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The World Bank Monthly Operational Summary (MOS) reports on the status of projects in the World Bank’s pipeline from the time the operation is identified to the signing of the Loan, Credit, or Grant Agreement. It is a detailed accountings of the projects included in the country lending programs that are actively being prepared for implementation. The lending programs reflect the Bank’s strategy for each member country as set out in the Country Partnership Framework (CPF) presented to the Board of Executive Directors of the World Bank. On average, it takes about 13 months for the Bank to process a project from concept to approval. After a financing agreement is signed or a project is dropped from the program, the project entry is deleted from this summary. Each issue of the summary contains a list of projects reported for the first time and the list of projects deleted from the current issue. Program. Familiarity with the Bank’s project cycle, summarized in the following paragraphs, can help potential bidders identify business opportunities with Bank borrowers. Each entry in the MOS indicates at what point the operation is in the project cycle.

Project Cycle

During IDENTIFICATION, the client government and the Bank identify a specific operation as being likely to support the country’s development strategy and the Bank’s CPF.

During PREPARATION, the client government identifies and discusses the technical and institutional alternatives for achieving the objectives of a project. Preparation usually requires feasibility studies followed by more detailed studies of the alternatives that promise to yield the most satisfactory results. An environmental assessment is usually carried out during this phase. (See below for more information on environmental assessment.) In the preparation stage of the project cycle, clients often supplement their own efforts by hiring consultants to carry out a major part of the work. Contractors and suppliers of equipment and goods need to start making contacts with country officials during this stage.

During APPRAISAL, the Bank conducts a comprehensive review of all aspects of the project (technical, institutional, economic, and financial), laying the foundation for implementing the project and evaluating it when completed. Project appraisal is conducted by Bank staff and may be supplemented by individual experts. The preparation of the Project Appraisal Document concludes this stage.

During NEGOTIATIONS, discussions are held with the client government, and the agreements reached are written into the loan documents. Upon completion of negotiations, the project is presented to the Bank’s Board of Executive Directors for approval. After approval, the financing agreement is signed.

Project IMPLEMENTATION normally starts within a few months after the project financing agreement is signed. Countries, through their implementing agencies, have full responsibility for executing of World Bank-financed projects, including procuring goods and works and hiring consultants. Contractors and suppliers, therefore, should contact appropriate officials of the implementing agency to express their interest in specific projects and obtain information on what goods and services will be needed and when and how to submit bids and proposals.

Consultants are often used during project implementation to provide technical assistance and other project implementation support. Consultants in particular should contact the responsible implementing agency early in the project preparation period to express their interest.

Contracts for consulting services, as well as some for goods and works, may also be procured prior to loan/credit/grant approval. This is known as advance contracting.

The information contained in (MOS) is intended to enable companies to assess their interest in supplying Bank-financed projects. Further information should be requested from the country’s project implementing agency. The likelihood of a timely response is greater if the queries are brief and to the point. When possible, travel to the country; direct contact with relevant agency officials is recommended.

Firms should contact the World Bank only if they are unable to obtain a response to their queries from the implementing agency. General information about business opportunities under Bank loans, credits, and grants may be obtained from the World Bank’s Procurement Policy and Services Group’s website at http://www.worldbank.org/procure (click on “Bidding/Consulting Opportunities” on the left navigation bar). Business opportunities under World Bank-financed appear twice a month in UN Development Business and are available via the internet at <www.devbusiness.com>. The website also includes invitations to bid and submit proposals, notices of contract awards, and General Procurement Notices.
Environmental Categories

The type, timing, and scope of environmental analysis to be performed by Bank clients are confirmed when a given project is identified. Projects are assigned one of the following categories, depending on the nature, magnitude, and sensitivity of environmental issues:

**Category A:** The project may have adverse and significant environmental impacts. Full environmental assessment is normally required.

**Category B:** The project may have specific environmental issues. Partial environmental assessment is normally required.

**Category C:** Likely to have minimal or no adverse environmental impacts. Beyond screening, no further EA action is required.

**Category FI:** Involves investment of Bank funds through a financial intermediary, in subprojects that have adverse environmental impacts. An environmental framework may be required.

**Category U:** No category given.

The World Bank has three basic lending instruments: (i) Investment Project Finance which provides financial support for goods, works and services for a predefined specific project; (ii) Development Policy Finance (DPF) which supports countries’ policy and institutional reforms in a sector or the economy as a whole and provides quick-disbursing budget support; and (iii) Program-for-Results (PforR) which finances a small part of a large government program, with disbursements linked to results or performance indicators. DPF and PforR operations are not included in the (MOS) because these instruments are not designed to provide procurement opportunities since the funds are disbursed directly to government accounts.

A typical summary entry looks like this:

**MOS: A Typical Record**

1. **Morocco**
2. **Energy and mining**
3. (R) MA-Clean and Efficient Energy: The project development objective is to support the Borrower to increase supply of clean energy and to meet demand more efficiently among targeted customers. Concept completed on 12 November 2019. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P145689.
4. US$125,024.0 (BRD/CCIT). Consultants will be required. Office National de l’Electricité et de l’Eau Potable (ONEE) Tel: 212322668000, E-mail: fait@onee.ma, Contact: Mohamed Fait, Director.

The Global Environment Facility (GEF)

In addition to projects financed by the World Bank, the World Bank Monthly Operational Summary reports on projects financed by the Global Environment Facility (GEF).

The GEF was established in 1991 by a Resolution of the World Bank Executive Directors as a pilot program to assist in the protection of the global environment and to promote environmentally sound and sustainable economic development. The GEF operates as a mechanism for providing new and additional grant and concessional funding to meet the agreed incremental costs of measures to achieve agreed global environmental benefits in the focal areas of climate change, biodiversity, international waters, land degradation chemicals, sustainable forest management (SFM)/REDD+, and under the Least Developed Countries Fund (LDCF) and the Special Climate Change Fund—adaptation to climate change. The GEF consists of an Assembly of 183 participating countries, a Council, a Secretariat a Scientific and Technical Advisory Panel, and 14 Implementing Agencies – ADB, AfDB, CI, DBSA, EBRD, FAO, IADB, IFAD, IUCN, UNDP, UNIDO, World Bank, and WWF.
As one of the Implementing Agencies of the GEF, the World Bank assists its member countries conserve and sustainably use their biological diversity, reduce their emissions of greenhouse gases and adapt to climate change, manage shared water bodies and reduce their emissions of ozone-depleting substances by accessing GEF resources to cover the incremental costs of additional actions on these global issues.

To be eligible for GEF co-financing, projects must be consistent with at least one of the GEF's 'Operational Programs' and meet the GEF project eligibility criteria.

For additional information on the GEF, contact the GEF secretariat or visit its website: www.thegef.org/gef
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**New Projects Added In This Issue**

**Africa Region**

**Africa**

Agriculture, fishing, and forestry: Third South West Indian Ocean Fisheries Governance and Shared Growth Project (SWIOFish3)

**Cameroon**

Energy and mining: Hydropower Dev. on the Sanaga River Proj

**Chad**

Health and other social services: Chad Safety Nets Project

**Congo, Democratic Republic of**

Education: Education Quality Improvement Project (EQUIP)

**Madagascar**

Agriculture, fishing, and forestry: GEF Sustainable Agriculture Landscape Project

**Malawi**

Public Administration, Law, and Justice: Public Services Reform Program

**Mali**

Health and other social services: Safety Nets Project (Jigisemejiri) Additional Financing

Water, sanitation and flood protection: Bamako Water Supply Project - Additional Financing

**Mozambique**

Energy and mining: Mozambique Energy Service and Sustainability Improvement Project

Transportation: Integrated Feeder Road Development Project
Nigeria
Transportation: Multi-Sectoral Crisis Recovery Project for North Eastern Nigeria
Public Administration, Law, and Justice: Nigeria Youth Employment and Social Support AF
Health and other social services: Community and Social Development AF-2
Education: NIGERIA - Additional Financing - State Program Investment Project

Rwanda
Transportation: Rwanda Feeder Roads Development Project - Additional Finance

Togo
Public Administration, Law, and Justice: Economic Governance Technical Assistance

**East Asia And Pacific Region**

China
Transportation: Shaanxi Xi’an City Intelligent Public Transport Project

Indonesia
Agriculture, fishing, and forestry: Indonesia Urgent Rehabilitation of Irrigation Project

Philippines
Health and other social services: Multi Donor Facility - PH Mindanao Reconstruction & Development

Vietnam
Water, sanitation and flood protection: Vietnam Urban Water Supply and Wastewater Project - Additional Financing

**Europe And Central Asia Region**

Bulgaria
Transportation: Bulgaria Corridor Upgrade Project

Georgia
Transportation: Second Regional Development Project Additional Financing

Kyrgyz Republic
Public Administration, Law, and Justice: Capacity Building in Public Financial Management 2

Moldova
Agriculture, fishing, and forestry: Moldova Agriculture Competitiveness Project 2nd Additional Financing

Montenegro
Public Administration, Law, and Justice: Subnational Finance Sustainability Project
Tajikistan
Water, sanitation and flood protection: Strengthening Critical Infrastructure against Natural Hazards

Turkey
Transportation: Turkey Railways Sector Project

**Latin America And Caribbean Region**

Brazil
Agriculture, fishing, and forestry: Amazon Sustainable Landscapes Project
Finance: Private Bond Investor Infrastructure Finance Project

Colombia
Agriculture, fishing, and forestry: Consolidating Forest Conservation and Sustainability in the Amazon

