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	AGRICULTURE AND NATURAL RESOURCES					
Bangladesh	Crop Diversification II					
India	Agribusiness Infrastructure Development Project (Phase 2)					
Nepal	Community Irrigation Project					
	ENERGY SECTOR					
Afghanistan	Development of Wind Energy					
Afghanistan	Development of Mini Hydropower Plants in Badakshan and Bamyan Provinces					
Azerbaijan	Preparing the Power Sector Development Investment Program					
Bangladesh	Supporting National Climate Change Action Plan					
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India	Capacity Development of the Assam Power Sector					
Thailand	Mainstreaming Energy Efficiency Measures for Thai Municipalities					
	ENVIRONMENT SECTOR					
Bangladesh	Strengthening Resilience of Water Sector to Climate Change in Khulna					
China	Wuhan Urban Environmental Improvement Project					
Kyrgyz	Issyk-Kul Sustainable Development Project					
Nepal	Preparing the Secondary Towns Integrated Urban Environmental Improvement Project					
Pakistan	Improving Efficiency and Public Accountability of North Sindh Urban Services Corporation					
	HEALTH SECTOR					
Regional	GMS Regional Communicable Diseases Control Project II					
Regional	Impact of Maternal and Child Health Private Expenditure on Poverty and Inequity					
Regional	Regional Public Goods for Health: Combating Dengue in ASEAN					
Vietnam	Health Human Resources Development Project (Investment)					
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Bangladesh	Preparing the City Region Development Project					
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Regional	Enterprise Development and the Challenge of Inclusive Growth					
Regional	Promoting Poverty Reduction and Inclusive Growth through Enterprise Development Phase I					
Regional	Quantifying the Costs and Benefits of Regional Economic Integration in Asia					
	TRANSPORTATION AND COMMUNICATION SECTOR					
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II. ADVISORY AND OPERATIONAL TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE

AFGHANISTAN

Development of Wind Energy				
Project No. :	AFG 42472-01			
Executing Agency :	Asian Development Bank			
TA Amount (US\$ '000) :	160			
Sector/Subsector :	Energy/ Renewable Energy			

Project Impact: Availability of wind based electricity will contribute to an increase in income generating activities and well-being supported by clean energy. The small-scale policy and advisory technical assistance (S-PATA) will assist in developing the indigenous wind resources in Afghanistan. The impact of the S-PATA will be to demonstrate that sufficient wind potential exists to attract commercial investment for subsequent development

Project Outcome: The outcome of the S-PATA will be identification of candidate sites for development of commercial wind energy projects.

Project Outputs: The S-PATA will engage a consultant to provide the necessary expertise in wind data analysis; site screening, evaluation and selection; meteorological measurement specifications; measurement system installation, maintenance, and data analysis; and wind resource development analysis. The analyses will identify at least ten sites suitable for commercial wind farms.

Consulting Services: To be determined

Project Processing Stage: Approved by the Bank: 6 November 2008

Recruitment of Consultants: To be determined

BANGLADESH

A. Supporting National Climate Change Action Plan

Project No. :	BAN 42478-01
Executing Agency :	To be determined
TA Amount (US\$ '000) :	2,000
Sector/Subsector :	Energy /Energy Sector Development

Project Impact: The impact of the proposed Cluster Capacity Development (C-CDTA) is low carbon inclusive economic growth and climate resilient development while ensuring food and energy security in Bangladesh.

Project Outcome: The outcome of the proposed C-CDTA is enhanced capacity of the MoEF and other relevant ministries and agencies with regard to project preparation and implementation, and policy formulation under the Bangladesh Climate Change Strategy and Action Plan (BCCSAP).

Project Outputs: (i) a joint management mechanism at the Ministry of Environment and Forestry (MoEF) coordinated by a national steering committee, (ii) recommendations on balanced policy and regulatory frameworks for climate change mitigation and adaptation, (iii) programs for governance enhancement, capacity development, knowledge management, and information dissemination, and (iv) due diligence and other preparatory works for climate change mitigation and adaptation programs/projects. These outputs will be delivered by March 2011. The main outputs of the first component technical assistance (TA) will be: (i) a governance enhancement roadmap for implementing the BCCSAP, (ii) promotion of program of Clean Development Mechanisms (CDM) for attracting the private sector and other related

stakeholders, and (iii) knowledge shared and information programs disseminated both in Bangladesh and abroad related to implementation of the BCCSAP.

Consulting Services: To be determined

Project Processing Stage: Fact-finding to be scheduled

Recruitment of Consultants: To be determined

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Project Impact: Strengthened resilience of water sector to climate change impacts in Khulna

Project Outcome: Adaptation options, both structural and non-structural, prepared for two planned investment projects: City Region Development Project and Khulna Water Supply Project, and other projects and policy actions by the Government of Bangladesh

Project Outputs: The technical assistance (TA) will be implemented in three steps. The first step will involve: (i) data collection related to hydro-meteorology, water salinity and outputs of various modeling results and analyses in Khulna and relevant areas; and (ii) assessment of plausible climate scenarios for 2030 and 2050. In the second step, the TA team will undertake: (i) data collection and review of existing structures and future improvement plans in the water sector; (ii) collection of socio-economic data such as population density, population trend and damages caused by past extreme weather events and data related to physical characteristics such as topography, land use and land subsidence; (iii) review of land use plans and policies and current local practices coping with climate variability and extreme weather events (such as early warning system and evacuation); and (iv) hydrological simulation and assessment of flooding, water salinity and other impacts on the water sector by using mathematical modeling. Assessment results will be presented in the GIS based map. Tasks conducted in the third step will comprise: (i) identification of adaptation options, both structural and non-structural, focusing on the water sector; (ii) assessment of preliminary feasibility of each option, with due considerations to effectiveness, urgency, associated benefits and costs and social acceptability, and identification of relevant agencies responsible for implementation; (iii) prioritization of preferred options through a participatory approach; and (iv) integration of priority actions into project designs of future ADB-assisted projects or other projects and policy actions by the Government. The TA will also focus on strengthening capacity and raising awareness for climate change. Workshops and other training programs will be carried out mainly for officials of central and local government departments and agencies. Other key stakeholders, such as universities, research institutes, NGOs and the private sector are invited to the workshops, where objectives, progress and outputs of the TA will be shared and discussions for prioritizing various adaptation options will be made. Based on the experiences of the TA implementation, recommendations for further programs on capacity building and public awareness raising and for up-scaling/replicating in other areas in Bangladesh and other countries will be provided.

Consulting Services: To be determined

Project Processing Stage: Fact-finding mission completed: 18 October 2008

Recruitment of Consultants: Expected to take place in December 2008

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CAMBODIA

Second Financial Se	ctor Pro	ogram Clust	er - Subprogram 3 Implementation		
Project No.	:	CAM 42043-01			
Executing Agency	:	National I	ank of Cambodia		
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TA Amount (US\$ '000) : 650 Sector/Subsector : Law, Economic Management & Public Policy /Public Finance & Expenditure Management

Project Impact: The technical assistance (TA) will help the Government improve the capacity of the National Bank of Cambodia (NBC), the Ministry of Economy and Finance (MEF) and Ministry of Commerce (MOC) to implement some reform triggers under Subprogram 3 as well as to provide the Government with timely policy advice as needed.

Project Outcome: A growing, resilient and efficient financial system

Project Outputs: (i) Strengthened bank supervision and surveillance; (ii) Strengthened supervision of microfinance institutions (MFIs) with appropriate regulations; and (iii) Updated regulations strengthened supervision of the insurance industry

Consulting Services: The TA will require a total of 17 person-months (pm) of consulting inputs comprising 11 international and 6 national pm. The consultants will be engaged by ADB on an individual basis in accordance with the Guidelines on the Use of Consultants (2007, as amended from time to time). The TA consultants will provide expertise in the following: (i) on-site supervision of banks and training (4 pm); (ii) supervision of MFIs (3 pm); and (iii) regulations and supervision of the insurance industry (4 pm). One national consultant will be engaged, an insurance expert (6 pm), to assist the international insurance expert.

Project Processing Stage: Board Circulation completed: 14 November 2008

Recruitment of Consultants: Expected to take place on January 2009

Project Officer: Samiuela T. Tukuafu (632-6338) Governance, Finance, and Trade Division, SERD <u>stukuafu@adb.org</u>

CHINA

A. Railway Sector Energy Efficiency Strategy (piggybacked to Lanzhou-Chongqing Railway)			
Project No.	:	PRC 35354-03	
Executing Agency	:	Ministry of Railways	
TA Amount (US\$ '000)):	800	
Sector/Subsector	:	Transport & Communications /Railways	

Project Impact: The impact will be more energy efficient and environment friendly rail transport in the PRC.

