India: Multistate and Multisector Project Management Capacity Building

Project Name	Multistate and Multisector Project Management Capacity Building				
Project Number	42515-012				
Country	India				
Project Status	Active				
Project Type / Modality of Assistance	Technical Assistance				
Source of Funding / Amount	TA 7413-IND: Multistate and Multisector Project Management Capacity Building				
	Technical Assistance Special Fund US\$ 750,000.00				
	TA 7413-IND: Multistate and Multisector Project Management Capacity Building (Supplementary)				
	Technical Assistance Special Fund US\$ 450,000.00				
Strategic Agendas	Environmentally sustainable growth Inclusive economic growth				
Drivers of Change	Governance and capacity development				
Sector / Subsector	 Agriculture, natural resources and rural development - Agricultural policy, institutional and capacity development Energy - Energy sector development and institutional reform Finance - Finance sector development Transport - Transport policies and institutional development Water and other urban infrastructure and services - Urban policy, institutional and capacity development 				
Gender Equity and Mainstreaming					
Description					
Project Rationale and Linkage to Country/Regional Strategy The government's Eleventh Five Year Plan, 2007/2012, outlines the government's development strategy that includes the reduction in interstate disparities. It seeks to redress interstate divid economic and social indicators by proposing various instruments (including fiscal incentives for lagging regions, industrial policies, and directly targeted programs) to achieve this objective. A long experience in assisting the lagging states. Since 2003, ADB had initiated operations in Ass Bihar, Chhattisgarh, Jammu and Kashmir, Orissa, and Uttarakhand. While ADB has responded to government?s evolving needs, the challenges of designing and implementing operations in the with weak capacity and little familiarity with ADB are enormous. ADB's experience since 2003 F shown that it takes much longer than initially anticipated to design and implement investment projects in those states. Building up good communication channels with officials of new state governments and executing agencies, and familiarizing them with ADB policies and procedures time. Despite these challenges, ADB remains committed to engaging with states with weak cap Adequate staff and TA resources need to be provided for capacity building during processing an implementation					
Impact	Timely delivery of project benefits.				

Project Outcome

Description of Outcome Improved efficiency and effectiveness of the State Investment Programme Management and Implementation Unit in managing, implementing, coordinating and monitoring program implementation in the six states of Assam, Meghalaya, Sikkim, Tripura, Mizoram, Nagaland.

Progress Toward Outcome	Under the TA, a Project Support Office (PSO) was set up in Guwahati (Assam) during November 2010 to December 2013, from where a team of 3 national consultants i.e. team leader-cum-institutional development specialist, project management specialist and procurement specialist provided capacity building support to EAs of ADB-financed projects in 6 weak capacity states i.e. Assam, Sikkim, Meghalaya, Tripura, Nagaland and Mizoram in north eastern region of India. The PSO was closed in December 2013. Later, the TA closing date was extended twice up to 28 February 2017. 5 more individual consultants were recruited for providing implementation support to EAs in North Eastern region.
Implementation Progre	SS
Description of Project Outputs	Enhanced Project Processing and Administration Project Implementation Capacity of State Agencies Developed Develop Implementation Capacity of State Agencies
Status of Implementation Progress (Outputs, Activities, and Issues)	Under the TA, a Project Support Office (PSO) was set up in Guwahati (Assam) during November 2010 to December 2013, from where a team of 3 national consultants i.e. team leader-cum-institutional development specialist, project management specialist and procurement specialist provided capacity building support to EAs of ADB-financed projects in 6 weak capacity states i.e. Assam, Sikkim, Meghalaya, Tripura, Nagaland and Mizoram in north eastern region of India. In December 2012, ADB approved a minor change in implementation arrangement to increase the TA amount by \$450,000 and extended the TA closing date to 28 February 2015. The PSO was closed in December 2013. In January 2015, INRM approved another extension of TA closing date by 2 years, up to February 2017 and undertook a minor change by increasing the person-months inputs for the Project Management and Procurement Specialist to meet the demand of EAs for hand holding support in these areas. Overall, eight individual Consultants were engaged for providing hand holding support for project implementation and enhancing readiness for processing of new projects for ADB projects in North East, primarily focusing on loans in the Urban and Transport sectors.
Geographical Location	States of Tripura, Mizoram, Sikkim, Nagaland, Meghalaya, and Assam.

Summary of Environmental and Social Aspects

Environmental Aspects			
Involuntary Resettlement			
Indigenous Peoples			
Stakeholder Communication, Participation, and Consultation			
During Project Design	Conducted.		

Business Opportunities

Consulting Services The TA is physically completed, and all consulting contracts are under financial closure. No more consulting contracts are envisaged.

Procurement No Comments.

Responsible Staff

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Timetable

Concept Clearance	13 Oct 2009
Fact Finding	11 Mar 2009 to 25 Mar 2009
MRM	-
Approval	08 Dec 2009
Last Review Mission	-
PDS Creation Date	29 Apr 2009

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Milestones						
Approval	Signing Date	Effectivity Date	Closing			
		Effectivity Date	Original	Revised	Actual	
08 Dec 2009	06 Jan 2010	06 Jan 2010	29 Feb 2012	28 Feb 2017	-	

Financing Plan/TA Utilization							Cumulative Dis	bursements
ADB	Cofinancing	Counterpart	Counterpart				Date	Amount
		Gov	Beneficiaries	Project Sponsor	Others			
1,200,000.00	0.00	300,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,500,000.00	08 Dec 2009	794,583.15

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