



Regional: Legal Literacy for Women

Project Name	Legal Literacy for Women				
Project Number	49149-001				
Country	Regional				
Project Status	Active				
Project Type / Modality of Assistance	Technical Assistance				
Source of Funding / Amount	<table border="1"> <tr> <td colspan="2">TA 9015-REG: Legal Literacy for Women</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Technical Assistance Special Fund</td> <td>US\$ 750,000.00</td> </tr> </table>	TA 9015-REG: Legal Literacy for Women		Technical Assistance Special Fund	US\$ 750,000.00
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Strategic Agendas	Inclusive economic growth				
Drivers of Change	Governance and capacity development Knowledge solutions				
Sector / Subsector	Public sector management - Law and judiciary				
Gender Equity and Mainstreaming	Gender equity				
Description	<p>This regional capacity development technical assistance (R-CDTA) is designed to address a plethora of issues affecting gender equality in the legal and related sectors and to plug significant gaps among institutions. It aims to strengthen the capacity of investigating, prosecuting, and decision making bodies and equip women with adequate knowledge of their rights to access social and legal justice leading to a stronger, more inclusive society. It also aims to leverage existing networks and initiatives for a more nationwide reach. The R-CDTA will also assist participating countries to fulfill their obligations under the Convention on the Elimination of all Forms of Discrimination Against Women (CEDAW), among others.</p> <p>The R-CDTA will be conducted in Pakistan and Afghanistan with a possibility of expansion to Tajikistan. Activities will be implemented in each participating country with consideration of how organizations in each country can collaborate with or learn from the other.</p>				
Project Rationale and Linkage to Country/Regional Strategy	ADB's Gender Equality and Women's Empowerment Operational Plan, 2013-2020: Moving the Agenda Forward, recognizes that without capturing and unleashing the talents, human capital, and economic potential of half of Asia's population, women and girls, the goal of a region free of poverty, will not be realized. The policy adopts gender mainstreaming as the key strategy for promoting gender equality and women's empowerment across the full range of ADB operations. As we approach 2016, countries will adopt the Sustainable Development Goals, which will include a target on eliminating gender based violence (GBV) for the first time. ADB's Afghanistan Country Partnership Strategy 2009-2013 extended by the Interim Country Partnership Strategy 2014-2015 lists gender and development as one of its priority themes. In Pakistan, ADB's Country Partnership Strategy 2015-2019 acknowledges that gender inequities in the country are still large and states that ADB's support has a direct impact on women's empowerment and well-being. For Tajikistan, gender mainstreaming has been identified as one of the cross-cutting themes for ADB's interventions under the Tajikistan Country Partnership Strategy 2010-2014 (extended by Interim Country Partnership Strategy 2015).				
Impact	Improved access to justice and social and other services for women in participating countries. (AFG: Afghanistan National Development Strategy and ADB's CPS for Afghanistan) (PAK: ADB's CPS for Pakistan) (TAJ: National Development Strategy of the Republic of Tajikistan 2007-2015, and ADB's CPS for Tajikistan)				

Project Outcome

Description of Outcome	Improved legal literacy of women, government, legal and judicial officials, and religious and community leaders on gender based violence in participating countries
Progress Toward Outcome	

Implementation Progress

Description of Project Outputs	(i) Increased skills of government, CSOs, legal and judicial officers to respond to clients on gender issues. (ii) Increased awareness and support for women's legal literacy and access to legal aid and services.
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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	The R-CDTA will require the services of 3 national consultants with 20 person months each to support implementation of Output 1 of the R-CDTA in participating countries. The R-CDTA will also require an international consultant for 20 person months to support implementation of output 2 (both national and international consultants on intermittent basis). 1 additional national consultant will be hired in Manila for 24 person months for R-CDTA implementation and supervision support on intermittent basis. The consultants will be recruited using individual consultants selection method or through consulting firm following ADB's Guidelines on the Use of Consultants (2013, as amended from time to time).
Procurement	All goods and equipment to be procured under the R-CDTA will be procured following ADB's Procurement Guidelines (2015, as amended from time to time).

Responsible Staff

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Timetable

Concept Clearance	21 Jul 2015
Fact Finding	10 Aug 2015 to 14 Aug 2015
MRM	-
Approval	01 Dec 2015
Last Review Mission	-
Last PDS Update	23 Oct 2015

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Milestones					
Approval	Signing Date	Effectivity Date	Closing		
			Original	Revised	Actual
01 Dec 2015	-	01 Dec 2015	31 Dec 2019	-	-

Financing Plan/TA Utilization	Cumulative Disbursements
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ADB	Cofinancing	Counterpart				Total	Date	Amount
		Gov	Beneficiaries	Project Sponsor	Others			
750,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	750,000.00	01 Dec 2015	99,467.09

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