

 Early Warning System

WB-P509428

Lebanon Emergency Assistance Project



Quick Facts

Countries	Lebanon
Financial Institutions	World Bank (WB)
Status	Proposed
Bank Risk Rating	A
Voting Date	2025-03-25
Borrower	Government of Lebanon - Council for Development and Reconstruction
Sectors	Humanitarian Response, Infrastructure
Investment Type(s)	Loan
Investment Amount (USD)	\$ 250.00 million
Project Cost (USD)	\$ 1,000.00 million



Project Description

According to the Bank's website, the Proposed Project Development Objective (PDO) is to enable sustainable recovery and restore lifeline services and critical infrastructure in conflict-affected areas of Lebanon.

Components:

Immediate Response

Rapid Recovery of Lifeline Services and Critical Infrastructure

Sustainable and Robust Reconstruction of Critical Infrastructure and Lifeline Services

Project Management



Early Warning System Project Analysis

The environmental risk rating is substantial. The Project is associated with several environmental risks, including: (i) Risk from explosive remnants of war (ERW) and health and safety of workers during rubble sorting and disposal (Component 1) and during construction (Components 2a and 3b), (ii) Traffic risks to the community during waste transportation (Sub-components 1a) while securing sites, assessment of damage or decommissioning of refugee centers (Sub-component 1b), (iii) Risk of inadequate management of accumulated waste at temporary storage sites and disposal sites impacting soil and subsurface (Components 1a), (iv) Risk associated with civil works generating air emissions, dust, and noise during management of wastes and rubble and temporary disruptions and potential contamination of local environments (Sub-Components 1a, 1b) and during construction projects (Sub-components 2a and 3b), (v) Risk of affecting flora and fauna in case of improper disposal in forests or in the sea (Components 1a). During activities related to Component 1b, which involve securing sites of structurally unsound buildings and assessing damage to cultural heritage sites, there is a risk of further collapse during securing operations. This poses safety risks to workers and communities and may result in the generation of additional debris. Additionally, there is a potential for accidental disturbance or further damage to cultural heritage during assessment and stabilization efforts.

Social risk rating is substantial. The Project interventions are associated with social risks and impacts, including: (i) labor and working conditions, occupational health and safety (OHS) and community health and safety risks associated with rubble management (Component 1) and critical infrastructure restoration (Component 2a and 3); (ii) social exclusion risks associated with infrastructure recovery (Component 2a) and owner-driven housing repair (Component 2b): people in conflict affected areas may perceive that their areas are not prioritized for recovery; and people who have been renting (renters) may perceive that they have been excluded from the project benefits); (iii) issues related to information disclosure, stakeholder engagement and functioning grievance mechanism: due to lack of trust in the government people may perceive that they are not adequately informed about project risks (rubble management and hazardous waste management) and project benefits (eligibility of affected house owners to access Project benefits); (iv) sexual harassment (SH) and sexual exploitation and abuse (SEA) risks associated with infrastructure recovery works and access to project benefits by affected house owners; (v) cultural heritage impacts – the project will support measures needed to reduce further damage to cultural heritage (Component 1c).



Investment Description

- World Bank (WB)

International Bank for Reconstruction and Development (IBRD): US\$ 250.00 million



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Bank Documents

- [Appraisal Environmental and Social Review Summary \(ESRS\) - Lebanon Emergency Assistance Project - P5](#)
- [Appraisal Project Information Document \(PID\) \(English\)](#)
- [Environmental and Social Commitment Plan \(ESCP\) - Lebanon Emergency Assistance Project - P509428 \(En](#)
- [Stakeholder Engagement Plan \(SEP\) - Lebanon Emergency Assistance Project - P509428 \(English\)](#)