

 Early Warning System

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Implementing the Senior High School Support Program



Quick Facts

Countries	Philippines
Financial Institutions	Asian Development Bank (ADB)
Status	Active
Bank Risk Rating	B
Voting Date	2015-12-03
Borrower	Government of the Philippines
Sectors	Education and Health
Investment Type(s)	Grant
Investment Amount (USD)	\$ 1.50 million
Project Cost (USD)	\$ 1.50 million



Project Description

As prescribed in the Enhanced Basic Education Act of 2013 (the Act), in June 2016 DepEd will launch senior high school (SHS) nationwide, a new level of basic education consisting of grades 11 and 12. In December 2014, the ADB approved the SHSSP, a \$300 million results based lending (RBL) program to support the establishment and implementation of SHS during 2014-2019 the government's K to 12 education reform program. The SHSSP supports four results areas with loan disbursements tied to the achievement of six disbursement-linked indicators (DLIs). Among the results areas supported by the SHSSP are the establishment of a SHS voucher program for graduates of public junior high schools (JHSs) and some private JHSs to attend private SHSs, and assessing the feasibility of using infrastructure public-private partnerships (PPPs) for the delivery of some SHS infrastructure.

PROJECT RATIONALE AND LINKAGE TO COUNTRY/REGIONAL STRATEGY

There is a need to strengthen DepEd's systems and capacity for managing RBL programs. The SHSSP uses the RBL modality whereby key elements of the government's overall results framework for basic education reform are articulated as DLIs that are the basis for financial disbursement when achieved. RBLs use government systems exclusively for program implementation, monitoring, financial management, and procurement. This modality was agreed given: (i) the government's strong ownership of the K to 12 program; (ii) the government's results-based management framework business model, which has been developed with ADB support; (iii) overall improvement in government management and fiduciary systems, (iv) the existence of the medium term expenditure program which enables predictable and sustainable program financing; and (v) presence of other development partners in the sector. The SHSSP therefore promotes government efforts toward results- and performance-based management.

IMPACT

Effective implementation of the kindergarten to grade 12 education program (Enhanced Basic Education Act of 2013; Philippine Development Plan, 2011 2016 Midterm Update)

CONSULTING SERVICES

Individual consultants will be recruited to implement the TA (indicatively 27 person-months of international consultants and 66 person-months of national consultants). ADB will engage consultants as individuals in accordance with the Guidelines on the Use of Consultants (2013, as amended from time to time). Individual consultants are being used in order to acquire the specialist expertise required to implement the TA. In order to provide flexibility in TA implementation, the terms of reference and selection method for 6 person-months of additional international consultants and 6 person-months of additional national consultants possibly in the areas of private sector engagement, gender, financial management, education economics and costing, communications, and policy and program implementation will be determined during TA implementation. This will provide flexibility in implementation and allow the TA to be more responsive to needs as they are identified. The TA will also mobilize short-term resource persons as needed to provide specific expertise, in areas similar to those outlined above. Consultants will work in close collaboration with DepEd and will assist DepEd to prepare the outputs described below. Outline terms of reference are in Appendix 3.



Investment Description

- Asian Development Bank (ADB)

Japan Fund for Poverty Reduction



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