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Inclusive Growth Project**

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Location map of subprojects

LAO PEOPLE'S DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC

Vientiane Province

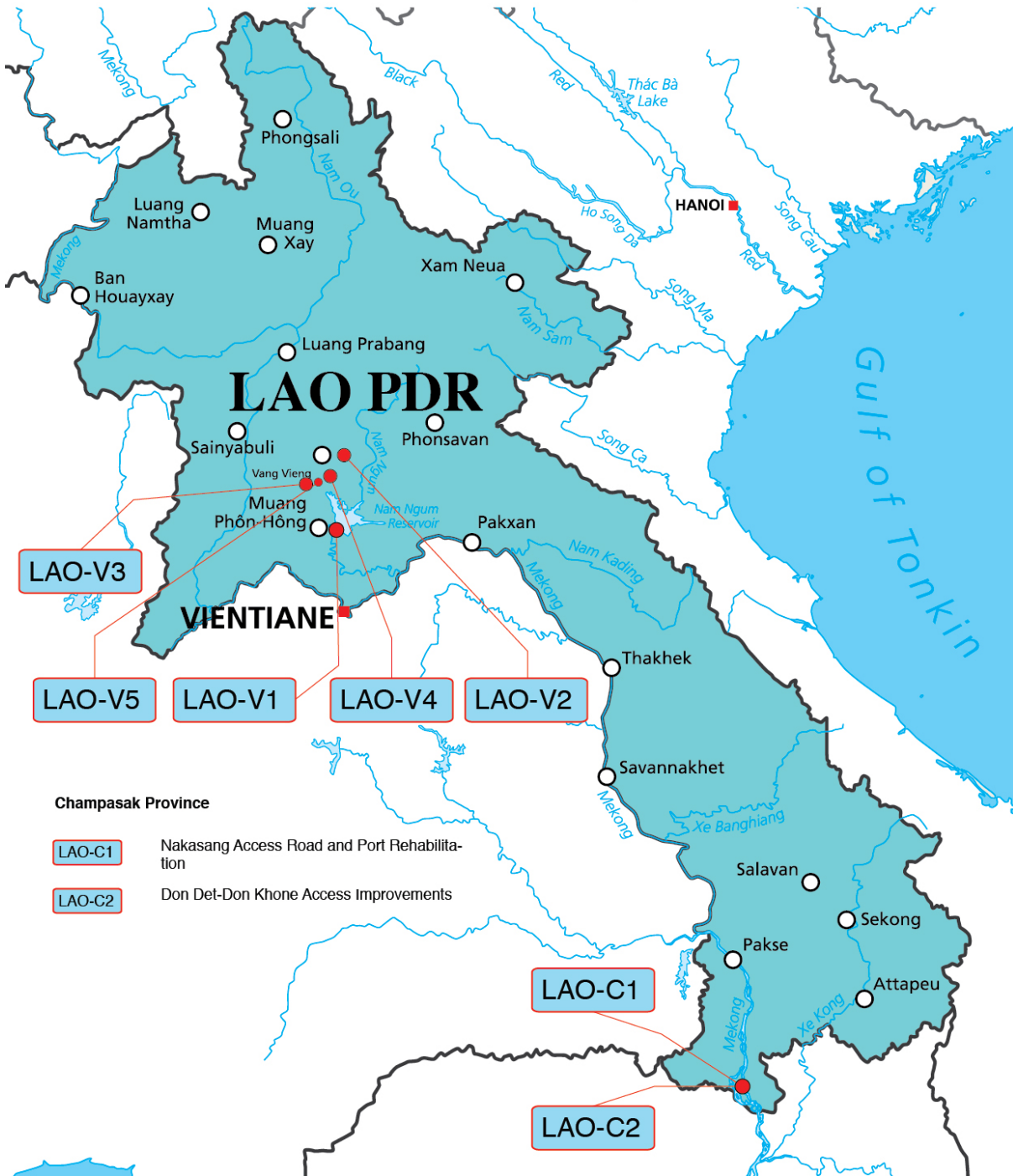
LAO-V1 Nam Ngum Reservoir Access Improvements

LAO-V2 Kaeng Yui Waterfall Access Improvements

LAO-V3 Western Loop Rural Access Road and Bridge Improvements

LAO-V4 Vang Vieng Urban Renewal (street beautification etc)

LAO-V5 Vang Vieng Solid Waste Management Improvements



Champasak Province

LAO-C1 Nakasang Access Road and Port Rehabilitation

LAO-C2 Don Det-Don Khone Access Improvements

LAO-C1

LAO-C2

1. Basic Data

Grant number:	0599-LAO
Grant Amount:	USD 47,000,000
Board Approval:	31 August 2018
Financing Agreement Signed:	16 October 2018
Grant Effectiveness:	25 December 2018
Physical Completion Date:	31 December 2024
Grant Closing Date:	30 June 2025
Elapsed Grant Period:	18 months/72 months (25.00%)
Project Overall Progress:	22.96%
Recipient:	Ministry of Finance, Lao PDR
Executing Agency:	Ministry of Information, Culture and Tourism, Lao PDR
Implementing Agency:	Departments of Information, Culture and Tourism of Champhasak, Luang Prabang, and Vientiane Province, and the Vang Vieng Urban Development Administration Authority
Date of Last Review Mission:	Inception Mission, 29 August to 3 September 2019

2. Financing Plan and Allocation of Grant Proceeds

Financing Plan:

Source	Amount (\$mill)	Share of Total (%)
ADB Special Funds Resources	47	96.3
Government of Lao PDR	1.8	3.7
Total Project Costs	48.8	100

Detailed Cost Estimates by Expenditure Category and Financier:

The PAM table showing the Detailed Cost Estimates by Expenditure Category and Financier table is reproduced overleaf (page 5) for reference.

3. Status of Grant Utilization

Contract Awards and Disbursements:

As of 30 June 2020, based on LFIS

	2019 (\$ mln)					2020 (\$ mln)				
	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Total	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Total
CA Projections	1.375	0.239	4.029	4.648	10.292	4.108	6.770	0.500	0.810	12.188
Cum CA Projections	1.375	1.614	5.643	10.292		14.400	21.170	21.670	22.480	
Actual CA	1.375	0.188	4.232	4.495	10.290	0.547	0.595			1.142
Actual Cum CA	1.375	1.563	5.795	10.290		10.837	11.432	11.432	11.432	
Disb Projections	0.000	1.000	0.315	1.298	2.613	0.837	3.150	1.300	1.700	6.987
Cum Disb Projections	0.000	1.000	1.315	2.613		3.450	6.600	7.900	9.600	
Actual Disb	0.000	1.000	0.315	1.297	2.613	0.367	1.234			1.601
Actual Cum Disb	0.000	1.000	1.315	2.613		2.980	4.214	4.214	4.214	

CA = Contract Awards; Cum = Cumulative; Disb = Disbursement; LGFIS = Loan and Grant Financial Information Services; mln = million; Q = quarter.

Weighted Progress, Contract Awards and Disbursement against Elapsed Time:

A graph showing cumulative weighted progress, contract awards and disbursement in percentage of total against elapsed time (by quarter) is presented on Page 6.

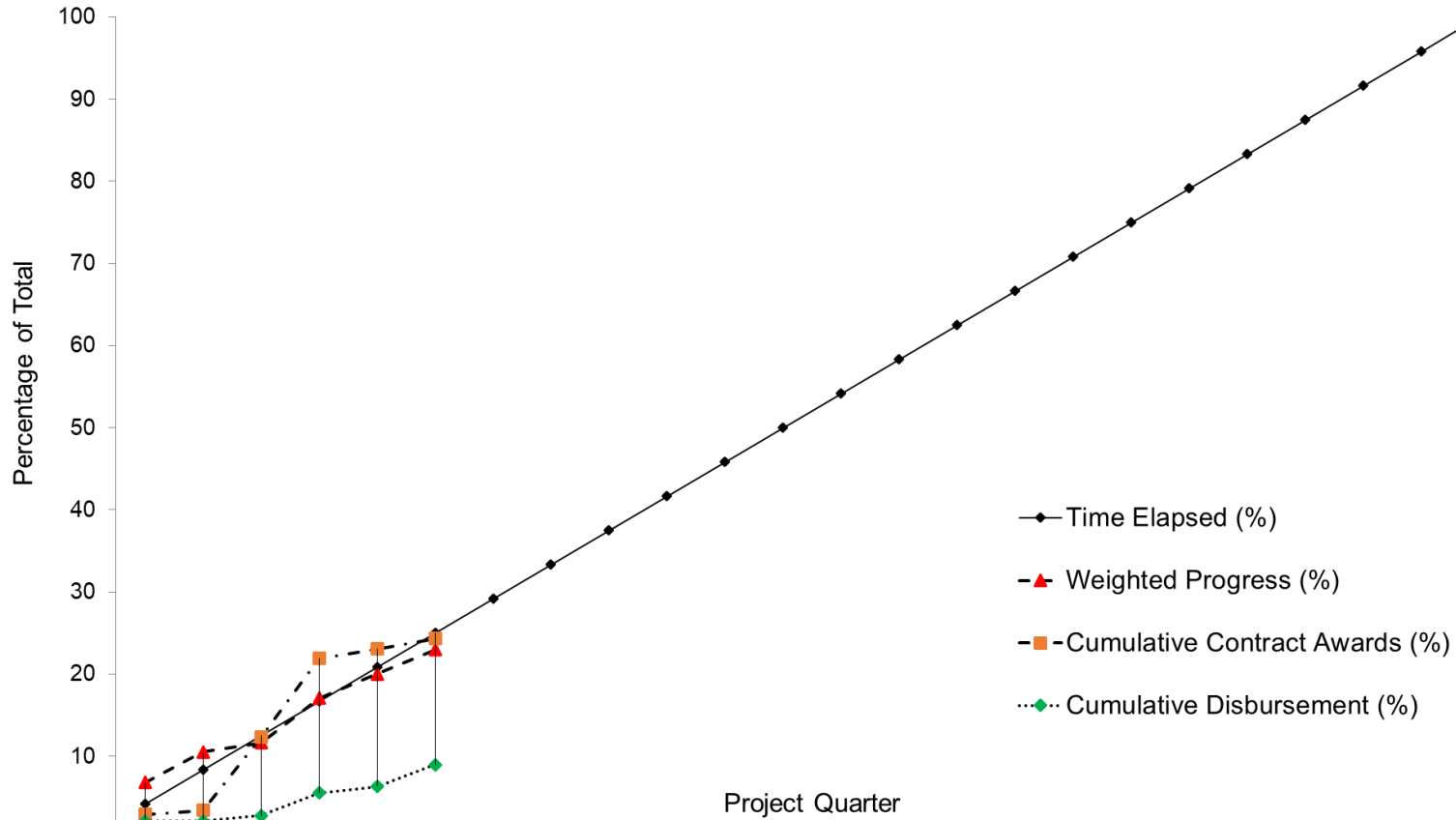
Detailed Cost Estimates by Expenditure Category and Financier

Item	ADB				Government of Lao PDR				Total Cost
	Amount	Amount (Taxes & Duties)	Total	% of Cost Category	Amount	Amount (Taxes & Duties)	Total	% of Cost Category	
A. Investment Cost									
1. Civil Works	26.98	2.70	29.68	100.0%	-	-	-	0.0%	29.68
2. Equipment and Vehicles	1.61	0.16	1.77	100.0%	-	-	-	0.0%	1.77
2. Consulting Services	4.01	0.40	4.41	100.0%	-	-	-	0.0%	4.41
4. Project Management	0.73	0.07	0.80	100.0%	-	-	-	0.0%	0.80
5. Capacity Building	3.13	0.31	3.45	100.0%	-	-	-	0.0%	3.45
6. Land Acquisition and Resettlement	-	-	-	0.0%	0.12	-	0.12	100.0%	0.12
Subtotal (A)	36.46	3.65	40.10	99.7%	0.12	-	0.12	0.3%	40.23
B. Recurrent Cost^a									
1. PCU and PIU Staff Cost	0.51	0.05	0.56	37.1%	0.87	0.09	0.96	62.9%	1.52
2. PCU and PIU Operations ^b	1.27	0.13	1.39	70.7%	0.52	0.05	0.58	29.3%	1.97
3. PCU and PIU Vehicles and Office Equipment	0.29	0.26	0.54	100.0%	-	-	-	0.0%	0.54
Subtotal (B)	2.06	0.44	2.50	62.0%	1.39	0.14	1.53	38.0%	4.03
Total Base Cost (A+B)	38.52	4.09	42.60	96.3%	1.52	0.14	1.65	3.7%	44.26
D. Contingencies									
Physical Contingency	1.89		1.89	97.0%	0.06		0.06	3.0%	1.95
Price Contingency	2.50		2.50	96.7%	0.09		0.09	3.3%	2.59
Sub-total (D)	4.40	-	4.40	96.8%	0.15	-	0.15	3.2%	4.54
Total Project Cost (A+B+C+D)	42.92	4.09	47.00	96.3%	1.66	0.14	1.80	3.7%	48.80
% of Total Project Cost			96.3%				3.7%		100.0%

^a The recurrent costs financed by ADB are in-cash and recurrent costs financed by the Government of Lao PDR are in-kind; ^b Externally hired staff, office supplies, and fuel.
Source: Project Administration Manual (PAM).

Weighted Progress, Contract Awards and Disbursement against Elapsed Time

As of 30 June 2020



	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24
Time Elapsed (%)	4.17	8.33	12.50	16.67	20.83	25.00	29.17	33.33	37.50	41.67	45.83	50.00	54.17	58.33	62.50	66.67	70.83	75.00	79.17	83.33	87.50	91.67	95.83	100.00
Weighted Progress (%)	6.78	10.55	11.64	17.09	20.02	22.96																		
Cumulative Contract Awards (%)	2.93	3.43	12.33	21.89	23.06	24.32																		
Cumulative Disbursement (%)	2.13	2.13	2.80	5.56	6.34	8.97																		

Contract Awards by Category:

As of 30 June 2020

Category	Total ADB financing (\$ mln)	Contract Awards (\$ mln)	Uncommitted (\$ mln)
A. Investment Cost			
1. Civil Works	29.68	3.96	25.72
2. Equipment and Vehicles	1.77	0.11	1.67
2. Consulting Services	4.41	5.62	(1.21)
4. Project Management	0.80	0.04	0.76
5. Capacity Building	3.45	1.20	2.25
6. Land Acquisition and Resettlement	-	-	
Subtotal (A)	40.10	10.93	29.18
B. Recurrent Cost^a			
1. PCU and PIU Staff Cost	0.56	0.10	0.46
2. PCU and PIU Operations	1.39	0.15	1.24
3. PCU and PIU Vehicles and Office Equipment	0.54	0.25	0.29
Subtotal (B)	2.50	0.50	1.99
Total Base Cost (A+B)	42.60	11.43	31.17

^a The recurrent costs financed by ADB are in-cash and recurrent costs financed by the Government of Lao PDR are in-kind

ADB = Asian Development Bank; PCU is project coordination unit; PIU = project implementation unit.

Expenditure by Financier:

As of 30 June 2020

Expenditures	ADB (\$ mln)	Govt. (\$ mln)	Total (\$ mln)
Actual expenditure for Project Quarter 6 (Q2 2020)	1.234	0.031	1.265
Cumulative expenditure up end of Project Quarter 6 (Q2 2020)	4.214	0.189	4.403

ADB = Asian Development Bank; Govt. = Government; mln = million.

Government financing:

The Government will finance: (i) government counterpart staff salaries and office space (in-kind); and (ii) land acquisition and resettlement (LAR) (in-cash). LAR costs are foreseen in the Resettlement Plan for Vientiane Province for two subprojects: (i) Nam Ngum Reservoir Access Improvements, and (ii) Western Loop Rural Access Road and Bridge Improvements.

During Q2 the Resettlement Plans for Nam Ngum Reservoir Access Improvement and Vang Vieng Urban-Rural Access Improvement Subprojects have been updated, including Detailed Measurement Surveys (DMS) and confirmation on Inventory of Losses (IOL). In addition, an Ethnic Group Development and Resettlement Plan has been prepared for the Vang Vieng Landfill Upgrading subproject. Based on these updated plans the indicative cost of resettlement impacts, land acquisition and compensation for all three subprojects in Vientiane Province is \$103,348, with the following breakdown:

Description	Compensation		Land Acquisition		Total	
	LAK	USD	LAK	USD	LAK	USD
TIIGP2-LAO-W01	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
TIIGP2-LAO-W02	108,156,000	12,017	N/A	N/A	108,156,000	12,017
TIIGP2-LAO-W03	58,750,000	6,527.78	685,623,800	76,180	744,373,800	82,708
TIIGP2-LAO-W04	77,600,000	8,622	N/A	N/A	77,600,000	8,622
Total	244,506,000	27,167	685,623,800	76,180	930,129,800	103,348

LAK = Lao Kip, USD = US Dollar; N/A = not applicable

During the reporting period it has been proposed that the costs of the land acquisition and compensation is covered by the grant proceeds rather than from the GOL budget. The main

reason for this is that due to the economic impacts from the global COVID-19 pandemic, the Government of Lao PDR is experiencing challenges meeting its tax revenue targets, which, consequently, may impede its ability to timely disburse the required LAR compensation payments to Project affected households, with could result in delays in implementation of the infrastructure subprojects and problems safeguards compliance.

4. Implementation Arrangements

The GMS Tourism Working Group functions as the project's subregional steering committee and coordinates joint marketing and regional tourism standards adoption. The executing agency is MICT. A 7-member National Project Steering Committee, comprising the Vice Minister for Tourism, MICT (Chair), the Director General, Tourism Marketing Department (Vice Chair) and five other senior officials representing various departments of MICT has been established and meets periodically to review progress. Members also serve, as appropriate, on the project's ad-hoc bid evaluation and consultant selection committees. A 11-member project coordination committee has also been established, chaired by the project director, with members from various departments and units in MICT involved in project implementation.

MICT has established a Vientiane-based Project Coordination Unit (PCU) to handle overall project coordination and management, comprising a project director, project manager, financial controller, chief accountant, office manager, and an internal auditor, and a tourism technical team consisting of a tourism training and standards specialist, and a marketing specialist, who will lead output 2 ASEAN Tourism Standards activities and select output 3 destination management activities. MICT has opened and is managing a project Advance Account and is responsible for overall financial management of the project. ADB has disbursed \$1mln into the Advance Account to facilitate implementation of project activities identified in the approved 2019 costed annual workplan for the project using the Statement of Expenditure (SOE) procedure.

Provincial- and district-level implementing agencies have established Project Implementation Units (PIUs), embedded within the provincial DICTs of Champasak, Luang Prabang, and Vientiane Province, and the Vang Vieng UDAA to manage output 1 and select output 3 activities. Each PIU comprises a supervisor, director, manager, finance officer, accountant and secretary, and full-time technical teams. The PIUs at the Champasak and Vientiane Province DICTs and at the at Vang Vieng UDAA have both an infrastructure technical team to coordinate and support output 2 implementation and manage select output 3 activities. Since there are no infrastructure subprojects in Luang Prabang Province, the PIU there only has a tourism technical team. PIUs have opened and are administering project sub-accounts to facilitate day-to-day project administration. Reporting, financial management, safeguards and knowledge management is led by the PCU in close coordination with all PIUs.

5. Implementation Progress

Project scope:

The project is designed to help transform secondary GMS central and southern corridor towns into economically inclusive, competitive international tourism destinations by improving road and water transport infrastructure, urban environmental services, and capacity to sustainably manage tourism growth. It will boost trade in services and deepen regional cooperation and integration among the GMS and Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN). About 88,000 residents are expected to directly benefit from climate-resilient infrastructure development and increased access to economic opportunities.

The project impact is sustainable, inclusive, and more balanced tourism development achieved. The outcome is tourism competitiveness of secondary towns in Cambodia and the Lao PDR increased. By 2025, Cambodia and Lao PDR's share of ASEAN's international visitor arrivals will increase from 8.0% to 8.3% and project areas will receive 700,000 more

international tourists. This will increase aggregate annual visitor expenditure from \$0.55 billion to \$0.91 billion.

The project has three outputs: (i) urban-rural access infrastructure and urban environmental services improved; (ii) capacity to implement ASEAN tourism standards strengthened; and (iii) institutional arrangements for tourism destination management and infrastructure O&M strengthened. Project areas in Lao PDR include Champasak, Luang Prabang and Vientiane provinces, all located along the GMS Central Economic Corridor.

Progress to date:

Overall progress, progress towards outcome and outputs

The project baseline report was finalized and during Q2 2020 following completion of the project performance management system (PPMS), and includes updated 2018/2019 data for the outcome and output indicators, which are reflected in the project's design and monitoring framework (DMF) (Annex 3).

Output 1: Urban-Rural Access Infrastructure and Urban Environmental Services Improved

Output 1 will upgrade transport infrastructure and improve environmental conditions at tourist destinations to boost tourist arrivals and receipts and catalyze additional private investment in accommodations and other tourism-related enterprises.

The Project includes the following seven infrastructure subprojects, which will be packaged into four work packages, as follows:

Works Package: TIIGP2-LAO-W01: Nakasang and Don Det-Don Khone Access Improvements

Subproject C1: Nakasang Access Road and Port Rehabilitation

Subproject C2: Don Det-Don Khone Access Improvements

Works Package: TIIGP2-LAO-W02: Nam Ngum Reservoir Access Improvements

Subproject V1: Nam Ngum Reservoir Access Improvements

Works Package: TIIGP2-LAO-W03: Vang Vieng Urban-Rural Access Improvements

Subproject V2: Kaeng Yui Waterfall Access Improvements

Subproject V3: Western Loop Rural Access Road and Bridge Improvements

Subproject V4: Vang Vieng Urban Renewal

Works Package: TIIGP2-LAO-W04: Vang Vieng Landfill Improvements

Subproject V5: Vang Vieng Solid Waste Management Improvements

For Works Packages TIIGP2-LAO-W01 and TIIGP2-LAO-W04, detailed engineering design (DED), bill of quantities (BOQ), technical specification, bidding documents, updated safeguards documents, and recommendations for equipment for O&M were prepared during the Project Preparation Technical Assistance (PPTA) by NorConsult under a direct contract with ADB. These two packages (for subprojects C1, C2 and V5) are referred to as "Stage 1" packages/subprojects.

