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Harvesting for Tomorrow:

Agriculture, Food, Nature, and Rural Development Sector

16 September 2025
Auditorium Hall 4, ADB HQ, Manila



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Welcome Remarks

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Transforming food systems toward food security



**\$14 Billion,
2022-2025**

**+\$26 Billion,
2026-2030**

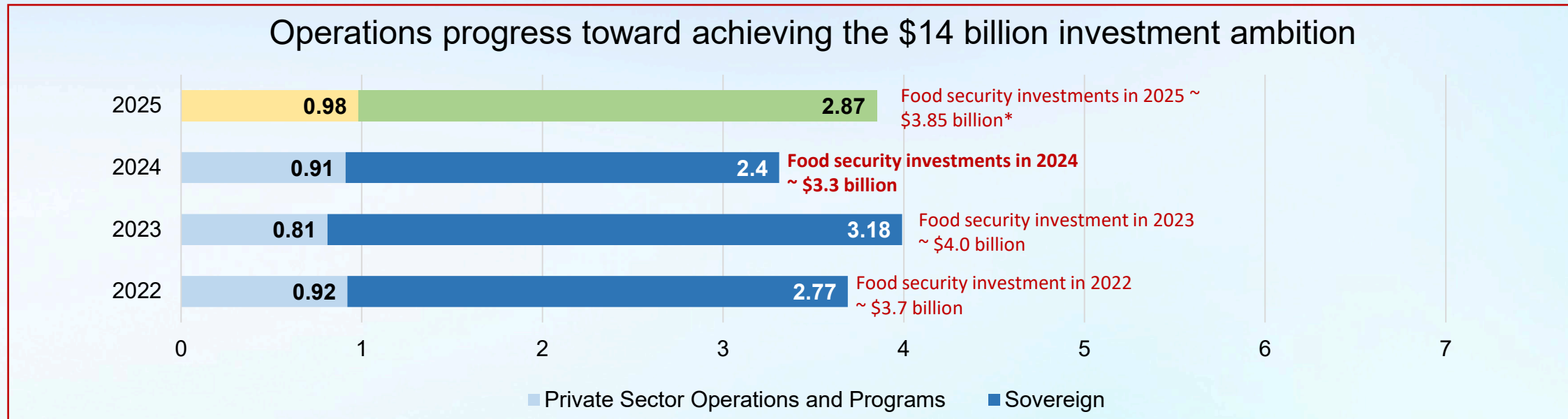
\$40 Billion

On 4 May 2025, President Kanda announced plans to expand its support to long-term food and nutrition security in Asia and the Pacific by \$26 billion, bringing its total funding to **\$40 billion over 2022–2030**.

Around **27.5%** of the commitments over 2022–2030 (\$11 billion) are expected to come from private sector operations.



On Track: Delivering ADB's \$14 billion commitment by 2025



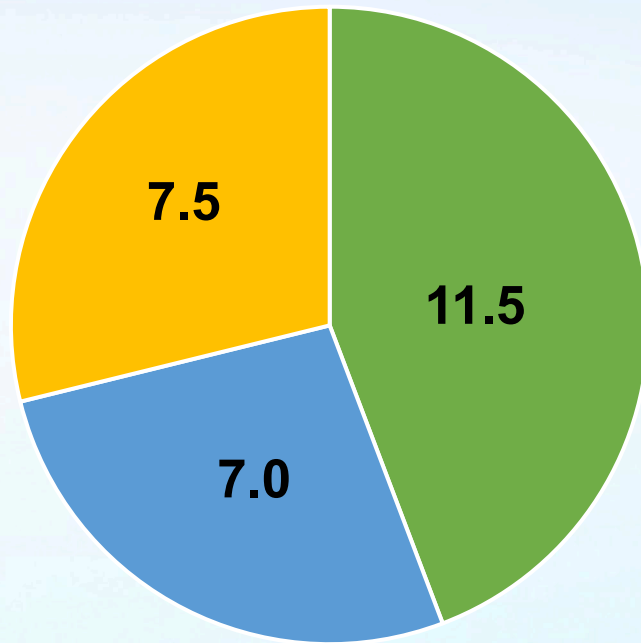
Progress towards achieving \$14 billion investment ambition for food security

- **ADB Commitment to food security:**
 - 2022–24: ADB allocated nearly **\$11 billion** to food security—about 80% of the original allocation
 - 2025: ADB expected to allocate \$3.85 billion in investments for food security
- **Sovereign operations:** investments equally distributed among natural capital development, water resources management, agriculture value chain development, rural development and improving agricultural productivity.
- **Private Sector:** on track to contribute \$3.5 billion out of the \$14 ambition (25%)
- **Long-term food security investments:** nearly 50% to build food system resilience will contribute to adaptation and mitigation



Renewed ambition: \$40 Billion by 2030 for food systems transformation

Breakdown of projects under new ambition, 2026–2030 (\$ billion)



- Sovereign (Central and West Asia+South Asia)
- Sovereign (East Asia+Pacific+Southeast Asia)
- Private Sector Operations

Priority Initiatives



Natural Capital Investments



Resilient River Basin Management



Glacier to Farms



Sustainable Rice Production



Nutrition Security



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Video: Accelerating Food Systems Transformation in Asia and the Pacific



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Natural Capital and Climate, and East Asia

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Director

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The Natural Capital approach



	1. Assessing and Integrating Natural Capital	2. Innovative Financing and Investment Mobilization	3. Enabling Environment for Natural Capital	4. Partnerships, Knowledge Sharing, and Capacity Building
Upstream	Adopting natural capital accounting data, metrics, and tools	Financing needs assessment & taxonomy development	Mainstream natural capital through policy and planning reform	Engage in MDB, regional, and global partnerships and platforms
Midstream	Conducting country, sector, and project-level natural capital assessments	Design & structuring of market-ready, sustainable products	Catalyze private sector participation via incentives and market mechanisms	Support publications and knowledge events
Downstream	Integrating natural capital into country strategies and project pipelines	Financial tracking, disclosure & transparency frameworks	Strengthen regulatory frameworks and compliance enforcement	Support capacity building programs and technical assistance
	Integrating natural capital valuation into project design			

Ecosystem perspective: agriculture, land, water, coastal, marine, biodiversity



The Natural Capital TA: *Scaling Natural Capital Investment in Asia and the Pacific*

- ❖ The TA aims to mainstream nature-positive developments into policies, plans, investments, and operations in ADB DMCs.
 - Output 1: Assessments to support natural capital investments conducted;
 - Output 2: Natural capital investments facilitated
 - Output 3: Enabling policies and institutions for investments in natural capital supported
 - Output 4: Partnerships, knowledge, and capacity to support natural capital investments enhanced.
- ❖ USD 1.8 million
- ❖ Approved in July 2025





East Asia

PRC

- ❖ Focusing on global and regional public goods through ecosystem conservation and green development: carbon, biodiversity, pollution, rural environment
- ❖ YREB program: since 2018, \$3.5 billion investment
- ❖ YREC program: since 2020, \$1.1 billion

Mongolia

- ❖ Focusing on climate change and sustainable development
- ❖ Livestock, grassland, and agriculture
- ❖ Disaster risks management





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Pipeline, 2025-2026

No.	Approval Year	Country	Project Title	Planned Amount (USD)
Loans				
1	2025	IND	Sustainable, Inclusive, and Climate-Resilient Tourism Development at Tehri Lake Area	126,420,000
2	2025	IND	Integrated Eco-tourism and Sustainable Agri-based Livelihood Development Project in Meghalaya	80,000,000
3	2025	LAO	Responsible Forestry Preparation Project (Phase 1)	10,000,000
4	2025	MON	Strengthening Integrated Early Warning System in Mongolia	32,000,000
5	2025	PAK	Sindh Coastal Resilience Sector Project	180,000,000
6	2025	PRC	Sichuan Climate Smart Low Carbon Agriculture Development Demonstration Project	150,000,000
7	2026	IND	Kerala Sustainable Coastal Protection and Climate Resilience Planning Project	200,000,000
8	2026	MON	Strengthening Mongolia's Disaster Resilience Capacity Project	100,000,000
9	2026	PRC	Chishui River Basin Ecological Protection and Green Development Project	150,000,000



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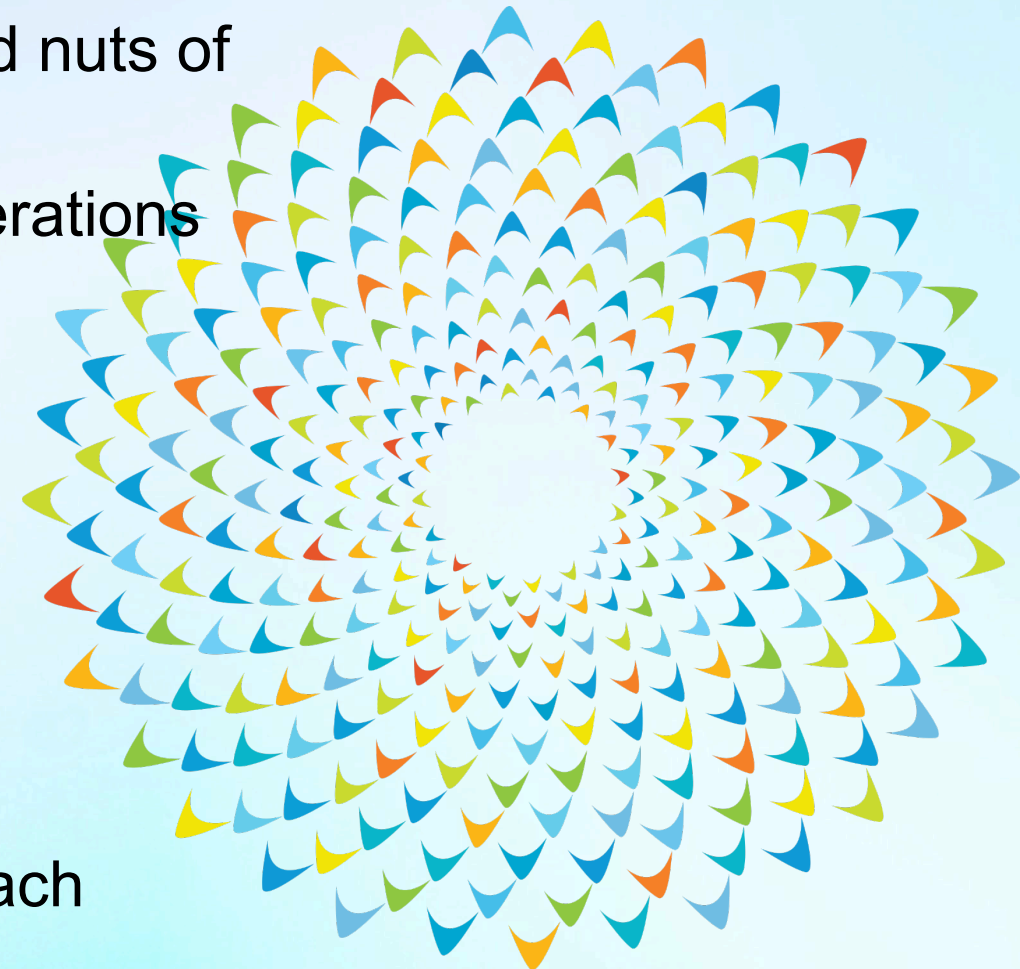
Pipeline, 2025-2026

