

Türkiye : COVID-19 Medical Emergency Response Project

1. Project Information

Project ID:	P000424	Instrument ID:	L0424A
Member:	Türkiye	Region:	Western Asia
Sector:	CRF-Public Health	Sub-sector:	N/A
Instrument type:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Loan:70.00 Euro million <input type="checkbox"/> Guarantee	Co-financier(s):	European Bank for Reconstruction and Development
ES category:	B	Borrowing Entity:	Ministry of Treasury and Finance, Türkiye
Implementing Entity:	Ministry of Health, Türkiye		
Project Team Leader:	Natalia Carla Sanz (Responsible DG: Gregory Liu; Responsible Department: INF2)		
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Completed Site Visits by AIIB:	None Oct, 2022 Meetings with EBRD in Istanbul.		
Planned Site Visits by AIIB:	Jul, 2023 Planned visit in joint mission with EBRD.		
Current Red Flags Assigned:	1		
Current Monitoring Regime:	Regular Monitoring		
Previous Red Flags Assigned:	1		
Previous Red Flags Assigned Date:	2022/03		

2. Project Summary and Objectives

The Project will strengthen national health system in Turkey for COVID-19 response by upgrading designated pandemic hospitals in Istanbul and public hospitals across Turkey through procurement of medical equipment. The total project cost is USD 236 million and co-financed by EBRD (USD 153.4 million) and AIIB (USD 82.6 million).

The Project objective is to support the Government of Turkey in strengthening its healthcare emergency response in public hospitals against the COVID-19 pandemic.

3. Key Dates

Approval:	Aug. 27, 2020	Signing:	Dec. 21, 2020
Effective:	Feb. 09, 2021	Restructured (if any):	
Orig. Closing:	Dec. 31, 2021	Rev. Closing (if any):	Dec. 31, 2023; Dec. 31, 2023;

4. Disbursement Summary (EUR million)

Contract Awarded:		Cancellation (if any):	0.00
Disbursed:	31.51	Most recent disbursement (amount/date):	9,940,000.00/Oct. 20, 2022
Undisbursed:	38.50	Disbursement Ratio (%) ¹ :	45.01

5. Project Implementation Update

As it was defined in the procurement plan; management responsibility of the six goods contracts were divided into two directorates, General Directorate of Public Hospitals (KHGM) and General Directorate of Public Health (HSGM) in MoH. The PIU has the coordination and communication role in between the directorates, the Co-financiers and the Consultant hired to support on the supervision and implementation.

In the initial phase of the Project, a detailed work plan was created by both directorates KHGM and HSGM. Due to the delays in the procurement process and not utilised parts of the budget, Ministry of Health requested to extend the project until 31.12.2023. This request was accepted by the Co-financiers. Additional contract packages and revised Procurement Plan for 2023 is being created by the PIU.

The delay in disbursements during the 2022 was related to the approval of 2022 VAT budget by the Presidency Office (PO) of Turkey. The PO approves each Ministry's budget at the beginning of each year, after which the relevant Ministries can proceed with payments. The Co-financiers are working closely with the MoH to avoid further delays in 2023.

Components	Physical Progress	Environmental & Social Compliance	Procurement
Component 1. Strengthening National Health system for Emergency COVID-19 Response (Part A)	Six packages have been awarded and signed.	An Environmental and Social Commitment Plan (ESCP) in English, an Environmental and Social Management Framework (ESMF) in Turkish and a Stakeholder Engagement Plan (SEP) in Turkish are disclosed.	MOH is still in the process of procurement of all goods. Some Lots are under review and additional packages may be included in a new Procurement Plan under preparation by the PIU for 2023.
Component 2. Project Management Support as well as Gender and Economic Inclusion (Part B and C)	Consultants have been appointed (EBRD financing)	An Environmental and Social Commitment Plan (ESCP) in English, an Environmental and Social Management Framework (ESMF) in Turkish and a Stakeholder Engagement Plan (SEP) in Turkish are disclosed.	N/A

Financial Management:

¹ Disbursement Ratio is defined as the volume (e.g. the dollar amount) of total disbursed amount as a percentage of the net committed volume.

After initial delays, disbursement have restarted. Further delays may occur if national budget is not approved on time. Co-financiers are working closely with the client to avoid this.

6. Status of the Grievance Redress Mechanism (GRM)

Grievances and public feedback can be submitted through an online form. GRM is fully functional and no GRM has been received.

7. Results Monitoring

The project will be monitored through the following key result indicators:

Project Objective Indicators #1

Upgrading of the quality of physical infrastructure in designated Istanbul pandemic hospitals and selected public hospitals.

Year	Target	Actual	Comments, if any
Dec. 31, 2023	Y	N/A	N/A

Project Objective Indicators #2

Net increase in access to Health infrastructure (2,000 beds in Istanbul Pandemic Hospitals as well as public hospitals across the country as per changing conditions).

Year	Target	Actual	Comments, if any
Dec. 31, 2023	2000	N/A	N/A

Intermediate Result Indicators #1

No IRIs.

Year	Target	Actual	Comments, if any
Dec. 31, 2023	N/A	N/A	N/A

Remarks:

N/A