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Introductory Session

Tracking ADB's portfolio on Environment and Nature under the new Corporate Results Framework

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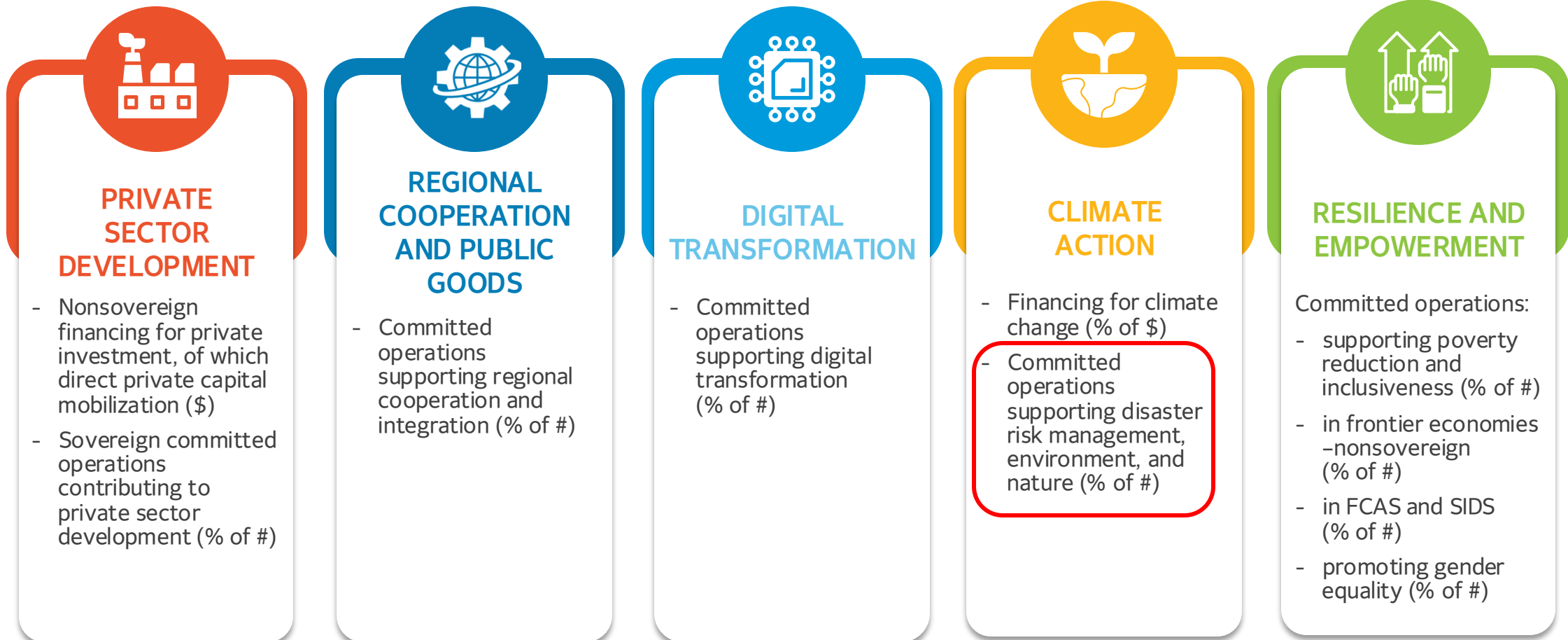
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Strategy 2030 Midterm Review: Corporate Priorities



ADB's sovereign and nonsovereign operations must align with the five strategic focus areas outlined in Strategy 2030 midterm review; key indicators and targets are in the new Corporate Results Framework.



