

**INTEGRATED SAFEGUARDS DATA SHEET  
APPRAISAL STAGE**

**Report No.: ISDSA1063**

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**I. BASIC INFORMATION**

**1. Basic Project Data**

<b>Country:</b>	West Bank and Gaza	<b>Project ID:</b>	P150481
<b>Project Name:</b>	Health System Resiliency Strengthening (P150481)		
<b>Task Team Leader:</b>	Samira Ahmed Hillis		
<b>Estimated Appraisal Date:</b>	14-Oct-2014	<b>Estimated Board Date:</b>	21-Jan-2015
<b>Managing Unit:</b>	GHNDR	<b>Lending Instrument:</b>	Investment Project Financing
<b>Sector(s):</b>	Health (100%)		
<b>Theme(s):</b>	Health system performance (60%), Injuries and non-communicable diseases (30%), Other human development (10%)		
<b>Is this project processed under OP 8.50 (Emergency Recovery) or OP 8.00 (Rapid Response to Crises and Emergencies)?</b>			No
<b>Financing (In USD Million)</b>			
Total Project Cost:	8.50	Total Bank Financing:	0.00
Financing Gap:	0.00		
<b>Financing Source</b>			<b>Amount</b>
Borrower			0.00
Special Financing			8.50
Total			8.50
<b>Environmental Category:</b>	C - Not Required		
<b>Is this a Repeater project?</b>	No		

**2. Project Development Objective(s)**

The project PDO is to support the Palestinian Authority in securing continuity in healthcare service delivery and building its resilience to withstand future surge in demand for effective healthcare coverage.

**3. Project Description**

The focus of the proposed Project is to support immediate emergency needs of the health sector. Secondly, the fiscal health of the health system will be strengthened by rationalizing Outside Medical Referrals; the main reason behind the arrears and deficit. The project will support the development of functional arrangements for public health coverage and medical referrals, including capacity building to the MOH with a particular emphasis to strengthen resilience in the MOH health care provision, to ensure the sustainability of interventions. Overall, the Project's components - addressing immediate sector needs (Component 1), rationalizing OMRs (Component 2), and supporting health coverage (Component 3) will present a clear set of actions the Government can take to address the current health system crisis and to respond to the needs of the population. The proposed Project aims to help the MOH to implement policy findings and recommendations from recent analyses, including a Public Expenditure Review, a Dual Practice study, Health Insurance analysis studies, and Outside Medical Referrals studies supported by the World Bank and several analysis conducted by several donors (USAID, WHO, EU, DFID, IDC-Italy, SDC-Switzerland, NORAD and others) on clinical protocols, the contracting of hospitals, HIS, and protocols of medical conditions

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

Implemented for the benefit of populations in West Bank and Gaza, the Project does not include any physical investments.

#### **5. Environmental and Social Safeguards Specialists**

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<b>6. Safeguard Policies</b>	<b>Triggered?</b>	<b>Explanation (Optional)</b>
Environmental Assessment OP/BP 4.01	No	
Natural Habitats OP/BP 4.04	No	
Forests OP/BP 4.36	No	
Pest Management OP 4.09	No	
Physical Cultural Resources OP/BP 4.11	No	
Indigenous Peoples OP/BP 4.10	No	
Involuntary Resettlement OP/ BP 4.12	No	
Safety of Dams OP/BP 4.37	No	
Projects on International Waterways OP/BP 7.50	No	
Projects in Disputed Areas OP/ BP 7.60	No	

## **II. Key Safeguard Policy Issues and Their Management**

**A. Summary of Key Safeguard Issues**

<b>1. Describe any safeguard issues and impacts associated with the proposed project. Identify and describe any potential large scale, significant and/or irreversible impacts:</b>
None
<b>2. Describe any potential indirect and/or long term impacts due to anticipated future activities in the project area:</b>
None
<b>3. Describe any project alternatives (if relevant) considered to help avoid or minimize adverse impacts.</b>
None
<b>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.</b>
NA
<b>5. Identify the key stakeholders and describe the mechanisms for consultation and disclosure on safeguard policies, with an emphasis on potentially affected people.</b>
No safeguard issues

**B. Disclosure Requirements**

<b>If the project triggers the Pest Management and/or Physical Cultural Resources policies, the respective issues are to be addressed and disclosed as part of the Environmental Assessment/Audit/or EMP.</b>
<b>If in-country disclosure of any of the above documents is not expected, please explain why:</b>

**C. Compliance Monitoring Indicators at the Corporate Level**

<b>The World Bank Policy on Disclosure of Information</b>	
Have relevant safeguard policies documents been sent to the World Bank's Infoshop?	Yes [ ] No [ ] NA [ × ]
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 [ ] No [ ] NA [ × ]
<b>All Safeguard Policies</b>	
Have satisfactory calendar, budget and clear institutional responsibilities been prepared for the implementation of measures related to safeguard policies?	Yes [ ] No [ ] NA [ × ]
Have costs related to safeguard policy measures been included in the project cost?	Yes [ ] No [ ] NA [ × ]
Does the Monitoring and Evaluation system of the project include the monitoring of safeguard impacts and measures related to safeguard policies?	Yes [ ] No [ ] NA [ × ]
Have satisfactory implementation arrangements been agreed with the borrower and the same been adequately reflected in the project legal documents?	Yes [ ] No [ ] NA [ × ]

### III. APPROVALS

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