



Armenia: COVID-19 Emergency Response

Project Name	COVID-19 Emergency Response				
Project Number	54338-001				
Country / Economy	Armenia				
Project Status	Closed				
Project Type / Modality of Assistance	Grant				
Source of Funding / Amount	<table border="1"><tr><td>Grant 0729-ARM: COVID-19 Emergency Response</td><td></td></tr><tr><td>APDRF Government of Japan for COVID19</td><td>US\$ 2.00 million</td></tr></table>	Grant 0729-ARM: COVID-19 Emergency Response		APDRF Government of Japan for COVID19	US\$ 2.00 million
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Operational Priorities	OP1: Addressing remaining poverty and reducing inequalities OP6: Strengthening governance and institutional capacity				
Sector / Subsector	Health / Health system development				
Gender	No gender elements				
Description	The project will support will help alleviate financial resource constraints to meet immediate needs and deliver appropriate medical services where required. This may include (i) improving laboratory diagnostic and testing capacity and supplies, and (ii) supplies and equipment to enhance treatment capacity including in critical care units to help the government meet its most urgent gaps.				
Project Rationale and Linkage to Country/Regional Strategy	As the COVID-19 pandemic is spread worldwide, the number of confirmed cases in Armenia accelerated over the past months. Community transmission has been confirmed on 27 May 2020. The increasing number of cases has already put considerable stress on the health system and with government lifting most restrictions, the number of confirmed cases has further significantly increased. While the government repurposed 9 hospitals to serve COVID-19 patients only, the number of hospital beds are running out and there is an increasing demand for health workers. On 8 June 2020, the Minister of Health announced an additional four regional medical centers will be repurposed to treat COVID-19 patients. For optimal use of hospital beds, since 20 May 2020, COVID-19 positive patients with no or mild symptoms are no longer hospitalized but are required to stay at home under surveillance of primary healthcare providers. The government needs support to augment its healthcare capacity to ensure effective and timely life-saving efforts. Health systems capacities need to be strengthened to detect, test, isolate and treat cases effectively. This will require support in the provision of additional medical equipment and supplies to enhance laboratory and ICU capacity and ensure that the healthcare system is properly prepared, to cope with the increasing number of cases.				
Impact	To alleviate financial resource constraints to meet immediate needs and deliver appropriate medical services where required.				
Project Outcome					
Description of Outcome	Improved capacity of Armenai in preparedness, prevention, and response to COVID-19 disease.				
Progress Toward Outcome					
Implementation Progress					
Description of Project Outputs	Financial support provided to the government' to meet immediate needs and deliver appropriate medical services to combat COVID-19 disease outbreak				
Status of Implementation Progress (Outputs, Activities, and Issues)					
Geographical Location	Nation-wide				
Safeguard Categories					
Environment	FI				
Involuntary Resettlement	FI				
Indigenous Peoples	FI				
Summary of Environmental and Social Aspects					
Environmental Aspects					
Involuntary Resettlement					
Indigenous Peoples					
Stakeholder Communication, Participation, and Consultation					
During Project Design					
During Project Implementation					
Responsible ADB Officer	Gyurjyan, Grigor				
Responsible ADB Department	Central and West Asia Department				
Responsible ADB Division	Armenia Resident Mission (ARRM)				
Executing Agencies	Ministry of Finance (MOF)				
Timetable					

Concept Clearance	-
Fact Finding	07 Jul 2020 to 07 Jul 2020
MRM	19 Aug 2020
Approval	03 Aug 2020
Last Review Mission	-
Last PDS Update	04 Aug 2020

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Milestones					
Approval	Signing Date	Effectivity Date	Closing		
			Original	Revised	Actual
03 Aug 2020	27 Aug 2020	27 Aug 2020	27 Feb 2021	28 May 2021	16 Nov 2021

Financing Plan		Grant Utilization			
	Total (Amount in US\$ million)	Date	ADB	Others	Net Percentage
Project Cost	2.00	Cumulative Contract Awards			
ADB	2.00	17 Jun 2022	2.00	0.00	100%
Counterpart	0.00	Cumulative Disbursements			
Cofinancing	0.00	17 Jun 2022	2.00	0.00	100%

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