

Project Procurement Classification

Procurement factors to consider when recommending “Category A” projects

Characteristic	Assessor’s rating: ‘Yes’ or ‘No’ with brief comments, if ‘Yes’
Is the Procurement Environment Risk for this project assessed as “High” based on the country and sector/agency risk assessments according to Figure 4 above?	No. The main component of the project is planned to be single sourced.
Are multiple (typically more than three) and/or diverse Executing (EAs) and/or Implementing Agencies (IAs) envisaged during project implementation? Do EAs/IAs lack prior experience in ADB project implementation?	No. Only one EA and IA are involved. They have very limited experience with ADB procurement guideline.
Are multiple contract packages and/or complex and high value contracts expected (compare to recent donor projects in DMC)?	Yes, but the high value contract will be single sourced.
Does the project plan to use innovative contracts (PPP, Performance-based, Design & Build, O&M, etc)?	No
Are contracts distributed in more than three geographical locations?	No
Are there significant ongoing contractual and/or procurement issues under ADB (or other donor) funded projects? Has misprocurement been declared in the DMC?	No
Does the DMC have prolonged procurement lead times, experience implementation delays, or otherwise consistently fail to meet procurement timeframes?	No
Do EAs/IAs lack capacity to manage new and ongoing procurement? Have EAs/IAs requested ADB for procurement support under previous projects?	Yes. An experienced team of consultants will be engaged to support EA and IA in procurement.
OVERALL PROJECT CATEGORIZATION RECOMMENDED	Category B

Note: If the answer to one or more questions in the above table is ‘Yes’, the project officer shall make an assessment (with comments, if necessary) and determine if additional procurement support to the EA/IA will be required or if despite the assessment the EA/IA has adequate resources and/or institutional capacity to address procurement issues. The project officer shall also assess if the ADB project team includes sufficient experience/skills to deliver such support or additional support will be required from OSFMD. If additional support is required from OSFMD procurement specialist, the project should be recommended as Category A. If not, it should be recommended as Category B. OSFMD must confirm the classification during interdepartmental circulation of the project concept paper.

Overall recommendation of the concerned project officer Sibesh Bhattacharya

Category B
 The IA and EA are inexperienced in procurement. But the main component of the project is going to be single sourced. A set of experience consultants helped EA to explore all solution options and decide on the single sourced solution. A project management unit consisting of expert consultant will help IA and EA to manage other procurement matters. ADB and The World Bank will supervise over all procurement process.

Recommendation of OSFMD’s procurement specialist Qing Zheng

The Classification is reviewed and no issues found.