



India: Rajasthan State Highway Investment Program

Project Name	Rajasthan State Highway Investment Program					
Project Number	49228-001					
Country	India					
Project Status	Proposed					
Project Type / Modality of Assistance	Loan					
Source of Funding / Amount	<table border="1"> <tr> <td colspan="2">MFF Facility Concept: Rajasthan State Highway Investment Program</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Ordinary capital resources</td> <td>US\$ 500.00 million</td> </tr> </table>		MFF Facility Concept: Rajasthan State Highway Investment Program		Ordinary capital resources	US\$ 500.00 million
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Strategic Agendas	Environmentally sustainable growth Inclusive economic growth					
Drivers of Change	Governance and capacity development Private sector development					
Sector / Subsector	Transport - Road transport (non-urban)					
Gender Equity and Mainstreaming	Some gender elements					
Description	<p>The investment program will improve the efficiency and safety of transport on the state highways of Rajasthan, thereby providing good quality connectivity for social and economic activities. The investment program will (i) upgrade about 2,000 kilometers (km) of state highways and major district roads (MDRs) to two-lane or intermediate-lane standards in keeping with road safety requirements; and (ii) enhance the capacity of the Public Works Department of the Government of Rajasthan (RPWD) by (a) improving the business processes and procedures of its public-private partnership (PPP) division and (b) implementing a project performance monitoring system. The investment program will catalyze the sustainable development of Rajasthan through the collaboration of the public and private sectors.</p>					
Project Rationale and Linkage to Country/Regional Strategy	<p>Rajasthan is the largest state of India covering about 10% of total area of the country and having a population of about 68.6 million, nearly 5% of the total population of India. It is one of the low income states of India. About 75% of the state's population is rural and mainly depends on agriculture for its livelihood. Per capita development cost in the state is very high due to the widely dispersed population. Road density in Rajasthan is only about 60 km per 100 sq. km, compared to the national average of 110. Years of under-investment and inadequate maintenance left many of the State Highways and MDRs in poor condition.</p>					
Impact	Good quality connectivity in all areas provided					
Outcome	Efficiency and safety of transport on the state highways of Rajasthan improved.					
Outputs	State highways and major district roads improved Capacity of RPWD enhanced.					
Geographical Location						

Summary of Environmental and Social Aspects

Environmental Aspects	For the proposed tranche 1 of the investment program, the environment safeguard category is likely B. PWD's consultants will prepare all required safeguard documents, including environmental assessment and review framework, initial environmental examinations (or environmental impact assessments as necessary) including environmental management plan.
Involuntary Resettlement	The involuntary resettlement category is A. PWD's consultants will prepare all required safeguard documents including resettlement framework and resettlement plans.
Indigenous Peoples	The indigenous peoples category is C. PWD's consultants will prepare all required safeguard documents, including indigenous people planning framework in accordance with ADB's Safeguard Policy Statement (2009), and related government guidelines, regulations, and policies.

Stakeholder Communication, Participation, and Consultation

During Project Design	Meaningful consultations and social surveys were conducted along all of the first tranche subprojects, with 1,199 people being surveyed. Community participation was encouraged to (i) increase awareness of the project, (ii) ascertain needs and concerns, (iii) obtain suggestions for enhancing benefits and mitigating negative impacts, and (iv) make project communities aware of the grievance redressal mechanism.
During Project Implementation	Civil society will be continually consulted during project implementation. For first tranche roads, an NGO will be engaged to (i) implement the resettlement activities, (ii) undertake continued consultation and information disclosure, and (iii) deliver various awareness-building activities.

Business Opportunities

Consulting Services	Consulting firms and individual consultants will be selected to assist the project implementation unit in project management, contract administration, and capacity development programs. Contractors will be selected for civil works.
Procurement	All procurement of goods and works will be undertaken in accordance with ADB's Procurement Guidelines (April 2015, as amended from time to time). All consultants will be recruited according to ADB's Guidelines on the Use of Consultants (2013, as amended from time to time). Advance contracting and retroactive financing will be considered and used to expedite the project implementation. Time-slice financing approach will be adopted as required.

Responsible Staff

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Timetable

Concept Clearance	10 Jul 2015
Fact Finding	29 Feb 2016 to 11 Mar 2016
MRM	20 May 2016
Approval	-
Last Review Mission	-
Last PDS Update	24 Mar 2017

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