

Semi-annual Environmental Monitoring Report

Project No. 42466-016
Semestral Report (Jan-Jun 2021)
July 2021

BANGLADESH: Skills for Employment Investment Program - Tranche 2

Prepared by Skills for Employment Investment Program (SEIP) under Finance Division, Ministry of Finance for the Asian Development Bank.

This semi-annual environmental monitoring report is a document of the borrower. The views expressed herein do not necessarily represent those of ADB's Board of Directors, Management, or staff, and may be preliminary in nature.

In preparing any country program or strategy, financing any project, or by making any designation of or reference to a particular territory or geographic area in this document, the Asian Development Bank does not intend to make any judgments as to the legal or other status of any territory or area.

Semi-annual Environmental Monitoring Report

Project No. 42466-016
January - June 2021

ADB Loan Number 3468-BAN (COL): Skills for Employment Investment Program (SEIP) Tranche 2

Prepared by:

Skills Development Coordination and Monitoring Unit (SDCMU), Skills for Employment Investment Program (SEIP) under Finance Division, Ministry of Finance and The Asian Development Bank.

This Semi-annual Environmental Monitoring Report is a document of the borrower. The views expressed herein do not necessarily represent those of ADB's Board of Directors, Management, or staff, and may be preliminary in nature.

In preparing any country program or strategy, financing any project, or by making any designation of or reference to a particular territory or geographic area in this document, the Asian Development Bank does not intend to make any judgments as to the legal or other status of any territory or area

List of Acronyms

1. BMET= Bureau of Manpower, Employment and Training
2. CS= Competency Standard
3. CBLM= Competency-Based Learning Material
4. EMP= Environmental Management Plan
5. EARF= Environmental Assessment and Review Framework
6. IEE= Initial Environmental Examination
7. KOICA= Korea International Cooperation Agency
8. MoU= Memorandum of Understanding
9. NHRDF= National Human Resource Development Fund
10. NSDC= National Skills Development Council
11. NSDP= National Skills Development Policy
12. PKSf= Palli Karma-Sahayak Foundation
13. RF=Resettlement Framework
14. SWAp= Sector Wide Approach
15. SECPF= Small Ethnic Communities Planning Framework
16. SECPP= Small Ethnic Communities Peoples Plan
17. SEIP= Skills for Employment Investment Program
18. SPS= Safeguard Policy Statement
19. TMS= Training Management System
20. TTC= Technical Training Center
21. TVET= Technical and Vocational Education and Training

Table of Contents

LIST OF ACRONYMS	2
TABLE OF CONTENTS	3
EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:	4
I. INTRODUCTION:	5
II. ENVIRONMENTAL MONITORING:	10
III- ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT	11
CONCLUSION AND RECOMMENDATION	16
ANNEX-1: SITE PICTURES	177

Executive Summary

The SEIP Tranche 2 project is aimed at expanding the skilling capacity of public and private training providers and providing mid- to higher-levels skills training programs. For this purpose, under Tranche 2 SEIP project is supporting the Upgradation of 3 Technical Training Centers (TTCs) under the Bureau of Manpower, Employment, and Training (BMET) which involves renovation of existing training facilities including a new building and provision of new equipment, according to new curricula to be developed. The selected 3TTCs are being supported by SEIP as follows: Bangladesh German TTC (BGTTTC) in Dhaka, TTC in Khulna, and TTC in Sylhet.

Given civil works involved in upgrading 3TTCs which are expected to have limited and minimum adverse environmental impacts and Tranche 2 is categorized as “B” for environmental impact as per Safeguard Standard Policy (2009) of ADB. Based on the environmental assessment review framework prepared for the overall investment program of SEIP, the Initial Environmental Examination (IEE) has been carried out as per ADB’s environmental screening category and updated EARF accordingly.

This semi-annual report presents the status of project implementation, details of compliance with environmental regulations of the Government of Bangladesh and Safeguards Policies of ADB, details of compliance with environmental loan covenants and the status of compliance with various aspects of EMP as stated in the IEE reports.