Haiti
Public Administration, Law, and Justice: Haiti PFM Transparency and StatCap Project

OECS Countries
Finance: OECS SME Guarantee Facility

Panama
Water, sanitation and flood protection: Support for the National Indigenous Peoples Development Plan

St. Vincent and the Grenadines
Transportation: St. Vincent and the Grenadines RDVRP AF

**Middle East And North Africa Region**

Egypt, Arab Republic of
Education: Egypt Education Quality Improvement Project

West Bank and Gaza
Energy and mining: Additional Financing for the West Ban and Gaza Electric Utility Management Project

**South Asia Region**

Afghanistan
Agriculture, fishing, and forestry: National Horticulture and Livestock Project (NHLP) - Additional Financing
Energy and mining: Mazar-e-Sharif Gas-to-Power Project

India
Agriculture, fishing, and forestry: Meghalaya Community-led Ecosystem Management Project
Public Administration, Law, and Justice: Madhya Pradesh Public Financial Management Strengthening Project
Public Administration, Law, and Justice: India Cities Program

Water, sanitation and flood protection: Programme for Groundwater Development and Management

Water, sanitation and flood protection: Assam Flood, Erosion and River Management Modernization Project

**Maldives**

Agriculture, fishing, and forestry: Sustainable Fisheries Resources Development Project

**Pakistan**

Public Administration, Law, and Justice: Governance and Policy Program for Khyber Pakhtunkhwa (KP)

Public Administration, Law, and Justice: Governance and Policy Program for Balochistan

Public Administration, Law, and Justice: Federally Administered Tribal Areas (FATA) Governance and Policy Program
Projects Deleted from This Issue

Africa Region

Africa: WAPP (Phase 3) Adjarala Hydroelectric Project
Guinea: Pooled-Fund for Basic Education
Guinea-Bissau: Guinea Bissau Agribusiness Project
Liberia: Liberia: LACEEP Additional Financing
Madagascar: Social Safety Net Project (Cr. 57080-MG)
Malawi: Agricultural Commercialization and Rural Growth Project
Mali: Safety Nets Project Scale-up (Jigisemejiri)
Mozambique: Mozambique Additional Financing to Education Sector Support Project
Mozambique: MZ - Emergency Resilient Recovery Project for the Northern and Central (Cr. 57320-MZ)
Mozambique: Mozambique Roads & Bridges Mgmt Maintenance Program Phase 3
Nigeria: Nigeria Partnership for Education Project
Nigeria: Community and Social Development AF
Sao Tome and Principe: DROP-STP Competitiveness and Growth Proj
Tanzania: AFC2/RI-GLR Tanzania Displaced Persons and Border Communities Project
Uganda: Uganda Reproductive Health Voucher Project
Zambia: AFC2/RI-GLR Zambia Displaced Persons and Border Communities Project
Zambia: Eastern Region Inclusive Growth Project

East Asia And Pacific Region

Cambodia: Third Additional Financing for Second Health Sector Support Program
China: China: Clean Cooking and Heating
China: Guizhou Tongren Rural Transport Project (Ln. 85340-CN)
China: Hainan Fishing Ports Project
Myanmar: Agricultural Development Support Project (Cr. 56240-MM)
Pacific Islands: Pacific Resilience Program (Cr. D0750-4P)
Philippines: Philippines Cross-Sectoral Public Health Enhancement Project

**Europe And Central Asia Region**

Azerbaijan: Higher Education Project  
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**Latin America And Caribbean Region**

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Brazil: BR Espirito Santo Integrated Sustainable Water Management Project (Ln. 83530-BR)  
Colombia: Improved Fiscal Management Systems Project  
Ecuador: Ecuador - Sustainable Family Farming Modernization Project (Ln. 85150-EC)  
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**Middle East And North Africa Region**

Egypt, Arab Republic of: Strengthening Social Safety Net Project (Ln. 84960-EG)  
Tunisia: TN-Road Transport Corridors (Ln. 85190-TN)

**South Asia Region**

India: Partial Risk Sharing Facility in Energy Efficiency  
Pakistan: PK-Sindh Barrages Improvement Project (Cr. 56840-PK)  
Sri Lanka: Early Childhood Development Project (Cr. 56780-LK)  
Sri Lanka: LK Water Supply and Sanitation Improvement Project (Cr. 56850-LK)
**South Asia**

**Afghanistan**

**Agriculture, fishing, and forestry**

(R) **AF Additional Financing for Afghanistan On Farm Water Management Proj:** The PDO of the project is to improve agricultural productivity in project areas by enhancing the efficiency of water used. *Negotiations authorized on 10 November 2015.* Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P152870. US$ 45.0 (ARTF). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**AF Additional Financing: Irrigation Restoration and Development:** Irrigation Restoration and Development Project (IRDP) has been under implementation since 2011 as an immediate follow up on the Emergency Irrigation Rehabilitation Project, which has successfully been implemented to quickly carry out rehabilitation of the damaged irrigation facilities throughout the country after decades of civil war in the country. IRDP has been implemented in a satisfactory manner, focusing on continued rehabilitation of the damaged irrigation facilities, development a few new dams in the Northern River Basin, and restoration of hydromet data collection and analysis capacity.

As the IRDP is approaching the mid-term review, the Government (the Ministry of Energy and Water (MEW)) and the Bank has made a joint assessment on the relevancy of the current project scope. As a result, agreement has been reached that the major restructuring would be needed to address the emerging water resources management (WRM) and the natural disaster risk management (DRM) would be needed. In particular, the restructuring would support the MEW to focus on the core-mandate of the MEW, including: (a) investment and operation of the large irrigation schemes, (b) investment, operation and maintenance and repair works for irrigation dams, (c) flood forecast and early warning, (d) river bank protection, and (e) groundwater monitoring. In this context, the MEW expressed interest in obtaining the additional financing (AF) for the IRDP as a part of the restructuring the project Identification completed on 1 October 2014. Environmental Assessment Category A. US$ 70.0 (ARTF). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**Citizens Charter Elements:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 30 April 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. US$ 400.0 (ARTF). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

(N) **National Horticulture and Livestock Project (NHLP) - Additional Financing:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 16 November 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. US$ 90.0 (ARTF). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**Education**

**Higher Education Development Project:** The project development objective is to increase access to, and improve the quality and relevance of, higher education in Afghanistan. Approval completed on 7 July 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P146184. US$ 50.0 (ARTF). Consulting services to be determined. Ministry of Higher Education.

**Energy and mining**

**Afghanistan Power System Development Project Additional Financing:** The development objective of the project is to increase the number of electricity connections for the urban centers of Charikar, Gulbahar and Jabul-es-Seraj and Pul-e-Khumri and to improve the availability of power from Naglu and Mahipar switchyards. Approval completed on 7 July 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P152975. US$ 15.0 (ARTF). Consultants will be required. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

(N) **Mazar-e-Sharif Gas-to-Power Project:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 28 October 2015. Environmental Assessment Category A. US$ 25.0/45.0 (GUID/ZPCI). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**DABS Planning And Capacity Support:** The proposed project development objective (PDO) is to improve sustainably the capa-
bilities of DABS to plan investments in, and maintenance of, the electricity distribution system. Concept completed on 15 May 2013. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P131228. US$ 5.0 (ARTF). Consulting services to be determined. DABS.

(R) Naghlu Hydropower Rehabilitation Project: The Project Development Objective (PDO) is to improve dam safety and to increase the supply of electricity at the Naghlu Hydropower Plant. Appraisal completed on 4 November 2015. Environmental Assessment Category A. Project: P132944. US$ 83.0 (ARTF). Consultants will be required. Da Afghanistan Breshna Sherkat Tel: (93-7) 0029-4722, E-mail: razique.samadi@dabs.af, Contact: Eng. Shekeeb Nessar, Chief Operations Officer; Ministry of Energy and Water Tel: (93-7) 5200-4998, E-mail: gfaruq11@yahoo.com, Contact: Eng. Ghulam Faruq Qazizada, Deputy Minister.

Finance

Additional Financing to Financial Sector Rapid Response Project: This project is to assist DAB to improve its core function of banking supervision and regulation, and to help improve access to formal banking services by establishing key initial building blocks for further financial sector reform. Over its five-year implementation period, FSSP aims to strengthening DAB’s capacity through: (i) strengthening of the off-site supervisory functions of DAB, (ii) strengthening of DAB’s accounting and internal audit capabilities, and (iii) establishment of an effective human resource management system, and (iv) development of an effective information technology system. The project also assists in developing financial sector infrastructure through: (i) establishment of a Public Credit Registry, (ii) establishment of a Collateral Registry, and (iii) supporting the physical development of the Afghanistan Institute of Banking and Finance (AIBF). Approval completed on 26 November 2013. Environmental Assessment Category C. US$ 6.7 (IDA Grant). No consultants are required. Ministry of Finance, E-mail: maqa2005@yahoo.com, Contact: Adris Walli, Aide Coordination Specialist; Da Afghanistan Bank Tel: (93-79) 722-3340, E-mail: zalmei.sherzad@centralbank.gov.af, Contact: Zalmie Sherzad, Project Director.

