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¹ *Statement of the Asian Development Bank's Operations in 2012*

I. ANNOUNCEMENT

9th Asia Clean Energy Forum 2014

We would like to encourage you to participate in ADB and USAID's 9th Asia Clean Energy Forum 2014 at ADB Headquarters, Manila, Philippines from June 16 – 20, 2014.

ADB and USAID have jointly organized the Asia Clean Energy Forum (ACEF) since 2006, with the aim of sharing best practices in policy, technology, and finance to meet the region's climate and energy security challenges. In 2013, more than 640 people from 55 countries attended. In 2014, ACEF will take a new approach, focusing more on demand driven and wider opportunities on clean energy.

Websites:

- http://www.adb.org/news/events/9th-asia-clean-energy-forum-2014
- <http://www.asiacleanenergyforum.org/>

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II. PROJECT LIST BY SECTOR

Country	Projects	ADB Assistance
Note: Click on the project title for full details.		
AGRICULTURE and NATURAL RESOURCES SECTOR		
Cambodia	Climate Resilient Rice Commercialization Sector Development Program	Approved loan
Regional	Innovations for More Food with Less Water	Approved TA
ENERGY SECTOR		
Bangladesh	Power System Expansion and Efficiency Improvement Investment Program - Tranche 2	Approved loan
ENVIRONMENT SECTOR		
Philippines	Water District Development Sector Project	Approved TA
Philippines	Angat Water Transmission Improvement Project	Approved TA
Regional	Strengthening Capacity for Environmental Law in the Asia-Pacific: Developing Environmental Law Champions	Approved TA
INDUSTRY, FINANCE, and OTHER SECTORS		
Indonesia	Support for Selected Sector Analysis for National Medium-Term Development Planning 2015-2019 on ASEAN Connectivity	Approved TA
Philippines	Support for Post Typhoon Yolanda Disaster Needs Assessment and Response	Approved TA
Regional	Promoting Financial Inclusion and Stability in ADB'S Transition Member Countries	Approved TA
Tajikistan	Capacity Building for Rural Financial Inclusion	Approved TA
TRANSPORTATION and COMMUNICATIONS SECTOR		
China	Yunnan Sustainable Road Maintenance Project	Approved loan
Philippines	Improving National Roads for Inclusive Growth in Mindanao Project	Approved TA

III. LOAN

NOTE: Please click on the project title to access full project information.

BANGLADESH

Power System Expansion and Efficiency Improvement Investment Program - Tranche 2

Project No. : 42378-016
Amount (US \$ million) : 310
Sector : Energy

Responsible ADB Officer: Priyantha D.C. Wijayatunga (E-mail: pwijayatunga@adb.org)
South Asia Department, Energy Division

Status: ADB Board approved on 11 December 2013.

Description: The proposed Tranche 2 will contribute to the overall impact of the MFF on increased energy sector contribution to low-carbon economic growth in Bangladesh. The specific impact of the Tranche 2 will be increased access to reliable supply of electricity. The outcome of Tranche 2 is increased transmission and distribution capability in the power system. This will allow increased power transfer from Ghorasal to Tongi and to increased transmission capability to satisfy the increasing demand in Dhaka, Chittagong and Sylhet areas. Also the investments will allow improved distribution networks in the Dhaka region to supply increasing demand in the system to ensure no load-shedding due to network constraints by 2018.

Project Rationale and Linkage to Country/Regional Strategy: A framework financing agreement (FFA) for the Bangladesh Power System Expansion and Efficiency Improvement Investment Program (BPSEEIP, the facility), has been signed by the Asian Development Bank (ADB) and the Government of Bangladesh (the Government) and ADB's Board of Directors approved this multi tranche financing facility (MFF) on 28 Nov 2012. This MFF funds power sector investments in generation, transmission and distribution systems in Bangladesh to improve efficiency in these systems and add capacity for increased and reliable energy access to the population. The MFF consisted of three tranches to undertake these investments in a staggered manner. The proposed tranche 2 meets the selection criteria set forth in the Schedule 4 of the FFA. It will undertake investments in transmission and distribution network strengthening. Thus the Tranche 2 helps achieving the outcome of the MFF, increased access to clean and reliable supply of electricity in Bangladesh.

