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# Country Safeguard Systems Sharing ADB's Experience

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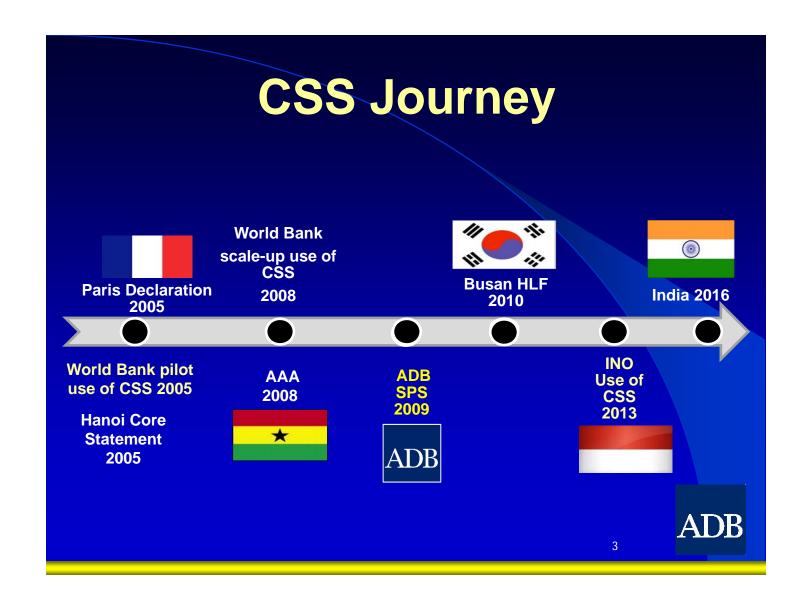
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### What is CSS?

- Country's legal & institutional framework pertaining to safeguard policy areas
- Consisting of relevant laws, regulations, rules, and procedures
  - National, sub-national, or
  - Sector, implementing institutions





### ADB Policy & CSS

- At policy level: 1st MFI with CSS provisions "Help borrowers strengthen safeguard systems"
- SPS emphasizes strengthening & allows use of CSS
- SPS calls for:
  - Establishment of a trust fund
  - ✓ Formation of partnerships

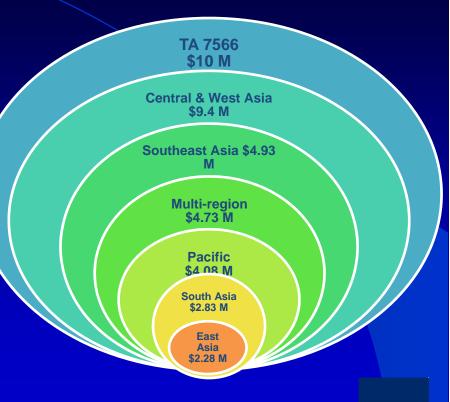


### Policy Dialogue & TA since 2009

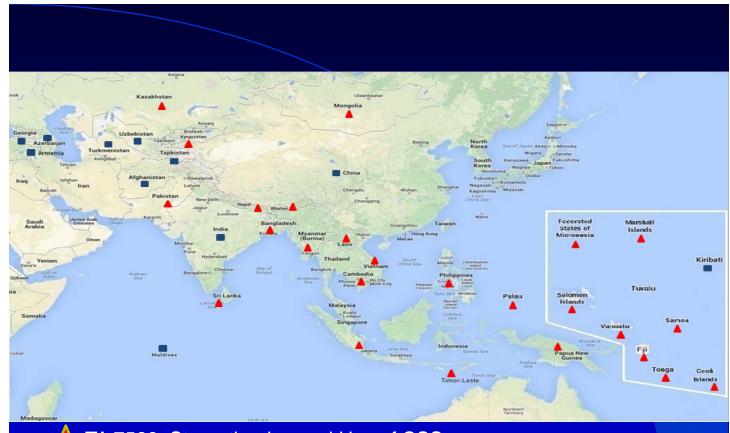
 27 TAs approved; additional TAs are being proposed

