



## Timor-Leste: Baucau to Viqueque Highway Project

Project Name	Baucau to Viqueque Highway Project												
Project Number	51115-001												
Country	Timor-Leste												
Project Status	Active												
Project Type / Modality of Assistance	Loan Technical Assistance												
Source of Funding / Amount	<table border="1"><tr><td colspan="2"><b>Loan 3643-TIM: Baucau to Viqueque Road Project</b></td></tr><tr><td>Ordinary capital resources</td><td>US\$ 19.00 million</td></tr><tr><td colspan="2"><b>Loan 3644-TIM: Baucau to Viqueque Road Project</b></td></tr><tr><td>concessional ordinary capital resources lending / Asian Development Fund</td><td>US\$ 25.00 million</td></tr><tr><td colspan="2"><b>TA 9502-TIM: Promoting Sustainable Land Transport Infrastructure</b></td></tr><tr><td>Technical Assistance Special Fund</td><td>US\$ 1.00 million</td></tr></table>	<b>Loan 3643-TIM: Baucau to Viqueque Road Project</b>		Ordinary capital resources	US\$ 19.00 million	<b>Loan 3644-TIM: Baucau to Viqueque Road Project</b>		concessional ordinary capital resources lending / Asian Development Fund	US\$ 25.00 million	<b>TA 9502-TIM: Promoting Sustainable Land Transport Infrastructure</b>		Technical Assistance Special Fund	US\$ 1.00 million
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Strategic Agendas	Environmentally sustainable growth Inclusive economic growth												
Drivers of Change	Governance and capacity development Partnerships												
Sector / Subsector	<b>Transport</b> - Road transport (non-urban)												
Gender Equity and Mainstreaming	Effective gender mainstreaming												
Description													
Project Rationale and Linkage to Country/Regional Strategy													
Impact	Increased and more efficient movement of people and goods												
<b>Project Outcome</b>													
Description of Outcome	More reliable and safer road network												
Progress Toward Outcome													
<b>Implementation Progress</b>													
Description of Project Outputs	Improved and safe Baucau to Viqueque Road Sustainable maintenance arrangements for improved Baucau to Viqueque Road Improved maintenance planning and asset management Draft legislation to establish Land Transport Authority												
Status of Implementation Progress (Outputs, Activities, and Issues)													
Geographical Location	Baucau, Viqueque												
<b>Safeguard Categories</b>													
Environment	B												
Involuntary Resettlement	B												
Indigenous Peoples	C												
<b>Summary of Environmental and Social Aspects</b>													

Environmental Aspects	<p>Following the process and procedures already established by the PMU, the environmental assessment is reported in the simplified environmental impact statement (SEIS), which is equivalent to an initial environmental examination, including the inclusion of an environmental management plan (EMP). The SEIS has been reviewed by ADB to ensure that in addition to meeting the country safeguard system for environment, it complies with the requirements of ADB's Safeguard Policy Statement. Environmental impacts will be similar in scale to those of completed and ongoing national road projects. The main impacts will be during the construction stage and will include (i) vegetation and tree removal, and utilities relocation during site clearing and establishment works; (ii) dust, noise, runoff, sedimentation, and slope stability issues from earthworks, including excavations; and (iii) waste generation/management, spoil disposal, health and safety, and traffic management issues during construction activities. The road alignment traverses close to three protected areas. The potential impacts will largely be site-specific and readily mitigated through measures identified in the EMP. Few, if any, of the impacts will be irreversible. As reported in the SEIS, meaningful consultation was undertaken. The grievance redress mechanism established for ongoing projects is included in the SEIS, and will be implemented under the project. The draft SEIS has been disclosed on the ADB website and will be updated. Upon completion, it will be disclosed locally.</p> <p>The process of minerals license application will require preparation of a location application, mining plan, and site-specific EMP for each new materials source. Training and support will be provided by construction supervision consultants to the successful contractor to prepare and implement the construction EMP, submit the minerals license applications, and monitor construction EMP compliance. Capacity building of DRBFC environmental safeguards staff will be provided through mentoring and on-the-job training by the PMU and construction supervision consultants, as detailed in the PAM. Particular conditions of contract in the bidding documents include provisions for the employer to enforce environment safeguards compliance by the contractor.</p>
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Involuntary Resettlement	<p>A resettlement plan was prepared for the Baucau Venilale and Venilale Viqueque road sections based on the detailed design completed in 2015. These resettlement plans will be updated to validate all impacts. The improvement of roads is expected to be mostly within the existing road corridor, but will require small areas of agricultural land; removal of crops and trees; and permanent and temporary impacts on residential houses, shops, and roadside stalls and kiosks. There are an estimated 82 affected households or 402 affected persons, but only 34 households or 146 persons will experience significant impacts from physical and/or economic displacement. The MPWTC will ensure that affected persons receive entitlements and compensation following the resettlement plan. Key stakeholders and affected persons have been consulted during the resettlement plan preparation and disclosure, and will be further consulted during the resettlement plan update and implementation. The PMU will be responsible for overall monitoring and supervision of safeguards activities, working closely with the PISC. The capacity building of the DRBFC safeguard staff by the PMU is ongoing with ADB's financing through other road projects.</p>
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Indigenous Peoples	<p>The project will not trigger ADB's Policy on Indigenous Peoples (1998) since no distinct or vulnerable indigenous groups will be affected by the project.</p>
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### Stakeholder Communication, Participation, and Consultation

