RISK ASSESSMENT AND RISK MANAGEMENT PLAN

Risk Description	Rating	Mitigation Measures	Responsibility	
Financial Management and Sustainability				
Risks related to financial management (i) competent staff might not be assigned and trained on time; (ii) internal audit function might not be sufficient for the project; and (iii) implementing agencies do not have unified project reporting and monitoring system.	S	PIU staff with prior ADB experience will be deployed and trained on ADB procedures. Adequate internal audit staff will be assigned for each implementing agency. Project monitoring and management information system will be developed. Financial management expert will be recruited to provide capacity building support for robust and transparent project financial management.	Executing agencies Implementing agencies ADB	
Delays in approval and release of government counterpart fund and/or matching fund and delays in payment to contractors	M	ERD will coordinate for appropriate counterpart fund. With consultant support, prepare, submit, and approve DPPs and TAPPs on time.	ERD Planning Ministry	
Institutional Capacity and Coordination				
Delay or insufficient key staff mobilization in PMUs and PIUs	M	ERD will help expedite the appointment of nodal and other key staff for PIUs by July 2018.	ERD Executing agencies Implementing agencies	
Weak and lack of dedicated PIU staff during project implementation period may hamper fast-track implementation of subprojects, including timely completion of due diligence required for subprojects	S	Reinforce PIUs at the project site with consultants to assist the implementing design, construction supervision, safeguard application, procurement, financial management, and reporting. Recruit TA consultants to support the implementing agencies in the procurement, management, monitoring, and reporting of project activities.	Executing agencies Implementing agencies ADB	
		Establish extended ADB mission at Coxsbazar to provide close support on technical, financial, and institutional supports and coordination.		
Weak interagency coordination among NGOs, UN agencies, national agencies, and other stakeholders due to overlapping roles may delay and	M	The government has set up a project coordination committee at the central level and RRRC at the site to steer the project. The Project Coordination Committee will act as a policymaking body and provide advice and guidance for smooth project	Project Coordination Committee RRRC	

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undermine effective implementation of		implementation, and will coordinate with line agencies to	
project activities		formulate, implement, and monitor the program.	
		Implement flexible and relaxed procurement procedures for	
		emergency and relief procurement and operations, which will	
		help in fast-tracking the project.	
Lack of clear cut mandate and guidance	М	The Project Coordination Committee will act as a policymaking	Project Coordination
on the roles and responsibilities of		body and provide advice and guidance whenever there are	Committee
different government agencies		issues.	
Procurement, Implementation, and Ope	ration		
Delays in subproject selection and	М	ADB and the implementing agencies will work closely with	ADB
approval of DPPs and TAPPs		RRRC for the selection of subprojects and avoid duplication.	RRRC
			Executing agencies
		Mobilize TA consultants for each sector at the earliest to	Implementing agencies
		support in preparing DPPs and TAPPs; ensure approval at the	
		earliest within Q3 2018.	
		Expedite the recruitment of engineers for complex project	
		designs through individual selection process.	
		Expedite the regruitment of consultants for environmental and	
		Expedite the recruitment of consultants for environmental and social safeguards.	
Delays in procurement of large packages	М	ADB, the implementing agencies, and project coordination	ADB
that need CCGP approvals	171	committee will work closely to expedite the approval process.	Implementing agencies
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		Mobilize the national and international at the earliest to	
		support the implementing agencies in preparing bid	
		documents and packaging.	
Lack of sufficient construction materials	М	Where or when necessary, the implementing agencies will	Implementing agencies
and labor may lead to delays in		facilitate required statutory clearances to ensure adequate	Government of
implementation		access and availability of construction materials for civil works	Bangladesh
		under the project.	
		The government may allow displaced persons to work as a	
		laborer within the camp area for project activities.	
Difficulty in mobilizing labor and	М	Cost estimates will be prepared, keeping in mind the	Implementing agencies
machinery, especially in the camp site		appropriate tender premiums, as applicable, especially for	Contractors
due to lack of access roads and storage		more difficult work in the difficult locations or at difficult climatic	
space for construction materials		conditions, to ensure adequate contractor participation.	
		Consider the monsoon and rainy monsoon season in the	
		scheduling of labor and machinery mobilization.	
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		Agree on realistic time frames for the mobilization of labor and machinery given the difficulties in access roads and crowded camp.	
Extreme climate events causing disruption or delay in execution of works [because of a limited working season and unpredictable and harsh weather conditions]	H	Factor in the implementation schedule seasonal weather conditions, including the monsoon season, and expected rainfall, which often triggers further landslides and erosion, potentially damaging constructed infrastructure. Schedule project construction activities in such a way that the	Implementing agencies Consultants Contractors
		available working season is efficiently utilized. Manage access and climate challenges by prioritizing the	
		needs—only those works that can realistically be completed in the given time frame are included.	
		Allocate financial and human resources to project areas for certain periods contingent on when and to what extent extreme weather conditions could restrict works.	
		Include in the contractor's work schedule longer working shift per day to make up the lost hours due to bad weather.	
Implementation delays due to land acquisition, right of ways, and other safeguards issues	L	Filter out the scopes requiring land acquisition and right of ways during the subproject selection.	Implementing agencies RRRC
Lack of capable contractors, consultants, and suppliers (low implementing capacity of contractors may delay delivery of emergency works within scheduled period)	M	Reduce qualification requirements since works are simple and repetitive, and skilled labor is in short supply.	ADB Implementing agencies
		Contractors will be assisted by TA consultants with training on preparation and submission of compliant and responsive bids and train them on understanding of the contract conditions, especially cost and time variations, extra work orders or repeat orders, and orders for additional delivery or modifications; time extensions; liquidated damages; bonus for early completion; and contract amendments.	
		Apply value for money and fit-for-purpose principles in the procurement process.	
		Improve contractors' cash flow by an advance of 20% against a reputable bank's guarantee.	

