

Project Summary Information

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Project Name	Resilient Kerala Program for Results
Project Number	PD000463-IND
AIB member	Republic of India
Sector/Subsector	Others/ Multi-Sectors
Status of Financing	Under Preparation
Project Description	The proposed Program for Results (PforR) will support implementation of the two key government programs – the Rebuild Kerala Development Program (RKDP) and the State Health Mission (SHM). The Program will specifically support two Results Areas: (i) Strengthened institutional capacities and systems for managing shocks from climate change, natural disasters and disease outbreaks; and (ii) Demonstrating integrated approaches to multi-dimensional resilience at the local level. As a subset of the government programs, the boundaries of the PforR have been defined to include the following high priority sectors - Health, Road, Urban, Water Resource Management, Agriculture, Disaster Risk Financing and Insurance, Disaster Risk Management (DRM), and Fiscal and Governance.
Objective	The Program objective is to enhance the state of Kerala's resilience against the impacts of Climate Change (CC) and natural disasters, including disease outbreaks and pandemics.
Expected Results	<p>Expected results of the Program include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) DRM and CC risk management capacity strengthened - share of population disaggregated by gender in target river basin districts served by Local-Self Governments with climate and risk-informed plans relative to baseline; and (ii) Effective disease surveillance system for humans, including zoonotic diseases, linked with the Integrated Disease Surveillance Plan, used for monitoring and tracking disease outbreaks - share of State population disaggregated by gender using or served by improved systems relative to baseline.
Environmental and Social Category	World Bank Category "Substantial", (similar to AIB's Category B if AIB's ESP were applicable).

Environmental and Social Information	<p>This Program will be co-financed with the World Bank as lead co-financier, and its environmental and social (ES) risks and impacts have been assessed in accordance with the World Bank's PforR Policy. AIIB's Environmental and Social Policy (ESP) was designed to apply to investment projects and has no provisions for its application to PforR operations. The World Bank's PforR Policy will therefore apply to this operation in lieu of AIIB's ESP.</p> <p>The WB has categorized the ES risks of this program as "Substantial", which is similar to Category B if AIIB's ESP were applicable. As required under the World Bank's PforR Policy, the Program excludes activities that are likely to have significant adverse ES impacts that are sensitive, irreversible, or unprecedented (similar to Category A if AIIB's ESP were applicable). As required under the World Bank's PforR program, an Environmental and Social Systems Assessment (ESSA) will be prepared. The ESSA will be complemented by a Program Action Plan (PAP) at the operational level, comprising capacity strengthening and management measures as needed to manage the project risks.</p> <p>The ESSA will have provisions for identifying the environmental risks of this Program, including physical risks, contextual risks, institutional capacity risks and political and reputational risk. These are expected to have only minor, reversible impacts.</p> <p>The Program is likely to have overall positive social impacts, especially in the areas where interventions are planned. Key social risks arise due to the possibility of exclusion of a set of vulnerable groups, such as: (i) small and marginal farmers, as they have limited resources for farm innovations (or insurance) and less access to water compared to those owning larger lands; (ii) tribal and women farmers, who are mostly landless tenants or agricultural laborers and are denied agricultural incentives that usually go to landowners; (iii) poor and socially marginalized from ULB-led development or DRM plans that fail to recognize their peculiar vulnerabilities; and (iv) tribal communities, whose habitations are remote and upland and are usually the last to receive road access. However, none of these are irreversible risks that cannot be mitigated using effective social management practices of participation, community engagement, accountability, and transparency. Since the Program intends to adopt a 'basin-wide approach' along the Pamba river basin, which is home to several indigenous communities, activities with significant adverse impacts on such communities will be excluded and measures put in place for effective screening of activities proposed in the basin.</p> <p>Grievance management mechanisms relevant to the Program will also be considered for their appropriateness across various agencies.</p>
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Cost and Financing Plan	Program cost: USD250 million Financing Plan: (i) Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank (AIIB) Loan: USD125 million (50 percent) (ii) International Bank for Reconstruction and Development (IBRD) Loan: USD125 million (50 percent)			
Borrower	Republic of India			
Implementing Entity/Sponsor	Government of Kerala (GoK) through various state departments and agencies such as Department of Health and Family Welfare (DoHFW), Department of Agriculture (DoA), Department of Finance (DoF), Department of Revenue (DoR), Kerala State Disaster Management Authority (KSDMA), Local Self Government Department (LSGD), Public Works Department (PWD) and Water Resources Department (WRD). The main body to coordinate the implementation will be the Rebuild Kerala Initiative (RKI), which was established following 2018 floods.			
Estimated date of loan closing	December 31, 2025			
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Independent Accountability Mechanism	<p>Pursuant to AIIB's agreement with WB, AIIB will rely on WB's corporate Grievance Redress Service (GRS) and its Independent Accountability Mechanism, the Inspection Panel, to handle complaints relating to ES issues that may arise under the Program. Consequently, in accordance with AIIB's Policy on the Project affected People's Mechanism (PPM), submissions to the PPM under this Program will not be eligible for consideration by the PPM. Information on WB's corporate GRS is available at http://www.worldbank.org/en/projects-operations/products-and-services/grievance-redress-service. Information on WB's Inspection Panel is available at http://www.inspectionpanel.org.</p>
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