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Summary of the Handbook on Resettlement

A Guide to Good Practice



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Preface

The Bank's Board approved the Policy on Involuntary Resettlement in November 1995. Complementing this policy, the *Handbook on Involuntary Resettlement: A Guide to Good Practice*, has been prepared for use by Bank staff, especially operations staff, consultants, and staff of developing member country executing agencies who play a role in resettlement planning, management, monitoring and evaluation in Bank-funded projects.

This summary publication is intended to supplement the *Handbook on Resettlement: A Guide to Good Practice*. This supplement was designed to serve as a handy reference guide for Bank staff and consultants on mission. Patterned after the structure of the *Handbook* itself, the supplement includes a glossary of common terms and concepts related to resettlement, key elements of resettlement plans, issues, and the checklists showing key points for action in the project cycle.

Abbreviations

ADB	Asian Development Bank (“Bank”)
APs	Affected persons
BME	Benefit monitoring and evaluation
CBO	Community-based organization
DMC	Developing member country
EA	Executing agency
EIA	Environmental impact assessment
GRC	Grievance redress committee
ISA	Initial social assessment
LAR	Land acquisition and resettlement
LAS	Land acquisition survey
M&E	Monitoring and evaluation
MRM	Management Review Meeting
NGO	Nongovernment organization
OESD	Office of Environment and Social Development
PPTA	Project preparatory technical assistance
PRA	Participatory Rapid Appraisal
PRC	People’s Republic of China
RP	Resettlement plan
RRP	Report and Recommendation of the President
SES	Socioeconomic survey
SOCD	Social Development Division
SRC	Staff Review Committee
TA	Technical assistance
TOR	Terms of reference

Glossary

Affected person (or household)	People (households) affected by project-related changes in use of land, water or other natural resources
Compensation	Money or payment in kind to which the people affected are entitled in order to replace the lost asset, resource or income
Expropriation	Government's action in taking or modifying property rights in the exercise of sovereignty
Eminent domain	Regulatory measure by government to obtain land
Entitlement	Range of measures comprising compensation, income restoration, transfer assistance, income substitution, and relocation which are due to affected people, depending on the nature of their losses, to restore their economic and social base
Host population	Community residing in or near the area to which affected people are to be relocated
Income restoration	Reestablishing income sources and livelihoods of people affected
Involuntary resettlement	Development project results in unavoidable resettlement losses, that people affected have no option but to rebuild their lives, incomes and asset bases elsewhere
Relocation	Rebuilding housing, assets, including productive land, and public infrastructure in another location
Rehabilitation	Re-establishing incomes, livelihoods, living, and social systems

Replacement rates	Cost of replacing lost assets and incomes, including cost of transactions
Resettlement effect	Loss of physical and non-physical assets, including homes, communities, productive land, income-earning assets and sources, subsistence, resources, cultural sites, social structures, networks and ties, cultural identity, and mutual help mechanisms
Resettlement plan	A time-bound action plan with budget setting out resettlement strategy, objectives, entitlement, actions, responsibilities, monitoring and evaluation
Social Preparation	Process of consultation with affected people undertaken before key resettlement decisions are made, to build their capacity to deal with resettlement
Usufruct	The right to use and profit from land belonging to others or to a larger entity, e.g., to a tribe, community or collective
Vulnerable groups	Distinct groups of people who might suffer disproportionately from resettlement effects