

INTEGRATED SAFEGUARDS DATASHEET

APPRAISAL STAGE

I. Basic Information

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1. Basic Project Data

Country: Tajikistan	Project ID: P079027
Project Name: Municipal Infrastructure Development Project	
Task Team Leader: Jonathan S. Kamkwala	
Estimated Appraisal Date: October 21, 2005	Estimated Board Date: January 19, 2006
Managing Unit: ECSIE	Lending Instrument: Specific Investment Loan
Sector: Solid waste management (30%);Sewerage (30%);Sub-national government administration (20%);Water supply (20%)	
Theme: Other urban development (P);Access to urban services and housing (S);Municipal finance (S);Municipal governance and institution building (S)	
IBRD Amount (US\$m.): 0.00 IDA Amount (US\$m.): 15.00 GEF Amount (US\$m.): 0.00 PCF Amount (US\$m.): 0.00 Other financing amounts by source: <u>BORROWER/RECIPIENT</u> 1.50 1.50	
Environmental Category: B - Partial Assessment	
Simplified Processing	Simple <input type="checkbox"/> Repeater <input type="checkbox"/>
Is this project processed under OP 8.50 (Emergency Recovery)	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

2. Project Objectives

The development objective of the project is to improve the availability, quality and efficiency of basic municipal services for the population of the eight towns participating in the project. This objective will be achieved by: (a) financing the rehabilitation and/or repair of infrastructure installations and equipment belonging to KMK's local subsidiary utility enterprises, and (b) assisting KMK and its local subsidiary utility enterprises, and where appropriate, local government authorities in increasing the effectiveness of the management of basic municipal services. Improved access to basic infrastructure and services will be an important factor in supporting local economic growth and poverty reduction.

3. Project Description

This objective will be achieved by (a) financing the rehabilitation and/or repair of basic infrastructure and utility service installations and equipment, and (b) assisting local utility enterprises in increasing the effectiveness of the management of local infrastructure services.

The proposed Municipal Infrastructure Development Project (MIDP) will consist of the following three components: (a) Municipal Infrastructure Rehabilitation; (b) Technical and Institutional Support; and, (c) Implementation Support.

4. Project Location and salient physical characteristics relevant to the safeguard analysis

Project will be implemented in 8 towns: Dangara, Istaravshan, Kanibadam, Kulyab, Kurgan-Tyube, Rasht, Vahdat, and Vose.

5. Environmental and Social Safeguards Specialists

Mr Inesis Kiskis (ECSSD)

Mr Shahridan Faiez (ECSSD)

6. Safeguard Policies Triggered	Yes	No
Environmental Assessment (OP/BP 4.01)	X	
Natural Habitats (OP/BP 4.04)		X
Forests (OP/BP 4.36)		X
Pest Management (OP 4.09)		X
Cultural Property (OPN 11.03)		X
Indigenous Peoples (OD 4.20)		X
Involuntary Resettlement (OP/BP 4.12)		X
Safety of Dams (OP/BP 4.37)		X
Projects on International Waterways (OP/BP 7.50)	X	
Projects in Disputed Areas (OP/BP 7.60)		X

II. Key Safeguard Policy Issues and Their Management

A. Summary of Key Safeguard Issues

1. Describe any safeguard issues and impacts associated with the proposed project. Identify and describe any potential large scale, significant and/or irreversible impacts: The project will not have any significant or irreversible environmental impacts and is classified as Environmental category B. Short term impacts will be minimized by proper planning and application of preventative measures and mitigated by curative actions after construction is completed.

2. Describe any potential indirect and/or long term impacts due to anticipated future activities in the project area: There are no indirect or long term measures anticipated due to future activities in the project area. The project may support activities that take place near trans-boundary waterways. However, the project was granted an exception from notifying the riparians, since the proposed activities will not modify nor increase the volume of water abstraction from the surface or ground water reservoirs, nor affect the rights of other users.

