

Project Summary Information (PSI) – Project Change: Reduction of Landslide Vulnerability by Mitigation Measures (RLVMM) Project – Sri Lanka

**Project Summary Information**

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Project Name	Reduction of Landslide Vulnerability by Mitigation Measures (RLVMM) Project
Project Number	P000124
AIIB member	The Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka
Sector/Subsector	Other Infrastructure Disaster Management
Status of Financing	Financing approved in April 2019; Material project changes were approved in July 2022; Non-material project changes were approved in October 2023.
Project Description	<p>The Project consists of five components:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Implementation of landslide mitigation measures, including field investigation, detailed designs, construction and supervision/management of civil works implementation to mitigate landslide risk in landslide-prone sites; 2. Strengthening of policy, standards and institutional capacity related to landslide risk; 3. Provision of essential facilities and laboratory equipment; 4. Technical support and project management; and 5. Emergency health [This component was added through the project change in July 2022].
Objective	To reduce risk and damage from landslides through the implementation of mitigation measures and enhancement of policy and regulation associated with landslide management, and to enhance the capacity of Sri Lanka to respond to the urgent medical needs. [The second part of the objective to address urgent medical needs was added through the project change in July 2022].
Expected Results	To assess the achievement of the objective, the following key indicators are monitored: (i) aggregated number of direct project beneficiaries (i.e. number of people directly protected from landslide hazards [disaggregated by gender]); (ii) area of road protected by the implementation of mitigation measures (square meters); (iii) length of railway protected by the implementation of mitigation measures (meters); (iv) climate resilience standards and specifications related to landslide mitigation adopted; (yes/no); (v) recommendations to enhance land use guidelines in landslide-prone areas submitted by the Steering Committee to the Government of Sri Lanka (GoSL) for endorsement process (yes/no); and (vi) aggregated number of planned resettlement to be avoided (number of households). In addition, other intermediate results indicators are/will be monitored: (vii) landslide mitigation schemes constructed to protect homes, agricultural land and economic activities using improved designs and standards (number); (viii) grievances registered related to delivery of project benefits

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	has been resolved (percentage); and (ix) hospitals/health institutions benefitting from the emergency component (number). [The indicator (ix) was added through the project change in July 2022].
Environmental and Social Category	Category B
Environmental and Social Information	<p>AIIB's Environmental and Social Policy (ESP 2019), including the Environment and Social Standards (ESSs), applies to the proposed project. In accordance with the ESP, the Project has been classified as Category B, considering that: (i) the general environmental and social (E&S) impacts of the landslide mitigation works are localized, and the impacts are not irreversible; (ii) there are mature engineering technologies for mitigation and protection; (iii) there is solid in-house expertise and management capacity for environmental and social issues in the National Building Research Organization (NBRO); and (iv) NBRO has experience working on similar projects funded by the national government and other MDBs.</p> <p>The main environmental and social risks anticipated include (i) environmental impacts occurring during construction; and (ii) potential land acquisition and resettlement impacts during project implementation. To mitigate these risks, NBRO prepared an Environmental and Social Management Framework (ESMF) and a Social Management and Resettlement Planning Framework (SMRPF) for the entire Project. ESMF and the SMRPF, in English and in the national languages (Sinhala and Tamil), were disclosed on November 16, 2018 on the NBRO's website (see this link) and on November 22 2018 on AIIB's website (see this link). Additionally, site specific Environmental and Social Management Plans (ESMPs) for the 100 sites to be supported by the project have been prepared and disclosed, in English, Sinhala and Tamil on NBRO's website (see link1 and link2).</p> <p>A grievance redress mechanism (GRM) is operational to register feedback/grievance from the impacted people and redress their concerns in a stipulated time frame. The GRM is accessible to all the project-affected people including contracted project workers. Information on the GRM and applicability of AIIB's Project-affected People's Mechanism (PPM) was provided during the socialization of the ESMPs. Feedback/grievance boxes are available at each District Office. Alternatively, users are invited to submit their feedbacks/grievances in writing, by e-mail, by telephone, through the project's website, and in person (through the contractors or members of the local governments). Contact details are published on the Project's website.</p> <p>Component 5 will be implemented by the Ministry of Health (MOH). The established Project Management Unit of the Asian Development Bank (ADB)'s Health System Enhancement Project (HSEP) will also implement this component. The activities envisaged under the new Component 5: Emergency health (to purchase medicines and medical supplies through import from international market) are finished products and likely to have minimal or no significant adverse E&S impacts. As such, the Project category will remain unchanged, and no new E&S instruments are expected to be prepared for the new Component. Potential complaints related to Component 5 will be handled by the existing GRM under MOH.</p>

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Cost and Financing Plan	Item	Total Amount (USD)	Funding Sources (USD)	
			AIB	GoSL
	Component 1: Implementation of landslide mitigation measures	52.82	43.36	9.46
	Component 2: Strengthening of policy, standards and institutional capacity related to landslide risk	1.04	0.90	0.14
	Component 3: Provision of essential facilities and laboratory equipment	2.01	1.71	0.30
	Component 4: Technical support and project management	3.43	1.03	2.40
	Component 5: Emergency health	30.00	30.00	0.00
	Front-end Fee	0.20	0.20	0.00
	Interest and Commitment Fee	2.80	2.80	0.00
	Total Amount	92.30	80.00	12.30
Borrower	The Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka			
Implementing Entity	Ministry of Defense and MOH [the last one was added through the Project change]			
Estimated date of loan closing	December 2025			
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Date of Financing Approval/	April 2019
Date of Project Change	October 2022

Independent Accountability Mechanism	The Bank's Policy on PPM applies to the Project. The PPM has been established by AIIB to provide an opportunity for an independent and impartial review of submissions from Project-affected people who believe they have been or are likely to be adversely affected by AIIB's failure to implement its Environmental and Social Policy in situations when their concerns cannot be addressed satisfactorily through Project-level GRMs or AIIB Management's processes. Information on the PPM is available at https://www.aiib.org/en/policies-strategies/operational-policies/policy-on-the-project-affected-mechanism.html
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