Philippines: Bataan-Cavite Interlink Bridge Project and Tranche 1

1. Project Information

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Project ID:	P000724	Instrument ID:	L0724A									
Member:	Philippines	Region:	South-Eastern Asia									
Sector:	Transport	Sub-sector:	Roads									
Instrument type:	□ Loan:350.00 US Dollar million □ Guarantee	Asian Development Bank										
ES category:	Α	Borrowing Entity:	Department of Finance, Philippines									
Implementing Entity:	Department of Public Works, Philippines											
Project Team Leader:	Anne Ong Lopez											
Responsible DG:	Rajat Misra											
Responsible Department:	PSC1											
Project Team Members:	Christopher Damandl, Project C Andres Pizarro, Team Member; Jessica Halim, Team Member; Odil Akbarov, SFD - Social Deve Shodi Nazarov, SFD - Financial I Rizal Rivai, SFD - Procurement S Victoria Pimkina, Team Member Kezia Paladina, Alternate Couns David Rollinson, SFD - Environn Hayoung Kim, Team Member; Shiwen Dong, Project admin	; lopment Specialist; Management Specialist; Specialist; er; sel;										
Completed Site Visits by AIIB:	Mar, 2023 1 Jun, 2023 1											
Planned Site Visits by AIIB:	Feb, 2025 1											
Current Red Flags Assigned:	0											
Current Monitoring Regime:	Regular Monitoring											
Previous Red Flags Assigned:	N/A											
Previous Red Flags Assigned Date:	N/A											

2. Project Summary and Objectives

The Bataan-Cavite Interlink Bridge Project ("BCIB Project") Objective is to contribute to efficiency improvements of road travel in Bataan, Cavite, and the National Capital Region. The Project comprises about 32.15 kilometer (km) fixed crossing over Manila Bay, consisting of (i) 2 climate-resilient cable-stayed navigation bridges with main spans of 900 and 400 meters (m) connecting Mariveles, Bataan to Naic, Cavite; (ii) 24 km of marine viaducts; and (iii) 8 km of approach roads. It will include a U-turn facility near the Corregidor Island for future connection.

The BCIB Project is expected to be financed in three tranches. Tranche 1 (the "Project") will finance a segment of the civil works and consultancy service components involving the navigation bridges, marine viaducts, and approach roads. The Project cost is USD1,310.78 million, of which AIIB loan is USD350 million.

3. Key Dates

Approval:	May. 15, 2024	Signing:	Jun. 06, 2024
Effective:	Jul. 25, 2024	Restructured (if any):	
Orig. Closing:	Jun. 30, 2027	Rev. Closing (if any):	

4. Disbursement Summary (USD million)

Contract Awarded:	0.00	Cancellation (if any):	0.00
Disbursed:	0.00	Latest disbursement (amount/date):	0.00
Undisbursed:	350.00	Disbursement Ratio (%)1:	0.00

5. Project Implementation Update

All necessary E&S documentation has been disclosed, with consultations and permit clearances underway for acquisition and resettlement, expected to start by Q2 2025. The ESMP will be implemented by the CSC and contractors, with PIU ensuring required measures are included in bidding documents and TORs. The EdSC contract is expected to be awarded by early Q1 2025, with PMC and CSC awards anticipated by late Q1 and Q2 2025. CP package procurement is progressing: CP1/CP2 awards are expected in Q1 2025, while CP4/CP6 in 2025; and CP3/CP5 is consolidated for continuity and is expected to be awarded in 2025.

Components	Physical Progress	Environmental & Social Compliance	Procurement				
\$350.00 New climate resilient road link connecting Bataan and Cavite over Manila Bay	Not yet started.	All required E&S documentation is prepared and disclosed. Land acquisition and resettlement process is yet to start, expected by Q2 2025. Consultations and	The EdSC contract is expected to be awarded by early Q1 2025, with PMC and CSC awards anticipated by late Q1 and Q2 2025.				
constructed: The output involves the construction of about 32.15 km-		obtaining of permits/clearances are underway. ESMP to be implemented by CSC	CP package procurement is progressing: CP1/CP2 awards are expected in Q1 2025, CP4/CP6 is expected				
long bridge comprising two cable-stayed bridges for the navigation channels, 24 km of		and contractors; PIU will ensure the measures are included in the bidding documents and TORs for CSC.	to be awarded in 2025. CP3/CP5 is consolidated for continuity and is expected to be awarded in 2025.				

¹ Disbursement Ratio is defined as the volume (e.g. the dollar amount) of total disbursed amount as a percentage of the net committed volume.

marine viaducts,		
and 8 km of		
approach roads to		
provide a		
permanent and		
direct road link		
between Bataan		
Province and Cavite		
Province. The BCIB		
will include a U-		
turn facility at the		
Corregidor Island		
to allow the		
vehicles to change direction and		
facilitate the future		
connection to the mainland. The		
Output also		
includes		
consultancy		
services related to		
project		
management,		
engineering		
support, and		
construction		
supervision.		
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and approach		
roads. The scope of		
the Project is		
expected to be 29.1		
percent of progress		
towards		
completion of the		
BCIB Project.		

Financial Management:

The DPWH is responsible for maintaining the project's financial management system and will primarily rely on the GoP's systems for budgeting, funds flow, accounting, internal control, and external audit. The financial management risk mitigating action plan was prepared, and its status will be checked and updated during the upcoming mission. The loan agreement was signed on June 6, 2024. The audited project financial statements and the auditor's opinion shall be presented in English within six months from the end of the fiscal year. Therefore, the first audit report for the period ending December 31, 2024 is due by June 30, 2025. The audit report for the project financial

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statements will also include a management letter. If no disbursements are made during 2024, then the first audit period will be extended to the next reporting period, and the extended audit period will be from the loan signing date to December 31, 2025, with due submission of the audit report on June 30, 2026.

6. Status of the Grievance Redress Mechanism (GRM)

The project has established a project-level GRM to receive and resolve project related concerns, complaints, and grievances. All complaints received in writing (or prepared in written form, when received verbally) from the Project-affected people shall be properly documented. The GRM is prepared in accordance with the requirements of ADB's SPS.

7.	Results Monitoring	(please refer to the full RMF,	which can be found on the	last page of this PIMR)

Will be updated once implementation progresses.

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			Cumulative	Target Values														
Project Objective Indicators	Indicator level	Unit of Measure	Baseline		2023		2024		2025		2026		End Target			Frequency	Responsibility	Comments
			Year	Value	Target	Actual	Target	Actual	Target	Actual	Target	Actual	Year	Target	Actual			
Progress towards two cable-stayed bridges with navigation south and north channels of 900 meters and 400 meters, respectively, constructed with climate change measures integrated.	Project	%	2023	0			10		15				2026	29.1		annual	DPWH	
Progress towards 24 km of marine and land viaducts constructed with climate change measures integrated.	Project	%	2023	0			10		15				2026	29.1		annual	DPWH	
Progress towards 8 km of approach roads and access ramps constructed with climate change measures and gender responsive and socially inclusive features integrated.	Project	%	2023	0			10		15				2026	29.1		annual	DPWH	
Percentage of skilled and unskilled labor force hired by civil works contractors are women	Project	Percent	2023	0			20		20				2026	20		annual	DPWH	

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	Project Intermediate Indicators	Indicator level	Unit of Measure	Baseline		2022		2023		2024		2025		2026		End Ta	rget		Frequency	Responsibility	Comments
				Year	Value	Target	Actual	Year	Target	Actual											