



## Vanuatu: Supporting the Preparation of the National Sustainable Development Plan

Project Name	Supporting the Preparation of the National Sustainable Development Plan	
Project Number	47367-001	
Country	Vanuatu	
Project Status	Active	
Project Type / Modality of Assistance	Technical Assistance	
Source of Funding / Amount	<b>TA 8724-VAN: Supporting the Preparation of the National Sustainable Development Plan</b> Technical Assistance Special Fund <span style="float: right;">US\$ 400,000.00</span>	
Strategic Agendas	Inclusive economic growth	
Drivers of Change	Governance and capacity development Partnerships	
Sector / Subsector	<b>Public sector management</b> - Economic affairs management - Public administration	
Gender Equity and Mainstreaming	Effective gender mainstreaming	
Description	<p>The impact of the technical assistance (TA) will be that the National Sustainable Development Plan (NSDP) guides the implementation and monitoring of Vanuatu's development vision and priorities. The outcome of the TA will be stronger government capacity for development planning and managing for development results.</p> <p>The TA will deliver the following outputs and associated activities over 2014 -2016:</p> <p>(i) Strengthened development planning processes. The TA will support the Department of Strategic Policy Planning and Aid Coordination (DSPPAC) and the NSDP core team in the preparation of an NSDP for 2016- 2030.</p> <p>In particular, the TA will support DSPPAC and the NSDP core team to (a) organize, plan, facilitate, and provide input for ministerial and sector consultations; (b) develop and utilize specific tools to extract policy directives from public consultations and feedback sessions and train government personnel in the use of such tools; (c) ensure that special interest groups are fully included and participate in consultations; (d) ensure that provincial authorities and leaders are given the opportunity to provide feedback on the NSDP; (e) draft a consultation report, including stakeholder feedback and recommendations on the NSDP; and (f) produce a draft NSDP for consideration by the Council of Ministers and Parliament.</p> <p>(ii) Strengthened monitoring and evaluation processes and systems. The TA will support the government to ensure that appropriate processes and systems are in place to implement and monitor the NSDP.</p> <p>In particular, the TA will work with DSPPAC to establish a framework for regular monitoring and reporting against the NSDP, help government agencies to put in place the systems to implement and measure achievements under the NSDP, and ensure that the NSDP is utilized as a mechanism for managing for development results.</p>	
Project Rationale and Linkage to Country/Regional Strategy	<p>The Priorities and Action Agenda of the Government of Vanuatu is the current national development plan for 2006-2015. As the current national development plan ends in 2015, the government has started the preparation of a new development plan, and has asked the Asian Development Bank (ADB) to assist this process.</p> <p>While the government has prior experience in development planning, it is looking to ADB to strengthen its capacity in this area. A core team was established to lead the preparation of the proposed NSDP. It is made up of representatives from the government, civil society, the private sector, academia, and development partners. While the NSDP core team will lead the process, ADB will provide technical support to assist the Government prepare the NSDP in accordance with sound development planning principles and processes.</p> <p>Government agencies and development partners were consulted on the proposed TA during the ADB workshop on the Vanuatu country operations business plan, 2015 -2017 in Port Vila in March 2014. Consultation with DSPPAC and the NSDP core team took place during March- May 2014, and the government agreed with the TA as proposed.</p>	

Impact	The NSDP guides the implementation and monitoring of Vanuatu's development vision and priorities.
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## Project Outcome

Description of Outcome	Improved government capacity in development planning and managing for development results.
Progress Toward Outcome	Achieved. Vanuatu's new National Sustainable Development Plan, 2016-2030 was released in January 2017.
<b>Implementation Progress</b>	
Description of Project Outputs	1. Strengthened development planning processes for preparation of the proposed NSDP. 2. Strengthened monitoring and evaluation processes and systems for the proposed NSDP.
Status of Implementation Progress (Outputs, Activities, and Issues)	All TA outputs were achieved. Vanuatu's new National Sustainable Development Plan, 2016-2030 was released in January 2017.
Geographical Location	

## Summary of Environmental and Social Aspects

Environmental Aspects	
Involuntary Resettlement	
Indigenous Peoples	
<b>Stakeholder Communication, Participation, and Consultation</b>	
During Project Design	Port Vila, Vanuatu
During Project Implementation	Workshops and consultations with government, non-government representatives, and the provinces, took place throughout the period of the TA to further the formulation of the NSDP.

## Business Opportunities

Consulting Services	The TA will require international consultants (an estimated 12 person-months of inputs) and national consultants (an estimated 16 person-months of inputs) with skills and expertise in the formulation of national development plans, monitoring and evaluation, and consultation and participation. All consultants will be engaged individually, in accordance with ADB's Guidelines on the Use of Consultants (2013, as amended from time to time). TA activities will be implemented over 21 months, from 1 October 2014 to 30 June 2016.
Procurement	ADB will be the executing agency and DSPPAC_which is located in the Office of the Prime Minister_will be the implementing agency. Disbursements under the TA will be made in accordance with ADB's Technical Assistance Disbursement Handbook (2010, as amended from time to time).

## Responsible Staff

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## Timetable

Concept Clearance	11 Jun 2014
Fact Finding	-
MRM	-
Approval	23 Sep 2014
Last Review Mission	-
Last PDS Update	23 Mar 2017

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Milestones					
Approval	Signing Date	Effectivity Date	Closing		
			Original	Revised	Actual
23 Sep 2014	26 Nov 2014	26 Nov 2014	30 Jun 2016	30 Jun 2017	-

Financing Plan/TA Utilization						Cumulative Disbursements		
ADB	Cofinancing	Counterpart				Total	Date	Amount
		Gov	Beneficiaries	Project Sponsor	Others			
400,000.00	0.00	80,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	480,000.00	23 Sep 2014	364,788.04

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