



Project Data Sheet

Project 39176-044

Project Name	Road Network Development Program - Tranche 4	
Project Number	39176-044	
Country / Economy	Azerbaijan	
Project Status	Closed	
Project Type / Modality of Assistance	Loan	
Source of Funding / Amount	Loan 3116-AZE: Road Network Development Program - Tranche 4	
	Ordinary capital resources	US\$ 45.00 million
Strategic Agendas	Environmentally sustainable growth Inclusive economic growth Regional integration	
Drivers of Change	Governance and capacity development Knowledge solutions Partnerships	
Sector / Subsector	Transport / Road transport (non-urban)	
Gender	No gender elements	
Description	The Project will reconstruct 4 bridges and rehabilitate 30 km of local roads in the Ganja-Qazax region. All 4 bridges are in a very poor, nearly no longer maintainable condition.	
Project Rationale and Linkage to Country/Regional Strategy	The tranche 4 Project is a high priority of the government and is included in the Road Network Development Program for 2006 2015 under the Transport Sector Development Strategy. It forms part of the country's primary east west highway linking the country's capital, Baku, to the Georgian border. Currently, the bridges and local roads are in poor and critical condition, resulting in high transport costs, long delivery times, and road crashes. This constitutes impediments to non-oil sector growth and poverty reduction in Azerbaijan, as well as regional trade development. Reconstruction of these bridges and associated local roads improvement will promote national and regional trade, thus contributing to the achievement of the objectives of the state program on poverty reduction and economic development.	
Impact	Greater socioeconomic development in the Ganja region of Azerbaijan and its cooperation with neighboring countries.	

Project Outcome

Description of Outcome	An efficient, safe, and sustainable road network in the Ganja region of Azerbaijan.
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Progress Toward Outcome

2013-2016: Both the civil works and construction supervision consultant contracts were signed in November 2015. Project implementation is ongoing.

Q2 2017: Procurement of the material testing and laboratory equipment was cancelled on 6 June 2016 due to limited time up to project closing date. Variation Order No. 2 for the contract on local roads was approved on 12 July 2017 for the inclusion of additional 41.83 km rehabilitation of local roads in the Ganza-Gazakh region.

Q3 2017: All 4 bridges and all 5 local roads (41.2 km) are open to traffic. Project is physically completed on 28 Sep 2017.

Q1 2018: Ongoing project completion assessment as input to the Facility Completion Report.

Implementation Progress

Description of Project Outputs	Four bridges reconstructed and associated infrastructure and local roads rehabilitated in the Ganja region. Project implementation support to ARS, timely and effectively provided.
Status of Implementation Progress (Outputs, Activities, and Issues)	<p>2013-2016: Both the civil works and construction supervision consultant contracts were signed in November 2015.</p> <p>Q2 2017: Procurement of the material testing and laboratory equipment was cancelled; Variation Order No. 2 for the contract on local roads was approved.</p> <p>Q4 2017: Project was physically completed on 28 September 2017.</p> <p>2013-2016: Both the civil works and construction supervision consultant contracts were signed in November 2015.</p> <p>The construction drawings of four bridges under Tranche 4 were completed by the contractor and Ministry of Emergency approved 3 out of the 4 drawings. Shop drawings for the 3 bridges were reviewed by the Engineer and comments provided to Contractor for action. Relocation of utilities completed and demolition substantially completed. Construction activities are ongoing.</p> <p>Q1-Q2 2017: The physical progress is 83.42% as of 30 June 2017.</p> <p>Q4 2017: Project was physically completed on 28 Sep 2017. Turn-over certificates issued in August and October 2017.</p> <p>Q1 2018: Loan account closing in process.</p>
Geographical Location	Akstafa-Poylu-Sadiqli Bridge, Poylu-Duzqislaq-Qazax Bridge, Poylu-Sadiqli Bridge, Poylu-Sadiqli-Gurcistan Bridge

Safeguard Categories

Environment	B
Involuntary Resettlement	C
Indigenous Peoples	C

Summary of Environmental and Social Aspects

Environmental Aspects	The overall environmental impacts are limited to the construction phase and could be minimized by adequate mitigation measures.
Involuntary Resettlement	A due diligence report was prepared to assess potential involuntary resettlement impacts. Tranche 4, does not require land acquisition or resettlement.

Indigenous Peoples	Tranche 4 has no adverse impact on indigenous peoples. Ethnic Azeri accounts for most of the population in the project area; few other nationalities include Talysh, who are not negatively affected by the project.
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Stakeholder Communication, Participation, and Consultation

During Project Design	Consultation sessions were conducted with the local residents in the project affected areas. The primary issues discussed were employment opportunities for the local residents, both skilled and unskilled.
During Project Implementation	Consultation sessions will continue during project implementation.

Business Opportunities

Consulting Services	Consultants will be recruited and engaged in accordance with ADB's Guidelines on the Use of Consultants (2013, as amended from time to time). A consulting firm will be selected to oversee the design review and construction supervision work, using ADB's modified quality- and cost-based (90:10 ratio) selection procedure with full technical proposal to ensure the quality of consulting services.
Procurement	ADB-financed goods and services will be procured according to ADB's Procurement Guidelines (2013, as amended from time to time). International and national competitive bidding procedures are followed for the contracts for civil works for the Tranche 4.
Responsible ADB Officer	San Miguel, Cesar M.
Responsible ADB Department	Central and West Asia Department
Responsible ADB Division	Transport and Communications Division, CWRD
Executing Agencies	<i>State Agency of Azerbaijan Automobile Roads Mr. Saleh Mammadov INFO@AYS.GOV.AZ Block 2025, R. Ismayilov Str., Bilajari Settlement, Binagadi Distr., Baku, Azerbaijan Republic, AZ1117 Baku</i>

Timetable

Concept Clearance	-
Fact Finding	-
MRM	18 Nov 2013
Approval	27 Mar 2014
Last Review Mission	-
Last PDS Update	15 Mar 2018

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Milestones

Approval	Signing Date	Effectivity Date	Closing				
			Original	Revised	Actual		
27 Mar 2014	05 May 2014	09 Sep 2014	28 Sep 2017	-	22 May 2018		
Financing Plan			Loan Utilization				
Total (Amount in US\$ million)			Date	ADB	Others	Net Percentage	
Project Cost			58.00	Cumulative Contract Awards			
ADB			45.00	17 Jun 2022	31.28	0.00	100%
Counterpart			13.00	Cumulative Disbursements			
Cofinancing			0.00	17 Jun 2022	31.28	0.00	100%
Status of Covenants							
Category	Sector	Safeguards	Social	Financial	Economic	Others	
Rating	Satisfactory	Satisfactory	Satisfactory	Satisfactory	-	Satisfactory	

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