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### Quick Facts

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| **Countries** | Nepal |
| **Financial Institutions** | World Bank (WB) |
| **Status** | Approved |
| **Bank Risk Rating** | B |
| **Voting Date** | 2026-03-13 |
| **Borrower** | Nepal |
| **Sectors** | Industry and Trade, Law and Government |
| **Investment Type(s)** | Loan |
| **Investment Amount (USD)** | $ 85.00 million |
| **Loan Amount (USD)** | $ 85.00 million |
| **Project Cost (USD)** | $ 85.00 million |

## Project Description

According to bank's website, the approved project aims to support the Government of Nepal in transforming the Greater Lumbini Buddhist Circuit (GLBC) into a sustainable, inclusive, and competitive cultural tourism destination that encourages longer stays, higher spending, and stronger economic benefits for local communities. It will foster community-centered and environmentally responsible tourism, integrating benefit-sharing models to ensure local ownership, protect cultural and natural heritage, and address environmental and social challenges. It will also actively engage the private sector alongside the public sector to create opportunities to unlock investment and innovation. Finally, the proposed project will embody the One WBG approach in its preparation and implementation, leveraging the recent institutional changes that strengthen cross-Group collaboration. Teams from across the World Bank, IFC, and multiple sectors—including Finance, Competitiveness and Innovation (FCI), Transport, and Education—are working together to design an integrated operation that maximizes development impact.

## Early Warning System Project Analysis

Environmental and Social Risk: M

### Investment Description

- World Bank (WB)

Total Project Cost: US$ 85.00 million

Commitment Amount: US$ 85.00 million

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**Bank Documents**

- Appraisal Environmental and Social Review Summary - ESRS (English)
- Appraisal Project Information Document - PID (English)
- Concept Environmental and Social Review Summary - ESRS (English)
- Concept Project Information Document - PID (English)