Vanuatu: Supporting the Delivery of Skills Development Project

Project Name: Supporting the Delivery of Skills Development Project
Project Number: 54045-001
Country / Economy: Vanuatu
Project Status: Proposed
Project Type / Modality of Assistance: Grant
Source of Funding / Amount: Grant: Supporting the Delivery of Skills Development Project, Asian Development Fund, US$ 4.00 million

Operational Priorities:
- OP1: Addressing remaining poverty and reducing inequalities
- 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

Sector / Subsector: Education / Education sector development - Technical and vocational education and training

Gender: Effective gender mainstreaming

Description: The proposed project will support the Government of Vanuatu to improve the delivery of skills development training for in-demand occupations, increase students' awareness of education pathways, and pilot initiatives for increased skills development and economic empowerment for women and people with disabilities.

Project Rationale and Linkage to Country/Regional Strategy:
The proposed project will be aligned with the following impact: a quality caring education and training system, which provides every person with lifelong skills, values, and confidence to be self-reliant and to contribute to the development of Vanuatu (Vanuatu Education and Training Sector Strategic Plan 2020-2030). The outcome is: students with demand-driven qualifications increased.

Impact: A quality caring education and training system established, which provides every person with lifelong skills, values, and confidence to be self-reliant and to contribute to the development of Vanuatu

Outcome: Student with demand-driven qualifications increased

Outputs:
- Delivery of skills development by a key education provider strengthened
- Students' awareness of skills pathways increased
- Targeted interventions to enhance learning and employment outcomes for marginalized groups, including women, implemented.

Geographical Location: Nation-wide

Safeguard Categories:
- Environment: B
- Involuntary Resettlement: C
- Indigenous Peoples: C

Summary of Environmental and Social Aspects

Environmental Aspects

Indigenous Peoples

Stakeholder Communication, Participation, and Consultation

During Project Design

During Project Implementation

Business Opportunities

Consulting Services: ADB engaged the following: (i) a consulting firm for Project Design, undertake necessary due diligence and support project readiness, enhance project management capacity and support knowledge transfer to the governments on how to best apply innovative practices and technology solutions for design of the ensuing projects, following the ADB Procurement Policy (2017, as amended from time to time) and its associated project administration instructions and/or staff instructions.

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Responsible ADB Department: Sectors Group
Responsible ADB Division: Human and Social Development Sector Office (SG-HSD)
Executing Agencies: Ministry of Finance & Economic Management

Timetable

Concept Clearance: 12 Dec 2022
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