New CRF: ADB's Development Results



Reporting on outcome-oriented indicators aligned with the SDGs and the objectives set in Strategy 2030 and its midterm review



PEOPLE *Ensuring the well-being and empowerment of individuals*

1. People in poverty and vulnerable situations with improved standards of living (number, achievement rate)
2. People benefiting from improved health services, education services, or social protection (number, achievement rate)
3. People benefiting from infrastructure, financial, and economic services (number, achievement rate)
4. Women and girls benefiting from greater gender equality (number, achievement rate)



PLANET *Safeguarding the health of the planet*

5. Net annual greenhouse gas emissions (tCO2e/year, achievement rate)
6. Installed renewable energy capacity (megawatts, achievement rate)
7. People with strengthened climate and disaster resilience (number, achievement rate)
8. People with strengthened food and nutrition security (number, achievement rate)
9. Terrestrial, aquatic and atmospheric areas conserved, restored, enhanced and/or under sustainable management (hectares, achievement rate)]



PROSPERITY *Driving prosperity and development of economies*

10. Jobs generated (number, achievement rate)
11. Businesses and public institutions with improved service delivery and financial stability (number, achievement rate)
12. Trade and investment facilitated (\$, achievement rate)

New CRF: Inputting Information

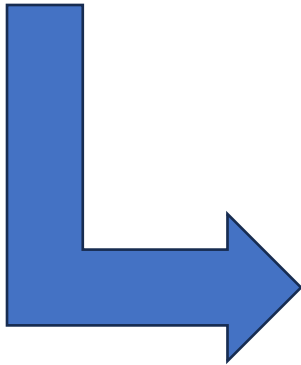


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Resource materials for Disaster Risk Management, Environment and Nature

- [Environment-Related CRF Indicators](#) – Sharepoint page where additional resources and information are provided.

- [Disaster Risk Management: Methodology to Track DRM Investments Across ADB's Operations](#)



New CRF: Background Information



ADB CRF Results Indicator No. 2:

Committed Operations Supporting Environment and Nature

(Select All That Apply from the 6 Flagship Environment Programs)

Results Indicator (RI) 2: Committed operations supporting disaster risk management, and *environment and nature* (% of #) (sovereign and nonsovereign)

For the new Corporate Results Framework, for Environment when putting in your data to the necessary page please see if you can tag your project to any of the six programs for environment. The details for the different programs are listed at the bottom and the relevant focal lead is also listed if you need additional help.

A few key things to note when filling in this section:

- You can tick more than one program or many
- If none are relevant you can tick "Not Applicable"
- It is ok to tick for climate and / or DRM as well as environment – double counting is allowed.

Environment and Nature Investments

For Environment and Nature Investments, please click on one or more of the appropriate boxes if your project is considered to qualify. If not considered to qualify, please click Not Applicable. For more information on what project activities would qualify for each program, please refer to this [link](#) which also provides contact details for Environment Group focal points who can provide more information.

- ☒ Ocean and Coastal Management
- ☐ Terrestrial Ecosystems
- ☐ Air Quality
- ☒ Circular Economy
- ☒ Nature-based Solutions (including green infrastructure)
- ☒ Environment Finance/Governance
- ☐ Not Applicable

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Lower Palas Hydropower Project (52193-001)

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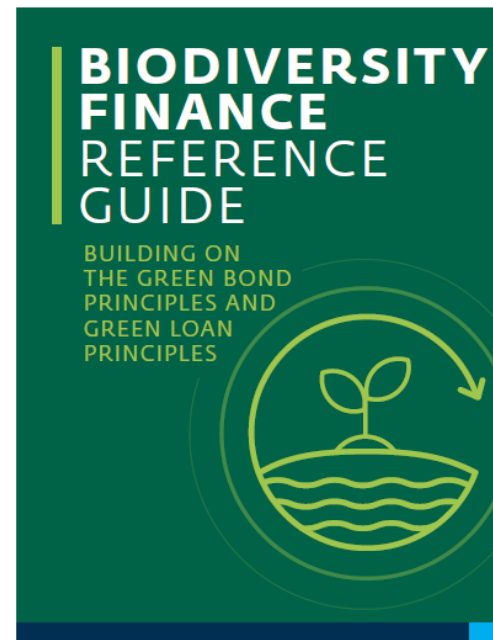
* Related to COVID19 response efforts? ☐ Yes ☒ No

