PROJECT DATA SHEET

Project Data Sheets (PDS) contain summary information on the project or program: Because the PDS is a work in progress, some information may not be included in its initial version but will be added as it becomes available. Information about proposed projects is tentative and indicative.

PDS Creation Date	06 Feb 2006
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Project Name	AZE: PRIVATE BANKS AND LEASING COMPANIES IN AZERBAIJAN
Country	Azerbaijan
Borrower/Equity Investment Name	AZERIGAZBANK
Project/Program Number	39930-014
Status	Approved
Geographical Location	Azerbaijan.

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Sector	Finance
Subsector	Small and medium enterprise finance and leasing
Strategic Agendas	–
Drivers of Change	–
Gender Equity and Mainstreaming Categories	–

FINANCING

Type/Modality of Assistance	Approval Number	Source of Funding	Approved Amount (US$ thousand)
PS	7229	Equity Investment (Documents under Negotiations)	5,000

Type/Modality of Assistance	Approval Number	Source of Funding	Approved Amount (US$ thousand)
PS	7229	Private Sector Loan (Documents under Negotiations)	10,000
TOTAL			**USD 15,000**

SUMMARY OF ENVIRONMENTAL AND SOCIAL ISSUES

Environment: This is a Category FI project. All beneficiaries will be required to adopt appropriate environmental management systems. Social Safeguards: This is a Category C project. No impact is expected regarding involuntary resettlement or indigenous peoples from the activities of the participating banks or their borrowing clients.

Environmental Aspects

–

Involuntary Resettlement

–

Indigenous Peoples

–

STAKEHOLDER COMMUNICATION, PARTICIPATION, AND CONSULTATION DESCRIPTION

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PROJECT RATIONALE AND LINKAGE TO COUNTRY/REGIONAL STRATEGY

ADB public sector operations are working with the Government to develop a program to improve credit supply in rural areas, with a particular focus on microfinance. The proposed intervention is complementary to this rural and micro finance initiative as it focuses on a general strengthening of the private banks, rather than on on-lending to a particular target group or geographic region.

DEVELOPMENT IMPACT

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PROJECT OUTCOME

Description of Outcome	Progress Towards Outcome
–	–

OUTPUTS AND IMPLEMENTATION PROGRESS

Description of Project Outputs	Status of Implementation Progress (Outputs, Activities, and Issues)
–	–

BUSINESS OPPORTUNITIES

Date of First Listing	–

Consulting Services	–
Procurement and Consulting Notices	http://www.adb.org/projects/39930-014/business-opportunities

TIMETABLE

Concept Clearance	01 Feb 2006
Due Diligence Mission	—
Investment Committee Meeting	–
Approval	30 Mar 2006

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LINKS

Project Website	http://www.adb.org/projects/39930-014/main
List of Project Documents	http://www.adb.org/projects/39930-014/documents