



Advance Contracting Notice

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Country/Borrower: Islamic Republic of Pakistan

Title of Proposed Project: 48404-PAK: Central Asia Regional Economic Cooperation Corridor Development Investment Project – Tranche 1

Name and Address of Executing Agency:

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Brief Description of the Project:

The PPTA will design a multi-tranche financing facility (MFF) to assist the government in improving the CAREC corridors to serve the needs of surrounding countries to be interconnected through Pakistan and thereby acting as a regional hub to promote regional integration and intra- and inter-regional trade. The PPTA will also conduct a feasibility assessment for the 1st tranche project including preliminary engineering designs; cost estimating; technical, financial, economic, and socioeconomic analysis; environmental analysis; social impact assessment; a study for initial benchmark performance indicators; and preparation of project evaluation and monitoring framework.

The impact of the MFF will be enhanced regional connectivity and trade via the CAREC Corridors in Pakistan. The outcome will be improved efficiency for road traffic along the CAREC Corridors. The outputs will be rehabilitated and upgraded or newly constructed motorways and national highways mainly for National Highway No. 55, running through Sindh, Punjab, and Khyber Pakhtunkhwa.

The outputs will be delivered through phased tranches. The first tranche project will cover (i) Dara Adamkhel-Peshawar; (ii) Petaro-Sehwan; and (iii) Ratodero-Shikapur sections of N-55.

Brief Description of Goods and Related Services, Works or Consulting Services to be Procured:

Civil works packages for the first tranche project's outputs will be procured under international competitive bidding in accordance with ADB Procurement Guidelines (2015, as amended from time to time). This advance action will expedite the project implementation.

Construction supervision consultant will be recruited in accordance with the Guidelines on the Use of Consultants by Asian Development Bank and Its Borrowers (2013, as amended from time to time).

It is expected that recruitment of construction supervision consultant and the bidding for the civil works contracts will commence in Q2 2017.