Project Outcome: The outcome will be a railways strategy for enhancing energy efficiency and energy conservation on the PRC.

Project Outputs: The study will: (i) analyze energy efficiency of the PRC railway sector, (ii) identify areas where energy efficiency can be enhanced, and (iii) recommend actions and technologies that can be adopted. It will help prioritize areas for enhancing energy efficiency and recommend a pipeline of priority lending projects for energy efficiency in the PRC railway sector.

Consulting Services: A team of international consulting firm in association with national consultants will be engaged by ADB using the simplified technical proposal procedures based on the quality and costbased selection method (80:20) in accordance with ADB's Guidelines on the Use of Consultants (as amended from time to time) and other arrangements satisfactory to ADB for engaging national consultants. The study will require about 24 person-months (pm) of international and about 12 pm of national consulting services to carry out the study. The consultants will have expertise in energy efficiency as applied to the railway sector and have worked in developing similar policies and programs.

Project Processing Stage: Beginning of Fact-finding mission: October 2008

Recruitment of Consultants: For President's Consideration: 28 October 2008

Project Officer: Manmohan Parkash (632-6364) Transport Division, EARD mparkash@adb.org

B. Promoting a more Inclusive and Effective Disaster Management System

Project No.	:	PRC 42357-01
Executing Agency	:	To be determined
TA Amount (US\$ '000)):	650
Sector/Subsector	:	Multisector

Project Impact: The impact of the proposed technical assistance (TA) will be a more responsive, efficient and effective disaster management system in the PRC.

Project Outcome: The outcome of the TA will be a strategy for a disaster management system that is more inclusive and participatory and can be adopted by the Government.

Project Outputs: The TA will: (i) review the current disaster management system in the PRC; (ii) research and review the disaster management system in selected developed countries, which have similar geographical nature (research best international practices and experiences); (iii) prepare a strategy and recommend actions for a more inclusive and effective disaster management system, which should be realistic for the Government to implement; (iv) carry out capacity development program for building the

knowledge and capacity of disaster management; and (v) pilot test a few demonstration projects that can be replicated.

Consulting Services: A team of international consulting firms in association with national consultants will be engaged by ADB using the simplified technical proposal procedures based on the quality and costbased selection method (in a ratio of 80:20) in accordance with ADB's Guidelines on the Use of Consultants (2007, as amended from time to time). The TA will require about 12 person-months (pm) of international and about 15 pm of national consulting services to carry out the study. The international and national consultants will have expertise in the following fields of the disaster management: (i) the concept, organization, institutional, design and implementation, (ii) logistics, management information and communication systems, and technical issues, (iii) legal and legislative aspect, (iv) capacity building, and (v) implementing pilot projects on disaster management.

Project Processing Stage: Fact-Finding Mission completed: 10 November 2008

Recruitment of Consultants: Expected to take place in December 2008

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COOK ISLANDS

Public Sector Review and Improvement				
Project No. : Executing Agency :	COO 42141-01 Ministry of Finance and Economic Management			
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TA Amount (US \$'000)	:	225
Sector/Subsector	:	Law, Economic Management & Public Policy /Public Finance &
		Expenditure Management

Project Impact: The impact of the small-scale policy and advisory technical assistance (S-PATA) will be improved efficiency and effectiveness in public sector performance and public service delivery, contributing to achievement of the medium and long-term strategies contained in the (NSDP).

Project Outcome: The outcome will be adoption and implementation by the Government of recommendations to achieve a functional medium term fiscal framework (MTFF) and improve the efficiency of the public sector.

Project Outputs: The S-PATA outputs will form the basis for the design of the cluster TA for Public Finance Management and Public Sector Performance Improvement, proposed for approval in 2009, which will support implementation of the recommendations and provide related capacity building.

Consulting Services: The technical assistance will finance the services of two international consultants for a total period of 5 person-months (pm). The international consultants will comprise a public finance management specialist (3 pm, intermittent) and a public sector performance improvement specialist (2

pm, intermittent). Both consultants will be engaged individually using the Individual Consultant Recruitment System in accordance with ADB's Guidelines on the Use of Consultants (February 2007, as amended from time to time).

Project Processing Stage: Approved by the Bank: 16 October 2008

Recruitment of Consultants: Recruitment of consultants (Public Financial Management Specialist; Completed Public Sector Performance Improvement Specialist) expected to take place on January 2009

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GEORGIA

Strengthening the Financial Sector in Georgia				
Project No.	:	GEO 42477-01		
Executing Agency	:	Ministry of Finance		
TA Amount (US \$'000)	:	800		
Sector/Subsector	:	Multisector		

Project Impact: Revitalization of the Georgian economy back to pre-crisis levels of growth

Project Outcome: Restored economic stability by ensuring that essential public investments are maintained despite the recent conflict

Project Outputs: A. Public sector accountability, efficiency and transparency strengthened – (1) Public budgeting and expenditure management strengthened; (2) Transparency and efficiency in the public procurement systems enhanced; (3) Transparency and effectiveness of public financial management improved; (4) Local governance and intergovernmental fiscal relations strengthened
B. Improving the Environment for Private Sector Development - (5) Constraints to private sector development reduced and investment climate improved

C. Improving Social Protection – (6) Social protection: poverty reduced by improving protection of the poor and vulnerable; (7) Health: Equity and access to essential quality health services especially for the poor and vulnerable improved

Consulting Services: The technical assistance (TA) is estimated to require about 14 person-months (pm) of international consulting services and 16 pm of national consulting services. Consulting services will be provided through quality and cost-based selection by one or more consulting firms or individual consultants recruited in accordance with ADB's Guidelines on the Use of Consultants (2007, as amended from time to time.)

Project Processing Stage: Fact-Finding Mission completed: 25 September 2008

Recruitment of Consultants: Expected to take place in December 2008

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INDIA

A. Capacity Development of the Assam Power Sector			
Project No.	:	IND 41614-01	
Executing Agency	:	Assam State Electricity Board	
TA Amount (US \$'000)	:	700	
Sector/Subsector	:	Energy /Energy Sector Development	

Project Impact: To promote energy efficiency and expand physical transmission and distribution capacity through institutional capacity building

Project Outcome: (i) Strengthened institutions of Assam Electricity Board (ASEB) agencies to develop the transmission and distribution sector plan and relevant projects, (ii) carried out studies on application of Clean Development Mechanism (CDM) for the Assam Power and further private sector participation in the Assam Power Sector

Project Outputs: The major outputs by 2009 of the proposed technical assistance (TA) includes: (i) improved technical, managerial, and financial capabilities for ASEB to conduct social, environmental, economics, technical, and financial analysis for future projects some of which may be financed by ADB; (ii) assistance to ASEB on handling infrastructure projects, (iii) the power sector and issues oriented studies including application of CDM technology for transmission and distribution development.

Consulting Services: To be determined

Project Processing Stage: Fact-Finding Mission completed: 24 April 2008

Recruitment of Consultants: Requirement for Consulting Services to be completed during Fact finding mission

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B. Capacity Building in Enhancing Project Readiness and Monitoring Results in Transport Projects

Project No.	:	IND 42487-01
Executing Agency	:	Department of Economic Affairs
TA Amount (US \$'000)	11	1,500
Sector/Subsector	:	Transport & Communications /Roads & Highways

Project Impact: The impact of the technical assistance (TA) will be improvement of project implementation readiness of transport infrastructure projects in the country. The delay and the cost overrun of projects will be minimized.

Project Outcome: The TA will strengthen efficiency and ownership in project implementation from the early stage of project preparation. While government agencies have certain capacity to prepare and implement projects, there is room for enhancing the capacity on the timeliness and quality of activities in project implementation, especially for procurement and safeguard activities, adopting international best practices. Enhancement of capacity in project economics and monitoring development impacts would also further help improve quality for future projects to take into account lessons learnt.

Project Outputs: Procurement process initiated within a month of appraisal mission completion; Social and environmental assessments meet agreed standards and timeframe; and Project performance

management system provides appropriate information from the monitoring and evaluation system to management according to schedule.

Consulting Services: To be determined

Project Processing Stage: Fact-Finding Mission completed: 16 October 2008

Recruitment of Consultants: Expected to take place on February 2009

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INDONESIA

A. Local Government	Finance	and Governance Capacity Development (p/b to L38264-01)	
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TA Amount (US \$'000)):	1,500	
Sector/Subsector	:	Law, Economic Management & Public Policy /Public Finance & Expenditure Management	

Project Impact: The technical assistance (TA) will strive to enhance management and coordination in the implementation of fiscal decentralization, improve the intergovernmental fiscal system, develop better incentive systems for service delivery, and reduce regional governments' dependency on fiscal transfers.

