



Uzbekistan: Third CAREC Corridor Road Investment Program

Project Name	Third CAREC Corridor Road Investment Program								
Project Number	48414-001								
Country / Economy	Uzbekistan								
Project Status	Closed								
Project Type / Modality of Assistance	Technical Assistance								
Source of Funding / Amount	<table border="1"><tr><td colspan="2">TA 8950-UZB: Third CAREC Corridor Road Investment Program</td></tr><tr><td>Technical Assistance Special Fund</td><td>US\$ 1.50 million</td></tr><tr><td colspan="2">TA 8950-UZB: Third CAREC Corridor Road Investment Program (Supplementary)</td></tr><tr><td>Technical Assistance Special Fund</td><td>US\$ 750,000.00</td></tr></table>	TA 8950-UZB: Third CAREC Corridor Road Investment Program		Technical Assistance Special Fund	US\$ 1.50 million	TA 8950-UZB: Third CAREC Corridor Road Investment Program (Supplementary)		Technical Assistance Special Fund	US\$ 750,000.00
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Strategic Agendas	Inclusive economic growth Regional integration								
Drivers of Change	Governance and capacity development Knowledge solutions Partnerships Private sector development								
Sector / Subsector	Transport / Road transport (non-urban)								
Gender	No gender elements								
Description	<p>As part of the implementation of the Central Asia Regional Economic Cooperation (CAREC) program in the country, the Government of Uzbekistan has requested ADB to provide assistance for continued rehabilitation of the CAREC Corridors. ADB approved on 7 September 2015 the multitranche financing facility (MFF) concept for the Third CAREC Corridor Investment Program. The proposed MFF was to complement the ongoing efforts to improve the CAREC Corridors by providing the last missing link to the international border with Kazakhstan, rehabilitating roads in Khorezm and Kashkadarya, developing road side infrastructure, and developing the capacity of the Road Research Institute and other Uzavtoyul agencies for introducing efficiencies and innovation in the road subsector. A project preparatory technical assistance (PPTA) was approved to carry out due diligence for the MFF and to support Uzavtoyul agencies in preparing a framework for the implementation of institutional reforms in state-owned enterprises and the provision of capacity building in improving road design standards.</p> <p>The approved MFF concept proposed three tranches to be approved over the period 2016-2018: (i) Tranche 1--rehabilitation of 77 km section of the regional road that links the tourist centers of Karshi and Kitab on the A380 and M39 highways, including pilot road side infrastructure development and installation of cross-border scanning equipment; (ii) Tranche 2--rehabilitation of 240 km of the A380 highway in the Republic of Karakalpakstan, including institutional development for Uzavtoyul agencies (road safety planning and audits and capacity assistance for design, construction and maintenance) and support for road safety improvement; and (iii) Tranche 3--reconstruction of 47 km of the Turtkul bypass section of the A380 highway in Khorezm province and implementation of performance-based road maintenance contract management on a pilot basis.</p> <p>Considering the discussions during the PPTA inception mission, it was proposed that Tranche 1 be processed as a standalone project and not under an MFF. The Government of Uzbekistan formally sent its request to ADB on 13 May 2016. ADB approved on 28 June 2016 the government's request. Consequently, the MFF concept was revised--the proposed Tranche 1 was removed from the MFF while the proposed Tranches 2 and 3 will be the new Tranches 1 and 2 of the MFF. Moreover, the scope of the PPTA was changed to cover the conduct of due diligence and preparation work for both the MFF and the proposed standalone project.</p>								
Project Rationale and Linkage to Country/Regional Strategy	The Government of Uzbekistan requested for a PPTA to carry out due diligence and prepare a comprehensive design of the MFF - the Third CAREC Corridor Road Investment Program. The design should be suitable for financing by Asian Development Bank (ADB) and where possible other cofinanciers. The PPTA will (i) develop an investment project bankable by ADB loan; (ii) conduct due diligence for technical, economic, financial, social, and environmental viability of the project; (iii) assist the executing agency (EA) in developing required documentation for country resource allocation; and (iv) assist the EA in procuring contracts and managing safeguards issues for the first tranche of the MFF. Please refer to the project description above for the changes made in the MFF concept and PPTA.								
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Project Outcome									
Description of Outcome									
Progress Toward Outcome									
Implementation Progress									
Description of Project Outputs									
Status of Implementation Progress (Outputs, Activities, and Issues)									
Geographical Location									
Summary of Environmental and Social Aspects									
Environmental Aspects									
Involuntary Resettlement									
Indigenous Peoples									
Stakeholder Communication, Participation, and Consultation									

During Project Design	Consultations will be held with stakeholders--the local population, the executing agency, government officials, community heads and other stakeholders through focus group discussions.
During Project Implementation	Continued consultation will be held during implementation with stakeholders--the local population, the executing agency, government officials, community heads and other stakeholders through focus group discussions.

Business Opportunities

Consulting Services	All consultants financed by this TA have been engaged by ADB in accordance with the Guidelines on the Use of Consultants (2013, as amended from time to time).
Procurement	NA

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Timetable

Concept Clearance	-
Fact Finding	-
MRM	-
Approval	07 Sep 2015
Last Review Mission	-
Last PDS Update	24 Sep 2018

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Milestones					
Approval	Signing Date	Effectivity Date	Closing		
			Original	Revised	Actual
07 Sep 2015	29 Sep 2015	29 Sep 2015	28 Feb 2017	07 Sep 2020	03 Nov 2020

Financing Plan/TA Utilization						Cumulative Disbursements		
ADB	Cofinancing	Counterpart				Total	Date	Amount
		Gov	Beneficiaries	Project Sponsor	Others			
2,250,000.00	0.00	100,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	2,350,000.00	17 Jun 2022	2,077,484.11

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