For Works Packages TIIGP2-LAO-W02 and TIIGP2-LAO-W03, feasibility studies, preliminary designs, preliminary cost estimates and safeguards documents were prepared during project preparation by the PPTA Consultant PM Group under a direct contract with ADB. These two packages (for subprojects V1, V2, V3 and V4) are referred to as "Stage 2" packages/subprojects.

The Project Management and Civil Engineering Support (PMCES) Consultant - Ramboll A/S in association with Specity Solutions Consultants Co. Ltd., mobilized on 5 August 2019 to assist the PCU and PIUs with (i) review an update DED for Stage 1 subprojects; (ii) preparation

of DED for Stage 2 subprojects, (iii) safeguards document updating and compliance monitoring, (iv) construction supervision, (v) preparation of operations and maintenance (O&M) plans and asset management technical training, and (vi) project management and administration.

Activities carried out during this Quarter

Stage-1: TIIGP2-LAO-W01 and TIIGP2-LAO-W04 (subprojects C1, C2 & V5)

TIIGP2-LAO-W01: Nakasang and Don Det-Don Khone Access Improvements

The PMCES Consultant completed the process of reviewing and updating the DED documents for Works Package W01 (subprojects C1 a&C2) as necessary during Q3 2019 and the package was procured during Q4 2019. A pre-start meeting was held in Khong District in Chamapasak province on 20 January 2020.

During this reporting period, the Contractor provided (i) updated Work Program; and (ii) Contractor Environmental Management Plan (CEMP), which were reviewed by the PMCES Consultant and approved by MICT. The commencement letter was issued to the Contractor in 12 May 2020. Based on this, the Commencement of Works should be by 26th May 2020 with a period of performance is 731 calendar days, the Intended Completion Date shall therefore be 25 May 2022.

The Contractor mobilized equipment at site and constructed temporary camp. National PMCES Consultants are engaged during this period to assist PIU. The pre-works survey for Nakasang (subproject C1) was completed during this reporting period.

The project needs to implement strictly preventive measures and monitoring in accordance with the announcement of the Prime Minister's Office Order No.06/PM regarding COVID-19 regulations, which was issued on 30 March 2020, and was effective until 19 April 2020. In mid-April 2020, the Prime Minister's Office extended the lockdown measures until 3 May 2020, and thereafter the notice on 1 May 2020 was issued for easing and continuation of certain lockdown measures. Currently there is a gradual loosening of the lockdown measures, but still specific requirements and measures are necessary during the construction phase. In response to that, detailed specific measures in relation to COVID-19 to ensure health and safety for workers and inhabitants of the sub-project area were developed and included in Contractor Environmental Management Plan (CEMP).

TIIGP2-LAO-W04: Vang Vieng Landfill Improvements

Review findings of the DED for Package W4 (Subproject V5) carried out in Q3 2019 for the landfill subproject revealed that the existing design required revision, entailing substantial alterations to the design, drawings, BoQ and technical specification. It was further decided that an environmental compliance audit (ECA) needed to be conducted to test the design information. The PMCES Consultant engaged an ECA sub-consultant team to carry out this work, and the ECA report was approved by ADB on 22 March 2020.

During this reporting period, MICT, with ADB approval, allocated additional financial resources to the PMCES Consultant to undertake the design revisions, which include design of a closure system of existing landfill site with all precautionary measures and appropriateness of design of MRF system design, admin building and office facilities, leachate treatment design, septage treatment design, effluents and hazardous waste, master drainage management of storm water, additional internal access road to facilities, new fencing, new incineration plant, appropriate Electro-Mechanical facilities and tree plantation etc.

A day long stakeholder consultative meeting on Draft Design was held 26 June in Vientiane in presence of Vice Minister Mr. Ounthouang Khoaphanh, National Steering Committee, Head of DICT, Head of UDAA, Head of Relevant Departments, Department of Housing, Urban & Planning, Chief of Villages, Others private and public sectors. The stakeholder provided feedback including the need of O&M capacity needs assessment for solid waste management for the basis of the development of O&M capacity building program for the Vang Vieng landfill and a financial assessment of the Vang Vieng Landfill viability be undertaken for the analysis of economical sustainability to form basis for site management modality.



Status of Stage-1 Works Packages:

Sub-project	Status at start	Progress to date	Outstanding Works
TIIGP2-LAO-W01: Nakasang and Don Det-Don Khone Access Improvement • C1: Nakasang Access Road and Port Rehabilitation • C2: Don Det-Don Khone Access Improvements	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DED prepared • IEE/EMP prepared • Social DDR prepared 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DED approved • IEE and EMP approved • IFB issued on 18 September 2019 • Bid opening, on 30 October 2019 • Bid Evaluation Report, 16 December 2019 • ADB No Objection to the Bid Evaluation Committee's recommendation to award the contract, on 23 December 2019 • Contract Award, on 26 December 2019 • Contract Signing by 30 December 2019 • Kick-off meeting by 20 January 2020 • Site possession by 7 January 2020 • CEMP by 12 May 2020 • Revised Work Program by 12 May 2020 • Notice to proceed by 12 May 2020 • Commencement of Works by 26 May 2020 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Contractor to provide PPE to the workers in response of COVID-19 • Pre-works survey and approval of drawings • Geo-technical Investigation of 3 Bridge Location
TIIGP2-LAO-W04: Vang Vieng Landfill Improvements • V5: Vang Vieng Solid Waste Management Improvements	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DED prepared • IEE/EMP prepared • IP drafted 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DED was reviewed by Sep 2019 • ECA completed by March 2020 • Submission of Drft Final DED by 10-Jul-20 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Approval of re-DED • Approval of IEE/EMP • Approval of EGDRP • IFB

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Update of IEE/EMP by 06-Jul-20 • Submission of EGDRP by 06-Jul-20 • Submission of Redesigned Landfill by 10 July 20 	
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Stage-2: TIIGP2-LAO-W02 and TIIGP2-LAO-W03 (subprojects V1, V2, V3 & V4)

In parallel to the work on the Stage-1 subprojects, the PMCES Consultant is proceeding with preparation of Stage-2 Works Packages TIIGP2-LAO-W02 and TIIGP2-LAO-W03, including confirming scope of subprojects, preparing conceptual designs, conducting technical surveys, preparation of DED, BOQ, technical specification and updated safeguards documents, and providing inputs in the bidding documents, which will be prepared in collaboration with the Financial Management and Procurement Specialists (individual consultants engaged by the Project).

Conceptual Design: V1, V2, V3 & V4 subproject feasibility studies, preliminary designs, preliminary cost estimates and safeguards documents were prepared during the PPTA. The purpose of the conceptual design work was to present current project brief, and design proposal options to capture and incorporate additional community and environmental benefits to the sub project design, together with the stakeholders, to be the basis for detailed design. Taking on board the results of the consultations and site visits undertaken in August and September 2019, the PMCES consultant prepared conceptual designs and updated subproject detailed descriptions and rough cost estimates and submitted these to MICT during Q1 2020. These documents formed the basis for Detailed Engineering Design (DED) with Technical Survey Information and Report currently being prepared.

Technical Survey: Technical Engineering Topography Survey and Geotechnical Site Investigation of Subprojects V1, V2, V3 and V4 in Vientiane Province commenced in Q4 of 2019 and was completed during Q1 2020, including SPT test, Soil investigation laboratory test information, fixing Primary and secondary control point, and Plan & Existing Profile data. These documents formed the basis for Detailed Engineering Design (DED) with Conceptual Design Report currently being prepared.

Detailed Engineering Design (DED): The DED started in March 2020 (Q2 2020) and continued during this reporting period for the following Works Packages: TIIGP2-LAO-W02: Nam Ngum Reservoir Access Improvements (V1) and TIIGP2-LAO-W03: Vang Vieng Urban-Rural Access for (V2); Kaeng Yui Waterfall Access Improvements (V3), and; Western Loop Rural Access Road and Bridge Improvements, and Vang Vieng Urban Renewal (V4). A two-day stakeholder consultative meeting was held 27-28 May at Crown Plaza Hotel in presence of Vice Minister Mr. Ounthouang Khoaphanh, Vice Provincial Governor of Vientiane Province Mr. Boun-Souan Phetlavanh, National Steering Committee, Head of DICT, Head of Relevant Departments, Chief of Villages, Others private and public sectors to provide information on design basis, standard used and to receive feedback for preparing Draft Final DED. The Draft Final Design will be submitted for approval by MPWT at central level and DPWT at provincial level in the coming quarter (Q3 2020).



Status of Stage-2 Works Packages:

Sub-project	Status at start	Progress to date	Outstanding Works
TIIGP2-LAO-W02: Nam Ngum Reservoir Access Improvements • V1: Nam Ngum Reservoir Access Improv	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Preliminary design • IEE/EMP drafted • RP drafted • IPP drafted 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Conceptual design prepared and confirmed following consultation with stakeholders • Technical Engineering Survey both Topo and Geo completed • Updated FS cost • Submission of DRAFT Final DED by 21-Jul-20 • Update of IEE/EMP by 07-Jul-20 • Submission of RP by 15-Jul-20 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Approved DED • Update of IEE • Update of RP • Update of IPP
TIIGP2-LAO-W03: Vang Vieng Urban-Rural Access • V2: Kaeng Yui Waterfall Access Improvements, • V3: Western Loop Rural Access Road and Bridge Improvements, • V4: Vang Vieng Urban Renewal)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Preliminary design • IEE/EMP drafted • RP drafted • IPP drafted 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Conceptual design prepared and confirmed following consultation with stakeholders • Technical Engineering Survey both Topo and Geo completed • Updated FS cost • Outline Design and DED of V2, V3 & V4 is ongoing • Conceptual design prepared and confirmed following consultation with stakeholders • Technical Engineering Survey both Topo and Geo completed • Updated FS cost • Submission of DRAFT Final DED by 21-Jul-20 • Update of IEE/EMP by 07-Jul-20 • Submission of RP by 15-Jul-20 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Approved DED • Update of IEE • Update of RP • Update of IPP

Detailed progress of Output 1 civil works subproject implementation as of 30 June 2020 is summarized in Annex 1.

Output 2: Capacity to implement ASEAN Tourism Standards strengthened

Output 2 will: (i) support the ASEAN Tourism Standards national implementation by establishing and strengthening certification bodies and assessment frameworks, promoting and facilitating adoption of the standards by the tourism sector, and establishing sustainable financing mechanisms; and (ii) support the implementation of selected ASEAN Tourism Standards and the ASEAN Sustainable Tourism Awards.

To date, there are seven ASEAN Tourism Standards: (i) ASEAN Clean Tourist City Standard; (ii) ASEAN Homestay Standard; (iii) ASEAN Community-Based Tourism Standard; (iv)

ASEAN Public Toilet Standard; (v) ASEAN Green Hotel Standard; (vi) ASEAN Spa Service Standard; and (vii) ASEAN MICE Venue Standard. The project is supporting the implementation of all seven standards in Lao PDR, including the ASEAN Spa Standard and ASEAN MICE Venue Standard which were not fully finalized during project preparation but are now part of the full set of ASEAN Tourism Standards ASEAN Member States are implementing.

Implementation of ASEAN Tourism Standards is coordinated by four departments within MICT:

<u>ASEAN Standard</u>	<u>Coordinating Department</u>
Homestay	Tourism Development Department (Ecotourism Division)
Clean Tourist City	Tourism Development Department
Community-Based Tourism	Tourism Development Department (Ecotourism Division)
Clean Public Toilet	Tourism Development Department
Green Hotel	Tourism Management Department
Spa	Tourism Management Department
MICE Venue	Institute of Mass Media, Culture and Tourism

The ASEAN Sustainable Tourism Award is also applied in Lao PDR as a mechanism or incentive to drive improved sustainability in selected destinations. Under two categories, Urban and Rural, the Sustainable Tourism Award encourages destinations to apply several of the ASEAN Tourism Standards in one location.

The first step of implementing the ASEAN Tourism Standards in Lao PDR is to translate documents related to the standards, which exist in English, into the Lao language. The second step is to adapt ASEAN Standards into national standards. These national standards provide more accessible, easier to obtain, certification requiring less than the ASEAN Tourism Standards, and provide a stepping stone for future attainment of the “full” ASEAN standards.

The Green Hotel and Spa Service Standards are applied in Laos as full ASEAN Standards (translated into Lao but without modification to the assessment criteria). All others are subject to (i) translation into Lao; (ii) adaptation to become a Lao National Standard; (iii) translation of the National Standard into English; (iv) approval by the Tourism Vice Minister; (v) publication of the approved National Standards; (vi) preparation of assessment and certification manuals; (vii) dissemination to National and Provincial Assessment Committees; (viii) training of trainers; (ix) training of all members of Assessment Committees and National Steering Committees. Once these assessment frameworks are in place and operational, the standards will be widely promoted within the sector to encourage implementation leading to certification. The project will provide implementation support, prioritizing project target provinces.

Progress of ASEAN Tourism Standards Implementation Capacity Strengthening:

As of 30 June 2020

ASEAN Tourism Standard Adaptation	ASEAN Standard						
	Clean Tourist City	Homestay	Community-Based Tourism	Public Toilet	Green Hotel	Spa Service	MICE Venue
Translation of ASEAN Tourism Standard into Lao language	√	√	√	√	√	√	√
National ASEAN Tourism Standard adaptation	√	√	√	√	x	x	√
Publication of Lao language version of National or ASEAN Tourism Standard	√	√	√	√	√	√	√
Translation of National Tourism Standard into English language	√	√	√	√	x	x	√

Approval of adapted Lao National Standard by Minister	√	√	√	√	x	x	√
Awareness / dissemination workshops with National and Provincial Assessment Committees	√	√	√	√	√	√	√
Publication of Lao national standards in Lao and English language	√	√	√	√	√	√	√
Preparation of assessment and certification manuals	√	√	√	√	√	√	√
Training of national-level assessor trainers	√	√	√	√	√	√	√
Training of national-level assessors	√	√	√	√	√	√	√
Training of provincial/district-level assessors	~	~	~	~	~	~	~
ASEAN Tourism Standard promotion	~	~	~	~			~
ASEAN Tourism Standard implementation support				~			

√ = completed; ~ = ongoing; x = not required

2.1 National ASEAN Tourism Standards adaptation

Adaptation of all relevant ASEAN Tourism Standards to Lao National Standards was completed by Q4 2019. Dissemination workshops with public and private sector were conducted during Q4 2019 for all seven ASEAN Tourism Standards in key target destinations (national and provincial). During Q1-2 2020, publication of the standards in Lao and English languages and assessment and certification manuals was completed and dissemination workshops were held for all seven standards.

2.2 Establishment of certification bodies and processes

National Steering Committees (also known as Certification Bodies) have been established to guide and certify each of the ASEAN Tourism Standards. The Clean Tourist City Standard is the only one to have two Committees – one for assessment and the other for implementation. The National Steering Committees consist of members drawn from a range of government departments with expertise in public health, transport and infrastructure, tourism, environment and police. Currently, the total number of national assessment committee members appointed is 72, out of which 19 (26%) are women (target: 30%).

Provincial Assessment Committees have also been established to implement the Standards at local levels. There is one Assessment Committee for each province. Most Assessment Committees have between 15 and 20 members drawn from relevant government departments within the Province. All Provincial Assessment Committees have been endorsed by the respective Provincial Governors.

2.3 Assessor Training

There are seven ASEAN Master Trainers within MICT who will continue to train trainers and assessors from the national and provincial Assessment Committees. During Q2 2020, they have trained provincial-level trainers for all seven ASEAN Tourism Standards in various provinces and districts. Trial assessments were also conducted to give assessors practical experience with the certification processes.

2.4 ASEAN Tourism Standards promotion

Logos were finalized for the five ASEAN Standards adapted to Lao context (Clean Tourist City, Homestay, Community-Based Tourism, Public Toilet, and MICE Venue), which will be used on promotional materials, certificates and the tourism standards website.

2.5 ASEAN Tourism Standards and ASEAN Sustainable Tourism Awards implementation

The project will directly support the implementation of the: (i) ASEAN Clean Tourist City Standard; (ii) ASEAN Public Toilet Standard; (iii) ASEAN Green Hotel Standard; (iv) ASEAN Homestay Standard; and (v) ASEAN Community-based Tourism Standard. Implementation plans are under development.

The project's DMF includes 2016 baseline and 2024 targets for the ASEAN Green Hotel Standard, ASEAN Homestay Standard and ASEAN Clean City Standard certification.

The 2016 baseline of hotels in Champasak, Luang Prabang and Vientiane provinces that have obtained the ASEAN Green Hotel Standard is 21 (adjusted from 29 in the PAM based on corrected data obtained from the provincial DICTs). As of January 2020, 28 hotels in those provinces received ASEAN Green Hotel Standard certification. The project targets to increase ASEAN Green Hotel Standard certification in the target provinces to 64 (50% of the total number of registered hotels in the three provinces in 2016) by 2024. However, based on progress to date, this target seems ambitious, and may need to be revisited at mid-term.

Enterprises meeting ASEAN Green Hotel Standards

Target Province	Baseline ^a		Progress		Target
	2016		2018	2020	2024
Champasak Province	11		12	13	30
Luang Prabang Province	10		12	13	25
Vientiane Province	0		1	2	9
Total	21		25	28	64

Source: Ministry of Information, Culture and Tourism Lao PDR; Asian Development Bank estimates.

^a Baseline data adjusted based on corrected data received from MICT

As of 2016, in the target provinces of Champasak, Luang Prabang, and Vientiane Province, 23 homestay service providers (i.e. households offering homestay service, 5.1% of total) had attained certification under the ASEAN Homestay Standard. The project targets to increase the number of certified homestay service providers in the target provinces to 113 (25% of the total homestay service providers in 2016) by 2024. Based on progress to date, also this target seems ambitious, and may need to be revisited at mid-term.

ASEAN Homestay Standard certification

Target Province	Certified Homestay Service Providers					
	Baseline			Progress		Target
	2016			2017	2018/19	2024
	Total service providers	Units certified	%	Units certified	Units certified	Units certified
Champasak	301	14	4.7%	12	13	75
Luang Prabang	0	0	-	12	13	0
Vientiane province	150	9	6.0%	1	2	38
Total	451	23	5.1%	25	28	113

Source: Ministry of Information, Culture and Tourism Lao PDR; Asian Development Bank estimates.

Presently, one city in Lao PDR (Luang Prabang) is ASEAN Clean City Standard certified. The project targets to increase certification to 3 by 2024 and is supporting Vang Vieng (Vientiane Province) and Pakse (Champasak Province) to be ready to submit their application in 2021. Luang Prabang also needs to continue to implement the standard to be ready for renewal of their certification.

During this reporting period, the project continued to support the implementation of the Clean Toilet Standard in various locations, including Tham Lom in Vang Vieng, and Mekong River bank in Luang Prabang, and the Nam Heuang border checkpoint in Xayabouly.

Also, surveys were undertaken and areas mapped for improvement in Vang Vieng and Pakse to ready them for ASEAN Clean Tourist City certification.

Annex 11 includes an overview of ASEAN Tourism Standards Certification since 2008 (incl. 2020 certifications).

Annex 2 includes a complete overview of Output 2 activities implemented during Q2 of 2020. The DMF, in Annex 3, also includes progress updates on Output 2 activities.

Output 3 progress: Institutional capacity for tourism destination management and infrastructure O&M strengthened

Output 3 will: (i) build capacity among public and private stakeholders in the tourism sector to sustainably develop, manage, and market tourist destinations; and (ii) build capacity for infrastructure operation and maintenance (O&M) through the preparation of O&M plans and training to implement the plans.

The project is supporting the establishment and capacity building of destination management networks (DMNs) for: Lao PDR (National DMN), Luang Prabang Province, Southern Laos (incl. Champasak, Sekong, Attapeu and Salavan Provinces), Vientiane Province and Vang Vieng Town.

3.1 Destination Management Network Institutional Strengthening

3.2 Destination Management Plan Preparation

These two activities will: (i) establish and strengthen destination management networks (DMNs) for joint public-private destination planning and raise destination management practices to international standards, (ii) build capacity within these DMNs to strengthen/develop comprehensive destination management plans (DMPs); and (iii) strengthen policies and procedures needed to ensure the effective implementation of DMPs, including through joint implementation of Output 2 and 3 activities.

The DMNs for Lao PDR, Luang Prabang and Southern Laos were reviewed and membership was updated, and new DMNs for Vientiane Province and Vang Vieng were established in 2019. Strengthening of DMNs is ongoing through training and exchanges. DMPs, including action plans, for all five target destinations were completed during Q4 2019 and published in Q1 2020.

During this reporting period, a national DMN workshop was held with participation of the various taskforces, and support continued for DICT staff serving on provincial DMN secretariats (Luang Praang, Vientiane Province, Vang Vieng (OICT) and Xiengkhouang (Northern Heritage Route)) to attain master degrees.

Further, a series of meetings were held in Vang Vieng to develop a costed COVID-19 SME recovery plan for the town the project will support as a pilot, with an eye on replicating this in other project target areas.

Also, a number of trainings were conducted targeting DMN secretariat and members at national and provincial levels, including (i) a training on English language for meetings and workshops; (ii) training to upgrade English language for the Vang Vieng tourism business sector; (iii) a training on human relations and service mindedness for tourism business providers (tour operators, hotel and restaurant owners etc.) in Xieng Khuang province (Northern Heritage Route); and (iv) three training for the Tourism Management Department staff serving on the DMN secretariat on (a) application of filing systems and proposal writing; (b) application of computer software for tourism management; and (c) the effective use of document filing systems.

