

DIRECTIVE ON PUBLIC INFORMATION

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A. OVERRIDING OBJECTIVE

1.1 The overriding objective of this Directive on Public Information (Directive) is to establish procedures designed to ensure that the Policy on Public Information (PPI) of the Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank (Bank) is effectively and efficiently implemented. The implementation and interpretation of this Directive shall seek to give effect to this overriding objective.

B. PROCEDURES FOR PUBLIC DISCLOSURE OF INFORMATION

- 2.1 The triggers for the disclosure of certain information by the Bank are set forth in the Annex to this Directive, which provides a list of the documents that are proactively disclosed.
- 2.2 Exercising the delegated authority of the President, the Director General of the Bank's Communications Department (DG COM) shall be primarily responsible for implementing the proactive disclosure of information by the Bank, with inputs from other Business Units, as defined in the Directive on Business Continuity within their respective areas of responsibility, in accordance with the PPI. All Bank Personnel shall cooperate with the DG COM in this regard. The DG COM shall also prepare and submit to the President, advised by the Executive Committee, a draft of the PPI Quarterly Report described in Section 12 of the PPI. In circumstances of the legitimate interests protected by the PPI being finely balanced, the DG COM shall be assisted by a Working Group including representatives of the President's Office and Policy and Strategy and Investment Operations Vice Presidencies. The Working Group shall take decisions based upon consensus. If consensus cannot be reached among the members, the matter shall be finally decided by the DG COM.
- 2.3 Management Committees may, in consultation with the DG COM, recommend to the President to override an exception to the PPI's disclosure requirements (i.e., Positive Override) and override the proactive disclosure requirements (i.e., Negative Override). Upon such recommendation, the President shall decide whether to approve a proposed Positive Override and shall recommend to the Board of Directors (BOD) whether or not to approve a proposed Negative Override.

C. PROCEDURE FOR REQUEST FOR INFORMATION

3.1 Each initial request to the Bank by an external party for disclosure of information shall be submitted to the Communications Department through the Bank's website via an electronic request form. Any other request to the Bank does not constitute a valid request for this purpose. The request shall indicate with reasonable specificity the information that is being sought to enable the Bank to locate the information. Requests shall be submitted in English.

- 3.2 Responses by the Bank, including information the Bank decides to disclose, shall be transmitted to the requestor in the same format as the request unless the requestor stipulates a different format in the request.
- 3.3 The Bank shall: (a) acknowledge receipt of the initial request not later than five Working Days (as defined below) following its receipt of the request; (b) decide whether or not to grant the request not later than 30 Working Days following its receipt of the request or, if a delay is expected, provide an explanation within this 30 Working Day period; and (c) if the DG COM decides that the information requested cannot be disclosed under the PPI, the requestor will be provided an explanation for the decision. For purposes of this Directive, a Working Day is a day when the Bank's headquarters are open for business; it does not include weekend days or the Bank's official holidays.
- 3.4 When considering requests for the disclosure of information, the Bank shall at all times take into account the Governing Principles and Exceptions to Disclosure Requirements provided under the PPI.
- 3.5 Information shared with the Bank originating from a third party and classified as "Official Use Only" or "Restricted" or "Strictly Confidential" in accordance with the Directive on the Information Classification System or provided by a third party on the understanding of confidentiality, is not disclosed without the consent of the party providing the information. However, if such information is already in the public domain or if the Bank has previously publicly disclosed such information, a request for disclosure shall be granted. If, upon the application of the PPI, the DG COM determines that such information should nevertheless be disclosed by the Bank in accordance with the PPI's Governing Principles, the DG COM shall consult with the relevant Manager as well as with originator of such information. The DG COM shall seek the agreement of the originator to disclose. If agreement to disclose is not forthcoming, the DG COM may refer this matter to a Working Group in accordance with Section 2.2 of this Directive.
- 3.6 The Bank shall not be required to comply with blanket requests, or with any request that would require the Bank to create, develop, or collate information or data that does not already exist or is not available in its records management system.

