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Quick Facts

Countries	Sri Lanka
Financial Institutions	Asian Development Bank (ADB)
Status	Approved
Bank Risk Rating	U
Voting Date	2017-09-19
Borrower	Government of Sri Lanka
Sectors	Transport
Investment Type(s)	Fund
Grant Amount (USD)	$ 1.50 million
Project Cost (USD)	$ 1.50 million

Project Description

The proposed technical assistance will prepare a strategy for the strategic development of the railway transport sector and the multimodal integration of railway transport with other modes of transport. Institutional reforms to improve efficiency within the sector will be studied and recommendations for improvements provided.

The proposed technical assistance is in line with the government's priority investment areas for projects and programs identified under the draft CPS for Sri Lanka, i.e., to upgrade and expand infrastructure by supporting strategic investments and policy reforms in key sectors such as transport, energy, and urban development. It will establish a strategy for the development of the railway sector and its integration into a multimodal transport system in Sri Lanka complementing road, air and sea transport: it will also develop a pipeline prioritizing strategic interventions in the railway sector for infrastructure development and capacity building.

The proposed TA is ADB's first sector-wide intervention in the Sri Lanka rail transport sector and will pave the way for a coordinated approach into sector development by ADB and development partners. This will supplement prior and ongoing investments in the road sector in rural roads, national roads and expressways as well as investments in the maritime sector, i.e., in the Colombo Port Project. The proposed TA is timely, as ADB is in parallel supporting the preparation of the National Port Master Plan for Sri Lanka and the upgrade of the Road Sector Master Plan.

The impact of the proposed TA will be mobility through a safe and affordable integrated public land transport system with wide multimodal mix and technological innovation provided. The outcome of the proposed TA will be a strategy for the development of the railway sector established. The main output of the TA will be the Railway Master Plan prepared.

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Bank Documents

- Project Disclosure PDF [Original Source]
- Sri Lanka Railway Master Plan: Project Data Sheet (Sinhala Translation) [Original Source]
- Sri Lanka Railway Master Plan: Project Data Sheet (Tamil Translation) [Original Source]