

Regional: Asian Development Outlook 2019-2021 - Asian Development Outlook 2019 (Subproject 1)

Project Name	Asian Development Outlook 2019-2021 - Asian Development Outlook 2019 (Subproject 1)
Project Number	52216-002
Country	Regional
Project Status	Active
Project Type / Modality of Assistance	Technical Assistance
Source of Funding / Amount	TA 9629-REG: Asian Development Outlook 2019-2021 - Asian Development Outlook 2019 (Subproject 1)
	Technical Assistance Special Fund US\$ 1.00 mil
Strategic Agendas	Environmentally sustainable growth Inclusive economic growth Regional integration
Drivers of Change	Knowledge solutions Partnerships
Sector / Subsector	Multisector - ADB's corporate management, policy and strategy development
Gender Equity and Mainstreaming	Some gender elements
Description	The TA subproject will support the production of the ADO 2019, one of ADB's flagship publications. It support the following activities: (i) preparing background analytical papers following the 2-year rolling research plan, (ii) further developing and refining analytical methods, (iii) drafting of ADO content, (iv) editing economic content and manuscripts, (v) preparing and laying out of materials for publication, (vi) disseminating key results and policy messages.
Project Rationale and Linkage to Country/Regional Strategy	The TA subproject will support activities to produce one of ADB's flagship publications, the ADO. The ADO''s comprehensive analysis of evolving macroeconomic advances and emerging development challenges in the region helps ADB strengthen its role as a knowledge institution, and supports the knowledge and operational work of ADB's regional departments. Country chapters monitor the latest economic developments and provide a near-term outlook, which are essential in developing appropri policy recommendations to ensure macroeconomic stability. The chapters' policy challenge sections analyze key obstacles to inclusive economic growth, such as (i) factors preventing productive employment generation, (ii) human development constraints, (iii) gender and other socioeconomic addemographic barriers, (iv) spatial and geographical limitations, (v) institutional and policy weaknesse and (vi) factors preventing expansion of social protection programs. The thematic chapters examine important development challenges for a transforming Asia and the Pacific. Recent themes include assessing the impact of technology on jobs, leveraging public private partnerships, transcending the middle-income challenge, and shifting economies to a low-carbon growth path. The ADO can help progresearch and data support for participation by ADB Management in regional and global policy forums contribute to informed debate in topical areas, such as climate change and disaster risk, rapid urbanization, innovation and technology, and the future of the service industry. The report's analysis the region provides insights that help guide appropriate policy responses to the economic issues faci the region. The TA was submitted in October 2017 to the Strategy, Policy and Review Department as part of the priority TA program of the Economic Research and Regional Cooperation Department (ERCD) and wa endorsed as a corporate priority TA in December 2017.
Impact	Environment within which policy formulation occurs in DMEs influenced by the ADO. Debates and policy research on important development challenges facing Asia and the Pacific spurre the ADO.

Project Outcome	
Description of Outcome	Reference to the ADO by the media, economic researchers and DME officials maintained or increased
Progress Toward Outcome	
Implementation Progress	

Disseminated ADO 2019, ADO 2019 Update, and ADO supplements

Published background papers

Status of Implementation Progress (Outputs, Activities, and Issues)

Geographical Location Regional

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 Individual consultants and resource persons will be recruited through individual consultant selection to provide international and national consulting. The subproject will require international consultancy from economists who will prepare background papers and analyses supporting the theme chapters or topics related to the outlook. International economic advisory and editing consultants will be required for the economic and technical editing of ADO manuscripts before final publication. National economics consultants and research assistants will be required to assist with data management and to conduct research on a particular topic. National consultants will be needed to perform the desktop publishing and graphic design of the publication. Resource persons will be engaged for a maximum of 15 working days to conduct training on macroeconomics and economic forecasting and also serve as discussants during workshops.

Procurement To be determined.

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Timetable	
Concept Clearance	-
Fact Finding	-
MRM	-
Approval	06 Nov 2018
Last Review Mission	-
Last PDS Update	06 Nov 2018

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Financing Plan/TA Utilization						Cumulative	Disbursements	
ADB	Cofinancing	Count	Counterpart			Total	Date	Amount
		Gov	Beneficiaries	Project Sponsor	Others			
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