



Nepal: South Asia Subregional Economic Cooperation Customs and Logistics Reforms Program (Subprogram 1)

Project Name	South Asia Subregional Economic Cooperation Customs and Logistics Reforms Program (Subprogram 1)
Project Number	54402-001
Country / Economy	Nepal
Project Status	Active
Project Type / Modality of Assistance	Loan
Source of Funding / Amount	Loan 4323-NEP: South Asia Subregional Economic Cooperation Customs and Logistics Reforms Program (Subprogram 1) Concessional ordinary capital resources lending US\$ 50.00 million
Operational Priorities	OP2: Accelerating progress in gender equality OP3: Tackling climate change, building climate and disaster resilience, and enhancing environmental sustainability OP6: Strengthening governance and institutional capacity OP7: Fostering regional cooperation and integration
Sector / Subsector	Industry and trade / Industry and trade sector development - Trade and services Public sector management / Public administration
Gender	Some gender elements
Description	The proposed program will support continuing reforms in customs through implementation of the Customs Reform and Modernization (CRM) Plan 2021-2026 and improving trade logistics through the preparation and implementation of a new Trade Logistics Policy (TLP) 2022.
Project Rationale and Linkage to Country/Regional Strategy	The proposed program intends to sustain the reforms implemented under the SASEC Customs Reform and Modernization for Trade Facilitation Program to be complemented by policy interventions that will (i) improve supply chain of critical goods during pandemics, (ii) enhance export competitiveness, and (iii) build capacities of public and private sector.
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	Nation-wide
Safeguard Categories	
Environment	C
Involuntary Resettlement	C
Indigenous Peoples	C
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	Not applicable
Procurement	Not applicable
Responsible ADB Officer	Khatiwada, Sameer
Responsible ADB Department	Sectors Group

Timetable	
Concept Clearance	02 Dec 2021
Fact Finding	25 Feb 2022 to 05 Mar 2022
MRM	07 Dec 2022
Approval	28 Jun 2023
Last Review Mission	-
Last PDS Update	28 Jun 2023

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Milestones					
Approval	Signing Date	Effectivity Date	Closing		
			Original	Revised	Actual
28 Jun 2023	05 Jul 2023	09 Jul 2023	31 Dec 2023	-	-

Financing Plan		Loan Utilization			
	Total (Amount in US\$ million)	Date	ADB	Others	Net Percentage
Project Cost	50.00	Cumulative Contract Awards			
ADB	50.00	03 Nov 2023	0.00	0.00	0%
Counterpart	0.00	Cumulative Disbursements			
Cofinancing	0.00	03 Nov 2023	50.00	0.00	100%

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