Health and other social services

SEHAT Additional Financing: The proposed AF to the SEHAT project (P129663) will finance the delivery of the Basic Package of Health Services (BPHS) and Essential Package of Hospital Services (EPHS) in the 13 provinces currently supported by USAID. As outlined in its 2/2/14 letter, USAID intends to provide an estimated total program contribution to ARTF in the amount of US$ 227.6 million for the 5 year SEHAT program. In addition to supporting BPHS and EPHS (SEHAT component 1), the USAID contribution will support the provision of technical assistance to strengthen the stewardship capacity of MOPH and program management activities, (SEHAT components 2 and 3, respectively). Approval completed on 25 May 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P152122. US$ 248.0 (ARTF). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

Industry and trade

Afghanistan Rural Enterprise Development Project II: This is a follow on project to the first Afghanistan Rural Enterprise Development Project. Identification completed on 8 November 2013. Environmental Assessment Category B. US$ 100.3 (ARTF). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

Public Administration, Law, and Justice

Municipal Development Project: Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 28 March 2013. Environmental Assessment Category B. US$ 1.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

ADDITIONAL FINANCING FOR SECOND CUSTOMS REFORM AND TRADE FACILITATION PROJECT: To improve the release of legitimate goods in a fair and efficient manner. Approval completed on 11 June 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P155443. US$ 21.5 (IDA Credit). Consultants will be required. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

Second Public Financial Management Reform Project (PFMRP II) - Additional Financing: Addition financing for the PFMRPII project Identification completed on 23 April 2014. Environmental Assessment Category C. US$ 40.0 (ARTF). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

Afghanistan Policy and Strategy Design Advisory Facility: Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 18 August 2015. Environmental Assessment Category C. US$ 5.5 (ARTF). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

Technical Assistance for the Afghanistan Land Authority - Arazi: 21. The Project Development Objective (PDO) is to support
the Afghan Government to develop the policy and regulatory framework and build capacity to deliver transparent, pro-poor land services.

22. The project aims to support:

a. the establishment of an affordable and accessible land registration system;

b. raising public awareness, knowledge and understanding about laws and regulations governing the land sector;

c. developing processes and service standards for Arazi’s core functions;

d. improving the implementation capacity of the Afghan Government to deliver its services;


Transportation

Additional finance for Afghanistan Rural Access Project: The project development objective is to enable rural communities to benefit from all-season road access to basic services and facilities. Identification completed on 11 February 2014. Environmental Assessment Category B. US$ 100.0 (IDA Grant/ARTF). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

Trans-Hindukush Road Connectivity Project: The project development objective is to improve road transport connectivity across the Hindukush mountain range. Approval completed on 20 October 2015. Environmental Assessment Category A. Project: P143547. US$ 250.0 (IDA Grant). Consultants will be required. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

Water, sanitation and flood protection

URBAN POLICY DEVELOPMENT PROJECT: The project will support the Ministry of Urban Development strengthen it’s analytic and advocacy skills to be the premier strategic thinker on urban issues on Afghanistan. It will support the Ministry develop an urban observatory, housing policy, advocacy notes on property taxation and reports on the state of urban areas on Afghanistan (Urbanization trends and future prospects; places and economic clusters that deserve priority; and recommended interventions). Identification completed on 26 August 2013. Environmental Assessment Category C. US$ 5.0 (IDA Grant). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

Bangladesh

Agriculture, fishing, and forestry

National Agricultural Technology Project - Additional Financing: The United States Agency for International Development (USAID) has proposed to provide a grant to improve agricultural productivity and farm incomes in the country through research into appropriate technology, increased adoption of low risk-high reward technologies in marginalized areas, and fostering farmers’ links to markets.

The project will build on the lessons learned and good practices developed in the World Bank financed Bangladesh National Agricultural Technology Project and the Bangladesh Integrated Agricultural Productivity Project. Approval completed on 4 March 2014. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P133251. US$ 23.7 (FSCO). Consultants will be required. Ministry of Agriculture (MOA) Tel: 880-2-9540100, E-mail: secretary@moa.gov.bd, Contact: S.M. Nazmul Islam, Secretary in charge.

Bangladesh NATP-2: National Agricultural Technology Program - Phase II Project: To increase the agricultural productivity of smallholder farms and improve smallholder farmers’ access to markets in selected districts. Approval completed on 5 June 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P149553. US$ 176.1/7.4/23.9 (IDA Credit/AID/IFAD). Consulting services to be determined. Ministry of Fisheries and Livestock (MOFL) Tel: (880-2) 716 1258, E-mail: fishlivse@pace-moe.gov.bd; Ministry of Agriculture (MOA) Tel: 880-2-9540100, E-mail: secretary@moa.gov.bd, Contact: S.M. Nazmul Islam, Secretary in charge.
AF Bangladesh - Primary Education Development Program III: Additional Financing (AF) in the amount of US$400 million to scale up the Bangladesh Third Primary Education Development Program (PEDP3: P150669). In addition, Level 2 Restructuring comprising: (i) modification of the project scope of work; (ii) revision of the results framework to measure the outcomes associated with the revised scope of work; and (iii) extension of the project closing date from December 31, 2015 to December 31, 2017. The Project Development Objective in the proposed AF operation will remain unchanged and will continue to be: “(i) increase participation and reduce social disparities in primary education, (ii) increase the number of children completing primary and improve the quality of the learning environment and measurement of student learning, and (iii) improve effectiveness of resource use for primary education.” The proposed Additional Financing would help to finance the cost of the scale-up activities and subsequent restructuring of the project to respond effectively to changes in the Bangladesh primary education sector due to ongoing nationalization of the previous “Registered Non-Government Primary Schools” (RNGPS), scale-up and expansion of interventions of the original PEDP3 project in order to implement a further set of reforms by 2017; and join government’s efforts towards achieving universal primary education specifically by improving scaled up efforts targeting the remaining, hardest-to-reach population groups to overcome the barriers to education for those still out of school, while also tackling emerging concerns related to the quality of learning (such as low teacher-student contact hours of instruction in schools). The original project is well performing, and the recent Mid-Term Review (MTR) rates the progress towards development objectives and implementation satisfactory. Approval completed on 16 December 2014. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P150669. US$ 400.0 (IDA Credit). Consultants will be required. Directorate of Primary Education, Contact: ..

Secondary Education Quality and Access Enhancement Project - AF: The Project Development Objective in the proposed AF operation will remain unchanged and will continue to be “to improve the quality of secondary education, systematically monitor learning outcomes, and to increase access and equity in project upazilas”. The four project components will be the same as in the original project. The proposed AF would: (i) support the implementation of the expanded project activities (across more schools and students within SEQAEP upazilas) to deepen the impact of a well-performing project; (ii) allow adequate time for MOE to evaluate and institutionalize successful interventions from the ongoing project under a more harmonized secondary education sector program that GOB is planning to initiate by early 2017; and (iii) initiate replication of successful activities beyond 125 SEQAEP upazilas in a phased manner for a smoother institutionalization of SEQAEP interventions. The AF would also extend the Closing Date of the current SEQAEP project from June 30, 2014 to December 31, 2016 in order to carry out the proposed activities. Approval completed on 3 December 2013. Environmental Assessment Category B. US$ 265.0 (IDA Credit). Consultants will be required. Ministry of Education, Email: seqaep@bdcom.net, Contact: Ministry of Education, Project Director, SEQAEP Project.

(R) College Education Development Project: The project development objective is to improve the planning and management of college education subsector and to strengthen the quality and relevance of selected government and non-government colleges. Concept completed on 11 November 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P154577. US$ 100.0 (IDA Credit). Consultants will be required. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