No.	Approval Year	Country	Project Title	Planned Amount (USD)
Technical Assistance				
1	2025	IND	Capacity Building and Climate Resilience for Sustainable Tourism at Tehri Lake (Attached TA)	1,000,000
2	2025	PAK	Supplementary Financing to TA 10164-PAK: Preparing the Sindh Coastal Resilience Sector Project	500,000
3	2025	REG	Scaling Natural Capacity, Policy, and Investment Throughout Asia and the Pacific	1,800,000
4	2025	REG	Developing Innovative Financial Instruments to Address Climate Risks for Agriculture and Natural Capital in Asia	3,000,000
5	2025	PRC	Framework Design and Integrated Technology Application Demonstration of Natural Capital Accounting	300,000
6	2025	PRC	Hengshui Lake Biodiversity Conservation and Sustainable Development Demonstration Project	600,000
7	2025	PRC	Sustainable Agriculture, Water, and Ecosystem Management in the Hetao Irrigated Oasis, Yellow River Basin	300,000



What we are looking for (differently)

- ❖ Strong operations focus: getting into the bolts and nuts of infrastructure and natural capital investments
- ❖ Ecosystem perspective: priority of NCC team operations
 - Nature-based and hybrid solutions
 - Landscape approach
- ❖ Green financing mechanisms and modalities
 - Water fund
 - Carbon/biodiversity credits
 - Payment for ecosystem services
- ❖ Community engagement and participatory approach





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Central and West Asia, and Glaciers to Farms

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Focus Area 1: Integrated Water Resources Management



Strengthening water governance

- CWRD has pioneered upstream climate risk assessment
- IWRM, data collection, archiving, and disclosure; river basin planning and allocation;
- Modelling, water accounting and productivity;
- Flood and drought forecasting and warning system;
- SOE governance reforms



Sustainable water infrastructure

- Provision of storage
- New and upgraded infrastructure to manage flood flows
- Optimize reservoir and canal management with digital technologies
- Reuse treated wastewater e.g. Ravi project, PAK



Improving water use efficiency and water productivity

- modernizing irrigation to meet future cropping and climate requirements
- Replacement of open canals with pressurized piped systems
- Promote use of water efficiency technologies
- Support WUA strengthening
- Crowd-in private sector for irrigation system and



Trans-boundary water resources management

- ADB leading CAREC water pillar develop project pipelines Improve information sharing and integrated management of shared river basins.
- Climate risk assessment at a regional and subregional context, for regional investment projects



Focus Area 2: Green and Inclusive Agriculture Value Chains

Widen and deepen ADB's engagement in agriculture value chain development with increased private sector participation, use of digital technologies, decarbonized logistics, and support for climate vulnerable farmers.

Promotion of climate smart agriculture practices



Agricultural Diversification



Development of post-harvest facilities and value addition



Regional co-operation through CAREC food security program



Promote agribusiness development and access to finance



Enhance employment opportunities for women and youth



Advance digital solutions for agriculture





Focus Area 3: Natural Capital and Ecosystems



Scaling up biodiversity protection and environmental restoration



Nature-based business opportunities



Identification of innovative and sustainable financing opportunities



Lakes, water courses, and marine and coastal program



Proposed Program: Glaciers to Farms (G2F) – Promoting a Regional Program in Central and West Asia

Hazards linked to glacial melt pose risks for the entire river basin and their interaction with other climate hazards deepen the impacts

FLOODS. Increased flooding linked to increased precipitation and accelerated ice-melt damages infrastructure, disrupts communities, causes agricultural losses, and poses health risks.

BLACK CARBON. Black carbon linked to air pollution further accelerates the melting of snow and ice (update icon).

PRECIPITATION. Changes in precipitation patterns can lead to altered river flows, accelerated ice-melt, increased risk of floods or droughts, and impacts on water availability and agriculture.

GLACIAL FLOOD OUTBURSTS. GLOFs caused by the rapid release of glacial meltwater leads to flooding, infrastructure damage, and loss of life

LANDSLIDES triggered by heavy rainfall, permafrost thaw or seismic activity cause infrastructure damage, loss of life, and disruption of livelihoods.

HEATWAVES. Increased frequency and intensity of heatwaves in mountainous areas can stress ecosystems and crops, affect water availability, and impact health.

MUDSLIDES result in significant damage to infrastructure, agricultural land, and pose threats to human safety.

DROUGHTS. Prolonged droughts lead to water scarcity, lower river levels, reduced agricultural productivity, and increased competition for resources and land degradation.

SEA LEVEL RISE. Contributes to coastal erosion, increased flooding, and loss of land and habitat in coastal regions





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Objective

To enhance the resilience of communities, food systems and social infrastructure in Central and West Asia countries.

Impact

Increased Climate-Resilience and Adaptive Capacity of Communities, Food Systems and Social Infrastructure in Central and West Asia

Total Financing

\$3.5Billion from ADB's own resources and co-financing, including GCF (\$250million)

Co-finance Ratio

Co-finance from ADB sources, and ADB managed funds; ratio is 1:>10 high

Implementation Period

2026- 2035 (10 years)

Implementation Arrangements

ADB, as the Accredited Entity (AE)

Country Allocation

Maximum and minimum allocations for GCF funding in countries.

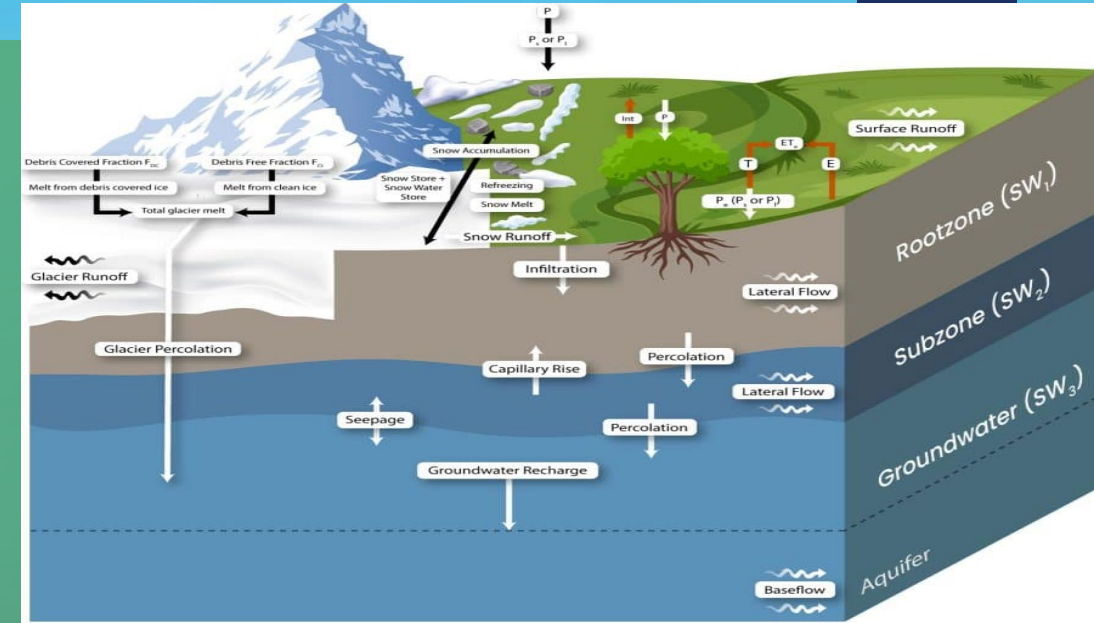
Project Preparatory Facility: Glacier Risk Assessment

Objective: Assess the impacts of glacial melting in water availability and supply of 4 important watersheds in Central and West Asia

Selection criteria of watersheds:

- Role of glaciers in the river basins
- Relative importance of agriculture in the total water demand
- Transboundary aspects (2+x countries)
- Coverage over the project area

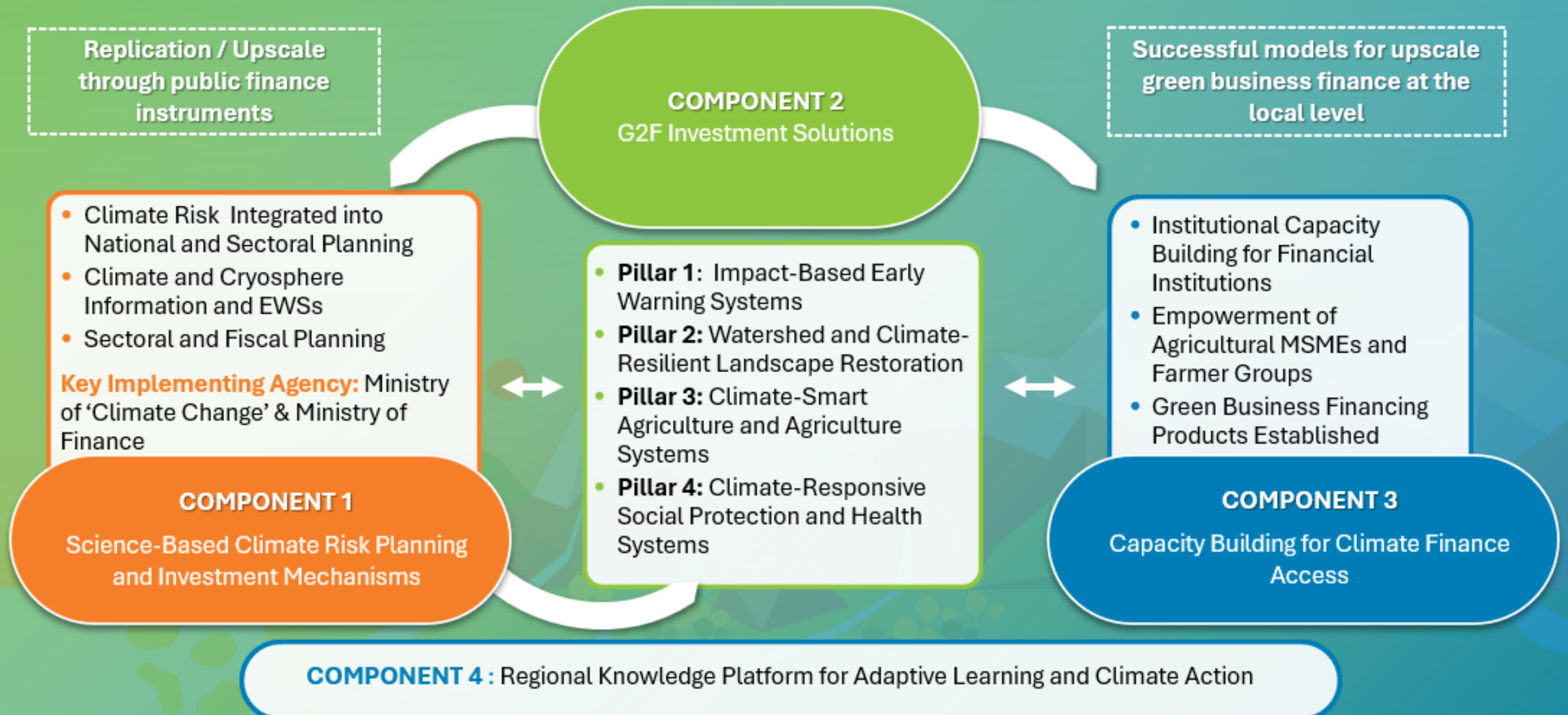
Methodology:



