India: Advanced Project Preparedness for Poverty Reduction - Gujarat Solar Vocational Training and Livelihoods Project (Subproject 14)

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Country: India

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Strategic Agendas: Inclusive economic growth

Drivers of Change: Governance and capacity development

Sector / Subsector: Energy - Renewable energy generation - solar

Gender Equity and Mainstreaming:

Description: The TA's impact will be the sustainable and gender-inclusive development of the solar power industry through public and private partnership (PPP) in Gujarat. The outcome will be a qualified and empowered local work-force supporting the implementation of solar power development projects in Gujarat, particularly the Gujarat Charanka Solar Power Park Project operated by the Gujarat Power Corporation Limited (GPCL) under the Government of Gujarat (GOG), and the Gujar (GOG), and the Gujarat Solar Power Transmission Project, for which a proposed loan is under processing by the ADB.

Project Rationale and Linkage to Country/Regional Strategy: The geographical coverage of TA activities will be 18 villages in the Patan District and 20 villages in the Porbander District. Preliminary needs assessments, focus group discussions, and the analysis of qualitative and quantitative data will identify the exact needs, nature and scope of each output. A primary focus of the TA will be to engender the participation of local women in skills and livelihood training. The TA's vocational training activities will target groups who meet the minimum educational requirements to receive this type of training: a) qualified youth, between the ages of 17 and 25, and b) women. Alternative livelihood and energy-based skills enhancement and training will be provided to at least 100 poor women that have: a) time, b) interest, and c) family and community support to take on a new skill.

Impact: Sustainable and gender-inclusive development of the solar power industry through public and private partnership (PPP) in Gujarat.

Project Outcome:

Description of Outcome: A qualified and empowered local work-force supporting the implementation of solar power development projects in Gujarat.

Progress Toward Outcome: Minimal data is currently available to give a meaningful report on the progress in achieving the project's outcome.

Implementation Progress:

Description of Project Outputs:

A. Technicians training for permanent employment in the solar park and loan project associated facilities.
B. Skills training for livelihood and energy-based opportunities.
C. A gender mainstreamed PPMS system for monitoring the social and gender impacts of the TA and the loan project.
D. Report on the gender inclusive uses of renewable energy applications (solar) across primary target villages.

Status of Implementation Progress (Outputs, Activities, and Issues): There have been delays in the recruitment of NGO and project manager. Commenced services in March 2014. They will provide livelihood skills and technicians' training activities, respectively, to the targeted beneficiaries identified in the baseline surveys.

Geographical Location:

Summary of Environmental and Social Aspects:

Environmental Aspects:

Involuntary Resettlement:

Indigenous Peoples:

Stakeholder Communication, Participation, and Consultation:

During Project Design: Consultations were conducted during project preparation with relevant stakeholder groups (i.e., Energy and Petrochemical Dept. (EPD), Gujarat Energy Transmission Corp., Ltd., Gujarat Power Corp., Ltd., Pandit Deendayal Petroleum University (PDPU)).

During Project Implementation: Communication via fax and/or email is conducted with PDPU on behalf of EPD.

Business Opportunities:

Consulting Services: Instead of recruiting PDPU on a single source selection basis, the following positions have been recruited: 1 Project Manager and 2 Workshop Coordinators and 1 Gender and Social Development Consultant.
Procurement

Equipment purchases (i.e., small machinery, tools) will be in accordance with ADB's Procurement Guidelines (2010, as amended from time to time) and the turnover and disposal arrangements upon TA completion.

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