

 Early Warning System

ADB-47201-001

Information and Communication Technology for Better Education
Services



Quick Facts

Countries	Solomon Islands
Specific Location	Islands of Honiara, Auki, and Gizo
Financial Institutions	Asian Development Bank (ADB)
Status	Approved
Bank Risk Rating	U
Voting Date	2013-10-21
Borrower	National Parliament of Solomon Islands, Ministry of Finance and Treasury
Sectors	Communications, Education and Health
Investment Type(s)	Advisory Services
Investment Amount (USD)	\$ 0.50 million

Project Description

The technical assistance project is providing training and expertise on how best to use the internet in schools, particularly in isolated areas. The ADB is supporting the development of submarine optical fiber cable systems (SCS) in Solomon Islands where access to affordable telecommunications particularly high-speed (broadband) internet is low due to dependence on satellite connectivity. Once SCS is established, wholesale bandwidth prices are expected to halve, leading to a conservatively estimated retail price reduction of 20%.

The TA will examine the potential contribution of ICT to the education sector in addressing constraints in managing and delivering services to widely dispersed and isolated schools in Solomon Islands. The TA activities and outputs are expected to facilitate future application of ICT to education management and service delivery. The TA will contribute to more equitable service delivery and increase benefits of the investments made by the development of SCS.



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