Result of the Study:

Informs the preparation of the G2F proposal : Identification of investment projects (including EWS and hydromet needs) for the 9 DMCs

From Glaciers to Farms (G2F) – Promoting a Regional Program in Central and West Asia





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Flagship Projects (proposed): Central and West Asia



Kyrgyz Republic: Conservation and Afforestation for Resilient Ecosystem (CARE)

Brief Description:

The project will strengthen integrated forest–pasture–agroforestry governance, promoting sustainable resource use, and restoring degraded forest landscapes through community-led management and climate-resilient agroforestry systems.

Amount and Modality: TBD

Impact: Sustainable natural resources management and rural economies enhanced (National Development Strategy, 2018–2040).

Outcome: Climate and ecosystem resilience of Arslanbob's forests and community livelihoods improved.

Outputs:

- (i) Institutions and policies for sustainable forest–pasture management strengthened;
- (ii) Community-led, sustainable management of forests enhanced;
- (iii) Sustainable, inclusive, and climate-resilient livelihoods developed.

Project Status:

Concept note endorsed





Pakistan: Punjab Hill Torrents Management Project

Brief Description:

The project will help mitigate flash floods risks and increase use of flood water for economic activities through integrated and hybrid solutions in Punjab, Pakistan

Amount and Modality: \$200 million (project loan)

Impact: Climate resilience and food security of Punjab improved.

Outcome: Protection from flood risks and agricultural productivity in DG Khan and Rajanpur improved.

Outputs:

- (i) Nature-based solutions and green infrastructure developed;
- (ii) Flood protection, agriculture and community infrastructure developed;
- (iii) Institutional capacity, digital and participatory management enhanced.

Project Status

For approval 2026





Pakistan: Sindh Coastal Resilience Sector Project

Brief Description: The Sindh Coastal Resilience Sector Project (SCRP) will support the development of a prosperous and resilient coastal region. SCRPP will strengthen the building blocks of resilience: the underlying physical and non-physical elements that support the protection, improve health and food security, and enable sustainable development of the communities in the coastal areas.

Amount and Modality: \$140 million (ADB loan)
\$40million (GCF grant and loan)

Impact:

Resilience of local communities against the adverse impacts of climate change enhanced.; Impacts of flood events to coastal communities minimized.

Outcomes: Risks of recurring damage to livelihoods, land, and freshwater from natural hazards and climate change in the coastal region reduced.

Outputs:

- (i) Climate resilient integrated water resources, drainage, and flood risk management solutions developed;
- (ii) Nature-based solutions for coastal protection restored;
- (iii) Institutional and community capacity for strategic action planning strengthened.

Project Status:

Proposed approval date – 10 December 2025



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Tajikistan: Digital Agriculture Management for Improved Food Security Project

Brief Description:

The project will modernize Tajikistan's livestock sector with digital tools and climate-smart practices. It will improve veterinary services, introduce a digital livestock ID system, and support women farmers through training and digital platforms.

Amount and Modality: \$17 million (grant)

Impact: Food security and people's access to good quality nutrition increased.

Outcome: A productive, digitally enabled, and environmentally sustainable livestock sector developed.

Outputs:

1. Strengthening legislation and institutions on livestock supported;
2. Digital livestock management platform developed, and services for health of animals enhanced;
3. Climate-resilient pasture management strengthened.

Project Status:

For approval November 2025





Uzbekistan: Resilient Amu Darya and Syr Darya River Basins Investment Program

Brief Description: The proposed project will undertake a long-term and strategic approach to deliver climate adaptive solutions for water resources management in the Amu Darya and Syr Darya River Basins in Uzbekistan.

Amount and Modality: Multi-tranche Financing Facility

- \$ 186 million (ADB loan and Co-financing)
- \$ 14 million (ADF grant)

Impact: Water resources, food security, and climate change resilience improved.

Outcome: Resilience of water resources enhanced, agriculture production improved, and disaster risk in the Amu Darya's and Syr Darya's subbasins reduced.

Outputs:

1. Resilient river basin management system developed;
2. Resilient irrigation systems improved;
3. Capacity of institutions and farmers in climate-resilient water resource management and agricultural practices strengthened.

Project Status
For approval 2026



Note: Ayakchi River in Kashkadarya in Feb 2024



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South Asia and Agricultural, Value Chain, and Nutrition Team

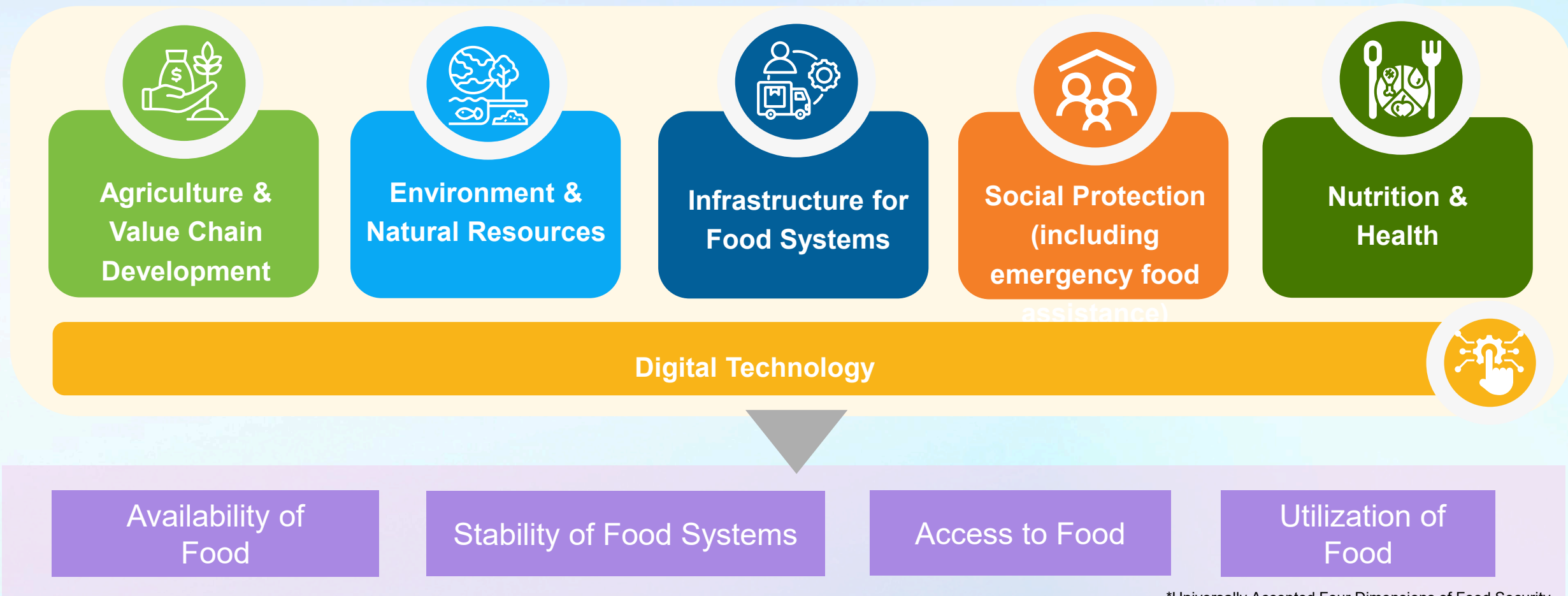
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Key Areas: 5 Pillars for transforming food system





Key Opportunities (1)

Agriculture & Value Chain Development

- Promote inclusive, low-emission agribusiness models and climate-smart agriculture
- Use digital and energy-efficient technologies to enhance productivity, reduce GHG emissions, and support nutrition-sensitive value chains

Environment & Natural Resources

- Restore ecosystems and promote nature-based solutions for land and water management
Strengthen integrated river basin management to reduce climate risks and build resilient food systems

Infrastructure for Food Systems

- Invest in resilient irrigation, storage, transport, and cold chain systems to reduce losses — especially of perishable, nutrient-rich foods
- Integrate low-emission technologies to ensure safe, reliable and nutritious food supply chains



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Key Opportunities (2)

Social Protection (including emergency food)

- Connect vulnerable populations to safety nets, insurance, and emergency food support
- Support community-based adaptation and disaster preparedness for food and nutrition security

Nutrition and Health

- Promote diverse, climate-resilient local food production to improve diet quality and affordability
Strengthen food safety and link agriculture with nutrition education and primary health services



Sovereign Portfolio (Active Loans and Grants)

\$ million

Region/Country		No of Projects	No. of Loans and Grants	Net Amount	Cumulative Contract Award	Cumulative Disbursement
East Asia		32	42	4,776.7	1,758.1	1,534.0
Southeast Asia		35	79	3,028.0	1,357.1	1,065.3
Pacific		2	3	124.4	20.1	16.5
South Asia		21	34	2,131.6	1,057.2	824.0
	BHU	-	-	-	-	-
	BAN	3	5	357.8	27.8	15.6
	IND	7	8	890.0	549.0	338.8
	MLD	1	4	26.0	-	-
	NEP	7	13	436.0	103.6	52.4
	SRI	3	4	421.9	376.8	417.2
Central and West Asia		28	41	2,261.5	1,151.0	1,019.8
Total		118	199	12,322.2	5,343.4	4,459.7



Sovereign Portfolio (Active TAs)

\$'000

	No. of TAs	TA Amount	Committed Amount	Cumulative Disbursement
East Asia	26	26,348.4	14,029.7	9,602.1
Southeast Asia	18	92,985.3	43,454.3	31,281.2
Pacific	2	5,800.0	1,490.8	160.3
South Asia	14	30,342.5	21,393.2	15,043.5
BHU	-	-	-	-
BAN	1	500.0	-	-
IND	5	12,686.4	10,783.2	7,914.3
MLD	1	1,500.0	921.3	0.1
NEP	4	5,150.0	1,394.2	1,164.7
SRI	1	1,300.0	1,038.9	508.5
REG	2	9,206.1	7,255.6	5,455.9
Central and West Asia	22	41,797.0	28,834.1	14,641.1
Total	82	197,273.2	109,202.1	70,728.1



Projects (Example 1)

India: Building India's Clean Plant Program (2023-2031)



IMPACT

Yields, quality, and climate resilience of horticulture crops in India improved



OUTCOME

Horticulture farmers' access to certified disease-free planting materials of target crops improved



OUTPUTS

1. Institutional and regulatory frameworks, and knowledge networks for clean plant program established and operationalized
2. Clean plant centers established and operationalized
3. Certified clean planting materials produced by accredited nurseries



COST AND FINANCING

- Total: \$196 million
- ADB (loan): \$98 million
- Government: \$98 million
- Climate Financing Amount: \$79.28 million



ADB's Added Value and Innovations: Improved horticulture crop farmers' access to certified disease-free planting materials across India, resulting in improved yields, crop quality, and climate resilience of horticulture crops.