Once completed, LPHP will add 665 MW (2,590 GWh) annually to the national grid and provide economic and social benefits to the local community and economy as a whole. These will include improved infrastructure particularly through the access road, water supply, employment opportunities particularly during the construction phase and trade benefits for local residents through better infrastructure and electrification. The project will

New CRF: Additional Resources coming in 2025/2026



- MDB Common Principles – for tracking nature finance under revision **to be launched at COP30 in 2025**
- Nature Finance Taxonomy also under revision for launch with common principles, building on IFC Benchmarking study from 2024
- Q1 2026 – Internal Methodology to be developed translating Common Principles and Taxonomy to ADB structures.



UNDP



MDB Common Principles for tracking nature-positive finance

1. Introduction

At the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) Conference of the Parties (COP) 26 in Glasgow, United Kingdom, ten multilateral development banks (MDBs) signed a Joint Statement on Nature, People and Planet, which recognises that tackling poverty, climate change and the drivers of nature loss ("nature" refers to biodiversity, ecosystems and the services they provide) are inextricably linked, and affirms their commitment to mainstream nature ever more deeply into their policies, analyses, assessments, advice, investments and operations.

This commitment is reflected in five pillars: (1) leadership to support a sustainable, inclusive, green and resilient post-COVID recovery and to support countries in implementing their commitments made in relation to the parties' implementation of the Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD), Paris Agreement, UNFCCC and Leaders Pledge for Nature; (2) tackling the drivers of nature loss by fostering "nature-positive" investments; (3) fostering synergies at national and regional level; (4) valuing nature to guide decision-making and (5) enhancing reporting on efforts to mainstream nature in MDB analyses and operations.

In line with the commitment under pillar 5 to explore the development of tools and methodologies for tracking nature-positive investments across their portfolios, the MDBs have defined a set of Common Principles for tracking nature-positive finance that can be used by each MDB and that may be informative for other investors (including but not limited to capital markets and domestic public budget holders).¹ For the MDBs that intend to identify, track and/or report on their nature-positive finance, these Common Principles will help guide the development and implementation of their respective technical frameworks and internal methodologies as they support countries and private sector clients in implementing the Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework (KMGBF).²

The Common Principles will also facilitate comparability across MDBs in their respective screening and tracking processes, including communicating on financial contributions to nature-positive outcomes. The Common Principles define nature-positive finance and the eligibility criteria for identifying and tracking nature-positive finance, and outline the steps to identify relevant finance ex-ante.³

1. Endorsement of these principles does not imply a commitment on the part of any individual MDB to undertake tracking or reporting exercises.
2. The MDBs acknowledge and thank IIFM and the Climate Policy Initiative (CPI) for their work developing the tracking methodology options paper published by the MDBs at COP 15, an internal document which greatly informed the drafting of these principles. Please see Inter-American Development Bank (2022) Options for considering nature-positive finance tracking and taxonomy, Technical Note no. IDB-TN-025-66 prepared by IIFM and the CPI, <https://publications.iadb.org/en/options-considering-nature-positive-finance-tracking-and-taxonomy>.
3. MDBs have already adopted such an approach in the Common Principles for Climate Mitigation Finance Tracking.



DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION'S TWENTIETH REPLENISHMENT MID-TERM REVIEW:

NATURE FINANCE TRACKING METHODOLOGY

that the World Bank develop a "methodology to identify, monitor, and bank investments in support of biodiversity and ecosystems services," support for nature in the IDA20 special focus on green, climate-friendly, a robust inputs-based approach for identifying Nature Positive Finance umbrella, the methodology aims to capture to the implementation of the Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity systematic manner and in a way that is tailored to the development roach entails screening projects after Board approval with a nd process-based approach.

