PROJECT INFORMATION SHEET

PIP No:

1308

(To be allocated by MOP)

PART A: BASIC PROJECT INFORMATION

(Must be completed in all cases)

1. PROJECT NAME: National Restoration of Rural Productive Capacity Project

2. PROJECT DATES:

PROJECT START: 1/10/2020 ESTIMATED COMPLETION: 6/30/2024

3. TOTAL PROJECT COST: \$67,500,000

4. RESPONSIBLE MINISTRY: Ministry of Rural Development

RESPONSIBLE UNIT: Executive Agency

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5. PROJECT STATUS: On Going

DETAILED PROJECT INFORMATION

6. TYPE OF PROJECT: Investment project

7. SOURCE OF PROJECT FUNDING: Mix of RGC, Grant and Loan

8. THE POLICY AREA OF THE PENTAGON STRATEGY PHASE I THAT THIS PROJECT FALLS UNDER: V

Pentagon 4. Resilient, Sustainable and Inclusive Development

9. THE CONTRIBUTION OF THE PROJECT TO ACHIEVE THE ABOVE POLICY:

The Project will benefit about 480,000 rural population in the targeted five provinces maximizing benefits to the vulnerable groups (women, children, and jobless returning migrants), whose socio-economic conditions are adversely affected by the COVID-19 pandemic and looking for short term employment benefits under the Project.

10. SUPPORT TO CAMBODIA INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPEMENT POLICY:

Does this Project support to the implementation of the Cambodia Industrial Development Policy?

No

11. SECTOR:

Rural Development Other

Other

Other

12. PROJECT LOCATION: (Describe the location of the project and its components.)

Tbong Khmum, Pailin, Koh Kong, Prey Veng, Kampong Chhnang,

13. PROJECT OBJECTIVE: (Describe the major purpose of the project.)

The Project Objective is to sustain the rural economy and livelihood of vulnerable rural population and returning migrants affected by the COVID-19 pandemic.

14. PROJECT DESCRIPTION: (Provide a description of the project and all its components.)

The Project was proposed under the Bank's COVID-19 Crisis Recovery Facility. The Project objective will be achieved by maintaining and accelerating rural infrastructure spending; creating short term employment and income generation; building capacity of local labor and national contractors to ensure quality infrastructure delivery building on the national standards established with the development partners; establishing foundations for learning and knowledge sharing among key project stakeholders to scale up rural infrastructure and rural basic services delivery in future programs. The Project is also supporting the Government's communications effort to (i) enhance awareness of targeted rural population about social distancing and hygiene to help prevent the spread of CoVID-19 in the aftermath of the pandemic; and (ii) build their preparedness and resilience against further outbreaks of CoVID-19.

The project has two components - (i) Investment in rural road economic development for rural road infrastructure and water sanitation and hygiene; and (ii) Strengthening capacity development for re-skilling of residents and national contractors and project management support at national and provincial levels.

15. PROJECT JUSTIFICATION: (Give reasons why this particular project is considered worthwhile.)

Rural Road Infrastructure (USD 56.20 million, of which AIIB financing: USD 49.60 million): This will include: (i) upgrading and climate proofing of about 235 kilometers of existing rural roads; (ii) adaptation of unstable bridges and collapsed drainage systems to improve access to markets, schools and health centers and sustain urban-rural linkages within the provinces as well as with the national capital and increase climate resilience; and (iii) greening of the embankments using bioengineered solutions and indigenous materials to accommodate safe walking and cycling and promote rural roads safety. Water Sanitation and Hygiene (USD 7.30 million of which AIIB financing: USD 6.40 million): This will include: (i) Restoring and climate proofing of about 75 community ponds including strengthening of the embankments using bioengineered solutions; (ii) construction of 75 new community ponds and associated WASH facilities; (iii) mapping of safe water access points in the village within a 250 to 350 meters range from each house to reduce water duties allocated to women and children; (iv) promoting sanitation and hygiene, especially hand-washing practices to deliver basic disease prevention measures to the vulnerable groups of the rural population; and (v) community mobilization for the design, operation and maintenance and raising community awareness on safe water use, sanitation and hygiene improvements as part of on-going measures to prevent further spread of CoVID-19 variants.