Primary Thematic Area: Agriculture and Value Chain Development



Projects (Example 2)

India: Inclusive and Sustainable Bamboo Value Chain Development in Northeastern India (2025-2030)



IMPACT

(i) The under-developed bamboo industry in northeastern India rejuvenated, (ii) Dependency on import of bamboo and bamboo products reduced, and (iii) Income of the primary producers increased



OUTCOME

Climate resilient, inclusive and sustainable bamboo value chains in northeastern India developed



OUTPUTS

1. Community bamboo resources utilization and management enhanced
2. Bamboo value chain infrastructure and services provision improved
3. Digital bamboo production monitoring system, marketplace, and market intelligence established
4. Institutional capacity, policies, and strategies strengthened

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COST AND FINANCING

- Total: \$106.0 million
- ADB (loan): \$53.0 million
- TA (loan) : \$3.0 million
- Government: \$53.0 million
- Climate Financing Amount: \$*** million



ADB's Added Value and Innovations: Strengthened capacity and promoted global best practice and benchmarking studies in bamboo

Primary Thematic Area: Agriculture and Value Chain Development



Projects (Example 3)

Sri Lanka: Transforming Irrigation Systems for Improved Food Security Project (2025-2027)



IMPACT

Water usage optimized, water security enhanced, vulnerability of communities to climate-related challenges reduced, and food security in project area improved.



OUTCOME

Climate resilient agricultural productivity in the project areas increased.



OUTPUTS

1. Climate resilient pipe distribution network (PDN) irrigation systems in project areas constructed.
2. Capacity of farmer organizations on new PDN technologies and operations and maintenance strengthened



COST AND FINANCING

- Total: \$3 million
- JFPR (grant): \$3.00 million
- Government: \$0.92 million
- Climate Financing Amount: \$3.00 million



ADB's Added Value and Innovations: Piloting of PDN systems

Primary Thematic Area: Infrastructure for Food Systems



Projects (Example 4)

Bhutan: Enhancing Food Security through Smallholders' Climate-Adaptive Potato Production (2026-2029)



IMPACT

Food security and livelihood of potato farmers improved



OUTCOME

Productivity and production of potato in the project areas increased



OUTPUTS

1. Production of climate-adaptive micro-tubers and mini tubers increased
2. Production of certified potato seeds through private enterprises (seed growers) increased
3. Institutional capacity of farmers and government staff strengthened, and marketing channels developed



COST AND FINANCING

- Total: \$3 million
- JFPR (grant): \$3 million
- Climate Financing Amount: \$2.2 million



ADB's Added Value and Innovations: The project will provide the latest equipment for tissue culture, biotechnology laboratories, aeroponics and greenhouses, and training to all relevant stakeholders including local scientists, seed growers, farmers, and aggregators with specific focus on women.

Primary Thematic Area: Agriculture and Value Chain Development



Expected Procurement and Consultant Recruitment

Project /TA	Approval No.	Country /Region	Name of Project/TA	Descriptin	Type	Estimated Value (\$)	Procurement/ Recruitment Method	Advertisement Date
TA	6977	REG	Strengthening Capacity to Design and Implement Climate Resilience Projects Facility	Project preparation consultants for Bangladesh	Consulting Services	3,500,000	?	2025
TA	10542	REG	Smart Agriculture Guidance and Enhancement	Digital solutions development for Nepal (firm)	Consulting Services	150,000	Simplified consultant selection	2025 -
				Digital advisory services and capacity development for India	Consulting Services	35,000	Individual	2025 -
Project		Sri Lanka	Mahaweli Water Security Investment Program Stage 2	Pipe Distribution Network for Commercial Agriculture Development	Works	6,670,000	OCB (INT)	2027
				Construction of North Central Province Canal	Works	86,300,000	OCB (INT)	2025
						101,100,000	OCB (INT)	2025
						110,800,000	OCB (INT)	2025
				Balance work of Upper Elahera Canal	Works	26,000,000	OCB (INT)	2025
				Pipeline distribution Network Project Management, Design and Construction Supervision Consultants	Consulting Services	2,340,000	QCBS	2025
				Study for Operationalization of Water Balance	Consulting Services	780,000	QCBS	2026
				Pipe Distribution Network for Commercial Agriculture Development	Works	7,610,000	OCB (INT)	Indicative
						9,410,000	OCB (INT)	Indicative
				Installation of Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition	Works	1,000,000	OCB (INT)	Indicative

INT = international, OCB = open competitive bidding, QCBS = quality- and cost-based selection, REG = regional, TA = technical assistance.



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Information on Projects, Tenders, and Procurement Plans

Screenshot of the ADB website showing the "Projects & Tenders" section. The page displays a search bar, filter results, and a list of tenders.

Projects & Tenders

Filter results

Country/Economy

- ☐ Regional
- ☐ Afghanistan
- ☐ Armenia
- ☐ Azerbaijan
- ☐ Bangladesh
- ☐ Bhutan
- ☐ Brunei Darussalam
- ☐ Cambodia

Sectors

- ☐ Agriculture, natural resources and rural development

Procurement of goods, works, and consulting services

Search tenders

Results 1-20 of 44241

Building Resilience and Reducing Rural Poverty Project

Status: Active | Deadline: 15 Aug 2025

57225-001; Lao People's Democratic Republic; Public sector management; Posting date: 05 Jul 2025

Notice Type: Invitation for Bids

Approval Number: 4533,0990,0991

Sector Specialist (Governance and Digital)

Status: Active | Deadline: 10 Jul 2025

56227-001; Regional; Public sector management; Posting date: 04 Jul 2025

Notice Type: Individual - Consulting

Key Documents

- Procurement Plans
- Procurement Policy
- Procurement Regulations

Shortlisted Firms - Consulting Services

See the list →



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Video: Clean Plant Program



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Southeast Asia and the Pacific, and Resilient River Basin Management

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Focus Areas in Southeast Asia and the Pacific

Promote use of climate-smart agricultural practices



Promote adoption of advanced technologies (i.e., satellite and drone-assisted applications)



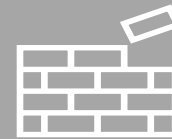
Ensure sustainable and efficient use of land and water resources, and biodiversity conservation



Enhance disaster preparedness and climate resilience.



