project</b>	<b>Better Sexual and Reproductive Health and Rights for Adolescent Girls in Senegal</b>
<b>Objective or purpose</b>	This project works to engage young Senegalese leaders and stakeholders in research and policy dialogue to help improve adolescent girls' access to youth-friendly sexual and reproductive health and rights (SRHR) services. The project aims to examine the link between gender-based violence (GBV) and broader gender inequalities, and address policy shortcomings related to adolescent girls' health and rights. Project activities include: (1) researching the links that exist between adolescent girls' vulnerability to GBV and SRHR; (2) translating findings into products and tools, and applying these findings to address negative gender norms and practices; (3) raising awareness and engagement of community organizations that work against the root causes of GBV; and (4) supporting the development of collaborative and transformative youth leadership skills for adolescent girls to overcome social barriers.
<b>Entity making the incentive available</b>	International Development Research Centre
<b>Eligible enterprises or institutions in developed country Member</b>	WGM Africa
<b>Beneficiary Member(s)</b>	Senegal
<b>Beneficiary Observer(s)</b>	
<b>Beneficiary enterprises or institutions</b>	
<b>Nature of incentive measure</b>	Government financing through an Official Development Assistance programme (aid grant; project-type interventions)
<b>Financial implications</b>	Budget of CAD 4.9 million
<b>Field of technology</b>	Reproductive health
<b>Category of technology</b>	Health-related technology
<b>Output or impact</b>	<p>The project expects to involve up to 400,000 adolescent girls and 100,000 adolescent boys between the ages of ten and 16 in its research, dissemination of findings, and engagement activities. The project also works to provide training to over 100 young community leaders to mentor 2,000 adolescent girls to effectively exercise their sexual and reproductive and health rights. The project aims to establish strategic partnerships with 40 local and ten national policy-makers, in addition to at least 200 practitioners/service providers and 15 civil society organizations</p> <p>The expected outcomes for this project include: (1) improved access to evidence-based, integrated and youth-friendly SRHR services for adolescent girls; and (2) strengthened leadership of adolescent girls to effectively exercise their sexual and reproductive health rights.</p>
<b>Status of the programme or project</b>	Current or in progress
<b>Duration and timing</b>	2020-2026
<b>Website for further information</b>	<a href="https://w05.international.gc.ca/projectbrowser-banqueprojets/project-projet/details/P007476001">https://w05.international.gc.ca/projectbrowser-banqueprojets/project-projet/details/P007476001</a>
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Name of programme or project	Access to Quality Care Through Extending and Strengthening Health Systems
<b>Objective or purpose</b>	The project, Access to Quality Care Through Extending and Strengthening Health Systems (AQCESS), aims to improve the health of mothers, new-borns and children (MNCH) of communities and populations in multiple countries, including Mozambique and Mali. In these regions some MNCH indicators, such as maternal mortality, skilled birth attendance, stunting prevalence and under five mortality, are particularly poor, with women and children still lack access to essential health services. Project activities include: (1) equipping and upgrading health facilities for safer deliveries and new-born care, treating infections and malnutrition, facilitating eHealth applications, and improved disposal of biomedical waste; (2) training facility-based health workers and health care managers; and (3) training health workers and communities to collect, analyse and use administrative health data and contribute to reporting data through government information systems.
<b>Entity making the incentive available</b>	Global Affairs Canada – Partnerships for Development Innovation
<b>Eligible enterprises or institutions in developed country Member</b>	Aga Khan Foundation Canada
<b>Beneficiary Member(s)</b>	Mali; Mozambique
<b>Beneficiary Observer(s)</b>	
<b>Beneficiary enterprises or institutions</b>	
<b>Nature of incentive measure</b>	Government financing through an Official Development Assistance programme (aid grant; project-type interventions)
<b>Financial implications</b>	Budget of CAD 24,969,928
<b>Field of technology</b>	Training, know-how, technology transfer (equipping and upgrading health facilities)
<b>Category of technology</b>	Health-related technology
<b>Output or impact</b>	<p>The expected outcomes for this project include: (1) improved delivery of essential health services to mothers, pregnant women, new-borns and children under five years of age; (2) improved utilization of essential health services by mothers, pregnant women, new-borns and children under five years of age; (3) improved dissemination and use of MNCH evidence and information by decision-makers in the target regions; and (4) increased awareness of MNCH issues among Canadians.</p> <p>Results achieved as of June 2017 include: (1) over 4,700 sessions conducted on gender equality, over 1,000 outreach activities conducted; (2) 746 community health workers trained; (3) over 5,000 nutrition sessions conducted; and (4) 71% of targeted Canadians reported new knowledge gained on key MNCH issues, including gender equality, as a result of participation in a public engagement activity.</p>
<b>Status of the programme or project</b>	Current or in progress
<b>Duration and timing</b>	2016-2020
<b>Website for further information</b>	<a href="https://w05.international.gc.ca/projectbrowser-banqueprojets/project-projet/details/D001983001">https://w05.international.gc.ca/projectbrowser-banqueprojets/project-projet/details/D001983001</a>
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