Project Outcome: The expected outcome is improved delivery of services for the general welfare of the communities and enhanced accountability of regional governments.

Project Outputs: (i) National Action Plan for Fiscal Decentralization 2010-2014; (ii) Fiscal Decentralization Modeling and Database in the Ministry of Finance (MOF); (iii) Forward Estimates for Major Transfers and Implementation; (iv) Dana Alokasi Khusus(DAK) (specific allocation fund) Design and Monitoring; (v) Pilot-Testing of Incentive- and Sanction-Linked Transfers; (vi) Devolution of Property Tax to the Regions; and (vii) Planning for Decentralized Capacity Building

Consulting Services: The following consulting services will be required for the TA: 24 person-months (pm) of international consultants in local governance and decentralization, financial modeling, service delivery and performance assessment, property tax and local revenue, and capacity building. The international consultants will work closely with national consultants (80 pm) with similar backgrounds. Reputable national research institutes will be recruited to conduct background studies for the preparation of the National Action Plan for Fiscal Decentralization (NAPFD) and wage bills of regional governments. Nine consultants, including the international team leader (total of 12 international and 80 national personmonths), will be hired through a reputable international consultants - the fiscal decentralization adviser and the DAK design and property tax adviser (6 pm in total) - will be hired individually, as the distinct areas of expertise involved may not be available through a single firm.

Project Processing Stage: Board Circulation completed: 13 November 2008

Recruitment of Consultants: Recruitment of consultants expected to take place on January 2009

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B. Social Security Reform and Economic Modeling Capacity Building

Project No. :	INO 4246	INO 42461-01		
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TA Amount (US \$'000)	800			
Sector/Subsector		Law, Economic Management & Public Policy /Economic Management		

Project Impact: The Government will implement a sustainable and well-designed social security system and at the same time enhance macroeconomic stability, which is necessary if the Government is to achieve its goal of reducing the poverty rate.

Project Outcome: The proposed TA is expected to improve the design and implementation of the social security reform. The proposed TA will also enhance the capacity of FPO in conducting fiscal risks analysis and macroeconomic monitoring.

Project Outputs: The expected outputs during implementation are: (i) final design of the social security system and support for its implementation; (ii) capacity building support to enhance capacity in analyzing fiscal implications and economy-wide effects social security reform; and (iii) support for Government's initiative to enhance its economic monitoring system to anticipate a range of shocks that could have significant poverty, macroeconomic, and fiscal implications.

Consulting Services: International and national consultants will be recruited by the ADB on an individual basis to implement activities. A total of 48 (30 international and 18 national) person-months consultant services will be required.

Project Processing Stage: Fact-Finding Mission completed: 12 August 2008

Recruitment of Consultants: Recruitment of consultants expected to take place on January 2009

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MICRONESIA

Strengthening Public	Sector	Performance
Project No.	:	FSM 41579-01
Executing Agency	:	Office of Statistics, Budget & Economic ManagementOverseas Development Management (SBOC)
TA Amount (US \$'000)	:	750
Sector/Subsector	:	Law, Economic Management & Public Policy/Economic Management

Project Impact: The impact of the technical assistance (TA) will be improved delivery of state level public services through enhanced performance-oriented public sector operations.

Project Outcome: The TA will seek to deliver the following outcomes: (i) better delivery of departmental operational plans through managing for results; (ii) greater adherence to public sector regulations through more accountable management practices; (iii) enhanced, merit-based personnel management; and (iv) greater public accountability for public sector performance.

Project Outputs: The expected outputs of the TA are: (i) an agreed good governance and economic policy advisory program implemented for the state legislatures - the program will focus on current and future change agents in each legislature. (ii) an agreed and implemented state public sector senior management strengthening program - the program will focus on current and future change agents in or likely to be in, senior management or leadership positions in the state public sectors. (iii) an agreed and implemented public information and awareness program - the program will focus on the required information on public service operations and performance needs in each state.

Consulting Services: The TA will finance up to 18 person-months (pm) of international and up to 40 pm national consulting services. The proposed consultants will comprise: (i) public sector management specialist/team leader (international, 10 pm intermittent); (ii) public sector training specialist (international, 3 pm intermittent); (iii) governance specialist (international, 2 pm intermittent); (iv) communications specialist (international, 1 pm intermittent); (v) communications advisor (national, 6 pm intermittent); and (vi) national adviser (national, 24 pm, part-time). Unallocated international and national consultancy services (international specialist, 2 pm, intermittent or further national advisers, 10 pm, intermittent) may be required if determined during the design stage of the reform program. The consultants will be engaged in accordance with ADB's Guidelines on the Use of Consultants (2007, as amended from time to time) based on a simplified technical proposal under the quality- and cost-based selection method.

Project Processing Stage: Fact-Finding Mission completed: 15 August 2008

Recruitment of Consultants: Expected to take place in December 2008

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PAKISTAN

Improving Efficiency and Public Accountability of North Sindh Urban Services Corporation		
Project No.	:	PAK 37220-04
Executing Agency	:	Planning and Development Department, Sindh
		National Economic and Development Authority
TA Amount (US \$'000)	:	2,500
Sector/Subsector	:	Water Supply, Sanitation & Waste Management/Integrated

Project Impact: The technical assistance (TA) aims to increase the efficiency and effectiveness of water supply, wastewater and solid waste management (SWM) services delivered by North Sindh Urban Services Corporation (NSUSC) and its accountability to its customers.

Project Outcome: The outcomes under Component A include :(i) technical and financial information baselines and improved information on water supply, wastewater and SWM systems; (ii) enhanced technical capacity of NSUSC staff; (iii) improved NSUSC technical and financial performance; (iv) increased and more effective outsourcing arrangements; and (v) increased public-private partnerships in water services and landfill operations. The outcomes under Component B include (i) customer awareness and understanding of SCIP-supported reforms in urban service delivery; (ii) increased communication between NSUSC and its customers; (iii) transparent public monitoring of service delivery; (iv) enhanced accountability of NSUSC to its customers; and (v) development of a customer relations system within NSUSC.

Project Outputs: The TA will support reform initiatives under the Sindh Cities Improvement Investment Program, and assist the newly formed NSUSC to become a more efficient, accountable service provider. The TA has two components. Component A will develop the technical, operational and organizational capacity of NSUSC to deliver sustainable water supply, wastewater, and SWM services. Component B will support public awareness and outreach, public monitoring of services and customer relations.

Consulting Services: The TA will be implemented over 44 months from April 2009, with inputs from international and national consultants hired through a firm for each of the two components. The civil society organization will be contracted separately for the CRC activity under Component B. The planned level of effort for Component A is 142 pm, comprising 42 pm of international inputs and 100 pm of national inputs. The planned level of effort for Component B is 337 pm in total, comprising 22 pm of advisory inputs, primarily national, and 312 pm of customer complaints staff and 3 pm of information technology (IT) support.

Project Processing Stage: SRC/Technical Review completed: 24 September 2008

Recruitment of Consultants: The consultants will be recruited in accordance with ADB's Guidelines on the Use of Consultants (2007, as amended from time to time).

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SRI LANKA

Small-Scale TA for Est Authority	tablishr	nent of a Central Procurement Unit in the Road Development
	:	SRI 42178-01 Ministry of Highways and Road Development Address : Sethsiripaya, Battaramulla
TA Amount (US \$'000) Sector/Subsector	:	225 Transport & Communications /Ports, Waterways, & Shipping

Project Impact: Project Impact is improved public financial management (procurement).

Project Outcome: Project Outcome is enhanced efficiency and transparency in public procurement processes for National Highways.

Project Outputs: (i) CPU is fully staffed and functional; (ii) Central Procurement Unit (CPU) staff are adequately skilled; and (iii) Procurement reports and templates specific to RDA based on Government's policies are developed

Consulting Services: The small-scale capacity development technical assistance (S-CDTA) will be implemented over 12 months with expected commencement on 15 November 2008 through a team of one international procurement specialist (6 person-months [pm] input) and one national procurement specialist (5 pm input). The international consultant, who will act as Team Leader, will have experience in relevant developing countries of: (i) public procurement concepts, including policy and regulatory frameworks; (ii) national and international procurement in the road sector; (iii) design and development of procurement units in line ministries; (iv) review and drafting of procurement reports, including Bid Evaluation Reports for the road sector; and (iv) development and implementation of procurement training activities. The national consultant will have experience in: (i) the Procurement Guidelines and the Procurement Manual issued by the National Procurement Agency (NPA) in 2006; (ii) practical experience gained from road sector procurement in Sri Lanka; and (iii) practical experience in design and implementation of procurement training activities in Sri Lanka, preferably in the road sector. Both the international and the national specialist should have practical experience in procurement under Multilateral Development Banks (MDB) rules and procedures.

