

## Supplementary Document 4

### ASIA-PACIFIC SOCIAL PROTECTION WEEK

#### Overview

ADB launched the first Asia-Pacific Social Protection (APSP) Week in August 2016 which convened high level officials from DMCs and development partners to tackle challenges and issues in establishing or expanding social protection systems and programs. Participants from DMCs and development partners found the APSP Week to be an important platform for knowledge sharing and capacity development and hoped that this will be continued by ADB. Hence, the TA proposes to support the APSP Week 2019 and APSP Week 2021.

#### Scope/ Coverage

The week-long program will be designed to bring in expertise within and outside Asia and the Pacific region to share development experiences and best practices in establishing comprehensive and sustainable social protection systems. Participants from developing and developed economies, bilateral and multilateral aid agencies, academe, civil society organizations and practitioners engaged in social protection will be invited to share insights, experiences and knowledge. This will help countries recognize challenges and discuss ways to address the constraints earlier by building technical and administrative capacities to prepare for better and more sustainable policies and programs.

#### Participants

The target participants include:

- government representatives
- private companies involved in social protection services (telecom, banks, postal services, hospitals, etc.)
- academic institutions
- policy and research institutes
- civil society organizations
- development organizations

#### Implementation Arrangements

##### 1. Resource persons and presentations

The TA will finance the participation of nominated government representatives from ADB DMCs and resource persons invited to develop new papers for specific sessions or issues that the APSP Week will cover. Development partners will also be invited to nominate papers for presentations in various parts of the program to share their expertise and knowledge on key topics. The participating institutions under the Asia-Pacific Social Protection Network will also be invited to nominate papers and/or resource persons for the APSP Week.

## **2. Marketplace/ Exhibits**

Other organizations and development partners are invited to set-up kiosks or desks to showcase projects, knowledge products and services highlighting their social protection work. The marketplace will serve as a venue for all participants to network, learn about other organizations and get to know challenges and opportunities for future work on social protection.

## **3. Sponsorship/ Parallel financing**

ADB TA supervising unit will also reach out to development partners for possible parallel financing for the APSP Week to support participation of government representatives or other costs of organizing the APSP.

## **4. Venue and other costs**

The TA cost estimates will include cost for venue and other related expense items for organizing APSP Week 2019 and APSP Week 2021.