



Solomon Islands: Strengthening the Implementation of the National Development Strategy

Project Name	Strengthening the Implementation of the National Development Strategy								
Project Number	47359-001								
Country	Solomon Islands								
Project Status	Active								
Project Type / Modality of Assistance	Technical Assistance								
Source of Funding / Amount	<table border="1"><tr><td colspan="2">TA 8761-SOL: Strengthening the Implementation of the National Development Strategy</td></tr><tr><td>Technical Assistance Special Fund</td><td>US\$ 600,000.00</td></tr><tr><td colspan="2">TA 8761-SOL: Strengthening the Implementation of the National Development Strategy (Supplementary)</td></tr><tr><td>Technical Assistance Special Fund</td><td>US\$ 120,000.00</td></tr></table>	TA 8761-SOL: Strengthening the Implementation of the National Development Strategy		Technical Assistance Special Fund	US\$ 600,000.00	TA 8761-SOL: Strengthening the Implementation of the National Development Strategy (Supplementary)		Technical Assistance Special Fund	US\$ 120,000.00
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Strategic Agendas	Environmentally sustainable growth Inclusive economic growth								
Drivers of Change	Governance and capacity development								
Sector / Subsector	Public sector management - Public expenditure and fiscal management								
Gender Equity and Mainstreaming	Some gender elements								
Description	<p>The TA supports the further implementation of the National Development Strategy (NDS) 2010-2020 which is the first long term development strategy adopted by Solomon Islands. The NDS was the product of nationwide consultations and has enjoyed the support of successive government since its adoption in 2010.</p> <p>The expected impact of the proposed TA is effective policy and strategy implementation. The expected outcome is improved public expenditure management, planning, and reporting. The main TA activities are grouped into four outputs as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">(i) Implementation of development planning improved.(ii) Integration of the recurrent and development budgets is improved.(iii) Multi-year budget projections are strengthened.(iv) Development partner assistance is better reported and aligned with the NDS.								
Project Rationale and Linkage to Country/Regional Strategy	<p>A key aspect of effective development management is the formulation and implementation of a national development strategy. For Solomon Islands, this is particularly important, because development challenges are daunting, and priorities must be set. ADB previously provided TA for the development of the national development strategy, 2010-2020. ADB followed up this with further TA for NDS implementation which included support for monitoring and evaluation (including an M&E framework), capacity building for planning and line ministry staff, a medium term development plan (MTDP, a rolling 5 year implementation plan for the NDS) and the development of a medium term expenditure framework. On 1st January 2014 the new Public Financial Management Act became effective as a major step in the reform process and to which previous ADB TA had provided inputs. Despite progress in improving development planning and budget processes, this work remains at an early stage and further assistance is required to maintain the reform momentum. The PFM Act requires further regulation to support the MTDP and its implementation. Coordination between the recurrent and development budgets remains poor as has been noted by the Forum Compact Peer Review Report. Budget processes for the recurrent and development budgets remain largely separate and the recurrent costs of development projects are rarely included in the recurrent budget which affects their sustainability. Multi-year budget estimates are at an early stage and there is limited capacity to produce the medium term expenditure framework and link it to the budget documents. Alignment and reporting of donor assistance within the NDS remains poor. There is a need for more regular, standardized reporting of donor activities and for their compilation into a database so the government has the information it requires to effectively manage its own development agenda.</p>								
Impact	Improved policy and strategy implementation								

Project Outcome

Description of Outcome	Improved public expenditure management, planning, and reporting
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