



Cambodia: Greater Mekong Subregion Health Security Project (Additional Financing)

Project Name	Greater Mekong Subregion Health Security Project (Additional Financing)	
Project Number	48118-005	
Country	Cambodia	
Project Status	Approved	
Project Type / Modality of Assistance	Grant Loan	
Source of Funding / Amount	Grant 9223-CAM: Greater Mekong Subregion Health Security Project (Additional Financing)	
	Japan Fund for Poverty Reduction	US\$ 5.00 million
	Loan 4125-CAM: Greater Mekong Subregion Health Security Project - Additional Financing for Cambodia	
	Concessional ordinary capital resources lending	US\$ 25.00 million
Strategic Agendas	Environmentally sustainable growth Inclusive economic growth Regional integration	
Drivers of Change	Knowledge solutions Partnerships	
Sector / Subsector	Health - Disease control of communicable disease - Health system development	
Gender Equity and Mainstreaming	Effective gender mainstreaming	
Description	The additional financing will provide targeted investments for additional 8 provincial hospitals and 73 district referral hospitals not covered under the original project. It will focus upgrading of hospital clinical care, laboratory, IPC, and human resource capacity to respond to COVID-19 and other public health threats. The proposed project will strengthen surveillance, response, and risk communications capacity for COVID-19 and other epidemic prone diseases nation-wide. The additional financing will complement ADB support under the COVID-19 Active Response and Expenditure Support (CARES) Program and the The Responsive COVID-19 Vaccines for Recovery (RECOVER) Project. The additional financing project remains aligned with the outcome of the original project: Greater Mekong Subregion (GMS) health system performance with regard to health security improved.	
Project Rationale and Linkage to Country/Regional Strategy	The proposed additional financing to the health security project is an efficient modality for the expedited delivery of support to build subnational capacity for responding to COVID-19 and other emerging public health threats. The approach leverages the experience of MOH in implementing targeted interventions with provincial and district referral hospitals under the original project, enabling rapid nationwide scale-up. The proposed additional financing has been determined to be technically feasible, economically viable, and financially sound. The project meets the criteria for COVID-19 fast-track processing.	
Impact	GMS public health security strengthened	
Project Outcome		
Description of Outcome	GMS health system performance with regard to health security improved	
Progress Toward Outcome		
Implementation Progress		
Description of Project Outputs	Regional cooperation and CDC in border areas improved National disease surveillance and outbreak response systems strengthened Laboratory services and hospital IPC improved Emergency preparedness and response capacity for COVID-19 strengthened	
Status of Implementation Progress (Outputs, Activities, and Issues)		
Geographical Location	Nation-wide	
Safeguard Categories		
Environment	B	
Involuntary Resettlement	C	
Indigenous Peoples	B	
Summary of Environmental and Social Aspects		

Environmental Aspects	Environment (category B). Output 3 of the proposed project will include minor renovation works for laboratories within existing hospital compounds. Output 4 will include installation of oxygen plants at selected hospitals. Such works may cause temporary and localized adverse environmental impacts and pose minor risks to occupational and community health and safety. These impacts and risks will be highly localized and for a short period. Risks can be readily mitigated to acceptable levels through implementation of standard environmental management practices. The project will provide modern medical waste treatment equipment in 42 hospitals. The initial environment examination and the environment management plan prepared for the original project were updated to reflect the expanded project scope. The overall project will remain category B for environment. The PMU, with the support of the IPC and safeguards consultants, will coordinate environment management plan implementation, including safeguards monitoring and reporting to ADB and project affected people.
Involuntary Resettlement	Involuntary resettlement (category C). No land acquisition and resettlement impacts are envisaged. The overall project will remain category C for involuntary resettlement.
Indigenous Peoples	Indigenous peoples (category B). Ten provinces to be supported under the project have diverse indigenous populations. Indigenous peoples comprise 3.9% of the population served by the hospitals to be supported by the project in these 10 provinces. The project will bring positive benefits to indigenous peoples in the project areas, specifically with respect to improved health care. An Indigenous People's Plan has been drafted to maximize such benefits. The MOH will appoint a focal to oversee the implementation of the Indigenous People's Plan, with support from the PMU's national safeguard specialist. The overall project will remain category B for indigenous peoples. The scope of the grievance redress mechanism established for the original project will be extended to the additional financing. The MOH will report project-related complaints to ADB through quarterly progress reports.

Stakeholder Communication, Participation, and Consultation

During Project Design

During Project Implementation

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Responsible ADB Department	Southeast Asia Department
Responsible ADB Division	Human and Social Development Division, SERD
Executing Agencies	Ministry of Health No. 151-153, Avenue Kampuchea Krom 1537 Phnom Penh Kingdom of Cambodia

Timetable

Concept Clearance	15 Apr 2021
Fact Finding	24 May 2021 to 26 May 2021
MRM	15 Jul 2021
Approval	07 Oct 2021
Last Review Mission	-
Last PDS Update	07 Oct 2021

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Financing Plan		Grant Utilization			
	Total (Amount in US\$ million)	Date	ADB	Others	Net Percentage
Project Cost	5.00	Cumulative Contract Awards			
ADB	0.00	-	0.00	0.00	%
Counterpart	0.00	Cumulative Disbursements			
Cofinancing	5.00	-	0.00	0.00	%

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Financing Plan		Loan Utilization			
	Total (Amount in US\$ million)	Date	ADB	Others	Net Percentage
Project Cost	30.00	Cumulative Contract Awards			
ADB	25.00	-	0.00	0.00	%
Counterpart	5.00	Cumulative Disbursements			
Cofinancing	0.00	-	0.00	0.00	%

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