Project Processing Stage: Approved by the Bank: 17 October 2008

Recruitment of Consultants: Expected to take place in November 2008

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THAILAND

Mainstreaming Energy Efficiency Measures for Thai Municipalities

Project No. :	THA 41326-01
Executing Agency :	Provincial Electricity Authority
TA Amount (US \$'000) :	1,000
Sector/Subsector :	Energy/Energy Sector Development

Project Impact: The impact of the technical assistance (TA) is to improve Thailand's energy security and decrease the rate of greenhouse gas emissions by promoting energy efficiency (EE) initiatives in Thailand municipalities.

Project Outcome: The key outcome will be strengthened capacity of PEA to identify, design, finance, and implement municipal-level EE projects in secondary cities throughout Thailand. The pilot EE projects to be launched under the TA will included the retrofitting of municipal buildings and the upgrading of public street lighting.

Project Outputs: The TA outputs will include: (i) the design and implementation of pikot municipal EE projects; (ii) innovative project financing arrangements; (iii) a plan for expanding and scaling-up of municipal EE projects throughout Thailand; and (iv) capacity building for Provincial Electricity Authority (PEA) and municipalities to replicate and mainstream EE measures.

Consulting Services: The TA will be implemented by a team comprising two individual international consultants and a national consulting firm. The international consultants will consist of a team leader who is an EE expert and a project finance specialist who is also familiar with municipal finance in Thailand. The national consulting firm will have a proven track record in conducting energy audits and designing EE projects. The firm will provide a multidisciplinary team that includes a project coordinator, EE engineers, a project finance specialist, a legal advisor, a procurement specialist, a CDM specialist, and a workshop coordinator. It is estimated that the duration of the TA will be 24 months. The first 12 months will be used to design and implement the demonstration program, months 13 to 20 are for data collection on the energy and financial savings from the pilot EE projects, and months 20 to 24 are for conducting workshop, finalizing the action plans for replicating municipal EE projects and preparing the final reports.

Project Processing Stage: Fact-Finding Mission completed: 8 August 2008

Recruitment of Consultants: Expected to take place in January 2009

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III. PROJECT PREPERATORY TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE

ARMENIA

North-South Road Corrido	r Development Program		
Project No. :	ARM 42145-01		
Executing Agency :	Ministry of Transport & Communication		
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TA Amount (US \$ '000):	1,000		
Sector/Subsector :	Transport & Communications /Roads & Highways		

Project Impact: Efficient and safe north-south road corridor connecting Meghri, Kapan, Yerevan, and Bavra

Project Outcome: An investment program to be implemented in a phased manner over a five- to ten-year time period that aims to rehabilitate and reconstruct the north-south road corridor

Project Output: The output of the TA will be: (i) proposed multitranche financing facility (MFF) and related information such as the sector roadmap, strategy context, and policy framework; and (ii) feasibility study and related due diligence and preliminary design of the components of the 1st tranche project under the MFF.

Consulting Services: The TA will require international consultants (23 person-months) associated with national consultants (37 person-months) engaged from a firm using the simplified technical proposal procedures based on the quality- and cost-based selection method, in accordance with ADB's guidelines on the Use of Consultants (2007, as amended from time to time).

Environmental Assessment. To be determined

Project Processing Stage: Fact-Finding Mission completed: 23 October 2008

Recruitment of Consultants: Expected to take place in December 2008

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AZERBAIJAN

Preparing the Power	Sector	Development Investment Program	
Project No. Executing Agency	:	AZE 42401-01 Azerenergy Joint Stock Company Contact : Islam Rafibeyli, Head Address : Foreign Economic Relations Department 10, Ac. Abdulkerim Alizade Street Baku, AZ 1005, Azerbaijan	
TA Amount (US \$ '000): 1,000 Sector/Subsector : Energy /Renewable Energy			

Project Impact: The proposed ADB multitrance financing facility for power sector development investment program will contribute to economic development in Azerbaijan through improved power sector operation. The investment program will focus on: (i) promoting pilot small hydropower development in the remote and underdeveloped rural region to supplement energy balance; (ii) strengthening transmission and

enhance energy efficiency; and (iii) policy support, institutional restructuring and capacity building. *Project Outcome*: The outcome of the project preparatory technical assistance (PPTA) is to set out a financing framework agreement and an investment program that is economically, financially, and technically feasible, and socially and environmentally acceptable.

distribution network to improve power supply reliability, reduce transmission and distribution losses, and

Project Output: The expected output of the PPTA will be: (i) a power sector roadmap and investment program, (ii) Azerenergy's restructuring and business plan, (iii) program design and financing agreed by the Government and ADB, and (iv) the completion of the feasibility study and due diligence assessment.

Consulting Services: A total of 40 person-months consulting services (20 international and 20 national) will be required including Team Leader/Power System Planning Specialist, Hydropower Development Specialist, Distribution and Loss Reduction Specialist, Economist, Financial Analysis and Financial Management Specialist, Environmental Specialist, Resettlement and Social Analysis Specialist. Key activities to be undertaken under the PPTA cover the following major areas: (i) sector performance assessment and development of a sector development roadmap and investment program; (ii) assessment of Azerenergy institutional capacity and development of a restructuring and business plan; (iii) project technical design; (iv) economic and financial evaluations; and (v) compliance with the national and ADB's safeguard policies. A consulting firm or consortium of firms will be engaged by ADB under its Guidelines on the Use of Consultants and its Borrowers (2007, as amended from time to time). A simplified technical proposal format and quality- and cost-based selection method (80:20 ratio) will be used.

Environmental Assessment. To be determined

Project Processing Stage: Fact-Finding Mission completed: 28 October 2008

Recruitment of Consultants: Expected to take place in January 2009

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BANGLADESH

A. Crop Diversification	on II	
Project No.	:	BAN 40534-01
Executing Agency	:	Department of Agricultural Extension
		Ministry of Agriculture
TA Amount (US \$ '00	0):	500
Sector/Subsector	:	Agriculture & Natural Resources /Agriculture Production, Agroprocessing, & Agrobusiness

Project Impact: The impact of the technical assistance (TA) will be improved agricultural productivity and value-addition, and increased farm incomes.

Project Outcome: The outcome of the project preparatory technical assistance (PPTA) will be a project design that the Government and ADB will have agreed upon for a project to be financed by ADB loan.

Project Output: The Project output will be, by November 2009, a final report detailing feasibility study and design of interventions for a project to be financed by an ADB loan, including design and monitoring framework, sector analysis, implementation arrangement, implementation schedule, cost estimates and financing plan, procurement plan, terms of reference for consulting services, economic and financial analysis, financial management assessment, gender action plan, social and environmental safeguards, and selection criteria for sub-projects and/or project partners (if needed).

Consulting Services: The PPTA will consist of the provision of expertise of both international and national consultants in the fields of: agriculture development planning, horticulture, agriculture extension, agriculture economics, rural credit and NGOs, social concerns (including gender, ethnic minorities and land acquisition), and environmental impact and mitigation. In total 21 person-months (pm) of consultant expertise will be recruited consisting of 11 pm of international expertise and 20 pm of national expertise. Terms of reference for the consultants are provided in Appendix 2. The selection and engagement of all consulting services will be in accordance with ADB's Guidelines on the Use of Consultants (2007, as amended from time to time) and other arrangements satisfactory to ADB for engaging national consultants. Since only a small number of consultants are to be recruited (3 international and 4 national), consultants will be recruited as individuals with the agriculture development planner being designated as the team leader.

Environmental Assessment. To be determined

Project Processing Stage: Fact-Finding Mission completed: 22 October 2008

Recruitment of Consultants: Tentatively expected to take place in early Jan 2009

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B. SME Sector Development Program II Project No. : BAN 36200-01 Executing Agency : Ministry of Finance TA Amount (US \$ '000): 600 Sector/Subsector : Industry & Trade /Small & Medium Scale Enterprises

Project Impact: The technical assistance (TA) will formulate the SME Sector Development Program II (SMESDP II) which will continue supporting Government efforts to develop SMEs and enable them to contribute fully to sustainable economic growth and poverty reduction. SMESDP II will enhance the growth of commercially viable SMEs and stimulate employment generation. The Program will also help SMEs penetrate and expand into export markets.

