

 Early Warning System

AIIB-00002

Dushanbe-Uzbekistan Border Road Improvement Project



Quick Facts

Countries	Tajikistan
Financial Institutions	Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank (AIIB), European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (EBRD)
Status	Approved
Bank Risk Rating	B
Voting Date	2016-06-24
Borrower	Republic of Tajikistan
Sectors	Transport
Investment Type(s)	Loan
Investment Amount (USD)	\$ 27.50 million
Loan Amount (USD)	\$ 27.50 million
Project Cost (USD)	\$ 105.90 million



Project Description

AIIB approved a loan of \$27.5 million for the Dushanbe-Uzbekistan Border Road Improvement Project on June 24, 2016. The Project is cofinanced by the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development, which contributes an amount of \$62.5 million, for a total project cost of \$105.9 million.

Under the Project, the 5-km section will be rehabilitated and upgraded between Avicenna Roundabout and West Gate of the Dushanbe-Uzbekistan border road. The project road, which is the last missing section of the Asian Highway Network and the CAREC Corridor 3 in Tajikistan's territory, was built 30 years ago and is currently in a poor condition.

The scope includes:

- (1) Constructing a 3-level traffic interchange and related pedestrian under-passes at 82nd roundabout;
- (2) Building a 3-level traffic interchange at Avicenna roundabout;
- (3) Constructing two 2-level traffic interchanges at key local road crossings;
- (4) Widening the Project road to dual 4 lanes;
- (5) Improving adjacent intersecting roads;
- (6) Reconstructing pavements;
- (7) Constructing several pedestrian underpasses.

The Ministry of Transport of Tajikistan is the project executing agency.



Early Warning System Project Analysis

APPLICABLE SOCIAL & ENVIRONMENTAL STANDARDS

The EBRD's ESP provides mitigation and performance measures and actions to address the identified social and environmental issues and gaps. According to EBRD's ESP, the following Performance Requirements are will be triggered:

- **PR 1: Environmental and Social Appraisal and Management** - this safeguard is triggered because particularly to address “road safety issues and ensure that periodical safety inspections are undertaken so that road safety risks are identified and remedial action are taken.”
- **PR 2: Labor and Working Conditions** - triggered to support the labor force including “providing realistic information on employment opportunities with transparent hiring practices based on non - discrimination practices, employ local labor where possible.”
- **PR 4: Community Health, Safety and Security** - triggered as the potential impact environmental and social impacts related to construction “such as health and safety concerns, noise particularly at night during construction; and road safety risks due to temporary traffic disruptions.”
- **PR 5: Land Acquisition, Involuntary Resettlement and Economic Displacement** - this safeguard is triggered because “9 business units adjacent to the road will be lost and the West gate and Avicenna Monument as well as adjacent structures will be demolished.”
- **PR 10: Information Disclosure and Stakeholder Engagement** - “a Stakeholder Engagement Plan will be established to engage potentially affected people, including a grievance procedure *if any* during temporary period at construction stage (emphasis supplied).



Investment Description

- Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank (AIIB)
- European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (EBRD)

Co-financing:

EBRD - USD62.5 million

Government of Tajikistan - USD15.9 million



Contact Information

No contact information provided at the time of disclosure.

ACCOUNTABILITY MECHANISM OF AIIB

The AIIB has established the Accountability Mechanism for Project-Affected People (PPM). The PPM provides “an opportunity for an independent and impartial review of submissions from Project-affected people who believe they have been or are likely to be adversely affected by AIIB’s failure to implement the ESP in situations when their concerns cannot be addressed satisfactorily through Project level GRMs or AIIB Management processes.” Two or more project-affected people can file a complaint. Under the current AIIB policy, when the bank co-finances a project with another development bank, it may apply the other bank's standards. You can refer to the Project Summary Information document to find out which standards apply. You can learn more about the PPM and how to file a complaint at: <https://www.aiib.org/en/about-aiib/who-we-are/project-affected-peoples-mechanism/how-we-assist-you/index.html>.

The complaint submission form can be accessed in Arabic, Bahasa Indonesia, Bengali, Chinese, English, Tagalog, Hindi, Nepali, Russian, Turkish, or Urdu. The submission form can be found at: <https://www.aiib.org/en/about-aiib/who-we-are/project-affected-peoples-mechanism/submission/index.html>.



Bank Documents

- [EBRD ESAP](#)
- [Project Document](#)
- [Project Implementation Monitoring Report](#)
- [Project Summary](#)



Other Related Projects

- EBRD-42232 Dushanbe-Uzbekistan Border Road Improvement Project