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Overview and Opportunities

STRATEGY 2030
OPERATIONAL PLAN FOR PRIORITY 1
ADDRESSING REMAINING POVERTY
AND REDUCING INEQUALITIES,
2019–2024

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ADB's STRATEGY 2030 VISION



To achieve a prosperous, inclusive, resilient, and sustainable Asia and the Pacific, while sustaining its efforts to eradicate extreme poverty.

Strategy 2030: 7 Operational Priorities



Addressing remaining poverty and reducing inequalities



Accelerating progress in gender equality



Tackling climate change, building climate and disaster resilience, and enhancing environmental sustainability



Making cities more livable



Promoting rural development and food security



Strengthening governance and institutional capacity



Fostering regional cooperation and integration

To support the seven operational priorities, ADB will expand and diversify its private sector operations to reach one third of operations by 2024

Operational Priority 1

Addressing Remaining Poverty and Reducing Inequalities



- Strengthen Country Partnership Strategy (CPS), Inclusive and Sustainable Growth Assessment
- Seek new sources of partnership and financing
- One ADB: multisectoral interventions to improve access, affordability, participation, accountability, sustainability

Strategic Operational Priorities

1 Human capital and social protection enhanced for all

2 Quality jobs generated

3 Opportunities for the most vulnerable increased

Operational Approaches



Universal health coverage



Learning for all



Social protection for all

Strengthen the role of private sector



Inclusive business



AI and big data analytics



Youth initiatives

Evidence-based knowledge on jobs



Reach vulnerable people



Digital solutions



Infra with skills development

Cross-sectoral knowledge platforms on emerging areas

Sub-pillars

- Learning opportunities improved
- Access to health services improved
- Social protection systems strengthened
- Business environment improved
- Provision of business development services and the private sector strengthened
- Labor standards and policies strengthened
- Provision of infrastructure services and finance to the most vulnerable improved
- Increased inclusiveness of regulatory, legal and institutional enabling environment