BD Higher Education Quality Enhancement Project - AF: The Higher Education Quality Enhancement Project (HEQEP) was approved in March 2009 and the main objective of the project is to improve the quality and relevance of the teaching and research environment in higher education institution through encouraging both innovation and accountability within universities and by enhancing the technical and institutional capacity of the higher education sector. Additional Financing has been proposed to fill the funding gap to effectively complete the agreed project activities; expansion of project interventions in order to scale up project impact and development effectiveness is warranted based on the likelihood of achieving project objective and strong project performance. The following components/activities have been proposed with additional financing of US$60.0 million: (i) Component 1: Promoting Academic Innovation; (ii) Component 2: Building Institutional Capacity of Tertiary Education Sector; (iii) Component 3: Raising the Connectivity Capacity in the Higher Education Sector (BdREN & Digital Library); (iv) Component 4: Establishment of Quality Assurance Mechanism; and (v) Component 5: Project Management and Monitoring and Evaluation. Component 1: Promoting Academic Innovation Sub-Component 1.1 - Financing to cover the shortage of funds for the 1st and 2nd rounds AIF. The additional financing will provide funds for the first and second rounds AIF sub-projects which are under implementation. The shortage was created when the Project needed to temporarily reallocate the funds to the BdREN activities under Component 3 during the restructuring. Sub-Component 1.2 - Third round of AIF The AIF will allocate its resources through three competitive windows: (i) improvement of teaching and learning; (ii) enhancement of research capabilities; and (iii) university-wide innovations which include campus network. In order to place additional emphasis on innovation for teaching and learning (Window 1) and research (Window 2), selection criteria will be modified. Established proposal evaluation process will be followed with minor modifications based on the lessons learned from the first and second rounds AIF which will be reflected in a revised AIF Operations Manual. Component 2: Building Institutional Capacity of Tertiary Education Sector This component aims to further strengthen the capacity of UGC, MOE and Higher Education Institutions for the future development of the sector. To this end, the project will support the policy formation based on the studied carried out under the original project. Component 3: Raising the Connectivity Capacity of the Higher Education Sector Sub-component 3.1:
Strengthening BdREN connectivity: Basic connectivity through overhead dark fibre would be established by December 2013. To use the full potential of the connectivity campus network would be established for the remaining 20 public universities. In addition, VC facilities using the BdREN connectivity could be established in the Ministry of Education, ERD, and Planning Commission. Provisions would be made available for add-on software including cloud-computing and equipment for performance enhancement. Sub-component 3.2: Awareness building and knowledge exchange: Awareness raising and knowledge exchanges on best practice for the ownership, governance and exploitation of an NREN for the stakeholders of BdREN. The exchange programs could include: (a) Policy level knowledge exchange among the “South” and “North” countries; (b) academic and technical level knowledge exchange with the neighboring countries in Asia Pacific mainly on grid computing, climate modeling, medical imaging etc. Sub-component 3.3: Capacity building (technical and financial management): Additional staffing and technical training of IT personnel at network and campus level - Local training programs for university IT staff on campus networking in association with international providers to create a national capacity to provide such training. A system of scholarships/fellowship or international placements would be provided for specialist training of IT personnel in campus networking with the aim of building a training team for the country. Sub-component 3.4: Application development to maximize the utilization of BdREN: Additional support would be necessary for ensuring (a) enhancement of digital library access, (b) partnership with regional and continental RENs, and (c) utilization “pump-priming” activities in (1) education, (2) research collaboration, and (c) campus safety. Component 4: Establishment of Quality Assurance Mechanism To build on the momentum generated under the first two rounds of AIF and the recent efforts made in developing a national quality assurance mechanism, the Project would support the following activities with the proposed additional financing: (i) establishment of Quality Assurance and Accreditation Council of Bangladesh (QAAC); and (ii) establishment of Institutional Quality Assurance Cells (IQAC). Sub-component 4.1: Establishment Quality Assurance and Accreditation Council of Bangladesh The objective of this sub-component is to provide funds for the establishment of Quality Assurance and Accreditation Council of Bangladesh and the development of Regulations, Qualification Framework, and Quality Assurance Manual. Additional funds will also be provided for awareness campaigns and necessary capacity building activities. Sub-component 4.2: Establishment of Institutional Quality Assurance Cells The Fund will finance the establishment and operation of (i) Institutional Quality Assurance Cells (IQACs); (ii) establishment of institutional data collection and analysis mechanism for systematic collecting, processing and dissemination of reliable data concerning higher education quality assurance as well as graduates' performance in the labor market, (iii) preparation of self-assessment, process facilitation and necessary training, external peer reviewers' visits, and preparation and implementation of Institutional Improvement Plan. Details of the implementation mechanism for this Fund will be laid out in the Operations Manual. Component 5: Project Management and Monitoring and Evaluation The objective of this component is to ensure proper implementation, management, and monitoring and evaluation of scaled up activities under the project. It would comprise two sub-components, aiming to reach this objective namely: (i) project management; and (ii) monitoring and evaluation. Approval completed on 3 December 2013. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P145749. US$ 125.0 (IDA Credit). Consultants will be required. University Grants Commission of Bangladesh Tel: (88-02) 818-1631, E-mail: chairmanugc@yahoo.com, Contact: University Grants Commission, Chairman.

Additional Financing: Skills and Training Enhancement Project: The Additional Financing will support the original four components of the Skills and Training Enhancement Project to further contribute towards scaling up ongoing institutional grants to additional public and private institutions to meet the ongoing demand and to fill in the funding gap in the stipend activities. Following are the components under the Additional Financing: Component 1: Improve the Quality and Relevance of Training This component will be implemented through two (2) windows, Window I will support selected additional private institutions offering diploma level programs. These institutions will be chosen on the basis of well-defined eligibility and selection criteria. Window II will support selected additional institutions providing short-term vocational and technical training. These institutions will be chosen based on similar eligibility and selection criteria employed under Window I. Component 2 - Pilots in Technical and Vocational Education and Training Developing pilot activities aimed at strengthening the overall technical and vocational educational training system: Supporting Industry Skills Councils (ISC) and the National Skills Development Council (NSDC) by providing a grant financing and operational cost support to finance establishment of specific offices to about two to four ISCs and NSDC who will guide the overall regulatory and legislative framework for Vocational Education and Training and skills development. Component 3 - Institutional Capacity Development Strengthening the capacity of the Recipient in managing the TVET sector as a whole by way of institutional capacity development of the Directorate of Technical Education (DTE), the Bangladesh Technical Education Board (BTEB) under the Ministry of Education (MoE), and the Bureau of Manpower Employment and Training (BMET) under the Ministry of Expatriate Welfare and Overseas Employment (MOEWOE). (ning (RPL) program. Component 4 - Project Management, Communications, Monitoring and Evaluation Support for project management and monitoring and evaluation of Project progress and outcomes. Approval completed on 26 September 2013. Environmental Assessment Category B. US$ 16.7 (FSSA). Consulting services to be determined. Ministry of Education Tel: (88-02) 911-0664, E-mail: techedu09@gmail.com, Contact: Directorate of Technical Education, Director General.

Additional Financing Skills and Training Enhancement Project: The project development objective is to strengthen selected public and private training institutions to improve training quality and employability of trainees, including those from disadvantaged socioeconomic backgrounds. Negotiations authorized on 10 September 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P15389. US$ 100.0 (IDA Credit). Consultants will be required. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.
**Energy and mining**

**RERED II Additional Financing:** The proposed additional financing is to further scale up the solar home systems and other renewable energy-based options for increasing access to electricity in rural areas of Bangladesh. Approval completed on 19 June 2014. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P150001. US$ 48.4/30.0/15.0 (IDA Credit/IDA Grant/GPBA). Consultants will be required. Power Cell Tel: (880-2) 955-6040, E-mail: dg@powercell.gov.bd, Contact: Mr. Mohammad Hossain, Director General; Infrastructure Development Company Limited Tel: (880-2) 910-2171, E-mail: mmalik@idcol.org, Contact: Mr. Mahmod Malik, Executive Director and CEO.

**(R) Bangladesh Ghorashal Unit 4 Repowering Project:** The proposed development objective of the Project is to increase generation capacity and efficiency of the targeted power plant; Negotiations authorized on 30 October 2015. Environmental Assessment Category A. Project: P128012. US$ 217.0 (IDA Credit). Consultants will be required. Bangladesh Power Development Board Tel: 880-2-9556832, E-mail: chairman@bpdb.gov.bd;, Contact: Md. Abduhu Ruhullah, Chairman.

**GPOBA Scale-up for Bangladesh RERED II:** The proposed GPOBA grant in the amount of US$ 15 million would help finance the costs associated with further scaling up of RERED II project’s renewable energy components supporting installations of SHSs, solar powered mini-grids, solar irrigation pumps, and biogas plants. The grant will be implemented by the Infrastructure Development Company Limited (IDCOL), fully owned by the Government. The program is implemented by IDCOL through eligible Partner Organizations (POs) and project sponsors. Approval completed on 13 February 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. US$ 15.0 (GPBA). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**(R) Siddhirganj Power Project Additional Financing:** Increase supply of electricity to Bangladesh grid network. Approval completed on 13 November 2015. Environmental Assessment Category A. Project: P154127. US$ 176.7 (IDA Credit). Consultants will be required. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**Finance**

**Modernization of State-Owned Financial Institutions Project:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 6 April 2015. Environmental Assessment Category C. US$ 150.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**Bangladesh Insurance and Private Pension Market Development Project:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 17 August 2015. Environmental Assessment Category C. US$ 80.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**Health and other social services**

**HSDP Additional Finance:** The proposed additional finance is to cover for financing gap which has emanated from: 1) front loading allocations from year 5 of the project to disburse for the performance based component - disbursement for accelerated achievement of results (DAAR) in the first two years of the program; and 2) a short-fall in the overall sector financing. The proposed additional finance will be for accelerated implementation of the existing interventions as well as introducing new initiatives for the post MDG targets. Identification completed on 28 May 2014. Environmental Assessment Category B. US$ 150.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Ministry of Health and Family Welfare.

**Emergency 2007 Cyclone Recovery and Restoration Project-- AF II:** The primary rationale for the proposed Additional Financing is for IDA to continue its support to the Government of Bangladesh for improving and strengthening critical disaster prevention infrastructure in the coastal areas of Bangladesh.At the time of Cyclone Sidr, damages were estimated at US$1.2 billion, with significant needs in the further strengthening of coastal embankments as well as the rehabilitation and construction of improved multipurpose cyclone shelters. The additional financing would be primarily used to: (a) meet the financing gap of about of about US$4.2 million that exist since the inception of the project and also a gap created due to exchange rate between SDRs to USD (about USD 6.2 Million are lost at this stage); and (b) to scale up the construction and rehabilitation of critical infrastructure in particular the disaster shelters in the coastal areas. In addition, part of the proposed credit would be used to carry out necessary repairs/improvement to about ten polders. Approval completed on 30 December 2013. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P146500. US$ 140.0 (IDA Credit). Consultants will be required. Ministry of Disaster and Relief Tel: (880-18) 1911-7754, E-mail: cms@dmb.gov.bd, Contact: Syed Ashraful Islam, Communication Media Specialist.

**Industry and trade**
Private Sector Development Support Project Additional Financing: Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 14 October 2015. Environmental Assessment Category A. US$ 130.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**Public Administration, Law, and Justice**

Pro-Poor Slums Integration Project: The proposed Project Development Objective to pilot a community based approach to improve living conditions in informal settlements in selected municipalities in Bangladesh. This will be achieved by enhancing security of tenure, improving infrastructure, and facilitating access to credit. Concept completed on 22 February 2013. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P130710. US$ 50.0 (IDA Credit). Consultants will be required. National Housing Authority Tel: 880-02956-9367, E-mail: member_ec@nha.gov.bd, Contact: Kamal Uddin Talukder, Project Director.

