

# ASIAN DEVELOPMENT BANK MEMBER FACT SHEET



## Fiji: 2016 Approved Loans, Grants, and Technical Assistance (\$ million)

Loans		Technical Assistance	Grants	Total
Sovereign	Nonsovereign			
92.11	–	–	33.04	125.15

– = nil.

Note: Grants and technical assistance include ADB-administered cofinancing.

## Fiji: Cumulative Lending, Grant, and Technical Assistance Approvals<sup>a, b, c</sup>

Sector	No.	Total Amount (\$ million) <sup>d</sup>	% <sup>d</sup>
Agriculture, Natural Resources, and Rural Development	26	60.09	10.42
Energy	10	40.08	6.95
Finance	15	21.36	3.70
Industry and Trade	1	0.38	0.07
Public Sector Management	18	58.23	10.10
Transport	29	247.43	42.91
Water and Other Urban Infrastructure and Services	12	148.34	25.73
Multisector	1	0.70	0.12
<b>Total</b>	<b>112</b>	<b>576.60</b>	<b>100.00</b>

<sup>a</sup> Grants and technical assistance include ADB-administered cofinancing.

<sup>b</sup> Includes sovereign and nonsovereign loans and technical assistance.

<sup>c</sup> Using primary sector in reporting of approvals.

<sup>d</sup> Numbers may not sum precisely because of rounding.

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## FIJI

The Asian Development Bank (ADB) has been working with the Government of Fiji since 1970, approving \$509 million in loans, \$35 million in grants, and \$32 million in technical assistance for the country. ADB support is largely directed to improving transport infrastructure and extending the supply of clean water and modern sanitation to residents across Fiji.

ADB and the government work together through the country partnership strategy (CPS), 2014–2018 for Fiji. Over the period of the strategy, ADB anticipates an allocation of \$350 million to help Fiji overcome its key development challenges.

Cumulative disbursements to Fiji for lending and grants financed by ordinary capital resources, the Asian Development Fund, and other special funds amount to \$286.9 million.

## ADB-SUPPORTED PROJECTS AND PROGRAMS

ADB engagement in Fiji has focused on promoting inclusive economic growth and poverty reduction. These goals are being advanced through infrastructure investments in transport, water supply, and sanitation as well as proposed new investments in Fiji's ports and public sector management.

ADB has helped to significantly improve water supply and sewerage services for the population of Fiji, with one ADB-supported project improving water supply to about 150,000 people living in the Greater Suva area. In 2016, ADB approved a facility of \$153 million to further improve water supply



and sanitation in Greater Suva. The project—supported by \$71 million from the European Investment Bank and a grant of \$31 million from the Green Climate Fund—will double sewerage treatment capacity and deliver over 20% more water every day.

In February 2016, a \$2 million grant from the Asia Pacific Disaster Recovery Facility (APDRF) was provided to assist with immediate recovery efforts following the severe Tropical Cyclone Winston—a Category 5 cyclone. In August 2016, ADB provided an emergency assistance loan of \$50 million to help with the reconstruction efforts, especially the rebuilding of public schools and private homes. This financing follows two grants of \$1 million each to Fiji from the APDRF for emergency assistance and rehabilitation after the floods of 2012.

ADB has been investing in rehabilitating Fiji's roads for 20 years and, in 2000–2009 alone, has helped reconstruct around 300 kilometers of roadway, including sections of the major Kings and Lodon highways. Associated reductions in transport costs and traveling times have helped disadvantaged groups participate in the cash economy, access employment

opportunities, and take advantage of social services such as education, health, and commerce.

ADB is building on its commitment to infrastructure development, with the approval in 2014 of \$100 million for a major transport sector project. In line with priorities in the government's draft 20-year National Transport Sector Plan, this project—which received cofinancing from the World Bank—will upgrade and rehabilitate over 100 kilometers of roads, 30 bridges, and 6 jetties throughout Fiji.

ADB continues to provide technical assistance to support the reform of state-owned enterprises in Fiji. In 2015, technical assistance supported the development of a ports masterplan and a national development plan for Fiji. Fiji also participates in regional technical assistance projects, covering areas such as climate change, public sector management, information and communication technology, and trade facilitation.

## COFINANCING

Cofinancing operations enable ADB's financing partners, governments or

their agencies, multilateral financing institutions, and commercial organizations to participate in financing ADB projects. Additional funds are provided in the form of official loans and grants, technical assistance, other concessional financing, and commercial cofinancing such as B loans, risk transfer arrangements, parallel loans and equity, guarantee cofinancing, and cofinancing for transactions under ADB's Trade Finance Program.

From 1970 to the end of 2016, cumulative direct value-added official cofinancing for Fiji amounted to \$179.1 million for four investment projects and \$0.5 million for two technical assistance projects.