In this reporting period, DSC firm has completed the detail design and BoQ for the upgrading of 3TTCs. Bid preparation work is ongoing. Environmental feedback in the BoQ have been provided for the Bid documents.

In the meantime, no physical works were commenced and have plan to commence the civil work from Q1, 2022. According to BMET, the demolition of existing building for Khulna TTC will start soon. On the other hand, the trainings activities under Tranche 2 were suspended in March 2020 due to Pandemic COVID-19 and it was gradually resumed but still the COVID-19 situation is not in favor to continue the trainings.

Furthermore, several coordination meetings were held among SEIP, BMET, KPC and KOICA for detail design work for upgrading of 3TTCs under BMET. Under this work, SEIP is supporting the upgrading work for the infrastructure and providing necessary equipment support, whereas development of mid-level training courses and training of trainers will be supported by KOICA.

I. Introduction

1.1 Background

The Skills for Employment Investment Program (SEIP) supports the Government of Bangladesh's reforms in skills development, anchored in the National Skills Development Policy (NSDP), 2011. The overall objective of the project is to qualitatively and quantitatively expand the skilling capacity of identified public and private training providers by establishing and operationalizing a responsive skill eco system and delivery mechanism through a combination of well-defined set of funding triggers and targeted capacity support.

Specifically, the objectives are to:

- improve job focused skills along with up-skilling of the existing workforce to enhance productivity and growth of industry sectors;
- impart skills training linked to gainful employment or self-employment through PKSf partners and their livelihood programs;
- develop a network of training providers that are endorsed by industry for providing excellence of training to meet the skills needs of employers;
- establish and implement a strategy to address the special needs of groups specified in the NSDP and ensure their participation in SEIP programs;
- implement a vocational trainer development program for trainers and assessors and a management leadership program for training provider management reflecting NSDP requirements;
- support the training providers for capacity development to ensure quality training delivery mechanism;
- establish and institutionalize a credible recognition of prior earning system;
- support the NSDC-S and key government ministries to strengthen institutional arrangements to enable the TVET system to meet policy objectives within a coherent skills development framework; and
- support the establishment and operationalization of a National Human Resources Development Fund (NHRDF).

1.2 Impact and Outcome

1. The impact will be increased income and productivity of the working population aged 15 and over, aligned with NSDP. The outcome will be increased employment in priority sectors and skills for males and females.

2. The outcome for Tranche 1 will be increased inclusive access to skills training in priority sectors. The outcome for Tranche 2 will be increased inclusive access to basic, mid-level, and managerial skills training in priority sectors.

1.3 Outputs

The SEIP will be delivered over three overlapping interrelated tranches and will include four outputs: (i) market responsive inclusive skills training delivered; (ii) quality assurance system strengthened; (iii) institutions strengthened; and (iv) monitoring and management for skills development strengthened.

1.4 Scope of the project

Under tranche 2, SEIP is supporting the upgradation of 3TTCs under BMET—in Dhaka, Khulna, and Sylhet—with improved facilities and equipment to strengthen public institutions focusing on training for employment in local and overseas markets. The project is enabling TTCs to offer high quality mid-level training programs that meet both local and emerging market needs, support entrepreneurship opportunities for trainees and local workers, and enhance specialized skills training for overseas employment opportunities.

1.5 Environmental Safeguards Category

SEIP Tranche 2 is categorized B for environment under ADB’s Safeguard Policy Statement (SPS-2009) , given the civil works involved in upgrading three TTCs. Potential environment impacts are likely to be site-specific and short-term during construction that are mitigating by appropriate measures as suggested in the respective EMP. The initial environmental examinations and environmental management plans have been prepared according to the SPS-2009 of ADB and the Environment Assessment Review Framework also revised accordingly.

1.6 Physical progress of civil works

The list of expected civil works contracts and estimated time for advertisements is below:

Table 1: Civil works under Tranche 2 of SEIP.