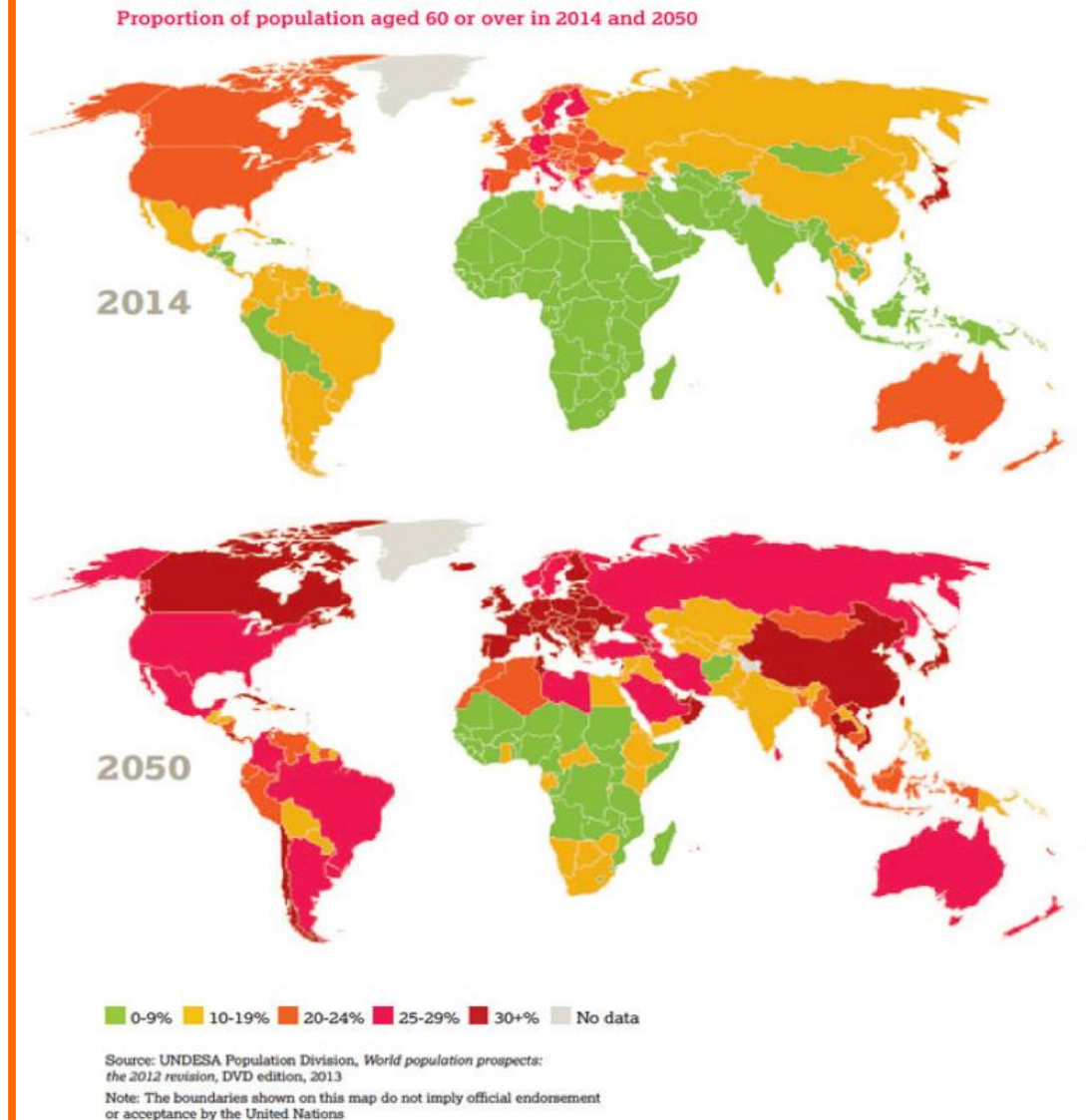
Key trends and challenges

Trends and Challenges	Covid-19
<p>Remaining poverty and inequality 264 million people still live below the \$1.90 per day poverty line, and around 1.1 billion live on less than \$3.20 per day</p>	<p>Could push 70-100m into extreme poverty (WB) Could generate 176 million additional poor at \$3.20 and 177 million additional poor at \$5.50 in lower and upper middle income countries</p>
<p>Demographic transition: Asia and the Pacific is both the youngest and the fastest-aging region of the world.</p>	<p>Youth unemployment critical issue going forward “covid-generation” Covid-19 health impacts on older persons, loss of livelihoods</p>
<p>Disability. About 70% of the global population of people with disabilities (690 million persons) live in Asia and the Pacific</p>	<p>Lack of access to health and education services, impacts on livelihood opportunities</p>
<p>Migration and labor mobility: urbanization, regional and global migration, remittances</p>	<p>Impacts on remittances, access to care and other services for migrants, longer term employment</p>
<p>Rapid changes in technology</p>	<p>Coverage, affordability and accessibility</p>
<p>Informality of jobs and vulnerability</p>	<p>Lack of broad based and comprehensive social protection</p>



Adapting to Aging Asia: Demographic Transition

- Major social and development challenge for Asia and the Pacific: S2030
- Next 15 years is critical time to adapt
- **New business opportunity with potential for large job creation** where ADB can add value across sectors: social protection, health, education, urban, finance, private sector
- Policy development is happening quickly, but strategic planning and clear ideas on how best to adapt are lagging
- Demands a One ADB approach with multisectoral teams. Many entry points for lending.