Identity Management System Project (IMSP): Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 7 October 2015. Environmental Assessment Category C. US$ 300.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**Water, sanitation and flood protection**

BD River Management Improvement Program - Phase I: The objective of the program is to reduce the adverse impacts of flooding and erosion along the Brahmaputra Right Embankment, enhance its sustainable management, and improve transport connectivity of the subregion.

The project-specific (RMIP-I) development objective is to increase protection against river flooding and erosion and improve flood and erosion management capacity along selected sections of the Brahmaputra River. Negotiations authorized on 18 July 2015. Environmental Assessment Category A. Project: P149734. US$ 600.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Bangladesh Water Development Board (BWDB) Tel: 8801712008322, E-mail: pdecrp.bwdb@gmail.com, Contact: Sarder Sirazul Hoque, Additional Chief Engineer.

**Bhutan**

**Industry and trade**

Agricultural Growth and Nutrition Security Project: The proposed Project Development Objective (PDO) is to (i) increase agricultural productivity and enhance market linkages and (ii) improve nutritional security in six of the poorest rural dzongkhags in south-west Bhutan. The PDO is to be achieved by raising agricultural yields through improved irrigation and on-farm water management, farm mechanization, adoption of nutrition sensitive agriculture, and improved production technology. Market linkages will be developed and strengthened by improving post-harvest and marketing infrastructure and strengthening value chains, combined with improving market information systems using ICT solutions. Nutrition security will also be enhanced through the school feeding program, improved communication, awareness raising and nutrition education. Technical assistance will be provided to support project management and institutional capacity. Concept completed on 5 October 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P155513. US$ 8.0 (GAFS). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**India**

**Agriculture, fishing, and forestry**

(N) Meghalaya Community-led Ecosystem Management Project: Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 29 October 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. US$60.0 (IBRD). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.
Telangana Rural Inclusive Growth Project: The PDO would be to enable selected poor households to enhance agricultural incomes and secure increased access to human development services and social entitlements.

The “selected poor households” will include households that are geographically & socially excluded and have low income levels. The incomes for these households will be enhanced by ensuring increased incomes from agriculture and allied sectors through increased productivity and enhanced market access. The “human development services” include services related to health, nutrition and sanitation. The “social entitlements” mainly include social safety nets like the wages from National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme, pensions and insurance benefits that are provided by the government. Approval completed on December 19, 2014. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P143608. US$ 75.0 (IDA Credit). Consultants will be required. Society for Elimination of Rural Poverty (SERP) Tel: 91-40-23298469, E-mail: muraliaku@gmail.com, Contact: A. Murali.

India Ecosystems Service Improvement Project: To strengthen the institutional capacity of the Department of Forestry and community organizations to enhance forest ecosystem services and improve the livelihoods of forest dependent communities in Central Indian Highlands. Appraisal completed on 28 January 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P133803. US$ 24.6 (GEFU). Consultants will be required. Ministry of Environment, Forests and Climate Change Tel: 011-24695242, E-mail: asmefussheele@gmail.com, Contact: Mr. Susheel Kumar, Additional Secretary and Project Director.

Tamil Nadu Rural Transformation Project (TNRT): Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 4 October 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. US$100.0 (IBRD). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

India: Andhra Pradesh Rural Inclusive Growth Project: The PDO would be to enable selected poor households to enhance agricultural incomes and secure increased access to human development services and social entitlements.

The “selected poor households” will include households that are geographically & socially excluded and have low income levels. The incomes for these households will be enhanced by ensuring increased incomes from agriculture and allied sectors through increased productivity and enhanced market access. The “human development services” include services related to health, nutrition and sanitation. The “social entitlements” mainly include social safety nets like the wages from National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme, pensions and insurance benefits that are provided by the government. Approval completed on 19 December 2014. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P152210. US$ 75.0 (IDA Credit). Consultants will be required. Society for Elimination of Rural Poverty Tel: (91-04) 2329-8469, E-mail: ceo.serp.ap@gmail.com, Contact: B. Rajsekhar, CEO.

Neeranchal National Watershed Project: The Project Development Objective (PDO) is to support IWMP through technical assistance to improve incremental conservation outcomes and agricultural yields for communities in selected sites, and adoption of more effective processes and technologies into the broader IWMP in participating states. Approval completed on 17 July 2014. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P132739. US$ 178.5 (IDA Credit). Consultants will be required. Department of Land Resources Tel: 91-11-23062454, E-mail: sandeep.dave@nic.in, Contact: Dr. Sandeep Dave, Joint Secretary and Project Director.

Himachal Pradesh Horticulture Development Project: The Project Development Objective (PDO) is to “increase the productivity, profitability and market access of selected horticulture commodities in Himachal Pradesh”.

The primary target beneficiaries of the project will be small and marginal horticulture producers in selected production clusters across the state. Concept completed on 31 December 2014. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P151744. US$ 135.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Department of Horticulture, Himachal Pradesh Tel: 91-177-2623835, E-mail: jaggish91@gmail.com, Contact: Jagdish Sharma, MD- HPMC.

National Agricultural Higher Education Project: The project development objective is to increase educational relevance and quality in selected State Agricultural Universities.

Equity, especially gender and caste-based equity, is a cross-cutting theme of the proposed project and would be tracked through the key performance indicators. Concept completed on 17 March 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P151072. US$ 82.5 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

Education

MP Higher Education Quality Improvement Project: The development objective of the proposed project is to improve student outcomes especially for disadvantaged groups in selected higher education institutions and to increase the effectiveness of the higher education system in Madhya Pradesh. Approval completed on 30 June 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project:
P150394. US$ 300.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Department of Higher Education Madhya Pradesh Tel: 91 755 2441056, E-mail: pshighedu@mp.gov.in, Contact: K. K. Singh, Principal Secretary.

Uttarakhand Workforce Development Project: Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 6 April 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. US$74.0 (IBRD). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

(R) Nai Manzil - Education and Skills Training for Minorities: The Project Development Objective is to improve completion of secondary education and market-driven skills training for targeted youth from Minority communities. Approval completed on 29 October 2015. Environmental Assessment Category C. Project: P156363. US$ 50.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

Technical Education Quality Improvement Project III: The proposed Project Development Objective is to improve the performance of technical education institutions, in terms of efficiency, quality and equity. Concept completed on 12 March 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P154523. US$ 300.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Ministry of Human Resource Development Tel: 91-11-23383202, E-mail: subrahym@gmail.com, Contact: Amarjeet Sinha, Additional Secretary.

(N) India Skill and Employability Enhancement Project: Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 5 October 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. US$ 268.8 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

Energy and mining

North Eastern Region Power System Improvement Project: The proposed project development objective is to increase the delivery of electricity at the boundaries of the power distribution network in the participating states in the North Eastern Region. Negotiations authorized on 1 September 2015. Environmental Assessment Category A. Project: P127974. US$470.0 (IBRD). Consultants will be required. Meghalaya Energy Corporation Limited (MeECL) Tel: (91-364) 259-0289, E-mail: cdsaio@rediffmail.com, Contact: C D Saio, Director (Distribution); Electricity Department, Manipur Tel: (91-385) 245-0050, E-mail: n.dwijen@gmail.com, Contact: N Dwijen Singh, Superintending Engineer; Assam State Electricity Board Tel: (91-361) 273-9520, E-mail: pmu_aseb@rediffmail.com, Contact: Bikash Paul Tripura State Electricity Corporation Limited (TSECL) Tel: (91-389) 231-1025, E-mail: cmd.tsecl@rediffmail.com, Contact: K. Chakrabarti, Director (Technical); Power and Electricity Department, Mizoram Tel: (91-389) 231-1025, E-mail: el_pachuau@yahoo.co.uk, Contact: L. Pachuau, Chief Engineer (Distribution).

Prepare: Program to Establish Pilots for Access through Renewable Energy: To demonstrate renewable energy based decentralized models of improving energy access in target states of UP & Bihar. Concept completed on 20 May 2013. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P144678. US$ 14.0/14.0 (GEFU/ZPCO). Consulting services to be determined. Ministry of New and Renewable Energy Tel: 011-24360359, E-mail: Tarun Kapoor, Joint Secretary; UPNEDA Tel: 9415609002, E-mail: dirupneda@gmail.com, Contact: Anamika Singh, Director; BREDIA Tel: 0612-2507734, E-mail: bredia@bredia.in, Contact: Dayanidhi Pradhan, Director.

24X7 - Power for all in Andhra Pradesh: Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 24 March 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. US$400.0 (IBRD). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

Solar Rooftop PV Project: Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 24 March 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. US$400.0/0.1 (IBRD/CCTF). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

Shared Infrastructure for Solar Parks: The proposed development objective is “to develop solar park internal infrastructure in order to mobilize investment for setting up of utility-scale solar energy generation in the country”. Concept completed on 25 September 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P154283. US$200.0/50.0 (IBRD/CCTF). Consultants will be required. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

Transmission for Power Evacuation from Solar Parks: Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 5 August 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. US$300.0/30.0 (IBRD/CCTF). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

Finance
Addl. Financing - Scaling Up Sustainable and Responsible Microfinance: The objective of the project is to scale up access to sustainable microfinance services to the financially excluded, particularly in under-served areas of India, through, among other things, introduction of innovative financial products and fostering transparency and responsible finance. Negotiations authorized on 4 August 2015. Environmental Assessment Category F. Project: P155601. US$200.0 (IBRD). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

Health and other social services

Tejaswini: Socioeconomic Empowerment of Adolescent Girls & Young Women: The project development objective is to improve completion of secondary education and access to market-driven skills training for adolescent girls and young women in select districts of Jharkhand. Concept completed on 28 September 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P150576. US$62.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

Uttarakhand Health Systems Development Project: The PDO is to improve access to quality health services, particularly in the hilly districts of the state, and to expand health financial risk protection for the residents of Uttarakhand. Negotiations authorized on 16 January 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P148531. US$ 100.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Department of Medical Health and Family Welfare, Government of Uttarakhand Tel: 91-8979002222, E-mail: neeraj.kharwal@gmail.com, Contact: Dr. Neeraj Kharwal, Mission Director- NHM, DoMHFW.