Project Outcome: An enabling environment conducive to sustainable SME development; Reform of the legal, regulatory, and governance structures and implementation agencies; Efficient markets for SME business development services, and improved market access and capacity building for exports; Foreign direct investment linked to integrated export markets, supply chains, and technological networks; New technologies, skills, and access to global markets; Financing modes (funds, factoring, venture capital, debenture, guarantee, and credit enhancement schemes) accessible to SMEs; and Improved outreach to support rural SMEs

Project Output: Based on the progress of SMESDP I, the ensuing loan will help the Bangladesh government design and sequence a second SME Sector Development Program (SMESDP II) which will support poverty reduction efforts in the country by facilitating SMEs' access to finance, introducing policy reform measures in the enabling environment, as well as developing required capacity levels for systems involved in SME development.

Consulting Services: To be determined

Environmental Assessment. To be determined

Project Processing Stage: Fact-Finding Mission completed: 22 October 2008

Recruitment of Consultants: To be determined

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C. Preparing the City Region Development Project

Project No. Executing Agency	:	BAN 39298-01 Khulna City Corporation Dhaka City Corporation
		Local Government Engineering Department

TA Amount (US \$ '000):1,400Sector/Subsector:Multisector

Project Impact: The impact of the Project is enhanced economic growth potential and improved quality of life in the target city region.

Project Outcome: The outcome of the technical assistance (TA) is a project design for the ensuing City Region Development Project, agreeable among the key stakeholders. The project design includes long term vision, priority investments, and institutional development programs to be funded under the Project.

Project Output: The outputs of the TA are: (i) inception report, (ii) assessment reports of the current physical and institutional environments, (iii) proposal reports for physical and institutional improvements to be funded under the ensuing Project, and (iv) final report. The TA includes surveys on households and business entities.

Consulting Services: The estimate requirement of consulting services is 34 person-months (pm) of international consultants and 42 pm of national consultants. The required expertise includes urban planning, regional development, municipal governance, municipal infrastructure, economic and financial analysis, environmental and social safeguard, and energy audit. Most of the consultants will be engaged from a firm using the full technical proposal procedures based on quality- and cost-based selection method, in accordance with ADB's Guidelines on the use of Consultants (2007, as amended from time to time).

Environmental Assessment. To be determined

Project Processing Stage: Fact-Finding Mission completed: 11 September 2008

Recruitment of Consultants: Expected to take place in January 2009

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CHINA

A. Chongqing-Guiya	ng Ra	ilway Development Project
Project No.	:	PRC 42019-01
Executing Agency	1.0	Foreign Capital and Technical Import Center
TA Amount (US \$ '00	0):	500
Sector/Subsector	:	Transport & Communications /Railways

Project Impact: An improved, efficient, competitive, reliable, energy-efficient and environmentally friendly transport is developed in the PRC

Project Outcome: A project design, for 342 km long double-track electrified railway from Chongqing city in Chongqing Municipality to Guiyang city in Guizhou province, agreed upon by the Government and ADB

Project Output: The output of the project preparatory technical assistance (PPTA) will be the TA consultants' final report which will include: (i) reviewing and strengthening the feasibility study to meet ADB's requirements for: (a) technical aspects related, to construction and operation; (b) economic and financial analysis, including a review of the traffic forecast and financial performance of operation of the project facilities; and (c) enhancing the regional benefits; (ii) recommending policy measures that will improve railway safety, operational efficiency and management and assessing specific institutional development needs to commercially operate the project facilities and ensure financial sustainability; (iii) reviewing and updating the EIA report and preparing a summary EIA with appropriate environmental monitoring and management plans; (iv) reviewing and refining the resettlement plan; (v) carrying out a detailed poverty and social analysis, including a baseline socioeconomic profile of the population living in the project area; and (vi) undertaking a comprehensive distribution analysis of the Project and associated developments on poverty reduction.

Consulting Services: To be determined

Environmental Assessment. Required

Project Processing Stage: Fact approved by the Bank: 5 November 2008

Recruitment of Consultants: Requirements for Consulting Services to be completed during Fact-finding mission

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B. Wuhan Urban Environmental Improvement Project

Project No.	:	PRC 42011-01
Executing Agency	:	Wuhan Municipal Government
TA Amount (US \$ '000)):	700
Sector/Subsector	:	Water Supply, Sanitation & Waste Management /Waste Management

Project Impact. Improved urban environment, public health, and quality of life for urban residents and businesses in Wuhan

Project Outcome: Improved management of surface water sources and sludge treatment in Wuhan municipality

Project Output: (i) Analysis of Yangtze River Basin Water Pollution Prevention and Control Plan, Wuhan urban development master plans, and policies and overall justification of the Project; (ii) Technical peer review of subproject selection, design, costs, etc. Subprojects revised and refined as necessary; (iii) Analysis of financing needs, financial management, and institutional capacities in the Wuhan Municipal Government; (iv) Assessment of social economic impacts of subprojects on beneficiaries, affected persons, poor, and vulnerable persons; (v) Assessment of involuntary resettlement impacts and preparation of resettlement plans; (vi) Environmental Impact Assessments, Summary Environmental Impact Assessment, and Environment Monitoring Plan; (vii) Institutional capacity building plan and corporate development plan; (viii) Participatory planning process developed and implemented; and (ix) Investment project proposal for ADB financing.

Consulting Services: A total of 43 person-months (pm) of consulting services (17 international and 26 national) will be required. The consultants will provide expertise in wastewater management and sludge treatment, environment, financial, economic, social development and resettlement, and institutional development.

Environmental Assessment: To be determined

Project Processing Stage: Fact-Finding Mission completed: 17 October 2008

Recruitment of Consultants: Recruitment of consultants to take place in early 2009

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INDIA

A. Agribusiness Infrastructure Development Project (Phase 2)		
Project No.	:	IND 42488-01
Executing Agency	:	To be determined
TA Amount (US \$ '000):	1,000
Sector/Subsector	:	Agriculture & Natural Resources /Agriculture Production, Agroprocessing, & Agrobusiness

Project Impact: The overall impact of the project preparatory technical assistance (PPTA) (and the Project) will be increased private sector investment in and enhanced integration of small farmers, including female farmers, into agricultural value chains for high value crops of Bihar and Maharashtra.

Project Outcome: The outcome of the PPTA will be a project design that the Government of India and ADB will have agreed upon to be financed by the first tranche of the MFF under AIDP.

Project Output: The PPTA output is expected by the middle of June 2009 and will be a final report comprising of the following: (i) assessment of the market demand/supply for different agricultural value chains to identify specific location and product-specific infrastructure and facilities gaps; (ii) identification of the project components for each of the selected value chains, and (iii) the DPRs for 4 end-to-end agricultural value chains, two per state. The DPRs will include per each value chain the following: (i) Options analysis followed by detailed feasibility studies, such as technical feasibility (component sizing and costing), environmental and social acceptability, financial feasibility, legal and institutional issues; (ii) Risk assessment and proposed mitigation measures; (iii) Project structuring for Public Private Partnership (PPP); (iv) Detailed Project costing and financing plan; (v) Procurement Options and Plan; (vi) Ownership structure of the various infrastructure along the value chain; (vii) Land requirements and purchase methods, if required; (viii) Identified pool of potential private players/investors to elicit responsive bids; (ix) Bid and contract documents for the various infrastructures along the identified value chains; and (x) Monitoring and evaluation system for the project

Consulting Services: To be determined

Environmental Assessment: To be determined

Project Processing Stage: Staff Review Committee/ Mandatory Technical Expert Review: November 2008

Recruitment of Consultants: Expected in November/December 2008

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B. Preparing Rural Roads Sector III Project			
:	IND 40423-01		
:	Ministry of Rural Development		
):	1,000		
:	Transport & Communications /Roads & Highways		
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Project Impact: Improved urban environment, public health, and quality of life for urban residents and businesses in Wuhan

Project Outcome: Rural Roads Sector (RRS) III Project ensuring cost effective and sustainable improvement in connectivity of rural communities to markets, district headquarters, and other centers of economic activity agreed both by ADB and the borrower and ready for implementation

Project Output: (i) Review existing institutional arrangements, capacities, procedures and contractual arrangements to identify, design, and construct roads under RRS-I and RRS-II and propose improvements and measures to be implemented within RRS-III (by the end of month 3); (ii) Review existing institutional arrangements, financing, capacities, procedures and contractual arrangements for maintaining rural roads constructed under RRS-I and RRS-II and propose improvements and measures to be implemented within RRS-III (by the end of month 3); (iii) Conduct road safety audits on the sample of DPRs and constructed roads and propose processes and measures to improve road safety to be implemented within RRS-III (by the end of month 3); (iv) Conduct feasibility study of the 500 km sample of roads proposed for RRS-III, 100 km from each participating state (by month 14); (v) Help achieve project readiness, including assisting and monitoring the advance procurement (including safeguard compliance) and reviewing a sample of DPRs and Bid Documents for proposed RRS-III roads (throughout the assignment); (vi) Finalize Design and Monitoring Framework (DMF) for ensuing loan, develop a survey methodology and assist with a baseline survey (by month 14); and (vii) Provide all necessary on-the-job training and knowledge transfer, including assisting and training of the PIU/PIC staff on safeguard procedures (throughout the assignment). Feasibility study will also include all social and environmental studies/surveys required by respective ADB policies, including preparation of Community Participation Plan (CPP) for 500 km of sample rural roads (100 km from each participating state).