Impact: Increased access to reliable supply of electricity

Outcome: Increased Transmission and Distribution capability in the power system

Outputs:

- Increased Transmission Capacity
- Increased south Dhaka distribution network capacity
- Increased north Dhaka distribution network capacity
- Efficiently managed project

Business Opportunities

- Consulting Services: Implementation support consultant for DPDC \$1,000,000 as per GOB's guidelines for Q4/2013, National and financed by GOB

There are no Consulting Services Recruitment Notices currently available for this project.

- Procurement: The following lists goods and works contracts for which procurement activity is either ongoing or expected to commence within the next 18 months - Turnkey contract for 132&230kV S/S and Lines-IDB 206.76 ICB N Q2/ 2014; Turnkey Contract for 132/230kV S/S and Lines-ADB 31.33 ICB N Q1/2014; Turnkey Contract of South Dhaka 132/33kV S/S and Lines 93.36 ICB N Q1/2014; Turnkey Contract of South Dhaka 33/11 kV S/S - AfD 36.97 ICB N Q2/2014; Turnkey Contract of South Dhaka 33/11kV S/S -ADB 45.85 ICB N Q2/2014; Turnkey Contract of 11kV South Dhaka Distribution 47.28 ICB N Q2/2014; Turnkey Contract for 132/33/11 kV S/S 133.77 ICB N Q2/2014; North Dhaka Distribution Equipment 79.85 ICB N Q1/2014.

There are no procurement notices currently available for this project.

CAMBODIA

Climate Resilient Rice Commercialization Sector Development Program

Loan Nos.	:	3006; 3007
Grant Nos.	:	0349; 0350
Project No.	:	44321-013
Amount (US \$ million)	:	55
Executing Agencies	:	Ministry of Economy and Finance
Sector	:	Multisector

Responsible ADB Officer: Bui Minh Giap (E-mail: buiqm@adb.org)
Southeast Asia Department
Environment, Natural Resources & Agriculture Division

Status: ADB Board approved on 27 June 2013

Description: The Climate Resilient Rice Commercialization Sector Development Program (SDP) is proposed to support and accelerate the efficient and effective implementation of the Strategy on Agriculture and Water (SAW) and the Policy on the Promotion of Paddy Production and Rice Export (the Rice Policy). It will address food security and rice commercialization by prioritizing: (i) strengthening the rice value chain; (ii) improving the legal and regulatory framework in agricultural land management; (iii) improving access to credit by paddy producers and rice millers/exporters; and (iv) enhancing paddy production and productivity through improved irrigation water use efficiency, establishment of paddy post-harvesting facilities, and paddy crop insurance pilots. The SDP will (i) address major strategic thrusts of the 2011-2013 Country Partnership Strategy, and sector strategies and roadmap; and (ii) complement the on-going sector initiatives by emphasizing the commercialization aspects of rice.

Impact: Increased Net Incomes of Stakeholders along the Rice Value Chain

Outcome: Enhanced Production of Quality Rice in Cambodia while preserving the natural resource base

Outputs:

- A conducive legal and regulatory environment established to facilitate rice commercialization
- Agricultural land-use zoning improved
- Climate Resilient Rice Value Chain infrastructure developed
- Enhanced Rice Value Chain support services to improve quality of Cambodian rice weather-indexed crop insurance (WICI)
- Piloted efficient program management and implementation

Business Opportunities

- Consulting Services:** The project preparatory technical assistance (PPTA) will require 42 person months of international consultants and 53 person months of national consultant. ADB will

engage, on an individual basis, four international consultants for a total of 13 person-months and four national consultants for a total of 12.0 person-months. The remaining international consultants (29 person months) and national consultants (41 person months) will be engaged through a firm, or association of firms. The ADB will engage all the consultants in accordance with ADB's Guidelines on the Use of Consultants (2010, as amended from time to time). Consulting services for implementation will be determined on the basis of the project design. There are no Consulting Services Recruitment Notices currently available for this project.