In 2016, Fiji received \$76.6 million loan cofinancing from the European Investment Bank and the World Bank for two investment projects; and \$31 million grant cofinancing from the Green Climate Fund for one investment project.

A summary of projects with cofinancing from 1 January 2012 to 31 December 2016 is available at [www.adb.org/countries/fiji/cofinancing](http://www.adb.org/countries/fiji/cofinancing)

### Fiji: Project Success Rates

Year	Success Rate (%)	No. of Independently Evaluated Projects and Programs
2009	50.0	2
<b>Total</b>	<b>50.0</b>	<b>2</b>

Note: "Year" refers to the circulation year of the project completion report (PCR). The success rates reported here are based on the ratings from validated PCRs and independently evaluated performance evaluation reports only and do not include self-evaluations. With small sample size, the success rate does not necessarily represent country operations performance.

Source: PCR validation reports and project/program performance evaluation reports ratings database as of 31 December 2016.

### Fiji: Portfolio Performance Quality Indicators for Sovereign Lending and Grants, 2015–2016

	2015 (\$ million)		2016 (\$ million)	
	2015 (\$ million)	2016 (\$ million)	2015 (\$ million)	2016 (\$ million)
No. of Ongoing Loans (as of 31 Dec 2016)		4		
Contract Awards/Commitments <sup>a,b</sup>	–	3.48	–	3.48
Disbursements <sup>a</sup>	0.99	0.94	–	–
No. of Ongoing Grants (as of 31 Dec 2016)		1		
Contract Awards/Commitments <sup>a,b</sup>	–	2.00	–	2.00
Disbursements <sup>a,c</sup>	–	2.00	–	2.00
Actual Problem Projects (%) (as of 31 Dec 2016)		25		

– = nil.

<sup>a</sup> Includes closed loans/grants that had contract awards or disbursements during the year.

<sup>b</sup> Excludes policy-based lending/grants.

<sup>c</sup> Includes only Asian Development Fund and other ADB special funds.

### Fiji: Projects Cofinanced, 1 January 2012–31 December 2016

Cofinancing	No. of Projects	Amount (\$ million)
Projects <sup>a</sup>	3	157.64
Grants	1	31.04
Official loans	3	126.60
Technical Assistance Grants	1	0.35

<sup>a</sup> A project with more than one source of cofinancing is counted once.

### Fiji: Share of Procurement Contracts for Loan, Grant, and Technical Assistance Projects

Item	2015		2016		Cumulative (as of 31 Dec 2016)	
	Amount (\$ million)	% of Total	Amount (\$ million)	% of Total	Amount (\$ million)	% of Total
	Goods, Works, and Related Services	8.65	0.08	6.15	0.05	171.48
Consulting Services	0.92	0.14	0.22	0.04	9.70	0.09
<b>Total Procurement</b>	<b>9.57</b>	<b>0.08</b>	<b>6.37</b>	<b>0.05</b>	<b>181.19</b>	<b>0.11</b>

### Top 5 Contractors/Suppliers from Fiji Involved in Goods, Works, and Related Services Contracts under ADB Loan and Grant Projects, 1 January 2012–31 December 2016

Contractor/Supplier	Sector	Contract Amount (\$ million)
Pernix Group Inc.	ENE	8.65
Fletcher Construction Co. (Fiji) Ltd.	TRA, WUS	6.08
CBS Power Solutions (Fiji) Ltd.	ENE	2.97
Fortech Construction Ltd.	EDU	2.90
Pacific Engineering Projects Ltd.	TRA	1.80
Others		8.48
<b>Total</b>		<b>30.88</b>

EDU = education, ENE = energy, TRA = transport, WUS = water and other urban infrastructure and services.

### Top 5 Consultants from Fiji Involved in Consulting Services Contracts under ADB Loan, Grant, and Technical Assistance Projects, 1 January 2012–31 December 2016

Consultant	Sector	Contract Amount (\$ million)
Houng Lee Kaba Jacob Ltd.	EDU	0.20
Aquatic Science Pacific	WUS	0.03
Individual Consultants		1.97
<b>Total</b>		<b>2.19</b>

EDU = education, WUS = water and other urban infrastructure and services.

## PARTNERSHIPS

ADB maintains ongoing dialogue with the Government of Fiji and its key development partners, and cooperates with the private sector and civil society organizations on the implementation of national and regional operations involving Fiji. This ensures that external support is coordinated and reflects the comparative advantages of individual partners.

ADB will apply its CPS, 2014–2018 to deepen and expand its role in Fiji, and to improve development partner coordination. ADB liaised with development partners in formulating the CPS and, in particular, collaborated closely with the World Bank to cofinance a range of activities to support poverty reduction in Fiji.

ADB participates in International Monetary Fund missions and in joint missions with other development partners. These missions, the most recent of which was in February 2016, have helped develop a shared understanding of Fiji's economy, and have encouraged the government to lead policy dialogue.