Consulting Services: The project preparatory technical assistance (PPTA) will be carried out by a firm of international consultants in association with national consultants, together with two individual consultants on social and environmental safeguards engaged under separate contracts. Staffing input of the firm will be 14 person-months of international consultants and 24 person-months (pm) of national consultants. Additional 14 month input will be provided by national individual consultants (social and environmental safeguard specialists). The firm will have experience and qualifications in project management, institutional strengthening and capacity building, road feasibility studies, and consultancy services in areas of road rehabilitation/reconstruction, pavement, bridge and drainage structure design, geotechnical and material investigations, contract documentation and specifications preparation, construction supervision, road safety and road maintenance. International experts will include Team Leader/Transport Economist, Road Maintenance Engineer, and Road Safety Specialist. National experts will include Transport Economics Expert/Deputy Team Leader, Road Design Engineer, Road Maintenance Engineer, Construction Supervision Expert, Procurement Specialist, and Financial Management Specialist.

Environmental Assessment. Required

Project Processing Stage: Fact-Finding Mission completed: 8 October 2008

Recruitment of Consultants: Recruitment of consultants expected to take place on 30 November 2008

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KYRGYZ

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KGZ 41548-01
Ministry of Economic Development and Trade
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Water Supply, Sanitation & Waste Management /Integrated
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Project Impact: The impact of the project preparatory technical assistance (PPTA) and ensuing project will be improved potentials for economic-growth in the region with an emphasis on the environmental preservation of Issyk-Kul.

Project Outcome: The outcome will be an investment project for ADB financing comprising environmentally, institutionally and financially sustainable infrastructure services.

Project Output: The technical assistance (TA) comprises the following three outputs: (i) Infrastructure Plan for environmentally sustainable assets indicating potential output-based service delivery options; (ii) Institutional Plan for establishing an institutional, legal and regulatory framework to oversee regional development a; and (iii) Financial Plan for addressing prudent financial management practices and adopting innovative financing instruments to ensure long-term service delivery sustainability

Consulting Services: The TA will be implemented over six months from February 2009, with inputs from international and national consultants hired through a firm. International consultant inputs shall comprise 17 person-months (pm) and national consultants inputs shall comprise 23 pm. Professional shall include regional planners, water and wastewater management specialists, solid waste management specialists, safeguards (environmental and social) experts, social development specialist, financial analysts and economists.

Environmental Assessment. To be determined

Project Processing Stage: Submission for President's Consideration to be scheduled

Recruitment of Consultants: The consultant will be recruited in accordance with ADB's Guidelines on the Use of Consultants (2007, as amended from time to time).

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NEPAL

A. Community Irrigation Project

Project No. :	NEP 38417-01
Executing Agency :	Ministry of Environment, Science and Technology
TA Amount (US \$ '000):	750
Sector/Subsector :	Agriculture & Natural Resources /Water Resources Management

Project Impact: The Project will promote inclusive economic growth, poverty reduction, and sustainable management of water and land resources. It will improve agriculture productivity and sustainability by improving access to irrigation, with a particular focus on marginal and smallholders currently having little access to irrigation, through community-driven minor/micro irrigation.

Project Outcome: The expected outcome will be reduced poverty through: (i) increased agriculture production, (ii) increased employment, (iii) improved food security, and (iv) community empowerment.

Project Output: The technical assistance (TA) will explore options for micro-irrigation and small-scale groundwater and surface water schemes, agricultural services, capacity building and livelihood improvement that address the issues of the poor and vulnerable groups. The TA consultant team will formulate a project through subproject feasibility studies; institutional, social, and environmental analyses; and project packaging. Through working in model districts, it will explore alternative options for decentralized institutional arrangements for managing small-scale irrigation projects under the coordination and administration of the District Development Committees and through the facilitation and oversight of Department of Irrigation.

Consulting Services: 35.5 person-months (pm) of consulting services; 15 pm of international consultants (irrigation management specialist/team leader, economist, institutional, development specialist, poverty and social development specialist, and irrigated agriculture specialist); and 20.5 pm of national consultants (irrigation management specialist/deputy team leader, poverty and social development specialist, social safeguards specialist, microfinance specialist, environment specialist, irrigated agriculture specialist, and finance/legal specialist). ADB will recruit an international consulting firm through quality- and cost-based selection but the institutional development specialist will be recruited as an individual. The consultants will be engaged by ADB in accordance with the Guidelines on the Use of Consultants (2007, as amended from time to time)

Environmental Assessment. To be determined

Project Processing Stage: Fact-Finding Mission completed: 12 September 2008

Recruitment of Consultants: Expected to take place in Jan 2009

Project Officer: Cynthia (Cindy) Malvicini (632-5927) Agriculture, Natural Resources and Social Services Div, SARD <u>cmalvicini@adb.org</u>

B. Preparing the Secondary Towns Integrated Urban Environmental Improvement Project

Project No. :	NEP 36188-01
Executing Agency :	Ministry of Physical Planning and Works
TA Amount (US \$ '000):	846
Sector/Subsector :	Multisector

Project Impact: Improved quality of life and higher economic growth in selected secondary towns in Nepal

Project Outcome: Project design and feasibility study that the borrower and ADB have agreed upon

Project Output: The project preparatory technical assistance (PPTA) plans to deliver the following two main outputs: (i) preparation of feasibility study; and (ii) formulation of appropriate institutional and implementation framework. The first component will strategically select three to five target secondary towns with high economic growth potential and urgent needs for urban environmental improvement and supplementary urban facilities in line with the relevant development policy and strategy, after carefully examining commitment, capacity and readiness of candidate secondary towns. Then, the work is carried out to identify sub-projects and prepare overall investment package, including safeguard reports. The investment package will cover provision of infrastructure for urban environmental improvement mainly for household services such as water supply, sanitation (wastewater treatment), drainage and solid waste management, and supplementary urban facilities such as urban road, bus terminals, city parks and markets, and may include seed money for land pooling. Moreover, economic activities such as cold storage facilities may be considered under the Public-Private Partnership (PPP). Social and poverty assessment will be undertaken and mechanisms for improving access to and quality of basic urban

services for the poor will be assessed. The second component will include institutional assessment of central as well as local bodies, from technical, financial and managerial viewpoints. On the basis of review of current status and direction of decentralization/devolution, appropriate institutional and financial arrangements will be proposed, together with comprehensive capacity building programs. These two components will be implemented in tandem in a closely coordinated manner. The PPTA will be implemented over a period of eight months in two phases. The first phase of the PPTA will be executed in three months, when three to five target secondary towns will be determined. The second phase will be implemented over a period of five months for preparation of overall investment package and formulation of institutional and implementation framework.

Consulting Services: 15 person-months (pm) of international consultants and 32 pm of national consultants will be engaged from a firm using the simplified technical proposal procedures based on quality- and cost-based selection method, in accordance with ADB's Guidelines on the use of Consultants (2007, as amended from time to time).

Environmental Assessment. To be determined

Project Processing Stage: Fact-Finding Mission completed: 16 July 2008

Recruitment of Consultants: Expected to take place in December 2008

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REGIONAL

GMS Regional Communicable Diseases Control Project II

Project No. :	REG 40375-01
Executing Agency :	Asian Development Bank
TA Amount (US \$ '000):	500
Sector/Subsector :	Health, Nutrition, & Social Protection /Health Systems

Project Impact: The project preparatory technical assistance (PPTA) will result in achieving the proposed project outcome, namely increased coverage of Communicable Disease Control (CDC) of regional relevance and adoption of related environmental and behavioral health measures among the poor in 20 border provinces in the region, in particular for women and children and ethnic minorities. The 20 provinces (six in Cambodia, six in Lao PDR, and 8 in Viet Nam) will be high-priority provinces in terms of neglected CDC, regional relevance, and synergies with investments in other sectors.

