

Government of Pakistan
FINANCE DIVISION
HRM Wing
(Quality Assurance – I Section)


C I R C U L A R

Subject: **TA 6627: REGIONAL TRAINING WORKSHOP ON DELIVERING CLIMATE SOLUTIONS 11-14 JULY, 2023 IN TBILISI, GEORGIA**

Ministry of Economic Affairs vide its O.M No. 10(25)ADB-IV/EAD/2023 dated 17th April, 2023 on the subject noted above has informed that the Asian Development Bank (ADB) is organizing a workshop under TA 6627 Regional Training on Delivering Climate Solutions, to be held on 11-14 July, 2023 in Tbilisi, Georgia (copy enclosed).

2. Interested Officers of this Division are requested to furnish their nominations duly recommended by the AFS/head of the respective Wing to **QA-I Section by 28.4.2023**.

Note:- “In addition to the eligibility criteria specified for a training, all officers who are working on contract basis/fixed pay package or having less than two years continuous government service or less than three months of service in Finance Division or against whom disciplinary proceedings/inquiry is in progress, may need not apply”.


(Aamir Habib Abbasi)
Dy. Secretary (QA/PMDU)
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All Officers (BPS-17 & above) of Finance Division, Islamabad
Finance Division's U.O No.F.2 (12) QA-I/2014 dated 27.4.2023

- Webmaster, Finance Division, with the request to upload the circular on Finance Division's website.

17 April 2023

Dr. Irfan Abbas Shah
Joint Secretary (ADB)
Economic Affairs Division
Ministry of Economic Affairs
Pakistan

Dear Dr. Shah,

**TA 6627: Regional Training Workshop on Delivering Climate Solutions
11-14 July 2023 in Tbilisi, Georgia**

The Asian Development Bank (ADB) is currently implementing a knowledge and support technical assistance (TA 6627) to support its developing member countries (DMCs) expand action on climate change, to support the implementation of ADB's Strategy 2030 Operational Priority 3 on tackling climate change, building climate and disaster resilience, and enhancing environmental sustainability. The TA likewise recognizes the need to factor climate risk into fiscal policy and management processes to allow for the identification, prioritization, and implementation of climate adaptation strategies, including public investments in resilient infrastructure and livelihoods. Together with the government and financing partners, the private sector also has a critical role to play, whether in terms of financing investments or technological innovation, and government could provide incentives to accelerate their participation.

In this regard, we are pleased to inform you that the ADB through this TA, and with support from the ADB Institute, is organizing a training workshop to be held in **Tbilisi, Georgia from 11-14 July 2023**. The workshop is designed to provide hands-on training and peer-to-peer learning to enhance DMCs' knowledge and capacities on (a) determining sources and estimating climate finance, including private sector finance mobilization; (b) addressing climate change impacts and climate risk management including climate risk informed fiscal planning; (c) aligning investment projects and programs to the Paris Agreement; (d) concepts related to Nationally Determined Contributions (NDCs), just transition and long-term strategies (LTS) including their integration into national development planning; and (e) the design of low-carbon and climate-resilient interventions during the COVID-19 recovery period. The provisional program for the four-day training is attached for reference.

In line with this, we would like to invite seven (7) government representatives, preferably from relevant departments specifically from Ministry of Finance; Ministry of Planning, Development & Special Initiatives; and Ministry of Climate Change, to participate in the training. Kindly consider gender balance, thus we encourage you to nominate both women and men.

ADB will provide each nominee with a round trip (economy class) airfare on the most direct route from your country to Tbilisi, hotel accommodation, and daily subsistence allowance in accordance with ADB's Technical Disbursement Handbook. Allowances shall be given upon arrival in Tbilisi.

To facilitate the timely logistical arrangements, we would appreciate receiving the nominations along with the attached nomination from to Esmyra Javier (ejavier@adb.org) with copies to (i). Ahmad Mujtaba (amujtaba@adb.org); and (ii) Bianca Gutierrez

(bgutierrez.consultant@adb.org) on or before **17 May 2023**. Should you have any questions, please feel free to send your inquiries to the Esmyra Javier (ejavier@adb.org).

Thank you and we look forward to hearing from you.

Yours Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Yong Ye', written over a horizontal line.