orld Bank's corporate results strategy emerging from the Evolution outcome-oriented approach rather than input-based measures. As part ank is currently developing a new Corporate Scorecard to help track wed vision and mission. Scorecard indicators will be also embedded grams, including on forests, nature, and biodiversity. Learning from cking Climate Finance, a shift towards outcomes-based tracking in to measure impact better. Nevertheless, the methodology outlined in starting point to comprehensively identify the full breadth of the World ng critical efforts to mainstream nature across sectors, in support of KMGBF. Further guidance will need to be developed ahead of

ng theme of "Building Back Better from the Crisis – Toward a lusive Future", the 20th Replenishment of the International DA20) has stepped up support to client countries in overcoming their luding climate change and nature loss. The IDA20 special focus on iendly development is scaling up financing for climate action, nature-sity. In addition to direct support, IDA20 includes a commitment to MTR) a "methodology to identify, monitor, and track nature-positive support of biodiversity and ecosystems services."¹

on nature comes in response to analysis that shows the global ious risks to development and climate goals. Nature—understood as biodiversity and the services provided by healthy ecosystems—is in unprecedented decline,

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¹ This is one of two notes on tracking finance presented at IDA20 MTR. In parallel to this methodology, the IDA20 MTR will consider a note on crisis preparedness financing, which responds to the IDA20 commitment to track such finance under a cross-cutting theme of crisis preparedness and building resilience.

ADB's Environment Portfolio under the Revised CRF



Pillar: Planet ➡ **SFA: Climate Action** ➡ **Development Result 9**

Development Result 9:

Terrestrial, aquatic and atmospheric areas conserved, restored, enhanced and/or under sustainable management (hectares, achievement rate)

CRF Indicator: *Committed operations supporting disaster risk management and environment and nature (% of #) (sovereign and nonsovereign)* **CRF Baseline (2023):** 24% **CRF Target (2030):** 32%

Year	ENV tagged projects	Number of ENV projects
2024	36.13% (total 191 ADB projects)	Sov = 53 (28%); NSO = 16 (8%)
2025	22.34%	Sov = 42 ; NSO = 3 (out of expected total 197 projects)
2026 - 2028	34.2%	Sov = 149 (18% 32.3%); NSO = 10 (4%)

Introductory Session

Quick Materiality Questionnaire for ADB 2026 Sustainability Report

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ADB Sustainability Report



History: Produced by ADB since 2007

Focus: Global Reporting Initiative (GRI) Based Report

Purpose: Provides a central globally recognized benchmarking mechanism for ADB to transparently share to stakeholders ADB's sustainability performance including on the corporate side - which is disclosed nowhere else.

Audience: ADB Board and Management, ESG Sustainability Rating Agencies, Green and Blue bond investors, peer MDBs, CSOs, DMCs.

2026 Report: Earliest stage of development. We need your help to focus the next report.

Future Sustainability Disclosure Directions: Focus to date has been on following the GRI, additional reporting and disclosure platforms are under consideration, linked to finance particularly.



Have your say and help us focus the **2026** **SUSTAINABILITY** **REPORT!**

*Take the 5min survey and tell us what is material
to you about ADB's activities and impacts*



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ADB Sustainability Reporting Materiality Survey 2025

The Asian Development Bank (ADB) publishes a biennial sustainability report on the significant economic, social, and environmental impacts of its operations and corporate activities.

ADB will issue its next sustainability report in the 2nd quarter of 2026 in accordance with the Global Reporting Initiative (GRI) Sustainability Reporting Standards.

To inform preparation of its 2026 sustainability report, ADB is assessing what material topics are to be reported. Material topics are defined by GRI as those "topics that represent an organization's most significant impacts on the environment, and people, including impacts on their human rights".

We would like your input on what you consider to be the most material or important topics for ADB to report on in its 2026 sustainability report.

This survey will take between 5–10 minutes. Your responses will remain confidential.

Hi, Ricardo li. When you submit this form, the owner will see your name and email address.

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