



# Mongolia: Support for COVID-19 Vaccine Delivery in Mongolia under the Asia Pacific Vaccine Access Facility

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Project Type / Modality of Assistance	Loan																												
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Strategic Agendas	Inclusive economic growth Regional integration																												
Drivers of Change	Governance and capacity development																												
Sector / Subsector	Health - Disease control of communicable disease																												
Gender Equity and Mainstreaming	Some gender elements																												
Description	<p>The risk of continued community spread of the coronavirus disease (COVID-19) in Mongolia remains substantial. Since the first case of community transmission was reported on 10 November 2020, several clusters of local transmission have emerged in the capital city and six provinces.</p> <p>Proposal. The Government of Mongolia officially requested ADB support for securing safe and effective COVID-19 vaccine. The proposed project seeks to provide a loan, through the Asia Pacific Vaccine Access Facility (APVAX) facility, amounting to \$40 million to support COVID-19 vaccine delivery in Mongolia.</p>																												
Project Rationale and Linkage to Country/Regional Strategy	<p>The request is aligned with ADB's access and eligibility requirements for APVAX. There is clear adverse socio-economic impact of the pandemic in Mongolia, and strong actions led by the government in implementing national COVID-19 response, and the vaccination strategy and plan. The government has also secured Mongolia's participation in COVAX AMC and coordinating its efforts with development partners, including WHO, UNICEF, the World Bank, and ADB. The government intends to purchase COVAX eligible WHO prequalified COVID-19 vaccines that meets ADB's vaccine eligibility criteria and requirements for financing under the Rapid Response Component of the APVAX.</p>																												
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Outputs																													
Geographical Location	Nation-wide																												
Safeguard Categories																													
Environment		C																											
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Summary of Environmental and Social Aspects																													
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Stakeholder Communication, Participation, and Consultation																													
During Project Design																													
During Project Implementation																													

#### Business Opportunities

**Procurement** Implementation Arrangements. The MOF will be the main executing agency for the project, supported by the national Task Force, chaired by the Minister of Finance. The MOH will provide technical support through the Working Group that includes the World Bank, WHO, UNICEF, and ADB. The MOH will lead the distribution and immunization of target groups with COVID-19 vaccines on the ground. The executing agency and these mechanisms will ensure coordination of the project with ADB and other development partners. The APVAX eligible vaccines will be purchased directly by the government from the vaccine manufacturer.

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#### Timetable

Concept Clearance	-
Fact Finding	02 Mar 2021 to 04 Mar 2021
MRM	14 Apr 2021
Approval	-
Last Review Mission	-
Last PDS Update	30 Mar 2021

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