Strengthen public infrastructure and services



Promote private sector investment to accelerate growth



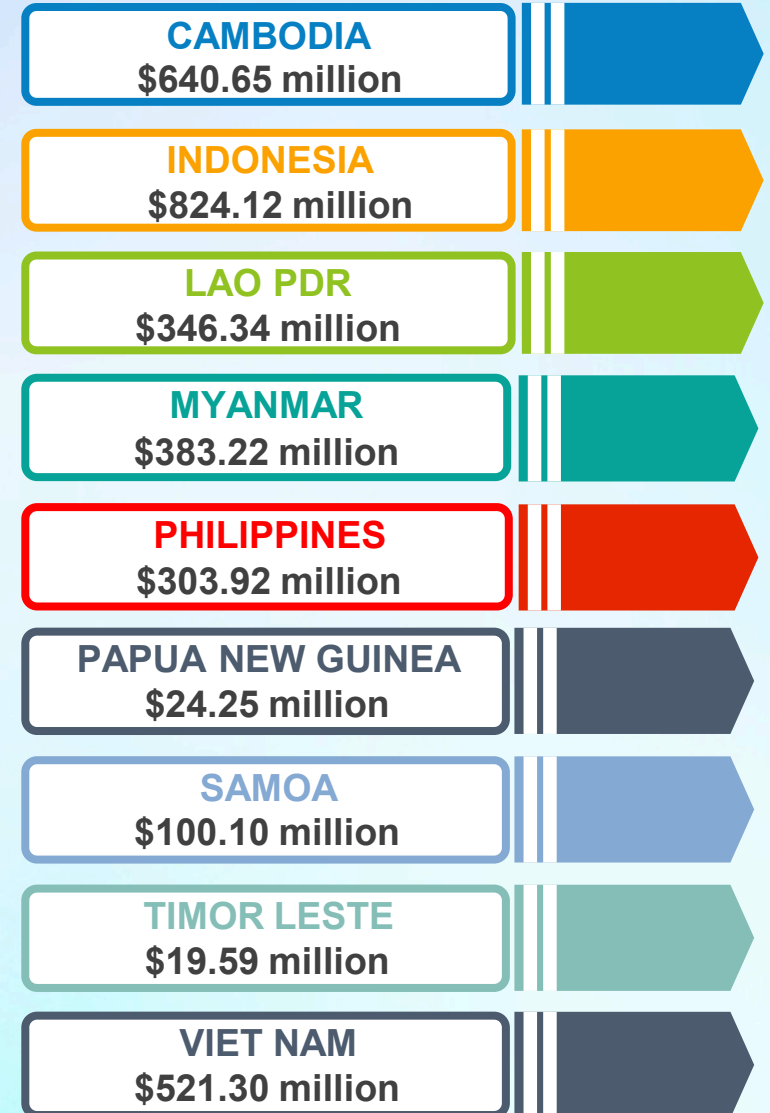
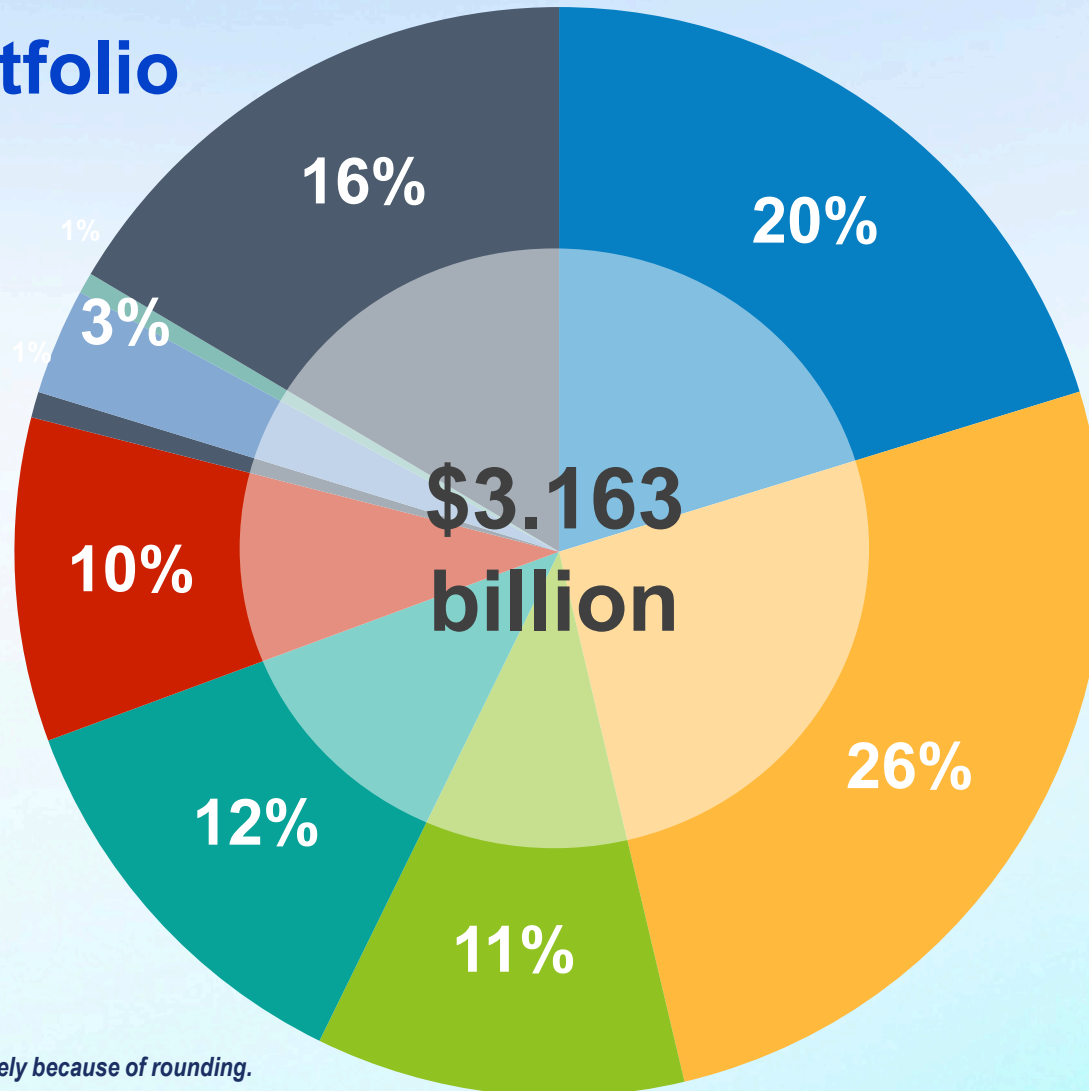


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Current Portfolio



As of 5 September 2025

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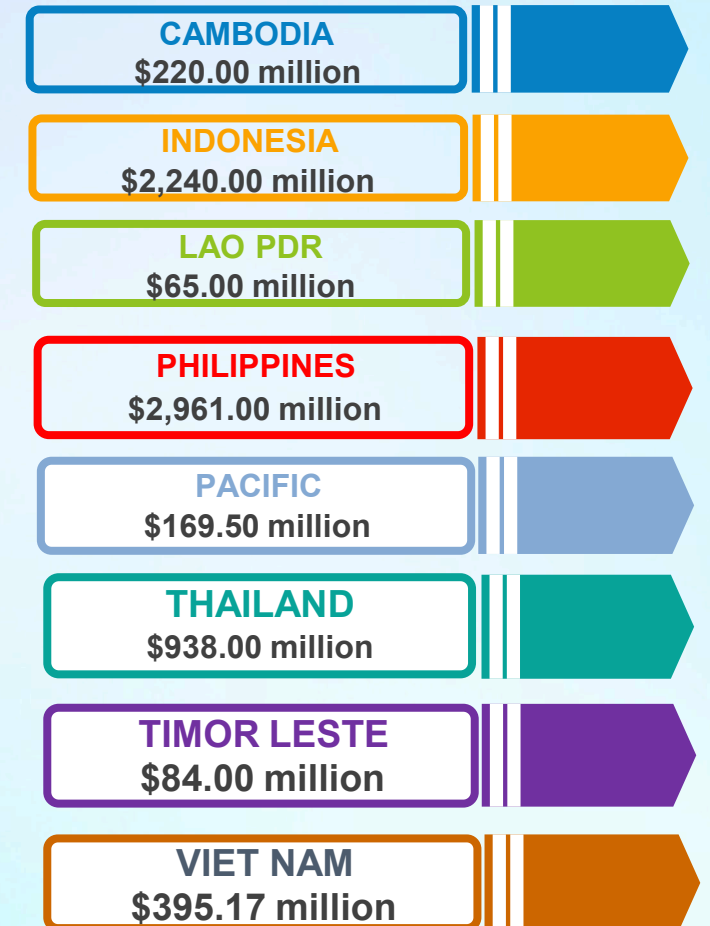
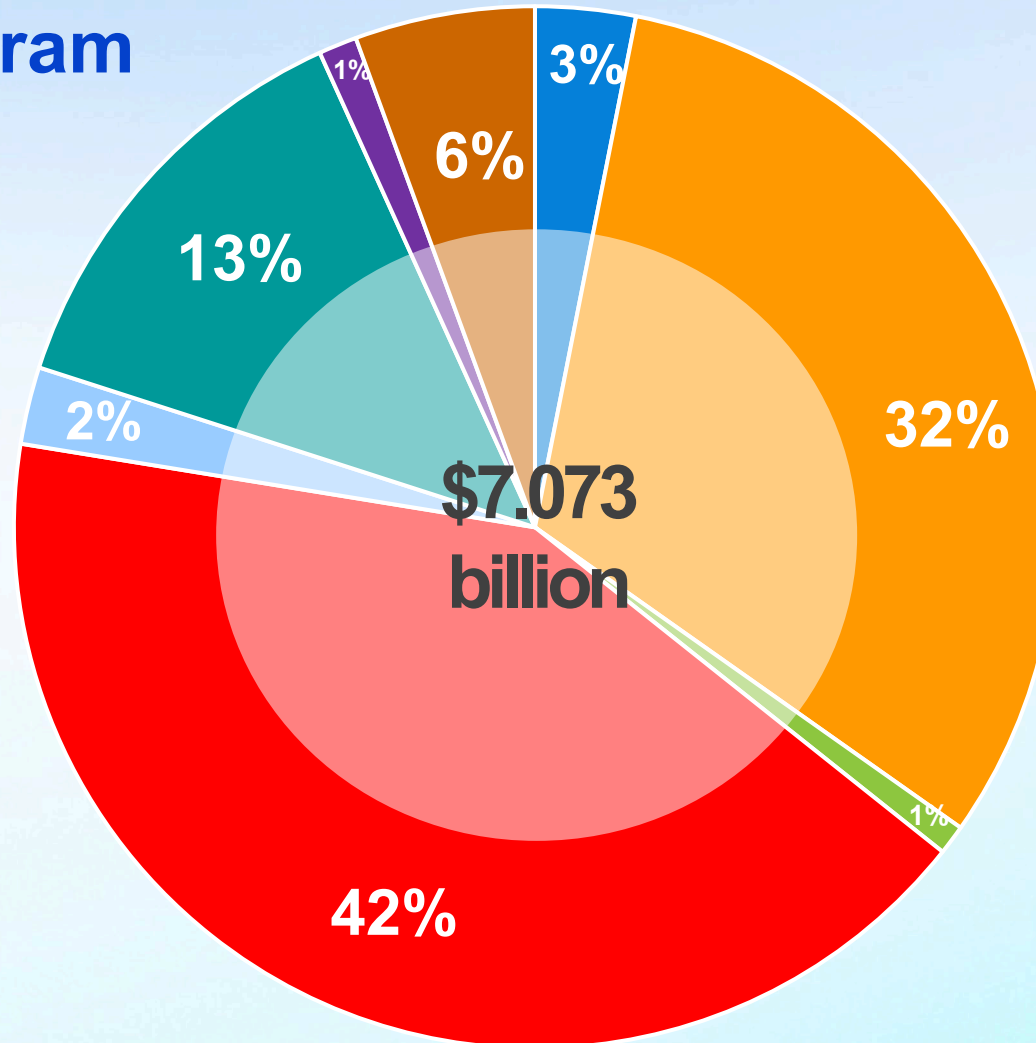


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Lending Program 2025–2028



As of 12 September 2025

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Resilient River Basin Initiative



Adopts a **comprehensive source-to-sea perspective**, applying landscape and systems approaches to build and improve the resilience and sustainability of river basins in the face of climate change, natural disasters, and human activities



Promotes both **cross-border** and **intra-country regional** and **district upstream works** and **knowledge sharing** by bringing together river basin managers, regional knowledge institutes, and international networks



Initiative will be aligned with and contribute to the ASEAN (i) **Strategic Plan of Action on Water Resources Management** by developing bankable programs; and (ii) **Blue Economy Framework** that recognizes river basins and sustainable freshwater management as integral to the region's blue economy.





