

 Early Warning System

WB-P508191

Productive Social Safety Net III Project



Quick Facts

Countries	Tanzania
Financial Institutions	World Bank (WB)
Status	Approved
Bank Risk Rating	A
Voting Date	2026-03-31
Borrower	Government of Tanzania - President's Office - State House; Tanzania Social Action Fund
Sectors	Finance, Law and Government
Investment Type(s)	Loan
Investment Amount (USD)	\$ 250.00 million
Project Cost (USD)	\$ 292.00 million



Project Description

According to the Bank's website, the objective of this project is to increase access to social protection and better jobs for targeted poor households and build sustainable, adaptive social protection delivery systems.

The PSSN 3 Project will continue to support Tanzania's flagship safety net program, providing targeted assistance to extreme poor and vulnerable households with the objective to enhance the current and future income-generating opportunities of beneficiaries. The project will deliver integrated interventions designed to: (i) stabilize income to promote and protect human capital, (ii) encourage savings and facilitate the transition to improved livelihoods, (iii) boost productivity and income-generating capabilities, and (iv) build resilience against shocks and the long-term impacts of climate change.

The project will continue to support PSSN core activities: productive cash transfers, economic inclusion, and climate-smart public works. The productive cash transfer program will remain at the core of the project, emphasizing human capital development. It will be complemented with livelihood and economic inclusion activities that aim to create better jobs and increase household income through savings and asset accumulation, better risk management strategies, and a shift toward more productive, climate-smart employment. A climate-smart public works program will offer safety nets during the lean season, mitigating food shortages through sub-projects that generate community assets and contribute to local climate change adaptation and mitigation strategies. The project will also support the PSSN program's evolution to a more sustainable Adaptive Social Protection (ASP) model. To do so, the project will invest in digital and dynamic delivery systems, including development of a new MIS and expanding the TASAF social registry, creating a potential platform for a national unified social registry. These systems will enable more efficient and effective responses to the needs of vulnerable populations, which could facilitate targeted interventions across sectors like education, health, and disaster response.



Early Warning System Project Analysis

The PSSN III project is classified as a **substantial** risk, based on the type of project and nature of its activities. Activities implemented in this project are primarily cash transfer and public works programs for which potential environmental and social risks and impacts are substantial. The PW program activities include climate-smart labor intensive public works, such as soil and water conservation, afforestation, seawater protection dams, and small-scale irrigation. Most of these activities aim at conservation and have enhanced environmental and social risks and impacts management as well as social protection since they offer opportunities for work and earnings at the same time. The potential environmental risks and impacts that would need to be explored further include issues related to environmental pollution due to poor solid and liquid waste disposal, air pollution, soil erosion due to removal of natural vegetation, and health and safety issues, outbreaks of communicable and non-communicable diseases, injuries during work; due to cuts, fall, or being hit by heavy objects, insect bites (bees, ants, and snakes), falling of people or animals into ongoing projects such as wells or charcoal dams, gender violence, sexual and abuse, gender discrimination and exclusion of disadvantaged individuals and communities. This project does not pose any indirect or long-term impacts.



Investment Description

- World Bank (WB)

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IDA Credit: US\$ 250.00 million



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Bank Documents

- Appraisal Environmental and Social Review Summary (ESRS) - Productive Social Safety Net III - P50819
- Appraisal Project Information Document (PID)
- Climate Finance Assessment (P508191)
- Concept Environmental and Social Review Summary (ESRS) - Productive Social Safety Net III - P508191
- Concept Project Information Document (PID)
- Disclosable Version of the ISR - Productive Social Safety Net III Project - P508191 - Sequence No :
- Environmental and Social Commitment Plan (ESCP) - Productive Social Safety Net III - P508191
- Environmental and Social Management Framework (ESMF) Productive Social Safety Net III Project (P5081
- Official Documents- Disbursement and Financial Information Letter for Credit 7939-TZ.pdf
- Official Documents- Financing Agreement for Credit 7939-TZ.pdf
- Revised Environmental and Social Commitment Plan (ESCP) Productive Social Safety Net III Project (P5
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- Revised Resettlement Process Framework Productive Social Safety Net III Project (P508191)
- Stakeholder Engagement Plan (SEP) - Productive Social Safety Net III - P508191
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