



Solomon Islands: Strengthening Urban Health Services

Project Name	Strengthening Urban Health Services	
Project Number	53085-001	
Country	Solomon Islands	
Project Status	Proposed	
Project Type / Modality of Assistance	Grant Loan	
Source of Funding / Amount	Grant: Health Sector Project	
	concessional ordinary capital resources lending / Asian Development Fund	US\$ 5.00 million
	Loan: Health Sector Project	
	concessional ordinary capital resources lending / Asian Development Fund	US\$ 5.00 million
Strategic Agendas	Inclusive economic growth	
Drivers of Change	Governance and capacity development	
Sector / Subsector	Health - Disease control of communicable disease - Disease control of non-communicable diseases and other priority programs - Health sector development and reform - Mother and child health care	
Gender Equity and Mainstreaming	Gender equity	
Description	<p>The Asian Development Bank's (ADB) upcoming Strengthening Urban Health Services Project will improve quality and coverage of health services in Solomon Islands, with particular focus on Honiara. The following output areas are expected to be delivered under the project: (i) quality of services provided by NRH strengthened; (ii) primary and secondary healthcare provision in Honiara upgraded; and (iii) urban healthcare delivery systems improved. The total indicative cost for the project is \$11.0 million, of which ADB is expected to finance (i) a concessional loan of \$5.0 million from ADB's ordinary capital resources, and (ii) a grant not exceeding \$5.0 million from ADB's Special Funds resources (Asian Development Fund). The government will provide support through exemption of taxes and duties and funding towards project costs (including through allocation of staffing for upgraded and/or new health centers), estimated at \$1.0 million.</p>	
Project Rationale and Linkage to Country/Regional Strategy	<p>The proposed project is consistent with ADB's Pacific Approach 2016-2020, which supports country resilience through stronger health and social protection systems. It is included in the ADB's country operations business plan for Solomon Islands, for 2021. It is aligned with ADB's Strategy 2030 operational priorities of (i) addressing remaining poverty and reducing inequalities by supporting better health for all; (ii) accelerating progress in gender equality by supporting better maternal and postnatal care; (iii) strengthening governance and institutional capacity for better service delivery; and (iv) making cities more livable by promoting urban health.</p>	
Impact	Health, happiness, and productivity of the people of Solomon Islands improved (National Health Strategic Plan 2016-2020)	
Outcome	Quality and coverage of urban health services enhanced.	
Outputs	<p>Quality of services provided by NRH strengthened Primary and secondary healthcare provision in Honiara upgraded Urban healthcare delivery systems improved</p>	
Geographical Location	Nation-wide	
Safeguard Categories		
Environment		B
Involuntary Resettlement		C
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		
Responsible ADB Officer	Ananya Basu	
Responsible ADB Department	Pacific Department	
Responsible ADB Division	PASP	

Timetable

Concept Clearance	02 Dec 2019
Fact Finding	13 Jan 2020 to 18 Jan 2020
MRM	29 Jan 2020
Approval	-
Last Review Mission	-
Last PDS Update	20 Nov 2019

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