Southeast Asia Resilient River Basin Initiative

A healthy river and ecosystem approach



Solutions

Integration to build resilient basin systems



Technology

Flood Forecasting Early Warning System Earth Observation Services



Financing

Climate financing (ACGF), payment for ecosystem services, green bonds, disaster risk finance, and insurance, land value capture



Sustainability

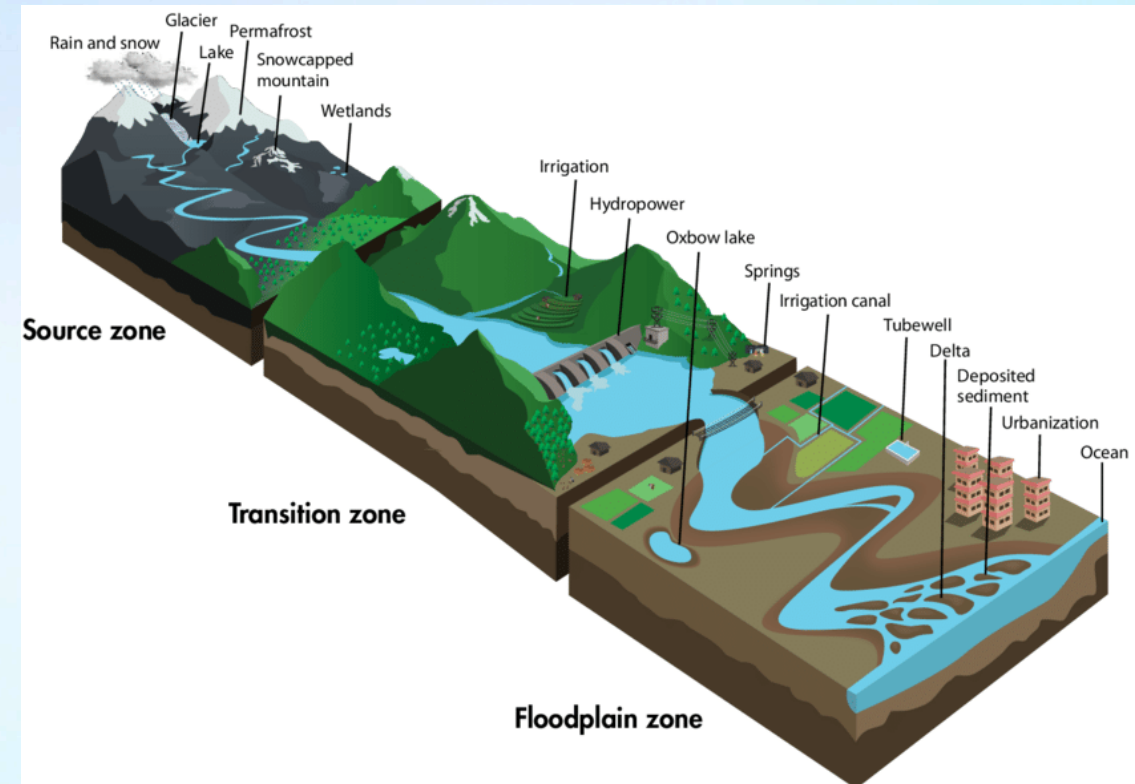
Nature-Based Solutions
Engineering standards, and spatial planning
Enhanced asset management

\$120 billion

the estimated investment required over the next decade for comprehensive river basin management across the ASEAN region

\$3.4 billion

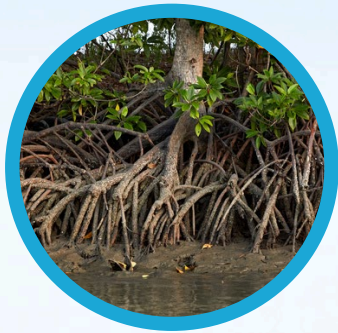
has been programmed by ADB for 2025–2028 to support climate-resilient and nature-based solutions in the region





Coastal Resilience Program

ADB's Action Plan for Healthy Oceans and Sustainable Blue Economies provide foundation for protecting the oceans, coastal areas, and island nations on the front lines of climate change



Ecosystem-based adaptation

Restoring and protecting natural coastal ecosystems, such as mangroves, wetlands, coral reefs, beaches, and sand dunes—which act as natural buffers against extreme hazard events—to provide crucial support for fisheries and agriculture



Coastal infrastructure and hybrid solutions development

Developing climate-resilient gray and hybrid infrastructure, including artificial reefs, sea walls, multifunctional embankments, and protection systems, in combination with nature-based solutions to protect against coast hazards; integrated sediment management strategies will also be employed, linking upstream catchments, deltas, and coastal systems



Community resilience

Engaging local communities in decision-making and strengthening their capacity to manage and implement sustainable coastal protection measures, while promoting climate-resilient and gender inclusive farming and fishing and processing practices



Integrated coastal zone management (ICZM)

Strengthening coastal governance, disaster risk management, and environmental protection to improve resilience and sustained marine biodiversity. This includes cross-sector collaboration between governments, local authorities, and communities.

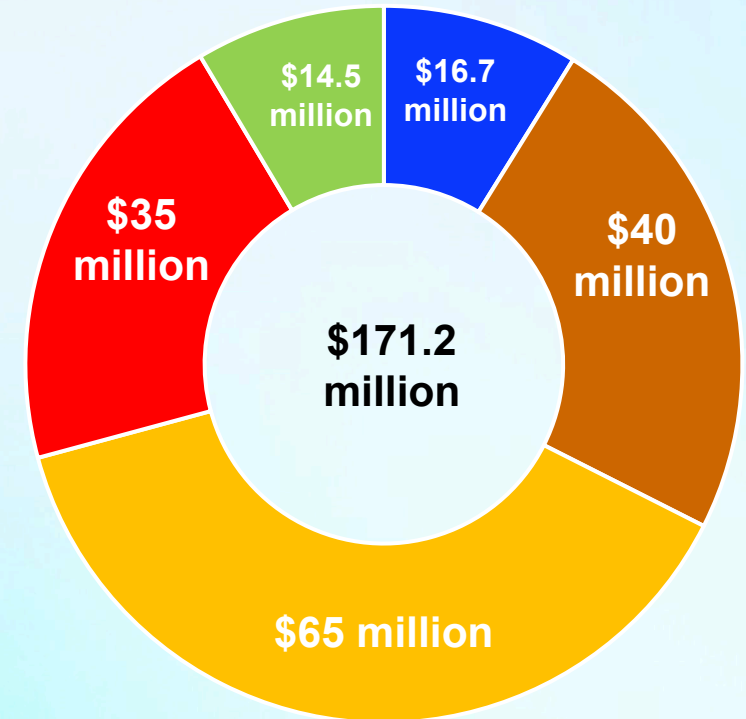


Climate-Food-Nature Investments in the Pacific

- **Areas:** food security and nutrition – agriculture and fisheries; agri-food value chains; coastal resilience and protection; flood control; natural capital and biodiversity conservation; etc.
- **Technologies:** climate-smart practices; nature-based solutions for coastal protection; ecosystem-based adaptation to climate change; remote sensing; etc.
- **Cross-sector collaboration:** social protection / health, ICT, transport, energy, tourism, etc.
- Sovereign and non-sovereign linkages

Pacific AFNR Initiatives 2025–2028

- FIJ (2025): Enhancing Climate Resilience of Coastal Communities Project, \$16.7M (\$15M ADF14, Ocean Resilience and Coastal Adaptation Trust Fund \$1.7M)
- PNG (2026): Fresh Food Marketing Chain System Development Project, \$40M
- RMI (2027): National Adaptation Plan Implementation Project, \$14.5M
- TUV (2027): Funafuti Climate Adaptation and Disaster Resilience Infrastructure Project, \$35M
- SAM (2027): Vaisigano River Integrated Flood Management Project, \$35M
- SAM (2028): Alaoa Multipurpose Dam Project – Additional Financing, \$30M
- REG (2025): Developing Climate-Food-Nature Investments in the Pacific (1st Supplementary TA) \$4M
- REG (2026): Developing Climate-Food-Nature Investments in the Pacific (2nd Supplementary TA) \$2M





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Regional cooperation on food systems transformation

GMS Sustainable Agriculture and Food Security Program

- *Recent highlight:* In November 2024, GMS Agriculture Ministers endorsed **GMS 2030 Kunming Strategic Framework for Transformation of Agrifood Systems** prioritizing green and climate resilient agriculture, safe and quality agrifood systems, and food diversification with value chain optimization.
- *Next phase:* (i) leveraging public sector agrifood investment pipeline; (ii) building GMS private sector network for policy and supply chain integration; (iii) scaling up regional public goods such as harmonized food safety and digital traceability.

GMS Climate Change and Environmental Sustainability Program

- *Recent highlight:* In September 2024, GMS Environment Ministers endorsed **GMS 2030 Strategic Framework for Accelerating Climate Action and Environmental Sustainability** prioritizing climate and disaster resilience and low carbon transitions, climate-smart landscapes and environmental quality; and green technologies and financing instruments; and issued a **Joint Statement on Prevention of Plastic Pollution in the GMS**
- *Next phase:* (i) undertaking natural capital accounting and assessment; (ii) developing nature-positive, climate mitigation, and adaptation projects; (iii) identifying sustainable financing mechanism to leverage private sector

ASEAN Integrated Food Security Framework

ADB is supporting the Post-2025 ASEAN Agenda to strengthen regional food security including (i) review of ASEAN+3 Emergency Rice Reserve System; (ii) developing early warning function of ASEAN Food Security Information System; (iii) Regional Agriculture Trade Forum; and (iv) mainstreaming nutrition as a core pillar.





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Proposed Flagship Projects: Southeast Asia and the Pacific



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Planned investments

Modernizing Agrifood Value Chains (\$355m)	Investing in Natural Capital for Food Systems Resilience (\$2.6b)	Upgrading Infrastructure for Resilient Food Systems (\$3.4b)	Mainstreaming Nutrition and Healthy Diets Across Food Systems (\$400m)	Strengthening Social Protection and Regional Cooperation (\$200m+)
<p><u>2025</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> LAO Sustainable Agrifood Systems Sector Project (\$35m) <p><u>2026</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> CAM Smallholder Resilient Economic Development Sector Project (\$60m) PNG Fresh Food Marketing Chain System Development Project (\$40m) TIM Coffee and Agroforestry Livelihood Improvement Project - Additional Financing (\$4m) <p><u>2027</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> CAM Agriculture Transformation Acceleration Project (\$75m) PHI Promoting Sustainability and Productivity for Enterprises Resilient Upscaling in the Philippines (ProsPER) Project (\$61m) TIM Integrated Rural Development Sector Project (\$30m) <p><u>2028</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> TIM Agriculture and Fisheries Sector Development Project (\$50m) 	<p><u>2025</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> FIJ Enhancing Climate Resilience of Coastal Communities Sector Project (\$15m) PHI Marine Ecosystems for Blue Economy Development Program, SP1 (\$500m) <p><u>2026</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> INO Reducing Marine Debris Program, SP2 (\$500m) LAO Responsible Forestry Preparation Project (\$10m) PHI Climate Change Action Program, SP3 (\$500m) <p><u>2027</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> RMI National Adaptation Plan Implementation Project (\$14.5M) THA Securing Gulf of Thailand Blue Economy (\$80m) <p><u>2028</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> INO Reducing Marine Debris Program, SP3 (\$500m) LAO Responsible Forestry Project (\$20m) PHI Marine Ecosystems for Blue Economy Development Program, SP2 (\$500m) 	<p><u>2025</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> VIE Climate Resilient Inclusive Infrastructure for Ethnic Minorities Project II (\$59m) <p><u>2026</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> INO Development and Rehabilitation Irrigation Project, (\$400m) PHI Agriculture Investment Preparation Facility (\$140m) PHI Solar Powered Irrigation Project (\$250m) THA Lower East Chao Phraya Irrigation System Improvement – Climate Adaptive Strengthening Project T1 (\$330m) VIE Climate Adaptation Through Irrigation Modernization Project (\$40.7m) <p><u>2027</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> CAM Second Integrated Water Resources Management Project (\$85m) INO Flood Management and Coastal Protection in Priority River Basins Project (\$400m) <p><u>2027 (cont.)</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> PHI Integrated Flood Resilience and Adaptation Investment Program – T1 (\$350m) SAM Vaisigano River Integrated Flood Management Project (\$35m) TUV Funafuti Climate Adaptation and Disaster Resilience Infrastructure Project, \$35M <p><u>2028</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> INO Raw Water Supply for Water Security Enhancement (\$250m) THA Lower East Chao Phraya Irrigation System Improvement – Climate Adaptive Strengthening Project (T2) (\$528m) PHI Integrated Flood Resilience and Adaptation Investment Program – T2 (\$500m) SAM Alaoa Multipurpose Dam Project – Additional Financing, (\$30M) 	<p><u>2025</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> PHI Reducing Food Insecurity and Undernutrition with Electronic Vouchers Project 	<p><u>2025</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> MYA Social Protection and Resilience for Communities Project (\$100m) <p><u>2027</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> MYA Providing Essential Services to the People of Myanmar Phase III (\$100m) <p><u>Ongoing</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> TA 9915 GMS Sustainable Agriculture and Food Security Program (present until 2028) TA 9916 GMS Climate Change and Environment Sustainability Program (present until 2027) ASEAN Plus Three Emergency Rice Reserve ASEAN Good Agricultural Practices



