



Regional: Advancing the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, 2021-2024

Project Name	Advancing the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, 2021-2024	
Project Number	55177-001	
Country	RegionalLao People's Democratic RepublicMongoliaSri Lanka	
Project Status	Active	
Project Type / Modality of Assistance	Technical Assistance	
Source of Funding / Amount	TA 0052-REG: Advancing the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, 2021-2024	
	Technical Assistance Special Fund	US\$ 3.00 million
Strategic Agendas	Environmentally sustainable growth Inclusive economic growth	
Drivers of Change	Governance and capacity development Knowledge solutions Partnerships Private sector development	
Sector / Subsector	Multisector - ADB's corporate management, policy and strategy development	
Gender Equity and Mainstreaming	Effective gender mainstreaming	
Description	<p>The Asia and the Pacific region is off-track in achieving every one of the 17 Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) by 2030. The coronavirus disease (COVID-19) pandemic has set the region back even further, especially for women, exacerbating vulnerabilities related to socially focused SDGs particularly poverty and inequality, health, education. Progress against environmental SDGs (for example, climate change action, promoting responsible consumption and production, and protecting life on land and below water) has been particularly slow. Fiscal constraints compounded by COVID-19 further impede the ability of developing member countries (DMCs) to address the SDGs in a holistic manner alongside short-term crisis-response measures.</p> <p>Achieving the 17 SDGs is a focus of the Asian Development Bank (ADB) Strategy 2030. The knowledge and support technical assistance (TA) cluster will--through practical research and analysis, policy advice, and capacity building--support DMCs to advance SDG implementation by enabling them to develop and deliver more effective results-based programming. Each of the four subprojects of the TA cluster will support: (i) enhanced DMC knowledge and capacity to align programs and financing with the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development; (ii) increased DMC awareness of experiences and lessons to strengthen development programming that advances the SDGs; and (iii) strengthened DMC capacity for result-based project design and management.</p>	
Project Rationale and Linkage to Country/Regional Strategy	<p>The emphasis on the SDGs in DMC national development planning and financing processes is uneven. DMCs' capacity to better manage results by designing and monitoring programs that will support progress in achieving the SDGs also remains limited. Good practices and lessons for ensuring that development partner and national government operations are effective in achieving the SDGs are not collected, disseminated, or applied regularly.</p> <p>Although most DMCs have established SDG coordination institutions and are reporting on their efforts to achieve the SDGs, integration of the SDGs into critical national systems remains uneven. Significant gaps remain when it comes to integrating the SDGs into planning, budgeting, and financing, and developing SDG-targeted programs. Weaknesses in results-focused project design and monitoring have impinged on project success rates, signaling a need to help DMC counterparts develop and use more effective design and monitoring frameworks (DMFs). Surveys of stakeholders in ADB DMCs suggest a strong need and demand for continued work on implementing the SDGs, including through sustaining, expanding, and ramping up partnerships. Gaps also remain in understanding lessons related to strengthened project design and results management from previous projects; ensuring that projects are effective and sustainable; and strengthening projects' contribution to the SDGs. There is also a need to continue to synthesize and disseminate lessons from completed operations for advancing the SDGs, and to continue to build DMC capacity for results focused project design and implementation.</p>	
Impact	DMCs' effective and sustainable achievement of the SDGs increased.	
Project Outcome		
Description of Outcome	Higher-quality programs and projects that advance the SDGs developed and delivered by ADB DMCs.	
Progress Toward Outcome		
Implementation Progress		
Description of Project Outputs	<p>DMC knowledge and capacity to align planned programs and financing with the SDGs enhanced DMC's knowledge of good practices and lessons from operations increased DMC's capacity for results-based project design and management strengthened</p>	
Status of Implementation Progress (Outputs, Activities, and Issues)		
Geographical Location	Mongolia - 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	1. Firm: SDG and COVID 19 Research: Competitive Recruitment based on CV; CQS, QBS, QCBS 2. Individual: SDG Financing Specialist: International Consultant; ICS 3. Individual: SDG Implementation Analyst: National Consultant; ICS 4. Results Communication Specialists: International Consultant; ICS 5. UNDP Administrative Agreement: Administrative Arrangement 6. UN ESCAP Administrative Agreement: Administrative Arrangement
Procurement	1. Databases and electronic resource (data subscription), micro data, or publications: direct contracting 2. Information and communication technology software

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Timetable

Concept Clearance	28 May 2021
Fact Finding	26 Apr 2021 to 26 Apr 2021
MRM	-
Approval	27 Jul 2021
Last Review Mission	-
Last PDS Update	05 Aug 2021

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ADB	Financing Plan/TA Utilization					Cumulative Disbursements		
	Cofinancing	Counterpart				Total	Date	Amount
		Gov	Beneficiaries	Project Sponsor	Others			
3,000,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	3,000,000.00	-	0.00

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