



Lao People's Democratic Republic: Northern Rural Infrastructure Development Sector Project (Additional Financing)

Project Name	Northern Rural Infrastructure Development Sector Project (Additional Financing)	
Project Number	50236-002	
Country	Lao People's Democratic Republic	
Project Status	Proposed	
Project Type / Modality of Assistance	Grant Loan	
Source of Funding / Amount	Grant: Sustainable Rural Infrastructure and Watershed Management Project	
	concessional ordinary capital resources lending / Asian Development Fund	US\$ 4.70 million
	Loan: Sustainable Rural Infrastructure and Watershed Management Project	
	concessional ordinary capital resources lending / Asian Development Fund	US\$ 30.00 million
Strategic Agendas	Environmentally sustainable growth Inclusive economic growth	
Drivers of Change	Governance and capacity development Knowledge solutions Partnerships	
Sector / Subsector	Agriculture and Natural Resources - Agriculture, natural resources and rural development	
Gender Equity and Mainstreaming	Effective gender mainstreaming	
Description	The project is intended to address issues of PRI and watershed management in mountainous provinces of Northern Lao PDR by using an integrated land use planning approach that integrates efficient, sustainable and climate resilient rural infrastructure, and feasible watershed protection measures. For an ecosystem based sustainable rural development, infrastructure and the watershed have to be considered simultaneously. The expected impact of the project will be to achieve sustainable and inclusive rural development. The outcome of the project will be to enhance sustainable, market oriented agricultural production and natural resources management in selected watersheds.	
Project Rationale and Linkage to Country/Regional Strategy	The proposed Sustainable Rural Infrastructure and Watershed Management Sector Project will increase the profitability of the agriculture, natural resources and rural development sector by enhancing sustainable, market oriented agricultural production together with natural resources management. The project will: (i) upgrade selected productive rural infrastructure (PRI) schemes to be climate resilient, efficient, and sustainable; (ii) improve land use management within the PRI scheme watersheds; and (iii) improve institutional arrangements and capacity for good agriculture practices and sustainable watershed management.	
Impact	Sustainable and inclusive rural development achieved.	
Outcome	Sustainable, market oriented agricultural production and natural resources management in selected watersheds enhanced.	
Outputs	PRI upgraded to be climate resilient, efficient, and sustainable. Land use management within the PRI scheme watersheds improved. Institutional arrangements and capacity for good agriculture practices and sustainable watershed management improved.	
Geographical Location	Houaphan, Luang Prabang, Vientiane, Xiangkhouang	
Safeguard Categories		
Environment		B
Involuntary Resettlement		B
Indigenous Peoples		B

Summary of Environmental and Social Aspects

Environmental Aspects

Involuntary Resettlement

Indigenous Peoples

Stakeholder Communication, Participation, and Consultation

During Project Design

During Project Implementation

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