Finally, MICT's Training Institute received support to develop the Lao PDR Tourism Sector HRD Strategy 2020 – 2025.

3.3 Policy, Regulation and Master Planning Support

This activity supports the work on tourism policy in the framework of the DMNs, the development of subregional, national and provincial/local-level tourism regulations and national-level tourism standards not covered by the ASEAN tourism standards, and the preparation and implementation of tourism master plans for project supported destinations. DMN Policy Taskforces meet quarterly to identify and discuss policy issues affecting tourism sector in project target destinations.

During Q2 of 2020, numerous activities were conducted related to post-COVID-19 recovery planning. The project supported MICT's effort to prepare a COVID-19 recovery strategy for the tourism sector, through consultations with public and private sector stakeholders in Vientiane, Vientiane Province and Vang Vieng and Luang Prabang. This document was completed and published and serves as the main guide for redirecting Government and private sector work to ready Lao PDR for the long and hard recovery period post-COVID-19 pandemic. Further, Vang Vieng continued its efforts to resolve the zero-dollar tours (primarily from China and Korea), especially for the post-COVID-19 recovery period. They also continued to work on resolving waste water and solid waste management issues in town and on the Song River, as well as work on trying to control prices to stimulate the Lao visit Lao post-COVID-19 short-medium term strategy. Luang Prabang conducted an awareness activity on the "new normal" for the tourism sector in a (post-)Covid-19 situation.

Further, MICT's Tourism Planning and Development Division published and disseminated an assessment manual for sustainable tourism in Lao PDR.

A quarterly meeting for DMN Tourism Policy Taskforce was held to identify and discuss policy issues affecting the tourism sector in Vang Vieng.

Work also continued on the tourism regulations and national-level tourism standards (Other than ASEAN Standards). At national level, the draft tourism activity standards for ziplines, water-based and caving activities were reviewed and improved, and a workshop was held to review draft tourism activity standards specifically for Vang Vieng.

The first round of field work for the tourism masterplanning support for Siphandone (Champasak), Luang Prabang Town and Nam Ngum 1 Dam Recreational Area (Vientiane Province) was conducted during Q1 2020. Three more rounds of field work are planned culminating in Strategic Directions and Priority Masterplans for the three destinations. However, this activity is delayed due to the COVID-19 situation where the international consultants are unable to travel to Laos for the time being to undertake in-country missions.

3.4 Destination Marketing and Promotion Support

This activity supports destination marketing and promotion, with a strong emphasis on public-private collaboration. It includes support for market research, branding, print and online promotion, including the use of social media, familiarization programs, and participation in tourism forums and trade events. Training for DMN members, including implementation of ASEAN guidelines for promotional materials, will also be provided.

During Q2 of 2002, various market studies were conducted and studies into the effectiveness of promotional materials, two promotional videos (5 min, and 1.5 min) were produced, various print promotional materials were published, and Lao PDR participation in TITF and ITB Berlin were supported. Support was also provided to publish the Lao PDR 2019 Tourism Statistical Report.

At national level, research was undertaken to study and analyze the effectiveness of implementation of tourism marketing activities and to study and document domestic visitor flows. NUOL's Hotel and Tourism Management Department conducted research in Luang Prabang to study labor demand for tourism activity staff in tourism sector. Also, information about CBT across the country was compiled, and relevant information was translated from Lao into English, and CBT promotional materials were produced. Further, a Tea Caravan Trail Facebook page was created to promote the attractions in the northern provinces along the NSEC (Bokeo-Luang Namtha-Oudomxay-Phongsaly).

The annual national tourism statistical report 2019 was published with project support.

3.5 Heritage Interpretation Support

This activity is supporting DMNs to carry out: (i) cultural and natural heritage research and interpretation, including the development of heritage trails, signage, leaflets, guidebooks, maps and digital interpretation; and (ii) heritage guide training.

Heritage interpretation plans for Siphandon (Champasak), Luang Prabang Town and Environs, Vientiane Province and Vang Vieng Town and Environs were finalized through review workshops during this reporting period. Implementation will commence in Q3 2020.

3.6 Tourism-related SME development

This activity is providing tourism-related SMEs in the project target areas with: (i) business planning, management and marketing training; (ii) hospitality services training; (iii) support for product diversification, quality and safety enhancement; (iv) equipment to improve hospitality services and product quality and safety; and (v) tourism marketing and business networking support.

During this reporting period, focus has been on redirecting project resources towards supporting tourism-related SMEs affected by the COVID-19 pandemic. For this, a COVID-19 Recovery SME Support Program was formulated, including selection criteria and overview of the types of support the project can provide to eligible SMEs (see Annex 12). Pilot implementation of this is ongoing in Vang Vieng, with an eye on replication in other project target areas. In consultation with ADB, project resources were also realigned in the 2020 annual workplan to allow increased project support for SMEs during the remainder of 2020.

Further, equipment to produce tour guide badges including QR code system was installed and badges were designed.

3.7 Establish and Maintain Internet-based Tourism Knowledge Repositories

This activity supports DMNs to establish Internet-based tourism knowledge repositories, including lists of DMN members and contact details, approved DMPs, DMN meeting reports, training materials, opportunities for financial and technical support, tourism statistics, and brand-related artwork, photo libraries, and standard copy promotional materials.

Establishment of the Internet based tourism repository has commenced and is scheduled to be launched in Q3/4 2020.

3.8 Develop infrastructure O&M plans with sustainable finance mechanisms

This activity will facilitate preparation of O&M plans for all output 1 infrastructure, incorporating (i) preventative, regular, and emergency maintenance procedures; (ii) O&M staffing and

training needs; (iii) administrative requirements; (iv) monitoring requirements and procedures; (v) sustainable income generating mechanisms to finance O&M (e.g. environmental charges or tourist entry fees); (vi) opportunities for public-private partnerships; and (vii) financial management procedures.

During the detailed design of the Nam Ngum Dam Recreational Area (subproject V1), special attention was given to O&M considerations; such as materials selection and choice of sewerage treatment solution – this in order to as far as possible, simplify operational and maintenance requirements. Development of O&M manual for subproject V1 has started.

Initial mapping of the O&M requirements for the Vang Vieng Landfill (subproject V5) has started and will continue during construction. Stakeholder meeting for the Vang Vieng Landfill was held with explanations and discussion on O&M requirements and need for planning.

Development of first draft of public infrastructure O&M process and manual for use at district and provincial level was started

3.9 Facilitate Public-Private Partnerships for operations and maintenance

This activity will: (i) prepare feasibility studies for operation of public tourist facilities and ancillary services that having potential to be privately managed under public-private partnerships (PPP); and (ii) establishing service contracts, management contracts, and/or lease contracts with private entities through public tender.

No specific PPP activities were implemented during this reporting period, but PPP arrangements are being considered for aspects of O&M for subprojects V1, V2, V4 and V5.

3.10 Infrastructure O&M training

This activity will develop and implement training activities for organizations responsible for infrastructure O&M, including government and private entities, tailored to the specific needs of each respective organization. Specific attention will be given to optimizing private sector involvement.

Coordination with the MPWT regarding hand-over process for the O&M of public infrastructure (roads & bridges) to be handed over to the MPWT for O&M. Start of development of process as well as drafting O&M manual for use at provincial and district level.

Coordination with the Lao Road Sector Project 2- Climate Resilient Road Planning, at the MPWT/Department of Roads for streamlining processes, standards as well as O&M manuals and training for provincial and district levels.

Annex 2 includes a complete overview of Output 3 activities implemented during Q2 of 2020. The DMF, in Annex 3, also includes progress updates on Output 3 activities.

Progress towards realizing contributions to ADB Results Framework:

As of 30 June 2020

No.	Level 2 Results Framework Indicators (Outputs and Outcomes)	Targets (Lao PDR)	Methods / Comments	Actually planned / realized (Lao PDR)
1	Transport			
	a) Roads built or upgraded - provincial, district, and rural	62.6 km	Built or upgraded to concrete paving or double bituminous	Contract TIIGP2-LAO-W01: Nakasang and Don Det-Don Khone Access Improvements was awarded to Phuokhong Construction Sole Co., Ltd. on 30 December 2019. This package

No.	Level 2 Results Framework Indicators (Outputs and Outcomes)	Targets (Lao PDR)	Methods / Comments	Actually planned / realized (Lao PDR)
	roads (kilometers)		surface treatment.	includes 15.3 km of improvement of access roads to tourist sites. Update of detailed design for package TIIGP2-LAO-W04: Vang Vieng Landfill Improvements is ongoing and IFB is planned for August 2020. This package includes 1.2 km of access roads. IFBs for packages TIIGP2-LAO-W02: Nam Ngum Reservoir Access Improvements and TIIGP2-LAO-W03: Vang Vieng Urban-Rural Access Improvements, with a combined total of 44 km access roads, are scheduled to be issued during Q3 2020.
2	Water			
	a) Wastewater treatment capacity added or improved (cubic meters per day)	15.0 m ³	Septage treatment facility	Update of detailed design for package TIIGP2-LAO-W04 is ongoing and IFB is planned for Aug 2020. This package includes septage sludge treatment facility. Capacity of the facility to be finalized.
	b) Land improved through irrigation, drainage, and/or flood management (hectares)	24.5 ha		Contract TIIGP2-LAO-W01 was signed on 30 December 2019. This package includes 0.5 ha catchment area of flood protection and drainage improvement.
	c) Households with reduced flood risk (number)	5,132		Packages TIIGP2-LAO-W01 contains flood management components with a catchment area of around 0.5 and TIIGP2-LAO-W03 will contain a 24.0 ha catchment area. Contract TIIGP2-LAO-W01 was awarded on 30 December 2019 and IFB for TIIGP2-LAO-W03 will be issued in Q3 2020. Resulting number of households with reduced flood risk to be determined.

ha = hectares, m³ = cubic meters, km = kilometers.

Performance monitoring:

The primary tool to monitor project performance is the Project Performance Management System (PPMS), which includes systems and procedures for the systematic collection of baseline, progress and endline data and to report progress towards the project's outcome and output targets defined in the project Design and Monitoring Framework (DMF), gender equity results and data for economic and financial analysis and information needed to prepare photo stories and impact stories. Development and implementation of the PPMS is led by the International and National Monitoring and Evaluation Specialists (individual consultants). During this reporting period, the PPMS Report and a Baseline Report were finalized and work is ongoing to update detailed implementation plans.

The PCU is responsible for quarterly reporting on the performance of the project through quarterly progress reports to ADB against DMF targets and using the weighted project implementation table included in the PAM (updated from time-to-time). The DMF in the PAM contains outcome and output baseline and targets for Cambodia and Lao PDR combined.

Progress towards DMF targets reported in the quarterly progress reports will reflect Lao PDR's attribution to these combined targets.

Progress as of 30 June 2020 towards DMF targets and activity implementation is presented in Annex 3. Note that the DMF has been enhanced with separate gender output indicators and expanded key activities reflecting PAM, and revised milestones matching the updated implementation plan. The updated implementation plan (reflecting latest, updated implementation schedule for all activities and revised assigned weights, provided by ADB) and weighted project progress as of 30 June 2020 are presented in Annex 4.

6. Financial Management

Disbursement Arrangement:

The Ministry of Finance has established a pass-through account for the grant to receive and track grant disbursements before passing funds on to the project's advance account and MICT has established an advance account in US Dollars for the grant at the Banque Pour Le Commerce Extérieur Lao Public (BCEL), which is exclusively used for ADB's share of eligible expenditures. The four PIUs have set up project subaccounts for the ADB grant at local branches of the BCEL. Liquidation of the sub-accounts is subject to submission of full documentation to the PCU.

Advance Fund Procedure and Statement of Expenditure Procedure:

Upon approval of MICT's first Withdrawal Application and Estimate of Expenditure Sheet for ADB has disbursed \$1.0 million into the advance account on 2 April 2019. The PCU is using the Statement of Expenditure (SOE) procedure for the reimbursement of eligible expenditures or liquidation of advances to the advance account for individual payments up to \$100,000. As of 30 June 2020, the Project has spent the amount \$2.442 million. The amount of \$0.407 million for April-June expenditures will be submitted to ADB for replenishment around July and August 2020. The advance account including the PIU subaccounts have an existing balance \$0.592 million.

Counterpart Fund:

The Government provides counterpart funds to finance (i) government counterpart staff salaries and office space (in-kind); and (ii) land acquisition and resettlement (in-cash). The PCU will be responsible for: (i) preparing disbursement projections; and (ii) requesting budgetary allocations for counterpart funds. The counterpart contribution will be recorded by the accounting software currently being developed.

Accounting:

The Project maintains separate books and records by funding source for all expenditures incurred on the project following international public-sector accounting standard for cash-based accounting and will prepare consolidated project financial statements in accordance with the government's accounting laws and regulations which are consistent with international accounting principles and practices.

The International and National Financial Management and Procurement Specialists (individual consultants engaged by MICT) are supporting procurement activities and are assisting the PCU with the establishment of the financial management system, including the preparation of the Financial Management Manual for the project that have been completed in December 2019. There will be a need to do some revisions to the chart of accounts and attach as one of the Annex to the FMM. The Project has signed a contract with the software vendor and installation and testing of the accounting software are ongoing. For the meantime, an Excel based accounting system has been set up to record the Project financial transactions. These records will be transferred into the PAS once operational and tested.

Auditing and Public Disclosure:

MICT has appointed a National Internal Auditor (individual consultant) to oversee all project financial transactions and advise on measures to improve compliance with ADB and Government financial regulations and the project Financial Management Manual. He will also support PCU and PIU financial management staff prepare for annual external audits.

Annual project financial statements (APFS) are audited by the State Auditing Organization of Lao PDR (SAO). The first annual audit would be undertaken, and the audited APFS together with the auditor's opinion, should be submitted to ADB within 6 months from the end of Fiscal Year 2019 (i.e. by 30 June 2020). Since no counterpart funds were used and no withdrawals made from the grant account during the period of 25 December 2018 (project effectiveness) to 31 December 2018, ADB has approved the combined APFS for the period December 2018 to 31 December 2019. The first draft APFS for the period 25 December 2018 to 31 December 2019 was submitted to SAO in March 2020, after seeking ADB's comments in February 2020. Audit by SAO is ongoing. Due to COVID-19, the submission of the APFS would be extended to 31 December 2020. The audited project financial statements and auditor's opinion will be subject for disclosure in the ADB website.

Progress on implementation of the Project Financial Management Action Plan as of 30 June 2020 is presented in Annex 5.

7. Procurement

Procurement Plan:

The project's original 18-month Procurement Plan prepared during project preparation and included in the PAM (version 0, dated 22 May 2018) was updated and submitted to ADB on 15 August 2019 and Version 1 was approved by ADB on 5 September 2019 and remains current as of 30 June 2020.

Procurement of Goods and Works:

During this reporting period, procurement for the following goods and works contracts was completed and contracts signed:

Goods and Works							
Contract Number	General Description	Estimated Value ^a	Contract Value ^a	Procurement Method	Advertisement Date	Date of ADB Approval of Contract Award	Comments
TIIGP2-LAO-G05-03	Office Equipment for the Secretariat of Southern Laos DMN		LAK 55,990,000	Shopping	Q2 2020	15 May 2020	PCSS: Supplier: Signed: 18 May 2020

^a inclusive of taxes and duties

ICB = international competitive bidding; NCB = national competitive bidding; PCU = project coordination unit; PIU = project implementation unit; TBD = to be determined.

During this reporting period, procurement for the following goods and works packages was initiated and is ongoing on 30 June 2020:

Goods and Works						
Package Number	General Description	Estimated Value ^a	Procurement Method	Advertisement Date	Estimated Contract Award	Comments

^a inclusive of taxes and duties

ICB = international competitive bidding; NCB = national competitive bidding; PCU = project coordination unit; PIU = project implementation unit; TBD = to be determined.

A goods and works procurement monitoring table is presented in Annex 6.

Recruitment and Utilization of Consulting Services:

During this reporting period, the following consultants were recruited and contracts signed:

Package Number	General Description	Estimated Value ^a	Contract Value ^a	Recruitment Method	Advertisement Date	Date of ADB Approval of Contract Award	Comments

^a Inclusive of income tax on fees and VAT on reimbursable expenses and provisional sums.

Recruitment of the following consulting services were ongoing on 30 June 2020:

Package Number	General Description	Estimated Value	Recruitment	Advertisement Date	Estimated Contract Signing Date	Comments

A consultant recruitment monitoring table is presented in Annex 7.

An overview of status of consulting services planned inputs and utilization to date is presented in Annex 8.

8. Safeguards Implementation and Submission of Semi-annual Integrated Safeguards Monitoring Report

Safeguards Implementation: Update of IEEs and EMPs for V1, V2, V3 and V4: At this point only a general IEE (prepared by Norconsult in December 2018 as part of the PPTA) exists for TIIGP2-LAO-W02 (V1) and for TIIGP2-LAO-W03 (V2, V3 & V4). The PMCES Consultant’s Environmental Specialists have initiated updates of these documents in January and February 2020, and are developing specific IEEs and EMPs for both packages. The IEEs have already been updated in accordance with the conceptual DEDs for V1, V2-V4 and V5, respectively.

The IEE and EMP for sub-project V5 (Vang Vieng Solid Waste Management Improvements) were refined further in accordance with the draft re-design of the landfill subproject, which was presented to MICT and ADB in June 2020. The IEE and EMP were submitted to MICT and ADB on 6 July 2020, for review and comments. The PMCES Consultant will re-visit the IEE upon approval of the DED, if additional changes are made to the design.

The IEEs and EMPs for sub-project V1 (Nam Ngum Reservoir Access Improvements) and for V2, V3 and V4 (Kaeng Yui Waterfall Access Improvements, Western Loop Rural Access Road and Bridge Improvements and Vang Vieng Urban Renewal) have also been prepared in accordance with the Draft Final design. They will be submitted to MICT and ADB in July 2020.

Environmental Monitoring: PMCES National Environmental Specialist conducts regular monitoring of the construction environmental management plan and progress on quarterly basis throughout the construction process. At this point construction has commenced for TIIGP-LAO-W01 in Nakasang and Don Det. During the monitoring visits on-site the PMCES consultant is using the impact mitigation plan as basis and checklist and works alongside the

PIU, ensuring that the construction process and activities are in compliance with environmental standards defined in the CEMP and that relevant measures are performed.

Safeguard Monitoring Reporting: Under ADB Guidelines Category B projects require Semi-Annual Safeguard Monitoring Reports (SMRs) to be submitted once construction starts. The project includes civil works in residential areas, and it is a pro-poor project with a high level of community participation. The SMR will describe Social Safeguard Compliance, actions required following issues arising and the handling process of incidents and complaints. For Environmental Safeguard Monitoring, the purpose is to monitor environmental impacts of civil works, by using EMP checklists prepared specifically for the project sites. The SMR furthermore describes planning and implementation of EMP Awareness Training and regularly assesses the project's level of social and environmental safeguard compliance.

The following schedule will be adhered to for the submission of Semi-annual Integrated Safeguards Monitoring Reports. Since construction of Output 1 infrastructure subprojects is scheduled to commence in Q1 2020, the first report will be submitted by 31 July 2020, covering the period January-June 2020.

Semi-annual Integrated Safeguards Monitoring Report	Deadline	Status <i>(Under preparation; Submitted on [date]; Comments from ADB being addressed; Approved)</i>
Report 1: Jan-Jun 2020	31 July 2020	Under preparation
Report 2: Jul-Dec 2020	31 January 2021	
Report 3: Jan-Jun 2021	31 July 2021	
Report 4: Jul-Dec 2021	31 January 2022	
Report 5: Jan-Jun 2022	31 July 2022	
Report 6: Jul-Dec 2022	31 January 2023	
Report 7: Jan-Jun 2023	31 July 2023	
Report 8: Jul-Dec 2023	31 January 2024	
Report 9: Jan-Jun 2024	31 July 2024	
Report 10: Jul-Dec 2024	31 December 2024	

9. Gender Action Plan Implementation Status

The project is categorized as Effective Gender Mainstreaming. Recruitment of the International and National Gender Specialists was completed on 26 August 2019.

During this reporting period, a draft revision of the Gender Action Plan was submitted by the International Gender Specialist (IGS), following the recommendations of the Project Manager. After one year of project implementation and reporting, the Project Manager noted limitations in the GAP provisions that need to be addressed. These include: 1) realigning Target 3 from Output 1 to Output 3; 2) enhancing support for gender-responsive tourism enterprises and services; 2) revising the target of 500 tourism entrepreneurs, which is not supported by baseline data.

On 17 June MICT requested approval from ADB for a contact variation with the IGS, to add 1.5 person-months to the contract to ensure effective support with GAP implementation. This variation would make the total number of person-months 3.5. An updated workplan was also submitted along with the request.

Status of GAP Implementation

	Achieved	On-going	Planned
9 Activities	2 /9 (6 and 7)	6 /9 (1, 2, 3, 5, 8, 9)	1 /9 (4)
23 Targets	10 /23 (1, 10, 11, 12, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18 and 22)	10 /23 (2, 3, 4, 7,8, 9,13,19, 21 and 23)	3 /23 (5, 6, 20)

The GAP implementation monitoring table showing detailed progress to date is presented in Annex 9.

10. Compliance with Grant Covenants

A table showing status of compliance with Grant Covenants presented in Annex 10.

