



# Bangladesh: Support for Health Care Improvement Projects

Project Name	Support for Health Care Improvement Projects				
Project Number	55228-001				
Country	Bangladesh				
Project Status	Approved				
Project Type / Modality of Assistance	Technical Assistance				
Source of Funding / Amount	<table border="1"> <tr> <td>TA 6851-BAN: Support for Health Care Improvement Projects</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Technical Assistance Special Fund</td> <td>US\$ 1.00 million</td> </tr> </table>	TA 6851-BAN: Support for Health Care Improvement Projects		Technical Assistance Special Fund	US\$ 1.00 million
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Strategic Agendas	Inclusive economic growth				
Drivers of Change	Governance and capacity development				
Sector / Subsector	Health - Health system development				
Gender Equity and Mainstreaming	Effective gender mainstreaming				
Description	The transaction technical assistance (TA) facility will provide project preparation and implementation support to (i) the ensuing Support for Health Care Improvement Project and (ii) the ongoing Responsive COVID-19 Vaccines for Recovery Project under the Asia Pacific Vaccine Access Facility in Bangladesh. Both the ensuing and the ongoing projects are in the health sector and require a similar set of technical, safeguard, financial management, procurement, and capacity building supports. The proposed transaction TA facility is listed in Asian Development Bank (ADB)'s country operations business plan for Bangladesh, 2022-2023.				
Project Rationale and Linkage to Country/Regional Strategy	<p>Although ADB's interventions have strengthened the government's capacity to provide PHC services, the scope and coverage of support need to be expanded and the service delivery model needs to be reformed, as the country is currently facing more diversified health needs. Key challenges being faced by the country include rapid growth of urban population, the double burden of communicable and NCDs, and the effects of the COVID-19 pandemic. The government is looking for innovative approaches with the support of developing partners, including ADB, to improve the access and quality to comprehensive PHC services, including immunization, strengthening the effectiveness and efficiency of the health system to achieve Universal Health Coverage, and mitigating COVID-19-related adverse impacts through vaccine manufacturing, genomic surveillance and mobile testing capacity, research on vaccine hesitancy and health sector needs, etc. Additionally, there is also the need to focus on the use of information technology tools for efficient health service delivery, PPPs, telemedicine, movement towards electronic health records, World Health Organization compliant vaccine certification, etc.</p> <p>For these reasons, the transaction technical assistance (TA) facility will provide project preparation and implementation support to the ensuing Support for Health Care Improvement Project and the ongoing Responsive COVID-19 Vaccines for Recovery Project under the Asia Pacific Vaccine Access Facility project implementation, including additional financing in Bangladesh, to ensure quality project preparation and due diligence, and improve the government's readiness for the project implementation. As ADB expands its health sector portfolio in Bangladesh, the proposed transaction TA facility will enable ADB to deepen the policy dialogue and provide technical support to address health sector challenges through locally appropriate and innovative approaches. Both the ensuing and the ongoing projects are in the health sector and require a similar set of technical, safeguard, financial management, procurement, and capacity building supports. The proposed transaction TA facility is listed in Asian Development Bank (ADB)'s country operations business plan for Bangladesh, 2022-2023</p>				
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	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 The transaction TA will provide a total of 41 person-months of international consultant inputs and 71 person-months of national consultant inputs to support the design, processing, and implementation of the ensuing project. The consultants will be recruited using the individual consultant selection method. ADB will engage the consultants following the ADB Procurement Policy and Regulations (2017, as amended from time to time) and/or staff instructions.

Procurement Not applicable.

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Timetable	
Concept Clearance	-
Fact Finding	-
MRM	-
Approval	06 Dec 2021
Last Review Mission	-
Last PDS Update	06 Dec 2021

## TA 6851-BAN

Financing Plan/TA Utilization						Cumulative Disbursements		
ADB	Cofinancing	Counterpart				Total	Date	Amount
		Gov	Beneficiaries	Project Sponsor	Others			
1,000,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,000,000.00	-	0.00

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