



# Regional: Project Readiness Support for the Environment, Natural Resources and Agriculture Sector in Central and West Asia

Project Name	Project Readiness Support for the Environment, Natural Resources and Agriculture Sector in Central and West Asia	
Project Number	54417-001	
Country	RegionalAfghanistanAzerbaijanGeorgiaKyrgyz RepublicPakistanTajikistanUzbekistan	
Project Status	Active	
Project Type / Modality of Assistance	Technical Assistance	
Source of Funding / Amount	TA 6697-REG: Project Readiness Capacity Development Support for the Environment, Natural Resources and Agriculture Sector	
	Technical Assistance Special Fund	US\$ 225,000.00
Strategic Agendas	Environmentally sustainable growth Inclusive economic growth	
Drivers of Change	Governance and capacity development	
Sector / Subsector	Agriculture, natural resources and rural development - Agricultural production - Irrigation - Rural water policy, institutional and capacity development	
Gender Equity and Mainstreaming	No gender elements	
Description	The regional knowledge and support TA will help improve readiness of projects during the processing and initial implementation stages for projects under the agriculture, natural resources and rural development (ANR) sector in developing member countries (DMCs) of the Central and West Asia Department (CWRD). The TA will support Afghanistan, the Kyrgyz Republic, Pakistan, Tajikistan, and Uzbekistan which have significant pipeline and ongoing projects of the sector. The TA will also cover Azerbaijan and Georgia which are either new to or have not been active in the ANR sector projects financed by the Asian Development Bank (ADB).	
Project Rationale and Linkage to Country/Regional Strategy	High readiness is key to satisfactory project implementation performance. The readiness includes the preparedness in procurement, project management consultant recruitment, executing agency's human resources at project implementation units (PIUs) and safeguard actions. These are also closely interrelated to each other.	
Impact	Executing Agencies' project readiness and implementation capacity improved	
<b>Project Outcome</b>		
Description of Outcome	Procurement and resettlement delays of the ANR sector project in CWRD countries reduced	
Progress Toward Outcome		
<b>Implementation Progress</b>		
Description of Project Outputs	Procurement readiness of the CWRD ANR sector projects improved Safeguards preparedness of the CWRD ANR sector projects improved Project management system established before the project effectiveness	
Status of Implementation Progress (Outputs, Activities, and Issues)		
Geographical Location	Afghanistan - Nation-wide; Azerbaijan - Nation-wide; Georgia - Nation-wide; Kyrgyz Republic - Nation-wide; Pakistan - Nation-wide; Tajikistan - Nation-wide; Uzbekistan - Nation-wide	
<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		
<b>Business Opportunities</b>		
Consulting Services	Seven international and national individual consultant positions with total 21 person-months will be recruited and will provide intermittent services. The individual consultant selection will allow flexible intermittent short inputs by responding to DMCs' needs according to the actual progress of project processing and implementation. 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	not applicable	

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Executing Agencies	Asian Development Bank 6 ADB Avenue, Mandaluyong City 1550, Philippines

Timetable	
Concept Clearance	-
Fact Finding	01 Dec 2020 to 08 Dec 2020
MRM	-
Approval	22 Dec 2020
Last Review Mission	-
Last PDS Update	22 Dec 2020

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Financing Plan/TA Utilization						Cumulative Disbursements		
ADB	Cofinancing	Counterpart				Total	Date	Amount
		Gov	Beneficiaries	Project Sponsor	Others			
225,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	225,000.00	-	0.00

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