11. Summary of Workplan for Next Quarter

Procurement packages/consulting services contracts to be awarded next quarter:

Contract	Estimated Amount
TIIGP2-LAO-C17 – National Tourism Destination Development and Management Specialist (included in updated procurement plan of 28 July 2020, Version 2)	\$ 122,000
TIIGP2-LAO-C12: Tourism experts – various resource persons (approx. 1 contract)	\$ 5,000
Various small goods packages	\$75,000
Total	

Main activities planned for Q3 2020:

Output 1: Urban-Rural Access Infrastructure and Urban Environmental Services Improved

The primary focus for Q3 2020 for TIIGP2-LAO-W01: Nakasang and Don Det-Don Khone Access Improvements: will be on (i) Review and Approval of working drawings, (ii) Geo-technical Investigation of 3 Bridge Location (iii) Conduct pre-works survey for Don-Det and Don Khone; (iv) Construction of drain and concrete pavement in Nakasang Access Improvements. For the package of TIIGP2-LAO-W02/ W03/W04 focus will be on (i) Approval of DED, (ii) Approval of IEE/EMP, (iii) Approval of RP and (iv) Approval of EGDRP.

The summary of activities planned for Q3 2020 is as follows:

Activities	Who	When
TIIGP2-LAO-W01: Nakasang and Don Det-Don Khone Access Improvement		
Review and Approval of working drawings prepared by the Contractor	PMCES	July-Aug
Geo-technical Investigation of 3 Bridge Location by the Contractor	Contractor	Aug-Sep
Conduct pre-works survey for Don-Det and Don Khone	Contractor	Sep-Oct
Construction of drain and concrete pavement in Nakasang Access Improvements	Contractor	Oct-Dec
Grievance Redress Mechanism (GRM) Training	PMCES	Oct
Implementation of Contract	All	May 2020 - May 2022
Safeguard Monitoring	PMCES/DICT	May 2020 - May 2022
Grievance Redress Mechanism (GRM)	PMCES	May 2020 - May 2022
TIIGP2-LAO-W04: Vang Vieng Landfill Improvements		
Approved DED by DHUP	PMCES	Aug 2020
Approved DED by DPWT	PMCES	Aug 2020
Approved of IEE/EMP by ADB & PONRE	PMCES	Aug 2020
Approved of EGDRP by PIU	PMCES	Aug 2020
Procurement	MICT/Individual	Aug-Dec 2020
TIIGP2-LAO-W02 (V1): Nam Ngum Reservoir Access Improvements		
Approved DED by MICT	PMCES	Aug 2020

Approved DED by DPWT	PMCES	Aug 2020
Approved of IEE/EMP by ADB & PONRE	PMCES	Aug 2020
Approved of RP by PIU	PMCES	Aug 2020
Procurement	MICT/Individual	Aug-Dec 2020
TIIGP2-LAO-W03 (V2, V3 & V4): Vang Vieng Urban-Rural Access Improvements		
Approved DED by MICT	PMCES	Aug 2020
Approved DED by DPWT	PMCES	Aug 2020
Approved of IEE/EMP by ADB & PONRE	PMCES	Aug 2020
Approved of RP by PIU	PMCES	Aug 2020
Procurement	MICT/Individual	Aug-Dec 2020

Output 2: Capacity to implement ASEAN Tourism Standards strengthened

Focus during Q3 of 2020 will be on promotion of the standards, and planning and start support and follow up on implementation of standards in the project's target provinces.

Output 3 progress: Institutional capacity for tourism destination management and infrastructure O&M strengthened

Focus for the institutional capacity for tourism destination management component during Q3 of 2020 will be on roll out of the SME support, particularly the COVID-19 Recovery SME Support Program. Also: (i) continue the capacity building of DMNs and MICT department-based DMN secretariats; (ii) organization of fam trips, participation in tourism fairs (if COVID-19 situation allows), production of promotional materials; (iii) rescheduling the tourism masterplanning support activities due to delays of COVID-19 situation; (iv) starting the implementation of the heritage interpretation strategies for the project target destinations; (v) continue and finalize the development of national and provincial tourist activity standards.

O&M work in Q3 will focus on (i) Continued development of the process for public infrastructure will continue in conjunction with the MPWT - aiming at creating a handbook/manual for the handover process as well as ensuring that O&M is in line with the national standards and regulations; (ii) Continued development of O&M manual for Nam Ngum (sub-project V1); (iii) Start of development of O&M manual for Kaeng Yui Waterfall (sub-project V2); (iv) Financial analysis for the Vang Vieng Land Fill (sub-project V5); (v) Conduct capacity assessment and training needs assessment of the Vang Vieng UDAA (related to sub-project V5); (vi) Financial assessment of possibilities for revenue stream in sub-projects V1 and V2; (vii) Coordination of functional planning of site management for sub-projects V1 and V5 with the International and National Tourism consultants regarding the training and formation of Community Tourism Groups; (viii) Consultation with Vientiane Province to confirm information received on possible concessionaires for the Nam Ngum 1 Dam Recreational Area; (ix) Additional consultations with stakeholders of V1 and V5 subprojects with special attention on: processes related to the formulation of the operational contracts, operation and maintenance plans; and the execution of the contracts during the operational phase of the services and facilities planned.

Project Management Activities

During Q3 of 2020, GAP implementation will continue to ensure targets are included in project workplans and bidding documents and infrastructure designs are gender sensitive.

Planned disbursements:

For Q2 2020, the following withdrawal applications (WA) are foreseen:

- Replenishment of Advance Account:
 - WA #19(SOE April 2020): \$43,956.42
 - WA #20 (SOE May 2020): \$141,348.21
 - WA #22 (SOE June 2020): \$222,144.62
 - WA # 23 (SOE July 2020) estimate \$150,000
- Direct payments:

- WA for direct payment to Ramboll A/S under contract TIIGP2-LAO-C01 PMCES Consultant: USD315,603.66 and EUR 48,761.24
- WA for direct payment to Phoukong Construction Company (advance payment): USD 396,430.84

12. Issues and Recommendations

The COVID-19 pandemic is affecting the ability of international experts to travel to Lao PDR, affecting the implementation schedule of some project activities, particularly the tourism masterplanning work. Contract extensions will be required for the tourism masterplanning individual consultants to complete their work once travel is possible again.

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Annex 1: Progress of civil works by subproject as of 30 June 2020

Subproject	Location and Description	DED and Implementation Progress
Works Package: TIIGP2-LAO-W01: Nakasang and Don Det-Don Khone Access Improvements		
C1: Nakasang Access Road and Port Rehabilitation	Khong District. The subproject will: (i) reconstruct 3.3 km road from Route 13S to the Nakasang Mekong River port and create a turning area for buses; (ii) reinforce 45 m of riverbank protection and reconstruct 60m of riverside path in the port area; (iii) improve footpaths and ramps to floating river pontoons to provide safer passenger access; and (iv) divert the main storm water drainage outlet 15 m downriver from the port.	TIIGP2-LAO-W01: Nakasang and Don Det-Don Khone Access Improvements: DED, bill of quantities, technical specification, bidding documents, updated safeguards documents, O&M plan, and recommendations for equipment for O&M have been reviewed and updated as needed, by the PMCES Consultant. IFB has been published on 18 September 2019. The contract was awarded on 23 December 2019 to Phoukhong Construction Sole Co. Ltd. with a contract amount of USD 3,964,308.36 (including Provisional Sums USD 650,000, Contingency USD 333,000.69 and Tax USD 301,300.76).
C2: Don Det-Don Khone Access Improvements	Khong District. This subproject will (i) pave the main 11 km road network on Don Det and Don Khone islands; (ii) pave the 780 m ² Don Det ferry port vehicle parking area; (iii) cycle track/footpaths over the two islands; and (iv) install public lighting and safety rails on the old railway bridge linking the islands.	The contract was signed on 30 December 2019 Site possession given on 07 January 2020 CEMP, Revised Work Plan was approved by 12 May 2020 and given Notice to proceed by 12 May 2020. The Works commenced by 26 May 2020. The Contractor mobilized equipment at site and constructed temporary camp. National PMCES Consultants are engaged during this period to assist PIU. The pre-works survey completed for Nakasang during this reporting month by the Contract. The Contractor taken safety measures in response of COVID-19 Pandemic. The construction drawings are in progress which need to be approved by the Consultant before to start the Work. It is expected that physical construction work will start for Nakasang Access and Port Improvement by Quarter 3 2020.
Works Package: TIIGP2-LAO-W02: Nam Ngum Reservoir Access Improvements		
V1: Nam Ngum Reservoir Access Improvements	Keo Oudom District. This subproject will (i) improve the existing public marina at the Nam Ngum Reservoir recreational area to safely accommodate 50-60 local tour boats and launch small recreational vessels; (ii) construct a 5.9km loop road extending along the reservoir shore linking to Route 10, and 1,200 m ² parking area; (iii) construct a new 3,860 m ² public market and shophouses to replace existing informal lakeside stalls; (iv) install septic tanks in all public buildings and a wastewater pump-out station/holding tank at the marina; (v) replace abandoned, unsafe public buildings and piers	TIIGP2-LAO-W02: Nam Ngum Reservoir Access Improvements: Feasibility studies, preliminary designs, preliminary cost estimates and safeguards documents prepared during project preparation. DED, bill of quantities, technical specification, bidding documents, updated safeguards documents, O&M plan, and recommendations for equipment for O&M will be prepared by the PMCES Consultant. Presentation of Draft Conceptual Designs in Nam Ngum for V1 subproject was held on 16 September 2019 with PIUs and local stakeholders. The purpose of this conceptual design is to present current project brief, and design proposal options to capture additional community and environmental benefits to the subproject design, together with the stakeholders, prior to commencement of detailed design.

Subproject	Location and Description	DED and Implementation Progress
	with new public green space; and (vi) renovate the tourist information center.	<p>Final Report for conceptual design for stage-2 sub-projects (V1, V2, V3 and V4), and updating of subproject descriptions, preliminary design and cost estimates for each subproject to eventually inform Survey and DED was finalized during Q1 2020.</p> <p>The topographical detail survey was completed in this quarter commencing from December 2019 which is being used to prepare a Digital Terrain Model (DTM) for each subproject survey area survey drawings of road corridors, existing roads and other infrastructure development sites.</p> <p>The DTM and drawings will be used throughout the design process and during construction.</p> <p>Geotechnical survey Site investigation was carried out to establish the geological profile along the road alignment in order to design the road pavement</p> <p><u>Detailed Engineering Design (DED):</u> The DED started March-20 (Q2 2020) and continued during this quarter for the following Works Packages: TIIGP2-LAO-W02: Nam Ngum Reservoir Access Improvements (V1) and TIIGP2-LAO-W03: Vang Vieng Urban-Rural Access for (V2); Kaeng Yui Waterfall Access Improvements (V3), and; Western Loop Rural Access Road and Bridge Improvements, and Vang Vieng Urban Renewal (V4). A Day stakeholder consultative meeting was held 27 May to provide information on design basis, standard used and to receive feedback for preparing Draft Final DED. The Draft Final Design will be submitted for approval by MPWT at Cental Level and DPWT at Provincial Level in the next quarter.</p> <p>IFB is expected to publish in Q3 Target contract sign is in Q4 2020.</p>
Works Package: TIIGP2-LAO-W03: Vang Vieng Urban-Rural Access Improvements		
V2: Kaeng Yui Waterfall Access Improvements	Vang Vieng District. The subproject will (i) upgrade the 6km access road from Vang Vieng Town to Kaeng Yui waterfall; (ii) level and pave the 875 m ² waterfall parking area; (iii) improve surfaces and drainage in the waterfall market area; and (v) improve 300m footpaths, including rehabilitation of steps, small suspension bridges, and signage.	<p>TIIGP2-LAO-W03: Vang Vieng Urban-Rural Access Improvements: Feasibility studies, preliminary designs, preliminary cost estimates and safeguards documents prepared during project preparation. DED, bill of quantities, technical specification, bidding documents, updated safeguards documents, O&M plan, and recommendations for equipment for O&M will be prepared by the PMCES Consultant.</p> <p>Presentation of Draft Conceptual Designs for Van Vieng Urban-Rural Access Improvements for V2, V3 & V4 subproject was held on 17 September 2019 with PIUs and local stakeholders. The purpose of this conceptual design is to present current project brief, and design proposal options to capture additional community and environmental benefits to the subproject design, together with the stakeholders, prior to commencement of detailed design.</p>
V3: Western Loop Rural Access Road and Bridge Improvements	Vang Vieng District. The subproject will (i) upgrade the 26 km “Western Loop Road” and three village feeder roads; (ii) construct a new road bridge across the Song River, with 2.0km feeder road linking the bridge, Western Loop Road and south end of town; and (iii) provide bio-engineered river bank protection and improve the	<p>Final Report for conceptual design for stage-2 sub-projects (V1, V2, V3 and V4), and updating of subproject</p>

Subproject	Location and Description	DED and Implementation Progress
<p>V4: Vang Vieng Urban Renewal</p>	<p>footpath/cycle track between the new bridge and Huay Yae village.</p> <p>Vang Vieng District. The subproject will (i) rehabilitate 4.0 km of footpaths with suitable surfaces, street lighting, seating and soft landscaping; (ii) install traffic calming measures in streets with high concentrations of tourists; (iii) improve traffic management, including one-way traffic flows (1.5 km); and (iv) resurface roads and improve drains in residential areas (1.0 km).</p>	<p>descriptions, preliminary design and cost estimates for each subproject to eventually inform Survey and DED was finalized during Q1 2020.</p> <p>The topographical detail survey was completed in this quarter commencing from December 2019 which is being used to prepare a Digital Terrain Model (DTM) for each subproject survey area survey drawings of road corridors, existing roads and other infrastructure development sites. The DTM and drawings will be used throughout the design process and during construction. Geotechnical survey Site investigation was carried out to establish the geological profile along the road alignment in order to design the road pavement. These documents formed the basis for Detailed Engineering Design (DED) with Conceptual Design Report.</p> <p><u>Detailed Engineering Design (DED):</u> The DED started March (Q2 2020) and continued during this quarter for the following Works Package: TIIGP2-LAO-W03: Vang Vieng Urban-Rural Access for (V2); Kaeng Yui Waterfall Access Improvements (V3), and; Western Loop Rural Access Road and Bridge Improvements, and Vang Vieng Urban Renewal (V4). A Day stakeholder consultative meeting was held 28 May to provide information on design basis, standard used and to receive feedback for preparing Draft Final DED. The Draft Final Design will be submitted for approval by MPWT at Central Level and DPWT at Provincial Level in the next quarter.</p> <p>IFB is expected to publish in Q3 Target contract sign is in Q4 2020.</p>
<p>Works Package: TIIGP2-LAO-W04: Vang Vieng Landfill Improvements</p>		
<p>V5: Vang Vieng Solid Waste Management Improvements</p>	<p>Vang Vieng District. The subproject will transform the existing district solid waste dump site into a managed landfill and includes (i) installation of a perimeter runoff interceptor drainage system; (ii) cell construction with impermeable liners, leachate collection/treatment system, and a landfill gas recovery system; (iii) construction of a small materials recovery facility for waste separation and recycling and a medical waste treatment area; (v) construction of a septage treatment facility (0.5ha); (vi) construction of site office, toilets, and fencing; (vii) pave the 0.8km access road and provide three new collection trucks, a bulldozer, and two vacuum trucks to support septage collection.</p>	<p>TIIGP2-LAO-W04: Vang Vieng Landfill Improvements: Review findings of the DED carried out in Q3 2019 for the landfill subproject revealed that the existing design requires revision, which would entail substantial alterations to the design, drawings, BoQ and technical specification. It was decided that an environmental compliance audit (ECA) needed to be conducted to test the design information. PMCES Consultant engaged an ECA sub-consultant team to carry out this work. The ECA team submitted its draft report to the PMCES Consultant on 16 January 2020. PMCES reviewed and edited the report and it on 11 February 2020 to MICT and ADB for review, comments and approval. The report was eventually approved on 22 March 2020.</p> <p>In this quarter, ADB approved additional financial resources to undertake the design revisions, which include design of a closure system of existing landfill site with all precautionary measures and appropriateness of design of MRF system design, admin building and office facilities, leachate treatment design, septage treatment design, effluents and hazardous waste, master drainage management of storm water, additional internal access road to facilities, new fencing, new incineration plant, appropriate Electro-Mechanical facilities and tree plantation etc.</p>

Subproject	Location and Description	DED and Implementation Progress
		<p>A day long stakeholder consultative meeting on DRFT Design was held 26 June in Vientiane. The stakeholder provided feedback including the need of O&M capacity needs assessment for solid waste management for the basis of the development of O&M capacity building program for the Vang Vieng landfill and a financial assessment of the Vang Vieng Landfill viability be undertaken for the analysis of economical sustainability to form basis for site management modality.</p> <p>IFB is expected to publish in Q3 Target contract sign is in Q4 2020.</p>

Description	Preliminary Design Cost Estimates* (US\$) (PAM procurement plan, version 0)	Updated estimates* (US\$) (procurement plan, version 1)	Current estimates (US\$) (based on BOQ DED by PMCES Consultant)/Contracted amount
<u>TIIGP2-LAO-W01: Nakasang and Don Det-Don Khone Access Improvements</u>	7,227,529	5,930,000 (based on BOQ DED from PPTA)	\$3,964,308.36 (Contracted Cost with Phoukhong Construction Sole Co. Ltd)
C1. Nakasang Access Road and Port Rehabilitation;	3,613,167		
C2. Don Det-Don Khone Access Improvements	3,614,362		
<u>TIIGP2-LAO-W02: Nam Ngum Reservoir Access Improvements</u>	6,142,686	6,142,686 (Preliminary Cost by PPTA)	Under Preparation
V1. Nam Ngum Reservoir Access Improvements;	6,142,686		
<u>TIIGP2-LAO-W03 Vang Vieng Urban-Rural Access Improvements</u>	10,673,878	10,673,878 (Preliminary Cost by PPTA)	Under Preparation
V2. Kaeng Yui Waterfall Access Improvements;	2,180,747		
V3. Western Loop Rural Access Road and Bridge Improvements;	7,477,630		
V4. Vang Vieng Urban Renewal;	1,015,501		
<u>TIIGP2-LAO-W04: Vang Vieng Landfill Improvements</u>	5,632,000	2,700,000 (based on BOQ DED from PPTA)	Under Review
V5. Vang Vieng Solid Waste Management Improvements.	5,632,000		
Total	29,676,093	25,446,564	

Annex 2: Record of Output 2 and 3 and Project Management Activities implemented during Quarter 2 of 2020 (1 April - 30 June 2020)

Budget code	Activity	Date	Location	Objective	Implementing Personnel	Participants	Women	Results/Outcome/Comments	Budget(\$,Kip)
2.2.1	Survey to identify and map areas for ASEAN Clean Tourist City Standard in Luang Prabang	21-24/6/2020	LPB	To identify the map areas	Survey and Allocation Division	25	6	Map areas identified	11,875,000 Kip
2.2.1	Survey to identify and map areas for ASEAN Clean Tourist City Standard in Champasak	10-13/6/2020	CPS	To identify the map areas	Survey and Allocation Division	21	8	Map areas identified	12,287,000 Kip
2.2.3	Design, edit content of Lao PDR clean public toilet standard	18-30/5/2020	VTE	To prepare for publication and dissemination	Survey and Allocation Division, TDD	3	0	Design and editing completed	700 USD
2.2.3	Publish Lao PDR MICE Meeting Venue standard	4-22/5/2020	VTE	To publish and disseminate	Tourism Training Division, IMCT	2	1	Documents publish	17,600,000 Kip
2.4.3.1	Consultation workshops to draft/improve guidelines and manual for selection, endorsement and certification procedures for ASEAN tourism standards and develop sustainable finance mechanisms/ measurement for assessment committee/certification body	27/5/2020	VTE	To improve guideline and manual	Tourism secretariat	20	7	Completed as plan	2,700,000 Kip
2.4.3.3	Print/publish training and assessment manuals for national and provincial assessment committee	18/03/-18/04/2020	VTE	To disseminate for national and assessment committee	Training Division, IMCT	1	0	Manuals printed (250 copies)	17,600,000 Kip
2.6.3	Conduct training for provincial-level assessment and certification committee for ASEAN green hotel standard in Vang Vieng	14-18/6/2020	Vang Vieng	To upgrade knowledge	Tourism Standard Division, TMD	20	8	Knowledge upgraded	15,780,000 Kip
2.6.3	Conduct training for provincial-level assessors for ASEAN homestay standard in Vang Vieng, VTP	29/6-3/7/2020	Vang Vieng	To upgrade knowledge	Ecotourism and Administration Division	9	2	Knowledge upgraded	11,560,000 Kip
2.6.3	Training of trainers and assessors on ASEAN MICE Meeting Venue Standard at provincial level	22-26/6/2020	Vang Vieng	To upgrade knowledge	Tourism Training Division, IMCT	27	9	Knowledge upgraded	11,780,000 Kip
2.6.3	Conduct training for provincial-level assessors for ASEAN Clean Public Toilet Standard in Luang Prabang	17-20/6/2020	LPB	To upgrade knowledge	Survey and Allocation Division, TDD	27	9	Knowledge upgraded	10,340,000 Kip
2.6.3	Conduct training for provincial-level assessors for ASEAN Clean Public Toilet Standard in Champasak	8-12/6/2020	CPS	To upgrade knowledge	Survey and Allocation Division, TDD	40	19	Knowledge upgraded	12,600,000 Kip
2.6.3	Training of trainers and assessors on ASEAN MICE Meeting Venue Standard at provincial level	22-26/6/2020	Champasak	To upgrade knowledge	Tourism Training Division, IMCT	21	9	Knowledge upgraded	15,980,000 Kip
2.6.3 and 2.6.4	Training and trial/actual assessment for provincial-level assessment and certification committee for ASEAN public clean toilet standard. Champasak	8-11/6/2020	Vat Phou CPS, CPS	To upgrade knowledge	PIU	27	7	Knowledge upgraded	17,680,000 Kip
2.6.3 and 2.6.4	Training and trial/actual assessment for provincial-level assessment and certification committee for ASEAN MICE Standard. Vang Vieng	22-26/6/2020	Vang Vieng	To upgrade knowledge	PIU	35	10	Knowledge upgraded	13,270,000 Kip
2.6.3 and 2.6.4	Training and trial/actual assessment for provincial-level assessment and certification committee for ASEAN SPA Service Standard. Vang Vieng	20-22/6/2020	Vang Vieng	To upgrade knowledge	PIU	35	10	Knowledge upgraded	13,625,000 Kip

