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Written Submission on Asian Development Bank's (ADB) September 2023 Draft Environmental and Social Framework (ESF)

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Submitted values are:

Draft ESS 1: Assessment and Management of Environmental and Social Risks and Impacts

Had viewed most of the areas are well covered.

Draft ESS 2: Labor and Working Conditions

It has covered most of the working conditions and have identified the type of workers who might be involved in the project. 2 questions A) In which category a member of the community in which the project will be carried out will be classified under if he/she is taken in to work while it is being implemented . i.e for example one of the landowners who is skilled but is unemployed his/her skill is need in the project and is taken in to work on the project.

B) What about the training of workers or identified persons for specified skills for sustainability of the project i.e projects such provision of safe water supply, solar power reforestation where does this come in

Draft ESS 3: Pollution Prevention and Resource Efficiency

Clearly outline what is to be done during the project specifically in the natural environment . Emphasized should be on the training of personals on conservation of resources and the sustainability of the project this to ensure when the work on the project is complete and is running / there will be people available to correct or ensures that what was being carried out during the project is matained.

Draft ESS 4: Health, Safety, and Security

Well covered -but can't find anything on the use of Substance --illicit drug at the work site ..

Draft ESS 10: Stakeholder Engagement and Information Disclosure

Yes, I do agree that stakeholders should be involved as early as possible and the impact (negative & positive). If the project is to be carried out on a native land it should be clearly explained to them specifically to the landowners in their own language /dialect.

Other Comments

This is the first time for me to attend such a consultation which the outcome will benefit the region and Asian countries and am glad because it gives me an insight into the responsibility that ADB have ensuring that major projects that they are funding does not have an impact on the peoples' livelihood (social, psychological, physically).

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