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NETHERLANDS

The Asian Development Bank (ADB) is dedicated to achieving a prosperous, inclusive, resilient, and sustainable Asia and the Pacific, while sustaining its efforts to eradicate extreme poverty.

Established in 1966, it is owned by 68 members—49 from the region—who have committed $323.17 billion in loans toward the vision of a region free of poverty.

Despite the region’s successes, issues still to be fully addressed include poverty and inequality, climate change, growing environmental pressures, and large infrastructure deficits.

The Netherlands has provided $1.57 billion in capital subscription to ADB as of 31 December 2020. It has also contributed and committed $805.53 million to Special Funds since joining the bank in 1966. Companies and consultants from the Netherlands have since been awarded $674.5 million in procurement contracts on ADB-financed projects.

In 2020, ADB’s lending volume was $26.9 billion (149 projects), with technical assistance at $293.56 million (275 projects) and grant-financed projects at $1.08 billion (62 projects). In addition, $16.41 billion in commitments from sovereign and nonsovereign cofinancing was generated.

From 1 January 2016 to 31 December 2020, ADB’s annual lending volume averaged $19.69 billion. Investment grants and technical assistance funded by ADB and Special Funds resources averaged $805.5 million and $230.81 million, respectively, over the same period.

As of 31 December 2020, cumulative commitments (excluding cofinancing) were $323.17 billion in loans for 3,369 investment projects in 44 countries, $11.3 billion in 495 grants, and $5.01 billion in technical assistance grants, including regional technical assistance grants.

In addition to loans, grants, and technical assistance, ADB uses guarantees and equity investments to help its developing member countries (DMCs).

With its headquarters in Manila, ADB has 44 offices around the world, with 3,653 staff from 64 of its 68 members as of 31 December 2020.

CONTRIBUTIONS TO SPECIAL FUNDS RESOURCES

The Netherlands has contributed to the original and all subsequent replenishments to the Asian Development Fund (ADF), which was ADB’s window for concessional lending to its borrowing members up to 31 December 2016 and continued as a grant-only operation from 1 January 2017; and the Technical Assistance Special Fund (TASF), which provides grants to borrowing members to help prepare projects and undertake technical or policy studies.

Contributions:
ADB (committed): $774.36 million
TASF (committed): $31.17 million

NETHERLANDS: SHAREHOLDING AND VOTING POWER

Number of shares held:
108,882 (1.023% of total shares)

Votes:
147,996 (1.113% of total membership, 3.191% of total nonregional membership)

*Overall capital subscription:
$1.57 billion

*Paid-in capital subscription:
$78.42 million

*United States dollar figures are valued at rate as of 31 December 2020.

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ADB arranges cofinancing from bilateral and multilateral sources, export credit agencies, and commercial sources in the form of loans and grants, B loans, risk transfer arrangements, parallel loans and equity, guarantees, and cofinancing for transactions under ADB’s Trade and Supply Chain Finance Program and Microfinance Program.

Cofinancing brings additional resources to ADB’s project financing. In 2020, total sovereign and nonsovereign cofinancing commitments amounted to $16.41 billion for 236 projects, of which $16.15 billion was for 111 investment projects, $185.79 million was for 125 technical assistance projects, and $76 million was mobilized through transaction advisory services. Cumulative sovereign and nonsovereign cofinancing commitments for the period 1970–2020 amounted to $127.16 billion for 3,051 projects, of which $123.92 billion was for 1,082 investment projects, $2.65 billion was for 1,969 technical assistance projects, and $593.5 million was mobilized through transaction advisory services.

Cofinancing commitments with the Netherlands from 1 January 2016 to 31 December 2020 comprised the following:

**Projects**
- **Sovereign:** 15 projects, cofinancing of $8.53 million
  - Grants: 1 project, cofinancing of $0.75 million
  - Technical assistance: 14 projects, cofinancing of $7.78 million
- **Nonsovereign:** 6 projects, cofinancing of $176.73 million

A list of projects cofinanced by the Netherlands is available at [www.adb.org/what-we-do/financing-partnerships/sovereign-financing#donor-countries](http://www.adb.org/what-we-do/financing-partnerships/sovereign-financing#donor-countries).

**Trust Funds**

Trust funds are key instruments to mobilize and channel external sources to finance technical assistance and components of investment projects. They play an important role in complementing ADB’s own funding resources. Initially, trust funds were established through single-donor channel financing agreements targeting a number of specific sectors. ADB has been increasingly switching to multi-donor trust funds covering thematic issues and theme-focused umbrella initiatives, called financing partnership facilities, which support priority areas such as water, clean energy, regional cooperation and integration, urban sector financing, and health. In close interaction with the fund contributors, ADB will use these resources strategically to promote innovation, enhance project quality, and provide critical support for project implementation.

