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Quick Facts

Countries	Fiji
Financial Institutions	Asian Development Bank (ADB)
Status	Active
Bank Risk Rating	U
Voting Date	2015-09-29
Borrower	Government of Fiji
Sectors	Energy, Technical Cooperation
Investment Type(s)	Grant
Investment Amount (USD)	$ 1.00 million
Project Cost (USD)	$ 1.00 million

Project Description

The proposed TA will have two distinct components. First will be the development of capacity at the Department of Energy to cope with its expanded mandate to regulate the energy sector. The second component will focus on developing the planning capacity at DoE to identify and prioritize sector investments to provide for security of supply, increased renewable generation, and expansion of electricity service to currently unserved Fijians.

The regulatory institutional capacity development component will identify and provide recommendations and consultancy support for: secondary legislation (implementing regulations) necessary for the establishment of the regulatory function within the Department of Energy (including drafting of proposed legislation and/or regulations); organizational structure, staffing profiles, skills and competence matrices, and training requirements; and material resource (e.g. budget) requirements for the newly-created regulatory unit within the Department of Energy. This component will be complemented by TA-sponsored training for key Department of Energy and other relevant Government of Fiji representatives in recognized international training programs on public utilities regulation (e.g. the Public Utility Research Center/World Bank International Training on Utility Regulation and Strategy)

The second component will equip the Department of Energy to develop an electrification master plan (EMP) by establishing the underlying policy framework and tools for identifying, prioritizing, selection, and implementation of discrete electricity expansion investments, i.e. the screening criteria for project identification and prioritization and the capacity to apply them. For the purposes of building this capacity and as a demonstration of the practical application of these tools, the TA will develop preliminary feasibility studies and project definitions for a limited number of candidate projects identified with the involvement of Department of Energy personnel.

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