Early Warning System

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Quick Facts

Cook Islands, Fiji, Kiribati, Marshall Islands, Micronesia, Nauru, Niue, Palau, Papua New Guinea, Samoa, Solomon Islands, Tonga,

Tuvalu, Vanuatu

Financial Institutions Asian Development Bank (ADB)

Status Approved

Bank Risk Rating U

Voting Date 2024-09-16

Borrower SeaPAC Pte Ltd; Kahuto Pacific; and others
Sectors Industry and Trade, Technical Cooperation

Investment Type(s) Grant
Investment Amount (USD)\$ 2.00 million
Project Cost (USD) \$ 4.00 million

Project Description

According to the Bank's website, the Asian Development Bank (ADB) will set up and administer the ADB Frontier Seed (Pacific) technical assistance (TA) to identify and fund growing small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs) with the potential to transform and/or create local industries, contributing to sustainable and inclusive growth in Pacific developing member countries (DMCs).

The Bank identified the first two companies to receive funding and support: SeaPAC Pte Ltd and Kahuto Pacific.

ADB Frontier Seed (Pacific) program signed a \$200,000 cost-recoverable technical assistance agreement with SeaPAC Pte Ltd, a saltwater prawn producer in Fiji, to support the commercialization of Fiji's prawn industry and promote food security. ADB Frontier also signed a \$200,000 cost-recoverable technical assistance agreement with Kahuto Pacific, an aerial mapping company, to help develop new mapping offerings, to increase the availability of coastal data for the Pacific.



Early Warning System Project Analysis

According to the Technical Assistance Report:

Environment: Not Applicable

Involuntary Resettlement: Not Applicable Indigenous Peoples: Not Applicable

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The TA financing amount is \$2 million, which will be financed on a grant basis by ADB's Technical Assistance Special Fund (TASF 7).

ADB committed a total of \$2 million and the ORCA Trust Fund also provided \$2 million to the program.

ADB plans to expand the activities by seeking additional cofinancing, targeting a total TA budget of \$5 million.

Contact Information

No contacts available at the time of disclosure.

ACCESS TO INFORMATION

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Bank Documents

• ADB Frontier Seed (Pacific): Technical Assistance Report

Media

• ADB Launches "Frontier Seed" to Catalyze Private Sector Growth and Ocean Impact in the Pacific