



Lao People's Democratic Republic: Sustainable Rural Infrastructure and Watershed Management Project

Project Name	Sustainable Rural Infrastructure and Watershed Management Project							
Project Number	50236-001							
Country	Lao People's Democratic Republic							
Project Status	Approved							
Project Type / Modality of Assistance	Technical Assistance							
Source of Funding / Amount	<table border="1"> <tr> <td colspan="2">TA: Sustainable Rural Infrastructure and Watershed Management Project</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Japan Fund for Poverty Reduction</td> <td>US\$ 1.50 million</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Project Readiness Improvement Trust Fund</td> <td>US\$ 500,000.00</td> </tr> </table>		TA: Sustainable Rural Infrastructure and Watershed Management Project		Japan Fund for Poverty Reduction	US\$ 1.50 million	Project Readiness Improvement Trust Fund	US\$ 500,000.00
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Strategic Agendas	Environmentally sustainable growth Inclusive economic growth							
Drivers of Change	Governance and capacity development Knowledge solutions Partnerships							
Sector / Subsector	Agriculture, natural resources and rural development - Irrigation - Water-based natural resources management							
Gender Equity and Mainstreaming	Effective gender mainstreaming							
Description	The project is intended to address issues of PRI and watershed management in mountainous provinces of Northern Lao PDR by using an integrated land use planning approach that integrates efficient, sustainable and climate resilient rural infrastructure, and feasible watershed protection measures. For an ecosystem based sustainable rural development, infrastructure and the watershed have to be considered simultaneously. The expected impact of the project will be to achieve sustainable and inclusive rural development. The outcome of the project will be to enhance sustainable, market oriented agricultural production and natural resources management in selected watersheds.							
Project Rationale and Linkage to Country/Regional Strategy	The proposed Sustainable Rural Infrastructure and Watershed Management Sector Project will increase the profitability of the agriculture, natural resources and rural development sector by enhancing sustainable, market oriented agricultural production together with natural resources management. The project will: (i) upgrade selected productive rural infrastructure (PRI) schemes to be climate resilient, efficient, and sustainable; (ii) improve land use management within the PRI scheme watersheds; and (iii) improve institutional arrangements and capacity for good agriculture practices and sustainable watershed management.							
Impact	Sustainable and inclusive rural development achieved.							

Project Outcome

Description of Outcome	Sustainable, market oriented agricultural production and natural resources management in selected watersheds enhanced.
Progress Toward Outcome	
Implementation Progress	
Description of Project Outputs	PRI upgraded to be climate resilient, efficient, and sustainable. Land use management within the PRI scheme watersheds improved. Institutional arrangements and capacity for good agriculture practices and sustainable watershed management improved. Effective project management activities

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 (i) A TRTA firm providing 40 person-months (p-m) of international and 70 p-m of national consultants will be recruited through quality-and cost-based selection method using a quality-cost ratio of 90:10 and a full technical proposal.
(ii) The International Water Management Institute will be recruited through single source selection to provide flood and drought risk assessments (8.5 p-m).
(iii) Individual consultants, comprising international and national, will be required.
The consultants will be recruited using individual recruitment selection procedures and will be engaged on an intermittent basis by ADB.

Responsible Staff

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Timetable

Concept Clearance	31 May 2017
Fact Finding	-
MRM	-
Approval	31 May 2017
Last Review Mission	-
Last PDS Update	16 May 2017

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