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Weak monitoring and supervision of civil works resulting in poor quality and delays	М	Provide adequate consulting support to overcome the capacity constraints of the implementing agencies on procurement and contract management.	ADB Implementing agencies
		ADB and the implementing agencies will conduct periodic reviews and progress monitoring of all ongoing contracts, to ensure timely and quality completion of works.	
		Mobilize ADB's TA consultants to monitor and advise on construction quality and safeguards compliance.	
Lack of sustainability of infrastructure and physical assets built or supplied under the project, due to lack of ownerships and weak management mechanism	M	Transfer assets to the respective beneficiary agencies or local government to ensure utilization and maintenance.	Executing agencies Implementing agencies
		Provision of operations and maintenance of the assets into the procurement package until grant availability (June 2021).	
		Request the government to allocate annual budgets for long- term sustainability of infrastructure (water treatment plants and roads).	
Governance	1		
Procurement risks - lack of transparency,	M	Apply e-GP process for procurement.	Executing agencies Implementing agencies ADB
collusion among the contractors; and non-transparency in distribution of goods and equipment to beneficiaries		Apply ADB rules on prior review and approval for at least two procurement packages for each agency and all consultant recruitment.	
		Conduct frequent and close monitoring, audits, and reviews.	
		Strengthen ADB communication strategy to emphasize ADB's message of zero tolerance on corruption.	
		Ensure close supervision and mechanism in the distribution of goods and equipment through credible agencies.	
Misuse and sale of distributed goods and equipment to market/bazaar for cash	M	Strengthen ADB communication strategy to explain the objectives of the project and ADB policies.	Executing agencies Implementing agencies ADB RRRC
		EAs and IAs through RRRC will closely monitor and review reported cases.	
Safeguards			
Subprojects selection and implementation may be delayed due to	L	Filter out all protected areas during subproject selection.	Executing agencies Implementing agencies ADB

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protected forest and critical natural habitat		Contact the Divisional Forest Office in Coxsbazar to identify the boundary of legally designated or proposed protected areas in Coxsbazar. Conduct afforestation or tree plantation in barren hills or deforested land for proper compensation.	RRRC BFD
Project activities may get hampered due to human–elephant conflict (some subproject area may fall under elephant migration path)	L	Filter out all seasonal or permanent elephant migration routes during subproject selection—information on elephant routes will be confirmed with the Department of Forest and IUCN. Ensure that the construction sites will be selected outside the elephant route.	Executing agencies Implementing agencies ADB RRRC BFD
Gender and Social Inclusion		•	
Increase in human and drug trafficking, and increased Sexually Transmitted Infections (including HIV) prevalence as a result of new population into the communities	M	Prepare the GESI action plan and conduct awareness-raising programs throughout the camps, host communities, and migrant laborers. Maintain close coordination with organizations providing health services to ensure early detection and prevention of sexually transmitted infections (including HIV)	Executing agencies Implementing agencies ADB
		Provide zero tolerance to drug trafficking notice in project site and the implementing agencies should ensure workers' consent on the issue prior to engagement at work.	

ADB = Asian Development Bank, BFD = Bangladesh Forest Department, BRM = Bangladesh Resident Mission, CCGP = cabinet committee for government purchase, DPP = development project proposal, e-GP = electronic government procurement, ERD = Economic Relations Division, GESI = gender equality and social inclusion, H = high, IUCN = International Union for Conservation of Nature, L = low, M = moderate, NGO = nongovernment organization, PIU = project implementation unit, PMU = project management unit, RRRC = Refugees Relief and Repatriation Commission, S = substantial, TA = technical assistance, TAPP = Technical Assistance Project Performa, UN = United Nations.

Source: Asian Development Bank.