



# Regional: Developing South Asian Livable Cities Facility

Project Name	Developing South Asian Livable Cities Facility
Project Number	42173-015
Country	RegionalBangladeshBhutanMaldivesNepalSri Lanka
Project Status	Active
Project Type / Modality of Assistance	Technical Assistance
Source of Funding / Amount	TA 9781-REG: Developing South Asian Livable Cities Facility Technical Assistance Special FundUS\$ 4.00 million
Strategic Agendas	Environmentally sustainable growth Inclusive economic growth
Drivers of Change	Governance and capacity development Knowledge solutions
Sector / Subsector	Water and other urban infrastructure and services - Urban policy, institutional and capacity development
Gender Equity and Mainstreaming	Effective gender mainstreaming
Description	The proposed transaction technical assistance (TA) facility will provide (i) project preparation support to a series of ensuing urban sector projects in South Asia during 2019-2022; and (ii) capacity building and project implementation support to a series of ongoing projects. The ensuing projects being prepared by the urban development and water division of South Asia are aligned with Asian Development Bank's (ADB) Strategy 2030 with an operational priority of building livable cities that are green, competitive, inclusive and resilient. The projects will contribute to integrated, sustainable and smart urban development in the region, promote and showcase innovations, and thus require corresponding technical, safeguard, governance, financial management, and economic due diligence in addition to advance contracting and readiness requirements set by the developing member countries in South Asia and ADB to ensure efficient implementation. Large efficiency gains can be achieved by utilizing a combined facility approach for the development of multiple projects under a single cost center.
Project Rationale and Linkage to Country/Regional Strategy	This transaction TA facility combines the key features of project preparatory, loan-tied or piggy backed and capacity development TAs, thereby providing greater efficiencies in TA management and greater flexibility in providing a range of solutions to DMCs under a single resource envelope. Tedious administration requirements of hiring several firms and individual consultants will be bypassed using framework agreements (for both firms and individuals), which will expedite consultant mobilization, enhance competition, reduce transaction costs and shorten overall recruitment time for repeat assignments of similar nature.
Impact	
Project Outcome	
Description of Outcome	
Progress Toward Outcome	
Implementation Progress	
Description of Project Outputs	
Status of Implementation Progress (Outputs, Activities, and Issues)	
Geographical Location	Bangladesh - Dhaka, Khulna; Bhutan - Paro; Maldives - Male; Nepal - Kathmandu; Sri Lanka - Colombo
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 ADB will engage consultants following the ADB's Procurement Policy (2017, as amended from time to time) and its associated project administration instructions and/or staff instructions. For project preparatory assignments, two firms will be empaneled through framework agreements prequalifying them for a period of up to 3 years to provide advice on subsequent assignments. A total of 145 person-months (86.5 international and 58.5 national) are expected to be contracted to the empaneled firms. Framework agreements will also be used for engaging 6 person-months of services from two home-based individual international consultants to support project documentation and the editing of knowledge products. A national procurement management consulting firm will be engaged through a simplified technical proposal for transactional support requirements. An output-based contract with milestone payments will be used. The inputs will be office-based. ADB will also engage individual consultants (two international for 6 person-months and eight national for 115 person-months) using individual consultant selection. Individual consultants will support knowledge management and day-to-day project and TA administration. International consultants will render home-based inputs. National consultants will be based in ADB headquarters, except for one consultant who will be based in ADB's Bangladesh Resident Mission. Individual consultants and consultant firms will be engaged to the extent possible to support more than one project.

Procurement not applicable

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Timetable	
Concept Clearance	-
Fact Finding	-
MRM	-
Approval	07 Aug 2019
Last Review Mission	-
Last PDS Update	08 Aug 2019

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Financing Plan/TA Utilization							Cumulative Disbursements	
ADB	Cofinancing	Counterpart				Total	Date	Amount
		Gov	Beneficiaries	Project Sponsor	Others			
4,000,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	4,000,000.00	-	0.00

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