The Netherlands has contributed to the following trust funds:

- **Single-Donor Trust Fund**
  - Netherlands Trust Fund under the Water Financing Partnership Facility—established in 2006, it prioritizes projects and activities designed to result in significantly more people with access to safe drinking water supply and improved sanitation, higher productivity and efficiency of irrigation and drainage services, and reduced risk to floods; sustainable management of water resources; increased knowledge and capacity; improved sector governance; and increased focus on water-food security nexus
  - Cumulative commitment: $44.2 million

### Nonsovereign Operations

As a catalyst for private investments, ADB provides financial assistance to nonsovereign projects and financial intermediaries. Total commitments in loans and equity investments from ADB’s own funds in 2020 amounted to $1.4 billion for 38 transactions in economic and social infrastructure, finance sector, and agribusiness. ADB also actively mobilizes cofinancing from commercial and concessional sources. In 2020, ADB mobilized $1.9 billion of long-term project cofinancing and $3.3 billion of cofinancing through its Trade and Supply Chain Finance Program and Microfinance Program. Total outstanding balances and commitments of nonsovereign transactions funded by ADB’s own resources stood at $14.3 billion as of 31 December 2020.

ADB invested in Credit Access Asia to capitalize its subsidiaries and support the growth of microfinance institutions which it operates across Asia. Robeco Asset Management and ADB co-manage a fund that invests in climate finance. In addition, ADB has cooperated with Dutch entities such as the Adjairistsqali Netherlands BV, Axia Power Holdings.

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**Investment Projects Cofinanced with the Netherlands, 1 January 2016–31 December 2020**

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<thead>
<tr>
<th>Country</th>
<th>Project</th>
<th>ADB Amount ($ million)</th>
<th>Cofinancing Amount ($ million)</th>
<th>Type of Cofinancing</th>
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<tr>
<td>India</td>
<td>Avaada Solar Project</td>
<td>25.00</td>
<td>25.00</td>
<td>NS</td>
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<td></td>
<td>Avaada Solar Phase 2 Project</td>
<td>7.50</td>
<td>10.00</td>
<td>NS</td>
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<tr>
<td>Myanmar</td>
<td>Yangon Urban Renewal and District Cooling</td>
<td>70.00</td>
<td>17.50</td>
<td>NS</td>
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<tr>
<td>Pakistan</td>
<td>Kashf Foundation Expanding Access to Credit for Women</td>
<td>15.00</td>
<td>5.00</td>
<td>NS</td>
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<tr>
<td>Viet Nam</td>
<td>Water Efficiency Improvement in Drought-Affected Provinces</td>
<td>100.00</td>
<td>0.75</td>
<td>G</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Regional</td>
<td>Tertiary Education Project</td>
<td>10.00</td>
<td>12.50</td>
<td>NS</td>
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<td></td>
<td>Trade Finance Program</td>
<td>63.20</td>
<td>106.73</td>
<td>NS</td>
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</table>

* Loan, grant, or blend.
* G = sovereign grant cofinancing, NS = nonsovereign cofinancing.
* The program limit for ADB’s regional Trade Finance Program (TFP) ($1 billion since 2009, and increased to $1.35 billion in 2018 and $2.15 billion in 2020) is the maximum exposure the TFP can assume at any one point in time. This limit has never been breached. Although the TFP exposure exceeds the program limit annually, this limit was not breached at any one point in time because TFP transactions tend to be short—one average less than 180 days—and the program limit can revolve (be reused) within a year. In addition, the TFP distributes risk exposures to various partners that leverage its capital resources.
BV, Blue Horizon Jawa Power Co. BV Engie Microfinance Cooparatief UA, Garuda Power Holdings BV, Garuda Regas Holdings BV, JERA Power RN BV, Pine Mountain Power BV, Triodos Custody BV, Triodos Fair Share Fund, Tridos Custody BV, Nederlandse Financierings-Maatschappij voor Ontwikkelingslanden NV, MerIT Power Holdings B.V., Langoer Investments Holdings B.V., ING Bank, Rabobank, Redaya Energi Tolo B.V., Finca Microfinance Cooparatief U.A., Saipem Contractingyve Netherlands BV, and KPI C Netherlands. Transactions that these entities supported include various private equity funds; financial institutions in Armenia and Georgia; an agriculture project in the People's Republic of China; energy projects in Azerbaijan, Georgia, India, Indonesia, the Lao People's Democratic Republic, and Pakistan; and an oil and gas project in Uzbekistan.

