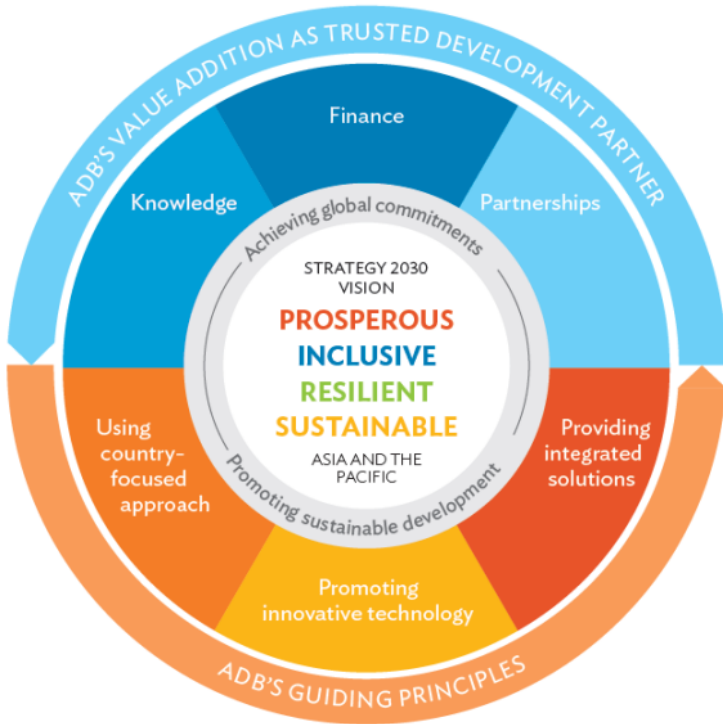




# Greening the Way to Our Shared Future: ADB Support to Nature-Based Solutions

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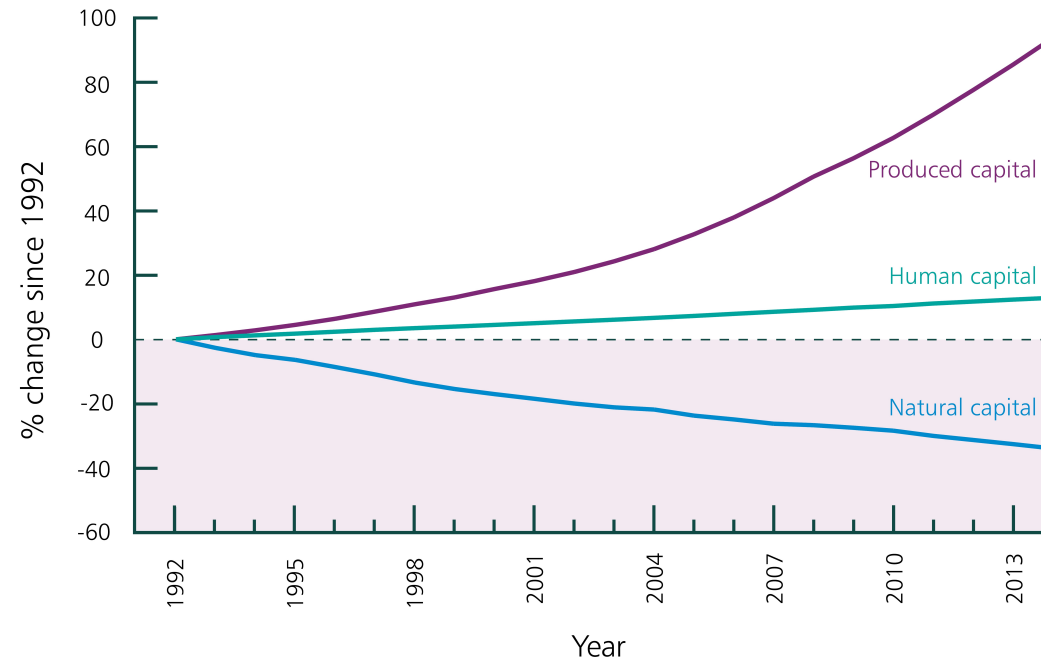
- Asia and the Pacific has made great strides in poverty reduction and economic growth in the past 50 years, but there are unfinished development agendas
- Under the Strategy 2030, ADB will sustain its efforts to eradicate extreme poverty while expanding its vision of a prosperous, inclusive, resilient and sustainable Asia and the Pacific
- Strategy 2030 sets the course for ADB's efforts to respond effectively to the Asia and Pacific region's changing needs. Under Strategy 2030, ADB will expand its vision to tackle poverty reduction, gender equality, stronger governance and institutions, more livable cities, rural development and food security and regional cooperation and integration
- Operational priority 3: **Tackling Climate Change, Building Climate and Disaster Resilience, and Enhancing Environmental Sustainability** aims to addressing the growing risks



# State of Nature and Why it Matters

- Economies, livelihoods and well-being all depend on nature
- More than half of the world's GDP, \$44 trillion, is moderately or highly dependent on nature
- Nature is declining at unprecedented rates
- More than 85% of wetlands have been lost

Human activities are driving catastrophic biodiversity loss and exacerbating already dangerous levels of climate change.



