



Project Data Sheet

Project 36445-022

Project Name	Capacity Building to Combat Land Degradation	
Project Number	36445-022	
Country / Economy	China, People's Republic of	
Project Status	Closed	
Project Type / Modality of Assistance	Grant	
Source of Funding / Amount	Grant 4357-PRC: Capacity Building to Combat Land Degradation Global Environment Facility Grant US\$ 7.70 million	
Strategic Agendas	Environmentally sustainable growth Inclusive economic growth	
Drivers of Change	Governance and capacity development	
Sector / Subsector	Agriculture and Natural Resources / Agriculture, natural resources and rural development	
Gender		

Description

The PRC-Global Environment Facility (GEF) Partnership on Land Degradation (LD) in Dryland Ecosystems is a long-term country programming framework (CPF) that was approved by the GEF Council meeting in October 2002. The CPF (2003-2012) seeks to combat LD through investments to strengthen the enabling environment and build institutional capacity, and to demonstrate viable investment project models under the GEF's Operational Program 12 on Integrated Ecosystem Management (IEM). The total cost of the 10-year CPF is estimated at about \$1.5 billion, of which GEF will provide \$150 million for eligible investments. The above Project is the first in a series of planned investments under the Partnership. It will strengthen the enabling environment and build institutional capacity to adopt an integrated approach. The Project will result in (i) an improved policy and regulatory framework for combating LD; (ii) enhanced national and provincial coordination mechanisms and strengthened capacity for strategic IEM planning; (iii) improved provincial and field level LD control; (iv) provincial capacity for formulating LD control investment projects; (v) improved monitoring and assessment of LD nationwide; and (vi) effective CPF implementation arrangements. The Project will work at the central level and in six priority provinces and autonomous regions that are the most degraded dryland areas of western region: Gansu, Inner Mongolia, Ningxia, Qinghai, Shaanxi, and Xinjiang.

The Grant Project will support the implementation of Project 1 (Strengthening the Enabling Environment and Building Institutional Capacity to Combat Land Degradation, \$15 million equivalent) under the PRC-GEF Partnership on LD in Dryland Ecosystems (under OP12), and cofinanced by ADB TA Project No. 36445-01.

Project Rationale and
Linkage to
Country/Regional
Strategy

Impact

Project Outcome

Description of Outcome

Progress Toward Outcome

Implementation Progress

Description of Project Outputs

Status of Implementation Progress (Outputs, Activities, and Issues)

Geographical Location

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	International and domestic consultants will support project implementation and capacity building. Consultants financed from GEF grant will be recruited in accordance with ADB's Guidelines on the Use of Consultants and other arrangements satisfactory to ADB for selection of domestic consultants. It is anticipated that under the GEF grant, about 22 person-months international and 187 person-months domestic consultants will be financed featuring expertise in environmental law, natural resource economics, macro planning and policy, social science and/or poverty, participatory planning, natural resource management and planning, farmer fields school, environmental education, community development, training specialists in land degradation project design, geographic information system (GIS) training, and information technology.
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Procurement None.

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Timetable

Concept Clearance	21 Jan 2002
Fact Finding	02 Jul 2003 to 11 Jul 2003
MRM	-
Approval	28 Jun 2004
Last Review Mission	-
PDS Creation Date	15 Feb 2008
Last PDS Update	19 Jan 2010

Grant 4357-PRC

Financing Plan

Grant Utilization

Total (Amount in US\$ million)	Date	ADB	Others	Net Percentage
Project Cost	7.70	Cumulative Contract Awards		
ADB	0.00	-	0.00	0.00 %
Counterpart	0.00	Cumulative Disbursements		
Cofinancing	7.70	-	0.00	0.00 %

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