Fiji: Enhancing Climate Resilience of Coastal Communities Sector Project

Brief Description: The project will pilot and implement climate adaptation measures such as hybrid and nature-based coastal protection solutions, increase community engagement and strengthen local and institutional capacities to address coastal flooding and erosion caused by sea-level rise and extreme weather. The project is expected to directly benefit 3,000 people living in the coastal communities of which 50% are women.

Amount and Modality: Sector project

- \$15.0 million (ADF 14 grant)
- \$1.7 million (cofinancing)

Impact: climate resilience of coastal communities enhanced.

Outcome: climate exposure and vulnerability of coastal ecosystems and communities reduced through habitat restoration and improved livelihoods.

Outputs:

1. Resilient and integrated nature-based coastal protection provided;
2. Climate resilient livelihoods supported;
3. Institutional capacity on integrated coastal protection improved.

Project Status

For approval 2025





THA Lower East Chao Phraya Irrigation System Improvement – Climate Adaptive Strengthening Project

Background: The Chao Phraya River basin is the largest basin in Thailand, covering approximately 35% of the country, and draining an area of 157,924 km². The fertile central plains drained by the Chao Phraya River and its tributaries sustain the country's agricultural activities and economy, and host complex natural habitats and unique biodiversity. Populations in the lower reaches of the basin and in coastal communities rely on agriculture and fisheries and are also particularly vulnerable to climate change, while Bangkok is extremely vulnerable to flooding exacerbated by sea-level rise.

Amount and Modality: Multi-tranche Financing Facility Large Stand-Alone Project, tentatively comprising three tranches

- \$1,400.0 million (ADB)
- \$ 798.0 million (cofinancing)

Impact: Economic impacts from climate-induced floods and droughts reduced

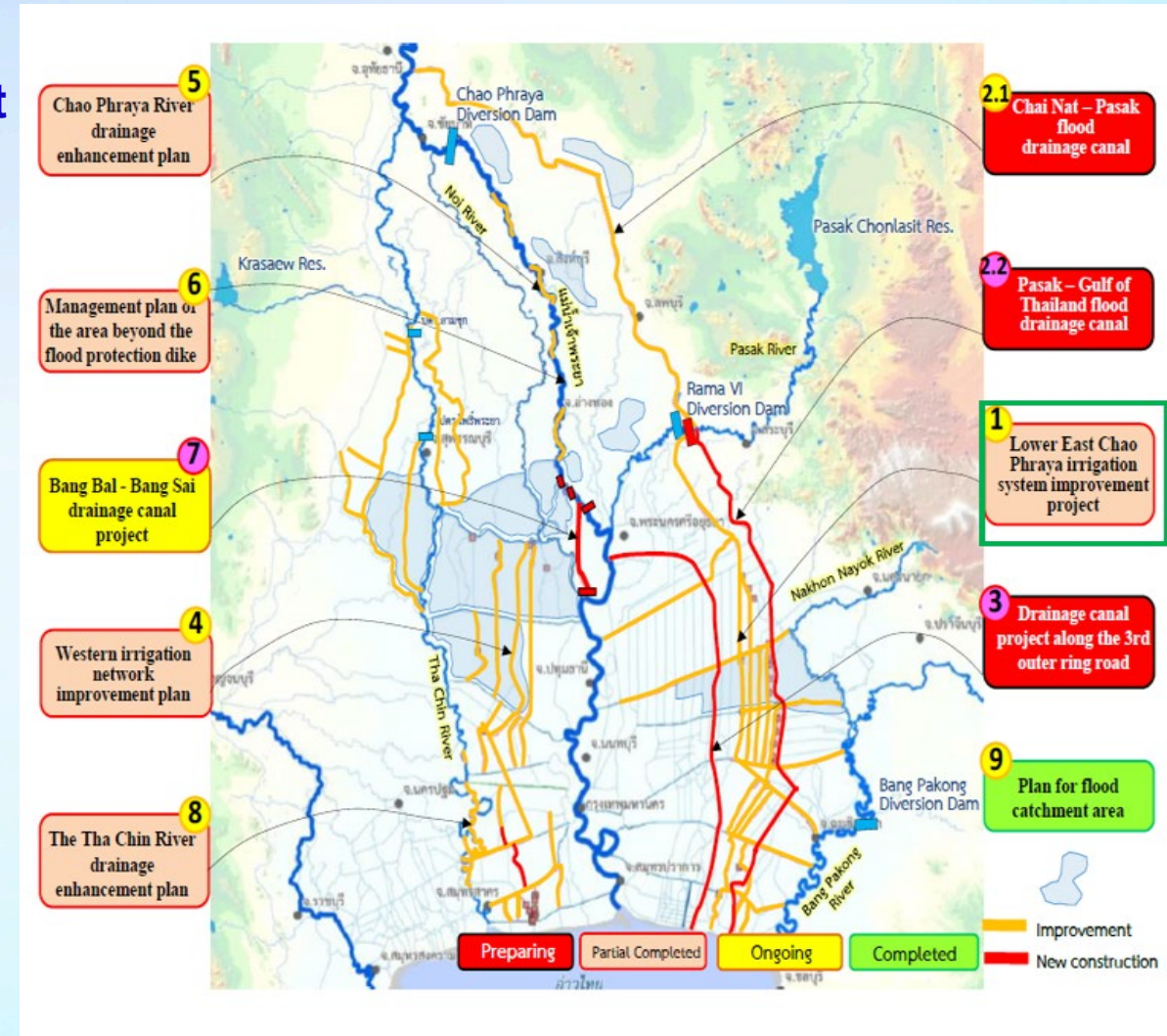
Outcome: Resilience and preparedness to climate-induced risk of the Lower East Chao Phraya strengthened

Outputs

1. Modernized irrigation and drainage infrastructure established
2. Climate smart and efficient water management capacity strengthened
3. Community resilience and livelihood supported

Project status:

Tranche I for 2026 approval





PHI: Integrated Flood Resilience and Adaptation Investment Program

Brief Description: Improve climate resilience in the Apayao-Abulug and Pampanga river basins in Luzon, the Jalaur river basin in Visayas, and the Buayan-Malunon river basin in Mindanao

Amount and Modality: Multitranche Financing Facility (MFF)

- \$350 million (Ordinary Capital Resources)—for tranche 1
- TBD (cofinancing)

Rationale:

- Adopt an Integrated Water Resources Management approach, incorporating multipurpose reservoirs, wetland restoration, and watershed rehabilitation.
- Implement nature-based and hybrid solutions to enhance flood resilience while maximizing environmental and climate benefits

Outputs:

1. Flood Risk Management Made Operational
2. Water Infrastructure Developed and O&M Enhanced
3. Watershed Ecological Functions Restored

Project Status

For approval 2027





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Major Procurement Packages under Pipeline Projects: Southeast Asia and the Pacific

Project No.	Country	Project title	Package Name and Description	Value of package (US\$)	Expected Advertisement (Quarter, Year)	Expected Award (Quarter, Year)	Type	Advertisement Type
P57304	THA	Lower East Chao Phraya Irrigation System Improvement - Climate Adaptive Strengthening Program	CW02: Precast concrete retaining wall construction, and dredging of Khlong 13	95,564,000.00	Q3 2026	Q2 2027	Works	International
P57304	THA	Lower East Chao Phraya Irrigation System Improvement - Climate Adaptive Strengthening Program	CW03: Precast concrete retaining wall, regulator construction, and dredging of Khlong Raphiphat Yaek Tai	190,186,000.00	Q3 2026	Q2 2027	Works	International
P57304	THA	Lower East Chao Phraya Irrigation System Improvement - Climate Adaptive Strengthening Program	CW04: Precast concrete retaining wall, regulator construction, and dredging of Khlong 33 and Khlong 14	239,497,000.00	Q4 2026	Q3 2027	Works	International



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Major Procurement Packages under Ongoing Projects: Southeast Asia and the Pacific

Loan/ Grant No.	Country	Project title	Package Name and Description	Value of package (US\$)	Expected Advertisement (Quarter, Year)	Expected Award (Quarter, Year)	Type	Advertisement Type
L4553/L8493/ G1000	CAM	Integrated Water Resources Management Project	IWRM-CW01: Construction of Pursat regulator/barrage including service bridge, riverbank protection, fish pass, gates, and canal intake structures for MC1 and MC2	22,600,000.00	Q1 2026	Q3 2026	Works	International
L4280/G0872/ G0873/G0942/ L8433	CAM	Greater Mekong Subregion Cross-Border Livestock Health and Value Chains Improvement Project	Foot and Mouth Disease vaccines for Designated Control Zones	11,227,090.00	Q4 2025	Q1 2026	Goods	International
L4280/G0872/ G0873/G0942/ L8433	CAM	Greater Mekong Subregion Cross-Border Livestock Health and Value Chains Improvement Project	Provincial abattoir and market construction and/or upgrades	15,786,000.00	Q1 2026	Q2 2026	Works	National
L6052	INO	Integrated Fishing Ports and International Fish Markets Phase II	Detailed Engineering Design Consulting Firm	5,764,763.75	Q3 2025	Q1 2026	Consulting services	International
L4338/L8453	INO	Horticulture Development in Dryland Areas Sector Project	GD-26 Procurement of agriculture machinery	32,253,801.00	Q4 2025	Q1 2026	Goods	National
L4410/L8463	INO	Flood Management in North Java	CWP-5K Juana River Improvement (30 km Upstream of Bungasrejo Barrage)	20,700,000.00	Q4 2025	Q2 2026	Works	National
L4610/L8499/ G1028/L8500/ G1029	LAO	Sustainable Agrifood Systems Sector Project	CS01: Implementation Support Consultants	3,436,450.00	Q4 2025	Q2 2026	Consulting services	International
G0947/G0948	SAM	Alaoa Multipurpose Dam Project	Construction of Multipurpose Dam and Small Hydro Power Plant	66,460,000.00	Q4 2026	Q2 2027	Works	International