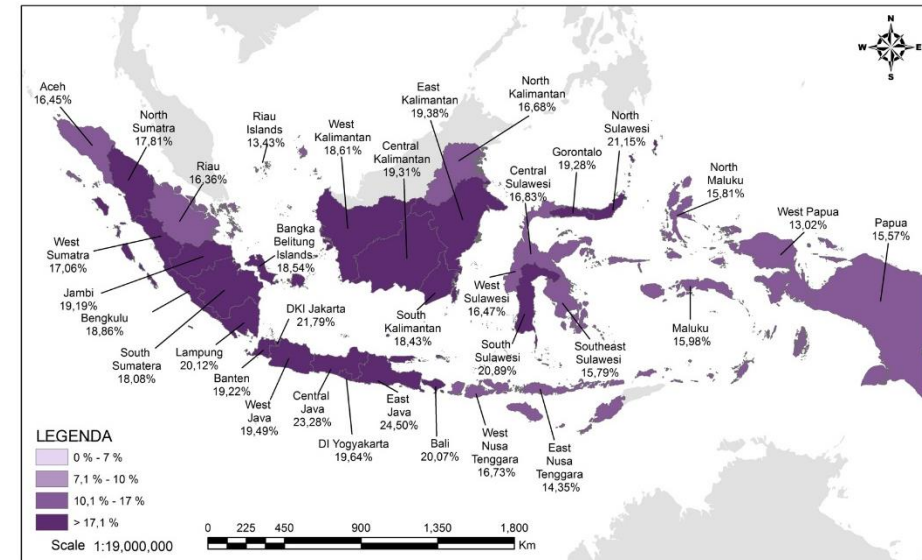
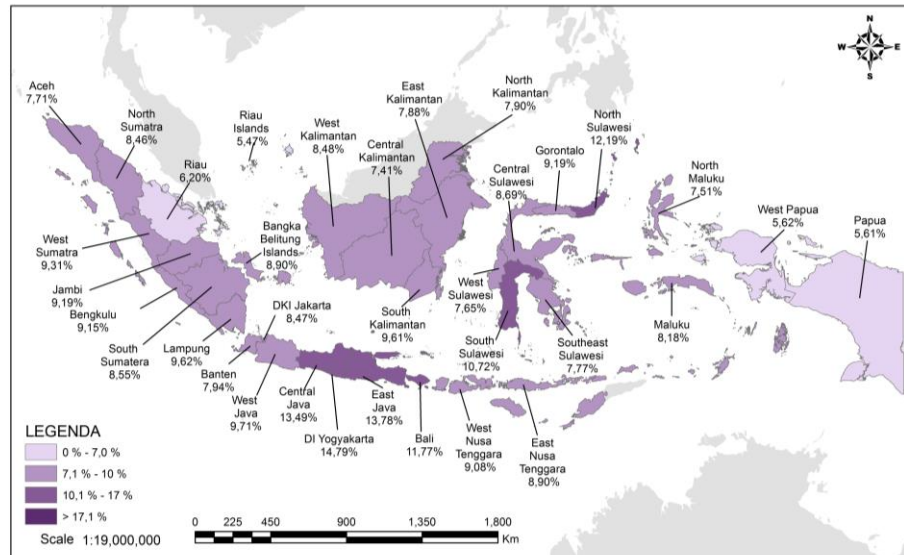
From 2015 to 2045

the population over the age of 60 in Indonesia will nearly triple

21.6 million



61.4 million



Sources: Indonesia Population Projection 2015-2045, Bappenas and Statistic Office

Adaptation opportunities

Activities	Sectors
Develop Long-Term Care systems	Social Protection/Health/Governance
Strengthen health and LTC services	Social Protection/Health/Private Sector
Develop LTC human resources	Education/Health/Social Protection/Private Sector
Improve financing of social security and social insurance	Finance/Social Protection/Health
Develop private sector	Finance/Social Protection/Health/Private Sector
Enhance productivity	Social Protection/Health/Urban/Digital/Education
Integrate technology	Digital/ Social Protection/Health/Private Sector
Promote inclusive design	Urban/Social Development
Redesign cities and housing	Urban/Social Development/Transport/Private Sector
Enhance lifelong learning	Education/Social Protection

How is ADB Engaging

Hebei Elderly Care Development Project



Elderly Care systems and services development : \$100m.

