



Pakistan: Integrated Social Protection Development Program

Project Name	Integrated Social Protection Development Program	
Project Number	45233-007	
Country	Pakistan	
Project Status	Proposed	
Project Type / Modality of Assistance	Loan	
Source of Funding / Amount	Loan: Integrated Social Protection Development Program	
	Ordinary capital resources	US\$ 300.00 million
Strategic Agendas	Inclusive economic growth	
Drivers of Change	Governance and capacity development Knowledge solutions Partnerships	
Sector / Subsector	Education - Pre-primary and primary - social protection initiatives Health - Nutrition Public sector management - Public expenditure and fiscal management - Social protection initiatives	
Gender Equity and Mainstreaming	Gender equity	
Description	<p>The proposed RBL program will support the government's efforts to implement high priorities from Ehsaas in a coordinate, cohesive and systematic manner. The RBL modality is appropriate for the proposed program because the government has: (i) a sound social protection and poverty alleviation agenda and a vision for the sector (para. 4); (ii) provided a clearly defined scope for ADB and other development partners; (iii) demonstrated progressive improvements in fiduciary and financial management (FM); (iv) extensive experience and success with the program-for-results financing instrument from the World Bank; and (v) increased use of country systems in parallel with reforms in procurement and FM. In addition, the nature of the program requires a results and systems approach with the focus on overall results rather than a number of discrete interventions. The RBL modality will facilitate the implementation of works by using country program systems, supporting institutional strengthening, promoting development partner coordination and harmonization, and reducing overall transaction costs.</p>	
Project Rationale and Linkage to Country/Regional Strategy	<p>Pakistan, the world's fifth-most populous country, is a lower-middle-income country with a gross national income per capita of \$1,383 in 2019. The economy exhibits an episodic pattern of growth characterized by boom and bust periods. Pakistan has several unresolved structural challenges that precipitate fiscal and financial crises every few years including insufficient high-value export capacity to finance imports, weak domestic revenue mobilization, oversized government expenditures on failing public sector enterprises, and an unreformed electricity and power sector requiring massive public subsidies to keep it afloat.</p>	
Impact	Alleviate poverty, reduce inequality and achieve inclusive and sustainable human capital development (Ehsaas)	
Outcome	Increased social protection coverage and access to education, health services and nutrition requirements for poor households.	
Outputs	<p>Institutional and organizational capacity for social protection under UCT and CCT strengthened. CCT for primary education expanded. The implementation of pilot CCT for nutrition evaluated.</p>	
Geographical Location	Nation-wide	
Safeguard Categories		
Environment		C
Involuntary Resettlement		C
Indigenous Peoples		C
Summary of Environmental and Social Aspects		
Environmental Aspects		
Involuntary Resettlement		
Indigenous Peoples		
Stakeholder Communication, Participation, and Consultation		
During Project Design		
During Project Implementation		
Responsible ADB Officer	Tora, Laisiasa Natakubu	
Responsible ADB Department	Central and West Asia Department	
Responsible ADB Division	Public Management, Financial Sector and Trade Division, CWRD	

Timetable	
Concept Clearance	11 Dec 2020
Fact Finding	27 Feb 2020 to 27 Feb 2020
MRM	10 Apr 2020
Approval	-
Last Review Mission	-
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