



Bangladesh: Transport Connectivity Improvement Preparatory Facility

Project Name	Transport Connectivity Improvement Preparatory Facility	
Project Number	50333-001	
Country	Bangladesh	
Project Status	Active	
Project Type / Modality of Assistance	Loan	
Source of Funding / Amount	Loan 6030-BAN: Transport Connectivity Improvement Preparatory Facility	
	concessional ordinary capital resources lending / Asian Development Fund	US\$ 42.00 million
Strategic Agendas	Environmentally sustainable growth Inclusive economic growth Regional integration	
Drivers of Change	Private sector development	
Sector / Subsector	Transport - Multimodal logistics	
Gender Equity and Mainstreaming	No gender elements	
Description	The project readiness financing (PRF) loan is proposed to advance project preparation of priority transport projects by financing feasibility study, detailed design and other preparatory works. Ensuing projects will be formed from a list of identified necessary investments which the Government has agreed, subject to agreed project selection criteria.	
Project Rationale and Linkage to Country/Regional Strategy	<p>Bangladesh's transport network is a fundamental and critical infrastructure that supports the country's economic activities, including international trade. Insufficient transport infrastructure results in increased costs and transport time, reduced competitiveness and efficiency of the economy, and impeded economic opportunities. Transport demand is expanding rapidly nationwide because of Bangladesh's young and growing population, and steady economic development.</p> <p>The preparation of projects to facilitate transport connectivity among different subsectors has lagged behind actual development needs, and financial support is needed to advance this. In parallel with the government's plan to optimize the country's transport network and to strengthen competitiveness of the economy, the PRF will support project preparation in the following areas: (i) road and rail connectivity of ports, land ports, and border crossing points; (ii) road and rail intermodal transshipment facilities, including inland container depots and inland container terminals; (iii) strengthening of corridors, including bypasses, connected roads, and alternate routes; and (iv) sector-wide improvements, including safety, traffic management, and maintenance. Projects will be selected in line with the project selection criteria, including urgency of the needs, viability for future financing, and development coordination. The PRF will advance the preparation of ensuing projects by financing feasibility studies, detailed design, and other preparatory works.</p>	
Impact	Critical multimodal transport links related to regional connectivity timely completed.	
Project Outcome		
Description of Outcome	Preparation of multimodal transport projects advanced	
Progress Toward Outcome		
Implementation Progress		
Description of Project Outputs	Feasibility studies and detailed design of multimodal projects completed Implementation support for multimodal transport projects provided (during pre-construction stage)	
Status of Implementation Progress (Outputs, Activities, and Issues)		
Geographical Location	Nation-wide	
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	All consultant recruitments will be conducted in line with ADB Procurement Policy (2017, as amended from time to time) and Procurement Regulations for ADB Borrowers (2017, as amended from time to time).	
Procurement	The project will finance only consulting services to develop detailed design and other preparatory works.	

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Responsible ADB Department	South Asia Department
Responsible ADB Division	Transport and Communications Division, SARD
Executing Agencies	Bangladesh Railway 16 Abdul Gani Road Bangladesh Railway, Rail Bhaban, Dhaka, Bangladesh Roads and Highways Department Sarak Bhaban Tejgaon, Dhaka-1208 Bangladesh

Timetable	
Concept Clearance	06 Jun 2018
Fact Finding	04 Apr 2019 to 10 Apr 2019
MRM	15 Jul 2019
Approval	06 Feb 2020
Last Review Mission	-
Last PDS Update	06 Feb 2020

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Milestones					
Approval	Signing Date	Effectivity Date	Closing		
			Original	Revised	Actual
06 Feb 2020	30 Jun 2020	20 Aug 2020	30 Jun 2025	-	-

Financing Plan		Loan Utilization			
	Total (Amount in US\$ million)	Date	ADB	Others	Net Percentage
Project Cost	57.23	Cumulative Contract Awards			
ADB	42.00	06 Feb 2020	0.00	0.00	0%
Counterpart	15.23	Cumulative Disbursements			
Cofinancing	0.00	06 Feb 2020	0.00	0.00	0%

Status of Covenants						
Category	Sector	Safeguards	Social	Financial	Economic	Others
Rating	-	-	-	Unsatisfactory	-	Unsatisfactory

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