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Quick Facts

Countries Bangladesh, Cambodia, Georgia, Mongolia, Nepal, Pakistan, Uzbekistan

Financial Institutions Asian Development Bank (ADB)

Status Approved

Bank Risk Rating U

Voting Date 2025-06-19

Borrower Regional - Asian Development Bank

Sectors Communications, Education and Health, Infrastructure, Law and Government, Technical Cooperation

 Investment Type(s)
 Grant

 Investment Amount (USD)
 \$ 1.00 million

 Project Cost (USD)
 \$ 1.00 million



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Project Description

According to the Bank's website, the regional TA will enable the DMCs to scale up digital and AI innovations within key sectors such as infrastructure, public sector management, education, health, climate and disaster management. The TA aims to enhance sustainable development and accelerate progress towards achieving the Sustainable Development Goals. Targeted DMCs are the Pacific region, Mongolia, Cambodia, Bangladesh, Georgia, Nepal, Pakistan, and Uzbekistan. Key activities include (i) strengthening digital and AI expertise through AIxADB, which will serve as the main forum and platform for DMCs to engage, share knowledge, and collaborate on AI initiatives; (ii) promoting digital public goods by utilizing the ADB AI Sandbox as the mechanism and tool to develop and test AI solutions, including minimum viable products (MVPs) and proofs of concept tailored to specific DMC needs, and implementing scalable components across multiple countries; and (iii) establishing an AI for Development Fund by conducting feasibility studies, designing the fund's structure and governance, organizing promotional events to attract investors, and mobilizing initial capital to support AI initiatives in the region.



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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 \$1,000,000, which will be financed on a grant basis by ADB's Technical Assistance Special Fund (\$525,000 TASF 8 and \$475,000 TASF-other sources).



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Bank Documents

• Empowering ADB Developing Member Countries through Artificial Intelligence Solutions: Technical Assi