



Bangladesh: Supporting Education and Skills Development Investment Programs

Project Name	Supporting Education and Skills Development Investment Programs
Project Number	46456-002
Country	Bangladesh
Project Status	Approved
Project Type / Modality of Assistance	Technical Assistance
Source of Funding / Amount	TA 8523-BAN: Supporting Education and Skills Development Investment Programs Technical Assistance Special Fund US\$ 1.00 million
Strategic Agendas	Inclusive economic growth
Drivers of Change	Governance and capacity development
Sector / Subsector	Education - Secondary - Technical and vocational education and training
Gender Equity and Mainstreaming	
Description	<p>The technical assistance (TA) will support education and skills development sector agencies to meet the government's objective of developing a strong base of skilled labor force calibrated to match rapid economic growth. The TA will further support Country Partnership Strategy 2011-2015 in the thematic area of good governance and capacity development. It will particularly help management of SESIP and SEIP in fiduciary risk management and result-reporting and verification.</p>
Project Rationale and Linkage to Country/Regional Strategy	<p>SESIP focuses on achieving outputs in four result areas: (i) enhanced quality and relevance of secondary education, (ii) increased equitable access and retention, and (iii) strengthened education management and governance. SESIP will provide financing depending on the government achieving a set of annual DLIs that are essential results to meet the program's objectives. A 5-year DLI matrix that describes annual DLIs and detailed verification protocol, which also includes an independent verification mechanism of DLI achievement, has been developed. SESIP has also developed fiduciary oversight arrangement which defines the roles and responsibilities of the concerned ministries, the Comptroller and Auditor General, and ADB. Further, a PFM Action Plan that defines ways to improve PFM was developed to manage risks associated with government managing funds and accounting for program expenditures.</p> <p>SEIP focuses on achieving outputs in four result areas: (i) market-responsive inclusive skills training, (ii) quality assurance, (iii) skill training institutions strengthened, and (iv) effective program management. Similar arrangements for result-reporting and verification and fiduciary risk management are being developed under SEIP.</p>
Impact	More efficient and market-relevant secondary education and skills development systems
Project Outcome	
Description of Outcome	Increased capacity in and assurance about fiduciary concerns and results reporting for SESIP and SEIP
Progress Toward Outcome	
Implementation Progress	
Description of Project Outputs	Capacity in fiduciary risk management improved Capacity in result-reporting and verification process improved
Status of Implementation Progress (Outputs, Activities, and Issues)	The consulting firm for the annual fiduciary review (AFR) of Loan 3047-BAN: Secondary Education Sector Investment Program (SESIP) has been recruited. The consulting firm for the AFR and the individual consultants to support Loan 3131-BAN: Skills for Employment Investment Program (SEIP) are being recruited.
Geographical Location	

Summary of Environmental and Social Aspects

Environmental Aspects

Involuntary Resettlement

Indigenous Peoples

Stakeholder Communication, Participation, and Consultation

During Project Design Fiduciary risk oversight arrangement, generic terms of references of the AFR and post-procurement reviews, and DLI/results verification protocols have been agreed with the government during SESIP design. Similar arrangements are being developed under SEIP.

During Project Implementation Fiduciary risk oversight arrangement, generic terms of references of the AFR and post-procurement reviews, and DLI/results verification protocols have been agreed with the government during SESIP design. Similar arrangements have been developed under SEIP.

Business Opportunities

Consulting Services Consulting services will be provided in accordance with ADB's Guidelines on the Use of Consultants (2013, as amended from time to time) for a total of 51 person-months, comprising 18 person-months of international consultants and 33 person-months of national consultants.

Procurement not applicable

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Timetable

Concept Clearance	27 Aug 2013
Fact Finding	02 Mar 2013 to 01 Apr 2013
MRM	-
Approval	04 Dec 2013
Last Review Mission	-
Last PDS Update	02 Mar 2015

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Milestones

Approval	Signing Date	Effectivity Date	Closing		
			Original	Revised	Actual
04 Dec 2013	22 May 2014	22 May 2014	31 May 2016	31 Jul 2016	-

Financing Plan/TA Utilization

Cumulative Disbursements

ADB	Cofinancing	Counterpart				Total	Date	Amount
		Gov	Beneficiaries	Project Sponsor	Others			
1,000,000.00	0.00	100,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,100,000.00	04 Dec 2013	267,397.62

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