# ADB-54402-002

Implementation Support to the South Asia Subregional Economic Cooperation Customs and Logistics Reforms Program



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#### **Quick Facts**

Countries	Nepal
Financial Institutions	Asian Development Bank (ADB)
Status	Approved
Bank Risk Rating	U
Voting Date	2021-12-02
Borrower	Government of Nepal
Sectors	Industry and Trade, Law and Government, Technical Cooperation
Investment Amount (USD)	\$ 1.00 million
Project Cost (USD)	\$ 1.00 million



#### **Project Description**

According to ADB documents, the proposed programmatic policy-based loan for the South Asia Subregional Economic Cooperation Customs and Logistics Reforms Program (Subprogram 1) in the amount of \$50 million will help the Government of Nepal strengthen logistics sector in Nepal through reforms in regulations, business processes, and institutional and governance structure. It intends to sustain the reforms implemented under the previous policy-based loan which focused on reforms in customs and trade facilitation to be complemented by policy interventions that will improve enabling environment of the logistics sector and strengthened capacity of public sector to ensure achievement and sustainability of reforms.

#### PROJECT RATIONALE AND LINKAGE TO COUNTRY/REGIONAL STRATEGY

The transaction technical assistance (TA) will help the Government of Nepal implement the South Asia Subregional Economic Cooperation Customs and Logistics Reforms Program specifically in building its capacity to execute the reform measures captured in the policy matrix.



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#### **Investment Description**

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The TA is estimated to cost \$1,000,000 to be financed by ADB's Technical Assistance Special Fund (TASF-7). The key expenditure items are listed in Appendix 1. The government will provide counterpart support in the form of counterpart staff, office and housing accommodation, office supplies, secretarial assistance, domestic transportation, and other in-kind contributions. The government was informed that approval of the TA does not commit ADB to finance any ensuing project.



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#### **Bank Documents**

- Project Disclosure PDF [Original Source]
- Technical Assistance Report [Original Source]



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#### **Other Related Projects**

• ADB-54402-001 South Asia Subregional Economic Cooperation Customs and Logistics Reforms Program (Subprogram 1)