Contract No. and Name	Amount	Current Status	Estimated Time for Issuing Bid Documents
WD-02: Upgrading civil works for 3 TTCs of BMET (NCB)		The detail design works along with BOQ have been completed.	Bid documents is expected to be issued in Q4,2021
Lot 1: TTC 1	3,766,667.00		
Lot 2: TTC 2	3,766,667.00		
Lot 3: TTC 3	<u>3,766,667.00</u>		
Total Contract Amount	11,300,000.00		

1.7 Scope of the report & Reporting period

The scope of this monitoring report is specific for the work of upgrading 3TTCs under BMET at Dhaka, Sylhet & Khulna. The reporting period is January to June 2021.

1.8 Purpose of monitoring reports

The Semi Annual Environmental Monitoring Report (EMR) presents the status of sub project implementation, details of compliance with environmental regulations of the Government of Bangladesh and safeguards policies of ADB, details of compliance with environmental loan covenants, details of complaints received and their redressal and the status of compliance with various aspects of EMP as stated in the IEE reports. In this report the performance indicators of environmental works under the proposed civil works of Tranche 2 have been summarized and analyzed to measure the monitoring parameters. This semi-annual environmental monitoring report consists of three main parts: an introduction section, Environmental monitoring, Environmental management and conclusion.

1.9 Package and sub-project wise progress status

SEIP Tranche 2 consists of the four outputs and the progress according to the outputs are presented below:

Output-1: Market responsive inclusive skills training delivered

As of 30 June 2021,

- 1,51406 trainees have been certified out of whom 1,12,954 have been placed in job i.e. 74.60%
- 14,459 trainees have been enrolled for up-skilling training and out of 11,792 certified trainee 10,993 are currently in job i.e. 93.22%.
- Special stipend has been paid to 32,572 trainees of whom 14,736 are women i.e. 45.24 % of the total.

Output-2: Strengthening of Quality Assurance System

- Out of 130 CS to be developed by SEIP Project, so far 87 developed under Tranche 1 and Tranche 2. SEIP has developed 60 competency-based learning materials and 87 assessment tools as well. SEIP is continuing the development of additional learning materials and guidelines, in consultation with the industry experts.
- SEIP provides training of trainers, including training of master trainers in coordination with overseas institutes (e.g., The Institute of Technical Education Singapore and Nanyang Polytechnic International). These programs have started under Tranche 1 and are continuing under Tranche 2.

Output-3: Strengthening of Institutions

- NSDA bill was passed by the parliament on 18 September, 2018 and the Cabinet of Bangladesh approved the “policy for proper use of National Human Resource Development Fund” on 04 November 2019. Detailed operational plan including organizational structure has been prepared and guidelines for training Institute/center registration, course accreditation, trainee & assessor assessment also been developed for operating of NSDA. The operationalization of NSDA is on track and it is receiving regular budget allocation from the government.

The MOU was signed among SEIP, BMET and KOICA for upgradation of 3TTCs. The infrastructure upgrading along with equipment is supporting by SEIP, whereas implementation of upgraded

training courses and training of trainers will be supported by KOICA. The design supervision consultants (DSC) have completed the design. Technical specifications, environmental specifications and EMP costs of 3 TTCs have been incorporated in the bid documents. Several coordination meetings were held among the all stakeholders to ensure their inputs in the design work.

Output-4: Monitoring and management for skills development strengthened

- Report of the first tracer study has been finalized and shared with ADB. The 2nd tracer study will be started soon which will be completed by 2021.
- Financial management and procurement action plans are being updated in every six months and implemented accordingly.
- Sex-disaggregated data has been incorporated in the TMS.

1.10 Document preparation for IEE/EARF

Under Tranche 2, IEE for upgradation of existing Technical Training Centers in Dhaka, Khulna, and Sylhet was prepared by SEIP and updated EARF accordingly which were disclosed in August 2016. As stated in the IEE, the project has been categorized as “B” considering environmental impact aspects as per ADB’s Safeguards Policy Statement (SPS -2009).

