



Project Data Sheet

Project 41191-012

Project Name	Promoting Evidence-Based Policy Making for Gender Equity in the Pacific	
Project Number	41191-012	
Country / Economy	Regional	
Project Status	Closed	
Project Type / Modality of Assistance	Technical Assistance	
Source of Funding / Amount	TA 7656-REG: Promoting Evidence-Based Policy Making for Gender Equity in the Pacific	
	Technical Assistance Special Fund	US\$ 1.45 million
Strategic Agendas	Inclusive economic growth	
Drivers of Change	Gender Equity and Mainstreaming Governance and capacity development Partnerships	
Sector / Subsector	Public sector management / Social protection initiatives	
Gender	Gender equity	
Description	<p>The Asian Development Bank (ADB) recognizes gender equity as an essential driver of change in achieving inclusive development, and emphasizes gender mainstreaming in all ADB operations. For the Pacific developing member countries (DMCs), ADB aims to introduce gender as a key policy concern in the core functioning of governments by enhancing gender awareness in all capacity- and institution-building efforts. The TA seeks to strengthen the capacity of governments in selected Pacific DMCs to systematically monitor gender situations and address gender inclusiveness in development strategies.</p> <p>Across the Pacific DMCs, gender awareness has been gradually increasing with ratification of the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women (CEDAW) and with growing emphasis on gender equality by international and regional agencies. Yet, there have been few systematic and concerted policy efforts to address gender concerns in national development strategies across the Pacific DMCs.</p>	
Project Rationale and Linkage to Country/Regional Strategy	<p>The TA supported capacity development of key government agencies, especially women's offices and sector gender focal points, for evidence-based policy making on gender issues. The TA outputs were delivered through (i) the compilation of baseline gender indicators, (ii) country gender assessments (CGAs), (iii) gender awareness training and gender-inclusive policy development, and (iv) regional knowledge sharing on gender disparities in Pacific DMCs.</p>	
Impact	Gender-inclusive development is achieved in participating DMCs	

Project Outcome

Description of Outcome	Improved capacity of women's offices and gender focal points to promote evidence-based, gender-inclusive policies.
Progress Toward Outcome	Activities for planned outcome and outputs were completed.

Implementation Progress

Description of Project Outputs	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Baseline gender indicators compiled and maintained by women's offices2. Participatory, evidence-based CGA completed in each participating DMC3. Increased gender awareness among government staff for gender-inclusive policy development4. Enhanced awareness of gender disparities in the region by Pacific DMCs
Status of Implementation Progress (Outputs, Activities, and Issues)	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Capacity building support for gender statistics was provided in Timor-Leste, Marshall Islands and Tonga. A regional data booklet entitled _Gender Statistics (The Pacific and Timor-Leste) is now available online and soon to be published in hardcopy.2. CGA publication was completed for Papua New Guinea, Timor-Leste and Solomon Islands.3. Capacity building activities for government officials involved in ADB-finance project operations were completed.4. The regional workshop was held in Nadi, Fiji in October 2015 and several knowledge products were produced.5. A minor change in scope approved in June 2013 expanded TA support into additional Pacific development member countries for outputs 1 and 3, such as Cook Islands and Nauru.
Geographical Location	Regional

Summary of Environmental and Social Aspects

Environmental Aspects
Involuntary Resettlement
Indigenous Peoples

Stakeholder Communication, Participation, and Consultation

During Project Design	Government officials, including the national womens machineries, civil society groups, and development partners were consulted.
During Project Implementation	County gender assessments were undertaken under the leadership of national ministries in charge of gender issues and with participation of NGOs, civil society groups, and development partners. The CGAs were completed and published for Papua New Guinea, Timor-Leste and Solomon Islands.

Business Opportunities

Consulting Services The TA will require a total of 102 person-months of international and national consulting services. This includes 45 person-months of international consulting services, 31 person-months of national consulting services, and 26 person-months of ADB headquarters-based national TA coordinator contributions. ADB will engage the international and national consultants in accordance with ADBs Guidelines on the Use of Consultants (2013, as amended from time to time). All consultants will be recruited individually and selected on the basis of their qualifications for the assignment. The outline terms of reference for consultants are in Appendix 3. All procurement of goods or equipment will be done in accordance with ADBs Procurement Guidelines (2015, as amended from time to time).

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Timetable

Concept Clearance	06 Aug 2010
Fact Finding	-
MRM	-
Approval	25 Nov 2010
Last Review Mission	-
PDS Creation Date	06 Sep 2010
Last PDS Update	30 Mar 2016

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Milestones

Approval	Signing Date	Effectivity Date	Closing		
			Original	Revised	Actual
25 Nov 2010	-	25 Nov 2010	30 Jun 2013	30 Nov 2015	30 Sep 2016

Financing Plan/TA Utilization							Cumulative Disbursements	
ADB	Cofinancing	Counterpart		Project Sponsor	Others	Total	Date	Amount
		Gov	Beneficiaries					
1,450,000.00	0.00	100,000.00	0.00	0.00	90,000.00	1,640,000.00	17 Jun 2022	1,248,669.85

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