Yong Ye
Country Director
Pakistan Resident Mission

CC: Secretary, Ministry of Finance, Islamabad
Secretary, Ministry of Planning Development & Special Initiatives
Secretary, Ministry of Climate Change



Nomination Form
TA 6627: Regional Training Workshop on Delivering Climate Solutions
11-14 July 2023, Tbilisi, Georgia
(Please send the accomplished form on or before 17 May 2023)

Notes:

1. The information provided in this form will only be used to process the necessary logistics arrangement for the workshop. A copy of the nominee's passport will be required for hotel and flight booking. We would also like to remind nominated participants to be informed of the entry/arrival requirements to Georgia.
2. As a pre-workshop requirement, each of the nominated participants will have to complete an online pre-training module on 'General climate change concepts'. The module will include short reading materials, exercises, and quizzes which, in total, will take about 45 minutes to 1 hour to complete. Further information on how to access the module will be sent to the respective email addresses provided in this form.

Ministry/Agency	
Division	
Complete Name (Surname, First Name)	
Designation/Position	
Preferred Name on ID tag	
Contact information (email and phone number)	

Nomination endorsed by:

Name and signature

**Regional Capacity-building Workshop on Delivering Climate Change Solution
for Central and West Asian Regions**

11-14 July 2023

9:00 am – 5:30 pm, Courtyard by Marriot (to be finalized), Tbilisi, Georgia

Background

The Asian Development Bank (ADB) is implementing knowledge and support technical assistance (TA) to support its developing member countries (DMCs) expand action on climate change, thereby supporting the implementation of ADB's Strategy 2030 operational priority 3 (OP3) on tackling climate change, building climate and disaster resilience, and enhancing environmental sustainability. The TA 6627-REG: Building Institutional Capacity: Delivering Climate Solutions under Operational Priority 3 of Strategy 2030 is aimed at building institutional capacity through technical support and policy advice to DMCs to: (i) develop long-term low-greenhouse gas (GHG) emission and resilient development strategies; (ii) mobilize, track and report on climate finance; (iii) enhance management of climate and disaster risks; and (iv) ensure national strategies and policies are aligned with the goals of the Paris Agreement.

The TA likewise recognizes the need to factor climate risk into fiscal policy and management processes to allow for the identification, prioritization and implementation of climate adaptation strategies, including public investments in resilient infrastructure and livelihoods. Together with the government and financing partners, the private sector has a critical role in addressing climate change, whether in terms of financing investments or technological innovation, government could provide incentives to accelerate their participation.

Objectives

To build DMCs' capacity, a regional workshop will be held in each of the subregion. The workshop aims to enhance DMCs (a) understanding of the role of climate finance, how to estimate and determine climate finance, and sources of climate finance (mitigation and adaptation finance); (b) address climate change impacts and climate risk management; (c) align investment projects and programs to the Paris Agreement; (d) increase knowledge of concepts related to Nationally Determined Contribution (NDC), Just Transition and Long-term Strategy (LTS), including their integration into national development planning; (e) support the design of low-carbon and climate-resilient interventions during the COVID-19 recovery period, and (f) fiscal planning and private sector engagement.

Through the regional training, DMCs will learn about and discuss existing climate finance tracking frameworks and methodologies from various institutions; be exposed to the latest information on climate science, data projections and best practices, including a range of potential approaches for climate risk and vulnerability assessment, and methods for climate risk screening; and learn about and apply relevant tools to help align strategies and investments with commitments under the Paris Agreement, as well as key factors involving successful development and implementation of LTSs.

Target participants

Experts and/or technical staff from various government offices, especially from:

- Ministry/Department of Finance;
- Ministry/Department of Environment;
- Ministry/Department of Planning or Economic Development; and
- Ministry/Department of Climate Change

Date and venue: 11-14 July 2023, Courtyard by Marriot (to be finalized), Tbilisi, Georgia

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for Central and West Asian Regions
11-14 July 2023
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Day/Date	Session/Topic title
Day 1 11 July 2023	Opening session and review of pre-training online course Topic 1: Climate risk management, adaptation and resilience Topic 2: Low Carbon Transition, Just Transition, NDC,
Day 2 12 July 2023	Topic 3: Long-term Strategy for low GHG emission and climate resilient development (LTS) Topic 4: Paris Alignment Agreement
Day 3 13 July 2023	Topic 5: Defining and tracking climate finance
Day 4 14 July 2023	Topic 5: Accelerating private sector investments Topic 6: Presentations on ADB's Climate Change Program in Central and West Asia
	Closing Session

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