



**Regional Consultation on the Draft Environmental and Social Framework (ESF)  
for Government Stakeholders in South Asia  
22-23 February 2024**

**PROVISIONAL AGENDA**

**DAY 1 (22 February 2024, 10:00 am – 6:00 pm)**

<b>Time</b>	<b>Activity</b>	<b>Resource Persons</b>
10:00 – 10:10 am (10 min)	Acknowledgement of Participants and Meeting Reminders	Overall Facilitator: Jelson Garcia, Senior Stakeholder Engagement Specialist (Consultant), ADB
10:10 – 10:15 am (5 min)	Welcome Remarks	India Resident Mission
10:15 – 10:20 am (5 min)	Opening Message	Nianshan Zhang, Head, Office of Safeguards (OSFG), ADB
10:20 – 10:50 am (30 min)	<b>Session 1: Overview of ESF and ESP</b>	Bruce Dunn, Director, OSFG, ADB  Takako Morita, Principal Counsel, Office of the General Counsel (OGC), ADB
10:50 – 11:30 am (40 min)	Plenary Discussion	Moderator: Ricardo Barba, Principal Safeguards Specialist, OSFG, ADB
11:30 – 11:40 am (10 min)	<b>Session 2: Overview of ESS 1 (Assessment and Management of E&amp;S Risks and Impacts) and ESS 10 (Stakeholder Engagement and Information Disclosure)</b>	Zehra Abbas, Principal Environment Specialist, OSFG, ADB  Zaruhi Hayrapetyan, Social Development Specialist (Safeguards), OSFG, ADB
11:40 – 12:00 pm (20 min)	Group Photo and Coffee Break	
12:00 – 12:50 pm (50 min)	Presentation of Feedback on Session 2 (6 DMCs – 7-8 min per DMC)	Delegates from BAN, BHU, IND, MLD, NEP, SRI
12:50 – 1:30 pm (40 min)	Plenary Discussion	Moderator: Ricardo Barba, Principal Safeguards Specialist, OSFG, ADB
1:30 – 2:30 pm (60 min)	Lunch Break	
2:30 – 2:40 pm (10 min)	<b>Session 3: Overview of ESS 2 (Labor and Working Conditions) and ESS 4 (Health, Safety, and Security)</b>	Felix Oku, Senior Social Development Specialist (Safeguards), OSFG, ADB

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2:40 – 3:30 pm (50 min)	Presentation of Feedback on Session 3 (6 DMCs – 7-8 min per DMC)	Delegates from BAN, BHU, IND, MLD, NEP, SRI
3:30 – 4:10 pm (40 min)	Plenary Discussion	Moderator: Ricardo Barba, Principal Safeguards Specialist, OSFG, ADB
4:10 – 4:25 pm (15 min)	Coffee Break	
4:25 – 4:35 pm (10 min)	<b>Session 4: Overview of ESS 5 (Land Acquisition and Land Use Restriction)</b>	Irina Novikova, Principal Social Development Specialist, OSFG, ADB
4:35 – 5:25 pm (50 min)	Presentation of Feedback on Session 4 (6 DMCs – 7-8 min per DMC)	Delegates from BAN, BHU, IND, MLD, NEP, SRI
5:25 – 6:05 pm (40 min)	Plenary Discussion	Moderator: Ricardo Barba, Principal Safeguards Specialist, OSFG, ADB
6:05 – 6:15 pm (10 min)	Synthesis and Announcements	Overall Facilitator: Jelson Garcia, Senior Stakeholder Engagement Specialist (Consultant), ADB
6:15 pm onwards	Networking Cocktails	

**DAY 2 (23 February 2024, 10:00 am – 5:50 pm)**

<b>Time</b>	<b>Activity</b>	<b>Resource Persons</b>
10:00 – 10:05 am (5 min)	Meeting Reminders	Overall Facilitator: Jelson Garcia, Senior Stakeholder Engagement Specialist (Consultant), ADB
10:05 – 10:15 am (10 min)	<b>Session 5: Overview of ESS 7 (Indigenous Peoples)</b>	Tulsi Bisht, Senior Social Development Specialist (Safeguards), OSFG, ADB
10:15 – 11:05 am (50 min)	Presentation of Feedback on Session 5 (6 DMCs – 7-8 min per DMC)	Delegates from BAN, BHU, IND, MLD, NEP, SRI
11:05 – 11:45 pm (40 min)	Plenary Discussion	Moderator: Ricardo Barba, Principal Safeguards Specialist, OSFG, ADB
11:45 – 12:00 pm (15 min)	Coffee Break	
12:00 – 12:10 pm (10 min)	<b>Session 6: Overview of ESS 3 (Resource Conservation and Pollution Prevention) and ESS 9 (Climate Change)</b>	Zehra Abbas, Principal Environment Specialist, OSFG, ADB
12:10 – 1:00 pm (50 min)	Presentation of Feedback on Session 6 (6 DMCs – 7-8 min per DMC)	Delegates from BAN, BHU, IND, MLD, NEP, SRI
1:00 – 2:00 pm (60 min)	Lunch Break	

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2:00 – 2:40 pm (40 min)	Plenary Discussion	Moderator: Ricardo Barba, Principal Safeguards Specialist, OSFG, ADB
2:40 – 2:50 pm (10 min)	<b>Session 7: Overview of ESS 6 (Biodiversity and Sustainable Natural Resources Management) and ESS 8 (Cultural Heritage)</b>	Zehra Abbas, Principal Environment Specialist, OSFG, ADB
2:50 – 3:40 pm (50 min)	Presentation of Feedback on Session 7 – 6 DMCs (10 min per DMC)	Delegates from BAN, BHU, IND, MLD, NEP, SRI
3:40 – 4:20 pm (40 min)	Plenary Discussion	Moderator: Ricardo Barba, Principal Safeguards Specialist, OSFG, ADB
4:20 – 4:35 pm (15 min)	Coffee Break	
4:35 – 4:45 pm (10 min)	<b>Session 8: Overview of E&amp;S Requirements for Financing Modalities and Products and Prohibited Investment Activities List</b>	Takako Morita, Principal Counsel, Office of the General Counsel (OGC), ADB
4:45 – 5:25 pm (40 min)	Plenary Discussion	Moderator: Ricardo Barba, Principal Safeguards Specialist, OSFG, ADB
5:25 – 5:35 pm (10 min)	Synthesis and Next Steps	Bruce Dunn, Director, OSFG, ADB
5:35 – 5:40 pm (5 min)	Closing Message	Nianshan Zhang, Head, OSFG, ADB
5:40 – 5:50 pm (10 min)	Session Evaluation and Announcements	Overall Facilitator: Jelson Garcia, Senior Stakeholder Engagement Specialist (Consultant), ADB

*ESS1: Assessment and Management of Environmental and Social Risks and Impacts*  
*ESS2: Labor and Working Conditions*  
*ESS3: Resource Conservation and Pollution Prevention*  
*ESS4: Health, Safety, and Security*  
*ESS5: Land Acquisition and Land Use Restriction*  
*ESS6: Biodiversity and Sustainable Natural Resources Management*  
*ESS7: Indigenous Peoples*  
*ESS8: Cultural Heritage*  
*ESS9: Climate Change*  
*ESS10: Stakeholder Engagement and Information Disclosure*

*ESF – Environmental and Social Framework*  
*ESP – Environmental and Social Policy*  
*ESS – Environmental and Social Standards*  
*E&S – Environmental and Social*  
*PIAL – Prohibited Investment Activities List*