India: Strengthening Capacity to Design and Implement Transport Infrastructure Projects

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Strategic Agendas
- Inclusive economic growth

Drivers of Change
- Governance and capacity development

Sector / Subsector
- Transport - Urban roads and traffic management

Gender Equity and Mainstreaming
- Some gender elements

Description
The TA facility will support project preparation and increase project readiness of pipeline projects including those identified in the country operations business plan. Initially, the TA facility will support:
(i) Assam Road Network Improvement Project;
(ii) Bengaluru Metro Rail Project;
(iii) Bihar State Highways IV Project;
(iv) Chennai Metro Rail Project;
(v) Indore Metro Rail Project;
(vi) Maharashtra State Roads Improvement Project;
(vii) Second Uttarakhand State Highways Project;
(viii) South Asia Subregional Economic Cooperation (SASEC) Highways Project, Phase II; and
(ix) SASEC Road Connectivity Program (Tranche 3).

The TA facility will also support ongoing projects as required and agreed with the respective project's implementing agency. There are instances during project implementation where unanticipated scope and impacts are realized, hence, resources for additional assessment and mitigation are deemed necessary. Ongoing projects that suffer from weak project implementation capacity require similar technical support to ensure project sustainability and improve transfer capacity through specific training and skills building activities. Ongoing projects that will be supported under the TA will be identified in consultation with the specific project's implementing agency. Initially, the TA facility will support:
(i) Chhattisgarh Road Connectivity Project;
(ii) Karnataka State Highways Improvement III Project;
(iii) Promoting Public Private Partnership in Madhya Pradesh Road Sector Project (after approval); and
(iv) SASEC Road Connectivity Program (Tranche 2).

Project Rationale and Linkage to Country/Regional Strategy
India grew at an average rate of more than 7% since fiscal year (FY) 2012, which placed it among the world’s fastest growing large economies, and resulted in India’s share in global gross domestic product rising from 2.4% in 2013 to 3.0% in 2016. However, challenges remain, such as resolving infrastructure bottlenecks particularly for emerging urban growth centers as an engine of economic growth and center of commercial activities, and closing the widening gap between advanced and lagging regions where most of the poor are concentrated.

The government’s Strategy for New India @ 75 on surface transport aims to increase connectivity and internal and external trade by expanding the road network through completing 24,800 kilometers (km) by 2021-2022 including 2,000 km of coastal and port connectivity roads and doubling the length of national highways to 200,000 km by 2022-2023 from the existing 122,000 km. Furthermore, to ease congestion in major urban areas, the strategy also aims to put a metro network in place in all major urban areas under local governments.

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

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

The TA facility will provide an initial 128.0 person-months of consulting services (56.5 person-months international and 71.5 person-months national) in the fields of procurement, financial management, financial analysis, economic analysis, road safety, metro, bridge, environmental safeguards, climate change assessment, social development (involuntary resettlement, indigenous peoples, gender and poverty assessment), specialized support for innovation and high-technology, and quality assurance. It is expected that the consultants will be recruited using individual consultant selection method and deployed based on the requirements of each project being prepared or implemented. ADB will engage the consultants following the ADB Procurement Policy (2017, as amended from time to time) and its associated project administration instructions and/or staff instructions.

Procurement

N/A

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Timetable

Concept Clearance -

Fact Finding -

MRM -

Approval 11 Jul 2019

Last Review Mission -

Last PDS Update 15 Jul 2019

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Milestones

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