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**AFNR Sovereign
Pipeline**



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Private Sector Operations and One ADB Approach

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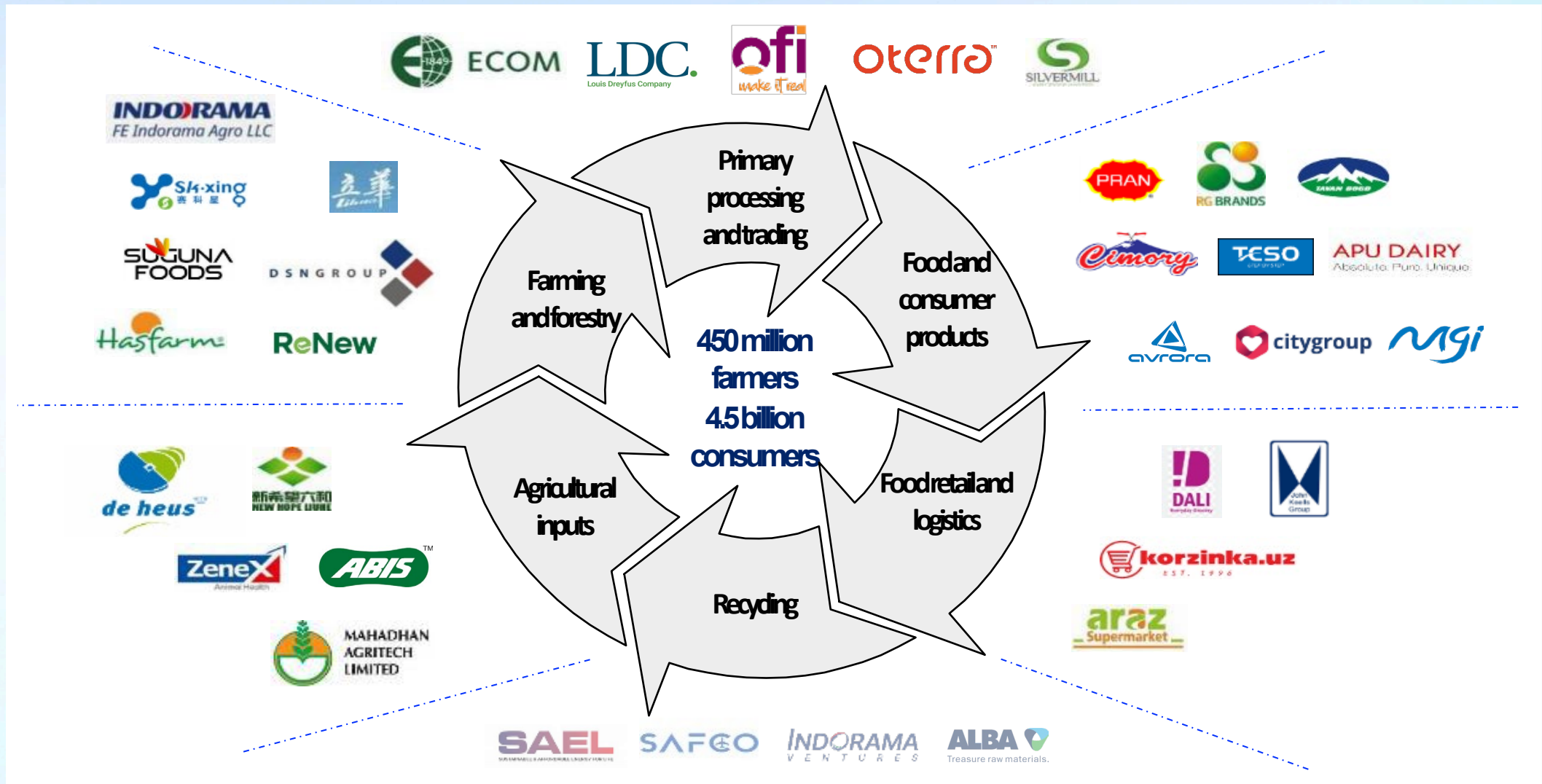


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ADB covers the entire agrifood value chain, “from seeds to supermarkets”





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ADB promotes innovation and impact through its private sector projects

Agricultural inputs



High-Efficiency Fertilizer

- **\$30m loan to Smartchem**
- IND; signed in 2021
- Capex (energy efficient) and working capital needs
- TA to train 2,000 farmers

Impact:

- 2 million farmers adopting higher-efficiency fertilizer
- Reduced leakage in soils
- First SLL and first blue loan
- Other agri inputs deals: [ABIS](#), [De Heus](#), [Zenex](#), etc.

High-value farming and forestry



Climate Controlled Greenhouses

- **\$20m loan to Hasfarm**
- VIE, PRC; signed in 2017
- Capex (greenhouses) and beneficial insect breeding for cut flowers and vegetables

Impact:

- Added 117 ha of greenhouses
- Provided formal employment to 4,183 staff, 44% women
- Boosted FDI and exports
- Other farming deals: [New Hope](#), [Lihua](#), [Australis](#), [Indorama](#), etc.

Trading and food processing



Coffee Trading and Processing

- **\$175m loan to Olam**
- VIE, INO, TIM, PNG; 2018
- Capex (coffee processing) and working capital needs
- TA for 20,000 coffee farmers

Impact:

- Processing capacity doubled
- >\$500m procured annually from smallholder farmers
- Boosted FDI and exports
- Other trading, processing deals: [ECOM](#), [LDC](#), [PRAN](#), [DSNG](#), etc.

Food retail and logistics



Modern Retail Expansion

- **\$80m equity in John Keells**
- SRI; signed in 2021
- Capex (supermarkets and distribution center)
- TA for 2,000 F&V farmers

Impact:

- 45 supermarkets, distribution center, and cold chain built
- 7,000 jobs, 43% women
- >3,000 farmers linked
- Other food retail, logistics deals: [Dali](#), [Korzinka](#), [Araz](#), etc.



ADB mobilizes technical assistance to augment impact on farmers



Implementation by consulting firms

- Capacity building programs for farmers
- On-farm adaptation to climate change
- Regenerative agriculture
- Climate crop insurance products
- Farm- and community-based production and use of organic inputs (biochar, vermicompost, compost, etc.)
- Water and irrigation solutions (drip, rainwater harvest, etc.)
- Pasture management groups and solutions
- Harvest and post-harvest solutions and storage
- Animal health



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Video: Flourishing Flower Business



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Procurement in a New Light

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Agenda

- ❖ Roster of consulting firms in Pacific
- ❖ Frameworks Agreements and Contracts
- ❖ Simplified Consultants Qualification Selection (SCQS)



ADB-WB Roster of Detailed Engineering Design and Construction Supervision Consulting Services in the Pacific

ADB and the World Bank (WB) has jointly established a are a Roster of Detailed Engineering Design (DED) and Construction Supervision (CSC) Consulting Firms for projects in the Pacific.

The Roster will remain valid for the Initial Period of three (3) years (starting from 5 June 2025 until 5 June 2028), with a possible extension of up to two (2) additional years. Any extension shall be at the sole discretion of ADB and WB. During the time of its establishment, Consultants on the Roster may be invited to participate in project-specific procurement processes initiated by Executing Agencies or Implementing Agencies (EAs/IAs).

Any pre-selection of Consultant(s) shall be at the sole discretion of the procuring EA/IA. Inclusion in the Roster does not guarantee the issuance of any requests for proposals or any contract award.

Duration 5 June 2025 – 5 June 2028

ADB Department Procurement, Portfolio and Financial Management Department

Rostered ▼ Agriculture

Consultants **Haskoning Australia Pty Ltd (Australia)**
with JV members HaskoningDHV Vietnam Co., Ltd (Viet Nam) and HaskoningDHV Nederland B.V. (Netherlands)

- ▶ Energy
- ▶ Social
- ▶ Transport
- ▶ Water

REOI has been re-advertised for Agriculture Sector Only

Date Published: 04-Sep-2025

Deadline of Submitting EOI: 10-Oct-2025

If you are interested please submit your EOI



FRAMEWORK AGREEMENTS

with individual consultants

ADB advertised REOIs and prequalified experts in 11 below areas

Gender Specialist; Groundwater Management Specialist; Agriculture Economist; Agronomist; Project Economist; Irrigation Planning and Management Specialist; Sustainable Fisheries and Aquaculture Specialist; Food Security and Nutrition Specialist; Digital Agriculture Specialist; Water Resources Management Specialist; Livestock and Rangeland Management Specialist.

FRAMEWORK CONTRACTS

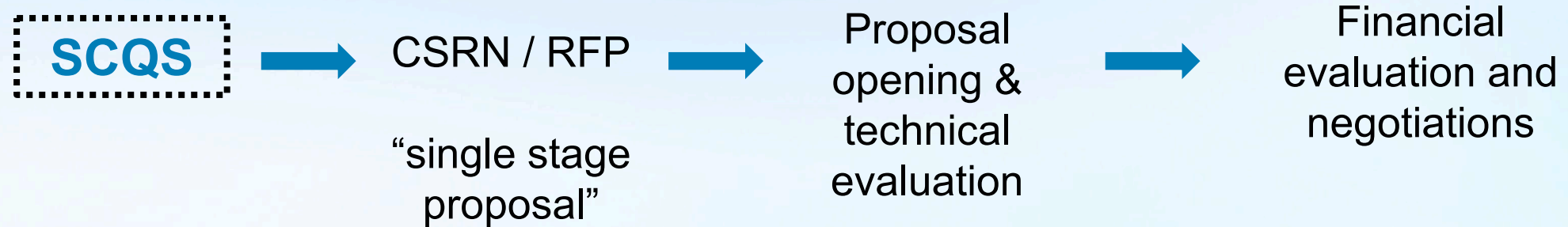
for: (a) complex, phased assignments where the precise scope is not known at the time of selection; (b) repeatable assignments (feasibility studies); (c) funding from multiple sources.





We continue using

Simplified Consultants' Qualifications Selection (SCQS)



For small and straightforward assignments
with estimated budget below \$500k



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Q&A



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