

INTEGRATED SAFEGUARDS DATA SHEET

IDENTIFICATION / CONCEPT STAGE

Report No.: ISDSC19689

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I. BASIC INFORMATION

A. Basic Project Data

Country:	Azerbaijan	Project ID:	P161307
Project Name:	Republic of Azerbaijan: NSDS, Including Detailed Institution, Human and ICT Capacity Building Plans for 2017-2022		
Team Leader(s):	Gregory Kisunko		
Estimated Date of Approval:	10-Jan-2017		
Managing Unit:	GGO15	Lending Instrument:	IPF
Financing (in USD Million)			
Total Project Cost:	0.2499	Total Bank Financing:	0
Financing Gap:	0		
Financing Source			Amount
Program to Support Statistical Capacity Building in ECA			0.2499
Environment Category:	C - Not Required		

B. Project Development Objective(s)

The objective of the grant is to support the State Statistical Committee of the Republic of Azerbaijan in preparing: (i) a new long-term National Strategy for the Development of Statistics for 2017-2027 (NSDS); (ii) supplemental mid-term (2017-2022) action plans; and (iii) capacity building of the SSC staff in order to make them ready for implementation of these action plans. Action plans will be prepared with costing and timetables.

C. Project Description

The project will cost approximately 304,900, of which \$249,900 will be funded by a TFSCB grant and approximately \$55,000 will be in-kind contribution from the Implementing Agency.

The project will consist of four main components as follows:

Component 1: Development of the new NSDS covering 2017-2027 with detailed elaboration of actions for 2017-2022.

- i. Key activities: Consulting services.
- ii. Description and expected outputs: This component will finance a review of the status of the statistical system, including assessment of the SSC long-term needs with a special attention to the first five years. Expected outputs are a draft NSDS and five-year institutional development, ICT

(including hard- and software, analytical tools and information security needs), and human resource capacity building activity plans, cost estimates, and timetables.

Component 2. A review and discussion of the NSDS and action plans with all stakeholders (within and outside of the SSC and GoAz).

- i. Key activities: National consultations, workshops and consulting services
- ii. Description and expected outputs: This component will finance national consultation and dissemination workshop to solicit feedback on whether priorities outlined in the NSDS and action plans reflect needs of the GoAz and civil society and on comprehensiveness and feasibility of the proposed action plans. The consultations and workshops will cement the ownership of the NSDS and action plans by stakeholders, data producers and users (including line ministries and civil society) and, therefore, help its successful implementation.

Component 3. Capacity building and training for the relevant SSC staff in implementation of action plans (projects).

- i. Key activities: Statistical project implementation trainings conducted by international experts, seminars, study tours (2) and consulting services.
- ii. Description and expected outputs: This component will finance experts and study tours aimed at preparing relevant SSC staff (mostly managers) to performing tasks related to implementation of three medium-term action plans prepared under this grant. The GoAz intends to improve performance of all aspects of the SSC performance and therefore, it is important to furnish the SSC staff with skill necessary to implement complex action plans for improvement of statistics. Study tours to countries implementing similar action plans will cement skills obtained through in-class trainings.

Component 4. Project implementation support.

- i. Key activities: Consulting services, goods and services.
- ii. Description and expected outputs: This component will finance national consultants supporting project implementation with logistical and other necessary goods and services (including office equipment, printing of materials and translation/i

D. Project location and salient physical characteristics relevant to the safeguard analysis (if known)

none

E. Borrower's Institutional Capacity for Safeguard Policies

n/a

F. Environmental and Social Safeguards Specialists on the Team

II. SAFEGUARD POLICIES THAT MIGHT APPLY

Safeguard Policies	Triggered?	Explanation (Optional)
Environmental Assessment OP/ BP 4.01	No	
Natural Habitats OP/BP 4.04	No	
Forests OP/BP 4.36	No	
Pest Management OP 4.09	No	
	No	

Physical Cultural Resources OP/ BP 4.11		
Indigenous Peoples OP/BP 4.10	No	
Involuntary Resettlement OP/BP 4.12	No	
Safety of Dams OP/BP 4.37	No	
Projects on International Waterways OP/BP 7.50	No	
Projects in Disputed Areas OP/BP 7.60	No	

III. SAFEGUARD PREPARATION PLAN

Appraisal stage ISDS required?: No

IV. APPROVALS

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