Project Outcome: An agreed draft project by June 2009

Project Output: (1) Prepared inception report including detailed workplan for the TA by February 2009; (2) Completed sector analysis, in particular for evaluation of CDC challenges, performance of CDC1, strengthening provincial CDC, environmental health and food safety issues, and regional cooperation by April 2009; (3) Completed project design including project framework, design details, environmental and social safeguards, and investment plan by June 2009.

Consulting Services: To be determined

Environmental Assessment. To be determined

Project Processing Stage: Fact-Finding Mission completed: 15 October 2008

Recruitment of Consultants: Requirements for consulting services to be completed

Project Officer: Vincent De Wit (632-5934) Social Sectors Division, SERD vdewit@adb.org

VIETNAM

Comprehensive Development of Selected Cities (Viet Tri and Dong Ha)			
Project No.	:	VIE 42084-01	
Executing Agency	:	Provincial People's Committee of Quang Tri Province	
TA Amount (US \$ '000)):	1,500	
Sector/Subsector	:	Transport & Communications /Multimodal Transport & Sector Dev.	

Project Impact: The ensuing project's major impact will be to strengthen Viet Tri and Dong Ha as economically viable cities which complement Ha Noi and Hue as their original economic centers.

Project Outcome: The outcome is agreed project design for Viet Tri and Dong Ha acceptable to the respective PPCs, Borrower and ADB which contributes to achieving the Project's impact.

Project Output: (1) Feasibility report and project investment plan for Viet Tri and Dong ha.; (2) Safeguard compliance; and (3) Progress reports

Consulting Services: The project will require 36 person-months (pm) international and 84 pm national consultants with expertise in urban planning, municipal engineering, institutional development, economics, financial analysis, as well as environmental and social development.

Environmental Assessment: To be determined

Project Processing Stage: Staff Review Committee/Technical Review completed: 14 November 2008

Recruitment of Consultants: The consultants will be engaged by ADB in accordance with the Guidelines on the Use of Consultants (2007, as amended from time to time); Recruitment to commence immediately

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IV. GRANT-FINANCED PROJECTS

AFGHANISTAN

Development of Mini Hydropower Plants in Badakshan and Bamyan Provinces

Project No. Executing Agency	:	AFG 42094-06 Da Afghanistan E	Breshna Sherkat (Afghanistan Electricity Authority)
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Amount (US \$ '000):12,000Sector/Subsector:Energy /Renewable Energy

Project Impact: Rural economic growth in project areas in Badakhshan and Bamyan provinces

Project Outcome: Increased economic activities in project areas through provision of electricity; Improved quality of life in project areas through direct and indirect use of electricity

Project Output: Identification of maximum ten potential mini hydropower plant (MHP) sites out of which maximum four sites finalized for implementation; Construction of up to four MHPs with aggregate installed capacity up to 2 MW; Consultation on development opportunities with the training of community-based organizations (CBO's) Up to 5,000 households supplied with basic electricity services from MHPs. up to 15,000 households gain indirect benefits from electricity services in their communities.

Consulting Services: Recruitment of consultants will be in accordance with ADB's Guidelines on the Use of Consultants (2007, as amended from time to time). A total of 267 person-months [pm] (83.5 pm for international and 183.5 pm for national of consulting services will be required under the Project. A consulting firm will be recruited using the quality- and cost-based selection method with an 80:20 quality-to-cost weighting scheme. The proposal will be a full technical proposal.

Environmental Assessment. To be determined

Project Processing Stage: Board Circulation completed: 7 November 2008

Recruitment of Consultants: Recruitment of Consultants expected to take place in February, 2009

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CHINA

Capacity Building for Energy Efficiency Implementation (Supplementary) **Project No.** PRC 39653-04 2 **Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry** Executing Agency 12 : Islam Rafibeyli, Head Contact Address : Foreign Economic Relations Department 10, Ac. Abdulkerim Alizade Street Baku, AZ 1005, Azerbaijan Amount (US \$ '000) 1.200 2 Sector/Subsector **Energy /Energy Sector Development** ÷.

Project Impact: Improved energy efficiency and environmental conditions in Guangdong Province

Project Outcome: The outcome will be an improvement in energy efficiency in industry and commercial sectors in Guangdong.

Project Output: The outputs include (i) establishment of an onlending model that will enable an efficiency power plant (EPP) to be developed with annual 532 GWh energy savings and an equivalent 107 MW capacity, (ii) development of the energy service sector in Guangdong, (iii) development of capacity for promoting and assessing energy efficiency projects, and (iv) replication of the EPP model in other provinces, implementation of the EPP will avoid consumption of 175,813 tons/year (t/y) of coal, resulting in emission reductions of 415,460 t/y of CO2, 1,785 t/y of total suspended particulates, 4,795 t/y of SO2, and 1,068 t/y of NOx.

Consulting Services: Consulting services for: Module 1: Information sharing, training of trainers, and developing tools to design training programs for: (i) Direct end-user sub-borrowers; (ii) ESCOs; (iii) PMO and Guangdong Finance Trust Company Limited (GFTC) staff; and (iv) Staff of Related Government Departments. Design and establish internet website for EPP and preparation of templates and tools. Module 2: Appraisal of EPP applications, monitoring of implementation; and evaluation of energy savings. Includes assistance for appraisal, subproject implementation and evaluation of energy savings Module 3: Evaluation of EPP potential, barriers, new technologies, estimation and projection of energy savings.

Environmental Assessment. To be determined

Project Processing Stage: Board Circulation: Dec 2008

Recruitment of Consultants: Consultants financed by ADB will be recruited according to ADB's Guidelines on the Use of Consultants

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TUVALU

Improved Financial Management Program

Project No.	1	TUV 41180-02
Executing Agency	100	Ministry of Finance and Economic Planning
Amount (US \$ '000)	1.1	3,240
Sector/Subsector	:	Law, Economic Management & Public Policy /Public Finance & Expenditure Management

Project Impact: The intended impact of the program will be sustained economic growth and fiscal stability as prioritized in Tuvalu's national plan objectives.

Project Outcome: The outcome of the Program will be government fiscal planning and management. The policy matrix is structured around three outputs: (i) improved public debt management capacity, (ii) strengthened oversight of public enterprises, and (iii) strengthened management capacity in public enterprises.

Project Output: The outputs are designed to directly address the core of ADB's country partnership strategy which focuses on effective fiscal management. The salient features of the policy matrix include: (i) passing of taxation reform legislation; (ii) endorsement of a Public Enterprise Strategic Policy; (iii) development of a Public Corporations Act and its tabling in Parliament; (iv) repayment of the Outer Island Agency Suspense Account held with the National Bank of Tuvalu; (v) endorsement of a Debt Risk Management and Mitigation Policy and Strategy; (vi) analysis of private sector growth potential; (vii) adoption of a legal framework for the licensing and on-going supervision and regulation of banking institutions; (viii) NBT board-approved policies for the timely collection of past due loans and advances of credit, and measuring, monitoring and maintaining adequate liquidity by the NBT.

Consulting Services: Not required

Environmental Assessment: Not required

Project Processing Stage: Grant Negotiations ongoing: 4 November 2008

Recruitment of Consultants: Not required

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VIETNAM

Health Human Resou	irces De	evelopment Project (Investment)
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Amount (US \$ '000) Sector/Subsector	:	40,000 Health, Nutrition, & Social Protection /Health Systems

Project Impact: Improved health status of the population including progress towards the health Millennium Development Goals (MDGs) in the provinces of the northwest, central and mekong regions.

Project Outcome: Improved quality, efficiency and equity in health service delivery with better trained health workers.

Project Output: The program outputs will be (i) improved planning and management of human resources; (ii) strengthened quality of training of human resources; and (iii) improved management systems in health service delivery.

Consulting Services: The project will support 20 international consultants who will provide 283 person months of service; and 25 national consultants who will prove 829 person months of service. All consultants, except for the short term national consultants, will be hired through firms in accordance with ADB's Guidelines on the Use of Consultants (2007, as amended from time to time), using the simplified technical proposal and the quality and cost-based selection method. Capacity building of counterparts is included in the assignment of consultants.

