



## Tajikistan: Maternal and Child Health Integrated Care Project

Project Name	Maternal and Child Health Integrated Care Project	
Project Number	51010-002	
Country	Tajikistan	
Project Status	Proposed	
Project Type / Modality of Assistance	Grant	
Source of Funding / Amount	<b>Grant: Maternal and Child Health Integrated Care Project</b>	
	concessional ordinary capital resources lending / Asian Development Fund	US\$ 32.00 million
Strategic Agendas	Inclusive economic growth	
Drivers of Change	Governance and capacity development Knowledge solutions Partnerships	
Sector / Subsector	<b>Health</b> - Health sector development and reform	
Gender Equity and Mainstreaming	Gender equity	
Description	<p>The project is aligned with the following impact: health status and well-being of mothers and children in the project districts improved. The project will have the following outcome: Coverage of women and children with quality MCH services improved. Project districts are Sh. Shohin, Rasht, and Fayzobod. The project outputs are (i) integrated delivery of quality maternal and child care services in project districts improved; (ii) infrastructure and equipment for maternal and child health services in project districts rationalized and improved; and (iii) knowledge on maternal and child health and health seeking behaviors in project districts improved.</p> <p>Output 1: Integrated delivery of quality maternal and child care services in project districts improved. The project will (i) enhance human workforce planning and capacity building through the development of the human resource planning and deployment strategy for project targeted districts; institutional capacity building for Continuous Medical Education (CME); and strengthening of clinical capacities in the project districts; (ii) operationalize effective maternal and child health (MCH) referral system between community, primary health care (PHC) and district level hospitals in managing MCH services through development/revision and enforcement of referral pathways, institutionalization of the feedback mechanism between different layers of the MCH service delivery levels in project districts; and integration of vertical programs into PHC; (iii) institutionalize Continuous Quality Improvement (CQI) system at national, sub-national and facility levels and establishing a supportive supervision system; and (iv) pilot case-based financing mechanism at project district hospitals.</p> <p>Output 2: Infrastructure and equipment for MCH services in project districts rationalized and improved. The project will support (i) rationalization and infrastructure improvement in selected district hospitals and PHC facilities through construction or renovation of central district hospitals (CDHs) and DHCs buildings; (ii) supply of medical equipment and medical furniture to refurbished district hospitals and provision of basic equipment to PHC facilities at district level; and (iii) enhancement of the equipment management system in project health facilities. The grant will also support the Government's efforts in establishing of equipment management system in close coordination with other developing partners. Specifically, it will support the procurement of set of basic maintenance equipment and capacity building of equipment maintenance specialists at targeted facilities.</p> <p>Output 3: Knowledge on maternal and child health and health seeking behaviors in project districts improved. The project will support (i) capacity enhancement of the Republican Healthy Lifestyle Center (RHLC) in development of the behavior change communication (BCC) implementation plan, monitoring and evaluation and reporting; (ii) development of the district specific BCC approach by design and implementation of the baseline, midline and end-line Knowledge, Attitude and Practice (KAP) surveys and design and monitoring of the district specific BCC strategy and implementation plan based on the findings of the baseline KAP survey findings; (iii) community mobilization activities to address social norms supporting collective MCH objectives and challenging harmful practices; and (iv) counselling skills development of health workers and community members.</p>	

Project Rationale and Linkage to Country/Regional Strategy	<p>The pursuit of sustainable development goals is echoed in the _National Health Strategy for Tajikistan 2010 2020_ which envisions strengthening of maternal, newborn, child and adolescent health, prevention and control of infectious diseases, decreasing the burden of preventable non-communicable diseases, and strengthening PHC. The government approved the Strategic Plan for the Rationalization of Medical Facilities in the Republic of Tajikistan for 2010 2020 (No. 169 dated 1 April 2011) to rationalize health service delivery. The rationalization plan envisions an integration of health services across levels of care and types of providers.</p> <p>The project builds on ADB's operational plan for health to support inclusiveness and reduce vulnerabilities in Asia and the Pacific. ADB will contribute to the integration of primary and secondary care concentrating on maternal and child health which is key for better quality and efficient provision of services. The project will consolidate different pilots of development partners, which focuses on either primary health care or secondary care, into an integrated concept. Integrated care refers to integration across all levels of health services to provide more continuous care to patients through the improved coordination of services provided. Integrated care refers to integration across primary, secondary, and tertiary health services to provide more continuous care to patients with the aim of achieving improved patient care through better coordination of services provided.15 ADB will bring in regional lessons on integrating health care services, and improving efficiencies in health service delivery to inform the project and the ongoing country health reforms.</p>
Impact	Health status and well-being of mothers and children in selected districts improved Sustainable Development Goals 3.
Outcome	Coverage of women and children with quality MCH services improved
Outputs	Integrated delivery of quality maternal and child care services in project districts improved Infrastructure and equipment for MCH services rationalized and improved Knowledge on maternal and child health and health seeking behaviors improved
Geographical Location	Nation-wide

#### Safeguard Categories

Environment	B
Involuntary Resettlement	C
Indigenous Peoples	C

#### 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	<p>The project will require an estimated 1,071 person-months of national individual consultants (including project administration group staff); 6 person-months international individual consultant; 461 person-months for project consulting firms; 12 person-months audit firm; and 324 person-months for direct contracting.</p> <p>Advance contracting will be undertaken for the recruitment of project administration group manager and key technical staff, project implementation support firm, design and civil works supervision firm, integrated maternal and child health and behavior change communication firm, financial management consultant, and integrated care consultant.</p>
Procurement	<p>The project will construct/renovate district hospitals and district health centers. The project will provide various medical equipment, IT equipment and other related accessories to the hospitals and district primary health care clinics to cost more than \$100,000, using open competitive bidding (OCB) procedures. Request for quotation will be used for procurement of project administration group equipment, furniture and vehicle.</p> <p>Advance contracting will be undertaken for the procurement of project administration group office furniture, office equipment and vehicles.</p>

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Responsible ADB Department	Central and West Asia Department
Responsible ADB Division	CWSS

Executing Agencies

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**Timetable**

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Last Review Mission	-
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