



DEVIATION REQUEST FORM

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A. To be completed by Gold Standard

1 | Decision

1.1 | Date – 12/10/2023

1.2 | Decision

The deviation is APPROVED. However, the PD shall note that this is not a permanent approval.

The PD must implement a process/procedure to ensure that in future, the Annual Reports are submitted each year and latest by end of the following year of a monitoring period as stipulated in PRINCIPLES & REQUIREMENTS - Version 1.2 § 5.1.39 to 5.1.44. or any other version that supersede in future; independent of any status of the project.

Compliance of this decision shall be reflected in next Monitoring Report and, the verifying VVB, shall present in its Verification Report information on how the PP has complied with this decision as part of the assessment of the PP's management system.

1.3 | Is this decision applicable to other project activities under similar circumstances?

No.

B. To be completed by the Project Developer/Coordinating and Managing Entity and/or VVB requesting deviation (Submit deviation request form in Microsoft Word format)

2| Background information

Deviation Reference Number	DEV_542	
Date of decision	12/10/2023	
Precedent (YES/NO)	No	
Precedent details	N/A	
Date of submission	07/10/2023	
Project/PoA/VPA	Project	ID – GSXXXX
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PoA	ID – GS11416
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> VPA	ID – GS11417, GS11418, GS11419, GS11420
Project/PoA/VPA title	<p>PoA GS11416 – Programme of Activities for Small Scale Solar and Wind Power Generation in Sri Lanka</p> <p>VPA GS11417 – 10MW Solar One Ceylon (Pudukadumalai) Solar Power Project (2018-SOP-001-10.0MW)</p> <p>VPA GS11418 – 10MW Nedunkulam Solar PV Project (2018-SOP-002-10.0MW)</p> <p>VPA GS11419 – 10MW Anorchi Lanka (Baruthankanda) Solar Power Project (2018-SOP-003-10.0MW)</p> <p>VPA GS11420 - 10MW Iris (Baruthankanda) Solar Power Project (2018-SOP-004-10.0MW)</p>	
Date of listing	<p>GS11417 - 15/11/2021</p> <p>GS11418 - 15/11/2021</p> <p>GS11419 - 15/11/2021</p> <p>GS11420 - 15/11/2021</p>	
GS Standard version applicable	Gold Standard for the Global Goals	
Date of transition to GS4GG (if applicable)	Not applicable	
Date of transition to Gold Standard from another standard (e.g. CDM) (if applicable)	<p>GS11416 – 09/08/2022</p> <p>GS11417 - 12/07/2022</p> <p>GS11418 - 12/07/2022</p> <p>GS11419 - 12/07/2022</p> <p>GS11420 - 12/07/2022</p>	

applicable rules/requirements or request is submitted by the VVB).	If yes; VVB name: VVB Staff name(s):
Any previous deviations approved for the same project activity/PoA/VPA(s)?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

3 | Deviation detail

3.1 | Description of the deviation:

**Guidance* Use the space below to describe the deviation and substantiate the reason for requesting deviation from applicable rules/requirements. Please include all relevant information in support of the request. You are requested to follow the principles for requesting deviations, given in the [Deviation Approval Procedure/ Design Change Requirements](#).*

3.1.1 | Deviation detail (to be completed by Project developer):

As per Gold Standard Principles & Requirements para 5.1.39 and 5.1.40 - an annual report shall be submitted for each monitoring year by the end of next calendar year for which verification is not completed. If a verification is in progress but not completed, then an Annual Report is still required by the end of calendar year. PD was unable to submit the annual report for monitoring year 2021 on time. Therefore, PD is requesting deviation for delayed submission of the Annual Report.

3.1.2 | VVB opinion (to be completed by VVB, if applicable):

**Guidance* If required by SustainCERT or Gold Standard for this particular deviation, please add here the VVB’s opinion.*

Not applicable.

3.2 | Assessment of the deviation:

**Guidance* Use the space below to describe how the deviation complies with the requirements, and, where applicable, the accuracy, completeness and conservativeness is ensured. Please include all relevant information in support of the request.*

3.2.1 | Deviation assessment (to be completed by Project developer):

The requested deviation is concerned with the delayed submission of the Annual Report. There is no change in the monitoring plan or parameters. The PoA and associated VPAs have been monitored as per the registered monitoring plan. Therefore, complies with the requirement.

3.2.2 | VVB opinion (to be completed by VVB, if applicable):

**Guidance* If required by SustainCERT or Gold Standard for this particular deviation, please add here the VVB's opinion.*

Not applicable.

3.3 | Impact of the deviation:

**Guidance* Use the space below to describe the impact of the deviation on project design, safeguarding principles assessment, SDG assessment, emissions reductions, monitoring frequency, data quality, potential risk or any other relevant aspect of the project. Please substantiate the impact assessment with relevant and verifiable data/information.*

3.3.1 | Impact assessment (to be completed by Project developer):

The requested deviation is concerned with the delayed submission of the Annual Report. There is no change in the monitoring plan or parameters. The PoA and associated VPAs have been monitored as per the registered monitoring plan. Therefore, no impact of the deviation on project design, safeguarding principles assessment, SDG assessment, emissions reductions, monitoring frequency, data quality, potential risk or any other relevant aspect of the project.

3.3.2 | VVB opinion (to be completed by VVB, if applicable):

**Guidance* If required by SustainCERT or Gold Standard for this particular deviation, please add here the VVB's opinion.*

Not applicable.

3.4 | Documents:

**Guidance* List of documents provided (note that once a decision has been made by Gold Standard, this deviation form along with supporting documents will be made public on the Gold Standard website. If any of the supporting documents are confidential, please indicate here to ensure they are omitted.)*

1. Annual report; and
2. Performance Review 02 – Monitoring report.

Version number	Release date	Description
5	11.04.2022	Additional information added: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - date of listing, design certification, transition - standard version - specific reference to a requirement deviated from - any previous deviations/design changes approved Guidance on VVB opinion
4	14.01.2021	
3	16.07.2020	
2	03.05.2018	
1	01.07.2017	Initial adoption