



Kyrgyz Republic: Central Asia Regional Economic Cooperation Corridors 1 and 3 Bishkek Northern Bypass Road Project

Project Name	Central Asia Regional Economic Cooperation Corridors 1 and 3 Bishkek Northern Bypass Road Project
Project Number	52043-001
Country	Kyrgyz Republic
Project Status	Proposed
Project Type / Modality of Assistance	Grant Loan
Source of Funding / Amount	Grant: CAREC Corridors 1 and 3 Bishkek Northern Bypass Road Project concessional ordinary capital resources lending / Asian Development Fund US\$ 12.00 million Loan: CAREC Corridors 1 and 3 Bishkek Northern Bypass Road Project concessional ordinary capital resources lending / Asian Development Fund US\$ 60.00 million
Strategic Agendas	Inclusive economic growth Regional integration
Drivers of Change	Governance and capacity development Knowledge solutions Partnerships Private sector development
Sector / Subsector	Transport - Road transport (non-urban)
Gender Equity and Mainstreaming	Effective gender mainstreaming
Description	The proposed project will rehabilitate 34 kilometers (km) of Bishkek bypass road, linking the Central Asia Regional Economic Cooperation (CAREC) Corridor 1 (Bishkek Torugart Road) with CAREC Corridor 3 (Bishkek Osh Road). It will contribute to the climate resilience and sustainability of the road subsector projects, the institutional development and the diversification of livelihoods. The project derives synergies with the earlier assistance and adopts a cross-sectoral approach to integrated development in the region.
Project Rationale and Linkage to Country/Regional Strategy	The proposed reconstruction of the Bishkek Northern Bypass Road (34 km) will contribute to regional cooperation through (i) linking the CAREC Corridors 1 and 3; (ii) providing global connectivity to the Bishkek Free Economic Zone (FEZ) and Dordoy Bazaar; and (iii) linking ABEC with Bishkek-Osh Road and Bishkek-Torugart Road. It will also improve domestic connectivity and reduce congestion in Bishkek city.
Impact	Competitiveness of the Kyrgyz Republic increased (Development Program of the Kyrgyz Republic, 2018 2022: Unity, Trust, Creation)
Outcome	Connectivity and road safety on Bishkek Northern Bypass Road improved
Outputs	Bishkek Northern Bypass road rehabilitated Environmental buffer zone along project road developed Road safety institutional reforms implemented Local residents' car repair skills and related capacity improved
Geographical Location	Nation-wide

Safeguard Categories

Environment	B
Involuntary Resettlement	A
Indigenous Peoples	C

Summary of Environmental and Social Aspects

Environmental Aspects	Environment impacts will be mostly related to construction work and can be mitigated. Impacts during operations could be higher due to the increase in noise levels. Based on the initial assessment, the project is likely to be classified as Category B for environment impacts.
Involuntary Resettlement	The proposed project road will follow the existing alignment but will entail widening of the road from two lanes to four lanes. According to the preliminary assessment, the project will likely involve major land acquisition, causing physical and economic displacement of people, and affecting more than 50 privately owned structures and agricultural land plots along the road. Therefore, it is anticipated that the project will be classified as category A for involuntary resettlement impacts. ADB financing is likely to cover both land acquisition and resettlement costs since the government has limited budget and is not in a position to allocate sufficient funds for land acquisition.
Indigenous Peoples	There are no indigenous peoples in the project area, as defined in ADB's Safeguards Policy Statement, and thus, the project will be classified as category C for indigenous people's impacts.

Stakeholder Communication, Participation, and Consultation

During Project Design	Meetings with NGOs and local residents were held during project design. Further meetings and consultations will be held as required.
During Project Implementation	Meetings with NGOs and local residents will be held during implementation

Business Opportunities

Consulting Services	All consulting services to be financed will be recruited following ADB's Guidelines on the Use of Consultants.
Procurement	All goods, works, and services to be financed will be procured following ADB's Procurement Guidelines. The project preparatory activities under the TRTA will ensure that procurement documents will be prepared in accordance with ADB's Procurement Guidelines and standard bidding documents. Advance contracting will be undertaken. Retroactive financing is not envisaged at this stage.

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Timetable

Concept Clearance	17 Oct 2018
Fact Finding	31 May 2019 to 31 May 2019
MRM	15 Jul 2019
Approval	-
Last Review Mission	-
Last PDS Update	23 Oct 2018

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