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#### **Quick Facts**

Countries	Guyana
Financial Institutions	Inter-American Development Bank (IADB)
Status	Active
Bank Risk Rating	В
Voting Date	2016-11-30
Borrower	Cooperative Republic of Guyana
Sectors	Industry and Trade
Investment Type(s)	Loan
Investment Amount (USD)	\$ 9.00 million
Project Cost (USD)	\$ 9.00 million



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#### **Project Description**

The program's objective is to support economic diversification and exports through the enhancement of the National Quality Infrastructure (NQI) and through a National Export and Investment Promotion Strategy. Specific objectives are: (i) to enhance the capacity of the NQI; (ii) to improve facilities for the NQI; and (iii) to enhance the capability of the Guyana Office for Investment for export and investment promotion.

The program's expected outcomes are: (i) increase in the average annual flow of value of exports of non-traditional products per exporter; (ii) increase in the average annual flow of volume of exports of non-traditional products per exporter; (iii) decrease in the testing costs for non-traditional exporters; and (iv) decrease in the rejection rates of fruits and vegetables exports to the US. The impact of the project is the increased participation of the non-traditional products in Guyana's export basket.

The program is classified as Category "B". The main direct impacts of the project relate to: (i) increased air pollution during construction (dust, toxic fumes from vehicular traffic and vehicular waste); (ii) noise; (iii) waste disposal; (iv) soil erosion; (v) contamination from chemical and biological waste, toxic waste from construction; (vi) chemical storage, increased flooding due to water diversion and increased run off; (vii) water pollution; (viii) ecological damage from route deviation, construction works and clearance; (ix) effects on fish life; (x) congestion and increased traffic during construction and (xi) damage to streets. During operation, the main impacts identified are: (i) increased noise; (ii) increased congestion; (iii) ground water pollution; (iv) increased conflicts with patrons using the same access road; and (v) increased pollution and indiscriminate waste disposal.



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#### **Investment Description**

• Inter-American Development Bank (IADB)

This operation is a specific investment loan, with a total cost of US\$9 million, to be disbursed over a period of 5.5 years. The IADB will finance US\$4.5 million with resources from the Fund for Special Operations and US\$4.5 million from resources of the Ordinary Capital.



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#### **Contact Information**

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#### **Bank Documents**

- Analysis of Project Cost and Economic Viability
- Donnor Coordination
- Draft Operating Manual
- Enhancing the National Quality Infrastructure for Economic Diversification and Trade Promotion [Original Source]
- Enhancing the National Quality Infrastructure for Economic Diversification and Trade Promotion LP [Original Source]
- Environmental and Social Analysis & Environmental and Social Management Plan [Original Source]
- Environmental and Social Management Report (ESMR)
- Environmental and Social Management Report (ESMR)
- Gaps and Needs Assessment for the State of the Art Laboratory
- Guyana National Quality Infrastructure. Ministries and Agencies [Original Source]
- Institutional Analysis/Personnel, Procedures other Aspects of Implementation Capacity (Draft version
- Legal and Regulatory Assessment of GNQI [Original Source]
- Mejora de la Infraestructura Nacional de la Calidad para Promover la Diversificación Económica y el [Original Source]
- Monitoring and Evaluation Arrangements
- Pluriannual Execution Plan Annual Operational Plan Detailed Budget Procurement Plan
- Pursuing Economic Diversifiction In Guyana. The Role Of The National Quality Infrastructure [Original Source]
- Recommendations for Improving the NQI in Guyana
- Safeguard Policy Filter (SPF) and Safeguard Screening Form (SSF) [Original Source]
- Schematic Representation of a National Quality Infraestructure [Original Source]