Regional: Deepening Civil Society Engagement for Development Effectiveness—Deepening Civil Society Engagement in ADB Operations (Subproject 3)

### Project Name
Deepening Civil Society Engagement for Development Effectiveness—Deepening Civil Society Engagement in ADB Operations (Subproject 3)

### Project Number
50364-004

### Country
Regional Armenia Georgia Philippines Uzbekistan

### Project Status
Approved

### Project Type / Modality of Assistance
Technical Assistance

### Source of Funding / Amount
TA 9769-REG: Deepening Civil Society Engagement for Development Effectiveness - Deepening Civil Society Engagement in ADB Operations (Subproject 3)

Technical Assistance Special Fund
US$ 500,000.00

### Strategic Agendas
Inclusive economic growth

### Drivers of Change
Governance and capacity development
Knowledge solutions
Partnerships

### Sector / Subsector
Public sector management - Public administration

### Gender Equity and Mainstreaming
Some gender elements

### Description
The subproject will have the following outcome: CSO participation in ADB operations strengthened.

- **Output 1:** Capacity for effective civil society organization engagement in the design, implementation, and monitoring of ADB projects improved.
- **Output 2:** Demonstration activities through effective civil society organization engagement conducted.
- **Output 3:** Knowledge products about effective civil society organization engagement in Asian Development Bank operations generated and shared.

### Project Rationale and Linkage to Country/Regional Strategy
The third subproject will further deepen the TA cluster activities into selected countries in all operational departments. It will include:

1. Expanded implementation of in-country capacity building and enhanced CSO engagement programs across selected DMCs (output 1);
2. Additional participatory CSO initiatives in new and ongoing projects in selected DMCs (output 2);
3. Expanded knowledge generation and sharing activities, drawing on outputs and outcomes of subproject 1 and subproject 2, and completion of activities showcasing lessons in deepening ADB CSO engagement (output 3);
4. Project management.

### Impact
Delivery of inclusive development services in selected DMCs improved (Sustainable Development Goal 10).

### Project Outcome
**Description of Outcome**
CSO participation in ADB operations strengthened

**Progress Toward Outcome**

### Implementation Progress

**Description of Project Outputs**
Capacity for effective CSO engagement in the design, implementation, and monitoring of ADB projects improved
Demonstration activities through effective CSO engagement conducted
Knowledge products about effective CSO engagement in ADB operations generated and shared

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

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### Summary of Environmental and Social Aspects

#### Environmental Aspects

- **Involuntary Resettlement**
- **Indigenous Peoples**

#### Stakeholder Communication, Participation, and Consultation

- **During Project Design**
  ADB met with a range of CSOs in all regions during the implementation of subprojects 1 and 2 and sought their understanding of how they wanted to deepen ADB-civil society cooperation. ADB has integrated their inputs and feedback into the design of subproject 3.

- **During Project Implementation**
  During subproject 3 implementation, civil society stakeholders will continuously be involved in knowledge sharing and demonstration projects. Their feedback will continually contribute to the learning and improvement of later project activities, as relevant.

### Business Opportunities
Consulting Services
ADB will engage all CSOs and an individual consultant following the ADB Procurement Policy (2017, as amended from time to time) and its associated project administration instructions and/or staff instructions. Under output 2, ADB will engage seven national CSOs to conduct CSO demonstration activities in selected DMCs. These organizations will be engaged using a simplified technical proposal and consultants’ qualifications selection or single source selection using a performance-based contract with payments made upon acceptance of deliverables. All contracts proposed for single source selection are valued at $50,000 or less and ADB has completed due diligence on all them. Appendix 3 contains the outline terms of reference for consultants and firms to be engaged. The terms of reference for CSO participation in the project in Armenia and the two projects in South Asia will be prepared upon finalization of the needs identification and project selection.

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