3. Describe any project alternatives (if relevant) considered to help avoid or minimize adverse impacts.

There are no alternative project options. The project will involve rehabilitation of existing infrastructure assets only. The project will not entail land acquisition or temporary or permanent relocation, or adverse impacts on livelihoods. Adverse impacts on livelihoods will be avoided by providing alternative access routes if necessary, and phasing construction to minimize disruption.

4. Describe measures taken by the borrower to address safeguard policy issues. Provide an assessment of borrower capacity to plan and implement the measures described.

The Borrower will prepare an Environmental Management Plan for each investment, detailing likely impacts (including the social ones) and the mitigation measures. Provisions for Environmental screening will be included in the Operational Manual and the subproject specific EMPs. Investments will also need to obtain clearances as per Tajikistan national legislation.

5. Identify the key stakeholders and describe the mechanisms for consultation and disclosure on safeguard policies, with an emphasis on potentially affected people.

The Key stakeholders are KMK, a central government utility agency, local municipalities, and the beneficiaries. As part of the social assessment consultations are being carried out with consumers to determine their needs and ensure that they are taken into account in project design. Periodic consultations will continue during project implementation and after project completion to determine the level of beneficiary satisfaction with the project and its impact. The project-wide EMP was discussed at public consultation meeting.

B. Disclosure Requirements Date

Environmental Assessment/Audit/Management Plan/Other:

Date of receipt by the Bank	07/29/2005
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Date of "in-country" disclosure	10/10/2005
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Date of submission to InfoShop	10/12/2005
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For category A projects, date of distributing the Executive

Summary of the EA to the Executive Directors

*** If the project triggers the Pest Management, Cultural Property and/or the Safety of Dams policies, the respective issues are to be addressed and disclosed as part of the Environmental Assessment/Audit/or EMP.**

If in-country disclosure of any of the above documents is not expected, please explain why:

C. Compliance Monitoring Indicators at the Corporate Level (to be filled in when the ISDS is finalized by the project decision meeting)

OP/BP/GP 4.01 - Environment Assessment

Does the project require a stand-alone EA (including EMP) report?	Yes
If yes, then did the Regional Environment Unit review and approve the EA report?	Yes
Are the cost and the accountabilities for the EMP incorporated in the credit/loan?	Yes

OP 7.50 - Projects on International Waterways

Have the other riparians been notified of the project?	No
If the project falls under one of the exceptions to the notification requirement, has this been cleared with the Legal Department, and the memo to the RVP prepared and sent?	Yes
What are the reasons for the exception? Please explain:	Yes
Has the RVP approved such an exception?	Yes

BP 17.50 - Public Disclosure

Have relevant safeguard policies documents been sent to the World Bank's Infoshop?	Yes
Have relevant documents been disclosed in-country in a public place in a form and language that are understandable and accessible to project-affected groups and local NGOs?	Yes

All Safeguard Policies

Have satisfactory calendar, budget and clear institutional responsibilities been prepared for the implementation of measures related to safeguard policies?	Yes
Have costs related to safeguard policy measures been included in the project cost?	Yes
Does the Monitoring and Evaluation system of the project include the monitoring of safeguard impacts and measures related to safeguard policies?	Yes
Have satisfactory implementation arrangements been agreed with the borrower and the same been adequately reflected in the project legal documents?	Yes

D. Approvals

<i>Signed and submitted by:</i>		<i>Name</i>	<i>Date</i>
Task Team Leader:		Mr Jonathan S. Kamkwala	10/18/2005
Environmental Specialist:		Mr Inesis Kiskis	10/18/2005
Social Development Specialist		Mr Shahridan Faiez	10/18/2005
Additional Environmental and/or Social Development Specialist(s):			
<i>Approved by:</i>			
Regional Safeguards Coordinator:		Mr Ronald N. Hoffer	12/01/2005
Comments: The EMP is improved and you are cleared. Please send the revised EMP to Infoshop.			
Sector Manager:		Mr Sumter Lee Travers	10/18/2005
Comments: The team has agreed to work with the client to improve the final EMP.			