## PROCUREMENT

Each year, ADB provides loans, grants, and technical assistance to fund projects and activities in its developing member countries; and several billion dollars in contracts to procure goods, works, and consulting services. Most contracts are awarded on the basis of international competition, which is open to firms and individuals from any ADB member, regional or nonregional.

## Share of ADB's Procurement Contracts

### Goods, Works, and Related Services

ADB's procurement contracts in Asia and the Pacific for goods, works, and related services under loan and grant operations totaled \$11.09 billion in 2015 and \$11.42 billion in 2016. Cumulative procurement since 1966 was \$158.68 billion covering 206,915 contracts.

In Fiji, 361 contracts worth \$171.48 million were awarded to contractors and suppliers since 1970.

### Consulting Services

ADB's procurement contracts in Asia and the Pacific for consulting services under loan, grant, and technical assistance operations totaled \$655.31 million in 2015 and \$612.46 million in 2016. Cumulative procurement since 1966 was \$11.26 billion covering 52,232 contracts.

In Fiji, 132 contracts worth \$9.70 million were awarded to consultants since 1970.

## OPERATIONAL CHALLENGES

ADB operations in Fiji are enhanced by the presence of the ADB [Pacific Subregional Office](#) in the country's capital, Suva.

There is strong coordination and harmonization with other development partners, and significant analytical work has been done. This includes a country diagnostic study and a private sector assessment, launched in 2016. However, Fiji faces operational and implementation challenges similar

to other Pacific island countries, with limited public sector capacity and frequent staffing changes in key public and private sector positions. These constraints are reflected in the design of ADB projects, making appropriate technical assistance an important component of the ADB support package to Fiji.

ADB must work to ensure the effectiveness of aid to Fiji by maintaining multilateral consultations and negotiations.

## FUTURE DIRECTIONS

The ADB [country operations business plan, 2017–2019](#) for Fiji is consistent with the government's strategic priorities. It also embraces all three pillars of inclusive economic growth in ADB's [Midterm Review of Strategy 2020](#): high and sustained economic growth, greater access to opportunities, and strengthening of social protections.

Infrastructure plays an important role in linking the key social and economic sectors of Fiji's economy. These include resources-based industries, education, and health. ADB will support these sectors by providing policy analysis and advice, along with sovereign and nonsovereign financing facilities.

ADB will deliver analytical and advisory support to Fiji to establish a business environment that stimulates private sector growth, increasing employment and creating better jobs. Technical assistance to develop capacity will support reforms that promote fiscal discipline and more effective public spending, increasing private sector investment and making it more productive.



## ABOUT FIJI AND ADB

### ADB Membership

Joined 1970

### Shareholding and Voting Power

Number of shares held: 7,218 (0.068% of total shares)  
Votes: 46,825 (0.353% of total membership,  
0.542% of total regional membership)

Overall capital subscription: \$97.03 million

Paid-in capital subscription: \$4.85 million

**Syrkani Ishak Kasim** is the Director and **Mario Di Maio** is the Alternate Director representing Fiji on the ADB Board of Directors.

**Robert Jauncey** is the ADB Regional Director of the Pacific Subregional Office. The office was opened in 2004 and provides the primary operational link for activities between ADB and the governments of the subregion, the private sector, civil society stakeholders, and development partners. The subregional office engages in policy dialogue, country partnership strategy development and programming, and portfolio management, while also acting as a knowledge base on development issues in the Cook Islands, Fiji, Kiribati, Samoa, Tonga, and Tuvalu.

The Fiji government agency handling ADB affairs is the Ministry of Finance.

## ABOUT THE ASIAN DEVELOPMENT BANK

ADB is a multilateral development bank owned by 67 members, 48 from the region and 19 from other parts of the world. ADB's main instruments for helping its developing member countries are policy dialogue, loans, equity investments, guarantees, grants, and technical assistance. In 2016, lending volume was \$16.35 billion (126 projects), with technical assistance at \$169.03 million (225 projects) and grant-financed projects at \$526.75 million (31 projects). In addition, \$14.06 billion was generated in direct value-added cofinancing in the form of official loans and grants, other concessional cofinancing, and commercial cofinancing such as B loans, risk transfer arrangements, guarantee cofinancing, parallel loans, parallel equity, and cofinancing for transactions under ADB's Trade Finance Program. From 1 January 2012 to 31 December 2016, ADB's annual lending volume averaged \$13.74 billion. In addition, investment grants and technical assistance funded by ADB and special funds resources averaged \$562.24 million and \$154.91 million in technical assistance over the same period. As of 31 December 2016, the cumulative totals excluding cofinancing were \$247.28 billion in loans for 2,935 projects in 44 countries, \$7.75 billion in 296 grants, and \$4.06 billion in technical assistance grants, including regional technical assistance grants.

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