

INTEGRATED SAFEGUARDS DATA SHEET

IDENTIFICATION / CONCEPT STAGE

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I. BASIC INFORMATION

A. Basic Project Data

Country:	Tajikistan	Project ID:	P162733
Project Name:	CASA-1000 Community Support Project (Tajikistan)		
Team Leader(s):	Robert Wrobel, Takhmina Mukhamedova		
Estimated Date of Approval:	15-Jan-2018		
Managing Unit:	GSU03	Lending Instrument:	IPF
Financing (in USD Million)			
Total Project Cost:	10	Total Bank Financing:	0
Financing Gap:	8		
Financing Source			Amount
Community and Capacity Development Support Program			2
Environment Category:	B - Partial Assessment		

B. Project Development Objective(s)

The overall objective of the CSP is to increase access to social and economic infrastructure services to communities in the project area to strengthen community support for the CASA-1000 transmission line.

C. Project Description

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

The CSP will target villages that fall within the CASA-1000 footprint. Where necessary, it will include adjacent villages to eliminate localized inequity and reduce the risk of inter-communal tension. A minimum of 13 villages in two districts (Sogd and Khatlon) are affected with a total of 35,089 people. The list of target villages is as follows: Khitoy, Taghoyak, Kalakhona, Kurkat, Andarsoy, Guliston, Ergash, Navabad (jamoat Guliston), Tosh-Rabot (jamoat Mashal), Mashal (jamoat Mashal), Oktyabr (jamoat Panj), 1 May (jamoat Panj), Panji Poyon (Lower Panj).

E. Borrower's Institutional Capacity for Safeguard Policies

The PIU under Barki Tajik has experience working on Bank-financed projects and on World Bank safeguards policies. Moving forward, however, it is envisioned that staff resources will need to be

strengthened both in terms of numbers and capacity. This assessment will be updated during preparation and decisions made regarding the choice of implementing agency.

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II. SAFEGUARD POLICIES THAT MIGHT APPLY

Safeguard Policies	Triggered?	Explanation (Optional)
Environmental Assessment OP/ BP 4.01	Yes	<p>The proposed grant would support micro-projects for in socio-economic infrastructure, including thermal insulation of public facilities, energy efficient individual heating technologies, inputs to produce eco-fuels from farming bi-products, solar panels, and micro-hydro power units, as well as other demand driven and socially justifiable local investments in service delivery, which might generate environmental and social impacts. While the environmental issues associated with their implementation in most cases will be minor, short-lived, and primarily limited to the project sites (except for movement of equipment and materials to/from the site), it is possible they might be also significant and would affect the environment and health of population. These issues are primarily: dust, noise, water pollution, disposal of waste material and/or older equipment, some traffic disruption (depending upon specific location), worker safety (e.g. welding operations) etc. All these impacts can be addressed with good engineering and construction practices as well as with preparing and implementing adequate mitigation measures. The project will also bring positive social impacts as the proposed activities would improve social conditions for the population and would contribute to improving local population livelihoods.</p> <p>To address potential environmental and social issues the borrower will prepare an Environmental and Social Management Framework (ESMF) which would guide the EA process, providing: (a) the national and WB EA rules and procedures; (b) potential</p>

		environmental and social impacts associated with the proposed investments: (c) guidelines on conducting sub projects EIA including mitigation measures and monitoring activities for different types of activities; roles and responsibilities in EA process and in supervision and reporting; (d) EMP and EMP Checklist to be applied within the EA process; and (e) capacity building activities to ensure an efficient EMF implementation. Category A-type sub-projects will be excluded through the ESMF screening mechanism. Using the ESMF, for each proposed sub project an EMP will be prepared and/or an EMP Checklist will be prepared and disclosed in the selected localities as well as submitted to the State Ecological Expertise for its approval. Before appraisal the ESMF will be disclosed and consulted in the country and in selected participating localities.
Natural Habitats OP/BP 4.04	TBD	The intention at initiation stage is that proposed activities such as inputs to produce eco-fuels from farming bi-products, installation of solar panels, and micro-hydro power units would complement existing infrastructure/modified habitat, e.g. rooftop PV solar panels, and that impacts to natural habitats would be excluded through the ESMF screening mechanism. However, this will be confirmed during preparation.
Forests OP/BP 4.36	No	No, as the project will be implemented within the localities' boundaries.
Pest Management OP 4.09	No	N/A
Physical Cultural Resources OP/ BP 4.11	No	All proposed investments will be screened out and if any such resources will be involved they will be excluded.
Indigenous Peoples OP/BP 4.10	No	N/A
Involuntary Resettlement OP/BP 4.12	No	Involuntary land acquisition will be screened out for the sub-projects through the ESMF. If voluntary land donation will be needed for certain sub-projects, detailed guidelines on voluntary land donation will be included in the ESMF.
Safety of Dams OP/BP 4.37	No	Investments that would trigger this policy will be screened out through the ESMF.

Projects on International Waterways OP/BP 7.50	No	Investments that would trigger this policy will be screened out through the ESMF.
Projects in Disputed Areas OP/BP 7.60	No	N/A

III. SAFEGUARD PREPARATION PLAN

A. Appraisal stage ISDS required?: Yes

i. Explanation

Additional work is required in-country to finalize design parameters, develop the ESMF accordingly, and reach decisions regarding OP/BP 4.04.

ii. Tentative target date for preparing the Appraisal Stage ISDS

01-Dec-2017

B. Time frame for launching and completing the safeguard-related studies that may be needed. The specific studies and their timing should be specified in the Appraisal Stage ISDS.

The draft ESMF will be disclosed and consulted in the country and in selected participating districts prior to appraisal. Any safeguards-related studies will be identified during a January 2017 design mission.

IV. APPROVALS

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¹ Reminder: The Bank's Disclosure Policy requires that safeguard-related documents be disclosed before appraisal (i) at the InfoShop and (ii) in country, at publicly accessible locations and in a form and language that are accessible to potentially affected persons.