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Quick Facts

Countries	Nepal
Financial Institutions	Asian Development Bank (ADB)
Status	Proposed
Bank Risk Rating	C
Voting Date	2019-11-01
Borrower	Government of Nepal
Sectors	Agriculture and Forestry
Investment Type(s)	Grant, Loan
Investment Amount (USD)	$ 50.50 million
Loan Amount (USD)	$ 50.00 million
Grant Amount (USD)	$ 0.50 million

Project Description

According to the bank document, the proposed project will "supports the Nepal agriculture sector’s policy and regulatory transition from a unitary state to a federal structure, particularly with regard to agriculture commercialization and food safety. Key reform areas will target the sector’s policy and institutional development issues, and will foster an enabling environment for smallholder farmers and agribusinesses to engage in profit-making production and sales, while also strengthening the public sector’s monitoring capacity for better food quality and safety regime to be applied across supply chains."

The project will also "support the government in completing pre-requisites for international certification in select testing units among these laboratories. Among policy and regulatory interventions, a new Pesticide Management Bill will replace the old Pesticide Management Act 1991 to further expand the definition of pesticides and regulate their production, sale, storage, and transportation, and effective surveillance for discouraging the overuse of harmful chemicals by farmers."

Investment Description

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Bank Documents

- Concept Paper [Original Source]
- Initial Poverty and Social Analysis [Original Source]
- Project Disclosure PDF [Original Source]

Other Related Projects

- ADB-48218-011 Rural Connectivity Improvement Project - Additional Financing