

Project Summary Information

	Date of Document Preparation/Updating: October 13, 2021					
Project Name	Punjab Sustainable Highway Development Project					
Project Number	000494-PAK					
AllB member	Islamic Republic of Pakistan					
Sector/Subsector	Transport/ Roads (non-urban)					
Status of	Under Preparation					
Financing						
Project Description	The Project is co-financed with Asian Development Bank (ADB) and will have the following two components.					
	Component A. Improvement of Punjab Provincial Highways					
	A.1 Dualization of 535km of provincial highways in southern Punjab with road safety and climate resilient features					
	A.2 Construction Supervision					
	Component B. Strengthening Institutional Capacity of Communication and Works Department (C&WD)					
	B.1 Capacity Building of C&WD					
	B.2 Strengthening of Road Asset Management					
	B.3 Road Safety Improvements					
Objective	To improve east-west connectivity in southern Punjab with road safety, climate-resilient, and sustainable road					
	maintenance features.					
Expected Results	The Results Framework and Monitoring will be used to monitor and evaluate the achievement of the proposed key project					
	objective indicators. These include:					
	(i) Dualization of about 535km provincial highways					
	(ii) Reduction of annual number of traffic fatalities on the project roads by 30 percent					
	(iii) Performance-Based Maintenance (PBM) contracted for about 535km provincial highways					
	(iv) iRAP Star Ratings ¹ for over 800km provincial highways					

¹ International Road Assessment Program (iRAP), which is globally recognized rating methodology for road infrastructure safety.

Environmental and Social Category	ADB has categorized the environmental and social (ES) risks of the Project as Category B for environment, Category A for involuntary resettlement and Category C for Indigenous Peoples (which is equivalent to Category A if AIIB's Environmental and Social Policy (ESP) were applicable).			
Environmental and Social Information	Since ADB will be the lead co-financier, the Project's ES risks and impacts have been assessed in accordance with the ADB's Safeguard Policy Statement (SPS) 2009. To ensure a harmonized approach to addressing the ES risks and impacts of the Project, and as permitted under AIIB's ESP, ADB's SPS will apply to the Project in lieu of AIIB's ESP. AIIB has reviewed the ADB's SPS and is satisfied that: (i) it is consistent with AIIB's Articles of Agreement and materially consistent with the provisions of AIIB's ESP and the relevant ES Standards (ESS), and (ii) the monitoring procedures that are in place are appropriate for the Project. Under ADB's Safeguard Policy, ADB has categorized the ES risks of the Project as Category B for environment, Category A for involuntary resettlement and Category C for Indigenous Peoples, which is equivalent to Category A if AIIB's ESP were applicable.			
	Construction-related environmental impacts can be largely mitigated through appropriate construction practices accompanied by site-specific mitigation measures. Other adverse impacts of the Project will be temporary and reversible in nature, during the construction phase. Such temporary impacts pertain to air and water pollution, noise, and disposal of construction wastes, which have been addressed in the EIA. The Social Impact Assessments (SIA)/Land Acquisition and Resettlement Plans (LARPs) for the four road sections are at a very early stage. The proposed road widening is likely to have substantial physical and economic displacement including impacts on residential and commercial structures, kiosks, temporary commercial structures, and employment losses. The draft SIA/LARPS will be fully updated based on the final detailed design and alignment.			
	A multi-tier Project Grievance Redress Mechanism (GRM) will be established in accordance with the requirements of ADB's SPS.			
Cost and	Project cost: USD 817 million			
Financing Plan	Financing Plan:			
	AIIB loan: USD 321 million			
	ADB loan: USD 407 million			
	Government of Punjab: USD 89 million			
Borrower	Islamic Republic of Pakistan			

Implementing	C&WD, Government of Punjab						
Entity							
Estimated date of	June 2027						
Ioan closing (SBF)							
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Approval/Estimated							
Date of Financing							
Approval							

Independent Accountability	The proposed Project will be cofinanced with ADB. The Bank has agreed that the ADB's environmental and social policies and procedures will apply to this Project and that it will rely on the ADB's determination as to whether compliance with
Mechanism	those policies and procedures has been achieved under the Project. The Bank is satisfied that those policies and procedures are consistent with the Bank's Articles of Agreement and are materially consistent with the Environmental and Social Policy and Environmental and Social Standards, and that appropriate monitoring procedures are in place. The Bank has further agreed with the ADB that it will rely on that institution's independent accountability mechanism to handle submissions relating to environmental and social issues under the Project. Consequently, in accordance with the Bank's Policy on Project-affected People's Mechanism (PPM), submissions to the PPM under this Project will not be eligible for

considera	tion by the PPM.		