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Pakistan: Restructuring of the Technical Education and Vocational Training System (Balochistan)

Project Name	Restructuring of the Technical Education and Vocational Training System (Balochistan)
Project Number	36654-013
Country	Pakistan
Project Status	Closed
Project Type / Modality of Assistance	Loan
Source of Funding / Amount	**Loan 2133-PAK: Restructuring of the Technical Education and Vocational Training System (Balochistan)** Asian Development Fund — US$ 16.00 million
Strategic Agendas	Inclusive economic growth
Drivers of Change	Governance and capacity development Private sector development
Sector / Subsector	**Education** - Technical and vocational education and training
Gender Equity and Mainstreaming	Gender equity
Description	The goal of the Project is to contribute to the Government's overall strategic goal of poverty reduction by enhancing competitiveness of TEVT and employability of its graduates in line with emerging market needs. The Project's specific objectives are to (i) restructure and strengthen institutional capacity, efficiency, and autonomy of TEVT institutions; (ii) improve quality and relevance of TEVT programs; and (iii) enhance access and equity to better quality of TEVT programs.
Project Rationale and Linkage to Country/Regional Strategy	
Impact	Contribute to the Government's overall strategic goal of poverty reduction by enhancing competitiveness of technical education and vocational training (TEVT) and employability of its graduates in line with emerging market needs.

Project Outcome	
Description of Outcome	To improve quality and relevance of TEVT programs through more equitable access to better quality programs, with focus on females and rural poor, enhanced employability of graduates, and enhanced institutional efficiency of key TEVT institutions
Progress Toward Outcome	-- Only 24% disbursement against elapsed loan period of 78%. Given the (i) slow physical progress, (ii) weak capacity and commitment of EA and IA, (iii) weak capacity of consultants, (iv) non-compliance with the loan covenants and time-bound action plan, and (v) declaration of civil works as misprocurement, the project is unlikely to achieve its objectives. Hence, furhter continuation of the Project was unlikely to bring any substantial change in the TEVT system of the province. Therefore, on Borrower's request, loan was advance closed on 24 May 2010 and uncommitted loan funds for an amount of SDR 7.5 million canceled effective the same date. Actions are currently being taken for financial closure of the loan.
Implementation Progress	

Description of Project Outputs	1. Enhanced institutional efficiency of TEVT institutions a. TEVT organization strengthened FIX INDENT b. TEVT planning and financial management strengthened c. Management program for TEVT strengthened and made more relevant 2. Improved quality and relevance of TEVT programs a. Teacher competence improved b. Facilities upgraded in selected existing polytechnics, technical and vocational training centers (TVTCs) c. Employment opportunities enhanced 3. Enhanced access and equity a. Intake capacity in polytechnics is expanded b. Access to technical training centers, vocational training centers, and non-formal livelihood programs
Status of Implementation Progress (Outputs, Activities, and Issues)	Only 24% disbursement against elapsed loan period of 78%. Given the (i) slow physical progress, (ii) weak capacity and commitment of EA and IA, (iii) weak capacity of consultants, (iv) non-compliance with the loan covenants and time-bound action plan, and (v) declaration of civil works as misprocurement, the project could not fully implement the project activities; thus, outputs were partly achieved.
Geographical Location	Balochistan province

Safeguard Categories	
Environment	B
Involuntary Resettlement	
Indigenous Peoples	

Summary of Environmental and Social Aspects
Environmental Aspects
Involuntary Resettlement
Indigenous Peoples
Stakeholder Communication, Participation, and Consultation
During Project Design
During Project Implementation

Business Opportunities	
Consulting Services	A total input of 76 person-months is planned, consisting of 18 person-months of international consulting and 58 person-months of domestic consulting services. The consultants will be recruited individually or through a firm. A management firm or higher education institution and an academic institution will be contracted for management development program and performance-based management, and competency-based training system development. Quality-and cost-based selection will be applied to consulting firms.
Procurement	Procurement of ADB-financed goods, related services, and civil works will be carried out according to ADB's Guidelines for Procurement. Packages of equipment and textbooks will be procured by international competitive bidding for contracts in excess of $500,000; international shopping for contracts in excess of $100,000; and direct purchase for contracts of less than $100,000. Contracts for civil works estimated to cost more than $1.0 million equivalent will be carried out using international competitive bidding (ICB) procedures while those estimated to cost $1.0 million equivalent or less will be carried out under local competitive bidding (LCB) procedures. The procurement of goods will preferably be grouped into packages larger than $500,000 to be suitable for ICB procedures. Miscellaneous minor goods that cannot be grouped into larger contracts and are estimated to cost less than $500,000 per contract will be procured through international shopping (IS) procedures. Minor items estimated to cost less than the equivalent of $100,000 per contract may be purchased directly following proper procedures to ensure economy, efficiency and quality.

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Timetable	
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Fact Finding	15 Feb 2004 to 03 Mar 2004
MRM	27 Apr 2004
Approval	14 Dec 2004
Last Review Mission	-
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Last PDS Update	02 Sep 2011

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Milestones					
Approval	**Signing Date**	**Effectivity Date**	**Closing**		
			Original	**Revised**	**Actual**
14 Dec 2004	22 Mar 2005	23 Aug 2005	30 Apr 2011	24 May 2010	30 Jun 2011

Financing Plan		**Loan Utilization**			
	Total (Amount in US$ million)	Date	ADB	Others	Net Percentage
Project Cost	22.90	Cumulative Contract Awards			
ADB	16.00	14 Dec 2004	3.93	0.00	97%
Counterpart	6.90	Cumulative Disbursements			
Cofinancing	0.00	14 Dec 2004	4.05	0.00	100%

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