Services and systems development in 5 urban and rural sub-projects and **1 center of excellence for HR development in elderly care (EC) with Yanshan University.**

Integrated service model linking three tiers of care (residential, community, home) in urban and rural areas

Development of new service and skill areas: rehabilitation, dementia, palliative, home and community based services

Human resources development program to support improved quality and the development of new elderly care job areas:

Yanshan University: Whole of University Approach

- EC Management,
- ICT and Assistive technology
- Geriatric counseling
- Nursing and caregiving

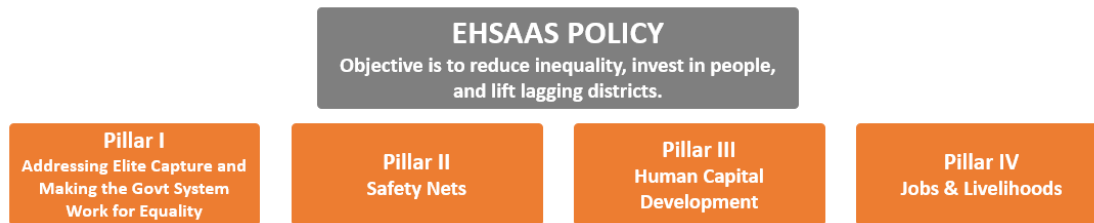


Social Protection: Pakistan: Benazir Income Support Program

Issue: Reduce income poverty by providing unconditional cash transfer (UCT) to the female head of poor families.

Approach: Around 5.6 million households (17% of population) are receiving UCT under the program. UCT is complemented with financing from World Bank and DFID for a conditional cash transfer (CCT) scheme to send children to schools. Additional financing supports continuation of UCT and capacity development of BISP administration and policy research. This support is aligned to the government's

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Value Addition:





Quality Jobs: Agenda for all

- Optimize the role all sectors play in quality job creation
- Promote learning and employability (Education)
- Improve evidence base for labor market demand (AI, Digital) Bangladesh
- Strengthen employment potential of investment in infrastructure (Transport)
- Leverage infrastructure investments with skills development (Mongolia, Pakistan)
- Improve business environments
- Promote inclusive business to support inclusion, access, and job creation
- Leverage youth initiatives to focus on quality jobs
- Develop new areas for priority jobs (Health)
- Focus on opportunities to develop green jobs (Energy)





Disability Inclusion

Disability remains a persistent vulnerability across the region and globally

- **1 in 7 people globally** live with a disability *expected to rise to 1 in 5 by 2050 due largely to aging populations*
- Estimated **690 million persons** with disabilities (PWD) **in Asia and the Pacific**
- **Many face extreme poverty** because of lack of access, mobility and exclusion from opportunities
- PWD are **2-6 times more likely to be unemployed** than those without disabilities
- In some countries, **social protection measures** such as government-funded healthcare and disability benefits are **only able to reach around 28% to 30% of persons with disability**
- **S2030 highlights the importance of disability inclusion**, particularly under the OP1, OP2 and OP4



Charter for Change

To ensure the rights, freedoms, dignity and inclusion for all persons with disabilities

- Cross cutting issue across sectors
- ADB made 9 Commitments at the Summit
- New partnerships: CBM Australia, Global Disability Innovation Hub

How is ADB engaging?

Ensuring Inclusiveness and Service Delivery for Persons with Disabilities Project (\$25m plus, \$2m JFPR)

PROJECT

The project aims to ensure access to services and employment for PWD to increase their autonomy and contribution to the economy and society

ISSUES

PWDs in Mongolia and their households represent a population subgroup with substantially higher incidence of poverty and lower human development indicators than the rest of the population.

