



Kazakhstan: Preparing the Central Asia Regional Economic Cooperation Corridors 1, 2, and 6 Connector Road (Kyzylorda-Zhezkazgan) Reconstruction Project

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| Project Name | Preparing the Central Asia Regional Economic Cooperation Corridors 1, 2, and 6 Connector Road (Kyzylorda-Zhezkazgan) Reconstruction Project | | | | |
| Project Number | 54078-001 | | | | |
| Country | Kazakhstan | | | | |
| Project Status | Active | | | | |
| Project Type / Modality of Assistance | Technical Assistance | | | | |
| Source of Funding / Amount | <table border="1"> <tr> <td>TA 6755-KAZ: Preparing the Central Asia Regional Economic Cooperation Corridors 1, 2, and 6 Connector Road (Kyzylorda Zhezkazgan) Reconstruction Project</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Technical Assistance Special Fund</td> <td>US\$ 500,000.00</td> </tr> </table> | TA 6755-KAZ: Preparing the Central Asia Regional Economic Cooperation Corridors 1, 2, and 6 Connector Road (Kyzylorda Zhezkazgan) Reconstruction Project | | Technical Assistance Special Fund | US\$ 500,000.00 |
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| Technical Assistance Special Fund | US\$ 500,000.00 | | | | |
| 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 | Transport - Road transport (non-urban) | | | | |
| Gender Equity and Mainstreaming | Effective gender mainstreaming | | | | |
| Description | The transaction technical assistance (TA) will provide project preparation and capacity building support for the proposed Central Asia Regional Economic Cooperation (CAREC) Corridors 1, 2, and 6 Connector Road (Kyzylorda Zhezkazgan) Reconstruction Project. The ensuing project will require a loan of about \$200 million, with KazAvtoZhol as the Borrower. The project will be aligned with the following impacts: (i) transport and logistics infrastructure expanded to promote global integration, export competitiveness, and economic growth; and (ii) regional and national transport networks developed to meet growing social, economic, and trade connectivity needs. The project outcome is the improvement of the road network efficiency, safety and sustainability, which will be achieved through two solutions: a 208 km section of the project road will be reconstructed and upgraded; and the capacity of KazAvtoZhol in road safety, procurement, contract management, and environmental management will be strengthened. The TA and project are included in the draft country operations business plan for 2022-2024, following the request of the government to prioritize the Kyzylorda Zhezkazgan in February 2021. | | | | |
| Project Rationale and Linkage to Country/Regional Strategy | The government, through Committee of Roads and KazAvtoZhol, has the capacity to prepare technical feasibility and detailed design studies, as already prepared for Kyzylorda Zhezkazgan. However, limited resources and expertise in non-technical areas result in project deficiencies that remain to be addressed to deliver a high-quality infrastructure project. Kyzylorda Zhezkazgan road does not have sufficient traffic levels to substantiate a public-private partnership transaction that would recover capital costs and leverage the expertise of the private sector. The TA will support due diligence of engineering designs, costs, procurement, contract management, financial management, economic and financial viability, climate change, and social, gender, and environmental safeguards. The TA will also prepare assessments to support the transition of project preparation and delivery modalities towards cost-recovery approaches; and expand and share knowledge on tolling, road sustainability, and environment. Five areas were identified as key focus points to improve project design, institutional arrangements, and institutional capacity: (i) financial sustainability, particularly tolling, asset management, and network planning; (ii) social and environmental safeguards management, particularly biodiversity conservation, climate change, and disaster resilience; (iii) gender mainstreaming; (iv) road safety at infrastructure, institutional, and road user levels; and (v) regional cooperation and integration. The TA will attract international and national expertise to strengthen the identified focus areas. | | | | |
| 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 | | | | | |
| Summary of Environmental and Social Aspects | | | | | |
| Environmental Aspects | | | | | |
| Involuntary Resettlement | | | | | |

Indigenous Peoples

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| Stakeholder Communication, Participation, and Consultation |
| During Project Design |
| During Project Implementation |

Business Opportunities

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| 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. |
| Procurement | Procurement will follow the ADB Procurement Policy (2017, as amended from time to time) |

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| Responsible ADB Department | Central and West Asia Department |
| Responsible ADB Division | Transport and Communications Division, CWRD |
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| Timetable | |
| Concept Clearance | - |
| Fact Finding | - |
| MRM | - |
| Approval | 02 Aug 2021 |
| Last Review Mission | - |
| Last PDS Update | 02 Aug 2021 |

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| Milestones | | | | | |
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| Approval | Signing Date | Effectivity Date | Closing | | |
| | | | Original | Revised | Actual |
| 02 Aug 2021 | 25 Aug 2021 | 25 Aug 2021 | 31 Dec 2023 | - | - |

| Financing Plan/TA Utilization | | | | | | Cumulative Disbursements | | |
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| ADB | Cofinancing | Counterpart | | | | Total | Date | Amount |
| | | Gov | Beneficiaries | Project Sponsor | Others | | | |
| 500,000.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 500,000.00 | 29 Sep 2021 | 0.00 |

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