## Regional: Protecting and Investing in Natural Capital in Asia and the Pacific

Project Name	Protecting and Investing in Natural Capital in Asia and the Pacific		
Project Number	50159-001		
Country	RegionalCambodiaViet Nam		
Project Status	Active		
Project Type / Modality of Assistance	Technical Assistance		
Source of Funding / Amount	TA 9461-REG: Protecting and Investing in Natural Capital in Asia and th	e Pacific	
	Technical Assistance Special Fund	JS\$ 900,000.00	
	Climate Change Fund	JS\$ 955,000.00	
	Global Environment Facility	JS\$ 1.83 million	
Strategic Agendas	Environmentally sustainable growth Inclusive economic growth		
Drivers of Change	Knowledge solutions Partnerships		
Sector / Subsector	Agriculture, natural resources and rural development - Forestry - Land-based natural resources management Water and other urban infrastructure and services - Urban flood protection		
Gender Equity and Mainstreaming	Some gender elements		
Description	The knowledge and support technical assistance (TA) will build the business case and capacity of ADB developing member countries (DMCs) to invest in natural capital. The TA will support (i) analytical studies, including biophysical and economic assessments to identify and justify natural capital investments; (ii) preparation of investment components of projects; (iii) strengthening of legal frameworks and enforcement mechanism for natural capital, including measures to address the illegal wildlife trade (IWT); and (iv) strengthening of knowledge and capacity for natural capital investments.		
Project Rationale and Linkage to Country/Regional Strategy			
Impact	Natural capital assets of DMCs improved.		
Project Outcome			
Description of Outcome	Commitment of DMCs to invest in natural capital increased.		
Progress Toward Outcome	The TA is currently confirming identified focal countries, sectors, and projects to by Q3 2018.	for assessment	
Implementation Progress			
Description of Project Outputs	Business-case for natural capital investments established Investments in natural capital prepared Capacity to address illegal wildlife crime enhanced Knowledge and capacity for natural capital investment strengthened.		

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

- 1. Business case for natural capital investments established consultancy engagement is ongoing for nature-based solutions to flood risks and river basin management in the Philippines/Indonesia. A short term consultant has been engaged to support scoping studies and feasibility assessment. Project selection is ongoing for other countries and should be completed in 2018.
- 2. Investments in natural capital prepared not yet started to be developed based on output 1 above.
- 3. Capacity to address illegal wildlife crime enhanced Start-up meeting held with the TA implementing agency in the Philippines. Consultant engagement is ongoing and is expected to be completed by Q1 2019.
- 4. Knowledge and capacity for natural capital investment strengthened.
- a) Greening the Transport Sector through Smart Plans and Eco-Friendly Designs Workshop 18 May 2018 in Durban, South Africa.
- b) ADB-WWF event on \_Sustainable Infrastructure Building a global movement and innovations to avoiding deforestation and biodiversity loss from infrastructure investments\_ 24 June 2018 Da Nang, Viet Nam.
- c) Nature Based Approaches to Designing Transport Infrastructure 14 September 2018 as part of the ADB Transport Forum 2018.
- d) Natural Capital Knowledge Series on ADB's Development Asia platform under preparation for launch in September 2018.

**Geographical Location** 

Cambodia - Nation-wide; Viet Nam - Nation-wide

## **Summary of Environmental and Social Aspects**

**Environmental Aspects** 

**Involuntary Resettlement** 

Indigenous Peoples

## Stakeholder Communication, Participation, and Consultation

**During Project Design** 

Stakeholder communications plan is in preparation. National and regional workshops with partner

countries will be programmed in 2018.

**During Project Implementation** 

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Responsible ADB Department	SDEC
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Executing Agencies	Asian Development Bank 6 ADB Avenue, Mandaluyong City 1550, Philippines

Timetable	
Concept Clearance	20 Sep 2017
Fact Finding	-
MRM	-
Approval	13 Dec 2017
Last Review Mission	-
Last PDS Update	24 Sep 2018

## **TA 9461-REG**

Milestones						
Approval	Signing Date	Effectivity Date	Closing			
			Original	Revised	Actual	
13 Dec 2017	-	13 Dec 2017	31 Dec 2020	-	-	

Financing Plan/TA Utilization						<b>Cumulative Disb</b>	ursements	
ADB	Cofinancing	Counterpart			Total	Date	Amount	
		Gov	Beneficiaries	Project Sponsor	Others			

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