## Top Risks

by impact

- 1 Infectious diseases
- 2 Climate action failure
- 3 Weapons of mass destruction
- 4 Biodiversity loss
- 5 Natural resource crises
- 6 Human environmental damage
- 7 Livelihood crises
- 8 Extreme weather
- 9 Debt crises
- 10 IT infrastructure breakdown

Source: World Economic Forum , Global Risks Report 2021

# Nature-Positive Transformation

Loss of Nature is not only an environmental issue, but a developmental, economic, health, and social issue



## Investing in nature has benefits:

- Global commitments to climate change and biodiversity
- Economic benefits: \$9 of economic benefits for every dollar spent
- New business opportunities could generate up to \$10.1 trillion in annual business value and create 395 million jobs by 2030.
- Protection – natural disasters, ecological services, climate change
- At a time when economies and livelihoods have been derailed by the ongoing pandemic in many places, nature offers new paths forward.

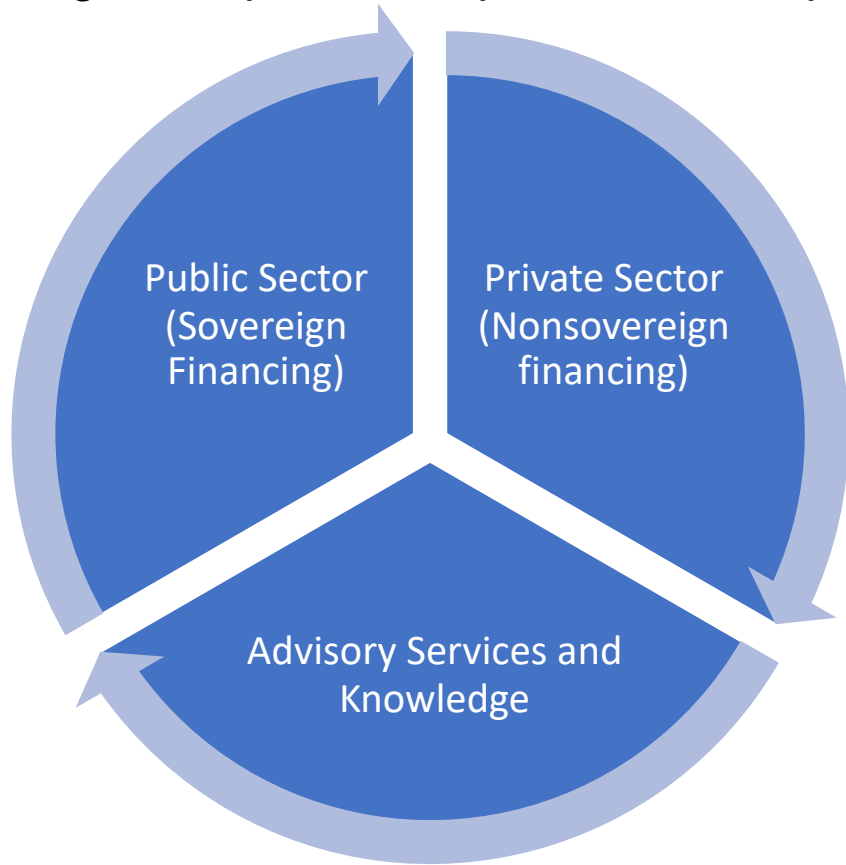
## From opportunity to reality:

- Catalyzing action for a nature-positive economy
- Capital investment
- Enabling policy and regulation support



# Leading Transformation, the Role of ADB

ADB supports projects in developing member countries that create economic and development impact, delivered through both public and private sector operations, advisory services, and knowledge support.





# Nature-Positive Investments

4 core areas:



**Conserve, restore and sustainably manage natural resources** scaling-up nature-based solutions to meet climate and nature development goals



**Strengthen nature and biodiversity elements** in policy, planning, decision making processes and key development sectors



**Enhance governance and institutional capacity** including development of risk screening, data, metrics, methods and tools for mainstreaming



**Catalyze and leverage finance and financial mechanisms** for nature positive investment, including through Natural Capital Lab

## Nature-Positive Investment Roadmap

Putting in place the enabling conditions that are required for ADB and DMCs to commit and increase nature-positive investments

# THANK YOU!

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