



Regional: Assessing Trade Facilitation and Transport Logistics Performance in the Pacific

Project Name	Assessing Trade Facilitation and Transport Logistics Performance in the Pacific				
Project Number	47294-001				
Country	Regional				
Project Status	Active				
Project Type / Modality of Assistance	Technical Assistance				
Source of Funding / Amount	<table border="1"> <tr> <td colspan="2">TA 8599-REG: Assessing Trade Facilitation and Transport Logistics Performance in the Pacific</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Technical Assistance Special Fund</td> <td>US\$ 225,000.00</td> </tr> </table>	TA 8599-REG: Assessing Trade Facilitation and Transport Logistics Performance in the Pacific		Technical Assistance Special Fund	US\$ 225,000.00
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Strategic Agendas	Inclusive economic growth Regional integration				
Drivers of Change	Governance and capacity development				
Sector / Subsector	Transport - Transport policies and institutional development				
Gender Equity and Mainstreaming					
Description	1. This small-scale policy and advisory technical assistance (S-PATA) will establish the baseline for future regional technical assistance for trade and transport facilitation (TTF) in the Pacific Region. This initiative is in response to needs identified at a regional workshop with Pacific developing member countries (DMCs) held in Suva in April 2013. The overall scope and design is aimed at assessing current performance of trade facilitation and transport logistics and developing an understanding of trade and transport flows in the Pacific. Design and monitoring framework for the S-PATA is included in Appendix 1.				
Project Rationale and Linkage to Country/Regional Strategy	<p>This small-scale policy and advisory technical assistance (S-PATA) will establish the baseline for future regional technical assistance for trade and transport facilitation (TTF) in the Pacific Region. This initiative is in response to needs identified at a regional workshop with Pacific developing member countries (DMCs) held in Suva in April 2013. The overall scope and design is aimed at assessing current performance of trade facilitation and transport logistics and developing an understanding of trade and transport flows in the Pacific. Design and monitoring framework for the S-PATA is included in Appendix 1.</p> <p>At the Pacific Islands Forum meeting held in the Marshall Islands in September 2013, Forum leaders highlighted the importance of regional integration and expressed commitment to reinvigorate this strategic priority of the Pacific Plan. The Forum Trade Ministers meeting also highlighted the importance of addressing high trade and transport costs within the Pacific and with economies outside the region. This proposed S-PATA is expected to identify inefficiencies and bottlenecks that contribute to the high cost and time of trade and transport for Pacific countries.</p>				
Impact	Improved understanding of trade and transport logistics performance in the Pacific.				

Project Outcome

Description of Outcome	Improved availability and ownership of relevant assessment tools and indicators for trade and transport logistics performance in selected Pacific countries.
Progress Toward Outcome	
Implementation Progress	
Description of Project Outputs	<p>(1) Assessment tools for trade facilitation and transport logistic performance.</p> <p>(2) Regional analysis for trade and transport flow for priority trade corridors and routes.</p>

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

Geographical Location

Summary of Environmental and Social Aspects

Environmental Aspects

Involuntary Resettlement

Indigenous Peoples

Stakeholder Communication, Participation, and Consultation

During Project Design

During Project Implementation

Business Opportunities

Consulting Services A team of individual consultants will be recruited for up to 15.5 person months by the ADB in accordance with ADB Guidelines on the Use of Consultants to implement the 12-month technical assistance. The consultants will be guided by the ADB Pacific Department Transport Sector team in coordination with Pacific government representatives from trade, customs and transportation agencies as well as resource experts from UNESCAP and the WCO. In each country, a working group of participating representatives will be set up to (i) review the scope of the assessments to be conducted; (ii) select product for which export/import processes will be evaluated; (iii) select specific trade corridor/routes and/or mode of transport; and (iv) gateway seaport/airport to cover. Assessment teams will be set up and resource experts from WHO and UNESCAP will conduct training workshops for data collection.

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Timetable

Concept Clearance	-
Fact Finding	-
MRM	-
Approval	19 Dec 2013
Last Review Mission	-
Last PDS Update	31 Mar 2017

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Milestones					
Approval	Signing Date	Effectivity Date	Closing		
			Original	Revised	Actual
19 Dec 2013	-	19 Dec 2013	15 Jan 2015	31 Dec 2017	-

Financing Plan/TA Utilization						Cumulative Disbursements		
ADB	Cofinancing	Counterpart				Total	Date	Amount
		Gov	Beneficiaries	Project Sponsor	Others			
225,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	225,000.00	19 Dec 2013	34,646.21

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