2.6.3 and 2.6.4	Training and trial/actual assessment for provincial-level assessment and certification committee for ASEAN green hotel in Vang Vieng	15-17/6/2020	Vang Vieng	To upgrade knowledge and skills	PIU	40	17	Knowledge and skills upgraded	13,520,000 Kip
2.6.3 and 2.6.4	Training and trial/actual assessment for provincial-level assessment and certification committee for ASEAN Clean Tourist City Standard. Champasak	3-6/6/2020	Pakse City, CPS	To upgrade knowledge	PIU	33	10	Knowledge upgraded	16,350,000 Kip
2.6.3 and 2.6.4	Training and trial/actual assessment for provincial-level assessment and certification committee for ASEAN Homestay Standard. Champasak	15-17/6/2020	Pakse City, Ban Don Kho, CPS	To upgrade knowledge	PIU	48	20	Knowledge upgraded	14,180,000 Kip
2.6.3 and 2.6.4	Training and trial/actual assessment for provincial-level assessment and certification committee for ASEAN public clean toilet standard. Luang Prabang	16-19/6/2020	LPB town	To upgrade knowledge	PIU	50	27	Knowledge upgraded	14,970,000 Kip
2.6.3 and 2.6.4	Training and trial assessment for provincial-level assessment and certification committee for ASEAN CBT Standard. Luang Prabang	10-12/6/2020	LPB city and Ban Xang Hay	To upgrade knowledge	PIU	35	8	Knowledge upgraded	13,560,000 Kip
2.6.3 and 2.6.4	Training and trial/actual assessment for provincial-level assessment and certification committee for ASEAN Homestay Standard. Luang Prabang	5-8/6/2020	LPB City and Ban Chan Neua	To upgrade knowledge	PIU	30	7	Knowledge upgraded	16,550,000 Kip
2.6.3 and 2.6.4	Training and trial/actual assessment for provincial-level assessment and certification committee for ASEAN Clean Tourist City Standard. Luang Prabang	14-17/6/2020	LPB city	To upgrade knowledge	PIU	42	17	Knowledge upgraded	14,730,000 Kip
2.6.3 and 2.6.4	Conduct (1) training and (2) trial/actual assessment for provincial-level assessment and certification committee for ASEAN Homestay Standard in Luang Prabang	4-8/6/2020 9-13/6/2020	LPB	To upgrade knowledge and skills	Ecotourism and Administration Division	9	3	Knowledge and skills upgraded	22,920,000 Kip
2.6.3 and 2.6.4	Conduct training and trial/actual assessment for provincial-level assessment and certification committee for ASEAN Homestay Standard in Champasak	14-18/6/2020 19-23/6/2020	CPS	To upgrade knowledge and skills	Ecotourism and Administration Division	9	3	Knowledge and skills upgraded	23,800,000 Kip
2.6.3 and 2.6.4	Training and trial/actual assessment for provincial-level assessment and certification committee for ASEAN CBT Standard. Luang Prabang	8-12/6/2020 13-17/6/2020	Ban Xang Hay, LPB	To upgrade knowledge and skills	PIU/DICT	26	4	Knowledge and skills upgraded	23,320,000 Kip
2.6.3 and 2.6.4	Training and trial/actual assessment for provincial-level assessment and certification committee for ASEAN CBT Standard. Champasak	18-20/6/2020	Ban Km38, Tad Fan, Paksong, CPS	To upgrade knowledge	PIU	39	9	Knowledge upgraded	13,340,000 Kip
2.6.3 and 2.6.4	Training and trial/actual assessment for provincial-level assessment and certification committee for ASEAN CBT Standard. Champasak	17-21/6/2020 22-26/6/2020	Ban Km38, Tad Fan, Paksong, CPS	To upgrade knowledge and skills	PIU/DICT	22	4	Knowledge and skills upgraded	24,830,000 Kip
2.6.3 and 2.6.4	Training and trial/actual assessment for provincial-level assessment and certification committee for ASEAN MICE Standard. Champasak	30/6-2/7/2020	Aravan and Paksong Den Ngam Hotels, CPS	To upgrade knowledge	PIU	34	12	Knowledge upgraded	13,070,000 Kip
2.6.4	Trial and actual assessment together with provincial-level assessment and certification committee for ASEAN green hotel standard in Vang Vieng	19-21/6/2020	Vang Vieng	To upgrade knowledge and skills	Tourism Standard Division, TMD	50	10	Knowledge and skills upgraded	13,200,000 Kip
2.6.4	Trial and actual assessment together with provincial-level assessment and certification committee for ASEAN homestay standard in Salavan	28/6-2/7/2020	Salavan	To upgrade knowledge and skills	Ecotourism and Administration Division	9	3	Knowledge and skills upgraded	12,590,000 Kip
2.6.4	Trial assessment for ASEAN Clean Public Toilet Standard in Luang Prabang	22-25/6/2020	LPB	To practice on site	Survey and Allocation Division, TDD	25	8	Skills upgraded	10,590,000 Kip

2.6.4	Participate in trial and actual assessment together with provincial-level assessment and certification committee for ASEAN Clean Tourist City Standard in Luang Prabang	18-20/6/2020	LPB	To practice and learn	Tourism Development Department	20	8	Knowledge upgraded	10,350,000 Kip
2.6.4	Participate in trial and actual assessment together with provincial-level assessment and certification committee for ASEAN Clean Tourist City Standard in Champasak	7-9/6/2020	CPS	To practice and learn	Tourism Development Department	22	6	Knowledge and skills upgraded	10,740,000 Kip
2.6.4	Trial assessment for ASEAN Clean Public Toilet Standard in Champasak	12-15/6/2020	CPS	To practice on site	Survey and Allocation Division, TDD	21	7	Skills upgraded	11,010,000 Kip
2.8.1	Follow up and inspection of clean toilet standard at Tham Lom cave in Vang Vieng	3-6/6/2020	Vang Vieng	Follow up and inspection	Survey and allocation Division, TDD	5	2	Ongoing	2,230,000 Kip
2.8.1	Follow up and inspection of clean toilet standard at Nam Heuang border checkpoint, Ken Thao district, Sayaboury province	23-27/6/2020	Sayaboury	Follow up and inspection	Survey and allocation Division, TDD	4	0	Ongoing	6,520,000 Kip
2.8.1	Follow up and inspection of clean toilet standard at Mekong river bank, Luang Prabang City	12-15/6/2020	LPB	Follow up and inspection	Survey and allocation Division, TDD	5	1	Ongoing	2,900,000 Kip
2.8.2a	Design the logo for Lao PDR clean public toilet standard	7-23/5/2020	VTE	To design the logo for proposed standard	Survey and Allocation Division, TDD	3	0	The design completed	1,000 USD
2.8.2a	Revise and edit Lao PDR Accommodation Standard of Lao PDR English version	27/4-8/5/2020	VTE	To revise and edit	Tourism Standard Division, TMD	3	1	Accommodation standard revised	7,392,000 Kip
2.8.2a	Design the accommodation standard of Lao PDR in English version	4-18/5/2020	VTE	To design before printing	Tourism Standard Division, TMD	1	0	The design completed	4,200,000 Kip
2.8.2a	Design and publish logos for homestay standard of Lao PDR	15-29/5/2020	VTE	To publish logos	Ecotourism and Administration Division	3	1	Logos published	1,000 USD
2.8.2a	Design logos for MICE standard of Lao PDR	15-28/5/2020	VTE	To design and in line with proposed standard	Tourism Training Division, IMCT	2	1	Completed as plan	1,000 USD
2.8.2a	Design and publish logos for Clean Tourist City Standard of Lao PDR	25/6/2020	VTE	To publish logos	Ecotourism and Administration Division	4	3	Logos published	1,000 USD
2.8.2a	Design and publish logos for ASEAN community-based tourism standard	Feb-20	VTE	Design and publish	Tourism Development Department	3	1	Logos published	1,000 USD
2.8.2a	Workshop to disseminate accommodation standard of Lao PDR in Ban Don Det, Ban Don Khone	20-25/6/2020	Khong, CPS	To disseminate at subproject sites	Tourism Standard Division, TMD	60	34	Accommodation standard of Lao PDR disseminated	34,540,000 Kip
3.1a	Provide equipment for national DMN secretariat into administrative work. For the first 6 month	21/4-10/6/2020	VTE	Support daily work	National DMN secretariat	4	4	Better working environment and more efficient	13,200,000 Kip
3.1a	Provide equipment for national DMN secretariat into administrative work. For the first 6 month	30/4-20/5/2020	VTE	Support daily work	National DMN secretariat	6	3	Better working environment and more efficient	55,990,000 Kip
3.1a	Participate in consultation workshop to identify tourism recovery activities and budget plan to	15-16/6/2020	VTE	To support affected tourism businesses	PCU	25	10	Supported activities identified	5,520,000 Kip

	support tourism businesses post COVID 19 outbreak in Vang Vieng								
3.1a	Participate in consultation workshop to identify tourism recovery activities and budget plan to support tourism businesses post COVID 19 outbreak in Vang Vieng	14-16/6/2020	Vang Vieng	To support affected tourism businesses	Vang Vieng PIU	3	2	Activities identified	2,310,000 Kip
3.2.1	Consultation workshop between public-business sectors to support affected tourism entrepreneurs from COVID 19 outbreak in Vang Vieng	22/6/2020	Vang Vieng	To support affected tourism business owners/entrepreneurs	Vang Vieng PIU	33	10	Completed as plan	6,010,000 Kip
3.2.1	Participate in consultation workshop between public-business sectors to support affected tourism entrepreneurs from COVID 19 outbreak in Vang Vieng	21-22/6/2020	Vang Vieng	To support affected tourism business owners/entrepreneurs	PCU	6	2	Supported activities identified	5,720,000 Kip
3.2.2	Training on English language specialize for meeting and workshop for 4 tourism departments	20-23/5/2020	VTE	To upgrade knowledge	DMN secreteriat	41	19	Knowledge upgraded	39,930,000 Kip
3.2.2	Upgrade English language for staff and business sector	May-20	Vang Vieng	To upgrade English language	Vang Vieng PIU	15	9	Knowledge upgraded	12,400,000 Kip
3.2.3	Support DICTs staff (LPB, VTP, Vang Vieng, Xiengkhouang) to attain master degree in VTE (DSA)	1-31/3/2020	VTE	To upgrade knowledge and skills	DICTs	24	10	Ongoing	28,520,000 Kip
3.2.4	Training on human relations and service psychology for tourism business providers (tour operators, hotel and restaurant owners/providers...) in Xieng Khuang province	7-13/6/2020	Xieng Khouang	Upgrade knowledge	IMCT	45	22	Knowledge upgraded	35,200,000 Kip
3.2.4	Training on application of filing system (1) and proposal writing for tourism management department staff (2)	28-29/5/2020 15-16/6/2020	VTE	Build capacity for technical staff	Tourism Management Department	40	22	Knowledge upgraded	44,000,000 Kip
3.2.4	Training on application of computer programs into tourism management	29-30/6/2020	VTE	Build capacity for technical department staff	Tourism Management Department	40	22	Knowledge upgraded	17,600,000 Kip
3.2.4	Develop Lao PDR Tourism Sector HRD Strategy 2020 - 2025	6/4/2020- 15/6/2020	VTE	Draft the sector HRD strategy	IMCT	5	4	Ongoing	3,000 USD
3.2.4	Training on application of filing system (documents)	23-26/3/2020 Late submitted	VPT	To upgrade knowledge	Tourism Management Department	24	10	Knowledge upgraded	6,400,000 Kip
3.3.1	Publish English versions of DMPs for Lao PDR, Luang Prabang, Vientiane Province, Vang Vieng and Southern Laos,	20/4- 12/5/2020	VTE	To publish in English version	DMN secreteriat	7	4	DMPs published; 1,500 copies	79,277,000 Kip
3.4.1	Information collection about the impact of COVID 19 to tourism sector and review the draft of tourism recovery plan	10-27/5/2020	VTP, VV, LPB	To review tourism recovery plan/ activities	PCU	5	2	Draft reviewed	11,396,000 Kip
3.4.1	Continue to collect information and draft tourism recovery plan	20-27/5/2020	VTE	Draft and review	PCU	3	1	Draft improved	17,200,000 Kip
3.4.1	Participate in consultation workshop to identify tourism recovery activities post COVID 19 outbreak (DICT-NSEC)	29-30/5/2020	VTE	To identify tourism recovery activities	DICT-tourism sector	4	2	Tourism recovery activities identified	6,280,000 Kip
3.4.1	Collect information and meetings between public and private sectors to resolve zero-dollar tour issue base on visitor flows(Korean, Chinese)	14-20/6/2020	Vang,Vieng, VTP	To resolve zero-dollar tour issue	Tourism Management Department	15	7	Meetings between public and private sectors organized	26,400,000 Kip
3.4.1	Address the waste water issue in town and garbage/rubbish along Song river	Feb-20	Vang Vieng	To protect environment and cleanliness	PIU	3	0	Awareness activities implemented	8,370,000 Kip

3.4.1	Collect information about service pricing in preparation of future price controls	22-26/6/2020	Vang Vieng	To study types of services that need for price controls	Tourism Management Department	14	6	Information collected	13,200,000 Kip
3.4.1	Awareness seminar on new normal context post COVID 19 outbreak (for tourism sector/tourism industry)	18-19/6/2020	LPB	To raise awareness for tourism stakeholders	PIU	65	20	Completed as plan	11,556,000 Kip
3.4.2	Design, publish and disseminate assessment manual for sustainable tourism in Lao PDR	May-20	VTE	To publish 100 copies and disseminate	Tourism Planning and Development Division	5	3	Completed as plan	10,800,000 Kip
3.4.2	Stakeholders workshop to identify tourism recovery activity plan post COVID 19 outbreak	15/5/2020	VTE	To identify tourism recovery activities	PCU	66	22	Tourism recovery activities identified	5,950,000 Kip
3.4.2	Tourism stakeholders workshop to update tourism development and management plan for 2021-2025	26-27/5/2020	VTE	To update the tourism recovery activity plan	Tourism Development Department	50	20	Plan finalized	36,680,000 Kip
3.4.2	Workshop to review tourism recovery activity plan post COVID 19 outbreak	23-26/6/2020	Vientiane province	To review recovery plan	PCU	10	3	Tourism recovery activities reviewed	13,230,000 Kip
3.4.2	Training on how to design and diversify handicraft products to attract visitors (souvenir products) in Phiang district, Sayaboury province	12 -15/6/2020	Sayaboury	To support local people and knowledge	PIU/DICT, Subcontract	10	1	Knowledge and skills upgraded	18,972,000 Kip
3.4.2	Quarterly DMN workshop for 4 tourism departments/taskforces	26-28/6/2020	Bolikhamxay	To review the progress	DMN secretariat	13	5	The progress review	8,857,000 Kip
3.4.3	Revise/improve the tourism activity standard content for zipline, water and cave activities	18-19/5/2020	VTE	To revise/improve content	Planning and Development Division	1	0	Tourism activity standard content improved	2,340,000 Kip
3.4.3	Workshop to review draft tourism activity standards in Vang Vieng	24-26/6/2020	Vang Vieng	To update the activity standard content	Planning and Development Division	14	4	Draft content updated	10,850,000 Kip
3.5.1	Research and analysis on implementation of tourism marketing activities	27/3/2020	VTE	To analyze the implementation of tourism marketing activities	Tourism Marketing Research Division	7	2	Learn how to attract more tourists based on visitor flows	11,390,000 Kip
3.5.1	Research domestic visitor flows	15/6/2020	VTE	Design questionnaires	Tourism Marketing Research Division	7	2	Completed as plan	1,500,000 Kip
3.5.1	Study labour demand for tourism activity personnel in tourism sector in Luang Prabang	29/6-5/7/2020	LPB	Collect information about labour demand	NUOL, Hotel and tourism management	9	4	Labour demand analyzed	17,570,000 Kip
3.5.2.3	Compile information about CBT across the country, including translation from Lao into English and produce promotional materials as needed	30/4-20/5/2020	VTE	To compile information about CBT	DMN secretariat	5	2	Information collected	2,500 USD
3.5.2.3	Compile information, pictures/photos to create Facebook page the "Tea Caravan Trail" to promote tourist attractions in Northern provinces along NSEC (Bokeo-Luang Namtha-Oudomxay and Phongsaly)	27-31/5/2020	Phongsaly	To prepare information and pictures	Tourism sector, consultant	5	0	Information and pictures compiled	15,840,000 Kip
3.6	Publish annual national tourism statistical report 2019	Sep-20	VTE	To publish and disseminate	Research and Statistics Division	1	1	Tourism statistical report 2019 published	88,000,000 Kip
3.7.1	Revise and edit heritage interpretation strategy plans for VPT, VV, LPB and Sipandon wetland/CPS	20-30/4/2020	VTP, VV, LPB, CPS/Siphandon	To revise draft plan	Subcontract	1	0	Draft finalized	370 USD
3.7.1	Workshop to review the interpretation strategy for Vang Vieng tourism circuit/linkage	29/5/2020	Vang Vieng	Review the interpretation strategy for VV loop/linkage	Vang Vieng PIU	40	10	Interpretation strategy updated	5,630,000 Kip

3.7.1	Workshop to review the interpretation strategy for Vang Vieng tourism circuit/linkage	28-30/5/2020	Vang Vieng	Review the interpretation strategy for VV loop/linkage	DMN secretariat	6	2	Interpretation strategy updated	4,070,000 Kip
3.7.2b	Design the warning and directional signs for tourist attractions in Southern Laos	14-25/05/2020	VTE	To facilitate to visitors and their safety	PCU	4	3	Proposed signs designed (20 pieces)	1,800 USD
3.8a	Improve and publish national guide training manual	20/4-15/5/2020	VTE	To improve/update the manual	Tourism Training Division, IMCT	1	0	Manual updated	2,000 USD
3.8a	Support training on product development and service improvement for SME - Manichan Food Garden	23-28/5/2020	VTE	To improve service quality of staff	Subcontract	30	17	Knowledge upgraded	25,920,000 Kip
3.8a	Workshop to update national tour guide training manual	4-5/6/2020	VTE	To update training manual	Tourism Training Division, IMCT	30	18	Training manual updated	6,990,000 Kip
3.8a	Workshop to exchange lessons post COVID 19 outbreak at Vang Vieng night market	Dec-20	Vang Vieng	To exchange lessons	Vang Vieng PIU	42	24	Lessons exchanged	5,180,000 Kip
3.8a	Support Green Adventure Travel to produce/install promotional signboard and other promotional materials to promote Phou Phaman tourist attraction	Mar - Jun 2020	Road no.8, 13 (South) and at Phou Phaman	To promote new tourism products	Green Adventure Travel	7	0	The new tourism products promoted	89,000,000 Kip
3.8a	Training on diversification of handicraft products (from textile to souvenir products) for Mr. Khamlay family	10-27/5/2020	Lamam, Sekong	To develop souvenir products for visitors	Khamlay Nonglao	14	5	Knowledge upgraded	26,300,000 Kip
3.8b	Equipment to produce tour guide badges including QR code system and design of badges	29/6/2020	VTE	To improve QR code system for tour guides	Tourism Management Department	2	0	Equipment procured	70,400,000 Kip
3.12.1	Quarterly meeting for DMN Tourism Policy Taskforce to identify and discuss policy issues affecting the tourism sector in Vang Vieng,	26/5/2020	Vang Vieng	Identify policy issues affecting the tourism sector	Vang Vieng PIU	62	20	Issues identified	12,350,000 Kip
3.12.1	Cleaning around Vang Vieng landfill by lump sum subcontract	12-13/6/2020	Vang Vieng	To clean for better environment	Subcontract	6	3	Environment cleaned	8,600,000 Kip
4.12.1	Participate in consultation workshop to identify tourism recovery activities to be implemented after COVID 19 outbreak and review of DED in Vang Vieng (PCU budget)	24-26/5/2020	VTP, VV	Identify recovery activities after COVID outbreak	PCU, PIUs	4	0	Recovery activities identified; DED reviewed	10,240,000 Kip
4.12.1	Organize consultation workshop to identify tourism recovery activities to be implemented post COVID 19 outbreak (VTP PIU budget)	21/5/2020	Vientiane Province	Identify tourism recovery activities after COVID outbreak	VTP-PIU, PCU	18	8	Recovery activities identified	3,980,000 Kip
4.12.1	Participate in consultation workshop to identify tourism recovery activities to be implemented post COVID 19 outbreak and review of DED in VTP (PCU budget)	21-23/5/2020	Vientiane Province	Identify tourism recovery activities after COVID outbreak	VTP-PIU, PCU	6	3	Recovery activities identified	8,440,000 Kip
4.12.1	Stakeholders Consultative Workshop on Detailed Engineering Design (DED) for Nam Ngum 1 Reservoir Access Improvements (Vientiane Province PIU budget)	27/5/2020	Vientiane Capital	To build capacity to tourism stakeholders and tourism sector staff	PMCES, PCU, PIUs Key Stakeholders	9	4	The DED reviewed	5,910,000 Kip
4.12.1	Stakeholders Consultative Workshop on Detailed Engineering Design (DED) for Vang Vieng Urban-Rural Access Improvements (Vientiane Province PIU budget)	28/5/2020	Vientiane Capital	To review Detailed Engineering Design (DED)	PMCES, PCU, PIUs, Key Stakeholders	5	2	The DED reviewed	2,170,000 Kip
4.12.1	Organize consultation workshop to identify tourism recovery activities to be implemented after COVID 19 outbreak and review of DED (VV-PIU budget)	23-25/5/2020	Vang Vieng	Identify tourism recovery activities after COVID outbreak and review the DED	Vang Vieng PIU, PCU	41	11	Recovery activities identified	5,620,000 Kip

