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Quick Facts

Financial Institutions	Asian Development Bank (ADB)
Status	Approved
Bank Risk Rating	U
Voting Date	2021-08-19
Sectors	Law and Government
Investment Type(s)	Advisory Services
Investment Amount (USD)	$ 1.50 million

Project Description

According to Asian Development Bank documents, the proposed Subproject 2 Technical Assistance (TA) aims to mainstream impact evaluation (IE) to improve the development effectiveness of project and policy interventions in ADB's developing member countries (DMCs). The TA will support (i) the conduct of at least five IE study phases/surveys applying various methodologies and survey instruments, and (ii) the development of IE awareness and capacity among the DMCs.

PROJECT RATIONALE AND LINKAGE TO COUNTRY/REGIONAL STRATEGY

Impact evaluation is essential to strengthen ADB Strategy 2030 ambition to be a knowledge provider. The development profession has increasingly recognized the need for rigorous IE methodologies (including randomized experiments and appropriate econometric approaches) to isolate the effects of interventions from those of confounding factors and learn about "what works" to achieve intended effects. Under this TA, continued mainstreaming and support will be provided to ensure that promising studies initiated under prior TAs are completed, while new IE studies are initiated. TA support to conduct IE studies will be further improved by focusing support more strategically to add value to ADB's operations. This includes (i) adopting nimble approaches for IEs to be completed in shorter periods, (ii) targeting under-studied themes, and (iii) supporting IE of pilot interventions under consideration for future investments. Resources are required to (i) support ongoing IE studies for completion; (ii) support new IE studies; (iii) disseminate study findings and lessons; and (iv) contribute to capacity building of DMC stakeholders. The TA will ensure that financial resources are accompanied by appropriate technical expertise and oversight via more of a One ADB approach, in which economists from the Economic Research and Regional Cooperation Department are fully engaged in studies, along with global experts.

IMPACT

Subproject 2 impact is aligned with the TA cluster which is derived from Strategy 2030: development effectiveness of ADB finance and partnerships enhanced.

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