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Quick Facts

Countries	Tunisia
Financial Institutions	World Bank (WB)
Status	Proposed
Bank Risk Rating	B
Voting Date	2026-09-29
Borrower	Government of Tunisia - Ministry of Economy and Planning; Société des transports de Tunis (TRANSTU)
Sectors	Infrastructure, Transport
Investment Type(s)	Loan
Investment Amount (USD)	$ 450.00 million
Project Cost (USD)	$ 620.00 million

Project Description

According to the Bank’s website, the objective of this project is to enhance safe, reliable, and inclusive access to jobs and services for the population in Greater Tunis and to improve the institutional sustainability of TRANSTU.

The Government of Tunisia, through the Ministry of Economy and Planning (MEP), requested financing from the Bank to support implementation Government's Action Plan for the recovery of public transport service in Tunis. In response, IBRD is programming a Series of Projects (SOP) which recognizes that many structural challenges facing Tunisia's urban transport subsector do not have immediately viable complete solutions and will require programmatically phased intervention of time periods exceeding any single project. This approach has been informed by a 2024 diagnostic analysis of public transport in Tunis performed by IBRD's specialists. It also reflects a strategy for incrementally developing TRANSTU's capabilities as an implementing institution through experience to be ready for delivery of more complex forms of investment. Subsequent phases beyond the proposed Project are expected to consolidate infrastructure condition, integrate ticketing systems with SNCFT's suburban rail service, extend geographical coverage of public transport services to match expanding urban population, further strengthen TRANSTU's financial sustainability, and drive continuous improvement in TRANSTU's critical transport planning, safety, and corporate governance functions.

Component 1 - Improving service delivery and safety for greater access to jobs and services via public transport
Component 2- Enhancing long term sustainability for public transport services in Tunis
Component 3 – Transitional financing for selected Métro léger operating expenses to enable build-up of revenues
Component 4 - Contingent Emergency Response Component (CERC)

Early Warning System Project Analysis

Environmental risk is classified as **Moderate** at this stage based primarily on project location and the nature of the activities and works. Anticipated public works financed by the project include development of the depot at Manouba as well as infrastructure and equipment upgrades at Métro léger depots located at Tunis Marine and Ariana. The depot at Manouba is located in an existing enclosed TRANSTU facility and will not require vegetation clearance. These activities will generate occupational health and safety (OHS) risks for project workers. Additionally, waste management is a challenge in Tunisia, and will be a cross-cutting risk for Project activities.

Social risk is classified as **Moderate** at this stage of Project preparation based on the nature of its activities. While the overall social benefits are expected to be positive, identified social risks and potential impacts include community health and safety risks related to traffic management and safety measures to secure sites from unauthorized access by community members. The project is not expected to require land acquisition or induce restrictions on land use or involuntary resettlement.

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Total Project Cost: US$ 620.00 million
IBRD Commitment: US$ 450.00 million

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Bank Documents

- Concept Environmental and Social Review Summary (ESRS) - Tunis Mobility Axis for Connecting People w
- Concept Project Information Document (PID)
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