



**LEVERAGING SDG 6 FOR ACCELERATED
WATER INVESTMENTS IN CARIBBEAN
SIDS WORKSHOP**

MINI ACTION PLAN

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About this Mini Action Plan

St. Vincent and the Grenadines has proposed three major priority actions aimed at improving national water governance and management in alignment with SDG 6. These actions target policy coherence, institutional coordination, stakeholder integration, and infrastructure development.

ACTION 1: POLICY REFORM STRATEGIC OBJECTIVE

To achieve water security and improved sanitation in SVG through a comprehensive policy reform approach.

RATIONALE

The current water governance landscape in SVG is characterized by overlapping legislation and multiple ministries and agencies operating with separate mandates. This fragmentation has led to unclear jurisdiction and authority. A harmonized policy framework is essential to align interests, eliminate redundancy, and enhance coherence across institutions. In tandem with policy reform, the action includes developing an IWRM plan and establishing a dedicated water resources unit.

KEY DETAILS

Leading Entity	Central Water and Sewage Authority .
Key Coordinators & Collaborators	National Parks, Rivers and Beaches Authority, Fisheries Department, Forestry Department, Public Health, Bureau of Standards.
Geographical Scale	Nationwide
Estimated Cost	USD 3.5 Million
Potential Sources of Financing	World Bank, GCF, UNEP
Timeline	3 years
IWRM Dimension	Enabling Environment (Specifically 1.1.1 and 1.1.2)
Related SDG Target	6.5.1

ACTION 2: STAKEHOLDER INTEGRATED MANAGEMENT

STRATEGIC OBJECTIVE

To establish a participatory, transparent, and coordinated stakeholder management system that strengthens governance, ensures equitable access to water resources, and enhances sustainable use and resilience of water systems across SVG.

RATIONALE

St. Vincent and the Grenadines is highly vulnerable to climate change, droughts, and water-related disasters. A broad-based stakeholder approach—encompassing community groups, experts, and institutions—is crucial to building resilience and improving water governance. This action involves establishing a water resource unit that ensures inclusion, coordination, and alignment with national development and SDG 6 priorities.

KEY DETAILS

Leading Entity	Sustainable Development Unit
Key Coordinators & Collaborators	Legal Affairs, National Parks, Rivers and Beaches Authority, Central Water and Sewage Authority
Geographical Scale	Nationwide across all watersheds.
Estimated Cost	USD 25 Million
Potential Sources of Financing	CEPF, GCF, World Bank
Timeline	3 Years
IWRM Dimension	Institutions & Participation (Specifically 2.1 and 2.3)
Related SDG Target	6.5.1

ACTION 3: INCREASE EFFICIENCY OF WATER PARAMETERS TESTING

STRATEGIC OBJECTIVE

To enhance national capacity and infrastructure for water quality monitoring.

RATIONALE

SVG currently faces underdeveloped testing systems and limited monitoring infrastructure. This action aims to enhance laboratory capacity, expand the testing network, train staff, standardize protocols, and create a centralized database to improve data accessibility and inform better water quality decision-making.

KEY DETAILS

Leading Entity	Central Water And Sewage Authority
Key Coordinators & Collaborators	National Parks, Rivers and Beaches Authority, Fisheries Division, Forestry Department
Geographical Scope	Nationwide
Estimated Cost	USD 4 Million
Potential Sources of Financing	World Bank, CEPF
Timeline	1.5 years
IWRM Dimension	Financing (Specifically 4.2) and Management Instruments (Specifically 3.1, 3.2, 3.3)
Related SDG Targets	6.3.2 and 6.6.1

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