



India: Rural Roads Sector III Project

Project Name	Rural Roads Sector III Project								
Project Number	40423-012								
Country	India								
Project Status	Closed								
Project Type / Modality of Assistance	Technical Assistance								
Source of Funding / Amount	<table border="1"> <tr> <td colspan="2">TA 7237-IND: Rural Roads Sector III Project</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Japan Special Fund</td> <td>US\$ 1.00 million</td> </tr> <tr> <td colspan="2">TA 7237-IND: Rural Roads Sector III Project (Supplementary)</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Technical Assistance Special Fund</td> <td>US\$ 130,000.00</td> </tr> </table>	TA 7237-IND: Rural Roads Sector III Project		Japan Special Fund	US\$ 1.00 million	TA 7237-IND: Rural Roads Sector III Project (Supplementary)		Technical Assistance Special Fund	US\$ 130,000.00
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Strategic Agendas	Inclusive economic growth								
Drivers of Change	Governance and capacity development								
Sector / Subsector	Transport - Road transport (non-urban) - Transport policies and institutional development								
Gender Equity and Mainstreaming	No gender elements								
Description	<p>Project Rationale and Linkage to Country/Regional Strategy</p> <p>Country Partnership Strategy (CPS) currently under preparation is closely aligned with the priorities of India's 11th Five Year Plan (FY2007-FY2011). The Plan continues to focus on infrastructure investment, social development, agriculture and rural development to make the growth process more inclusive. Accordingly, CPS reconfirms continuing ADB assistance for development of rural roads which are critical for rural development, as they provide access to markets, health, education, and administrative services. Specifically, the Country Operations Business Plan (COBP) for 2008-2010 includes PPTA Preparing Rural Roads Sector III (this project) with indicative ADB financing amount of \$1,000,000 and implementation of Rural Road Sector III (RRS-III) with indicative loan amount of \$700.0 Million. During the Country Programming Mission completed in November 2008, the assistance pipeline was reviewed and the amount of ensuing loan is now programmed for 2010 with an indicative amount of \$450.0 Million. RRS-III provides a continuation to RRS-I and RRS-II currently under implementation. RRS-I (states of Madhya Pradesh and Chhattisgarh) and RRS-II (states of Assam, Orissa, and West Bengal) are assisting the central Government in its ambitious PMGSY program aimed at connecting all habitations with more than 500 people by all-weather roads. RRS-III will focus on all above states: Assam, Chhattisgarh, Madhya Pradesh, Orissa, and West Bengal.</p>								
Impact	Improved connectivity of rural communities in participating states to markets, district headquarters, and other centers of economic activity.								

Project Outcome

Description of Outcome	RRS-III Project ensuring cost effective and sustainable improvement in connectivity of rural communities to markets, district headquarters, and other centers of economic activity agreed both by ADB and the borrower and ready for implementation.
Progress Toward Outcome	
Implementation Progress	

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

Safeguard Categories

Environment	B
Involuntary Resettlement	C
Indigenous Peoples	B

Summary of Environmental and Social Aspects

Environmental Aspects	
Involuntary Resettlement	
Indigenous Peoples	

Stakeholder Communication, Participation, and Consultation

During Project Design	
During Project Implementation	MORD, National Rural Road Development Agency (NRRDA), PWDs, State Technical Agencies (STAs) and State Rural Road Development Agencies (SRRDAs)

Business Opportunities

Consulting Services	The PPTA will be carried out by a firm of international consultants in association with national consultants, together with two individual consultants on social and environmental safeguards engaged under separate contracts. Staffing input of the firm will be 14.0 person-months of international consultants and 24.0 person-months of national consultants. Additional 14 month input will be provided by national individual consultants (social and environmental safeguard specialists). The firm will have experience and qualifications in project management, institutional strengthening and capacity building, road feasibility studies, and consultancy services in areas of road rehabilitation/reconstruction, pavement, bridge and drainage structure design, geotechnical and material investigations, contract documentation and specifications preparation, construction supervision, road safety and road maintenance. International experts will include Team Leader/Transport Economist, Road Maintenance Engineer, and Road Safety Specialist. National experts will include Transport Economics Expert/Deputy Team Leader, Road Design Engineer, Road Maintenance Engineer, Construction Supervision Expert, Procurement Specialist, and Financial Management Specialist.
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Responsible Staff

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Responsible ADB Department	South Asia Department
Responsible ADB Division	Transport and Communications Division, SARD

Timetable

Concept Clearance	01 Sep 2008
Fact Finding	02 Oct 2008 to 08 Oct 2008
MRM	-
Approval	20 Feb 2009
Last Review Mission	-
PDS Creation Date	08 Sep 2008
Last PDS Update	05 Oct 2012

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Milestones					
Approval	Signing Date	Effectivity Date	Closing		
			Original	Revised	Actual
20 Feb 2009	26 Apr 2009	26 Apr 2009	31 Aug 2010	31 Dec 2012	-

Financing Plan/TA Utilization						Cumulative Disbursements		
ADB	Cofinancing	Counterpart				Total	Date	Amount
		Gov	Beneficiaries	Project Sponsor	Others			
1,130,000.00	0.00	250,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,380,000.00	20 Feb 2009	1,042,249.17

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