- Procurement: Procurement packages will be determined on the basis of the project design.

There are no procurement notices currently available for this project.

Procurement plans: http://www.adb.org/sites/default/files/projdocs/2013/44321-013-cam-pam_0.pdf#page=68

CHINA

Yunnan Sustainable Road Maintenance Project

Project No. : 45030-002
Amount (US \$ million) : 80
Sector : Transport and ICT

Responsible ADB Officer: Adrien Veron-Okamoto (E-mail: averon@adb.org)
East Asia Department
Transport and Communications Division

Status: ADB Board approved on 2 December 2013.

Description: Yunnan is a poor, densely populated province with a population of 46 million. Because it is landlocked and mountainous, trade with other provinces and foreign countries involves transportation over long distances, which makes its products less competitive. There are still large pockets of poverty because of inadequate road access, limited land availability for agriculture. In 2011, 27% of Yunnan's rural population was considered poor, using the PRC's official poverty line of CNY2,300 per year. Yunnan is strategically located along the PRC border with Lao People's Democratic Republic, Myanmar, and Viet Nam. About 60% of freight and 80% of passengers travel by road. The Yunnan Highway Administration Bureau (YHAB), under the Yunnan Provincial Department of Transport (YPDOT), manages a trunk road network of 24,089 km, which includes 45% of the province's paved roads. These roads form part of or connect with the Greater Mekong Subregion (GMS) Northern Economic Corridor and North-South Economic Corridors. The project will improve the sustainability of Yunnan's trunk road network. It will (i) rehabilitate about 890 km of trunk roads, (ii) introduce performance-based road maintenance on a pilot basis on 164 km of trunk roads, (iii) set up a road asset management system, and (iv) implement an institutional development plan.

Impact: An accessible, affordable and safe transport system developed in Yunnan Province

Outcome: Improved road asset management in Yunnan Province

Outputs:

1. Road maintenance and rehabilitation program implemented
2. Good road maintenance implementation practices piloted
3. Institutional capacity to manage YHAB roads is strengthened

Business Opportunities:

- Consulting Services: There are no consulting services recruitment notices currently available for this project.
- Procurement Notices: There are no procurement notices currently available for this project.

IV. TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE

PLEASE NOTE: Please click on the project title to access full project information. Technical assistance (TA) is used to prepare and implement projects, and support advisory and regional activities of the bank. ADB is no longer issuing TA project alerts classified according to type, i.e., project preparatory technical assistance (PPTA), advisory technical assistance (ADTA), etc. If you want to know the specific TA classification, please contact our office or inquire directly with the bank.

INDONESIA

Support for Selected Sector Analysis for National Medium-Term Development Planning 2015-2019 on ASEAN Connectivity

TA No. : 8535
Project No. : 47122-001
Amount (US \$ million) : 0.225
Sector : Multisector

Responsible ADB Officer: Anthony Robert Gill (E-mail: agill@adb.org)
Southeast Asia Department, Indonesia Resident Mission

Status: ADB Board approved on 6 December 2013.

Impact: Indonesia's ability to implement MPAC is improved.

Outcome: Indonesia regional integration under ASEAN is enhanced.

Outputs:

- Approaches for implementing MPAC commitments under its 3 pillars are finalized
- Approaches for strengthening international connectivity programs are aligned with MP3EI and RPJMN 2015-2019

Business Opportunities

- Consulting Services: The small-scale capacity development technical assistance (S-CDTA) will support 10 person-months of consulting services comprising 6 person-months international and 4 person-months national services. All consultants will be engaged on an intermittent basis. International consulting services will be required for: (i) senior economist/planner; (ii) ASEAN trade and service industry specialist; and (iv) labor and migration specialist. National consulting services will be required for: (i) an economist; and (ii) a communications and facilitation specialist. The consultants will be engaged as individuals in accordance with the ADB Guidelines on the Use of Consultants (2013, as amended from time to time)

There are no Consulting Services Recruitment Notices currently available for this project.