**PROCUREMENT**

Each year, ADB provides loans, grants, and technical assistance to fund projects and activities in its DMCs; and several billion dollars in contracts to procure goods, works, and consulting services. Most contracts are awarded on the basis of international competition, which is open to firms and individuals from all ADB members.

**Share of ADB's Procurement Contracts**

**Goods, Works, and Related Services**
ADB's procurement contracts in Asia and the Pacific for goods, works, and related services under loan and grant operations totaled $14.19 billion in 2019 and $22.79 billion in 2020. Cumulative procurement since 1966 has been $216.35 billion covering 222,415 contracts.

For contractors and suppliers from the Netherlands, 456 contracts worth $300.27 million have been awarded since 1966.

### Top 5 Contractors/Suppliers from the Netherlands Involved in Goods, Works, and Related Services Contracts under ADB Loan and Grant Projects, 1 January 2016–31 December 2020

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<th>Contractor/Supplier</th>
<th>Sector</th>
<th>Contract Amount ($ million)</th>
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<tr>
<td>Tahal Group B.V.</td>
<td>WUS</td>
<td>29.92</td>
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<td>Struijk Group</td>
<td>TRA</td>
<td>17.61</td>
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<td>Globe Corporation B.V.</td>
<td>ANR</td>
<td>1.89</td>
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<tr>
<td>Stichting IHE Delft</td>
<td>ANR, TRA</td>
<td>0.66</td>
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<tr>
<td>GRAIDCO B.V.</td>
<td>TRA</td>
<td>0.42</td>
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<td>Others</td>
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<td>0.02</td>
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<td>Total</td>
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<td>50.52</td>
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ANR = agriculture, natural resources, and rural development; TRA = transport; WUS = water and other urban infrastructure and services.

### Top 5 Consultants from the Netherlands Involved in Consulting Services Contracts under ADB Loan, Grant, and Technical Assistance Projects, 1 January 2016–31 December 2020

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<th>Consultant</th>
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<tr>
<td>Royal HaskoningDHV</td>
<td>ANR, MUL, TRA, WUS</td>
<td>19.55</td>
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<td>Euroconsult Mott Macdonald BV</td>
<td>ANR, WUS</td>
<td>13.16</td>
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<td>Hill International N.V.</td>
<td>WUS</td>
<td>4.09</td>
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<td>Deltas</td>
<td>ANR, ENE, HLT, PSM, WUS</td>
<td>3.97</td>
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<tr>
<td>SNV Netherlands Development Organisation</td>
<td>ENE, PSM</td>
<td>2.14</td>
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Individual Consultants 13.56
Others 16.24
Total 72.71

ANR = agriculture, natural resources, and rural development; ENE = energy; HLT = health; MUL = multisector; PSM = public sector management; TRA = transport; WUS = water and other urban infrastructure and services.

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<td>Goods, Works, and Related Services</td>
<td>0.42</td>
<td>1.89</td>
<td>300.27 0.14</td>
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<td>Consulting Services</td>
<td>10.32</td>
<td>20.34</td>
<td>374.23 2.65</td>
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<tr>
<td>Total Procurement</td>
<td>10.74</td>
<td>22.23</td>
<td>674.50 0.29</td>
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0.00 = less than 0.005%.
ADB GOVERNOR
Sigrid Kaag is the Governor for the Netherlands in ADB.

ADB ALTERNATE GOVERNOR
Kitty van der Heijden is the Alternate Governor for the Netherlands in ADB.

ADB DIRECTOR AND ALTERNATE DIRECTOR
Kris Panday (Canada) is the Director and Leena Viljanen (Finland) is the Alternate Director representing the Netherlands on the ADB Board of Directors.

ADB DIRECTOR’S ADVISORS
Marc Rooijackers (Netherlands) and Anders Ørnenmark (Denmark), together with the Director and Alternate Director, also provide technical advice and assist interested parties of the constituency members in their contacts with ADB.

CONSTITUENCY REPRESENTED
The constituency that Director Panday and Alternate Director Viljanen represent on the ADB Board of Directors also includes Canada, Denmark, Finland, Ireland, Norway, and Sweden.

ADB STAFF MEMBERS
As of 31 December 2020, there were 18 international staff from Netherlands in ADB (16 men and 2 women), which represents 1.37% of the total international staff, including two senior staff members.

ANNUAL MEETING
ADB’s 17th Annual Meeting was held in Amsterdam on 25–27 April 1984.

COMMERCIAL LIAISON TO ADB
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