1.11 Status on relevant GOB permits

As the work is renovations of 3 TTCs at Dhaka, Sylhet and Khulna, so for the renovation works do not require further fire, DoE or other local authority’s clearance.

1.12 Summary Qualitative and quantitative monitoring data.

The construction works for 3TTCs have not been commenced during this reporting period. Meanwhile detail engineering design works have been completed by DSC firm. Some qualitative data have been collected according to the guidance of IEE. No other data is available for reporting in this period.

1.13 Monitoring parameters/Indicators and methods

The following Monitoring parameters will be monitored during construction phase as those are described in the IEE.

Issue	Parameters	Location	Monitoring Frequency
Ambient air Quality	PM10, PM2.5, SPM, NOx, SO2	Around the project site	Once a quarter
Ground water	pH, TDS, Ammonia, Nitrate, Phosphate, As, Fe, Mn, and Coliforms	At the project site	Once in 6 months
Noise level	Noise at different locations and to nearest receptor	Around the project site and nearest receptor	Once a quarter
Health	Health status of the workers, visual observation, and record check	At site	Once a quarter

1.13 Implementation arrangements

The Finance Division of the Ministry of Finance is the sponsoring ministry as well as the executing agency of the project. Four other Ministries are also be responsible for implementation of the project: (i) Ministry of Education (Directorate of Technical Education); (ii) Ministry of Expatriates' Welfare and Overseas Employment (Bureau of Manpower, Employment & Training); (iii) Ministry of Industries (Bangladesh Industrial Technical Assistance Centre) and (iv) Ministry of Youth and Sports (Directorate of Youth). In addition, the Bangladesh Bank, PKSF and 12 Industry Associations of 9 priority sectors are involved in project implementation.

High level policy, inter-agency coordination and program oversight for the project will be provided by an inter-ministerial Project Steering Committee (PSC), chaired by the Secretary, Finance Division, Ministry of Finance (MOF). The PSC oversees all aspects of project implementation; reviews project progress, approve annual work plan and budgets, as well as make policy decisions related to inter-ministerial policy and implementation matters.

The Project Implementation Unit (PIU), headed by a National Project Director (NPD), is established to coordinate policy issues and monitor implementing activities of the project. An Additional Secretary of the Finance Division is assigned with the responsibility, in addition to his current duty, of the NPD/PIU of the SEIP.

Project management and coordination functions for the project are provided by the Skills Development Coordination and Monitoring Unit (SDCMU). SDCMU is also responsible for providing secretarial support to the PSC and ensuring overall coordination for implementation of the project. The SDCMU is headed by an Executive Project Director (EPD), supported by 4 Deputy Executive Project Directors and 10 Assistant Executive Project Directors.

The Skills Development Implementation Committee (SDIC), headed by the SDCMU Executive Project Director (EPD) and represented by the chief project coordinators of the industry associations as members, has been established to provide project implementation support. The committee meets regularly to take stock on project progress and solve problems arising during project implementation.

In SDCMU, DEPD (Public) is the focal person for monitoring and reporting the safeguard related components. With the assistance of Environmental Expert, Construction firms will implement the EMPs. In addition, the construction supervision consultant (DSC) will supervise the EMPs activities in close consultation with SDCMU.

II. Environmental Monitoring:

2.1 IEE, EARF & SEMP compliances

The detail design work has been completed and the physical works are expecting to commence in Q1,2022 and the site-specific environmental management plan (SEMP) considering IEE for Tranche 2 will be prepared during that time and will ensure the applicable compliances.

2.2 Monitoring parameters

The construction phase is expecting to start in Q1 2022 and the demolition work of Khulna TTC is to be started soon. In this reporting period, no significant issues were noticed for reporting. As the works are renovation, improvement, so there is no issue of tree cutting or any other significant construction work which can degraded the existing environment of proposed TTCs and surrounding areas.

