

INDEPENDENT EVALUATION DEPARTMENT'S PROPOSED WORK PROGRAM FOR 2016–2018

Program Area	2015	2016	2017	2018
	I. Knowledge Program (Corporate, Thematic, and Impact Evaluations)			
Agriculture and Rural Development	—	—	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Impact Evaluation of a Water Resource Management Project 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ADB's Support to Rural Development (TES)
Environment/Climate Change	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Rise in Global Climate-Related Disasters (TP) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ADB's Environmentally Sustainable Growth Agenda: A Strategic Review and Framework (TP) • Silence on Climate Change, The Fury of Natural Disasters (Book) 	—	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ADB's Support to Environmentally Sustainable Growth (TES)
Governance, Public Sector Management and Financial Sector	—	—	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ADB's Support to Financial Sector (TES) 	—
Inclusive Growth and Social Development	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Policy Reform in Bangladesh's Secondary Education Sector from 1993 to 2013: Tracing Causal Processes and Examining ADB Contribution (TP) 	—	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ADB's Support to Gender and Development (TES) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Impact Evaluation of an Education Project
Infrastructure Development	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sustainability of Water Supply and Sanitation Operations: Lessons for Improvements (TP) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Infrastructure, Inclusion and Growth (TP) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ADB's Support to Sustainable Energy (TES) • Review of ADB's Sustainable Transport Initiative (TES) • ADB's Support for Livable Cities (TP) 	—
Private Sector/Nonsovereign Operations	—	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ADB's Credit Enhancement Products, including guarantees (CES) • Comparative and Institutional Review of Private Sector Operations (TP) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Review of ADB's Private Sector Operations (CES) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Effectiveness of Risk Management in ADB (CES)
ADB Institutional	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ADB's Support to the Pacific 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ADB's Strategy 2030: An 	—	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ADF Operations: ADF 12,

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Effectiveness and Instruments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Small Island Countries (CES) • ADB's Support to Regional Cooperation and Integration (TES) • ADF Operations: ADF X and ADF XI, including implementation review of the Disaster Response Facility – ADF requirement (CES) • Evaluation-based Thinking on ADB's New Corporate Strategy (TP) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Evaluative Perspective (CES) • ADB's Support to Middle Income Countries (CES) • Evaluation of ADB's Safeguards Experience^a (TES) • Effectiveness of ADB's Partnerships, including official co-financing (CES) 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> including the midterm review of the Disaster Response Facility (CES) • ADB's Results-based Lending Pilot – Policy requirement (CES)
	II. Annual Report			
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Annual Evaluation Review (with special chapters on sustainability of ADB's urban water supply and sanitation sector Operations) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Annual Evaluation Review (with special chapter on environmentally sustainable growth) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Annual Evaluation Review 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Annual Evaluation Review
	III. Knowledge Information Systems and Database			
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Enhancement of evaluation information systems (Lessons, Management Action Records System, and Success Rates databases) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Enhancement of evaluation information systems (Lessons, Management Action Records System, and Success Rates databases) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Enhancement of evaluation information systems (Lessons, Management Action Records System, and Success Rates databases) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Enhancement of evaluation information systems (Lessons, Management Action Records System, and Success Rates databases)
	IV. Learning and Accountability from Regional/Country, Program/Project, and TA Operations			
Regional/Country Assistance Program Evaluations (includes associated sector assistance program assessments)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CAPE: Papua New Guinea and People's Rep. of China 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CAPE Sri Lanka 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CAPE India 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CAPE Georgia
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Validation of CPS Final Reviews: Bangladesh, Indonesia, Maldives, Timor Leste, and Viet Nam 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Validation of CPS Final Reviews: Afghanistan, Kazakhstan, Lao PDR, Mongolia, Myanmar, Philippines, and Solomon Islands 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Validation of CPS Final Reviews: Kyrgyz Republic, Nepal, Thailand, Turkmenistan, and Uzbekistan 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Validation of CPS Final Reviews: Armenia, Azerbaijan, Bhutan, Cambodia, and Fiji
Project/Program Evaluations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 4 PPERs – Sovereign projects/programs • 2 PPERs – Nonsovereign 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 10 PPERs – Sovereign projects/programs • 3 PPERs – Nonsovereign 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 11 PPERs – Sovereign projects/programs • 4 PPERs – Nonsovereign 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 11 PPERs – Sovereign projects/programs • 4 PPERs – Nonsovereign

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and Validations	operations	operations	operations	operations
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • TPER: Development of Bond Markets in the ASEAN plus 3 countries 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • TPER: Water Supply Capacity Development in Sri Lanka • TPER: TBD 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2 TPERs 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2 TPERs
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 77 PCR and XARR validations 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 80 PCR and XARR validations 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 80 PCR and XARR validations 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 80 PCR and XARR validations
Project Preparation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Comment selectively on draft RRP and concept papers 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Comment selectively on draft RRP and concept papers 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Comment selectively on draft RRP and concept papers 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Comment selectively on draft RRP and concept papers
V. Real-time Feedback/Capacity Development/Outreach/Other Regular Activities				
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Training and evaluation capacity development program • Evaluation Event: Think Sustainable, Act Responsible (2015), TBD (2016, 2017, 2018) • Annual Meeting Seminar: Beyond Growth: Innovation and Governance (2015), TBD (2016, 2017, 2018) • Updating of methods and guidelines, i.e., CAPE, PPER, and PVR (2015) • Continue Learning Curves, Learning Lessons, Evaluation Alerts, etc. by Independent Evaluation Department Outreach Team • Enhancement of the Evaluation Website • Provision of resource persons to Shanghai International Program for Development Evaluation Training as needed • Support for Evaluation Cooperation Group activities • Participate in the Evaluation Network of Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development–Development Assistance Committee Activities • RDTA preparation for Select Evaluation Studies and related outreach activities (2015) • CDTA preparation for DMC Evaluation Capacity Development (2015) • Cluster TA for Evaluation Knowledge Products and Services (2016) • CDTA for DMC Evaluation Capacity Development (2017) 			

ADB = Asian Development Bank, ADF = Asian Development Fund, ASEAN = Association of Southeast Asian Nations, CAPE = country assistance program evaluation, CDTA = capacity development TA, CES = corporate evaluation study, CPS = country partnership strategy, DMC = developing member country, PCR = project/program completion report, PPER = project/program performance evaluation report, PVR = PCR validation report, RDTA = research and development TA, RRP = Report and Recommendation of the President, TA = technical assistance, TBD = to be determined, TES = thematic evaluation study, TP= topical paper, TPER = TA performance evaluation report, XARR = extended annual review report.

^a A full evaluation of ADB's Safeguard Policy Statement, as required in its para 82 after 5 years (starting in 2015), is postponed to 2018, due by 2019.

Notes: (1) Targets for validations of PCRs and XARRs are subject to change based on the timing of receipt of self-evaluations from operations departments.

(2) Number of major evaluations: seven in 2016, and eight each for 2017 and 2018.

(3) At least one topical paper/other knowledge products will be prepared per year. For the 2018 program, possible topics still need to be determined.

Source: Independent Evaluation Department.