4.12.1	Consultation workshop to identify tourism recovery activities to be implemented post COVID 19 outbreak in Ban Chan and Ban Xang Hay post COVID 19 outbreak	3-5/6/2020	Chomphet and Pak Ou districts, LPB	To identify tourism recovery activities/plans post COVID 19 outbreak	LPB-PIU	45	3	Recovery activities identified	13,640,000 Kip
4.12.3	Inspect and collect information from affected businesses from COVID 19 outbreak	18-20/2020	Vientiane province	To inspect affected businesses	PCU	6	2	Affected businesses recorded	7,240,000 Kip
4.12.4	Stakeholders Consultative Workshop on Detailed Engineering Design (DED) for Nam Ngum 1 Reservoir and Vang Vieng Urban-Rural Access Improvements (PCU budget)	27-28/5/2020	VTE	To review Detailed Engineering Design (DED)	PMCES, PCU, PIUs, Key Stakeholders	88	29	The DED reviewed	28,430,000 Kip
4.12.4	Stakeholders Consultative Workshop on Detailed Engineering Design (DED) for Vang Vieng Urban-Rural Access Improvements (Vang Vieng PIU budget)	27-29/5/2020	VTE	To review Detailed Engineering Design (DED)	PMCES, PCU, PIUs, Key Stakeholders	11	3	DED reviewed	13,720,000 Kip
4.12.4	Organize study visit for PCU and PIU to "Manichan Food Garden" regards the implementation progress of CBT	30/6/2020	VTE	To share lessons	PCU, LCQN	20	7	Progress reviewed	3,825,000 Kip
4.12.4	Stakeholders Consultative Workshop on Detailed Engineering Design (DED) for Vang Vieng landfill Improvements. Vang Vieng PIU	25-27/6/2020	VTE	To review Detailed Engineering Design (DED)	PMCES, PCU, PIUs, Key Stakeholders	9	3	DED reviewed	12,100,000 Kip
4.6.2	Participate in training on how to use the project accounting software (PAS) and Financial Management. LPB-PIU	28-30/6/2020	VTE	To upgrade knowledge	PCU, firm	3	2	knowledge upgraded	7,740,000 Kip
4.6.2	Participate in training on how to use the project accounting software (PAS) and Financial Management. CPS-PIU	27/6-1/7/2020	VTE	To improve accounting system and financial management	PCU, firm	3	2	knowledge upgraded	8,760,000 Kip
4.6.2	Participate in training on how to use the project accounting software (PAS) and Financial Management. VTP-PIU	28/6-1/7/2020	VTE	To improve accounting system and financial management	PCU, firm	22	13	knowledge upgraded	3,640,000 Kip
4.6.2	Participate in training on how to use the project accounting software (PAS) and Financial Management. Vang Vieng-PIU	27/6-1/7/2020	VTE	To improve accounting system and financial management	PCU, firm	3	2	knowledge upgraded	3,910,000 Kip
A3.5.2	Publish Pak Beng town (Oudomxay) and Don Det - Don Khone Islands (Champasak) tourist maps	2/3-30/6/2020	VTE	Publish tourist maps for Pak Beng town and Don Det - Don Khone Islands	Tourism Marketing Department	1	0	Tourist maps published (6,000 copies)	42,200,000 Kip

Annex 3: Progress towards DMF targets and activity implementation as of 30 June 2020

Impacts the Project is Aligned with: Sustainable, inclusive, and more balanced tourism development achieved. (ASEAN Secretariat. ASEAN Tourism Strategic Plan 2015–2025. Jakarta.)					
Result Chain	Performance Indicators	Baseline	Targets	Data Source	Progress in Lao PDR as of 30 June 2020
Outcome: Tourism competitiveness of secondary towns in Cambodia and the Lao PDR increased	By 2025				
	a. Cambodia and the Lao PDR's share of ASEAN international visitor arrivals increased (2016 baseline)	8.0%	8.3%	a-c. Government tourism statistics reports and project completion report	
	Cambodia	4.3%	4.5%		
	Lao PDR	3.7%	3.8%		2017: 3.1% 2018: 3.1% 2019: ASEAN international visitor arrival data not yet available
	b. Annual international visitor arrivals in project areas increased (2016 baseline)	1.28 mln	1.99 mln		
	Cambodia	458,600	731,000		
	Lao PDR	820,100	1,263,100		2017: no data 2018: 1,210,800 2019: 1,260,000
	c. Aggregate annual visitor expenditure in project areas increased (2016 baseline)	\$0.55 bln	\$0.91 bln		
	Cambodia	\$186.3 mln	\$318.1 mln		
	Lao PDR	\$363.9 mln	\$589.0 mln		2017: no data 2018: 385.5 mln 2019: 474.3 mln
	d. Women comprise at least 55% of tourism workers in project areas (2016 baseline)			55%	
	Cambodia	54%	55%		
	Lao PDR	50%	55%		Statistics on the tourism industry workforce is collected periodically. Updated data will be included once available.

Result Chain	Performance Indicators	Baseline	Targets	Weight (%)	Achievement in Lao PDR as of 30 Jun 2020	Progress in Lao PDR as of 30 June 2020
Outputs	By 2024:					
1. Urban-rural access infrastructure and urban environmental services improved	1a. 73 km of access roads to tourist sites improved (2017 baseline)	0	73.0 km	10%		
	Cambodia	0	10.4 km			
	Lao PDR	0	62.6 km		0	Contract for Package TIIGP2-LAO-W01: Nakasang and Don Det-Don Khone Access Improvements was signed on 30 December 2019. This package includes 15.3 km of improvement of access roads to tourist sites. Update of detailed design for package TIIGP2-LAO-W04: Vang Vieng Landfill Improvements in ongoing and contract signing is targeted for Q4 2020. This package includes 1.2 km of access & internal roads. Detailed design for packages TIIGP2-LAO-W02: Nam Ngum Reservoir Access Improvements and TIIGP2-LAO-W03: Vang Vieng Urban-Rural Access Improvements with a combined total of 44 km access roads will be finalized during Q3 of 2020, and contract signing is targeted for Q4 2020.
	1b. 4 ferry ports constructed (2016 baseline)	0	4	10%		
	Cambodia	0	2			
	Lao PDR	0	2		0	Contract for Package TIIGP2-LAO-W01: Nakasang and Don Det-Don Khone Access Improvements was signed on 30 December 2019. This package includes improvement of 1 ferry port. Detailed design for package TIIGP2-LAO-W02: Nam Ngum Reservoir Access Improvements, which includes port improvements, will be completed during Q3 of 2020, and contract signing is targeted for Q4 2020.
	1c. 30 m3/day wastewater treatment capacity constructed (2017 baseline)	0 m3/day	30 m3/day	10%		
	Cambodia	0 m3/day	15 m3/day			
	Lao PDR	0 m3/day	15 m3/day		0	Update of detailed design for package TIIGP2-LAO-W04: Vang Vieng Landfill Improvements in ongoing and contract signing is targeted for Q4 2020. This package includes 20m3/day septage sludge treatment facility.

Result Chain	Performance Indicators	Baseline	Targets	Weight (%)	Achievement in Lao PDR as of 30 Jun 2020	Progress in Lao PDR as of 30 June 2020	
	1d. Flood protection and drainage constructed for 25-hectare catchment (2017 baseline)	0 ha	25.0 ha	10%			
		Cambodia	0 ha	0.5 ha			
		Lao PDR	0 ha	24.5 ha		0	Contract for Package TIIGP2-LAO-W01: Nakasang and Don Det-Don Khone Access Improvements was signed on 30 December 2019. This package includes 0.5 ha catchment area of flood protection and drainage improvement. Detailed design for package TIIGP2-LAO-W03: Vang Vieng Urban-Rural Access Improvements will be prepared during the first half of 2020, and contract signing is targeted for Q4 2020. This package includes 24 ha catchment area of flood protection and drainage improvement.
	1e. Solid waste management services improved for 5,700 households and businesses (2017 baseline)	2,596	5,700	20%			
		Cambodia	968	1,600			
		Lao PDR	1,628	4,100		0	Update of detailed design for package TIIGP2-LAO-W04: Vang Vieng Landfill Improvements in ongoing and contract signing is targeted for Q4 2020. Work on institutional arrangements for enhanced solid waste management in Vang Vieng has commenced. The targeted number of households and businesses for improved solid waste management services is 4,100.
	1f. At least 50% of people consulted to optimize project infrastructure design inclusiveness and gender responsiveness are women (2017 baseline)	0%	50%	10%			
		Cambodia	0%	50%			
		Lao PDR	0%	50%		43%	43.1% women participants (178 out of 413) in all consultations held to date during detailed design preparation and updating of safeguards documents for subprojects C1, C2, V1, V2, V4, V4 and V5.

Result Chain	Performance Indicators	Baseline	Targets	Weight (%)	Achievement in Lao PDR as of 30 Jun 2020	Progress in Lao PDR as of 30 June 2020
2. Capacity to implement ASEAN tourism standards strengthened	2a. 2 national ASEAN tourism standards assessment frameworks and certification boards established with at least 30% women board members (2017 baseline)	0	2	2%		
	Cambodia	0	1			
	Lao PDR	0	1		1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 national assessment framework established comprising: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> National Assessment Committees (equivalent to certification boards) for all seven ASEAN Tourism Standards (members appointed to date: 72, 19 (26%) women), as well as numerous provincial assessors ASEAN Tourism Standards (five of them adapted to Lao national context) in English and Lao languages Assessment and certification manuals for all seven standards.
	At least 30% of the standards assessment frameworks and certification boards are women		30%	1%		
	Cambodia		30%			
	Lao PDR		30%		26%	
	2b. 107 hotels in target provinces ASEAN Green Hotel Standard certified (2017 baseline)	45	107	2%		
	Cambodia	16	43			
	Lao PDR	21	64		27	2017 Baseline corrected from 29 to 21. Target may need to be reviewed at mid-term.
	2c. 148 homestays ASEAN Homestay Standard certified (2017 baseline)	38	148	2%		
Cambodia	15	35				

Result Chain	Performance Indicators	Baseline	Targets	Weight (%)	Achievement in Lao PDR as of 30 Jun 2020	Progress in Lao PDR as of 30 June 2020
	Lao PDR	23	113		28	<p>3 homestay villages certified in target provinces, with a combined number of 23 service providers in 2016:</p> <p>Ban Naduang (Kaeng Nyui waterfall site), Vang Vieng District, Vientiane Province (2016, renewed in 2018) Ban Hua Don Deng (Don Deng Island), Pa Thoumphone District, Champasak Province (2017, renewed in 2019) Ban Don Kho (Don Kho Island), Xanasomboun District, Champasak Province (2017, renewed in 2019)</p> <p>2017: 25 service providers 2018/19: 28 service providers</p> <p>Target may need to be reviewed at mid-term.</p>
	2d. At least 6 towns ASEAN Clean City Standard certified (2017 baseline)	2	6	8%		
	Cambodia	1	3			
	Lao PDR	1	3		1	<p>Luang Prabang City, Luang Prabang Province, was certified in 2018, and is working towards renewal of its certification in 2021. Pakse City, Champasak Province, is working towards certification in 2021. Vang Vieng Town, Vientiane Province, is working towards certification in 2021.</p>
3. Institutional capacity for tourism destination management and infrastructure O&M strengthened	3a. 150 public works and tourism site managers (at least 30% women) reporting increased knowledge on developing and implementing tourism management and infrastructure O&M plans (2017 baseline)	0	150	1%		
	Cambodia	0	60			
	Lao PDR	0	90		162	<p>To date (June 2020), 162 public works and tourism site managers have participated in capacity building activities related to tourism management and infrastructure O&M.</p>

Result Chain	Performance Indicators	Baseline	Targets	Weight (%)	Achievement in Lao PDR as of 30 Jun 2020	Progress in Lao PDR as of 30 June 2020
	At least 30% of the public works and tourism site managers reporting increased knowledge are women	0	30%	1%		
	Cambodia	0	30%			
	Lao PDR	0	30%		29.6%	To date (June 2020), 29.6 % of the public works and tourism site managers public works and tourism site managers who participated in capacity building activities related to tourism management and infrastructure O&M were women
	3b. 8 destination management plans and 8 infrastructure O&M plans implemented (2017 baseline)	4	8	5%		
	Cambodia	1	4			
	Lao PDR	3	4		5	Five destination management plans completed (Lao PDR, Luang Prabang, Southern Laos, Vang Vieng, and Vientiane Province).
	3c. At least 5,000 residents and tourism workers (50% women) participated in destination management training and awareness-raising activities (2017 baseline)	0	5,000	2%		
	Cambodia	0	2,000			
	Lao PDR	0	3,000		5,977	To date (June 2020), 5,977 participants (residents and tourism workers) have participated in destination management training and awareness-raising activities.
	50% of residents and tourism workers participated in the training and awareness raising activities are women.	0	50%	1%		
	Cambodia	0	50%			
	Lao PDR	0	50%		45.0%	To date (June 2020), of the residents and tourism workers who have participated in destination management training and awareness-raising activities, 45.0% were women.

Result Chain	Performance Indicators	Baseline	Targets	Weight (%)	Achievement in Lao PDR as of 30 Jun 2020	Progress in Lao PDR as of 30 June 2020
	3d. At least 500 entrepreneurs (60% women) received SME support services (2017 baseline)	0	500	2%		
	Cambodia	0	200			
	Lao PDR	0	300		499	To date, 499 entrepreneurs (persons) have received SME support from the project i.e. Support DMN-endorsed SME development activities
	60% of entrepreneurs received SME support services are women	0	60%			
	Cambodia	0	60%			
	Lao PDR	0	60%		48.9%	To date, 48.9% of the entrepreneurs who have received SME support from the project were women.
	3e. 2 internet-based tourism knowledge repositories developed (2017 baseline)	0	2	2%		
	Cambodia	0	1			
	Lao PDR	0	1		0	Internet-based tourism repository under development.

Key Activities with Milestones	Progress in Lao PDR as of 30 June 2020
1. Urban-rural access infrastructure and environmental services improved	
1.1 Prepare civil works design and bidding documents: Q2 2018–Q2 2020	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Package TIIGP2-LAO-W01: Nakasang and Don Det-Don Khone Access Improvements (subprojects C1 and C2): Completed Q3 2019. • Package TIIGP2-LAO-W02: Nam Ngum Reservoir Access Improvements (subproject V1): Detailed design and bidding documents under preparation, scheduled for completion by August 2020. • Package TIIGP2-LAO-W03: Vang Vieng Urban-Rural Access Improvements (subprojects V2, V3, V4): Detailed design and bidding documents under preparation, scheduled for completion by August 2020. • Package TIIGP2-LAO-W04: Vang Vieng Landfill Improvements (subproject V5): Detailed design and bidding documents under preparation, scheduled for completion by July 2020.
1.2 Safeguards document approval: Q3 2019–Q2 2020	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Package TIIGP2-LAO-W01 (subprojects C1 and C2): updated IEE/EMP and Resettlement Due Report approved and included, as appropriate, in bidding documents and contract. • Package TIIGP2-LAO-W02: (subproject V1): Updating of RP and IEE/EMP ongoing in parallel with DED. • Package TIIGP2-LAO-W03: (subprojects V2, V3, V4): Updating of RP and IEE/EMP ongoing in parallel with DED. • Package TIIGP2-LAO-W04: (Subproject V5): Updating of IEE/EMP based on ECA and preparation of EGDRP ongoing in parallel with DED.
1.3 Complete land acquisition and resettlement: Q2 2020-Q4 2020	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Package TIIGP2-LAO-W01 (subprojects C1 and C2): N/A • Package TIIGP2-LAO-W02: (subproject V1): RP being updated along DED • Package TIIGP2-LAO-W03: (subprojects V2, V3, V4): RP being updated along DED • Package TIIGP2-LAO-W04: (Subproject V5): EGDRP being prepared along DED.
1.4 Civil works procurement: Q3 2019–Q4 2020	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Package TIIGP2-LAO-W01 (subprojects C1 and C2): Completed. Contract signed 30 December 2019. • Package TIIGP2-LAO-W02: (subproject V1): Scheduled to be completed by Q4 2020. • Package TIIGP2-LAO-W03: (subprojects V2, V3, V4): Scheduled to be completed by Q4 2020. • Package TIIGP2-LAO-W04: (Subproject V5): Scheduled to be completed by Q4 2020.
1.5 Civil works construction, supervision, and supply equipment: Q4 2010–Q1 2023	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Package TIIGP2-LAO-W01 (subprojects C1 and C2): Completed. Contract signed 30 December 2019. • Package TIIGP2-LAO-W02: (subproject V1): Scheduled to commence Q1 2021. • Package TIIGP2-LAO-W03: (subprojects V2, V3, V4): Scheduled to commence Q1 2021. • Package TIIGP2-LAO-W04: (Subproject V5): Scheduled to commence Q1 2021.
2. Capacity to implement ASEAN tourism standards strengthened	

Key Activities with Milestones		Progress in Lao PDR as of 30 June 2020
2.1	Adapt ASEAN Tourism Standards to national context: Q2 2019-Q1 2020	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Clean Tourist City, Homestay, Community-Based Tourism, Public Toilet, MICE Venue Standards adapted to national context, translation into English and published in Lao and English • Green Hotel and Spa Service Standards will not be adapted and used in their original form in Lao PDR, published in Lao and English.
2.2.1	Establish ASEAN tourism standards assessment frameworks and certification boards: Q2 2019–Q1 2020	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Assessment frameworks consist of: (i) the respective Standard (see 2.1 above); (ii) the Auditor's manual for each Standard (see 2.2.2 below) and (iii) the Certification Committees (see 2.2.2 below).
2.2.2	Prepare national certification boards and assessor operations manuals: Q3 2019–Q2 2020	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Auditor (assessment and certification) manuals have been prepared for all seven standards. • National Committees and Provincial Committees (in project target provinces) for each Standard have been established, responsible for audits and implementation (for the Clean City Standard there are two National Committees: one for the Audit process and one for Implementation).
2.3	Train standards assessors (e.g. Green Hotel, Homestay, Clean City, etc.): Q3 2019–Q4 2021	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There are seven ASEAN Master Trainers within MICT who can train trainers and assessors from the Provincial Assessment Committees. • Numerous training of trainers and training of national and provincial-level assessors conducted and more planned.
2.4	Promote ASEAN tourism standards adoption by service enterprises and cities: Q3 2019–Q4 2023	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dissemination workshops with public and private sector participants conducted for all seven ASEAN Tourism Standards in key target destinations • Follow up promotional activities in project target provinces ongoing. • Development of standards website ongoing.
2.5.1	Prepare implementation plans for ASEAN Tourism Standards: Q4 2019-Q4 2020	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Preparation of implementation plans is ongoing.
2.5.2.1	Standards inspection and certification: Q4 2019–Q4 2023	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Trial assessments conducted and more planned.
2.5.2.2	Support public sector implementation of ASEAN Tourism Standards (e.g. ASEAN Clean City Standard, ASEAN Public Toilet Standard): Q1 2020-Q4 2023	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Support of Tourism Standard Implementation in project target commenced with public toilets, and support for implementation of clean city standard being planned
3. Institutional capacity for tourism destination management and infrastructure O&M strengthened		
3.1	Establish and strengthen destination management networks: Q2 2019-Q4 2019	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DMNs for Lao PDR, Luang Prabang and Southern Laos reviewed and membership updated and DMNs for Vientiane Province and Vang Vieng established in 2019 • Strengthening of DMNs ongoing through training and exchanges.
3.2	Prepare and approve tourism destination management plans: Q2 2019–Q2 2023	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DMPs, including action plans, for all five project target destinations completed by Q4 2019.

Key Activities with Milestones	Progress in Lao PDR as of 30 June 2020
3.3 Support policy dialogue, development of industry standards and regulations and tourism masterplanning: Q4 2019-Q1-2022	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DMN Policy Taskforces meet quarterly to identify and discuss policy issues affecting tourism sector in project target destinations. • Drafting of numerous regulations to manage and control tourist activities in target destinations is ongoing. • Tourism masterplanning for Siphandone (Champasak), Luang Prabang town and Nam Ngum 1 Dam Recreational Area (Vientiane Province) commenced in Q1 2020 and was scheduled to be completed by Q4 2020, but is delayed due to COVID-19.
3.4 Support destination marketing and promotion: Q1 2020-Q1 2024	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Information, image and video collection to build up the Lao PDR tourism media database has started in 2019. • Various tourism market research and promotional media production for project target destinations is ongoing.
3.5 Support heritage interpretation planning and implementation Q1 2020-Q1 2023	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Preparation of heritage interpretation plans for Siphandon (Champasak), Luang Prabang Town and Environs, Vientiane Province and Vang Vieng Town and Environs completed in Q2 2020. Implementation of the plans is scheduled to commence in Q3 2020.
3.6 Design and implement SME training Q2 2020–Q4 2023	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Identification of needs has commenced in 2019 • Further needs assessment are ongoing, particularly related to support for SMEs suffering from the COVID-19 situation. • Roll out of SME support has started but will be ramped up during the second half of 2020.
3.7 Establish and maintain Internet-based tourism knowledge repositories: Q1 2020–Q2 2024	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Establishment of Internet based tourism repository has commenced and is scheduled to be launched in Q3-4 2020.
3.8 Prepare and approve infrastructure O&M plans with sustainable finance mechanisms: Q3 2020–Q4 2023	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • O&M planning is starting, alongside civil works detailed design and construction.
3.9 Facilitate public-private partnerships for O&M: Q1 2021-Q4 2023	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No achievements to date. PPP planning will be part of O&M planning and implementation.
3.10 Design and implement training programs for infrastructure O&M: Q1 2021–Q2 2024	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No achievements to date.
Project Management Activities	
Establish project steering committees, PCUs, and PIUs: Q2 2018- Q4 2018	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Completed. National Project Steering Committee and Provincial Project Steering Committees. PCU and PIUs established.
Advance actions for consultant recruitment and procurement: Q2 2018–Q1 2019	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Completed: advance actions were undertaken during Q3-4 of 2018 for the recruitment of the Project Management and Engineering Support Consultant (PMCES), and four individual consultants: International Tourism Specialist – Co-Team Leader, National Tourism Specialist – Deputy Team Leader, and the International and National Financial Management and Procurement Specialists, and for the procurement of PCU and PIU vehicles.
Mobilize consultants and procure equipment: Q1 2019-Q2 2020	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Completed – all planned consultants recruited and mobilized.

