

India: Infrastructure Development Investment Program for Tourism - Tranche 1

Project Name	Infrastructure Development Investment Program for Tourism - Tranche 1
Project Number	40648-023
Country	India
Project Status	Active
Project Type / Modality of Assistance	Loan
Source of Funding / Amount	Loan 2676-IND: Infrastructure Development Investment Program for Tourism - Tranche 1
	Ordinary capital resources US\$ 43.42 million
Strategic Agendas	Environmentally sustainable growth Inclusive economic growth
Drivers of Change	Governance and capacity development
Sector / Subsector	Transport - Urban roads and traffic management Water and other urban infrastructure and services - Other urban services - Renovation and protection of cultural heritage
Gender Equity and Mainstreaming	Effective gender mainstreaming
Description	As part of the Investment Program, the Project aims to complete subprojects under four or five different components of the Investment Program in the State of Himachal Pradeesh (Part A). A. Component 1: Urban Infrastructure and Service Improvement B. Component 2: Connectivity Improvement C. Component 3: Quality Enhancement of Natural and Cultural Attractions D. Component 4: Community-based Activities E. Component 5: Capacity Development, Community Participation and Project Management
Project Rationale and Linkage to Country/Regional Strategy	The investment program will assist the government in achieving its targets by tapping the tourism sector's potential to contribute to sustainable and inclusive economic growth. It will respond to the urgent need for developing tourism-related infrastructure in the four participating states - Himachal Pradesh, Punjab, and Uttarakhand (the three main states of the North West Himalayan Heritage Circuit), and Tamil Nadu (the anchor state of the South Heritage Circuit) - to promote the economic potential of the tourism sector within a planned framework and address weaknesses in managemen capacity. These four states voluntarily sought to participate in the implementation of the road map, and the government supported their participation. The government prepared a more specific road map along with a framework for necessary policy and sector reforms for each of the four states under follow-up ADB assistance, and proposed the MFF modality to support the government's medium- and long-term goals. While infrastructure supporting tourism is being put in place, sector reform must be carried out in parallel to attain the goals of more sustainable and inclusive tourism sector development. Key challenges include existing limitations in (i) public sector financing, (ii) sector policies on , and institutional capacities for, heritage site management; (iii) an effective enabling environment for enhanced private sector participation; (iv) operation and maintenance of tourism infrastructure; and (v) effective mechanisms to engage local communities in the tourism value chain. The investment program includes a number of policy-driven sector reforms. The participating states are committed to making investments in the tourism sector more attractive for private sector participation. They will also propmote homestay programs and other noncommercial or semicommercial lodging alternatives, such as bed and breakfast facilities. Each state will develop a tourism policy to mainstream (i) balanced distribution of economic opportunities across t

Impact	Enhanced contribution of the tourism sector to sustainable and inclusive economic growth	
Project Outcome		
Description of Outcome	Increased volume of domestic and international tourists to destinations within each particle.	ticipating
Progress Toward Outcome	Actions towards achieving the outcome are underway as explained further in the status of implementation progress of outputs below.	
Implementation Progress		
Description of Project Outputs	Enhanced quality of natural and cultural attractions Greater participation by local communities in tourism-related economic activities Improved basic urban infrastructure and services at tourist destinations and attractions Improved connectivity Strengthened capacity of concerned sector agencies and local communities for plannin development, management and marketing of tourist destinations and attractions	
Status of Implementation Progress (Outputs, Activities, and Issues)	In Himachal Pradesh 4 of 4 contracts and in Punjab 24 of 25 contracts awarded/works are ongoing. 3 of 3 contracts awarded in Punjab under community based activities and in progress. In Himachal Pradesh 5 out 6 consulting packages awarded and in progress. 1 package dropped and is planned under Tranche 3. In Himachal Pradesh 15 of 15 contracts and in Punjab 3 of 4 contracts awarded/works are ongoing. 1 contract awarded in each state under connectivity improvement. In Himachal Pradesh, NGO for pilot program appointed. 29 training workshop organized in four clusters. 1187 participants attended the workshop; out of which 703 participants were women. PMU and PIUs also organized 10 training programs/workshops to tourism related organizations. 658 participants attended these programs, out of which 178 were women. In Punjab, NGO for pilot program appointed. 6 training workshop organized. 678 participants attended the workshop; out of 254 participants were women.	
Geographical Location	Four participating states including Himachal Pradesh, Punjab, Tamil Nadu and Uttarakh	and
afeguard Categories		
Environment	В	
Involuntary Resettlement	С	
Indigenous Peoples	C	

Summary of Environmental and Social Aspects

Environmental Aspects	No significant environmental impacts are expected. Impacts can be mitigated through proper siting, design and good construction practices. These are identified in the subproject-specific initial environmental examinations (IEEs) and environmental monitoring plans (EMPs), which are prepared in accordance with ADB's Safeguard Policy Statement (2009). A project management unit and a project management consultant are responsible for the coordination and implementation of the environmental and health and safety activities. Quarterly environmental monitoring reports are prepared. Key environmental benefits include improved on-site and off-site hygiene and sanitary conditions at tourist destinations and increased environmental awareness.
Involuntary Resettlement	Subprojects are not expected to result in any physical or economic displacement due to involuntary acquisition of land, or involuntary restrictions on land use. In case of future unforeseen resettlement issues, the Safeguard Policy Statement (2009) will be followed and a resettlement framework has been prepared.
Indigenous Peoples	The initial screening concluded that no indigenous peoples issues are anticipated, as defined in the Safeguard Policy Statement (2009). An indigenous peoples planning framework has been prepared for future loans, in case the indigenous peoples framework would be triggered.
Stakeholder Communic	ation, Participation, and Consultation
During Project Design	
During Project Implementation	Outreach and consultation is an ongoing process during implementation.

Business Opportunities

Consulting Services All consultants will be recruited according to ADB's guidelines on the use of consultants. The indicative terms of reference for all consulting services are described in the facility administration manual for this investment program.

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Timetable

Concept Clearance	22 Mar 2010
Fact Finding	-
MRM	06 Mar 2009
Approval	04 Oct 2010
Last Review Mission	-
PDS Creation Date	28 Apr 2010
Last PDS Update	22 Mar 2016

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Milestones					
Annroval	Signing Date	Effectivity Date	Closing		
Approval			Original	Revised	Actual
04 Oct 2010	20 Jul 2011	26 Oct 2011	30 Jun 2017	-	-

Financing Plan		Loan Utilization			
	Total (Amount in US\$ million)	Date	ADB	Others	Net Percentage
Project Cost	62.03	Cumulative C	ontract /	Awards	
ADB	43.42	04 Oct 2010	42.55	0.00	98%
Counterpart	18.61	Cumulative Disbursements			
Cofinancing	0.00	04 Oct 2010	30.88	0.00	71%

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