



Afghanistan: Energy Supply Improvement Investment Program Tranche 6

Project Name	Energy Supply Improvement Investment Program Tranche 6	
Project Number	47282-007	
Country	Afghanistan	
Project Status	Proposed	
Project Type / Modality of Assistance	Grant	
Source of Funding / Amount	Grant: Energy Supply Improvement Investment Program Tranche 6 concessional ordinary capital resources lending / Asian Development Fund US\$ 110.00 million	
Strategic Agendas	Environmentally sustainable growth Inclusive economic growth Regional integration	
Drivers of Change		
Sector / Subsector	Energy - Electricity transmission and distribution	
Gender Equity and Mainstreaming	Some gender elements	
Description	ADB received the government's periodic financing request for tranche 6, a grant amounting \$105 million, from ADB's Special Funds resources (Appendix 1). The project is aligned with ADB's Strategy 2030 (operational cluster 3 on infrastructure and economic connectivity) and supports three of its seven operational priorities in (i) addressing remaining poverty and reducing inequalities, (ii) tackling climate change, building climate and disaster resilience, and enhancing environmental sustainability, and (iii) fostering regional cooperation and integration. Tranche 6 is in line with ADB's country partnership strategy 2017 -2021 for Afghanistan which continues prioritizing developing power transmission both for regional interconnections and domestic network expansion. The proposed Tranche 6 is also in line with the Central Asia Regional Economic Cooperation 2030 which promotes cross-border energy trade. ADB included this project in the country operations business plan, 2019- 2021 for Afghanistan.	
Project Rationale and Linkage to Country/Regional Strategy	On 4 December 2015, the Asian Development Bank (ADB) approved a multitranche financing facility (MFF) to finance the Energy Supply Improvement Investment Program in an amount not exceeding \$750 million from ADB's Special Funds resources and \$450 million as ADB-administered joint cofinancing, totaling \$1.2 billion. ADB and the Islamic Republic of Afghanistan signed a framework financing agreement (FFA) for the investment program on 2 November 2015. The three executing agencies for the MFF comprise (i) Da Afghanistan Breshna Sherkat (DABS), for the power subsector, (ii) the Ministry of Mines for the gas subsector, and (iii) the Ministry of Energy and Water for policy support and the renewable energy subsector. The MFF availability period ends 31 December 2025.	
Impact	Access to sustainable energy supplies across Afghanistan improved (National Energy Supply Program)	
Outcome	Supply of imported power increased	
Outputs	Cross-border power transmission capacity between Uzbekistan and Afghanistan expanded	
Geographical Location		
Safeguard Categories		
Environment	B	
Involuntary Resettlement	B	
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	Zhang Lei	
Responsible ADB Department	Central and West Asia Department	
Responsible ADB Division	Energy Division, CWRD	
Executing Agencies	Da Afghanistan Breshna Sherkat Chaman Houzouri, Kabul, Islamic Republic of Afghanistan	

Timetable	
Concept Clearance	-
Fact Finding	-
MRM	21 Nov 2019
Approval	-
Last Review Mission	-
Last PDS Update	05 Nov 2019

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