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South Asia Subregional Economic Cooperation Highway Enhancement Project (Kakarbhitta-Laukahi)



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### **Quick Facts**

Countries	Nepal
Financial Institutions	Asian Development Bank (ADB)
Status	Approved
Bank Risk Rating	A
Voting Date	2023-05-17
Borrower	Government of Nepal
Sectors	Technical Cooperation, Transport
Investment Type(s)	Grant, Loan
Investment Amount (USD)	\$ 300.00 million
Grant Amount (USD)	\$ 0.75 million



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### **Project Description**

According to the Bank's website, the project road is a two-lane carriageway and carries about 14,000 vehicles per day. Traffic is forecast to reach 48,800 vehicles per day by 2041. The road will be median-divided and provides service lanes, footpath, and cycle lane in urban areas. Through the project, the road will be upgraded to a two-lane dual carriageway to accommodate the increasing traffic demand, with improved geometry, pavement, drainage, road safety, and climate- and disaster-resilient features. Grade separation or traffic signal will be adopted at junctions to improve safety for vulnerable road users including women and children who are more likely to walk, cycle or use public transport. River training and bank protection works will minimize the risk of erosion. The project design incorporates lessons from previous projects, including readiness, procurement, asset management and sustainability.



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### **Investment Description**

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#### **Bank Documents**

- 52097-NEP: SASEC Highway Enhancement Project for Kakarbhitta Laukahi Section of East-West Highway
- Institutional Strengthening of Project Implementation, Climate Change, and Disaster Risk Resilience
- Project Disclosure PDF
- SASEC Highway Enhancement Project (Kakarbhitta-Laukahi): Environmental Impact Assessment
- South Asia Subregional Economic Cooperation Highway Enhancement Project (Kakarbhitta-Laukahi): Draft
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