D. APPEAL MECHANISM

4.1 An external party whose initial request to the Bank for information has been denied, shall have access to an appeal mechanism with the Managing Director of the Complaints-resolution, Evaluation and Integrity Unit (MD-CEIU) if the requestor: (a) demonstrates that the initial request for information was submitted in accordance with the required procedures set forth in this Directive; and (b) provides a reasonable argument that: (i) the Bank has violated the PPI by declining to disclose the information requested; or (ii) a legitimate interest served by disclosure of information covered by an exception to disclosure outweighs the harm arising from the disclosure of such information.

- 4.2. All appeals must be submitted in writing to the MD-CEIU within 60 Working Days after the initial request for information has been denied. Appeals received beyond this 60 Working Day period shall not be considered.
- 4.3 The MD-CEIU shall recuse themselves in the event of a conflict of interest and be replaced for the purposes of such appeal by an independent public information expert appointed by the President.
- 4.4 The MD-CEIU (or the independent public information expert, as the case may be) shall: (a) acknowledge receipt of the request for review not later than five Working Days following such receipt; and (b) recommend to the President not later than 30 Working Days after receipt of the request for review whether or not to disclose the requested information.
- 4.5 The President shall issue a final decision to the requestor no later than 15 Working Days after receipt of the recommendation from the MD-CEIU (or independent public information expert, as the case may be).
- 4.6 With respect to initial requests for information that are denied by the Bank but then allowed by the President in whole or in part, the requestor's sole remedy shall be receipt of the requested information.

E. AUTHORITY

5.1 The DG COM shall be responsible for the issuance of the Administrative Guidance related to this Directive.

ANNEX

Disclosure: Information proactively disclosed by AIIB

Document	Trigger for Disclosure Obligation
Financial Information	
Audited annual financial statements, including special	Three Working Days after approval by the Board of
funds and trust funds	Governors.
AIIB unaudited condensed quarterly financial statements	Three Working Days after approval by the President.
Institutional Information	
(1) Basic Documents	
Articles of Agreement and Report on the Articles of Agreement	Upon any effective change.
By-Laws	Upon any effective change.
Rules of Procedure of the Board of Governors	Upon any effective change.
Rules of Procedure of the Board of Directors	Upon any effective change.
Code of Conduct for Board Officials	Upon any effective change.
Code of Conduct for Bank Personnel	Upon any effective change.
Headquarters Agreement	Upon any effective change.
(2) Governance	
Members of the Bank and the voting power of each	Upon any effective change.
Name and position of members of the Board of Governors	Upon the formal appointment by the relevant Member.
Resolutions of the Board of Governors	Three Working Days after approval.
Date, venue and thematic program of the Annual Meeting of Board of Governors	Three Working Days after approval.
Summary of Proceedings of the Annual Meeting of Board of Governors	Three Working Days after approval.
Composition of Bank constituencies	After formal notification of changes to the Bank by the relevant Member.
Name and nationality of members of the Board of Directors	Upon effective nomination and appointment.
Minutes of Board of Directors meetings	Three Working Days after approval of the minutes by the Board of Directors.
Indicative Dates of Future Meetings of the Board of Directors	Three Working Days after approval by the Chair of the Board of Directors.
Term of Reference and Membership of the Committees of the Board of Directors	Three Working Days after approval by the Board of Directors.
Organizational chart	Three Working Days after approval by the President.
Introduction of all members of senior management	Three Working Days after approval by the President.
Names and Biography of the Panelists of the International Advisory Panel (IAPs)	Three Working Days after formal notification to the Bank of changes.
(3) Amendments to Current Strategies, Policies, Directives and Other Documents	
Accountability Framework	10 Working Days after approval by the Board of Directors.
Oversight Mechanism	10 Working Days after approval by the Board of Directors.
Corporate Strategy	10 Working Days after approval by the Board of Directors.
Business Plan and Budget Summary	10 Working Days after approval by the Board of Directors.