Key Activities with Milestones	Progress in Lao PDR as of 30 June 2020
Establish financial management systems: Q2 2019-Q1 2020	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Financial management team appointed and mobilized • Financial management and procurement consultants recruited and mobilized • Financial Management Manual prepared • Accounting software has been procured and will be fully operational in Q3 2020
Financial management and procurement training for PCU and PIU staff: Q1 2019–Q4 2019	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PCU staff is receiving on-the-job training and mentoring from the PCU of L3516-LAO: GMS Tourism Infrastructure for Inclusive Growth Project • International and National Financial Management and Procurement Specialists recruited and mobilized and are building capacity of project financial management team. • PCU financial management team has opportunities to participate in training at ADB LRM.
Implement sex-disaggregated PPMS, safeguards, and gender action plans: Q1 2019–Q4 2024	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Draft Final PPMS and baseline report submitted to ADB in Q2 2020. • International and National Gender Specialists are supporting the project with GAP implementation. • Safeguards experts (part of PMCES Consultant) are supporting project with updating and implementation monitoring of social and environmental safeguards documents.
Conduct project planning, monitoring, evaluation and reporting: Q4 2018-Q4 2024	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Annual costed workplans are prepared and implemented • PPMS drafted and will be primary tool for monitoring project implementation and results • Quarterly progress reports are being prepared and submitted to relevant government units and ADB, and published on the project website.

Annex 4: Weighted implementation table with progress as of 30 June 2020

		incompleted activities												completed activities (all in past)																		
		1 future, orig. plan				2 past, orig. plan (not done)				3 past, actual, orig. plan				4 past, actual, unplanned				5 future, latest plan				6 past, actual, orig. plan				7 past, actual, unplanned						
No.	Activities	2018				2019				2020				2021				2022				2023				2024				(a) Progress (%)	(b) Assigned Weight (%)	(a) x (b) Weighted Progress (%)
A.	Design and Monitoring Framework	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4			
	Output 1: Last-mile tourism access infrastructure improved																															
	TIIGP2-LAO-W01: Nakasang and Don Det-Don Khone Access Improvements																															
	1.1 Prepare civil works design and bidding documents																															
	1.2 Safeguards document approval																															
	1.3 Complete land acquisition and resettlement																															
	1.4 Civil works procurement																															
	1.5 Implement civil works construction, supervision, and supply equipment																															
	TIIGP2-LAO-W02: Nam Ngum Reservoir Access Improvements																															
	1.1 Prepare civil works design and bidding documents																															
	1.2 Safeguards document approval																															
	1.3 Complete land acquisition and resettlement																															
	1.4 Civil works procurement																															
	1.5 Implement civil works construction, supervision, and supply equipment																															
	TIIGP2-LAO-W03: Vang Vieng Urban-Rural Access Improvements																															
	1.1 Prepare civil works design and bidding documents																															
	1.2 Safeguards document approval																															
	1.3 Complete land acquisition and resettlement																															
	1.4 Civil works procurement																															
	1.5 Implement civil works construction, supervision, and supply equipment																															
	TIIGP2-LAO-W04: Vang Vieng Landfill Improvements																															
	1.1 Prepare civil works design and bidding documents																															
	1.2 Safeguards document approval																															
	1.3 Complete land acquisition and resettlement																															
	1.4 Civil works procurement																															
	1.5 Implement civil works construction, supervision, and supply equipment																															
	Subtotal:																															

Annex 5: Project Financial Management Action Plan progress as of 30 June 2020

Planned Action	Output	Responsible Party	Due Date	Progress	Status of compliance
1. PCU and PIU financial management teams established.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Appointment or recruitment of qualified and experienced: PCU national director and PIU project managers; PCU financial controller; PCU and PIU accounting staff, as specified in the PAM. 	EA and IAs	Prior to ADB Board approval of project	<p>Board approval was 31 August 2018.</p> <p>PCU financial management team was established on 18 February 2019 (ref. MICT letter to ADB Ref. Nr. 068/TIIG2-19, dated 19 February 2019). PCU financial management team comprises of financial controller (govt. staff), chief accountant (externally recruited, contract signed 18 February 2019) and internal auditor (externally recruited, contract signed 18 February 2019).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> PIU Champasak finance and accounting staff recruited and commenced on 1 March 2019 PIU Vientiane province finance and accounting staff recruited and commenced on 1 March 2019 PIU Vang vieng finance and accounting staff recruited and commenced on 1 March 2019 PIU Luang Prabang finance and accounting staff recruited and commenced on 1 March 2019 	Completed with delay
2. National Steering Committee established.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Project oversight comprised of representatives from national level and participating provinces (Champasak, Luang Prabang and Vientiane), as specified in the PAM. 	EA and IAs	Coincide with ADB Board approval of project	<p>Board approval was 31 August 2018.</p> <p>A 7-member National Project Steering Committee, comprising the Vice Minister for Tourism, MICT (Chair), the Director General, Tourism Marketing Department (Vice Chair) and five other senior officials representing various departments of MICT has been established and meets periodically to review progress (ref. 197/TWT, 06/03/2018). Members also serve, as appropriate, on the project's ad-hoc bid evaluation and consultant selection committees. A 11-member project coordination committee has also been established, chaired by the project director, with members from various departments and units in MICT involved in project implementation (ref. 207/TWT, 07/03/2018).</p>	Partially Completed

Planned Action	Output	Responsible Party	Due Date	Progress	Status of compliance
3. Project funds flow arrangements adopted & operational.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> As outlined in the PAM MOF, EA, PCU, and PIU staff briefed on funds flow arrangements, advance account opened, and project sub-accounts established. 	MOF, EA, PCU, and PIUs assisted by financial management and procurement consultants	Prior to initial disbursement.	<p>The project met condition for withdrawal from the grant account stated in para. 4 of Schedule 2 of Grant Agreement, which ADB acknowledged on 20 February 2019 and advance to the advance account was disbursed on 2 April 2019.</p> <p>MICT has adopted the fund flow arrangement outlined in the PAM without modifications in coordination with MOF and MICT. PCU and PIUs have been briefed on the funds flow arrangements by the financial management consultants. PCU has opened an advance account and PIUs have opened sub-accounts.</p>	<p>Completed by due date</p> <p>ADB processed and approved initial disbursement to advance account in April 2019</p>
4. PCU and PIU financial management capacity established and financial systems operational.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Financial management and procurement support consultants mobilized; project accounting and financial reporting systems established, including dedicated accounting software meeting government FM-EMP and ADB requirements, and a progress report template linking financial with physical progress. PCU and PIUs attend training on project accounting, including the use of accounting software and compliance with government FM-EMP. Project disbursement arrangements and procedures established in accordance with government FM-EMP 	<p>EA, assisted by project consultants</p> <p>PCU and PIU, assisted by project consultants</p> <p>PCU, PIU and ADB</p> <p>EA and MEF ADB</p>	Within six months of project effectiveness	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> International and National Financial Management and Procurement Specialists and National Internal Auditor recruited and mobilized. They are currently supporting the PCU with the establishment of the project accounting and financial management systems, including dedicated accounting software. The Financial Management Manual (FMM) was finalized in December 2019 and for discussion with Finance unit in February 2020. With regards to accounting software, the Project has signed a contract with the vendor of the accounting software of TIIGP1 and installation and testing are ongoing. A progress report template was agreed that links financial with physical progress. PCU has attended an orientation on financial management of ADB-financed projects delivered by the International Financial Management and Procurement Specialist (IFMPS) on 28-29 March 2019. The IFMPS conducted a financial management training to discuss the preparation of withdrawal applications and key features of the FMM with PCU finance staff in August 2019. Training on the FMM and accounting software was conducted from 28-30 June 2020. 	Ongoing

Planned Action	Output	Responsible Party	Due Date	Progress	Status of compliance
	<p>regulations and procedures; staff trained in their operation.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Internal audit function established. • Independent external auditor appointed. • ADB Inception mission Aide-Mémoire confirms suitable financial management system. 			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The project's disbursement arrangements have been established (following the example of L3156-LAO, with appropriate modifications). • MICT has recruited and mobilized a National Internal Auditor, who will be responsible for supporting and advising the PCU and PIUs on adherence to the financial management requirements. • As per para. 64 of PAM, the State Audit Organization will audit the project financial statements. The draft AFS has been submitted to SAO in March 2020. 	
5. PCU and PIU staff attend disbursement seminar as part of capacity building.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • At least 1 staff member from the PCU and each PIU attend ADB's in-country disbursement seminar. 	PCU, PIU and ADB	Within one year of project effectiveness	Two PCU attended ADB's in-country disbursement seminar in June 2019. However, PIU staff were not invited to the seminar due to limited slots (allocated only 2 staff per project). PIU staff will be invited for 2020 disbursement seminar	Partially Completed
6. Publicizing grievance redress mechanism.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Grievance redress mechanism to report suspected procurement related cases of corruption and collusion established and publicized on project website. • Contact details of MOF and ADB's office on Anti-corruption periodically advertised in newspapers and on project website. 	EA	Within six months of project effectiveness	<p>Project effectiveness 25 December 2018.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Grievance redress mechanism to report suspected procurement related cases of corruption and collusion will be established during Q3 2020, and will be publicized on the project website (under development) • Contact details of MOF and ADB's office on Anti-corruption will be published on the project website (under development). • EA to coordinate with ADB and MOF on Anti-corruption before publishing on website 	Ongoing

ADB = Asian Development Bank; DICT = Department of Information, Culture and Tourism; EA = executing agency; MOF = Ministry of Finance; PCU = project coordination unit; PIU = project implementation unit.

Annex 6: Goods and works procurement monitoring table as of 30 June 2020

Package No.	Description	Mode	Resp Proj Mgt Unit	CA Target Date	Adv Date	Estimate (\$ million)	Draft Bid Docs		Bids	Bid	Bid Evaluation		Contract						
							Received	Approved	Issuance	Closing	Approved	Amount	Signed	Received	PCSS No.	Amount	\$ Equiv		
TIIGP2-LAO-W01	Nakasang and Don Det-Don Khone Access Improvements	ICB		Dec-19	Sep-19	5,930,000	13-Sep-19	18-Sep-19	18-Sep-19	30-Oct-19	23-Dec-19	\$	3,964,308	30-Dec-19	30-Dec-19	G21291	\$	3,964,308	3,964,308
TIIGP2-LAO-W02	Nam Ngum Reservoir Access Improvements	ICB		Q3/2020	Q4 2020	6,142,686													
TIIGP2-LAO-W03	Vang Vieng Urban- Rural Access Improvements	ICB		Q3/2020	Q4 2020	10,673,878													
TIIGP2-LAO-W04	Vang Vieng Landfill Improvements	ICB		Q2/2020	Q3/2020	2,700,000													
Total						25,446,564.000													

Package No.	Description	Mode	Resp	CA	Adv	Estimate	Number of	Draft Bid Docs				Bids		Bid Evaluation		Contract					
								Received	Approved	Issuance	Closing	Approved	Amount	Signed	Received	PCSS No.	Amount	\$ Equiv			
TIIGP2-LAO-G01a	PCU & PIU vehicles	NCB			Q1/2019	255,000	2														
TIIGP2-LAO-G01a	PCU & PIU vehicles (3 units)	NCB			13-Feb-19	155,000		18-Feb-19	26-Feb-19	27-Feb-19	22-Mar-19	11-Apr-19	LAK	1,136,220,000	25-Apr-19	10-May-19	G20440	LAK	1,136,220,000	130,633	
TIIGP2-LAO-G01b	PIU vehicles (2 units)	NCB				120,000															
TIIGP2-LAO-G02	PCU office furniture and equipment	Shopping			Q4/2018	25,000	Various														
TIIGP2-LAO-G02															19-Feb-19		G20443	LAK	31,955,000	3,720	
TIIGP2-LAO-G02-02															14-Feb-19		G20860	LAK	17,200,000	1,994	
TIIGP2-LAO-G02-03															18-Mar-19		G20861	\$	3,500	3,500	
TIIGP2-LAO-G02-05															9-Apr-19		G20865	LAK	49,170,000	5,724	
TIIGP2-LAO-G02-06															11-Apr-19		G20866	LAK	7,548,000	867	
TIIGP2-LAO-G02-07															11-Apr-19		G20867	LAK	33,000,000	3,836	
TIIGP2-LAO-G03-VV01	PIU office furniture and equipment (4 PIUs)	Shopping			Q1/2019	90,000	Various														
TIIGP2-LAO-G03-VV01															25-Mar-19		G20868	LAK	45,782,000	5,301	
TIIGP2-LAO-G03-VV02															26-Mar-19		G20869	LAK	56,760,000	6,387	
TIIGP2-LAO-G03-VV03															28-Mar-19		G20870	LAK	23,953,000	2,655	
TIIGP2-LAO-G03-VV04															30-Mar-19		G20871	LAK	39,864,000	4,616	
TIIGP2-LAO-G03-LPB01															14-Jun-19		G20876	LAK	67,947,000	7,859	
TIIGP2-LAO-G03-LPB02															27-Jun-19		G20877	LAK	97,747,000	11,291	
TIIGP2-LAO-G03-CPS01															24-Jun-19		G20878	LAK	63,294,000	7,123	
TIIGP2-LAO-G03-VP01															26-Mar-19		G20879	LAK	43,211,300	4,998	
TIIGP2-LAO-G03-VP02															26-Mar-19		G20881	LAK	60,099,600	6,951	
TIIGP2-LAO-G03-VP03															20-Jun-19		G20883	LAK	62,421,348	9,461	
TIIGP2-LAO-G04	Vang Vieng landfill management equipment	NCB				1,160,000	2														
TIIGP2-LAO-G05	Equipment for ASEAN Standards certification bodies	Shopping			Q2/2019	30,000	Various														
TIIGP2-LAO-G05-01															25-Sep-19		G21439	LAK	206,800,000	23,394	
TIIGP2-LAO-G05-02															15-Oct-19		G21440	LAK	49,632,000	5,610	
TIIGP2-LAO-G05-03					Q1/2020										11-Feb-20			LAK	8,300,000	943	
TIIGP2-LAO-G06	Equipment for ASEAN Tourism Standards Implementation (public sector)	Shopping				500,000	Various														
TIIGP2-LAO-G06-VV01	Garbage Collection Trucks						1								10-Nov-19		G21441	LAK	356,000,000	40,249	
TIIGP2-LAO-G07	Equipment for DMO secretariats	Shopping			Q2/2019	40,000	Various														
TIIGP2-LAO-G07															19-Mar-19		G20884	LAK	78,400,000	9,100	
TIIGP2-LAO-G07-02															11-Apr-19		G20885	LAK	2,310,000	269	
TIIGP2-LAO-G07-03															19-Mar-19		G20886	\$	4,300	4,300	
TIIGP2-LAO-G07-04															22-Apr-19		G20887	LAK	41,997,300	4,882	
TIIGP2-LAO-G07-05															19-Nov-19		G21782	LAK	39,660,500	4,507	
TIIGP2-LAO-G07-06															18-May-20		G21919	LAK	55,990,000	6,193	
TIIGP2-LAO-G08	Equipment for Heritage Interpretation	Shopping				180,000	Various														
TIIGP2-LAO-G09	Equipment for SMEs to Implement Private Sector-Led Actions in the DMPs	Shopping				325,000	Various														
TIIGP2-LAO-G09-01	Equipment for Tour Guide Badges				Q1/2020										3-Mar-20		G21584	LAK	70,400,000	7,860	
TIIGP2-LAO-G10	Accounting Software														25-Feb-20		G21571	\$	22,990	22,990	
Total						2,625,000															347,213

Annex 7: Consultant recruitment monitoring table as of 30 June 2020

Package No.	Description	Mode	Resp	Proj Mgt Unit	CA	Adv	Date	No. of	Estimate	Submission 1		RFP	RFP	Submission 2		Submission 2-3		Submission 3		Submission 4		Submission 5				
										Received	Approved	Issuance	Closing Date	Received	Approved	Received	Approved	Received	Approved	Received	Approved	Signed	Received	PCSS No.	Amount	\$ Equiv
TIIGP2-LAO-C01	Project Management and Civil Engineering Support	QCBS				28-08-18	1	3,109,134.00	23-Oct-18	07-Nov-18	08-Nov-18	17-Jan-19	12-Feb-19	03-Apr-19			22-Apr-19	03-May-19		20-Jun-19	01-Jul-19	19-Jul-19	G20711	\$	2,602,460	2,602,460
																							G20712	EUR	805,926	870,000
TIIGP2-LAO-C02	International Tourism Specialist/Co-Team Leader	ICS				15-11-18	1	862,223.00	31-Jan-19	14-Feb-19			21-Feb-19	05-Mar-19							19-Feb-19	21-Feb-19	G20083	\$	930,000	930,000
TIIGP2-LAO-C03	International Tourism Standards Specialist	ICS				06-06-19	1	100,876.00	24-Jul-19	13-Aug-19			21-Aug-19	22-Aug-19							19-Aug-19	21-Aug-19	G20821	\$	121,000	121,000
TIIGP2-LAO-C04	National Tourism Specialist/Deputy Team Leader	ICS				15-11-18	1	239,663.00	31-Jan-19	14-Feb-19			21-Feb-19	05-Mar-19							19-Feb-19	21-Feb-19	G20084	\$	242,000	242,000
TIIGP2-LAO-C05	International Gender Specialist	ICS				06-06-19	1	34,500.00	24-Jul-19	13-Aug-19			21-Aug-19	22-Aug-19							19-Aug-19	21-Aug-19	G20823	\$	34,500	34,500
TIIGP2-LAO-C06	National Gender Specialist	ICS				06-06-19	1	49,500.00	24-Jul-19	13-Aug-19			21-Aug-19	22-Aug-19							19-Aug-19	21-Aug-19	G20822	\$	49,500	49,500
TIIGP2-LAO-C07	International Financial Management & Procurement Specialist	ICS				15-11-18	1	71,369.00	31-Jan-19	14-Feb-19			21-Feb-19	05-Mar-19							20-Feb-19	21-Feb-19	G20085	\$	75,000	75,000
TIIGP2-LAO-C08	National Financial Management & Procurement Specialist	ICS				15-11-18	1	23,510.00	31-Jan-19	14-Feb-19			21-Feb-19	05-Mar-19							19-Feb-19	21-Feb-19	G20086	\$	25,000	25,000
TIIGP2-LAO-C09	International Monitoring and Evaluation Sepcialist	ICS				06-06-19	1	45,500.00	24-Jul-19	28-Aug-19			30-Aug-19	25-Sep-19							29-Aug-19	30-Aug-19	G20994	\$	45,500	45,500
TIIGP2-LAO-C10	National Monitoring and Evaluation Sepcialist	ICS				06-06-19	1	53,500.00	10-Oct-19	22-Oct-19			20-Nov-19	03-Dec-19							13-Nov-19	20-Nov-19	G21187		53,500	53,500
TIIGP2-LAO-C11	National Internal Auditor	ICS				15-Nov-18	1	103,394.00	31-Jan-19	14-Feb-19			21-Feb-19	05-Mar-19							18-Feb-19	21-Feb-19	G20087	\$	102,904	102,904
TIIGP2-LAO-C12	Tourism Experts- Various Resource Persons	SSS				Q2/2019	40	200,000.00																		
	TIIGP2-LAO-C12-001	SSS					1														23-May-19			\$	3,150	3,150
	TIIGP2-LAO-C12-002	SSS					1														23-Jul-19			\$	2,500	2,500
	TIIGP2-LAO-C12-003	SSS					1														30-Jul-19			\$	3,150	3,150
	TIIGP2-LAO-C12-004	SSS					1														17-Sep-19			\$	2,100	2,100
	TIIGP2-LAO-C12-005	SSS					1														22-Oct-19			\$	2,100	2,100
TIIGP2-LAO-C13	International Urban Planning and Design Specialist	ICS				Q4 2019	1	93,290.00	29-Oct-19	06-Nov-19			25-Nov-19	03-Dec-19							08-Nov-19	25-Nov-19	G21188		93,258	93,258
TIIGP2-LAO-C14	National Destination Management Specialist	ICS				04-Apr-19	1	57,829.00	12-Apr-19	24-Apr-19			24-Apr-19	23-May-19							24-Apr-19	26-Apr-19	G20442	\$	57,829	57,829
TIIGP2-LAO-C15	International Tourism Management and Development Specialist	ICS				Q4 2019	1	73,880.00	29-Oct-19	06-Nov-19			15-Nov-19	03-Dec-19							21-Nov-19	25-Nov-19	G21189		73,600	73,600
TIIGP2-LAO-C16	International Natural and Cultural Heritage Specialist	ICS				Q4 2019	1	22,311.00	29-Oct-19	06-Nov-19			25-Nov-19	03-Dec-19							21-Nov-19	25-Nov-19	G21190		22,252	22,252
	Total							5,044,288.00																\$	5,347,229	5,411,303

