

 Early Warning System

ADB-58064-001

Transport Interventions to Boost Trade and Tackle Climate Change in
the South Asia Subregional Economic Cooperation Region



Quick Facts

Countries	Bangladesh, Bhutan, India, Maldives, Nepal, Sri Lanka
Financial Institutions	Asian Development Bank (ADB)
Status	Approved
Bank Risk Rating	U
Voting Date	2024-12-18
Borrower	Regional - Asian Development Bank
Sectors	Infrastructure, Technical Cooperation, Transport
Investment Type(s)	Grant
Investment Amount (USD)	\$ 0.50 million
Project Cost (USD)	\$ 0.50 million



Project Description

According to the Bank's website, the technical assistance (TA) aims to support the South Asia Subregional Economic Cooperation (SASEC) developing member countries in formulating strategies and plans to boost cross-border trade and improve subregional transportation by reducing travel time and increasing the efficiency of the region's dominant transport mode, and tackle climate change through transport decarbonization. Transport will be decarbonized through a multipronged approach: (i) building road infrastructure (as necessary to increase trade and economic activity) that enables longer periods of constant-speed operations and minimizes acceleration and deceleration, (ii) improving border infrastructure and operations, (iii) increasing the modal share of rail and waterways in the region, and (iv) transitioning to low- or zero-emission operations. Carbon emissions per kilometer for rail and waterways are significantly lower than those for road transport; thus, shifting traffic from road to railway will help reduce the overall transport emissions.



Early Warning System Project Analysis

According to the Technical Assistance Report, the Risk Categories are:

Environment: Not Applicable

Involuntary Resettlement: Not Applicable

Indigenous Peoples: Not Applicable



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The TA financing amount is \$500,000 which will be financed on a grant basis by ADB's Technical Assistance Special Fund (\$400,000 from Savings & Cancellations: TASF 6 and \$100,000 TASF-other sources). Involved governments will provide counterpart support in the form of counterpart staff and other in-kind contributions.



Contact Information

No contacts available at the time of disclosure.

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