

Classification of Regional Projects

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Regional Benefits: Selected Examples

Development Outcomes in terms of Regional Benefits: Some Examples

Border Road Improvement Project:

- Transport time and cost reduced (by % from the base year) and road accidents decreased (by % from the base year) along the national road linking border with neighboring country, nearby ports.
- Connectivity with sub-regional highway network improved (by % increased from the baseline regional traffic flows (XXX) due to the project.
- Traffic flows and related net revenue from port and road users increased in transit\neighboring port country (% increased from baseline XXX)

Development Outcomes in terms of Regional Benefits: Some ExamplesContd.

Power Grid Interconnection and Transmission Project

- Efficiency, availability and sustainability of power supply in the project country increased by year (baseline\end-line indicators)
- Power trade in the region promoted\expanded (baseline\end-line indicators)
- Increased capacity for cross-border power trade between project country with its neighbor or sub-regional countries (baseline\end line indicators)
- Producer's surplus (exporting country) and consumer's surplus (importing country) realized

Development Outcomes in terms of Regional Benefits: Some ExamplesContd.

Improvement of Trade Facilitation and Border Services Program

- Economic benefit from faster, more predictable, and cost efficient cross-border transport and trade in the participating countries (baseline indicator for time and cost incurred for border crossing \end-line (target) indicators for the same) and spill over benefit to neighboring region.
- Trade growth in the participating countries and the region due to the project (volume of trade in base year\volume of trade in 5 years time after completion of the implementation).

Development Outcomes in terms of Regional Benefits: Some ExamplesContd.

Improvement in the provision of higher education in the sub-region

- Net cost savings per graduate (home country based vs regional center based provision for higher education)
- Expanded and equitable access to quality higher education in the member countries (baseline\end-line indicators)
- New graduates contribute to economic competitiveness and diversification of the countries in the sub-region (net increase in export earnings – baseline and end-line indicators).

Development Outcomes in terms of Regional Benefits: Some ExamplesContd.

Sub-regional Health Security Project

- Health system performance with regard to health security improved in the countries participating in the project (baseline\end-line health indicators).
- Participating countries and localities comply with regional and national infection prevention and control criteria and biosafety standards (baseline\end-line indicators).
- Improved net health outcomes (e.g., DALYs, HLYs) in the participating countries and the sub-region (baseline \end-line indicators)
- Sub-regional level public health security strengthened (baseline\end-line health indicators)

Classification of Regional Projects at Concept Stage - Summary

- Identification of regional benefits is a major requirement for projects to succeed as regional projects at concept stage, as envisaged in the 2016 RCI Operational Plan
- Concept papers should specify the expected regional benefits, the mechanism through which they will arise, and quantitative indicators of how they can be measured.
- Such regional benefit statement/s and indicator/s should form the basis of the outcome statement and monitoring indicators in the project DMF
- Since all the required information on regional outcomes may not be available at the concept stage, further review and substantiation will be carried out at the PPTA stage.
- Thus, identification and estimation of regional benefits will form an essential part of the PPTA of regional projects. This should be duly reflected in the scope of the PPTA.

Thank you!