



Vanuatu: Interisland Shipping Support Project (Second Additional Financing)

Project Name	Interisland Shipping Support Project (Second Additional Financing)	
Project Number	42392-015	
Country	Vanuatu	
Project Status	Proposed	
Project Type / Modality of Assistance	Grant Loan	
Source of Funding / Amount	Grant: Interisland Shipping Support Project (Second Additional Financing)	
	concessional ordinary capital resources lending / Asian Development Fund	US\$ 5.00 million
	Loan: Interisland Shipping Support Project (Second Additional Financing)	
	concessional ordinary capital resources lending / Asian Development Fund	US\$ 24.39 million
Strategic Agendas	Environmentally sustainable growth Inclusive economic growth	
Drivers of Change	Governance and capacity development Partnerships Private sector development	
Sector / Subsector	Transport - Transport policies and institutional development - Water transport (non-urban)	
Gender Equity and Mainstreaming	Effective gender mainstreaming	
Description	<p>The Vanuatu Interisland Shipping Support Project (VISSP) was approved as Loan 2820/Grant 0273-VAN on 30-Nov-11. The project is co-financed by the Government of New Zealand. The safeguards categorizations of the original project are B for environment and C for involuntary resettlement and indigenous people. The project has been under implementation since 2012 and regular review missions have been conducted and semi-annual monitoring reports have been regularly received and disclosed.</p> <p>Component 1 of VISSP - construction and rehabilitation of domestic wharves and jetties in Vanuatu - originally comprised seven subprojects (Figure 1) including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. South Paray domestic wharf and channel construction b. Simonsen wharf rehabilitation c. Lenakel wharf rehabilitation d. Litzlitz wharf rehabilitation e. Lolowai jetty construction f. Lolong jetty construction g. Port Sandwich jetty construction 	
Project Rationale and Linkage to Country/Regional Strategy	<p>Inadequate designs and project management by the previous consultant resulted in construction delays for South Paray, and Outer Islands (b-g) to the extent that the construction could not proceed as originally planned. The original consultant's contract was terminated by Government of Vanuatu (the government) and construction works at South Paray Wharf was suspended in November 2017 at which time the construction of South Paray was 70% complete. South Paray channel construction was completed in February 2017. Very little design work and no construction had commenced in respect of the other subprojects b-g.</p> <p>Following the government review of the project status in 2018, Lolowai and Lolong subprojects were removed from the VISSP project and redesign for South Paray, Lenakel, Litzlitz, Simonsen, and Port Sandwich commenced. The New Zealand Ministry of Foreign Affairs (MFAT) is funding the redesign of South Paray, Lenakel and Litzlitz wharves and ADB is funding the independent design review and construction of these subprojects. ADB is funding both the redesign (including independent design review) and construction of Simonsen and Port Sandwich wharves.</p> <p>This second additional financing to the project will cover the reconstruction and rehabilitation for the wharves at Simonsen and Port Sandwich.</p>	
Impact	People's access to socioeconomic opportunities improved (Vanuatu 2030: The People's Plan)	
Outcome	Reliable, safe, and adequately frequent interisland shipping services provided by private sector operators	
Outputs	<p>Maritime infrastructure provided in the capital and rural areas improved</p> <p>Shipping support and coordination schemes established</p> <p>Efficient and effective project implementation services ensured</p> <p>The Office of Maritime Regulator established</p>	
Geographical Location	Nation-wide	
Safeguard Categories		
Environment	B	
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

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Responsible ADB Department	Pacific Department
Responsible ADB Division	PATC
Executing Agencies	Ministry of Finance & Economic Management P.M.B. 058 Port Vila Vanuatu

Timetable

Concept Clearance	16 Apr 2021
Fact Finding	19 Apr 2021 to 28 Apr 2021
MRM	08 Jun 2021
Approval	-
Last Review Mission	-
Last PDS Update	04 May 2021

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