



Uzbekistan: E-Government for Effective Public Management

Project Name	E-Government for Effective Public Management							
Project Number	46444-001							
Country	Uzbekistan							
Project Status	Active							
Project Type / Modality of Assistance	Technical Assistance							
Source of Funding / Amount	<table border="1"> <tr> <td colspan="2">TA 8260-UZB: E-Government for Effective Public Management</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Technical Assistance Special Fund</td> <td>US\$ 1.10 million</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Republic of Korea e-Asia and Knowledge Partnership Fund</td> <td>US\$ 400,000.00</td> </tr> </table>		TA 8260-UZB: E-Government for Effective Public Management		Technical Assistance Special Fund	US\$ 1.10 million	Republic of Korea e-Asia and Knowledge Partnership Fund	US\$ 400,000.00
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Strategic Agendas	Inclusive economic growth							
Drivers of Change	Governance and capacity development Partnerships							
Sector / Subsector	Information and communication technology - ICT industries and ICT-enabled services Public sector management - Public administration							
Gender Equity and Mainstreaming	No gender elements							
Description	<p>The Government of Uzbekistan has taken a number of steps to accelerate its own e-government initiatives and to ensure it meets its objectives and timing has asked the ADB to assist in four priority areas, namely: property registration, business registration, public procurement and public access to information. The proposed TA will focus on (i) developing a government-public and government-business interface strategy, (ii) phased strategies for the Government's four priority areas, (iii) action plans for piloting e-government applications, and (iv) piloting e-government applications.</p>							
Project Rationale and Linkage to Country/Regional Strategy	<p>This TA is aligned with the Uzbekistan CPS (2012-2016) approved in September 2012 and supports CPS objectives promoting governance, institutional improvement, and capacity development. The President of Uzbekistan has also passed a number of decrees to develop ICT in Government and improve the business environment. A MOU between the Government and ADB was signed in November 2012 which outlined how ADB could assist in meeting these Government objectives.</p>							
Impact	Improved public access to government processes in Uzbekistan.							

Project Outcome

Description of Outcome	Increased government service access through electronic means.
Progress Toward Outcome	ongoing
Implementation Progress	
Description of Project Outputs	<p>A strategy, prioritized action plan and financing plan to improve government-to-public and government-to-business electronic interface. Phased implementation strategies, action plans, and financing plans for priority e-government services.</p> <p>Pilot implementation strategies, action plans and financing plans for priority e-Government applications.</p> <p>Prioritized e-government services piloted.</p> <p>Improved public awareness about e-government reforms and the information technology staff trained to manage the new automated systems effectively</p>

Status of Implementation Progress (Outputs, Activities, and Issues) Ongoing
Ongoing
Ongoing
Ongoing
Ongoing

Geographical Location

Summary of Environmental and Social Aspects

Environmental Aspects

Involuntary Resettlement

Indigenous Peoples

Stakeholder Communication, Participation, and Consultation

During Project Design The Government of Uzbekistan has established a coordination committee to oversee the prioritization of e-government applications and the development of a 3-year investment plan. The Ministry of Economy and Uzinfocom (a government agency responsible for technical support to ICT related activities in government) have been closely involved in policy and technical details to ensure a successful delivery of this project.

During Project Implementation The State Committee for Communication, Informatization and Telecommunication Technologies, an Executing agency for this TA, was reorganized to the Ministry for Development of Information Technologies and Communication (MITC) (the President Resolution No. 4702 of 4 February 2015). Under the TA an Inception Workshop was held where the individual consultants presented their initial findings of the business process review of the three services being support by the TA: (1) business registration, (2) property registration, and (3) procurement of public goods. The consultants are now working to finalize their reports.

The TA initially aimed to support the government in developing e-government systems in the following areas: (i) business registration; (ii) property registration; (iii) procurement services; and (iv) website and portal development. During the midterm review mission the government informed ADB that substantial progress has already been made by the government in the following two areas: (i) automation of public procurement system using resources provided by the World Bank (Trust Fund); and (ii) the development of a new version of State Portal of Interactive State Services (SPISS 2.0) had been assigned to a government-owned joint venture company LG CNS. In view of the existing support available to the government and to avoid duplication of efforts, it was agreed that the TA will not support e-procurement and portal and website development. Further that any resources saved will be utilized to extend the support being provided for further development of two main state services_business and property registration.

BPR firm commenced works in April 2016 for BPR process reengineering of 2 priority services, and will finish on 31 March 2017. Final report expected to be submitted in April 2017.

Business Opportunities

Consulting Services The TA has already engaged individual consultants and resource persons (both national and international) and the selection of a consulting firm to conduct business process review and reengineering (BPR) in three priority government service areas is well advanced. The government is committed to reform the three critical services being covered by the TA including: (1) business registration, (2) property registration, and (3) procurement of public goods.

Based on the outcome of BPR the TA will support the Ministry for Information Technologies and Communications Development (MITCD) in developing/improving through piloting projects in above service areas as well as integrating them within a Single Portal of Interactive State Services (SPISS) at www.my.gov.uz. The consultants will be hired in accordance with the Asian Development Bank's (ADB) Guidelines on the Use of Consultants (2013, as amended from time to time).

Procurement Various pieces of computing equipment and software will be procured for the piloting of these applications. Examples of the goods required include computers, peripherals, servers and related goods. Procurement of goods under this TA will be undertaken by the selected firm in accordance with ADB's Procurement Guidelines (2010, as amended from time to time).

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Timetable

Concept Clearance	22 Oct 2012
Fact Finding	-
MRM	-
Approval	20 Aug 2014
Last Review Mission	-
Last PDS Update	31 Mar 2017

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Milestones					
Approval	Signing Date	Effectivity Date	Closing		
			Original	Revised	Actual
12 Dec 2012	08 Jan 2013	08 Jan 2013	31 Dec 2015	31 Dec 2017	-

Financing Plan/TA Utilization						Cumulative Disbursements		
ADB	Cofinancing	Counterpart				Total	Date	Amount
		Gov	Beneficiaries	Project Sponsor	Others			
1,100,000.00	400,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,500,000.00	12 Dec 2012	612,897.11

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