



Bangladesh: Developing Integrated Urban Water and Sanitation Plans and Enhancing Local Government Capacity

Project Name
Developing Integrated Urban Water and Sanitation Plans and Enhancing Local Government Capacity
Project Number
59417-001
Country / Economy
■ Bangladesh
Project Status
Proposed
Project Type / Modality of Assistance
■ Technical Assistance
Source of Funding / Amount

TA: Developing Integrated Urban Water and Sanitation Plans and Enhancing Local Government's Capacity	
Source	Amount
Technical Assistance Special Fund	US\$ 300,000.00

Sustainable Development Goals
■ SDG 6.1
■ SDG 6.2
■ SDG 6.3
Sector / Subsector
■ Water and other urban infrastructure and services /

Gender
Some gender elements
Description
The Technical Assistance (TA) will assist Bangladesh in identifying gaps in service quality standards and operational sustainability in water supply and sanitation (WSS) and solid waste management (SWM) services in Pourashavas (municipalities or towns). The TA will support Bangladesh in undertaking a country diagnosis to assess the existing institutional structure and capacity of municipalities regarding service delivery and operations and maintenance (O&M) for WSS and SWM services. The country diagnosis aims to evaluate the institutional set-up, plan for adequate and skilled human resources within municipalities, clarify roles between the Department of Public Health Engineering (DPHE) and the municipalities especially regarding O&M, billing and collection, asset ownership, and accountability for service delivery and adopt best practices. This initiative will help develop City Master Plans for WSS and SWM in selected municipalities that can later be translated into investment projects. The TA will support institutional capacity building for local urban institutions, equipping them to effectively implement the service delivery model proposed under this TA in both ongoing and future investment initiatives. Additionally, the TA will support ADB's proposed Cluster Towns and Coastal Towns projects.

Project Rationale and Linkage to Country/Regional Strategy
The TA will build upon the achievements and lessons from past and ongoing initiatives led by Water and Urban Development Sector Office, Sectors Department 2 (SD2-WUD), including the ongoing TA 10090-BAN: Supporting Water Supply and Sanitation Regulatory Mechanism Development. The TA will contribute to operationalizing the urban priorities set out by Operational Priority 4: Making Cities More Livable by promoting integrated and holistic development of the water, urban, and climate investment pipeline in Bangladesh.
Impact
Outcome
Outputs
Geographical Location
Nation-wide

Poverty Reduction and Inclusion

Poverty Reduction and Inclusion Classification

Summary Poverty and Social Analysis

The TA will indirectly contribute to poverty reduction and inclusive urban development by addressing service delivery gaps disproportionately affecting low-income households, slum dwellers, women, and vulnerable groups. Through diagnostics, institutional strengthening, and integrated WSS/SWM master planning, the TA promotes equitable access to safe, reliable, and affordable basic urban services. These improvements will enhance public health, reduce time and financial burdens, and support inclusive municipal capacity development.

Summary of Environmental and Social Aspects

Environmental Aspects

Involuntary Resettlement

Indigenous Peoples

Project Participation and Engagement

During Project Design

During Project Implementation

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Timetable

Concept Clearance

21 Jul 2026

Fact Finding

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MRM

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Approval

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Last Review Mission

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Last PDS Update

21 Jul 2026

Funding

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