



Regional: Strengthening the Implementation of Regional Cooperation and Integration Initiatives of South Asian Association for Regional Cooperation

Project Name	Strengthening the Implementation of Regional Cooperation and Integration Initiatives of South Asian Association for Regional Cooperation											
Project Number	53409-001											
Country	RegionalAfghanistanBangladeshBhutanIndiaMaldivesNepalPakistanSri Lanka											
Project Status	Proposed											
Project Type / Modality of Assistance	Technical Assistance											
Source of Funding / Amount	<table border="1"> <tr> <td colspan="3">TA: Strengthening the Implementation of Regional Cooperation and Integration Initiatives of South Asian Association for Regional Cooperation</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Regional Cooperation and Integration Fund</td> <td></td> <td>US\$ 500,000.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Technical Assistance Special Fund</td> <td></td> <td>US\$ 300,000.00</td> </tr> </table>			TA: Strengthening the Implementation of Regional Cooperation and Integration Initiatives of South Asian Association for Regional Cooperation			Regional Cooperation and Integration Fund		US\$ 500,000.00	Technical Assistance Special Fund		US\$ 300,000.00
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Strategic Agendas	Inclusive economic growth Regional integration											
Drivers of Change	Governance and capacity development Knowledge solutions Partnerships											
Sector / Subsector	Industry and trade - Industry and trade sector development - Trade and services Public sector management - Public administration Transport - Transport policies and institutional development											
Gender Equity and Mainstreaming	Some gender elements											
Description	The TA aims to support the South Asian Association for Regional Cooperation (SAARC) and its eight member states in catalyzing and implementing policies and measures directed at increasing integration levels in and reinforcing the growth momentum of the region.											
Project Rationale and Linkage to Country/Regional Strategy	While SAARC has scored some successes on regional cooperation and integration, there are still notable challenges that impede the achievement of the full potential of RCI in the region.											
Impact	Regional cooperation and integration levels among member states of SAARC increased											
Outcome	Implementation of RCI initiatives in SAARC enhanced											
Outputs	Analytical studies on priority regional development issues produced Capacity building, knowledge sharing, and policy dialogues organized											
Geographical Location	Afghanistan - Nation-wide; Bangladesh - Nation-wide; Bhutan - Nation-wide; India - Nation-wide; Maldives - Nation-wide; Nepal - Nation-wide; Pakistan - Nation-wide; Sri Lanka - Nation-wide											

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 a number of individual consultants for the implementation of TA activities. ADB will engage consultants following the ADB Procurement Policy (2017, as amended from time to time) and its associated project administration instructions and/or staff instructions
Procurement	Not applicable
Responsible ADB Officer	Li, Dongxiang
Responsible ADB Department	South Asia Department
Responsible ADB Division	Regional Cooperation and Operations Coordination Div, SARD

Executing Agencies

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Timetable	
Concept Clearance	14 Feb 2020
Fact Finding	21 Feb 2020 to 21 Feb 2020
MRM	-
Approval	-
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