



India: Tamil Nadu Industrial Connectivity Project

Project Name	Tamil Nadu Industrial Connectivity Project				
Project Number	51337-001				
Country	India				
Project Status	Approved				
Project Type / Modality of Assistance	Loan				
Source of Funding / Amount	<table border="1"> <tr> <td colspan="2">Loan: Tamil Nadu Industrial Connectivity Project</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Ordinary capital resources</td> <td>US\$ 484.00 million</td> </tr> </table>	Loan: Tamil Nadu Industrial Connectivity Project		Ordinary capital resources	US\$ 484.00 million
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Strategic Agendas	Inclusive economic growth				
Drivers of Change	Private sector development				
Sector / Subsector	Transport - Road transport (non-urban)				
Gender Equity and Mainstreaming	Some gender elements				
Description	The project will rehabilitate and upgrade about 640 kilometers (km) of state roads on the core road network (CRN) in Tamil Nadu to improve road transport connectivity with economic and industrial centers in the state. It will involve upgrading state roads to standard two-lane or four-lane width with paved shoulders, depending on traffic requirements. Bridges and culverts will be widened, strengthened road safety features will be included, and the improved road assets will be maintained for five years after construction.				
Project Rationale and Linkage to Country/Regional Strategy	The vision of the Highways Department, Government of Tamil Nadu, as stated in its Policy Note (2016-2017), is to _increase the capacity, connectivity, efficiency and safety of the highways system._ Per the state's policy, all state highways will be widened to double-lane and all major district roads will be widened to intermediate lane. Into the future, as traffic continues to increase, there will be need to infuse greater funding into the transport sector, including the road sector. Along with industrial connectivity, higher population and vehicular densities need road capacity improvement, which is primarily sought to be addressed in this project. The project is consistent with the strategic objective set out in the Country Partnership Strategy on expansion of infrastructure networks for transport along economic corridors, and focus on improved road connectivity at the state, district, and rural levels to improve access to services and enhance productivity and incomes. This would be ADB's first road sector project in the state, and will open opportunities for further engagement in the future, both in terms of financing and institutional and capacity aspects.				
Impact	Contribution of the industry sector to the gross state domestic product, trade and employment in the State of Tamil Nadu increased.				

Project Outcome

Description of Outcome	Freight transport efficiency and safety on selected state highways in Tamil Nadu improved
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Progress Toward Outcome

Implementation Progress

Description of Project Outputs	State highways widened and upgraded Performance-based maintenance of state highways initiated
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Status of Implementation Progress (Outputs, Activities, and Issues)

Geographical Location	Tamil Nadu
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Safeguard Categories	
Environment	B
Involuntary Resettlement	A
Indigenous Peoples	C

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	TNHD will engage construction supervision consultants as the engineers for the works contracts.
Procurement	Procurement (including consulting services) to be financed by ADB will follow ADB Procurement Policy (2017, as amended from time to time) and Procurement Regulations for ADB Borrowers (2017, as amended from time to time).

Responsible ADB Officer	Peri, Ravi Venkat
Responsible ADB Department	South Asia Department
Responsible ADB Division	Transport and Communications Division, SARD
Executing Agencies	<i>Highways Department-Tamil Nadu Sardar Patel Road Madras - 600 025</i>

Timetable	
Concept Clearance	07 Dec 2017
Fact Finding	20 Sep 2018 to 28 Sep 2018
MRM	27 Nov 2018
Approval	25 Mar 2019
Last Review Mission	-
Last PDS Update	08 Dec 2017

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