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Quick Facts

Countries	Kenya
Financial Institutions	African Development Bank (AFDB)
Status	Approved
Bank Risk Rating	U
Voting Date	2019-09-26
Borrower	KENYA NATIONAL HIGHWAY AUTHORITY
Sectors	Transport
Investment Amount (USD)	$ 102.89 million

Project Description

The Kenol - Kagana - Marua Highway improvement Project is part of the Kenyan section of Trans-Africa Highway, TAH4 (Cairo to Cape), through Nairobi on to Moyale. The project road also links the Capital City Nairobi to some of the major commercially and agriculturally rich Mt Kenya region as well as to Ethiopia through the Moyale border. Thus, it will contribute to enhancing movement of goods/ services (trade) and people between the counties in Central, Eastern Kenya and the capital city, Nairobi and also links with Ethiopia. The Project consists of the dualling of 84 km of the Kenol-Sagana-Marua road with grade separated junctions, road safety interventions and social complementary initiatives. The project also includes soft components such as training of unemployed youth, institutional capacity building, monitoring and evaluation, sensitization and awareness, tree planting, among others. The total cost of the project is EUR 257.68 million. The Project is co-financed by the Bank Group (69%), Africa Growing Together Fund (12%) and Government of Kenya (19%). The overall implementation period is 5 years (2020-2025).

The development objectives of the project are to contribute to the country's social and economic development efforts by providing a more efficient and effective transport system and to promote trade and regional integration. The specific objective of the project is to improve road transport services along the corridor by reducing travel time and vehicle operating costs, mitigating traffic congestion and associated emissions, and improving safety along the road.

The project beneficiaries are residents in the zone of influence of the project of about 1.15 million of which 44% women, who will have greater economic opportunities and improved access to social services and goods. Regional beneficiaries include producers, manufacturers and traders who will have an improved access on the main corridor to the northern corridor at a reduced time and cost. The primary beneficiaries are the traders and farmers from the five counties who directly or indirectly transport their produce to national, regional and international markets. The total population in the 3 primary impact counties of Muranga, Nyeri and Kirinyaga according to the 2009 Kenya Population Census was 2,173,213 people (KNBS, 2010). The total population of the secondary impact counties of Embu and Machakos is 516, 212 and 1,098,584 persons respectively.

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Bank Documents

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