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## Quick Facts

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| **Financial Institutions** | Asian Development Bank (ADB) |
| **Status** | Active |
| **Bank Risk Rating** | U |
| **Voting Date** | 2017-08-10 |
| **Sectors** | Law and Government |
| **Investment Type(s)** | Grant |
| **Investment Amount (USD)** | $ 1.00 million |
| **Project Cost (USD)** | $ 1.00 million |

## Project Description

The proposed knowledge and support technical assistance (TA) will strengthen country safeguard systems, and support their application to identify and manage the environmental and social risks associated with ADB-supported projects. This will be achieved through the conduct of country safeguard system (CSS) assessments and capacity building activities on the CSS assessment methodology, including on how to undertake equivalence and acceptability assessments as required by the Safeguard Policy Statement (2009).

The TA will facilitate the use of CSS in ADB operations. It will support DMCs to conduct country safeguard reviews, undertake a capacity building program for in-country stakeholders and consultants on the methodologies for policy equivalence and acceptability assessments, and strengthen collaboration on CSS among development partners. The TA will support realizing the benefits of using CSS, such as: (i) reduce excessive transaction costs of complying with ADB project safeguards; (ii) enhance borrower's/client's sense of ownership of environmental and social safeguards; (iii) create alignment of safeguard policy compliance to the capacity of individual borrowers/clients; and (iv) enhance donor harmonization.

IMPACT

Environmental and social sustainability of development projects enhanced.

## Investment Description

- Asian Development Bank (ADB)

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## Bank Documents

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