



# Regional: Enhancing Differentiated Approaches in Context-Sensitive Situations

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Project Number	54041-001								
Country	Regional								
Project Status	Proposed								
Project Type / Modality of Assistance	Technical Assistance								
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Strategic Agendas	Environmentally sustainable growth Inclusive economic growth Regional integration								
Drivers of Change	Governance and capacity development Knowledge solutions Partnerships								
Sector / Subsector	Agriculture, natural resources and rural development - Agricultural policy, institutional and capacity development Health - Health sector development and reform Multisector - ADB's corporate management, policy and strategy development Water and other urban infrastructure and services - Urban policy, institutional and capacity development								
Gender Equity and Mainstreaming	Some gender elements								
Description	The knowledge and support technical assistance (TA) will support the Asian Development Bank (ADB) implement Strategy 2030 (S2030) by institutionalizing differentiated approaches in context-sensitive situations. Context-sensitive situations is a broader definition of the fragile and conflict-affected situations (FCAS) framework adopted by ADB in 2010. Context-sensitive situations are intended beyond the existing FCAS classification (i) to consider the distinct challenges that a developing member countries (DMCs) may face in achieving development objectives in limited geographical areas, and (ii) to improve the effectiveness of ADB assistance in those areas. The TA will (i) review and update the context-sensitive framework and the Operational Plan for Enhancing ADB's Effectiveness in Fragile and Conflict-Affected Situations ; (ii) enhance implementation support in context-sensitive situations; and (iii) strengthen analytics, knowledge and innovation. Through these, ADB is expected to assist DMCs to progress along the continuum from context-sensitive situations, to transition, to stable and then resilient situations.								
Project Rationale and Linkage to Country/Regional Strategy	S2030 recognizes that fragile and conflict-affected countries face a high degree of fragility and a considerable need for institutional strengthening and advocates for a differentiated approach. The broader context-sensitive approach will allow ADB to address the specificities and underlying causes of vulnerabilities of DMCs beyond the FCAS harmonized list. ADB first articulated a differentiated approach for FCAS in 2004, and considerable work has since been undertaken, in particular by the Pacific Regional Department as Pacific small island development states (SIDS) and FCAS face similar daunting obstacles to development. In 2013, the Operational Plan for ADB's Effectiveness in FCAS (footnote 4) was approved, and currently guides ADB operations in fragile and conflict-affected situations. ADB's differentiated approach for FCAS recognizes that fragility and conflict are complex and multifaceted. To successfully operate in these situations, ADB's approach follows international best practices and is based on (i) ensuring context sensitivity, (ii) do no harm, (iii) increasing capacity assistance and development, (iv) enhancing monitoring for continuous improvement, and (v) seeking progress on the fragility-to-stability continuum. ADB's operations departments, including private sector operations and resident missions are charged with the implementation of the differentiated approaches.								
Impact	Resilience of DMCs affected by fragile and conflict situations improved								
Outcome	Capacity to address needs in context-sensitive situations improved in selected DMCs								
Outputs	Context-sensitive situations framework reviewed and updated Differentiated approaches in context-sensitive situations operationalized Innovative knowledge-based solutions and trainings delivered								
Geographical Location	Regional								
<b>Summary of Environmental and Social Aspects</b>									
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. The TA will require about of 169 person-months of individual consultant services. About 68 person-months of international and 101 person-months of national consultant services. In addition, various FCAS specialists will be engaged under resource person contracts (total 42 person-months) to provide short-term technical inputs. The consultants will consist of context-sensitive/FCAS specialists as primary experts, including economic, financial, risk and fragility assessments, social, gender expertise, communications and other experts as required. The experts will have experience in their respective fields and demonstrate sound technical knowledge of the Asia and Pacific region. ADB will consider lump-sum payments and output-based contracts for consulting services, where appropriate. Consulting firm(s) will be engaged following the consultants' qualification selection based on specific country-needs and on geographic/regional knowledge.

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## Timetable

Concept Clearance	04 Mar 2020
Fact Finding	-
MRM	-
Approval	-
Last Review Mission	-
Last PDS Update	26 Mar 2020

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