



# China, People's Republic of: Preparing the Hubei Huanggang Dabie Mountain Ecosystem Protection and Carbon-Neutral Green Development Project

Project Name	Preparing the Hubei Huanggang Dabie Mountain Ecosystem Protection and Carbon-Neutral Green Development Project							
Project Number	56210-002							
Country / Economy	China, People's Republic of							
Project Status	Approved							
Project Type / Modality of Assistance	Technical Assistance							
Source of Funding / Amount	<table border="1"> <tr> <td colspan="2">TA 6992-PRC: Preparing the Hubei Huanggang Dabie Mountain Ecosystem Protection and Carbon-Neutral Green Development Project</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Technical Assistance Special Fund</td> <td>US\$ 400,000.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Multi-Donor Trust Fund under the Water Financing Partnership Facility</td> <td>US\$ 100,000.00</td> </tr> </table>		TA 6992-PRC: Preparing the Hubei Huanggang Dabie Mountain Ecosystem Protection and Carbon-Neutral Green Development Project		Technical Assistance Special Fund	US\$ 400,000.00	Multi-Donor Trust Fund under the Water Financing Partnership Facility	US\$ 100,000.00
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Strategic Agendas	Environmentally sustainable growth Inclusive economic growth							
Drivers of Change	Gender Equity and Mainstreaming Governance and capacity development Knowledge solutions Partnerships							
Sector / Subsector	Agriculture, natural resources and rural development / Agro-industry, marketing, and trade - Land-based natural resources management - Rural sanitation - Rural water policy, institutional and capacity development - Water-based natural resources management							
Gender Equity and Mainstreaming	Effective gender mainstreaming							
Description	<p>1. The proposed project will support the Government of the People's Republic of China's efforts to protect the environment, restore ecosystems, and increase climate resilience through sustainable green development. It will promote and demonstrate sustainable ecosystem protection and low carbon development principles and practices in the Dabie Mountain in Huanggang Municipality in Hubei Province, integrating policy advice, digitalization, trainings, green financing mechanism for environmental protection, and climate smart agri-businesses development. The government has requested for a \$200.0 million loan from the Asian Development Bank (ADB) ordinary capital resources to finance the project. The project will contribute to the Yangtze River Economic Belt program and rural vitalization strategies of the government. It will be aligned with the following impact: rural vitalization in the Yangtze River Economic Belt realized. The project will have three outputs: (i) institutional strengthening, policy, management and technical capacity for ecosystem protection and green development enhanced; (ii) rural facilities and business opportunities in ecosystem protection improved; and (iii) climate smart green rural development demonstrated. These outputs will result in the following outcome: ecosystem services, livelihood opportunities, and climate resilience of the Dabie Mountain improved.</p>							
Project Rationale and Linkage to Country/Regional Strategy	<p>1. The Dabie Mountain, also known as the lung of the central People's Republic of China (PRC), is a designated National Key Ecological Area and National Geopark. It has a geographic area of 30,455 square kilometers, bordering the provinces of Anhui, Henan, and Hubei, and is part of the geographic division between north and south PRC. It is an important ecological corridor and water source area for the lower Yangtze River Basin (YRB). The Huanggang Municipality is on the southern side of the area in the YRB with a permanent residential population of 5.8 million in 2021, making it the second most populous city in Hubei province after Wuhan, the provincial capital. With six out of seven counties designated as national poverty counties until 2020, the per capita gross domestic product (GDP) was CNY43,888, just over half of provincial average in 2021. Huanggang municipality is home to eight tributaries of the Yangtze River, including the Ba and Bailian rivers, with a combined basin area of 6,012 square kilometers, which run in parallel through the economic centers and most populated areas of the municipality.</p>							
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Project Outcome								
Description of Outcome								
Progress Toward Outcome								
Implementation Progress								
Description of Project Outputs								
Status of Implementation Progress (Outputs, Activities, and Issues)								
Geographical Location	Huanggang							
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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Responsible ADB Division	Environment, Natural Resources & Agriculture Division, EARD
Executing Agencies	Huanggang Municipal Government

Timetable	
Concept Clearance	-
Fact Finding	-
MRM	-
Approval	11 Nov 2022
Last Review Mission	-
Last PDS Update	16 Nov 2022

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Financing Plan/TA Utilization						Cumulative Disbursements		
ADB	Cofinancing	Counterpart				Total	Date	Amount
		Gov	Beneficiaries	Project Sponsor	Others			
400,000.00	100,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	500,000.00	-	0.00

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