Nagaland Health Project: To improve health services and increase their utilization by communities in targeted locations in Nagaland. Negotiations authorized on 22 January 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P149340. US$ 48.0 (IDA Credit). Consultants will be required. Department of Health and Family Welfare, Government of Nagaland Tel: 91-370-2270565, E-mail: nmhp.wb@gmail.com, Contact: Mr. Imchen Sentiyanger, Commissioner, Nagaland.

Industry and trade

Assam Agribusiness and Rural Transformation Project: Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 11 May 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. US$ 200.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

Madhya Pradesh Rural Enterprise and Economic Empowerment Project: The overall development objectives of the project are to "Increase the productivity, profitability and market excess of the rural poor producers by consolidating the gains and capitalize on the current achievements

Project Outcomes:

• Diversified and enhanced source of income of targeted households in selected project locations;

• Upgraded and enriched skills and capabilities for securing jobs;

• Improved localized employment opportunities in selected project locations; Identification completed on 2 December 2014. Environmental Assessment Category B. US$ 108.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

Information and communications

National Hydrology Project: The proposed PDO is to "to strengthen water resources planning and management in selected institutions across India through improved monitoring and enhanced accessibility and use of water resources data and information" Concept completed on 1 January 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P152698. US$ 370.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Ministry of Water Resources, River Development and Ganga Rejuvenation Tel: 23710305, E-mail: secymowr@nic.in, Contact: Mr. Anuj Kumar Bishnoi, Secretary.

Public Administration, Law, and Justice

(N) Madhya Pradesh Public Financial Management Strengthening Project: Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 9 November 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. US$ 33.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.
(R) Assam Public Financial Management Strengthening Project: Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 1 September 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. US$ 35.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

(R) Uttar Pradesh Pro-poor Tourism Development Project: The Project Development Objective is to increase tourism-related benefits for local communities in targeted destinations Negotiations authorized on 12 November 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P146936. US$ 210.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Department of Tourism Tel: 91-9453448888, E-mail: amritabhijat@gmail.com, Contact: Mr. Amrit Abhijat, Secretary.

(N) India Cities Program: Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 10 November 2015. Environmental Assessment Category A. US$500.0 (IBRD). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

Himachal Pradesh Public Financial Management Capacity Building Project: Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 4 August 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. US$ 36.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

Madhya Pradesh Urban Development Project: The development objective of the proposed MPUDP project is to enhance the capacity of the relevant State-level institutions to support ULBs in developing and financing urban infrastructure. Concept completed on 29 June 2015. Environmental Assessment Category A. Project: P155303. US$116.0 (IBRD). Consultants will be required. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

IN: Citizen-Centric Service Delivery Reform: Contribute to improving Efficiency, Accountability, and Access for Targeted Services in Underserved Areas. Concept completed on 15 May 2014. Environmental Assessment Category C. Project: P150308. US$ 48.8 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Government of Assam Tel: 91-0361-2260629, E-mail: rajivbora@yahoo.com, Contact: Mr. Rajiv Bora, Principal Secretary, Government of Assam; Government of Mizoram Tel: 91-3892318305, E-mail: hmachhuanu@gmail.com, Contact: Mr. Lalmachhuana, Secretary, ICT, Government of Mizoram.

strengthening Public Financial Management in Rajasthan: Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 28 July 2015. Environmental Assessment Category C. US$ 28.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

IN: Strengthening Governance and Service Delivery in Karnataka Panchayats: The development objective of the project is to improve the effectiveness, responsiveness and accountability of the rural local governments, in particular, Gram Panchayats in delivering public services prioritized by rural people. During project preparation a more operational PDO will be developed that is amenable to measurement. It is important to note that this development objective is institutional in nature as it focuses on the strengthening of local self-government to deliver relevant services better. This is an important change of emphasis from Phase I where the PDO was focused on "improving the effectiveness of service delivery by Karnataka's Gram panchayat." Concept completed on 30 May 2014. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P150288. US$223.0 (IBRD). Consulting services to be determined. Rural Development & Panchayati Raj Department, Government of Karnataka Tel: 080-2233925, E-mail: chief-gsp-kabn@kar.nic.in, Contact: Yalakki Gowda K, Director, Panchayat Raj.

IN: Citizen Access to Responsive Services Project: The development objective of the project is to improve access to PSGA services by citizens of Madhya Pradesh, and in particular by under-represented groups. Negotiations authorized on 15 December 2014. Environmental Assessment Category C. Project: P149182. US$ 35.0 (IDA Credit). Consultants will be required. MP Public Service Management Department.

Transportation

Bihar Rural Roads Project: Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 21 May 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. US$235.0 (IBRD). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

Jhelum and Tawi Flood Recovery Project: The project development objective is to support the recovery and increase disaster resilience in targeted areas of the Project Implementing Entity, and increase the capacity of the Project Implementing Entity to respond promptly and effectively to an eligible crisis or emergency. Approval completed on 2 June 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. US$ 250.0 (IDA Credit). Consultants will be required. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.
Efficient & Sustainable City Bus Services: The project’s Global Environment Objective (GEO) is to improve the efficiency and attractiveness of city bus transport and reduce greenhouse gas emissions in the demonstration cities. Approval completed on 9 December 2014. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P132418. US$ 9.2 (GEFU). Consultants will be required. Ministry of Urban Development Tel: 011-23061558, E-mail: ck.khaitan@nic.in, Contact: C.K. Khaitan, Joint Secretary (Urban Transport).

UP CORE ROAD NETWORK DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM: The Project Development Objective is to reduce travel time and improve safety of road users on targeted corridors. Appraisal completed on 2 March 2015. Environmental Assessment Category A. Project: P147864. US$400.0 (IBRD). Consultants will be required. UP-PWD Tel: 91-522-2621554, E-mail: pspwdup@rediffmail.com, Contact: Mr. Kishan Singh Atoria, Principal Secretary; UP Police Traffic Directorate Tel: 91-522-2050242, E-mail: dirtraffic@nic.in, Contact: Mr. Anil Agrawal, ADG Traffic; Transport Commissioner Tel: 91-522-2613978, E-mail: tc-up@nic.in, Contact: Mr K. Ravinder Naik, Transport Commissioner.

National Waterways Development Project: The PDO for the project is to enhance the transport capacity and reliability of National waterway 1 and augment institutional capacity for the development and management of India’s inland waterway transport system. Concept completed on 8 April 2015. Environmental Assessment Category A. Project: P148775. US$200.0 (IBRD). Consultants will be required. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

Eastern Dedicated Freight Corridor-3: The PDO for EDFC3 is to: (a) provide additional rail transport capacity, improved service quality and higher freight throughput on the 401 km Ludhiana- Khurja section of the EDFC; and (b) develop the institutional capacity of DFCCIL to build, maintain and manage the DFC infrastructure network. Approval completed on 30 June 2015. Environmental Assessment Category A. Project: P150158. US$650.0 (IBRD). Consulting services to be determined. DFCCIL Tel: 23370602, E-mail: ajaykumar@dfcc.co.in, Contact: RK Gupta, Managing Director.

Madhya Pradesh Rural Connectivity Project: Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 24 September 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. US$350.0 (IBRD). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

Rajasthan State Highways Dev Program II: Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 30 September 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. US$350.0 (IBRD). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

Water, sanitation and flood protection

(N) Assam Flood, Erosion and River Management Modernization Project: Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 18 November 2015. Environmental Assessment Category A. US$250.0 (IBRD). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

IN: BIHAR KOSI BASIN DEVELOPMENT PROJECT: The project development objective is to enhance resilience to floods and increase agricultural production and productivity in the targeted districts in the Kosi River Basin, and to enhance Bihar's capacity to respond promptly and effectively to an eligible crisis or emergency. Negotiations authorized on 7 May 2015. Environmental Assessment Category A. Project: P127725. US$ 250.0 (IDA Credit). Consultants will be required. Government of Bihar Tel: (91-612) 221-7016, E-mail: amarjeetsinha@hotmail.com, Contact: Dr. Amarjeet Sinha

IN Karnataka Urban Water Supply Modernization Project: The Project Development Objective is to provide city-wide access to a continuous piped water supply in the project cities of Belagavi, Kalaburagi and Hubballi-Dharwad in the state of Karnataka, and to strengthen service delivery arrangements at the city level. Appraisal completed on 30 March 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P130544. US$199.8 (IBRD). Consulting services to be determined. Karnataka Urban Infrastructure Development Corporation (KUIDFC) Tel: 918022232023, E-mail: darpanjain@kuidfc.com, Contact: Mr. Darpan Jain, Managing Director.