- Procurement: There are no procurement notices currently available for this project.

PHILIPPINES

A. Improving National Roads for Inclusive Growth in Mindanao Project

TA No. : 8574
Project No. : 41076-045
Amount (US \$ million) : 1.2
Sector : Transport and ICT

Responsible ADB Officer: Jeffrey M. Miller (E-mail: jmiller@adb.org)
Southeast Asia Department, Transport and Communications Division, SERD

Status: ADB Board approved on 16 December 2013.

Description: The impact of the project will be improved accessibility of transport infrastructure. The outcome of the project will be improved quality of the national road network in Mindanao. The outputs will be (i) improvement of about 400 km of 10 national roads; (ii) detailed engineering design for roads to be improved under future projects; and (iii) strengthened institutional capacity of DPWH. The road improvement works will include paving earth roads, replacing road sections washed out by floods, widening existing roads, adding surface overlays, and replacement and strengthening of bridges. The works will incorporate international best practice for road safety, climate change adaptation, and seismic resistance. The detailed design for the project roads will be carried out under RIIDP. The institutional capacity development component will be designed during the PPTA based on an assessment of DPWH's capacity. It will likely focus on the capacity of the DPWH regional and district offices in the project area, particularly on project implementation and dealing with increasingly frequent natural disasters.

Business Opportunities:

- Consulting Services: There are no consulting services recruitment notices currently available for this project.
- Procurement Notices: There are no procurement notices currently available for this project.

B. Water District Development Sector Project

TA No. : 7122
Project No. : 41665-012
Amount (US \$ million) : 1.2
Executing Agencies : Local Water Utilities Administration
Daniel I. Landingin

Sector : Water Supply and Sanitation

Responsible ADB Officer: Stella Tansengco-Schapero (E-mail: sschapero@adb.org)
Southeast Asia Department
Urban Development and Water Division, SERD

Status: ADB Board approved on 10 September 2008.

Description: The project preparatory technical assistance (PPTA) will prepare a loan project suitable for ADB to consider financing. The ensuing loan will help improve living conditions of the urban population outside Metro Manila, enhance competitiveness by developing water supply infrastructure, and provide capacity building of water utilities. It will also support the reorganization and institutional development of Local Water Utilities Administration (LWUA), and contribute to sector reform.

Project Rationale and Linkage to Country/Regional Strategy: The proposed Water District Development Project (WDDP): (i) will continue ADB's long-term cooperation with LWUA; (ii) is in line with the CSP (2005 - 2007) and ADB's Water Financing Program; (iii) is in line with the Government's objective to provide improved water supply to the country (Medium-Term Philippine Development Plan 2004-2010); and (iv) will support achievement of related targets of the Millennium Development Goals (MDG).

Impact: Improved livability and competitiveness in urban areas outside Metro Manila due to better water supply and sanitation infrastructure and the sustainable provision of safe water supply and sanitation services.

Outcome: Design of the ensuing loan project agreed upon by LWUA, the Government, and the Asian Development Bank.

Outputs:

1. Bankable sector investment program
2. Capacity development and implementation support for LWUA and water districts.

Business Opportunities

- Consulting Services: There are no consulting services recruitment notices currently available for this project.
- Procurement: There are no procurement notices currently available for this project.

C. Support for Post Typhoon Yolanda Disaster Needs Assessment and Response

Project No. : 47336-001
Amount (US \$ million) : 0.725
Sector : Multisector

Responsible ADB Officer: Richard S.M. Bolt (E-mail: rbolt@adb.org)
Southeast Asia Department, Office of the Director General

Status: ADB Board approved on December 23, 2013.

