# ADB-52097-002

South Asia Subregional Economic Cooperation Mugling-Pokhara Highway Improvement Project (Phase 1)



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## **Quick Facts**

Countries	Nepal
Financial Institutions	Asian Development Bank (ADB)
Status	Proposed
Bank Risk Rating	A
Borrower	Government of Nepal
Sectors	Transport
Investment Amount (USD)	\$ 195.50 million
Loan Amount (USD)	\$ 195.00 million



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## **Project Description**

According to the bank website, "the project road is a two-lane carriageway and carries about 7,400 vehicles, including 14% of goods vehicles and up to 55% of motorcycles in urban areas. Traffic is forecast to increase to 13,000 vehicles by 2040, and the rising number of motorcycles creates significant road safety risks, notably as (i) the road winds through the mid-hill region of Nepal and its geometry can be improved, (ii) slow-moving vehicles and pedestrians are not segregated in urban areas, and (iii) the pavement is in poor condition. The road will be widened to four lanes to cater to increasing demand, and design standards will feature enhanced geometry, pavement, structure, drainage, safety, and intelligent traffic system features to improve sustainability, safety awareness, safety compliance. The road will be median-divided, and service lanes in urban areas will improve safety, particularly for women and children who are more likely to walk, ride a bicycle or use public transport than men. The project design incorporates lessons from previous projects, including on procurement, readiness, and asset management and sustainability."



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## **Investment Description**

• Asian Development Bank (ADB)



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### **Bank Documents**

- Project Disclosure PDF [Original Source]
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