



Armenia: Analysis of Economic Opportunities Associated with Armenia's New Trade Regime

Project Name	Analysis of Economic Opportunities Associated with Armenia's New Trade Regime	
Project Number	52352-001	
Country	Armenia	
Project Status	Active	
Project Type / Modality of Assistance	Technical Assistance	
Source of Funding / Amount	TA 9698-ARM: Analysis of Economic Opportunities Associated with Armenia's New Trade Regime	
	Technical Assistance Special Fund	US\$ 200,000.00
Strategic Agendas	Inclusive economic growth Regional integration	
Drivers of Change	Governance and capacity development Knowledge solutions	
Sector / Subsector	Industry and trade - Industry and trade sector development	
Gender Equity and Mainstreaming	No gender elements	
Description	The recent agreements and changes in Armenia's trade regime will affect the economy through multiple channels, including trade, migration and investment. This small-scale TA will focus on the trade dimension. The TA will estimate the impact of recent and upcoming changes in Armenia's trade regime on trade patterns and comparative advantages, across products and destination countries. The possibility of building upon the new trade regime to position Armenia in profitable cross-border value chains will also be examined. In particular, Armenia might go beyond just re-exporting to developing processing industries using inputs imported under preferential tariffs.	
Project Rationale and Linkage to Country/Regional Strategy	Trade can be an engine for inclusive growth and poverty reduction as it allows to use resources more efficiently in production, creates new employment opportunities and reduces the prices of goods and services for consumers. Trade is even more crucial for a small economy such as Armenia. Given its small size, Armenia has to specialize and focus on those export products for which it has a comparative advantage and for which economies of scale are less constraining. This small-scale TA proposes to identify the impact of Armenia's new trade regime on the range of products for which it has a comparative advantage. This analysis could then be used to target public support to these sectors.	
Impact	Export-led growth prospects and competitiveness of Armenia's economy improved	

Project Outcome

Description of Outcome	Economic opportunities associated with Armenia's new trade regime determined and recommended
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Progress Toward Outcome

Implementation Progress

Description of Project Outputs	The impact of changes in the trade regime on trade patterns estimated
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Status of Implementation Progress (Outputs, Activities, and Issues)

Geographical Location	Nation-wide
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Summary of Environmental and Social Aspects

Environmental Aspects

Involuntary Resettlement

Indigenous Peoples

Stakeholder Communication, Participation, and Consultation

During Project Design

During Project Implementation

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Timetable

Concept Clearance	-
Fact Finding	28 Nov 2018 to 28 Nov 2018
MRM	-
Approval	21 Dec 2018
Last Review Mission	-
Last PDS Update	21 Dec 2018

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Financing Plan/TA Utilization						Cumulative Disbursements		
ADB	Cofinancing	Counterpart				Total	Date	Amount
		Gov	Beneficiaries	Project Sponsor	Others			
200,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	200,000.00	-	0.00

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