36 DMCs involved

> \$38 million under implementation



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TA 7566: Strengthening and Use of CSS Other regional and country TAs



### TA 7566: Strengthening and Use of CSS

- Corporate priority TA, July 2010
- > \$10 million
- > 29 subprojects in 25 DMCs



### **TA 7566 Subprojects**

#### Regional

- 1. ESMS Capacity Building for Private Sector Fls
- 2. EIA Clearinghouse & Capacity Strengthening through Twinning

#### **Central & West Asia**

- 3. KAZ Strengthening Consultation & GRM in Committee of Roads
- 4. KGZ Strengthening Capacity for Strategic Environ. Assessment I
- 5. PAK Environmental Training for Civil Servants

#### **East Asia**

- 6. MON Reform of IR Legal and Regulatory Framework I
- 7. MON Reform of IR Legal and Regulatory Framework II
- 8. MON Improvement of EIA Regulatory Framework & Enforcement

#### The Pacific

- 9. PNG Country Safeguard Review
- 10. TIM Developing Resettlement Safeguards Capacity in Transport Sector
- 11. TIM Strengthening Regulatory Framework for EIA
- 12. VAN Strengthening Implementation Capacity for EIA
- 13. COO, FIJ, RMI, FSM, PAL, PNG, SAM, SOL, TON Training and Knowledge Sharing for CSS Strengthening



### **TA 7566 Subprojects**

#### South Asia

- 14. BAN Strengthening EIA System & Implementation Practices
- 15. BHU Strategic Environment Assessment for Road Sector Master Plan
- 16. NEP Strengthening IR Safeguard System
- 17. NEP Preparation of Pollution Control Strategy & Action Plan
- 18. SRI Strengthening National-Level Capacity for IR System

#### **Southeast Asia**

- 19. CAM Preparation of Sub-Decree on Informal Settlers Consultation
- 20. LAO Strengthening WREA Capacity to Implement Resettlement Policies
- 21. PHI Enhancing EIS System Improvement Initiatives
- 22. INO Capacity Development for Social Safeguard Prep & Implementation
- 23. INO Strengthening Capacity of EIA (AMDAL) System
- 24. MYM Capacity-Building for Implementing E&S Safeguards Systems
- 25. MYM Institutional Strengthening & Capacity Devt. for Min. of Construction
- 26. VIE Capacity Development to Implement Environment Decree
- 27. VIE Amending the 2003 Land Law & its Implementing Decrees
- 28. VIE Mainstreaming Biodiversity Considerations into CeSS
- 29. VIE Good Practices: Income Restoration Expressway Projects  ${
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### Approach to Use of CSS

## **Use of CSS requires Country Safeguard Review to determine:**

- Equivalence of borrower's legal framework with SPS policy objectives & principles
- Acceptability of borrower's safeguard delivery procedures, institutional capacity and performance relative to requirements of CSS legal framework
- Agreed Action Plan to fill gaps and build borrower's capacity



### Approach to Use of CSS

**Country Safeguard Review** 

**Equivalence Assessment** 

**Acceptability Assessment** 

Gap-Filling Measures

**Consultation and Disclosure** 



### Indonesia: Findings on IR

- Full equivalence (8 of 12 ADB PP)
- Partial equivalence (4 of 12 ADB PP)
  - ✓ Full equivalence (36 of 40 key elements)
  - ✓ Partial equivalence (2 of 40 key elements) → "significant impact" & "no reference to baseline conditions"
- No equivalence (2 of 40 key elements)
  - → Benefits to host communities & provision for formalizing land tenure for displaced persons

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### **CSS – Lessons Learned**

- Strong demand on CSS strengthening
- Increased appetite for Use of CSS
- ADB/WB's Safeguards are appropriate benchmark for policy convergence
- Diagnostic assessment requires improved methods – broad equivalence
- Shift of emphasis: equivalence review → review of capacity to implement safeguards