Environmental Assessment. To be determined

Project Processing Stage: Fact-Finding Mission completed: 3 October 2008

Recruitment of Consultants: Recruitment of consultants expected to take place on April 2009

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V. REGIONAL TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE

A. Impact of Maternal and Child Health Private Expenditure on Poverty and Inequity

RETA No. :	REG 41252-01
Executing Agency :	Asian Development Bank
TA Amount (US \$ '000):	600
Activity type :	Others

Project Impact: The proposed regional technical assistance (RETA) will be conducted in two phases. The first phase will be to scope, and validate, the availability and reliability of household survey data as a basis for measuring the effect of OOPE on MNCH. It will also consist of a concise literature review of the latest main findings related to OOPE and MNCH in this region, and summary of international developments. The second phase will be to then analyze and report on the relationship between OOPE and MNCH for those countries which are found to have reliable data. This second phase will answer questions such what is the level of OOPE on MNCH in absolute and relative terms? How much of such expenditure is "catastrophic" and how much is "impoverishing"? What is the distribution of such expenditure by wealth quintiles? How much would it cost at a national level for a government to defray "catastrophic" expenditures in its society per year? Where data sets are reliable and robust, the analysis will also extend to a multivariate analysis of those factors that predispose a household to catastrophic expenditures (e.g. income levels, age, geographical location, ethnicity). The impact will be, over time, greater policy recognition of the role that OOPE has on MNCH and poverty, and (hopefully) insight into how DMCs and development partners can best respond to protect the poor.

Project Outcome: The outcome and impact of that scoping phase will be as follows. First, developing member countries (DMCs) and their development partners will know how much - or how little - reliance they can put on their existing household surveys when trying to understand the impact of OOPE on MNCH. This, in itself, will be an important insight for policy makers and planners in DMCs. Second, testing the reliability and comparability of the household surveys will inform and leverage up the impact and usefulness of all the other analytical work being done in this field (paragraph 7 and Appendix 5) both now and in the future. Third, where there are gaps in the quantity or quality of data, DMCs will be able to see what needs to be done to make their data sets consistent with others in the region, thereby being able to "benchmark" themselves.

Project Outputs: The output of that second phase analysis will be an accurate, up to date, regionally comparable set of analysis and insights on the affordability, impoverishment and "catastrophic" effects of OOPE on MNCH for a range of countries in the region. The outcome will therefore be a better and more reliable basis for policy making and resource allocation decisions of both DMCs and their development partners.

Consulting Services: To be determined

Project Processing Stage: Submission for President's Consideration: November 2008

Recruitment of Consultants: Requirement for consulting services to be completed during Fact-Finding mission

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B. Regional Public C	Boods fo	or Health: Co	mbating Dengue in ASEAN
RETA No. Executing Agency	:	REG 42328-01 Asian Development Bank	
		Contact Fax Address	: Barbara Lochmann, Social Sector Specialist : 636-2228 : 6 ADB Avenue Mandaluyong City Philippines
TA Amount (US \$ '00 Activity type	00): :	1,000 Training	

Project Impact: The expected impact of the regional technical assistance (RETA) is reduced dengue transmission.

Project Outcome: The outcome is reduced vector density of mosquito larvae in household water containers in the project areas in the three countries.

Project Outputs: The technical assistance (TA) will focus on active involvement in communities and primary schools and in source reduction and biological control of domestic water sources. The TA will have two outputs: (i) piloted community-based strategies for vector source, and (ii) strengthened communication for source reduction.

Consulting Services: Individual consultants will be engaged by ADB. For TA implementation in the three countries approximately 18 person-months (pm) international for TA coordination and social mobilization, and 10 pm national consultant services for financing and health economics, World Health Organization/Western Pacific Regional Office (WHO/WPRO) will provide a dengue expert for 24 pm on a part-time basis from its own staff and WHO country offices will provide vector specialists, each 12 pm on a part-time basis from its own staff. The consultants will be engaged in accordance with ADB's Guidelines on the Use of Consultants and other arrangements satisfactory to ADB for the engagement of domestic consultants.

Project Processing Stage: Staff Review Committee/ Technical Review completed: 7 November 2008

Recruitment of Consultants: Expected to take place on December 2008

Project Officer: Barbara Lochmann (632-6705) Social Sectors Division, SERD blochmann@adb.org

C. Enterprise Development and the Challenge of Inclusive Growth

RETA No.	:	REG 4212	26-01
Executing Agency	:	Asian Dev	velopment Bank
		Contact	: Rana Hasan

TA Amount (US \$ '000):500Activity type:Research

Project Impact: Policy design in the areas of trade and industrial regulation, small-medium enterprises (SME) promotion, and education and skills development is geared toward the goal of significantly increasing employment prospects and earnings of large groups of workers.

Project Outcome: Improved basis for policy formulation in the areas of trade and industrial regulation, SME promotion, and education and skills development

Project Outputs: The key outputs will be research papers and an edited volume. Specific areas of research will cover: (i) Quantification of employment, labor productivity, and earning distribution by key enterprise characteristics including enterprise size, sector of operation, and ownership structure; (ii) Explaining dualism among enterprises in terms of regulation (covering areas of trade, industry, finance, tax, and labor), institutional framework, technology, and openness; (iii) Policy lessons for promoting enterprise development; (iv) Country and sector specific case studies on roles of, and interrelationships between, regulation, institutional framework, technology, educational system, and openness in explaining the distributions of enterprise size, labor productivity, and earnings. Output (i) will cover the full list of DMCs noted in Part 1, item 3 above. Outputs (ii) and (iii) will be based on critical surveys of the international literature paying special attention to experiences from developing Asia. Output (iv) would be limited to DMCs listed as "core" in #3 above. The research carried out under this assistance will improve our understanding of the interplay between regulation, technology, and openness in encouraging the transition of low productivity enterprises into higher productivity ones, especially in sectors with high employment generating potential. Special attention will be given to country specific institutional framework (formal and informal) in influencing outcomes. The timeframe for the project is two years and three months. Outputs (i) and (ii) will be initiated immediately. Output (iii) will be initiated only after careful discussions with national researchers and agencies.

Consulting Services: To be determined

Project Processing Stage: Fact-finding to be scheduled

Recruitment of Consultants: To be determined

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D. Promoting Poverty Reduction and Inclusive Growth through Enterprise Development Phase I

RETA No. :	REG 41258-01
Executing Agency :	To be determined
TA Amount (US \$ '000):	650
Activity type :	Others

Project Impact: The expected impact of the project is strengthening inclusive growth in ADB's developing member countries (DMCs) and on a bigger scale, the Asia-Pacific region through the penetration of currently uncompetitive BOP markets.

Project Outcome: The expected outcomes are more cost efficient and effective service delivery to the poor; and increased economic involvement of the poor through job creation and entrepreneurship.

Project Outputs: The main outputs of the project are pilot-tested productive viable models for entrepreneurship development in ICT; health care, energy and environment; and dissemination activities for better knowledge management.

Consulting Services: To be determined

Project Processing Stage: Beginning of Fact-finding mission: August 2008

Recruitment of Consultants: Requirements for consulting services to be completed during fact-finding mission

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E. Quantifying the Co	osts and	Benefits of	Regional Economic Integration in Asia
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TA Amount (US \$ '00	0):	910	

Activity type : Research

Project Impact: Well-informed and balanced debate on regional economic integration that will ultimately lead to greater economic stability and sustained growth in the region

Project Outcome: Better understanding of the impact and magnitude of regional economic integration; relevant policy lessons provided to a wide range of developing member countries

Project Outputs: (1) Midterm review workshop and completion seminars to present draft chapters for comments. (2) A book comprising a collection of one or two research papers in each of the following areas: (i) Free Trade Agreements; (ii) Integrating Production; (iii) Cross-Border Infrastructure; (iv) Monetary Policy/ Exchange Rate Coordination; and (v) Financial/Capital Markets (3) An additional overview/concluding chapter summarizing the contents/chapters of the book. (4) A book launch to disseminate findings of the study.

Consulting Services: Individual Consultants International consultants: (1) Principal Consultant (international, 2.25 person-months [pm]) 2) Consultants for 8 Research Papers (international, 12 pm total) 3) Economics Editor (international, 1 pm) National Consultants: 1) Project Coordinator (12 pm) 2) Events Coordinator (1.5 pm) 3) Copy Editor (1.5 pm) 4) Typesetter 1 pm

Project Processing Stage: Approved by the Bank: 13 November 2008

Recruitment of Consultants: Recruitment of Consultants expected to take place in December 2008

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