Table 3: Site Specific Environmental Monitoring Parameters to be monitored during Construction phase

(Construction has yet not been started-compliance will be ensured during construction works)

Issue	Parameters	Location	Monitoring Frequency
Ambient air Quality	PM10, PM2.5, SPM, NOx, SO2	Around the project site	Once a quarter
Ground water	pH, TDS, Ammonia, Nitrate, Phosphate, As, Fe, Mn, and Coliforms	At the project site	Once in 6 months
Noise level	Noise at different locations and to nearest receptor	Around the project site and nearest receptor	Once a quarter
Health	Health status of the workers, visual observation, and record check	At site	Once a quarter

III- Environmental Management

3.1 Compliance with Environmental Mitigation and Management Plan (EMP).

The EMP has been stated all the beneficial and adverse impacts which likely occur at two phases- Construction phase and Operation phase of the project. The project will ensure all the compliance related to EMP and mitigation measures as described in the IEE. It is mentioned that the construction work is expecting to begin in Q1, 2022 and all the compliances will be addressed during the construction works.

Table-4: Environmental Management and Monitoring Matrix for 3 TTCs (Dhaka, Khulna and Sylhet)

Activity	Environmental Impact	Mitigation/Benefit Enhancement Measures	Responsibility	Monitoring Agency	Compliance Status
Construction Phase					
Construction work/use of equipment/materials	Impact on air quality	Regular watering should be done.	Contractor	TTC authority, CSC, EO and contractor, Env. Expert (EE)-SEIP will monitor mitigation measures	Will be complied during Construction Phase
	Noise/vibration hazard	All soil, sand, and aggregate piles should be covered (whether on the site or on trucks).	Contractor		
	Waste management	The sand and other such dispersible material must be removed after completion of work.	Contractor		
Influx of workers	Impact on health and safety	The workers should wear PPE (Personal Protective Equipment), safety goggles, and other necessities.	Contractor		
	Sanitation hazard and impact on drinking water	Set up warning signs, signals and provide helmets for workers in accordance with relevant accident prevention and work safety procedure.	Contractor		
		Restrict access to the construction site.			

		Supply good quality drinking water to the workers by installing tube well. Provide well-planned sanitary facilities. Provide regular health inspection among workers. Promote health education campaign among workers.			
	Impact on employment and family finance	Employ local people wherever possible. Ensure child labor is not employed.	Contractor		
Increased vehicle and pedestrian traffic	Traffic congestion, impact on safety	Avoid carrying of materials in peak hours of road traffic. Provide adequate parking for vehicles. Raise awareness among all users to follow traffic rules.	Contractor		
Climate extremities due to geographic location	Impact on design consideration	Raise the plinth level of building to prevent from flood. Use appropriate materials in design.	Contractor		
During Operation Phase					
Increased demand of electricity and water	Impact on water and electricity supply	Install solar PV panels for electricity generation. Introduce "Rain water Harvesting" system. Energy efficient lights can be used. Electric fan, light and other appliances should be checked periodically and if problem is found, it should be fixed immediately.	Principal/ TTC management	SEIP	Will be Complied during Operation Phase
Generation of more consumables	Impact due to Solid Waste	Collect all solid wastes properly, recycle where possible and dispose in proper place.			
	Impact due to liquid discharge	Dispose all domestic waste water through existing septic tank or sewer.			
Increased vehicle and pedestrian traffic	Additional need for parking, impact on safety	Provide adequate parking for vehicles. Raise awareness among all users to follow traffic rules.			