16. BENIFITS: (Who will benefit, directly and indirectly, from the project?)

The Project is expected to generate the following key results in the targeted rural areas in five provinces: (a) 50,000 short-term local employment benefits and income generation, including re-skilling and capacity development of the local labor targeting the vulnerable group of the population and returning migrants who lost their jobs due to the CoVID-19 pandemic and who live in the target provinces; (b) 25 national contractors trained in quality rural infrastructure delivery and basic rural services provision including CoVID-19 precaution measures; (c) 100 facilities: economic (markets), health (health centers), social (school), with improved road access; and (d) 150,000 people with improved access to water sanitation and hygiene facilities, especially hand-washing measures as primary mitigation against future spread of CoVID-19 variants.

17. FEASIBILITY STUDY

Is a Feasibility Study for the project required? Yes

If YES, has it been carried out? Has been done

18. SOCIAL & ENVIRONMENT IMPACT: (Briefly describe the effects of the project, if any, on the people and the surrounding environment. Will the project assist in alleviating poverty?)

- a) No Land Acquisition, Involuntary Resettlement, or negative Impacts on Indigenous People: This project prioritizes minimizing social impact, with zero land acquisition, involuntary resettlement, or negative effects on indigenous populations through careful planning and strict screening procedures. This aligns with the principles outlined in the Resettlement Policy Framework.
- b) Selecting Roads and Ponds with Community Benefits: Roads and community ponds were selected with clear socio-economic benefits for local residents. The roads utilize existing alignments within the official Right of Way, minimize disruption during civil works and maximize accessibility.
- c) Community benefits through training, local hiring, and support for vulnerable households: The project goes beyond infrastructure, by providing training and capacity building programs to empower local residents. Additionally, hiring of local workers is prioritized, fostering sustainable community development. Recognizing the importance of inclusivity, the project specifically targets vulnerable households, improving their living conditions and promoting equitable development. However, infrastructure alone is not enough and the Project provides training, job opportunities, and support for vulnerable households, creating a transformative impact on the community.

The Project is to sustain the rural economy and livelihood of vulnerable rural population and returning migrants affected by the COVID-19 pandemic.

19. CLIMATE CHANGE

a. Is any activity or output of the project related to Climate Change? Yes

If Yes, please indicate Adaptation

b. How is the project relevant to Climate Change?

Please select a Climate Change related sector of the project and fill up the contribution of the climate change related expenditure compared to the total project cost.

Climate Change-Related Sector Percentage Climate Change Relevance

4. Climate change proofing of Infrastructure 20 Low

20. DISASTER RISK REDUCTION

Is any activity or output of the project related to Disaster Risk Reduction? Yes

If Yes, please indicate Mitigation

21. GENDER ANALYSIS: (How does the project affect the roles of the men and women in the project area? Will women be actively involved in the implementation of the project?)

Opportunities for employment during civil works for both men and women as unskilled laborers by providing equal pay for equal work of equal value regardless of gender and ethnic groups. Enhanced access to water during the dry season benefitting households and for use in home gardens mainly tended by women. Improvements in health and sanitation through behavior change mainly benefitting women.

22. CAPACITY TO IMPLEMENT: (Does the Ministry have the skills and experience required to implement the project?)

The Ministry of Rural Development has demonstrated competent technical and financial management of many similar rural infrastructure projects.

23. STATUS OF PROJECT IMPLEMENTION: (Provide a brief update on the progress of the project to date. Discuss any major problems causing delays in project implementation.)

Rural Roads:

Batch 1 consists of four road sub-projects with a total length of 37.786 km located in three provinces (2021 & 2022):

- Kampong Chhnang province has two roads with a length of 16.829 km (100% completed).
- Prey Veng Province has one road with a length of 10.679 km (100% completed).
- Thoung Khmum province has one road with a length of 10.278 km (100% completed).