- 42% of households with PWDs live in poverty compared with 18% of households without PWDs,
- 28% of PWDs aged 15–59 years are in the labor force compared with 69% of those without disabilities,
- 43% of children with disabilities (CWDs) aged 6–18 years are unable to read compared with only 4% for those without disabilities



INNOVATION

- **First fully focused disability inclusion project for ADB.**
- Comprehensive, multisectoral, lifecycle



Social Protection Projects 2020-2023

Indicative list

Central and West Asia

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| 2022 | AZE | Vocational Education Sector Development Program (PBL) |
| 2021 | GEO | Social Protection Support Program, subprogram 2 (PBL) |
| 2022 | GEO | Improving Learning Outcomes in General Education (SDP) |
| 2020 | PAK | Improving Workforce Readiness in Punjab Project |
| 2023 | PAK | Punjab Education Sector Development Program (RBL) |
| 2023 | PAK | Insurance Sector Development Program |
| 2020 | TAJ | Skills and Employability Enhancement Project |
| 2023 | TAJ | Improving Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics Education Project |
| 2020 | UZB | Skills Development for a Modern Economy Project |
| 2021 | UZB | Secondary Education Investment in STEM Project |



East Asia

2020

PRC

Chongqing Innovation and Human Capital Development Project

2020

PRC

Shanxi Technical and Vocational Education and Training Development Demonstration

2020

PRC

Jiangxi Shangrao Early Childhood Education Demonstration Project

2021

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Shanxi Changzhi Green Transformation and Human Capital and Demonstration Project

2021

PRC

Shaanxi Xi'an Preschool Education Development Program




Pacific

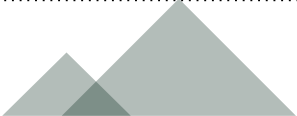
2020	PAL	Health Expenditure and Livelihoods Support Program
2021	PAL	Strengthening Fiscal Management and COVID-19 Response
2021	PNG	Improved Technical and Vocational Education and Training for Employment
2020	SAM	REG: Pacific Disaster Resilience Program (Phase 3) - SAM, TON, KIR, TUV, FSM, RMI, SOL, PAL, COO, VAN)
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2021	VAN	REG: COVID-19 Respose Project for Affected Vulnerable Groups in the Pacific (FIJ, VAN, PAL) <i>[Early Recovery for the Poor and Vulnerable Affected by COVID-19 (FIJ, VAN, PAL)]</i>
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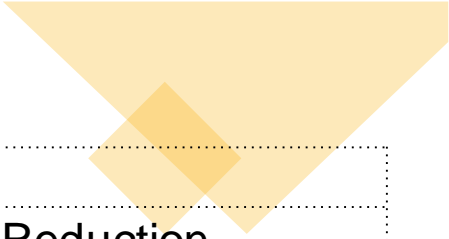


South Asia




2020	BAN	Support to Finance Compensation Package for Frontline COVID-19 Response Workers
2020	IND	Social Protection for the Poor (Program 2)
2020	IND	COVID-19 Active Response and Expenditure Support Program
2021	BAN	Second Skills for Employment Project Phase 1
2021	BHU	Transformative Approaches to Skills Development Project (TVET)
2021	IND	Social Protection for the Poor (Program 3)
2021	IND	Assam Skill Development Project
2021	NEP	Improved Access to Skills for Productive Employment Project
2021	NEP	Building Localized Systems to Address Gender-based Violence Project
2023	BAN	Second Skills for Employment Project Phase 2
2023	BHU	Strengthening Institutional Capacity for Innovation and Digital Transformation (TVET)



 Southeast Asia

2022	CAM	Skills for Future Economy Investment Program
		Advancing Social Protection for Poverty and Inequality Reduction
2021	INO	Program--ASPIRE (RBL)
2022	INO	Skills for Employability Project
2023	LAO	Skill Development for Inclusive and Sustainable Growth Project
2020	PHI	Expanded Social Assistance Project
2020	PHI	Disaster Resilience Improvement Program
2020	PHI	Social Protection Support Project, Second Additional Financing
		Integrating Innovation Systems in Philippine Technical and Vocational
2023	PHI	Education and Training
2023	PHI	Expanded Social Assistance Project, Additional Financing
2022	VIE	Second Skills and Knowledge for Inclusive Economic Growth Project





Thank you.