During Project Design	<p>The project has been designed in consultation with the government, including the Ministry of Finance, Loan and PPP Unit, and Development Partner Monitoring Unit and Ministry of Public Works, Transport and Communications, Project Management Unit, and Maintenance Division. Development partners and non-government organizations active in the transport sector were also consulted. Landowners have also been consulted, especially those requiring resettlement or who have assets affected by the project. Meetings with sucos were arranged to help develop the gender action plan and poverty assessments. Separate meetings with men and women were held. Road users including drivers, and users of anggunas and microlets were also consulted.</p>
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During Project Implementation	<p>*Update as of 27 September 2018:          Loan Agreements for the projects have yet to be signed. Follow-up letter dated 11 September 2018 has been sent to the Government of Timor-Leste on 18/19 September 2018;          Advance action for:          (i) Procurement of Civil Works Lots 1 and 2: BER received from NPC in July 2018 for ADB comments; ADB comments sent to NPC also in July 2018. NPC requested for ADB no objection to extend bid validity for 60 days starting 23 September 2018; ADB granted the no objection to the bid validity extension on 5 September 2018; BER expected to be submitted to ADB by end-September 2018;          (ii) Recruitment of Construction Supervision: ADB no objection for NPC to issue RFP was provided on 23 July 2018; Technical Proposals from the shortlisted firms were received and opened on 10 September 2018. NPC requested ADB to access its Complete Sanctions List.          (iii) TA 9502-TIM: Signing of Letter Agreement was also mentioned in ADB letter to Timor-Leste Government; Recruitment of consulting firm for the TA's Output 1 has already commenced. Contract negotiations with first ranked firm is proposed to be held on 4-5 October 2018.</p>
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### Business Opportunities

Consulting Services	<p>An estimated 930 person-months (330 international, 600 national) of consulting services are required to (i) facilitate project management, (ii) provide construction supervision services, and (iii) implement and monitor environmental and social mitigation measures. Consulting firms will be engaged using the quality- and cost-based selection (QCBS) method with a standard quality:cost ratio of 90:10 and quality based selection where appropriate. Individual consultants will be recruited using Individual Consultant Selection (ICS).</p>
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Procurement	<p>See Procurement plan of this project.</p>
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Responsible ADB Officer	Shim, Cha-Sang
Responsible ADB Department	Pacific Department
Responsible ADB Division	Transport, Energy and Natural Resources Division, PARD
Executing Agencies	<i>Council for Administration of the Infrastructure Fund (also Conselho Administrativo do Fundo Infraestrutura) Palacio do Governo, Ministry of Finance Edifício 5, 1 Andar Dili, Timor-Leste Ministry of Public Works, Transport and Communications (formerly Ministry of Public Works) Mercado Lama, Caicoli Dili, Timor-Leste</i>

#### Timetable

Concept Clearance	30 May 2017
Fact Finding	18 May 2017 to 01 Jun 2017
MRM	28 Jul 2017
Approval	21 Feb 2018
Last Review Mission	-
Last PDS Update	28 Sep 2018

#### Loan 3643-TIM

Milestones					
Approval	Signing Date	Effectivity Date	Closing		
			Original	Revised	Actual
21 Feb 2018	-	-	31 Dec 2021	-	-

Financing Plan			Loan Utilization			
	Total (Amount in US\$ million)		Date	ADB	Others	Net Percentage
Project Cost	52.78		Cumulative Contract Awards			
ADB	19.00		21 Feb 2018	0.00	0.00	0%
Counterpart	33.78		Cumulative Disbursements			
Cofinancing	0.00		21 Feb 2018	0.00	0.00	0%

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Financing Plan			Loan Utilization			
	Total (Amount in US\$ million)		Date	ADB	Others	Net Percentage
Project Cost	25.00		Cumulative Contract Awards			
ADB	25.00		21 Feb 2018	0.00	0.00	0%
Counterpart	0.00		Cumulative Disbursements			
Cofinancing	0.00		21 Feb 2018	0.00	0.00	0%

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Financing Plan/TA Utilization							Cumulative Disbursements	
ADB	Cofinancing	Counterpart				Total	Date	Amount
		Gov	Beneficiaries	Project Sponsor	Others			
1,000,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,000,000.00	21 Feb 2018	0.00

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