Batch 2 consists of seven road sub-projects with a total length of 106.997 km located in five provinces are under construction (2022 & 2023):

- Kampong Chhnang province has two roads with a length of 32.525 km.
- Prey Veng Province has one road with a length of 8.064 km.
- -Thoung Khmum province has two roads with a length of 25.721 km.
- Pailin Province has one road with a length of 20.850 km.
- Koh Kong Province has one road with a length of 19.837 km.

Batch 3 and 4 consist of eight road sub-projects with a total length of 124.986 km have been designed and tendered (2023):

Batch 3:

- Kampong Chhnang Province has one road with a length of 8.140 km.
- Prey Veng Province has two roads with a total length of 33.328 km.
- Thoung Khmum Province has one road with a length of 12.670 km.
- Pailin Province has one road with a length of 15.338 km.

Batch 4:

- Prev Veng Province has one road with a length of 18.074 km.
- Thoung Khmum Province has one road with a length of 18.074 km.
- Koh Kong Province has one road with a length of 26.100 km

Community Ponds, Water Sanitation and Hygiene:

38 community ponds in Batch 1 are under construction in three provinces:

- Kampong Chhnang Province: 10 community ponds
- Prey Veng Province: 16 community ponds
- Thoung Khmum Province: 12 community ponds.

Prepare detailed design of 43 community ponds for Batch 2 (2023):

- Koh Kong Province: 24 community ponds
- Pailin Province: 19 community ponds

Prepare detailed design of 43 community ponds for Batch 3 (2024):

- Kampong Chhnang Province: 29 community ponds
- Prey Veng Province: 20 community ponds
- Thoung Khmum Province: 27 community ponds

Training of Trainers (TOT) for PIU officers on behavior change and practice, sanitation and hygiene completed with 10 participants (1 woman).

Training of clean water, sanitation and hygiene with 1,278 participants (519 women) in Kampong Chhnang, Prey Veng and Tboung Khmum provinces.

Training WSUG members to become facilitators on good hygiene and sanitation practices using IEC materials in Kampong Chhnang and Prey Veng provinces. A total of 90 participants (28 women).

24. PROJECT PRIORITY: (Please indicates the priority ranking of the project decided by the ministry/agency.)

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25. DONOR INVOLVEMENT: (Provide any information on current or potential donor involvement in the project.)

Asian Infrastructure Invesment Bank (AIIB)

PART B: PROJECT COSTS AND FUNDING SOURCES (In US\$'000)

INVESTMENT COST	2024		2025	2026	2027	2028	3yr Total	Recurrent Cost Est.	
INVESTMENT COST	Budget Actual		Budget	Estimate	Estimate	Estimate	2026-2028		
Operational Expenditure	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	
Salaries	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	
Materials + Admin	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	
Other	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	
Capital Expenditure	0.0	0.0	22,000.0	22,000.0	22,000.0	0.0	44,000.0	0.0	
Construction	0.0	0.0	22,000.0	22,000.0	22,000.0	0.0	44,000.0	0.0	
Consultancy (i.e. TA) + Admin	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	
Equipment+ Furniture	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	
Training	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	
Other	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	
TOTAL COST	0.0	0.0	22,000.0	22,000.0	22,000.0	0.0	44,000.0	0.0	
FUNDING SOURCES	202 Budget	24 Actual	2025 Budget	2026 Estimate	2027 Estimate	2028 Estimate	3yr Total 2026-2028		
Project Revenue	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0		
Government Funding	0.0	0.0	2,000.0	2,000.0	2,000.0	0.0	4,000.0		
Cash Input	0.0	0.0	2,000.0	2,000.0	2,000.0	0.0	4,000.0		
Other Resources	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0		
Donor Funding	0.0	0.0	20,000.0	20,000.0	20,000.0	0.0	40,000.0		
ASEAN Infrastructure Investment Bank	0.0	0.0	20,000.0	20,000.0	20,000.0	0.0	40,000.0		
TOTAL COMMITTED FUNDING	0.0	0.0	22,000.0	22,000.0	22,000.0	0.0	44,000.0		
FUNDING REQUIRED	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0		
(Total Cost - Funding Available)									

Seen and Approved by					
Minister					

(Signature)

Date			
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