# Public Education Programme of the "Policy Framework for the Management of Municipal Solid Waste (2005-2014)"

### **PURPOSE**

This paper presents the third round of funding applications received under the Public Education Programme of the "Policy Framework for the Management of Municipal Solid Waste (2005-2014)" and seeks Members' views on the proposals received.

#### **BACKGROUND**

2. As agreed by the Subcommittee, the Public Education Programme was opened for funding applications between 17 October 2008 and 27 November 2008. The proposed themes for this round of funding applications were producer responsibility schemes on plastic shopping bags, as well as beverage containers and packaging materials. Funding applications in support of these themes would be accorded priority.

#### FUNDING APPLICATIONS AND PRELIMINARY ASSESSMENT

3. We received a total of eight proposals in this round of funding applications. Our observations<sup>1</sup> on the proposals are set out at **Annex I**. We consider that four out of the eight proposals could be recommended for favourable consideration by the Subcommittee. In making our assessment, we have taken into consideration the objective and the themes of the Public Education Programme, the deliverables and the long-term sustainability of the projects, the experience and the capacity of the proponents, as well as the need to have a well-balanced and manageable programme. The individual proposals are at **Annex II** to **Annex IX**.

#### WAY FORWARD

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For the internal deliberation of the ACE Waste Management Subcommittee only.

4. Subject to Members' views, we would further work with the applicants of the recommended proposals to refine the details of the activities and the budgets. Upon finalization, we would table the proposals to the Environment and Conservation Fund Committee for endorsement.

## **ADVICE SOUGHT**

5. Members are invited to comment on the proposals received.

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