Description: In response to the serious effects of Typhoon Yolanda in the Visayas Region, the Government of Philippines (the Government) is providing immediate humanitarian and early recovery support to areas affected by the typhoon and organizing the early stages of post disaster needs assessment (PDNA) as the basis for recovery and reconstruction. ADB has established the Typhoon Yolanda Response Team to coordinate and cooperate with the Government and development partners for speedy response to Typhoon Yolanda. Immediate tasks of the Response Team are to: (i) coordinate and carry out the PDNA together with the Government and other partners, (ii) explore all available options for rapid ADB response including through Asia Pacific Disaster Response Fund, and (iii) mobilize ADB assistance for rehabilitation and reconstruction. The Response Team will also submit daily briefings to ADB Management. Consistent with these efforts, a small-scale policy and advisory technical assistance (the TA) is proposed to: (a) provide assistance to supplement the Government and development partner efforts to undertake the PDNA (i.e. to assess damages and losses, assess the economic, personal/household and poverty impacts of the disaster); and (b) support the Government and ADB to

estimate recovery, reconstruction and future risk management needs, including investments and capacity development at the local government level, and (c) share knowledge on recovery and building back better.

Project Rationale and Linkage to Country/Regional Strategy. The expected impact of the TA is strengthened recovery and reconstruction of areas impacted by Typhoon Yolanda. The outcome will be the PDNA to be informed by analysis and incorporated into Government recovery and reconstruction plans. The outputs will be: (i) DALA in selected sectors; (ii) economic, household/personal and poverty impact assessments; (iii) estimates prepared of needs for recovery, reconstruction and future risk management for consideration in existing and new projects, including a project to be proposed for funding by the Japan Fund for Poverty Reduction; (iv) knowledge and experience on post disaster recovery shared with Philippines recovery and reconstruction managers and experts, including practice and options identified for use in the Philippines context.

Impact: Systematic recovery support and reconstruction of areas impacted by Typhoon Yolanda

Outcome: Post disaster needs assessments (PDNAs) are informed by expert analysis and incorporated into Government recovery and reconstruction plans.

Outputs:

- Damage and loss assessments (DALAs) in selected sectors completed
- Economic, household/personal and poverty impact assessments
- Estimates for needs for recovery, reconstruction and future risk management for consideration in existing and new projects
- Knowledge and experience on post disaster recovery shared with Philippines recovery and reconstruction managers and experts, including practice and options identified for use in the Philippines context

Business Opportunities

- **Consulting Services:** International expertise is required (5 person months total input) for post disaster needs assessment and reconstruction planning, as well as knowledge sharing on disaster recovery, risk management and mitigation. National expertise is required (10 person months total input), complement and support the work of the ADB team and international specialists assigned to specific sectors, who are tasked to assist the Government in post disaster needs assessment, reconstruction planning, and knowledge sharing on disaster recovery, risk management and mitigation.

There are no Consulting Services Recruitment Notices currently available for this project.

- **Procurement:** There are no procurement notices currently available for this project.

D. Angat Water Transmission Improvement Project

Project No. : 46362-001
Amount (US \$ million) : 0.94
Sector : Water Supply and Sanitation

Responsible ADB Officer: Paulus B. van Klaveren (E-mail: pvanklaveren@adb.org)
Southeast Asia Department, Urban Development and Water Division

Status: ADB Board approved on 26 March 2013.

Description: The Project will secure raw water supply to the 13 million inhabitants of Metropolitan Waterworks and Sewerage System (MWSS) service area, through the rehabilitation of the Angat transmission line. It is estimated that currently each day about 800,000 m³ or 20% of the total potential capacity of raw water is lost, due to leakage of the aqueducts. The main components of the Angat transmission line are as old as 50 years, in poor condition, and not in compliance with structural and seismic requirements, risking the partial interruption of Metro Manila's water supply. The impact of the Project is sustained and secured water supply from the Angat reservoir. The outcome is the sustained operation of the aqueducts, to be achieved by: (i) retrofitting, rehabilitating and/or re-construction of the aqueducts; and (ii) operationalization of an integrated water safety, risk- and asset management plan. The Project will finance the: (i) rehabilitation and/or reconstruction of the aqueducts, and (ii) technical assistance to: (a) assess structural and seismic integrity of the transmission system; (b) prepare water safety, risk- and asset management plans, covering the optimization of the system; (c) prepare designs of structural and non-structural measures to support the implementation of these plans; and (d) prepare subsequent investments. These investments may include rehabilitation and retrofitting of intakes, stilling basins and the remaining aqueducts.

