



Regional: Digital Development Facility for Asia and the Pacific

Project Name	Digital Development Facility for Asia and the Pacific				
Project Number	53116-001				
Country	Regional				
Project Status	Proposed				
Project Type / Modality of Assistance	Technical Assistance				
Source of Funding / Amount	<table border="1"> <tr> <td>TA: Digital Development Facility for Asia and the Pacific</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Technical Assistance Special Fund</td> <td>US\$ 1.00 million</td> </tr> </table>	TA: Digital Development Facility for Asia and the Pacific		Technical Assistance Special Fund	US\$ 1.00 million
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Strategic Agendas	Inclusive economic growth				
Drivers of Change	Governance and capacity development Knowledge solutions Partnerships Private sector development				
Sector / Subsector	Information and communication technology - ICT industries and ICT-enabled services - ICT infrastructure - ICT strategy and policy, and capacity development				
Gender Equity and Mainstreaming	No gender elements				
Description	The proposed knowledge and support technical assistance (TA) will support the Asian Development Bank (ADB) and its developing member countries (DMCs) in mainstreaming digital technology in ADB operations with the aim to improve development results. It will identify digital development opportunities, strengthen project design, and underscore the efficiency and effectiveness of ADB projects in DMCs. In line with Strategy 2030, the TA will support DMCs to enhance their capacity to incorporate digital technologies into development programs including ADB projects by developing concepts of potential projects, organizing knowledge sharing activities, providing necessary trainings and providing technical advisory services in preparing projects. ADB sector and thematic groups will help identify, design, and implement the TA in line with the operational plans of the seven operational priorities of Strategy 2030.				
Project Rationale and Linkage to Country/Regional Strategy	The world is becoming digitally connected rapidly, and digital technology is helping radically transform products, services, and industries in diverse fields. Digital technology also has considerable potential for supporting a development agenda with implications for the design, delivery, and monitoring of programs and projects across many sectors. Yet meeting the full potential of digital technology for development is not straightforward. Regulatory environments conducive to the spread of digital innovation often do not exist in DMCs, and more than half of the world's population the vast majority in the developing world remains offline and are unable to participate in the digital economy. The labor market has been polarized with technology acting as a tool for high-skilled jobs, replacing routine jobs, and forcing workers to compete for low-paying jobs. To harness digital technology for development, basic enabling environments must be in place, such as internet connectivity, regulations, digital content and services, and institutional capacity. Building on ADB's experience in digital development, a dedicated team, SDCC-DT, was established in 2018 to provide strategic operational support, enhance knowledge, and facilitate talent management for digital solutions. The proposed TA aims to enhance SDCC-DT's support to the increasing demand from DMCs for digital technology in development programs and projects and by mainstreaming digital technology in ADB operations. Underdeveloped action agenda on inclusion of digital technology in ADB operations will also be addressed through promoting and mainstreaming innovative digital technology in ADB project and initiatives.				
Impact	ADB development results maximized using digital technologies in DMCs				
Outcome	Innovative digital technology for ADB operations in line with Strategy 2030 promoted				
Outputs	Digital development opportunities in Strategy 2030 operational priorities identified Direct technical support for selected programs/projects provided Capacity of DMCs and ADB in digital development enhanced				
Geographical Location	Regional				
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. Lump-sum payments and output-based contracts will be considered for consulting services, where appropriate. The TA will require approximately 18 person-months of international consulting services, 60 person-months of national consulting services and 10 person-months of resource persons, including members of the AGDT. All consultants will be selected and engaged individually by ADB in accordance with ADB's Guidelines on the Use of Consultants (2013, as amended from time to time).				

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Fact Finding	15 Feb 2019 to 15 Feb 2019
MRM	-
Approval	-
Last Review Mission	-
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