

## INITIAL POVERTY AND SOCIAL ANALYSIS

Country:	REG	Project Title:	Supporting Effective Coverage of Health Technology in the Pacific
Lending/Financing Modality:	Investment Project/Grant	Department/Division:	PARD/PAUS

<b>I. POVERTY IMPACT AND SOCIAL DIMENSIONS</b>
<p><b>A. Links to the National Poverty Reduction Strategy and Country Partnership Strategy</b> The project will improve infectious disease control and prevention in Samoa, Tonga, Tuvalu and Vanuatu, through the establishment of cost effective interventions. Access to safe, reliable, and affordable healthcare is central to the National Health Strategies. By strengthening health systems to respond to communicable and chronic diseases, it will improve health service management. Through better targeting of health services, the participating DMCs will make progress towards universal health coverage reaching the poor, remote and vulnerable groups.</p>
<p><b>B. Poverty Targeting:</b>  <input type="checkbox"/> General Intervention   <input type="checkbox"/> Individual or Household (TI-H)   <input type="checkbox"/> Geographic (TI-G)   <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Non-Income MDGs (TI-M1, M2, etc.)            Cancer, diarrhea and pneumonia are poverty issues with poor people more likely to die from them. Vaccinations are pro-poor, providing relatively larger benefits to low-income households. Cancer is a major cause of premature death in the Pacific and its significance will undoubtedly grow as countries experience epidemiological and demographic transitions. Initiatives for infectious disease control are needed to lower the costs of key inputs for the essential package, including large-scale commodity purchases; to expand technical assistance; and to promote evidence generation for infectious disease.</p>
<p><b>C. Poverty and Social Analysis</b>            1. Key issues and potential beneficiaries. 50% of the population are women and with the rise of chronic disease burden, their risks of getting cancer increases. This project will help by strengthening health systems to support service delivery. The primary beneficiaries of the project would be women, and children under the age of 5 years.            2. Impact channels and expected systemic changes. By strengthening health service delivery and improving health information, the project will help create a more equitable primary service delivery, reduce inappropriate hospital admissions by increasing surveillance, and strengthen supply chains. It will also increase the availability and the quality of the health services including health facilities in remote areas.            3. Focus of (and resources allocated in) the existing TA for due diligence. The TA will (i) review the government policies and strategies for poverty reduction and gender development, (ii) conduct the poverty (impact) and social analysis of the project in accordance with ADB requirements, and (iii) prepare the Summary Poverty Reduction and Social Strategy in accordance with ADB policies.</p>
<b>II. GENDER AND DEVELOPMENT</b>
<p>1. What are the key gender issues in the sector/subsector that are likely to be relevant to this project or program?            The project is targeted to females and children. Women and children have specific health needs compared with men. Men and women may also have different vulnerability to diseases and may have different levels of access to, or understanding of, information about disease prevention and treatment.            To ensure the effectiveness of gender mainstreaming and gender-related outcomes of the project, the TA will discuss with stakeholders and prepare project gender action plan (GAP), key features of which are mirrored in the project design and monitoring framework, loan assurances, and project administration manual. The GAP will be aligned with national and health sector gender equality commitments in participating DMCs.</p>
<p>2. Does the proposed project or program have the potential to make a contribution to the promotion of gender equity and/or empowerment of women by providing women's access to and use of opportunities, services, resources, assets, and participation in decision making?  <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes   <input type="checkbox"/> No   The project has significant scope to address gender, inclusion, and social protection by improving access to health services. A gender action plan will be prepared during TA.</p>
<p>3. Could the proposed project have an adverse impact on women and/or girls or widen gender inequality?  <input type="checkbox"/> Yes   <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No</p>
<p>4. Indicate the intended gender mainstreaming category:  <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> GEN (gender equity)   <input type="checkbox"/> EGM (effective gender mainstreaming)  <input type="checkbox"/> SGE (some gender elements)   <input type="checkbox"/> NGE (no gender elements)</p>
<b>II. PARTICIPATION AND EMPOWERMENT</b>