Uttar Pradesh Solid Waste Management Project: The objective of the project is to improve the management of municipal solid waste in 177 core cities in Uttar Pradesh through innovative technologies and institutional approaches that will comply with the Municipal Solid Waste Management and Handling Rules 2000 (MSWM 2000 Rules) and build capacity for ULBs in achieving sustainable MSWM systems. The project would involve a partnership among the state, ULBs, and private sector. As described above, the private sector outsourcing arrangements will be flexible, depending on the size and capacity of the core ULB, opportunities to cluster multiple ULBs for economies-of-scale around the core ULB, and its proximity to markets that would purchase MSW recycling and processing by-products. Identification completed on 5 April 2014. Environmental Assessment Category A. US$85.0 (IBRD). Consultants will be required. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.
(N) Programme for Groundwater Development and Management: Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 17 November 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. US$500.0 (IBRD). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

India: National Cyclone Risk Mitigation Project (I) Additional Financing: The objective is to reduce the vulnerability of coastal communities to cyclone and other hydro meteorological hazards. Approval completed on 8 April 2014. Environmental Assessment Category A. Project: P148870. US$ 104.0 (IDA Grant). Consulting services to be determined. Odisha State Disaster Management Authority (OSDMA) Tel: (91-0674) 239-5398, E-mail: mdosdma@osdma.org, Contact: Rajiv Bhawan

Maldives

Agriculture, fishing, and forestry

(N) Sustainable Fisheries Resources Development Project: Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 27 October 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. US$ 9.0 (IDA Grant). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

Industry and trade

Entrepreneurship and jobs in Maldives: Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 1 October 2015. Environmental Assessment Category C. US$ 9.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

Water, sanitation and flood protection

Maldives Environmental Management Project Additional Financing: The main aim of the Project is to provide the Republic of Maldives with the capacity to effectively manage environmental risks and threats to fragile coral reefs as well as marine habitats resulting from tourism development, increased solid waste disposal, fisheries and global climate change. Accordingly, this Project has two development objectives. The first Project Development Objective is that a solid waste management system is established and that inhabitants on targeted islands use solid waste management facilities, reducing the risks of contamination associated with accumulated wastes and sea dumping. The second Project Development Objective is to build human and technical capacity for environmental management so that the environmental dimension is integrated in the planning process using information and expertise developed in the Project. Approval completed on 22 April 2015. Environmental Assessment Category A. Project: P153958. US$ 3.3 (IDA Grant). No consultants are required. Ministry of Environment and Energy Tel: 9603004323, E-mail: memp@environment.gov.mv, Contact: Project Manager, PMU.

Nepal

Agriculture, fishing, and forestry

Livestock and Horticulture Project: Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 30 July 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. US$ 80.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

Education

School Sector Reform Program Additional Financing: The School Sector Reform Program (SSRP) (2009/10-2015/16) program is the flagship school education sector program of the Government of Nepal (GoN), financed jointly by GoN and fourteen Development Partners (DPs), including the World Bank, through a sector wise approach (SWAp). The three main components of the program focus on Basic Education, Secondary Education and Strengthening Institutional Capacity. The program finances both recurrent and development expenditures for school education, focusing on the three pillars of enhancing access, promoting inclusion, and improving quality. SSRP is facing a funding gap of around US$100 million for the last year of the program. The proposed Additional Financing, which will be part of the SWAp, will help to meet this funding gap. The source of this financing will be the Global Partnership for Education (GPE-formally known as EFA-Fast Track Initiative), which has provided an indicative allocation to Nepal of US$59.3 million. As per GPE requirements, 70% of the AF (referred to as the fixed component) will be used to finance the regular ongoing activities of SSRP, while the remaining 30% (referred to as the variable component of the grant), will be linked to the
achievement of agreed upon specific results in the areas of efficiency, equity and learning outcomes. Identification completed on 10 September 2014. Environmental Assessment Category B. US$ 59.3/4.0/172.4 (EFAF/NORA/ZBIL). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**Energy and mining**

**Business Models for Private Sector-Led Off-Grid Energy Access Project:** The objective of this Project is to support the development of a local market for private-sector led off-grid energy provision using the innovative and renewable energy (RE) based 'Anchor-Business-Community (A-B-C)' business model. Identification completed on 8 January 2014. Environmental Assessment Category B. US$ 8.0 (CSCF). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**Nepal: Power Sector Reform and Sustainable Hydropower Development (PSRSHD):** The Project Development Objectives are to: (a) strengthen the capacity of the power sector agencies to plan and prepare hydropower and transmission line projects following international standards and best practices; and (b) improve the readiness of the power sector agencies for regulatory and institutional reforms. Approval completed on 25 September 2015. Environmental Assessment Category A. Project: P150066. US$ 20.0/2.5 (IDA Credit/SAWI). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**UT1 - Upper Trishuli Hydro Project:** The project will develop a partial risk guarantee product to support private sector investment in a 216 MW greenfield run-of-river hydro project for domestic power consumption in Nepal. Concept completed on 26 August 2015. Environmental Assessment Category A. Project: P154109. US$ 80.0 (GUID). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**Health and other social services**

**Strengthening Systems for Social Protection Project:** The project will support strengthening and modernization of administrative systems for delivering social protection benefits and managing vital event registration functions of the Ministry of Federal Affairs and Local Development (MOFALD). It will also supported associated institutional strengthening. Identification completed on 12 February 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. US$ 50.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**Nepal Health Sector Support: Towards UHC:** Improve the efficiency, effectiveness and accountability of public sector management and public spending in the health sector to reduce inequality in access to health services and increase financial protection. Concept completed on 21 April 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P150801. US$ 100.0/80.0/340.0 (IDA Credit/DFID/ZBIL). Consulting services to be determined. Ministry of Health and Population Tel: (977-1) 426-2862.

**Transportation**

**Additional finance to Road Sector Development Project:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 7 October 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. US$ 55.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**Strategic Roads Development Project:** This operation includes: (i) road maintenance; (ii) road rehabilitation; (iii) bridge maintenance; and (iv) bridge rehabilitation; and (v) technical assistance to road sector institutions for capacity development and strategic project preparation activities. The project will include a focus on a section of Nepal's East-West highway between Pathlaiya and Dhalkebar where there is an acute need to rehabilitate bridges and road sections that have reached the end of their maintainable life. Identification completed on 3 February 2015. Environmental Assessment Category A. US$ 150.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**Pakistan**

**Agriculture, fishing, and forestry**

**Additional Financing for Punjab Irrigated Agriculture Productivity Program Phase-1:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 13 October 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. US$200.0 (IBRD). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**PK: Additional Financing & Restructuring for FATA RLCIP:** To improve livelihoods and access to basic service infrastructure
in selected Agencies in FATA Identification completed on 26 February 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. US$ 8.6 (PKNF). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

Pakistan: Potohar Irrigated Agriculture Project: The project aims to improve climate smart irrigated agriculture in Potohar Region of Punjab province of Pakistan. Identification completed on 28 January 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. US$ 300.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

PK Additional Financing for Sindh Water Sector Improvement Phase 1: To improve Ghotki and Fulli canals. Approval completed on 16 December 2014. Environmental Assessment Category A. Project: P131325. US$ 138.0 (IDA Credit). Consultants will be required. Sindh Irrigation and Drainage Authority (SIDA) Tel: (92-301) 837-8787, E-mail: zahidjunejo@hotmail.com, Contact: Junejo Zahid Hussain

Agriculture Research and Innovation Systems Project: Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 13 May 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. US$ 70.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

Education

(R) Pakistan: Third Punjab Education Sector Project: The Project Development Objective would be to support the 2018 Education Goals of the Government of the Punjab to increase school participation, completion and student achievement, with a particular focus on low-performing districts. Concept completed on 18 November 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P154524. US$ 150.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

Energy and mining

IDA Partial Credit Guarantee for Dasu Hydropower Phase-I Project: The proposed Project would support the Government of Pakistan’s efforts to (a) facilitate the expansion of electricity supply of hydro-power in Pakistan; (b) improve access to socio-economic services for local communities in the project area; and (c) build Water and Power Development Authority’s (WAPDA) capacity to develop Pakistan’s vast hydropower potential. The project would support: (a) construction of a main structure on the Indus River; (b) construction of two power tunnels, a power house and installation of turbines and generators of 2,160 MW installed capacity to generate over 12,000 GWh of annual clean energy; (c) preparatory work such as access roads, offices etc. ; (d) construction of a transmission line for evacuation of power; (e) implementation of social and environmental management plans, monitoring of the river, floods, and sediment; (f) construction supervision, monitoring and evaluation of the Project; and (g) project management support and capacity building of WAPDA. Based on the financing strategy for Dasu HPP, a first IDA credit of US$576.6 million (SDRs 371.9 million equivalent) is proposed for project start up and an IDA partial Credit Guarantee (PCG) of US$460 million from IDA16. In addition to the IDA Credit of US$576.6 million, an IDA Partial Credit Guarantee (PCG) of US$460 million, approval of which is being sought from the Board, would be used for extending the maturity of commercial loan for the civil works contracts. This PCG would cover Component A (US$1,479.7 million) and Component B (US$1,397.8 million). Conditions and covenants for IDA Partial Credit Guarantee for commercial financing would be agreed with WAPDA when the guarantee related agreements are finalized with financiers. Approval completed on 10 June 2014. Environmental Assessment Category A. US$ 460.0 (GUID). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

Pakistan Power Transmission Modernization Phase I Project: The development objective of the project is to improve the capacity, efficiency and reliability of electricity transmission services in selected parts of Pakistan’s transmission system. The project will achieve its objective by financing selected transmission sub-projects at the 400kV and 220kV voltage levels including both transmission lines and substations. Identification completed on 9 March 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. US$200.0/225.0 (IBRD/IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

Additional Financing to PK: Tarbela 4th Extension Hydropower Project: Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 21 September 2015. Environmental Assessment Category A. US$500.0/250.0 (IBRD/IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

Health and other social services

Pakistan: Khyber Pakhtunkhwa (KP) and Federally Administered Tribal Areas (FATA) Emergency Recovery Project: The objective is to assist the Government of Pakistan/KP/FATA restore social protection through income transfers and cash for work opportunities to the most affected households and vulnerable groups in the areas affected by military operation against militants
and floods. Approval completed on 20 January 2011. Environmental Assessment Category C. Project: P121394. US$ 250.0/35.0 (IDA Credit/PKNF). Consulting services to be determined. Provincial Relief Rehabilitation and Settlement Authority (PaRRSA) Tel: (92-91) 921-3855, E-mail: shakeelqadir@pdma.gov.pk, Contact: Shakee Qadir Khan, Director General.

