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Bangladesh: Second Chittagong Hill Tracts Rural Development Project (CHTRDP II)

Project Name	Second Chittagong Hill Tracts Rural Development Project (CHTRDP II)
Project Number	42248-012
Country	Bangladesh
Project Status	Closed
Project Type / Modality of Assistance	Technical Assistance
Source of Funding / Amount	**TA 7432-BAN: Second Chittagong Hill Tracts Rural Development Project (CHTRDP II)** Japan Special Fund — US$ 900,000.00
Strategic Agendas	Inclusive economic growth
Drivers of Change	Governance and capacity development
Sector / Subsector	Agriculture, natural resources and rural development - Agricultural policy, institutional and capacity development - Irrigation - Land-based natural resources management
Gender Equity and Mainstreaming	Gender equity
Description	tbd
Project Rationale and Linkage to Country/Regional Strategy	The TA will support ADB?s Country Strategy and Program for Bangladesh, 2006?2010 by contributing to: (i) helping the rural poor, especially women and excluded groups by expanding their access to markets, and services and increasing their livelihood options; (ii) community participation (especially by women and disadvantaged groups) in designing and implementing projects; (iii) progressive devolution of responsibilities to local governments and communities to build capacity to plan, operate and maintain social and economic services; (iv) intensification, diversification, and value addition of crops to boost agricultural productivity and improve food security; and (v) strengthening farm-to-market linkages to raise rural incomes. The TA is also consistent with the Government of Bangladesh's (GOB) National Strategy for Accelerated Poverty Reduction goal of accelerated poverty reduction by supporting rural development, participation and empowerment of the poor, especially women, and other marginalized groups such as indigenous people and human development of the poor.
Impact	The impact of the TA will be improved rural livelihoods to reduce poverty amongst rural population of CHT.

Project Outcome	
Description of Outcome	The outcome of the TA will be a project proposal suitable for ADB financing that will: (i) improve rural infrastructure and sustainable natural resources management and monitoring; (ii) increase rural incomes, including those of remote rural women and disadvantaged groups, through increased economic opportunities and activities; and (iii) support institutional strengthening of MOCHTA and CHTRC to plan, implement and monitor sustainable rural development in CHT.
Progress Toward Outcome	A draft final report detailing the design for the Second Chittagong Hill tracts Rural Development Project has been submitted by TA Consultants for ADB consideration. Consultations were held with various stakeholders, and detailed feasibility studies were undertaken in six representative subproject sites. Findings from these as well as from comprehensive reviews of releveant aspects of the first Chittagong Hill Tracts project were included to guide the second project's design.
Implementation Progress	
Description of Project Outputs	Output 1: Institutional Strengthening, Output 2: Participatory Community Development, Output 3: Integrated Rural Infrastructure, Output 4: Project Investment Plan

Status of Implementation Progress (Outputs, Activities, and Issues)	
Geographical Location	Three districts of Chittagong Hill Tracts (Rangamati, Khagracchari and Banderban)

Safeguard Categories	
Environment	B
Involuntary Resettlement	B
Indigenous Peoples	A

Summary of Environmental and Social Aspects	
Environmental Aspects	
Involuntary Resettlement	
Indigenous Peoples	
Stakeholder Communication, Participation, and Consultation	
During Project Design	Consultations with government officials and intended beneficiaries were undertaken under the Chittagong Hill Tracts Study for Potential for Integrated Small-Water Resources.
During Project Implementation	Rigorous field consultations were undertaken for socio-economic baseline surveys, participatory rural appraisals, feasibility studies and social and environmental safeguards outputs. A highly consultative approach was adopted for design development through regular meetings and field interactions with a range of stakeholders including CHT Regional Council, Circle Chiefs, Hill District Councils, Local Government representatives and beneficiary communities. A socio economic baseline survey was undertaken in 600 villages and focus group discussions to gain a better insight to stakeholder needs.

Business Opportunities	
Consulting Services	A total of 61staff-months of consulting services including 29 months of international and 32 months of national consultants will be required for the Project. A consulting firm will be recruited for a total of 21 staff-months (international), while individual consultants will be recruited for 8 staff-months (international) and 32 staff-months (national).

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Timetable	
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Fact Finding	05 Sep 2009 to 16 Sep 2009
MRM	-
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Milestones					
Approval	**Signing Date**	**Effectivity Date**	**Closing**		
			Original	**Revised**	**Actual**
07 Dec 2009	23 Mar 2010	23 Mar 2010	31 Oct 2010	31 Oct 2011	-

Financing Plan/TA Utilization							Cumulative Disbursements	
ADB	Cofinancing	Counterpart				Total	Date	Amount
		Gov	Beneficiaries	Project Sponsor	Others			
900,000.00	0.00	125,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,025,000.00	07 Dec 2009	1,087,443.28

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