<p>1. Who are the main stakeholders of the project, including beneficiaries and negatively affected people? Identify how they will participate in the project design.</p> <p>The project will impact women and children. During project preparation, consultation and participation will include: (i) group discussions with (potential) beneficiaries, health workers, and community-based organizations; (ii) consultation of health staff and district health managers, sub-national level government administration, central ministries, and partners; and (iii) where appropriate, workshop with ministries, partners, and nongovernment organizations.</p> <p>2. How can the project contribute (in a systemic way) to engaging and empowering stakeholders and beneficiaries, particularly, the poor, vulnerable and excluded groups? What issues in the project design require participation of the poor and excluded?</p> <p>The TA will review, through a participatory process, the risk factors and the specific vulnerability of the poor, migrant, and mobile populations. Based on this analysis, the project design will include features to address the specific needs and characteristics of these groups.</p> <p>3. What are the key, active, and relevant civil society organizations in the project area? What is the level of civil society organization participation in the project design?</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Information generation and sharing (H) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Consultation (M) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Collaboration (M) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Partnership (L)</p> <p>4. Are there issues during project design for which participation of the poor and excluded is important? What are they and how shall they be addressed? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No</p>
<b>III. SOCIAL SAFEGUARDS</b>
<p><b>A. Involuntary Resettlement Category</b> <input type="checkbox"/> A <input type="checkbox"/> B <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> C <input type="checkbox"/> FI</p> <p>1. Does the project have the potential to involve involuntary land acquisition resulting in physical and economic displacement? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p>2. What action plan is required to address involuntary resettlement as part of the PPTA or due diligence process?</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Resettlement plan <input type="checkbox"/> Resettlement framework <input type="checkbox"/> Social impact matrix  <input type="checkbox"/> Environmental and social management system arrangement <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> None</p>
<p><b>B. Indigenous Peoples Category</b> <input type="checkbox"/> A <input type="checkbox"/> B <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> C <input type="checkbox"/> FI</p> <p>1. Does the proposed project have the potential to directly or indirectly affect the dignity, human rights, livelihood systems, or culture of indigenous peoples? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p>2. Does it affect the territories or natural and cultural resources indigenous peoples own, use, occupy, or claim, as their ancestral domain? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p>3. Will the project require broad community support of affected indigenous communities? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p>4. What action plan is required to address risks to indigenous peoples as part of the PPTA or due diligence process?</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Indigenous peoples plan <input type="checkbox"/> Indigenous peoples planning framework <input type="checkbox"/> Social Impact matrix  <input type="checkbox"/> Environmental and social management system arrangement <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> None</p>
<b>IV. OTHER SOCIAL ISSUES AND RISKS</b>
<p>1. What other social issues and risks should be considered in the project design?</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Creating decent jobs and employment <input type="checkbox"/> Adhering to core labor standards <input type="checkbox"/> Labor retrenchment  <input type="checkbox"/> Spread of communicable diseases, including HIV/AIDS <input type="checkbox"/> Increase in human trafficking <input type="checkbox"/> Affordability  <input type="checkbox"/> Increase in unplanned migration <input type="checkbox"/> Increase in vulnerability to natural disasters <input type="checkbox"/> Creating political instability  <input type="checkbox"/> Creating internal social conflicts <input type="checkbox"/> Others, please specify _____</p> <p>2. How are these additional social issues and risks going to be addressed in the project design? None</p>
<b>VI. PPTA OR DUE DILIGENCE RESOURCE REQUIREMENT</b>
<p>1. Do the terms of reference for the PPTA (or other due diligence) contain key information needed to be gathered during PPTA or due diligence process to better analyze (i) poverty and social impact; (ii) gender impact, (iii) participation dimensions; (iv) social safeguards; and (v) other social risks. Are the relevant specialists identified?</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p>2. What resources (e.g., consultants, survey budget, and workshop) are allocated for conducting poverty, social and/or gender analysis, and participation plan during the PPTA or due diligence?</p> <p>Under the project preparatory work, 4 person-months of national safeguards/gender specialists will be hired to conduct the poverty (impact) and social analysis of the project, prepare gender action plan, assess the compliance of the project with ADB safeguards policies and implement a participatory design strategy.</p>