



China, People's Republic of: Strategic Research on Environmentally Sustainable Development of Paper Mulberry Ecological Agriculture and Pasturage in the Yellow River Basin

Project Name	Strategic Research on Environmentally Sustainable Development of Paper Mulberry Ecological Agriculture and Pasturage in the Yellow River Basin		
Project Number	54026-010		
Country	China, People's Republic of		
Project Status	Active		
Project Type / Modality of Assistance	Technical Assistance		
Source of Funding / Amount	<div>TA 6777-PRC: Strategic Research on Environmentally Sustainable Development of Paper Mulberry Ecological Agriculture and Pasturage in the Yellow River Basin</div> <div>Technical Assistance Special FundUS\$ 300,000.00</div>		
Strategic Agendas	Environmentally sustainable growth Inclusive economic growth		
Drivers of Change	Governance and capacity development Knowledge solutions Private sector development		
Sector / Subsector	Agriculture, natural resources and rural development - Agricultural policy; institutional and capacity development - Land-based natural resources management		
Gender Equity and Mainstreaming	Some gender elements		
Description	The TA will have the following outcome: high-quality green agricultural development opportunities through paper mulberry production in the Yellow River basin enhanced. The subproject will support the overall TA cluster outputs by (i) providing policy advice on supporting institutional, policy, and governance reforms to support paper mulberry production that has a potential to address sustainable and high-quality development issues in Yellow River basin (cluster output 1); (ii) developing innovative and nature-positive solution of promoting paper mulberry production that will address development constraints in the Yellow River basin (cluster output 2); and (iii) promoting knowledge generation and dissemination to build capacity of local government, farmers, private sector, and stakeholders to enable the nature-positive approach to be adopted and scaled-up (cluster output 3). When these elements are combined, it will support the preparation of a comprehensive strategy and action plan of promoting paper mulberry production to support environmentally sustainable development in the Yellow River basin.		
Project Rationale and Linkage to Country/Regional Strategy	Promotion of paper mulberry production can be a new technical model to promote environmentally sustainable development in the Yellow River basin. In fact, the potential of scaling up paper mulberry production to achieve ecological civilization has been highlighted by the government's strategic documents. Paper mulberry can be cultivated in different forms; multiple uses of leaf foliage and its positive impact on environment such as restoration of degraded lands, bioremediation of polluted sites, conservation of water, prevention of soil erosion, and improvement of air quality by carbon sequestration. It is also used to prepare various products in pharmaceutical, food, cosmetic, and health care industries. The promotion of paper mulberry production can provide nature-positive solutions to address development constraints in Yellow River basin.		
Impact	Resilient ecological protection and security in the Yellow River basin achieved		
Project Outcome			
Description of Outcome		High-quality green agricultural development opportunities through paper mulberry production in the Yellow River basin enhanced	
Progress Toward Outcome			
Implementation Progress			
Description of Project Outputs		Opportunities and strategies to promote environmentally sustainable development through paper mulberry production identified Pilot models and an action plan to scale up environmentally sustainable development through paper mulberry production prepared Knowledge and skills on environmentally sustainable development through paper mulberry production enhanced	
Status of Implementation Progress (Outputs, Activities, and Issues)			
Geographical Location		Nation-wide	
Summary of Environmental and Social Aspects			
Environmental Aspects			
Involuntary Resettlement			
Indigenous Peoples			

Stakeholder Communication, Participation, and Consultation	
During Project Design	
During Project Implementation	
Business Opportunities	
Consulting Services	A consulting firm will be recruited using the quality- and cost-based selection method, using a quality cost ratio of 90:10 and biodata technical proposal according to the Asian Development Bank's (ADB) Procurement Policy (2017, as amended from time to time and Procurement Regulations for ADB Borrowers (2017, as amended from time to time).
Procurement	Procurement will follow the ADB Procurement Policy (2017, as amended from time to time) and the Procurement Regulations for ADB Borrowers (2017, as amended from time to time).
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Timetable	
Concept Clearance	-
Fact Finding	31 May 2021 to 31 May 2021
MRM	-
Approval	06 Oct 2021
Last Review Mission	-
Last PDS Update	21 Sep 2021

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Milestones					
Approval	Signing Date	Effectivity Date	Closing		
			Original	Revised	Actual
15 Sep 2021	-	-	30 Sep 2023	-	-

Financing Plan/TA Utilization							Cumulative Disbursements	
ADB	Cofinancing	Counterpart				Total	Date	Amount
		Gov	Beneficiaries	Project Sponsor	Others			
300,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	300,000.00	27 Oct 2021	0.00

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