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Strategy for Investing in Equity	10 Working Days after approval by the Board of Directors.
Financing Policies	
Operational Policy on Financing	10 Working Days after approval by the Board of Directors.
General Conditions for Sovereign-backed Loans	10 Working Days after approval by the Board of Directors.
Pricing Policy for Sovereign-backed Products	10 Working Days after approval by the Board of Directors.
Sovereign-backed Loan and Guarantee Pricing Decision	10 Working Days after approval by the Board of Directors.
Directive on the Operational Policy on Financing	10 Working Days after approval by the President.
Operational Policy on International Relations	10 Working Days after approval by the Board of Directors.
Directive on the Operational Policy on International Relations	10 Working Days after approval by the President.
Special Fund and Other Funds	
Rules and Regulations of the AIIB Project Preparation Special Fund and any new AIIB Special Fund	10 Working Days after approval by the Board of Directors.
Directives related to the Administration of AIIB Special Funds and other Funds	10 Working Days after approval by the President.
Directive on AIIB's Role as the Administrator of the MCDF Finance Facility	10 Working Days after approval by the President.
Procurement - Project Related	
Procurement Policy	10 Working Days after approval by the Board of Directors.
Directive on Procurement Instructions for Recipients	10 Working Days after approval by the President.
Directive on the Procurement Policy	10 Working Days after approval by the President.
Annual Operational Procurement Report	Five Working Days after circulation to the Board of Directors.
Procurement - Corporate Related	
	10 Working Days after approval by the Board of
Policy on Corporate Procurement	Directors.
Directive on Corporate Procurement	10 Working Days after approval by the President.
Corporate Procurement Annual Report	Five working days after circulation to the Board of Directors.
General Terms and Conditions (Goods, Services and Consulting Services)	10 Working Days after approval by the Director General, Facilities and Administration.
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Risk Risk Management Framework	10 Working Days after approval by the Board of
Directive on the Risk Appetite Framework	Directors. 10 Working Days after approval by the President.
Directive on Sovereign Risk Rating	10 Working Days after approval by the President.
Directive on Market Risk Management	10 Working Days after approval by the President.
Directive on Liquidity Risk Management	10 Working Days after approval by the President.
Directive on Counterparty Credit Risk Management	10 Working Days after approval by the President.
Directive on Credit and Other Investment Risk Management (Private Investment Operations)	10 Working Days after approval by the President.
Directive on Model Risk Management	10 Working Days after approval by the President.
Directive on Operational Risk Management	10 Working Days after approval by the President.

Directive on Anti-Money Laundering and Combating the Financing of Terrorism	10 Working Days after approval by the President.
Directive on Capital Adequacy and Stress Testing	10 Working Days after approval by the President.
Directive on Loss Provisioning Policy	10 Working Days after approval by the President.
Directive on Tax Transparency	10 Working Days after approval by the President.
Finance	
Asset Liability Management Policy	10 Working Days after approval by the Board of Directors.
Directive on Valuation of Financial Instruments	10 Working Days after approval by the President.
Directive on Internal Control over Financial Reporting	10 Working Days after approval by the President.
Ethics	
The Rules of Procedure of the Ethics Committee	10 Working Days after approval by the Board of Directors.
Directive on Ethical Standards of Conduct	10 Working Days after approval by the Board of Directors.
Internal Management	
Policy on Compensation and Benefits	10 Working Days after approval by the Board of Directors.
Directive on Designation of Signatory Authority	10 Working Days after approval by the President.
Directive on Business Continuity	10 Working Days after approval by the President.
Directive on Official Travel	10 Working Days after approval by the President.
Directive on Security and Safety	10 Working Days after approval by the President.
Staff Regulations	10 Working Days after approval by the President.
Staff Rules	10 Working Days after approval by the Board of Directors.
Directive on Asset Management	10 Working Days after approval by the President.
Directive on Information Technology Security for Bank Personnel	10 Working Days after approval by the President.
Directive on Protection Against Retaliation	10 Working Days after approval by the President.
Operational Information	
Nonsovereign-backed Financing Project Summary Information (NSBF PSI)	As required by the Directive on the Operational Policy on Financing:
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	The initial PSI is disclosed as early as feasible during Project preparation and in any event not later than the earlier of: (i) the working day immediately following the date on which the Financing has passed the Final Review; or (ii) the deadline for disclosure of the ES information for the Project pursuant to the Bank's Environmental and Social Policy.
	The PSI is updated during Project implementation in case of material changes to the Project that require such updating, and the updated PSI is disclosed prior to the approval of such changes. The PSI may also require updating to reflect other significant changes such as a change in the PTL or material changes to the ES information referred to in the PSI.
	The IC may grant a deferral of disclosure of the PSI in special circumstances because of either:(a) legal or other regulatory requirements such as timing requirements relating to securities offerings, equity investments in publicly listed companies or purchases of shares in a private placement; or (b) the commercially sensitive nature of the transaction involving, for example, an acquisition or a financial restructuring, where premature disclosure would compromise the financial worth or competitiveness of a corporate entity or its assets.
Sovereign-backed Financing Project Summary Information (SBF PSI)	As required by the Directive on the Operational Policy on Financing:

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	 The initial PSI is disclosed promptly after the Financing has passed Concept Review; provided that if the SC has approved a single Appraisal Review in lieu of a Concept Review and Appraisal Review, the initial PSI is disclosed promptly after the Financing has been approved for inclusion in the investment pipeline. An updated PSI is disclosed not later than the earlier of: (i) the working day immediately following the date on which the Financing has passed the Appraisal Review; or (ii) the deadline for disclosure of the ES information for the Project pursuant to the Bank's Environmental and Social Policy. The PSI is updated during Project implementation in case of material changes to the Project that require such updating, and the updated PSI is disclosed prior to the approval of such changes. The PSI may also require updating to reflect other significant changes such as a change in the PTL or material changes to the ES information referred to in the PSI. The Investment Committee (IC) may grant a deferral of disclosure of the PSI in special circumstances because of either:(a) legal or other regulatory requirements such as timing requirements relating to securities offerings, equity investments in publicly listed companies or purchases of shares in a private placement; or (b) the commercially sensitive nature of the transaction involving, for example, an acquisition or a financial restructuring, where premature disclosure would compromise the financial worth or competitiveness of a corporate entity or its assets.
Sovereign-backed Financing Project Document (SBF PD)	As required by the Directive on the Operational Policy on Financing, the SBF PD is disclosed promptly after approval of the Financing.
Sovereign-backed Financing Project Implementation Monitoring Report (SBF PIMR)	As required by the Directive on the Operational Policy on Financing, SBF PIMRs are disclosed.
Sovereign-backed Financing Project Completion Note (SBF PCN)	As required by the Directive on the Operational Policy on Financing, SBF PCN is disclosed.
Client's draft environmental and social documentation	As required by the Environmental and Social Policy and the Directive on Environmental and Social Policy, deadlines for disclosure of required draft environmental and social documentation are: For Projects other than Results-Based Projects (RBPs):

	 For Category A Projects: sixty (60) calendar days prior to consideration of the Bank's financing for approval. For Category B Projects: thirty (30) calendar days prior to consideration of the Bank's financing for approval. For RBPs: prior to appraisal of the RBP. For Financial Intermediary (FI) project, an overview of the FI's environmental and social policy and of the ESMS, including information on the IAM applicable to the Project and activities is disclosed. In the case of
	an FI project and activities is disclosed. In the case of an FI project involving a private equity fund, the name, location and sector of the Client's portfolio companies supported by the Bank's financing is disclosed within 12 months following financial closure of the investment.
	Any material change or addition to the disclosed ES documentation for the Project is disclosed as soon as such information becomes available, and in any event prior to the approval of such change.
	The IC may defer the timing of disclosure of the ES information referred to above (other than the timing of disclosure of the ES information for RBPs) because of: (i) Legal or other regulatory requirements, such as timing requirements relating to securities offerings, equity investments in publicly listed companies; or purchases of shares in a private placement; or (ii) The commercially sensitive nature of the transaction involving, for example, an acquisition or a financial restructuring, where premature disclosure would compromise the financial worth or competitiveness of a corporate entity or its assets.
	As required by the Directive on Procurement Policy, AIIB publishes timely procurement notices on the Bank's website.
Project Procurement Information	As required by the Operational Directive on Procurement Instructions for Recipients, the Bank publishes, on a regular basis, a description of Bankfinanced contracts awarded, the name and nationality of the entity to which the contract was awarded and the contract price.
Special Funds Information	In line with the Directive on the Administration of AIIB Special Funds, the Bank posts information related to Special Funds on its official website.