

6 December 2022

Mr. Loday Tsheten
Director
Department of Macro-Fiscal & Development Finance
Ministry of Finance
Thimphu, Bhutan

Subject: Technical Assistance 10008-BHU: Promoting Energy Security and Transition Project —Request for No Objection

Dear Mr. Tsheten.

On 5 December 2022, the Asian Development Bank (ADB) approved the knowledge and support technical assistance (TA) for Promoting energy Security and Transition Project in an amount not exceeding \$1,000,000. ADB will administer the TA. The Department of Energy of the Ministry of Economic Affairs will be the executing agency and the Druk Green Power Corporation will be the implementing agency. Attached is the TA report for your information.

The TA aims to help Bhutan diversify renewable energy sources and promote energy transition to more resilient energy systems with novel technologies, new approaches, and concrete strategies. To alleviate concerns on energy security and climate change, it is necessary to diversify energy resources and build resilience. Hence, the TA will support the development of new schemes such as rooftop solar photovoltaic and floating solar photovoltaic systems, and the relevant knowledge enhancement among stakeholders. The study will assess the resource and technical design requirements, financial and economic viability measurements, business models, safeguards, and regulation and policy formation on alternative energy resources.

As Country Director of Bhutan Resident Mission, I will henceforth be responsible for all matters pertaining to the implementation of the technical assistance. All communications on this matter may, therefore, be addressed to my office.

Sincerely,

Shamit Chakravarti

Country Director

cc: Deputy Chief Program Officer, DMFDF, MOF

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