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Quick Facts

Countries	India
Financial Institutions	Asian Development Bank (ADB)
Status	Proposed
Bank Risk Rating	U
Sectors	Transport
Investment Type(s)	Loan
Investment Amount (USD)	$ 500.00 million

Project Description

DESCRIPTION

The proposed investment program will connect around 2,800 habitations in the states of Assam, Chhattisgarh, Madhya Pradesh, Odisha, and West Bengal by constructing to all-weather standard about 6,000 kilometers of rural roads. The investment program will also focus on improving institutional arrangements, business processes, and associated capacity building, particularly on road asset management and road safety.

PROJECT RATIONALE AND LINKAGE TO COUNTRY/REGIONAL STRATEGY

India''s road network mainly consists of three categories: (i) about 60,000 kilometers of national highways, (ii) about 600,000 km of the secondary system including the state highways and major district roads, and (iii) about 2.7 million km of tertiary roads, which are mainly the rural roads. The rural roads, representing about 80% of the network and carrying about 20% of traffic, link rural communities with the national, state, and major district roads. Long term underinvestment has affected all levels of the road network, and the rural road network is in the worst condition among the three categories. In rural areas, many villages still rely on earthen tracks, which are unsuitable for motorized traffic and can easily become impassable during the rainy season. Absence of all-weather road connectivity makes rural communities inaccessible for up to 90 days a year. Poor road infrastructure affects economic growth in rural areas, agricultural productivity, and employment, and has a strong link to poverty. The government of India is addressing this problem through a nationwide rural road investment program the Prime Minister's Rural Roads Program (PMGSY) aimed at providing all-weather road connectivity to currently unconnected eligible habitations in India's rural areas. The PMGSY started in 2000 and is currently in its 14th year of implementation.

IMPACT

improved socioeconomic conditions in the communities served by PMGSY roads.

OUTCOME

improved connectivity of rural communities in the participating states to markets, district headquarters, and other centers of economic activities

CONSULTING SERVICES

In total the PPTA will require 39 person-months of consulting services (9 international and 30 national). ADB will engage all individual consultants in accordance with its Guidelines on the Use of Consultants (2013, as amended from time to time). Disbursement under the TA will be carried out in accordance with ADB's Technical Assistance Disbursement Handbook (2010, as amended from time to time).

PROCUREMENT

Procurement of equipment will follow ADB's Procurement Guidelines (2013, as amended from time to time). The equipment will be handed over to the government upon TA completion. A summary of consulting services requirement is presented in Table A3.3.

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MFF Facility Concept: Second Rural Connectivity Investment Program
Ordinary capital resources US$ 500.00 million

TA: Second Rural Connectivity Investment Program
Technical Assistance Special Fund US$ 500,000.00

Contact Information

ACCOUNTABILITY MECHANISM OF ADB

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Bank Documents

- Project Disclosure PDF
- Second Rural Connectivity Investment Program: Initial Poverty and Social Analysis [Original Source]
- Second Rural Connectivity Investment Program: Project Data Sheet (hindii) [Original Source]

Other Related Projects

- ADB-40423-033 Rural Connectivity Investment Program - Tranche 2
- ADB-48226-001 Second Rural Connectivity Investment Program
- ADB-48226-004 Second Rural Connectivity Investment Program - Tranche 2
- ADB-48226-003 Second Rural Connectivity Investment Program - Tranche 1