Business Consulting

- Consulting Services: International consulting firm will be recruited to prepare the project. There are no Consulting Services Recruitment Notices currently available.
- Procurement: There are no procurement notices currently available for this project.

REGIONAL

A. Promoting Financial Inclusion and Stability in ADB'S Transition Member Countries

TA No. : 8607
Project No. : 47938-012
Amount (US \$ million) : 0.75

Responsible ADB Officer: Rainer Hartel (E-mail: rhartel@adb.org)
Private Sector Operations Department
Private Sector Financial Institutions Division

Executing Agencies: Asian Development Bank

Status: ADB Board approved on 26 December 2013.

Outputs: The outputs include, but are not limited to: (i) institutional diagnostics of issues to be addressed, (ii) identification of solutions in a consultative process involving the QFI management, and (iii) preparation of product- and topic-focused implementation plans including the development and testing of new products, outreach (including branch and branchless banking solutions, risk management, corporate governance and controls, as well as financial literacy measures), and (iv) execution and supervision of the plans. These outputs will be accompanied through training and capacity-building.

Business Opportunities

- Consulting services: There are no Consulting Services Recruitment Notices currently available for this project.
- Procurement: There are no procurement notices currently available for this project.

B. Strengthening Capacity for Environmental Law in the Asia-Pacific: Developing Environmental Law Champions

Project No. : 47383-001
Amount (US \$ million) : 0.23
Sector : Public sector management

Responsible ADB Officer: Kala Mulqueeny (E-mail: kmulqueeny@adb.org)
Office of the General Counsel

Status: ADB Board approved on 26 December 2013.

Description: The small-scale capacity development technical assistance (S-CDTA) will enhance understanding, teaching, development, and enforcement of environmental law and law relating to natural capital of a cadre of environmental law teachers and lawyers to serve as environmental law champions.

Impact: Enhanced understanding, teaching, development, and enforcement of environmental law and law relating to natural capital of a cadre of environmental law teachers and lawyers

Outcome: Enhanced capacity of law professors, university lecturers, and public interest environmental lawyers in selected DMCs in environmental law and natural capital and the cultivation of environmental law champions.

Outputs:

- (i) Development and delivery of training programs designed to cover core national, regional, and international law on environment, natural capital, and climate change for law professors, university lecturers, and public interest environmental lawyers.
- (ii) Conduct of two 5-day training programs in selected DMCs.
- (iii) The training programs are video-taped.
- (iv) Summaries of the actual training are prepared and displayed on ADB website.

Business Opportunities

- Consulting services: There are no Consulting Services Recruitment Notices currently available for this project.
- Procurement: There are no procurement notices currently available for this project.

C. Innovations for More Food with Less Water

TA No. : 7967
Project No. : 45072-001
Amount (US \$ million) : 1.4
Sector : Agriculture and natural resources

Responsible ADB Officer: Lourdes S. Adriano (E-mail: ladriano@adb.org)
Regional and Sustainable Development Department
Agriculture, Rural Development and Food Security Unit

Status: ADB Board approved on 13 December 2013.

Description: This regional research and development technical assistance (TA) will support the identification, assessment, and design of new investments for more sustainable, water efficient irrigated agriculture. The TA was prepared in consultation with ADB's South Asia Regional Department, including the Resident Missions. The TA is consistent with ADB's Strategy 2020, which supports sustainable management of natural resources and investments in water systems and other essential public services, particularly those that benefit the poor. The TA responds directly to ADB's Operational Plan for Sustainable Food Security and ADB's Water Operational Plan for 2011-2020, which call for improving the productivity and efficiency of water use through: (i) investing in modern irrigation infrastructure; (ii) adopting enabling policies that correctly price the opportunity cost of water; and (iii) strengthening institutions for more efficient and sustainable water management.