Need for proper sanitation and drinking water	Impact on sanitation and drinking water	Supply good quality drinking water to the students and teachers. Check the quality of drinking water. Provide well-planned sanitary facilities. Separate washrooms for boys' and girls' should be available maintaining proper privacy.			
Socioeconomic impact	Impact on skilled training	Training programs should be reported and continuously monitored	Principal/ TTC management	SEIP	Will be Complied during Operation Phase
	Impact on employment & family finance	Employ local people wherever possible. Avoid child labor employment.			
Landscaping	Enhancing visual aesthetics and environmental quality	Plant trees around the project site.			
	Enhancing visual aesthetics and environmental quality	Plant trees around the project site.			
Emergency management	Fire hazard or any medical emergency	First aid facilities should be available. Firefighting equipment must be present. Fire safety management training and mock drill should be practiced periodically			

3.2 Strategy for COVID-19 pandemic and H&S Guideline

In the COVID-19 pandemic, the DSC expert has completed all design, drawings, technical specifications and BoQ through using different virtual meetings, site visit, analysis after allowing International Flight following safety guidelines as suggested by GoB and ADB. Safeties' included hand hygiene, respiratory hygiene & physical distancing. Individual transports were used during the site visits and virtual media were used for communications.

For this reason, the contract time for design phase was extended for 04 months and amended the contracts accordingly. The consultants have visited the 3TTCs site to observe the physical condition and assessed the proposed works. As the work has not been started, so COVID-19 safety practice training did not conduct at sites.

3.3 Compliance with loan covenants

The compliance with loan covenants with status are presented in the following table.

Table -5: The compliance status of SEIP tranche 2 with respect to loan covenants is presented in table below:

SI No	Status of Loan Covenants	Status of Compliance
1	<p>Environment</p> <p>The Borrower shall ensure, and cause each of the Project Implementing Agencies to ensure, that the preparation, design, construction, implementation, operation and decommissioning of the Project and all project facilities comply with (a) all applicable laws and regulations of the Borrower relating to environment, health and safety; (b) the Environmental Safeguards; and (c) all measures and requirements set forth in the IEEs, the EMPs, and any corrective or preventative actions set forth in a Safeguards Monitoring Report.</p>	<p>The Project ensures (a) all applicable laws and regulations of the Borrower relating to environment, health and safety; (b) the Environmental Safeguards; and (c) all measures and requirements set forth in the IEEs, the EMPs, and any corrective or preventative actions set forth in a Safeguards Monitoring Report.</p>
2	<p>Small Ethnic Community Peoples</p> <p>The Borrower shall ensure, and cause each of the Project Implementing Agencies to ensure, that the preparation, design, construction, implementation and operation of the Project and all Project facilities comply with (a) all applicable laws and regulations of the Borrower relating to small ethnic community peoples; (b) the Small Ethnic Community Peoples Safeguards; and (c) all measures and requirements set forth in the SECPP, and any corrective or preventative actions set forth in a Safeguards Monitoring Report.</p>	<p>There is no intervention in this project which can hamper or any possibility of dislocation of ethnic minority. As such no separate budget allocation and dedicated manpower is required to implement SECPP. Gender Specialist is assigned for looking after SECPP.</p>
3	<p>Involuntary Resettlement</p> <p>The Borrower shall ensure, and cause each of the Project Implementing Agencies to ensure, that the Project does not have any involuntary resettlement impacts within the meaning of the Safeguard Policy Statement. In the event that the Project does have any such impact, the Borrower shall take all steps required to ensure that the Project complies with the applicable laws and regulations of the Borrower, the Safeguard Policy Statement, the RF and any corrective or preventative actions set forth in a Safeguard Monitoring Report.</p>	<p>The upgrading of 3TTCs under SEIP Tranche 2 will take place in the own campus of TTCs in their existing land. Hence, there is no issue of involuntary resettlement. There are no threat of hampering resettlement of small ethnic community people risks, or agricultural land due to project activities and hence no such requirement for reinstating pathways, other local infrastructure, and agriculture land to at least their pre-project condition upon the completion of construction.</p>
4	<p>Human and Financial Resources to Implement Safeguards Requirements</p> <p>The Borrower shall make available, or cause each of the Project Executing Agencies to make available, necessary budgetary and human resources to fully implement the EMPs</p>	<p>Environmental Expert is on board and are engaged for close monitoring of EMP implementation. Sufficient budget has been kept for implementing the EMPs and the SECPP.</p>

