



Sri Lanka: Skills Development

Project Name	Skills Development		
Project Number	31283-013		
Borrower/Company			
Country	Sri Lanka		
Location	Sri Lanka and training centers nation wide		
Approval Number	1707		
Type or Modality of Assistance	1707	ADF	US\$ 18.80 million Approved
Strategic Agendas			
Drivers of Change			
Sector / Subsector	Education - Technical and vocational education and training		
Gender Equity and Mainstreaming			
Responsible ADB Department	South Asia Department		
Responsible ADB Division	Sri Lanka Resident Mission		
Responsible ADB Officer	ADB Disclosure		
Project Sponsor(s)			
Description	The Project's main objective is to improve the quality and relevance of skills training programs aimed at building a high quality workforce to address the issues of skills mismatch and unemployment among rural and urban youth. The Project aims to restructure and reorient the vocational training (VT) system through introduction of competency-based training to ensure a closer partnership between VT institutions and the private sector.		
Objectives and Scope			
Linkage to Country/Regional Strategy	The Bank's country strategy is to develop technical education and vocational training (TEVT) in order to promote the improvement of quality, relevance and market orientation of skills training courses, and upgrading facilities at the project institutions. The project supports six technical education and vocational training institutions in the public sector. In 1982 and 1988 Bank provided two loans (\$16.1 and \$36 millions) to improve the quality and efficiency of the TEVT system and this project introduced policy reforms and new interventions to improve the internal and external efficiency of TEVT.		

Safeguard Categories

Environment	C
Involuntary Resettlement	
Indigenous Peoples	

Summary of Environmental and Social Aspects

Environmental Aspects
Involuntary Resettlement
Indigenous Peoples
Stakeholder Communication, Participation, and Consultation

Business Opportunities

Consulting Services	The Ministry of Vocational Training and Rural Industries has engaged an international consulting firm and domestic consultants. Eight international consultants (89-person-months) and six domestic consultants (105 person-months) were recruited. The consultants were recruited in accordance with Nordic Development Fund approved procedures.
Procurement	Supply of goods and services, including furniture and instructional materials will be procured in accordance with Bank's Guidelines for Procurement. The civil works contract for the construction of the new VT Complex was awarded on the basis of international competitive bidding procedures. The remaining civil works are expected to be small and scattered throughout the country and will be awarded on the basis of local competitive bidding procedures acceptable to the Bank.

Timetable for assistance design, processing and implementation

Concept Clearance	-
Due Diligence	
Credit Committee Meeting	10 Jun 1999
Approval	28 Oct 1999
PDS Creation Date	06 Feb 2007
Last PDS Update	30 Jun 2008

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