

 Early Warning System

ADB-51322-001

Strengthening Capacity to Design and Implement Water and Rural  
Infrastructure Facility



### Quick Facts

<b>Countries</b>	Bangladesh, Bhutan, Nepal, Sri Lanka
<b>Financial Institutions</b>	Asian Development Bank (ADB)
<b>Status</b>	Active
<b>Bank Risk Rating</b>	U
<b>Voting Date</b>	2017-12-01
<b>Sectors</b>	Infrastructure, Technical Cooperation, Water and Sanitation
<b>Investment Type(s)</b>	Fund
<b>Investment Amount (USD)</b>	\$ 0.50 million



### Project Description

According to the bank website, the proposed project will provide project preparation support and capacity building, strengthen due diligence, and increase project readiness to a series of ensuing projects identified in the country operations business plans, 2018 -2020 for Bangladesh, Bhutan, Nepal, and Sri Lanka. Initially, the TA will support (i) BAN: Ganges Kobadak Irrigation Modernization Project; (ii) BAN: Rural Infrastructure Maintenance Program; (iii) BAN: Market and Value Chain Infrastructure Development Project; (iv) BHU - Bhutan Integrated Irrigated Agriculture Development Project; (v) NEP: Mechanized Irrigation Innovation Project; (vi) NEP: Preparation of Priority River Basins Flood Risk Management Project; (vii) NEP: Bagmati River Basin Improvement Project Additional Financing; (viii) NEP: Nepal Rural Connectivity Improvement Project; and (ix) SRI: Mahaweli Water Security Investment Program. These projects are all in the rural sector and require similar due diligences. The TA facility approach is suitable as it will (i) enhance project preparation efficiency and improve readiness for projects that have limited processing resources; (ii) reap important synergies from working with the same team of consultants, including reducing lengthy tendering processes and improving knowledge transference; and (iii) strengthen coordination. Overall, this TA will reduce transaction costs through minimizing the need for stand-alone transaction TAs.

The TA will also provide capacity building support to ongoing projects, initially supporting the Irrigation Management Improvement Project. The ongoing projects are suffering from weak project implementation capacity and require similar technical specialist support to ensure project sustainability. The TA will only support projects that are listed in the country operations business plans.



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### Bank Documents

- [Project Disclosure PDF](#) [Original Source]
- [Strengthening Capacity to Design and Implement Water and Rural Infrastructure Facility: Technical As](#) [Original Source]
- [Terms of Reference for Consultants](#) [Original Source]