SI No	Status of Loan Covenants	Status of Compliance
	and the SECPP.	
5	<p>Safeguards Related Provisions in Bidding Documents and Works Contracts</p> <p>The Borrower shall ensure, and cause each of the Project Implementing Agencies to ensure, that all bidding documents and contracts for Works contain provisions that require contractors to:</p> <p>(a) comply with the measures and requirements relevant to the contractor set forth in any safeguards documents (to the extent they concern impacts on affected people during construction), and any corrective or preventative actions set out in a Safeguards Monitoring Report;</p> <p>(b) make available a budget for all environmental and social measures;</p> <p>(c) provide the Borrower with a written notice of any unanticipated environmental, resettlement or small ethnic community peoples risks or impacts that arise during construction, implementation or operation of the Project that were not considered in the IEEs, the EMPs and SECPP;</p> <p>(d) adequately record the condition of roads, agricultural land and other infrastructure prior to starting to transport materials and construction; and</p> <p>(e) fully reinstate pathways, other local infrastructure, and agricultural land to at least their pre-project condition upon the completion of construction.</p>	<p>(a) During the contracts of upgrading of three TTCs, all required provisions on Safeguard related issues, as specified by EMPs, have been included in the bid documents.</p> <p>(b) Sufficient budget has been kept for all environmental and social measures.</p> <p>(c) No issues were noticed.</p> <p>(d) Record will be kept of conditions of infrastructure prior to start to transport materials and constructions; and</p> <p>(e) Will be complied after the completion of civil works.</p>

SI No	Status of Loan Covenants	Status of Compliance
6	<p>Safeguards Monitoring and Reporting</p> <p>The Borrower shall do the following, or shall cause each of the Project Implementing Agencies to do the following:</p> <p>(a) submit semi-annual Safeguards Monitoring Reports to ADB and disclose relevant information from such reports to affected persons promptly upon submission;</p> <p>(b) if any unanticipated environmental and/or social risks and impacts arise during construction, implementation or operation of the Project, promptly inform ADB of the occurrence of such risks or impacts, with detailed description of the event and proposed corrective action plan; and</p> <p>(c) report any actual or potential breach of compliance with the measures and requirements set forth in the EMPs and the SECPP promptly after becoming aware of the breach.</p>	<p>(a) The semi-annual Safeguards Monitoring Reports from January 2021 to June 2021 submitted to ADB;</p> <p>(b) The civil works for upgrading of 3 TTCs under BMET are expecting to start in Q1, 2022 and the DSC firm has completed the detail design. So the risk report will be notified when the construction work will begins.</p> <p>(c) No issues were noticed.</p>

.....

Conclusion and Recommendation

.....

SEIP project aims at developing an employable workforce equipped with market relevant skills and knowledge. It also pays special attention to strengthen the skills institutions, especially those partnered with SEIP. Three TTCs will be modernized to deliver mid-level skills programs, with gender-specific design features. The MoU was signed between SEIP, BMET and KOICA for upgradation of 3TTCs component. The DSC has completed all design work, technical specifications and BoQ. Cost of EMP has been incorporated in the BOQ. The civil work is expecting to commence in Q1, 2022. Although there is no threat of hampering resettlement of small ethnic community people, or agricultural land due to project, SDCMU will ensure all applicable laws and regulations, relating to environment, health and safety, involuntary resettlement and small ethnic communities' safeguards as stated in the SPS 2009. If Pandemic COVID-19 prevail during commencement of construction works at 3 TTCs, COVID-19 safety practice orientation will be provided to construction labors, contractor and his staffs along with occupational health safety orientation following ADB and GoB guidelines. Respective Contractor will have to submit safety plans on prevention of COVID-19 for construction workers in line with ADB COVID-19 interim guidelines. In addition, SDCMU will also take care of the issues relating to the IEE and EMP, RF and any other corrective or preventative actions set forth in Environmental Monitoring Report during implementation of civil works.

Annex-1: Site pictures



Figure 1: Site pictures for BG TTC at Mirpur, Dhaka

