

Regional: Strengthening Disaster Resilience in Selected Urban Areas of Southeast Asia

Project Name	Strengthening Disaster Resilience in Selected Urban Areas of Southeast Asia			
Project Number	48426-001			
Country	Regional			
Project Status	Closed			
Project Type / Modality of Assistance	Technical Assistance			
Source of Funding / Amount	TA 8868-REG: Strengthening Disaster Resilience in Selected Urban Areas of Southeast Asia			
	Integrated Disaster Risk Management Fund	US\$ 25,000.00		
	Deutsche Gesellschaft fur Internationale Zusammenarbei	US\$ 200,000.00		
Strategic Agendas	Environmentally sustainable growth Inclusive economic growth			
Drivers of Change	Partnerships			
Sector / Subsector	Water and other urban infrastructure and services - Urban policy, institutional and capacity development			
Gender Equity and Mainstreaming	No gender elements			

Description

The proposed regional small-scale research and development technical assistance (RS-RDTA) will develop a scoping paper identifying regional and national actions for enhancing the enabling environment for strengthening disaster resilience in urban areas of selected Southeast Asia developing member countries (DMCs) - Cambodia, Indonesia, Lao PDR, the Philippines, of the Asian Development Bank (ADB).

In April 2014, ADB approved an Operational Plan (Operational Plan) for Integrated Disaster Risk Management (IDRM), 2014-2020, which is based on a vision of disaster resilience, and highlights three key requirements to achieve this vision: (i) the integration of disaster risk reduction into development; (ii) actions to address the intersection between disaster risk management (DRM) and climate change adaptation (CCA); and (iii) initiatives to ensure that there are adequate financing arrangements in place to reduce risk and to manage and transfer residual risk. The Operational Plan lays out a series of common, cross-cutting actions to address these requirements, focusing on the institutionalization of IDRM, strengthening capacity and knowledge, investments in disaster resilience, and stakeholder engagement.

The Operational Plan identifies the crossover of DRM with other development challenges, such as unplanned urbanization, and states that _ADB will continue to support actions to strengthen disaster risk as part of its wider efforts to strengthen urban resilience, in keeping with the Urban Operational Plan 2012-2020 and in recognition of the fact that a considerable share of urban expansion is occurring in hazard-prone areas._

In 2013, ADB established the Integrated Disaster Risk Management Fund (Fund) with funding support from the Government of Canada. The Fund is intended as a resource to assist the development of innovative regional solutions for DRM in Southeast Asian DMCs. The priorities of the Fund include, among others, supporting: (i) regional approaches that would encourage increased investments for reducing urban disaster risk, and (ii) interventions that link to ongoing regional initiatives on DRM. In order to ensure coherence and maximize synergies between interventions supported by the Fund and other similar interventions being implemented in the region, ADB has been undertaking dialogues with other development partners supporting urban DRM-related interventions in Southeast Asia. For example, ADB has had discussions with the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) Secretariat on exploring synergies between urban resilience related priorities of the Work Programme of the ASEAN Agreement on Disaster Management and Emergency Response (AADMER) (see footnote 5) and urban resilience projects that could be funded through the Fund.

The proposed RS-RDTA, to be co-financed by the Ministry of Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ) through the Deutsche Gesellschaft f_r Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ) and the IDRM Fund will support the development of the above mentioned scoping paper. The scoping paper will be developed in consultation with participating Southeast Asian DMCs, regional and development partners involved in urban disaster resilience related projects. The recommendations of the scoping paper will (i) guide ADB in developing a follow-up regional TA on urban resilience to be funded by the Fund; (ii) support the ASEAN Secretariat in detailing specific aspects of its urban resilience related priority; and (iii) provide inputs to future urban DRM-related interventions within the Global Initiative on Disaster Risk Management (GIDRM) of the German Government coordinated by GIZ. The design and monitoring framework is presented in Appendix 1.

Project Rationale and Linkage to Country/Regional Strategy

Impact

Strengthened urban resilience in selected Southeast Asia developing member countries (DMCs) of the Asian Development Bank (ADB)

Project Outcome

Description of Outcome	Regional and national actions identified to enhance the enabling environme for strengthening urban resilience in selected Southeast Asian DMCs.		
Progress Toward Outcome			
Implementation Progress			
Description of Project Outputs	Scoping Paper identifying regional and national actions for enhancing the enabling environment needed in urban areas to strengthen disaster resilience.		
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 Implementation

Business Opportunities

Consulting Services The R-S-RDTA will be implemented by the Climate Change Coordination and Disaster Risk Management Unit (RSDD-CD) of the Regional and Sustainable Development Department (RSDD), working in close coordination with the Southeast Asia Department (SERD). The R-S-RDTA will utilize 18 person-months of consultant inputs to be provided by 4 international consultants and 5 national consultants. The consultants will be engaged by ADB in accordance with the Guidelines on the Use of Consultants (2013, as amended from time to time). All consulting services under the R-S-RDTA will be engaged on output-based (lump sum) contracts to reduce administrative burden and improve economy, efficiency and value for money aspect under the R-S-RDTA. The TA is expected to be implemented from November 2014 to October 2015.

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Timetable

Concept Clearance	-
Fact Finding	-
MRM	-
Approval	24 Dec 2014
Last Review Mission	-
Last PDS Update	24 Dec 2014

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Milestones					
Approval	Signing Date	Effectivity Date	Closing		
	Signing Date	Effectivity Date	Original	Revised	Actual
24 Dec 2014	-	24 Dec 2014	31 Oct 2015	-	-

Financing Plan/TA Utilization							Cumulative Disburs	sements	
ADB	Cofinancing	Count	Counterpart			Total	Date	Amount	
		Gov	Beneficiaries	Project Sponsor		Others			
0.00	225,000.00	0.00	0.00		0.00	0.00	225,000.00	24 Dec 2014	195,985.22

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