

 Early Warning System

ADB-48118-003

LAO Greater Mekong Subregion Health Security Project - Additional
Financing



Quick Facts

Countries	Cambodia, Laos, Myanmar, Vietnam
Specific Location	Nation-wide
Financial Institutions	Asian Development Bank (ADB)
Status	Approved
Bank Risk Rating	B
Voting Date	2016-11-22
Sectors	Education and Health
Investment Type(s)	Grant, Loan
Investment Amount (USD)	\$ 205.00 million
Loan Amount (USD)	\$ 192.00 million
Grant Amount (USD)	\$ 13.00 million



Project Description

As stated by the ADB, the Greater Mekong Subregion (GMS) Health Security Project is composed of (i) four loans to Cambodia, the Lao PDR, Myanmar, and Viet Nam (CLMV); and (ii) a grant to the Lao PDR. The project builds on previous and ongoing interventions focusing on communicable disease control (CDC) in Cambodia, the Lao PDR, and Viet Nam; and now including Myanmar.

The impact will be GMS public health security strengthened. The outcome will be GMS health system performance with regard to health security improved. The project has three outputs.

"Output 1: Regional cooperation and communicable disease control in border areas improved.

"Output 2: National disease surveillance and outbreak response systems strengthened.

"Output 3: Laboratory services and hospital infection prevention and control improved.

According to the project description, "the overall project impact and outcome will remain the same. The additional financing proposes a new output: emergency response to the COVID-19 outbreak supported (output 4). The main activities under output 4 include

(i) the procurement and distribution of medical supplies and equipment to hospitals at all levels according to need;

(ii) rapid training for frontline health workers on infection prevention and control (IPC), lab testing, and clinical care for the coronavirus disease (COVID-19); and

(iii) some non-pharmaceutical interventions, including risk communications and contact tracing. The activities fall within the scope of outputs 2 and 3 of the ongoing project, but a new output is proposed for effectiveness and efficiency in administration and monitoring."

The project output also aims to support the emergency response to the COVID-19 outbreak.



Early Warning System Project Analysis

The ADB categorized project risks as follows:

Environment - B;

Involuntary Resettlement - C;

Indigenous Peoples - B.



Investment Description

- Asian Development Bank (ADB)

Amounts in project documents differ from those on the project disclosure page. The amounts here provided are those reported on the disclosure page.



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Bank Documents

- [Project Disclosure PDF](#) [\[Original Source\]](#)

Media

- [ADB \\$125 Million Loan and Grant to Strengthen Health Security in GMS](#)
- [ADB Support to Strengthen Health Security in Lao PDR, Mekong Region](#)
- [Video Meeting the COVID-19 Pandemic Challenge in the Greater Mekong Subregion](#)



Other Related Projects

- ADB-48118-002 Greater Mekong Subregion Health Security Project
- ADB-48118-001 Greater Mekong Subregion Health Security Project
- ADB-48118-004 Greater Mekong Subregion Health Security Project for Myanmar (Additional Financing)