National Immunization Support Project: The project development objective is to increase the equitable coverage of services for immunization against vaccine preventable diseases (VPD), including poliomyelitis, for children between 0 and 23 months in Pakistan. Appraisal completed on 12 February 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P132308. US$ 50.0/94.0/20.0 (IDA Credit/NISP/RBF). Consultants will be required. Expanded Prog on Immunization, Min. of National Health Services, Regulation and Coordination Tel: 92-51-9245811, E-mail: secretarynrsd@yahoo.com, Contact: Mr. Muhammad Ayub Shaikh, Secretary.

CASA 1000 Community Support Program: The Project Development Objective is to support local development through improved access to social services and infrastructure for communities living in the Corridor of Impact of CASA 1000 Transmission Line, thereby generating local support for the construction and long term operation of CASA 1000 Transmission Line Project. Concept completed on 13 February 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P151075. US$ 10.0 (CASA). Consultants will be required. National Transmission and Dispatch Company Tel: 92429920229, Contact: Engr Tahir Mahmood, Managing Director.

Public Administration, Law, and Justice


(N) Federally Administered Tribal Areas (FATA) Governance and Policy Program: Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 2 November 2015. Environmental Assessment Category C. US$ 8.0 (PKNF). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

Punjab Municipal Services Improvement Project-II: Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 24 August 2015. Environmental Assessment Category A. US$43.0 (IBRD). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

Transportation

MDTF KP Emergency Roads Recovery Project: This Project aims to rehabilitate priority corridors or segments of the main roads in the Swat District of the Province of Khyber-Pakhtunkhwa with a view to improve access and mobility. Approval completed on 21 April 2014. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P149311. US$ 9.0 (PKNF). Consulting services to be determined. Pakhtunkhwa Highways Authority (PkHA) Tel: (92-91) 921-3927, E-mail: pdmdtf@gmail.com, Contact: Mr. Aslam Khan, Project Director.

Water, sanitation and flood protection

PK-Balochistan Integrated Water Resources Management & Development Project: To improve management of scarce water resources in various river basins of Balochistan in a socially and environmentally sustainable manner. Identification completed on 27 January 2015. Environmental Assessment Category A. US$ 200.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

(R) Water Sector Capacity Building and Advisory Services: The project objective is to improve the management and investment planning of water resources in the Indus River Basin. Negotiations authorized on 9 November 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P155226. US$ 35.0 (IDA Credit). Consultants will be required. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

Disaster and Climate Resilience Enhancement Program: 16. The project development objective is to strengthen systems for managing disaster risk and to improve resilience of people and economic assets to floods and droughts in Sindh. Concept completed on 29 September 2015. Environmental Assessment Category A. Project: P155356. US$ 100.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.
**Sri Lanka**

**Agriculture, fishing, and forestry**

**Ecosystems Conservation and Management:** The project development objective (PDO) is to improve the management and stewardship of specific Protected Areas and other selected biologically critical locations in the terrestrial, marine and wetland ecosystems of Sri Lanka. Concept completed on 30 July 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P156021. US$ 40.0 (IDA Credit). Consultants will be required. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**Sri Lanka Agriculture Sector Modernization Project:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 14 July 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. US$ 125.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**Energy and mining**

**Sri Lanka Wind Development Program:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 15 September 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. US$ 80.0 (ZMUL). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**Health and other social services**

**Social Safety Nets Project:** The Project Development Objective is to enhance the poverty impact of Sri Lanka’s main safety net programs (Divineguma, the elderly benefit, and the disability benefit), by improving their targeting, coverage and accountability. Concept completed on 6 August 2015. Environmental Assessment Category C. Project: P156056. US$ 75.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**Transportation**

**Strategic Cities Development Project - Additional Financing:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 7 October 2015. Environmental Assessment Category A. US$ 25.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**Transport Connectivity and Asset Management Project:** The Project Development Objective (PDO) is to improve connectivity in target corridor(s) through the life cycle approach to asset management. Concept completed on 30 July 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P132833. US$ 125.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Ministry of Irrigation & Water Resources Management Tel: (94-11) 268 4710, E-mail: pddswrpp@sltnet.lk.

**Water, sanitation and flood protection**

**LK: AF Dam Safety WRP - Addl Fin.:** The Government of Sri Lanka has requested Additional Financing (AF) to: (i) cover cost overruns to complete the original project scope as described in the PAD for P093132; and (ii) scale-up successful project activities and rehabilitate and modernize additional dams, including some dams in the East and North-east of the country that could not be part of the project area under the original project. The main component under the AF will be the original component 1 - Dam Safety and Operational Efficiency Improvement, that may include some rehabilitation works on linked irrigation conveyance systems. Limited activities will be included under the original component 2 - Hydro-meteorological Information System Improvement and Component 3 - Multi-sectoral Water Resources Planning. Component 4 - Project Management and Monitoring and Evaluation will continue under the AF. The AF complies with the relevant provisions of OP/13.20 which stipulates that the Bank provides AF when it is satisfied that: (i) implementation of the project, including substantial compliance with legal covenants, is satisfactory; and (ii) the additional financing is economically justified. Approval completed on 5 May 2014. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P148595. US$ 83.0 (IDA Credit). No consultants are required. Ministry of Irrigation and Water Resources Management Tel: (94-11) 267-5315, E-mail: pddswrpp@sltnet.lk, Contact: Chandanie Wijayawardene, Director General.

**Climate Resilience Improvement Project Additional Financing:** Objective to be Determined. Identification completed on 1 October 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. US$ 35.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing
agency(ies) to be determined.

**North East Local Services Improvement Project - Additional Financing:** The primary development objective of the project is to improve the delivery of local infrastructure services by local authorities in the Northern and Eastern Provinces of Sri Lanka in an accountable and responsive manner. Approval completed on 26 August 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P152623. US$ 20.0 (IDA Credit). No consultants are required. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**Regional**

**Transportation**

**Bangladesh Regional Connectivity Project 1:** Component 1: Investments in infrastructure, systems and procedures to modernize key selected land ports essential for trade with India and Bhutan (US$65 million). Two greenfield land ports will be developed and at least two existing land ports will be improved/modernized. Component 2: Customs Modernization and Single Window Development (US$30 million).

Component 3: Institutional Development to enhance cross-sector collaboration for border management, trade and transport facilitation (US$7 million). Fund technical assistance, secretariat and project management support to establish and operate a National Trade and Transport Facilitation Committee, a Border Management (Sub)-Committee, and a National Single Window (Sub)-Committee, and to fund the two Project Management Units in Ministry of Shipping and Ministry of Commerce, and the project management cells in the implementation agencies.

Component 4: Studies for Connecting Roads/Last Mile Links to Key Land Ports (US$10 million). Many of the existing and greenfield land ports have missing or poor quality connecting roads. This component will prepare feasibility and design studies as well as bidding documents to address these missing links. Studies will include detailed feasibility, design and bidding documents for the connecting roads to The gamuukh Land Port, Hili Land Port, and Ramgarh Land Port among others. Identification completed on 3 February 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. US$ 120.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**Dhaka-Chittagong-Ashuganj Regional IWT Corridor Project:** a. Dredging of inland waterways between Dhaka-Chittagong to facilitate cargo and passenger transport

b. Provision of key vessels for passenger and cargo transport, navigation, surveying and safety
c. Navigational aides to facilitate transport and improve navigation safety
d. Studies on River Ports Improvement and Incentivizing Private Sector Investment
c. Technical Assistance and Studies to Improve the Operational Efficiency of Bangladesh Railways including addressing organizational and operational deficiencies and preparation activities for the development of the Dhrisram ICD.
f. Development of City of Chittagong Master Plan to relieve congestion in the City of Chittagong and especially to facilitate free-flowing traffic to and from the Port of Chittagong, Bangladesh’s main port. Identification completed on 2 February 2015. Environmental Assessment Category A. US$ 300.0 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Implementing agency(ies) to be determined.

**Water, sanitation and flood protection**

**Bangladesh Weather and Climate Services Regional Project:** The main objective of the proposed project is to strengthen the capacity of the Government of Bangladesh to deliver weather and climate information in priority sectors and to prepare for climate variability and hydro-meteorological disasters. Concept completed on 18 February 2015. Environmental Assessment Category B. Project: P150220. US$ 89.3 (IDA Credit). Consulting services to be determined. Bangladesh Meteorology Department (BMD) Tel: 88-02-9135742, E-mail: shamsbmd@yahoo.com, Contact: Shamsuddin Ahmed, Deputy Director.