



Georgia: Preparing Integrated Solutions for Livable Cities

Project Name	Preparing Integrated Solutions for Livable Cities				
Project Number	53114-001				
Country	Georgia				
Project Status	Approved				
Project Type / Modality of Assistance	Technical Assistance				
Source of Funding / Amount	<table border="1"> <tr> <td>TA 9740-GEO: Preparing Integrated Solutions for Livable Cities</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Technical Assistance Special Fund</td> <td>US\$ 2.60 million</td> </tr> </table>	TA 9740-GEO: Preparing Integrated Solutions for Livable Cities		Technical Assistance Special Fund	US\$ 2.60 million
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Strategic Agendas	Environmentally sustainable growth Inclusive economic growth Regional integration				
Drivers of Change	Governance and capacity development Knowledge solutions Partnerships Private sector development				
Sector / Subsector	Agriculture, natural resources and rural development - Rural water supply services Transport - Transport policies and institutional development - Urban public transport - Urban roads and traffic management Water and other urban infrastructure and services - Other urban services - Urban policy, institutional and capacity development - Urban sanitation - Urban solid waste management - Urban water supply				
Gender Equity and Mainstreaming	Effective gender mainstreaming				
Description	<p>The TA facility will prepare integrated urban solutions and programmatic investment program for Georgia with a series of cross-cutting multisectoral, multi-region interventions for improved livable cities in Georgia (impact) economically competitive, socially inclusive, and environmentally resilient. The ensuing projects will contribute to improved urban infrastructure and services in selected areas of Georgia (outcome). In addition, support for governance and institutional capacity will underpin all ADB-financed activities to ensure results and sustainability. Further, ADB will help to increase prospect, and more effectively engage private sector knowledge and expertise, technologies, and innovation to improve access, efficiency, and quality of urban services.</p> <p>The TA facility will have three outputs:</p> <p>Output 1: Feasibility study on ensuing project prepared. The TA facility will prepare transformative, programmatic, and procurement-ready projects catering to local conditions. Feasibility studies will incorporate (i) programmatic, multisectoral, and multi-region solutions that call for large and/or complex public investments; (ii) innovation, technology, and public-private partnership; and (iii) timely project evaluation, selection, implementation, and capacity development support. The TA facility will assess and help to integrate high-level technology, i.e., supervisory control and data acquisition, smart information and communication technology systems, metering and billing, intelligent transport systems, and low emission vehicles, into project designs, where feasible.</p> <p>Outputs include: (i) feasibility studies and master bidding documents; (ii) financial management and capacity assessment, cost estimate and financing plan, project financial viability and entity financial analysis, sustainability assessment of executing and implementing agencies, and fund flow, accounting, auditing, and financial reporting arrangements; (iii) economic analysis; (iv) safeguards documents on the environment, involuntary resettlement, and indigenous peoples; (v) poverty, social and gender analysis, collection of baseline data, and related action plans; (vi) procurement capacity assessment, risk assessment and management, and/or integrity due diligence; (vii) sector assessments; (viii) climate risks and vulnerability assessments; and (ix) public consultation and communication strategy. This may include geospatial analysis, earth observation and diagnostic studies, among others.</p> <p>Output 2: Project management and urban service delivery capacity strengthened. The TA facility will cover technical and policy advice, reforms, governance, capacity development, and knowledge work to support ensuing and ongoing projects. Activities include: (i) strengthening governance and institutional capacity in operation and maintenance and cost recovery mechanisms, (ii) developing policy, strategy, regulation, and reform measures, and (iii) improving project implementation and contract management capacity. The government's human development initiative will be supported via sharing knowledge and best practices, building capacities in skills, gender-sensitive professional and workforce development, and human resources management and increasing opportunities for private sector participation and investment. The TA facility will support knowledge management through gender-inclusive training, publications, and other cost-effective forms of knowledge sharing.</p> <p>Output 3: Compliance and contractual disputes reduced. The TA facility will help to (i) preempt and/or resolve safeguards and contractual issues, and (ii) minimize potential contractual disputes. Executing and implementing agencies will be supported to ensure compliance with the Safeguard Policy Statement and facilitate resolution of project-related complaints as well as the development and implementation of remedial actions in projects affected by compliance review. It will assist the government in preparing and managing performance-based contracts, and implementing a range of measures to monitor, manage, and counter risks.</p>				
Project Rationale and Linkage to Country/Regional Strategy	The transaction technical assistance facility (TA facility) will support project preparation to ensuing urban development and water investment projects, comprising Livable Cities Investment Program and Water Supply and Sanitation (WSS) Service Improvement Project, Phase 2, included in the country operations business plan 2019 2021 for Georgia. The TA facility will enable Asian Development Bank (ADB) to be responsive in addressing the country's dynamic and evolving needs and its desire to apply integrated urban solutions for livable cities. The TA facility will also cover technical assistance (TA) needs for the ongoing projects that are difficult to be accommodated under the existing financing arrangement.				
Impact					
Project Outcome					
Description of Outcome					
Progress Toward Outcome					

Implementation Progress	
Description of Project Outputs	
Status of Implementation Progress (Outputs, Activities, and Issues)	
Geographical Location	Tbilisi
Summary of Environmental and Social Aspects	
Environmental Aspects	
Involuntary Resettlement	
Indigenous Peoples	
Stakeholder Communication, Participation, and Consultation	
During Project Design	
During Project Implementation	
Business Opportunities	
Consulting Services	ADB will engage the consultants following the ADB Procurement Policy (2017, as amended from time to time) and its associated project administration instructions and/or staff instructions. A firm will be engaged using quality- and cost-based selection method and output-based, partial lump-sum contract under a framework contract. The expertise of the consultants will cover the entire range required to conduct due diligence for ensuing projects. Individual consultants will be engaged using the individual selection method and output-based partial lump-sum contracts.
Procurement	To be procured by ADB following ADB Procurement Policy (2017, as amended from time to time) and the associated project administration instructions and/or TA staff instructions.
Responsible ADB Officer	Hong, Heeyoung
Responsible ADB Department	Central and West Asia Department
Responsible ADB Division	Urban Development and Water Division, CWRD
Executing Agencies	Asian Development Bank 6 ADB Avenue, Mandaluyong City 1550, Philippines
Timetable	
Concept Clearance	-
Fact Finding	-
MRM	-
Approval	31 May 2019
Last Review Mission	-
Last PDS Update	04 Jun 2019

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Financing Plan/TA Utilization						Cumulative Disbursements		
ADB	Cofinancing	Counterpart				Total	Date	Amount
		Gov	Beneficiaries	Project Sponsor	Others			
2,600,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	2,600,000.00	-	0.00

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