Project Rationale and Linkage to Country/Regional Strategy: By 2050, the world population will reach 9 billion. According to the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO), up to 70% more food will be needed to match the growth of population and the impacts of consumer income growth and urbanization on food demand. This will place tremendous pressure on increasingly scarce land and water resources. In Asia, and most particularly in South and Central Asia, agriculture's ability to produce more will be severely constrained by increasingly scarce renewable fresh water. Much of this region is classified as highly vulnerable to climate change. Presently, 80% of Asia's fresh water is used for agriculture, but this is unlikely to be sustainable given the competing water demands of non-agricultural users and the environment, and the increasing impacts of climate change. By 2030, 40% of developing Asia is projected to face a severe water shortage. Hence, there is a compelling need now to identify and field test innovations that both conserve water and raise agricultural productivity.

Impact: A more water-efficient and reliable food supply in participating DMCs by 2020.

Outcome: Technically, economically, and environmentally sound technologies and associated institutional and policy frameworks ready for up-scaling in future operations by ADB and other donors.

Outputs:

- Detailed plans for adoption of locally-appropriate innovations in selected irrigation systems of participating DMCs developed
- Outreach of identified innovative models combining technologies, enabling policies, and institutional frameworks expanded.
- Capacity created to monitor the adoption of new technology and management impacts on water efficiency and crop productivity.

Business Opportunities

- **Consulting Services:** The TA will require an estimated 33 person-months of international consultants and 63.5 person-months of national consultants in the areas of irrigation management, design, and performance benchmarking, groundwater and conjunctive use, irrigation institutions and policy, participatory irrigation management, operation and maintenance, irrigated crop agronomy, and economics

Task I: Synthesis of Knowledge, International Experience and Best Practices - For Task I, IWMI will individually recruit, in close consultation with ADB, 11 person-months of international and 2.5 person-months of national consultant services in the fields of irrigation policy, technology, management, institutions, groundwater irrigation, and economics.

Task II: Country and Project-specific Recommendations and Pilot Initiatives - For Task II, ADB will recruit on individual basis the equivalent of 22 person-months of international consultants and 61 person-months of national consultants. RSDD-AR and South Asia Department will jointly agree on the selection of the experts. Staff of ADB's South Asia Department will supervise the individual consultants at the country-level to ensure timely delivery of quality outputs. All consultants for Tasks I and II will be engaged in accordance with ADB's Guidelines on the Use of Consultants (2010, as amended from time to time). The TA will be implemented over a 2-year period to start in December 2011 and conclude in November 2013.

There are no Consulting Services Recruitment Notices currently available for this project.

- **Procurement:** Equipment for pilot project development is tentatively estimated to include: (i) one unit each of mini-laser land leveling equipment, micro- and drip irrigation equipment, (ii) five laptop computers for field data collection and monitoring, and other miscellaneous costs of pilot project development. This listing may be revised according to the scope and progress of the associated project preparatory activities. Procurement of equipment will be in accordance with ADB's Procurement Guidelines (2010, as amended from time to time).

There are no procurement notices currently available for this project.

TAJIKISTAN

Capacity Building for Rural Financial Inclusion

TA No. : 8605
Project No. : 47939-012
Amount (US \$ million) : 0.5

Responsible ADB Officer: Rainer Hartel (E-mail: rhartel@adb.org)
Private Sector Operations Department
Private Sector Financial Institutions Division

Executing Agency: Asian Development Bank

Status: ADB Board approved on 24 December 2013

Outputs:

- Rural branches established and profitable;
- Portfolio quality is adequate;
- Trainee loan officers trained; and
- Financial literacy training to customers conducted

Business Opportunities

- Consulting services: There are no Consulting Services Recruitment Notices currently available for this project.

- Procurement: There are no procurement notices currently available for this project.

V. IN-COUNTRY EMBASSY AND COMMERCIAL OFFICES

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