



# Regional: Asian Development Outlook 2019-2021 - Asian Development Outlook 2020 (Subproject 2)

Project Name	Asian Development Outlook 2019-2021 -Asian Development Outlook 2020 (Subproject 2)	
Project Number	52216-003	
Country	Regional	
Project Status	Active	
Project Type / Modality of Assistance	Technical Assistance	
Source of Funding / Amount	TA 9850-REG: Asian Development Outlook 2019-2021 -Asian Development Outlook 2020 (Subproject 2) Technical Assistance Special Fund <span style="float: right;">US\$ 1.00 million</span>	
Strategic Agendas	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 will 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, and (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 appropriate 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 and demographic barriers, (iv) spatial and geographical limitations, (v) institutional and policy weaknesses, 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 provide research and data support for participation by ADB Management in regional and global policy forums and 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 of the region provides insights that help guide appropriate policy responses to the economic issues facing 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 was endorsed as a corporate priority TA in December 2017.	
Impact	Environment within which policy formulation occurs in DMEs influenced by the ADOa Debates and policy research on important development challenges facing Asia and the Pacific spurred by the ADO	
<b>Project Outcome</b>		
Description of Outcome	ADO content helps inform policy discussions by DME officials, views of the general public, and analysis of researchers.	
<b>Progress Toward Outcome</b>		
<b>Implementation Progress</b>		
Description of Project Outputs	1. ADO 2020, ADO 2020 Update, and ADO supplements produced and disseminated 2. Background papers published	
Status of Implementation Progress (Outputs, Activities, and Issues)		
Geographical Location	Regional	
<b>Summary of Environmental and Social Aspects</b>		
Environmental Aspects		
Involuntary Resettlement		
Indigenous Peoples		
<b>Stakeholder Communication, Participation, and Consultation</b>		
During Project Design		
During Project Implementation		

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Timetable	
Concept Clearance	-
Fact Finding	-
MRM	-
Approval	08 Nov 2019
Last Review Mission	-
Last PDS Update	08 Nov 2019

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Milestones					
Approval	Signing Date	Effectivity Date	Closing		
			Original	Revised	Actual
08 Nov 2019	-	08 Nov 2019	31 Dec 2021	-	-

Financing Plan/TA Utilization						Cumulative Disbursements		
ADB	Cofinancing	Counterpart				Total	Date	Amount
		Gov	Beneficiaries	Project Sponsor	Others			
1,000,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,000,000.00	08 Nov 2019	0.00

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