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Quick Facts

Countries	Eswastini
Financial Institutions	African Development Bank (AFDB)
Status	Approved
Bank Risk Rating	U
Voting Date	2022-07-29
Borrower	Government of Eswatini
Sectors	Law and Government, Technical Cooperation
Investment Type(s)	Grant
Investment Amount (USD)	$ 155.44 million

Project Description

According to bank provided information, the proposed operation is a grant not exceeding UA 110,000 from the Middle-Income Country Technical Assistance Fund to the Kingdom of Eswatini be considered and approved for the Public Procurement Technical Assistance Project. This TA will strengthen the institutional capacity of the Eswatini Public Procurement Regulatory Authority and Procuring Entities in the Kingdom. The purpose is to assess the institutional, organizational and human resources capacity in public procurement and inform future reforms and capacity building interventions. The provision of technical assistance and advisory services will contribute to addressing some of the weaknesses identified in the Country Fiduciary Risk Assessment such as weak public financial and procurement management systems and capacity which were highlighted in the Country Strategy Paper 2020 – 2024. The Project shall engage consultants to perform the assessment of the country procurement system using the OECD Methodology for the Assessment of Procurement Systems (MAPS) and to provide capacity building to the institutions in charge of public procurement and financial management. The Technical Assistance will comprise two main components: (a) Assessment of Country Procurement Systems using the MAPS Methodology; and (b) Capacity Building of public officials and Private Sector. The Project is to be implemented over a period of 24 months between September 2022 and September 2024.

The overarching development objective of the project is to support the development of a transparent, effective and accountable public procurement system. This will be done through strengthening the capacity of the institution in charge of public procurement – the Eswatini Public Procurement Regulatory Authority. The project will provide targeted technical assistance and knowledge management support to the Eswatini Public Procurement Regulatory Agency to (a) deliver its mandate of ensuring efficient, effective, transparent, and accountable public procurement systems and practices at all levels; (b) undertake selected analytical work to inform legal and institutional reforms and capacity building of procurement professionals.

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