Annex 8: Utilization of consulting services as of 30 June 2020

Package/Positions	Expert name	Person-Months (pm) as per PAM	Contract signing date	Original contract (total pm)	Current contract incl. variations (total pm)	Current contract closing date	Cumulative person-months utilized as of 30-Jun-2020	Balance (pm)	Notes
TIIGP2-LAO-C01: Project Management and Civil Engineering Support (Firm)									
<i>International</i>									
1	International Civil Engineer - Co-Team Leader	Mr. Mrityunjoy Ghosh	54	05-Aug-19	41	41	04-Apr-23	10.95	30.05
2	International Environmental Specialist	Ms. Charlotte Seidenberg	6	12-Aug-19	6	6	04-Apr-23	3.14	2.86
3	International Social Safeguards Specialist (Resettlement & Indigenous People)	Mr. Nils Gardek	6	05-Aug-19	6	6	04-Apr-23	3.84	2.16
4	International Institutional Development Specialist	Mr. Per Gardin	4	05-Aug-19	4	4	04-Apr-23	0.73	3.27
<i>Subtotal</i>			70		57	57		18.66	38.34
<i>National</i>									
1	National Lead Civil Engineer	Mr. Dala Boualavong	54	07-Sep-19	41	41	04-Apr-23	9.64	31.36
2	National Environmental Specialist	Mr. Bounheuang Phanhasith	12	05-Aug-19	12	12	04-Apr-23	6.90	5.10
3	National Social Safeguards Specialist (Resettlement & Indigenous People)	Mr. Khamtanh Bounmany	12	05-Aug-19	12	12	04-Apr-23	6.31	5.69
4	National Institutional Development Specialist	Ms. Baythone Lovanxay	12	22-Jun-20	12	12	04-Apr-23	0.32	11.68
5	Resident Engineer 1	Mr. Vongdeth Frichithavong		22-Jun-20	24	24	04-Apr-23	0.32	23.68
6	Resident Engineer 2	Mr. Xayavath Chanthavongsa		11-Sep-19	24	24	04-Apr-23	9.32	14.68
7	Construction Supervisor 1	Mr. Khaysy Visounalath			24	24			24.00
8	Construction Supervisor 2	Mr. Koulab Samonety			24	24			24.00
9	Construction Supervisor 3	Mr. Phongsakda Phiakhamngone			20	20			20.00
10	Construction Supervisor 4	Mr. Phoumano Khodpanya		15-Jun-20	20	20	04-Apr-23	0.55	19.45
<i>Subtotal</i>			162		213	213		33.36	179.64
<i>Summary PMCES Consultant</i>									
<i>Total International</i>			70		57	57		18.66	38.34
<i>Total National</i>			162		213	213		33.36	179.64
<i>Grand Total TIIGP2-LAO-C01: PMCES Consultant</i>			232		270	270		52.02	217.98

Package/Positions	Expert name	Person-Months (pm) as per PAM	Contract signing date	Original contract (total pm)	Current contract incl. variations (total pm)	Current contract closing date	Cumulative person-months utilized as of 30-Jun-2020	Balance (pm)	Notes
Capacity Building Support (Individuals)									
International									
1	TIIGP2-LAO-C02: International Tourism Specialist - Co-Team Leader	Mr Henricus Braunius PONNE	54	19-Feb-19	54	54	31-Dec-24	13.80	40.20
2	TIIG2P-LAO-C03: International Tourism Standards Specialist	Mr Ross Alexander Corbett	8	19-Aug-19	7	7	31-Dec-24	1.87	5.13
3	TIIGP2-LAO-C05: International Gender Specialist	Ms Luz Lopez Rodriguez	2	19-Aug-19	2	3.5	31-Dec-24	1.86	1.64
4	TIIGP2-LAO-C07: International Financial Management & Procurement Specialist	Ms Nida Azada CALMA	5	19-Feb-19	5	9	31-Dec-24	4.06	4.94
5	TIIGP2-LAO-C09: International Monitoring and Evaluation Specialist	Mr. Nils Gardek (through Ramboll)	3	28-Aug-19	2.5	2.5	31-Dec-24	0.75	1.75
Subtotal			72		70.5	76		22.34	53.66
National									
1	TIIGP2-LAO-C04: National Tourism Specialist - Deputy Team Leader	Ms Phongisth DAVADING	54	19-Feb-19	54	54	31-Dec-24	15.50	38.50
2	TIIGP2-LAO-C06: National Gender Specialist	Ms Sipaseuth Chanthapanya	12	19-Feb-19	12	12	31-Dec-24	4.50	7.50
3	TIIGP2-LAO-C08: National Financial Management & Procurement Specialist	Mr Kim XAISANA	6	19-Feb-19	6	6	31-Dec-20	4.22	1.78
4	TIIGP2-LAO-C10: National Monitoring and Evaluation Specialist	Dr Vivath Sauvaly	12	13-Nov-19	12	12	31-Dec-24	2.23	9.77
5	TIIGP2-LAO-C11: National Internal Auditor	Mr Somphet PHONGSVANH	0	18-Feb-19	30	30	31-Dec-24	7.00	23.00
6	TIIGP2-LAO-C12: Tourism experts - various resource persons	001: Mr Phonesouk Khounsombat 002: Mr Jens Jensen (Norconsult) 003: Mr Phonesouk Khounsombat 004: Mr Bounnasack Keosacksith 005: Bounnasack Keosacksith							40 contracts included in procurement plan.

Package/Positions	Expert name	Person-Months (pm) as per PAM	Contract signing date	Original contract (total pm)	Current contract incl. variations (total pm)	Current contract closing date	Cumulative person-months utilized as of 30-Jun-2020	Balance (pm)	Notes
7 TIIGP2-LAO-C13: International Urban Planning and Design Specialist		lump-sum	8-Nov-19	lump-sum	lump-sum	30-Nov-20	lump-sum		10% adv. Paid; requires no-cost extension due to covid-19 travel restrictions
8 TIIGP2-LAO-C14: National Destination Management Specialist	Mr Vila Chanthavong	lump-sum	24-Apr-19	lump-sum	lump-sum	31-Dec-19	lump-sum		Completed
9 TIIGP2-LAO-C15: International Tourism Management and Development Specialist		lump-sum	21-Nov-19	lump-sum	lump-sum	30-Nov-20	lump-sum		10% adv. Paid; requires no-cost extension due to covid-19 travel restrictions
10 TIIGP2-LAO-C16: International Natural and Cultural Heritage Specialist		lump-sum	8-Nov-19	lump-sum	lump-sum	30-Nov-20	lump-sum		10% adv. Paid; requires no-cost extension due to covid-19 travel restrictions
Subtotal		84		114	114		33.45	80.55	
Summary CBS Individual Consultants									
<i>Total International</i>		<i>72</i>		<i>70.5</i>	<i>76</i>		<i>22.34</i>	<i>53.66</i>	
<i>Total National</i>		<i>84</i>		<i>114</i>	<i>114</i>		<i>33.45</i>	<i>80.55</i>	
Total CBS Individual Consultants		156		184.5	190		55.79	134.21	
Project Summary									
Total International		142		127.5	133		41.00	101.00	Compared to p-m in PAM
Total National		246		327	327		66.81	107.19	Compared to p-m in PAM
Project Grand Total		388		454.5	460		107.81	208.19	Compared to p-m in PAM

Annex 9: GAP implementation progress as of 30 June 2020

Project Title:	Grant 0599-LAO: Second Greater Mekong Subregion Tourism Infrastructure for Inclusive Growth Project
Country:	Lao PDR
Project No.:	49387-002
Type of Project (Loan/Grant/TA):	Grant
Approval date:	31 August 2018
Project Implementation Duration:	25 December 2018 – 30 June 2025
Gender Category:	Effective Gender Mainstreaming
Project Impact:	Sustainable, inclusive, and more balanced tourism development achieved
Project Outcome:	Tourism competitiveness of secondary towns increased

Status of GAP implementation:

	Achieved	On-going	Planned
9 Activities	2 /9 (6 and 7)	6 /9 (1, 2, 3, 5, 8, 9)	1 /9 (4)
23 Targets	10 /23 (1, 10, 11, 12, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18 and 22)	10 /23 (2, 3, 4, 7,8, 9,13,19, 21 and 23)	3 /23 (5, 6, 20)

Gender Action Plan (GAP) ¹	Progress to date (as of 30 June 2020) ²	Issues and Challenges ³
Output 1: Urban-Rural Access Infrastructure and Urban Environmental Services Improved		
Objective 1: Strengthen women's voice in project design.		
<p>Target 1: Two consultations held during detailed design of each infrastructure subproject to optimize inclusiveness, gender responsiveness, and employment opportunities during and after construction.</p>	<p>Achieved: Pre-design consultations conducted for detailed design for Nakasang Access Road and Port Rehabilitation (C1)-Don Det-Don Khone Access Improvement (C2) and Vang Vieng Solid Waste Management Improvements (V5) subprojects prepared as part of the project preparation technical assistance during 2018:</p> <p>For C1-C2:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 20-21 Jun. 2018, First consultations were held at Pakse and on-site with participation of ADB, PCU and PIU representatives, provincial and district officials (12 total/ 5 women) <p>For V5:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Public consultations were held on 19 Jun. 2018. First consultations were held in Vang Vieng and followed by on site consultations at the land fill location with the participation by ADB, PCU and PIU representatives and provincial and district officials (12 total/ 4 women). Onsite consultations in Ban Phon Vieng where employment 	<p>Target of two consultations per sub-project reached, but further pre-construction consultations are planned for Q2 2020 to review outline designs for V1, V2, V3 and V4 subprojects.</p> <p>Women participation should increase to ensure the target (Target 2) of at least 50% of people consulted are women.</p>

¹ GAP Activities, Indicators and Targets, Timeframe and Responsibility

² This should include information on period of actual implementation, sex-disaggregated quantitative updates (e.g. number of participating women, women beneficiaries of services, etc.), and qualitative information. However, some would be on-going - so explain what has happened so far towards meeting the target.

³ Please include reasons why an activity was not fully implemented, or if targets fall short, or reasons for delay, etc., and provide recommendations on ways to address issues and challenges.

	<p>opportunities were discussed with local stakeholders at the improved landfill were held on 13 October 2018 (38 total/ 21 women)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A second round of consultations were held on 17-18 Oct. 2018 focusing on design and future operation of the landfill and environmental considerations for detailed design and operation (37 total/ 12 women). <p>Pre-design consultations conducted since project effectiveness, incorporating gender responsiveness have been carried out, including:</p> <p>For C1-C2:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Training on Grievance Redress Mechanism (GRM) was delivered for the Nakasang/Don Det-Don Khone (C1/C2) subprojects and a two days (26-27 Dec. 2019) training focusing on basic knowledge on Environmental and Social Safeguards Management to the focal point person who will take responsible for monitoring the environment and social safeguards and gender during the pre-construction phases. (6 total/ 0 women) • Workshop on Environmental Management Plan (EMP) was held on 20 January 2020 with the Contractor in Khong District in Chamapasak Province on 20th January 2020 where stakeholders were briefed on potential environmental adverse impact and a purpose of Contractor Environmental Management Plan (CEMP) to be prepared by the Contractor to address all site environmental issues. At the same event GRM mechanism was presented. (44 total/ 6 women) <p>V1:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Consultations with local stakeholders on the design planning process was carried out on 15 August 2019, with PIU (Nam Ngum) and local stakeholders on the conceptual design at Nam Ngum Tourist Information Center (22 total/ 5 women), • A follow up workshop with the with Vientiane Province PIU and other stakeholders on drafted conceptual design was held at Vientiane Province Culture Hall on 16 September 2019 (31 total / women 6) • The gender specialists (IGS and SGS) met with the project team and village representatives (total 12; 8 women) on 	
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	<p>October 19, 2019 on the GAP target of women's representation in consultations and for them to equally benefit from the improvements in infrastructure.</p> <p>V2:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • For the Kaeng Yui Waterfall Access Improvements (V2) a consultation meeting on the design planning and feedback process was held in Na Douang village on 16 August 2019 (28 total/ 9 women). • The IGS and SGS met with 18 village residents (11 women) on October 20, 2019. Women help as collectors of visitors' fees at the entrance of the fall, sell food at the stalls and are part of the 8 groups working on community-based tourism. The homestay program has 69 village participants (57 women). <p>For V3 and V4:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Consultation workshops were held at the Vang Vieng PIU office on 16 August 2019 (total 17/ women 2), with participation from local stakeholders on the planning and design process with follow up workshop on 17 September with the draft conceptual design report (total 25/ women 5) <p>For V5:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Site visit were carried out for the Vang Vieng Landfill (V5) subproject on 16-17 September 2019 to assess the situation of the informal waste pickers working at the landfill. The visit concluded that most (11 of 14) of the waste pickers come from the Khmu ethnic group, that most (10 or 14) are women, and that all (14 of 14) receive over 10% of their average income from collecting and selling waste from the landfill. • At the Vang Vieng landfill village site, the IGS and NGS had a dialogue with 28 village residents and some PIU staff (17 women) on 20 Oct. 2019. The village women expressed concerns over the high cost of garbage fee collected from them considering that they live next to the landfill, the infrequency of trips of the old garbage trucks (instead of the agreed weekly trip), the uncovered on the truck that leave a trail of litter on the road, the bad road access, and the bad smell and proliferation of flies from the inadequate treatment of the 	
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	landfill, and the lack of protective gears such as gloves, masks and boots. The PIU agreed to support the request for discounted garbage fee and to request for protective gears.	
Target 2: At least 50% of people consulted are women.	Ongoing. To date, a total of 413 local stakeholders have been involved in the design planning process, of whom 178 have been women, representing 43.1% of the total participation.	PCU and PIUs need to consciously increase women's participation during the design planning process to reach the overall target of 50%. Progress is being made as women participation has gone up from 30.4% to 43.1% since previous report. Women's concerns should be elicited, documented and addressed.
Objective 2. Promote women's economic employment and safety.		
Gender Action Plan (GAP)⁴	Progress to date (as of 30 June 2020) ⁵	Issues and Challenges ⁶
Target 3: At least 500 entrepreneurs (60% women) receive SME support services (2017 baseline:0)	Ongoing: To date 426 entrepreneurs have received SME support from the project, including (i) business planning, management and marketing training; (ii) hospitality services training; (iii) support for product diversification, quality and safety enhancement; and (iv) support for public-private tourism marketing and business networking. 44.1% of the 426 entrepreneurs were women. This reporting period, a total of 204 entrepreneurs of who 92 (45 %) are women were engaged in various workshops such as on product development and SME improvement, handicraft diversification, promotional materials, tour guide and manual, and COVID management in night markets. These figures are included in the cumulative tally above.	It is suggested that this target be moved under Output 3, Objective #8, alongside Target 21. Output 3 has related SME support activities. Moreover, in the DMF this indicator is also included under Output 3. This can be done as part of the project's Mid-term Review. Efforts will be made to target women entrepreneurs for future SME support activities to reach the 60% target. To this extent, the GAD specialists will

⁴ GAP Activities, Indicators and Targets, Timeframe and Responsibility

⁵ This should include information on period of actual implementation, sex-disaggregated quantitative updates (e.g. number of participating women, women beneficiaries of services, etc.), and qualitative information. However, some would be on-going - so explain what has happened so far towards meeting the target.

⁶ Please include reasons why an activity was not fully implemented, or if targets fall short, or reasons for delay, etc., and provide recommendations on ways to address issues and challenges.

		prepare recommendations to improve gender-responsive support to SMEs.
Target 4: At least 10% of unskilled workers hired for works construction are local women (2017 baseline: ~10%).	Ongoing. The Project's GAP is included as binding document in contract TIIGP2-LAO-W01 (Subprojects C1&C2) and will be included in all future works contracts. Contractor hiring records will be used to monitor achievement against targets.	Monitoring arrangements should be setup between PMCES consultant and GAD specialists to ensure implementation.
Activity 1: Contractors ensure separate access to water and sanitation facilities for women and men in construction sites and separate quarters, as well as suitable worker safety training, equipment	Ongoing. The Project's GAP is included as binding document in contract TIIGP2-LAO-W01 (Subprojects C1&C2) and will be included in all future works contracts.	
Activity 2: Contractors provide gender-responsive information on HIV/AIDS, STI, human trafficking and child labor exploitation prevention.	Ongoing. The Project's GAP is included as binding document in contract TIIGP2-LAO-W01 (Subprojects C1&C2), and budget for the contractor to conduct consultations and awareness raising activities during construction on gender-responsive information on HIV/AIDS, STI, human trafficking and child labor exploitation prevention is included in the contract's BOQ. The same will be done for all future works contracts. The GAD specialists are preparing detailed plans and budgets (with breakdown of costs to be covered by the Contractor and by the Employer) for gender awareness activities to be conducted. GAD specialists will also compile lists of gender resource persons/service providers and information materials on HIV-AIDS, STI, gender-based violence and child labor exploitation to be used for these activities.	Coordination between the GAD specialists, PMCES Consultant and Contractor is required to ensure the aspects of these activities to be paid for by the Contractor are adequately budgeted for in the BoQ, plans are communicated and agreed with the Contractor, and are implemented with GAP specialist support.
Objective 3. Improve gender design features of tourism facilities to support economic empowerment.		
Gender Action Plan (GAP)⁷	Progress to date (as of 30 June 2020)⁸	Issues and Challenges⁹
Target 5: All women vendors return to improved market space after construction (2017 baseline: ~80% (120 women)).	Planned. Design of all subprojects prioritizes minimum displacement of vendors and return to same or nearby market spaces of better quality.	Targets 5 needs to be reviewed and may be adjusted based on actual market spaces and number of women & men shop owners/ employees who are affected.
Target 6: At least 80% (80 women) of newly constructed shop owners/operators are women.	Planned. Most of the planned newly constructed shops are designated for existing sellers whose facilities will be upgraded.	

⁷ GAP Activities, Indicators and Targets, Timeframe and Responsibility

⁸ This should include information on period of actual implementation, sex-disaggregated quantitative updates (e.g. number of participating women, women beneficiaries of services, etc.), and qualitative information. However, some would be on-going - so explain what has happened so far towards meeting the target.

⁹ Please include reasons why an activity was not fully implemented, or if targets fall short, or reasons for delay, etc., and provide recommendations on ways to address issues and challenges.

		<p>This can be done as part of the project's Mid-term Review.</p> <p>Dialogue is needed to ensure that 80% of shop owners who were relocated and are returned to improved market spaces are women.</p>
<p>Activity 3: Infrastructure subproject gender design features include suitable road shoulders, access for people with disabilities, public lighting, separate male and female toilets, lockable kiosks, road safety instruction, and others identified during consultations.</p>	<p>Ongoing. For detailed designs for C1, C2 and V5 prepared during project preparation:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Roads are designed according to established and recent national standards and guidelines. • Roads and foot paths are also designed to maximize available area in the available alignments. • Public lighting is included at the Vang Vieng Landfill (V5), in the Nakasang town/port improvement (C1), and on the bridge between Don Det and Don Khone (C2). • Separate areas with showers, toilets, lockers etc. for male and female workers are planned for the Vang Vieng landfill subproject (V5). • Site buildings at the Vang Vieng landfill site will be accessible for disabled, included HCWC. • Road safety instructions will be a part of subsequent project phases, however the design criteria used have road safety as a key basis. • No specific issues related to gender design features were raised during the consultations with the IAs and other stakeholders. <p>These provisions have been integrally retained in the final DED for W01 (C1&C2) and will be retained in the revision of DED for subproject V5.</p> <p>For subprojects V1, V2, V3 and V4: Outline design is ongoing and gender and disability design features are being considered and incorporated. For example, for subprojects V1 and V2, main areas and facilities, including public toilets, will be wheelchair accessible.</p>	<p>To ensure gender design opportunities are maximized and properly implemented, GAD specialists to attend some of consultations during pre-construction, construction and post-construction.</p>
<p>Activity 4: Infrastructure user charges (e.g. market stall rent and waste collection fees) are affordable to male and female users.</p>	<p>Planned: Residents of Vang Vieng expressed concerns about affordability of garbage collection fees during a dialogue with GAD specialists and PIU on 10 October 2019. The GAD specialists need to consult with institutional specialists on this matter.</p>	

	Affordability of user charges is being considered in the outline and detailed design. The PMCES institutional specialists will conduct consultations with users on user charges and include the results in O&M planning.	
Objective 4. Ensure women's equal participation in gender-sensitive IEC programs to mitigate tourism's social risks.		
Target 7: 50% of IEC facilitators trained by the project are women.	Ongoing: GAD specialists are reviewing the preparation of gender-sensitive IEC campaigns and help prepare plan for implementation of campaign.	In coordination with PCU the GAD specialists to ensure that the design of IEC materials are gender-sensitive
Target 8: At least 50% of people reached by gender-sensitive IEC campaigns are women (2017 baseline: 0% women).	Ongoing: GAD specialists are identifying and reviewing IEC materials and gender-sensitive IEC campaigns in collaboration with TDD and TMD unit of MICT	Include in the PPMS measurable approach to assess the reach of the campaign
Activity 5: IEC materials are gender-sensitive (i.e. without gender bias/stereotypes) and published for each topic covered, e.g. (i) traffic and boating safety, (ii) HIV/AIDS prevention, (iii) human trafficking prevention and (iv) solid waste management.	Ongoing: GAD specialists are identifying and reviewing gender-sensitive IEC campaigns appropriate to the tourism sites.	Coordinate with IEC team on the review and finalization of IEC materials.
Output 2: Capacity to implement ASEAN Tourism Standards strengthened		
Objective 5. Promote women's leadership.		
Target 9: At least 30% of ASEAN tourism standards certification board members and assessors are women (2017 baseline: 0).	Ongoing: The national tourism standard assessment committees (equivalent to the "certification bodies" referred to in the PAM) now exist for all seven standards. Currently, the total number of assessment committee members appointed is 82, out of which 24 (29%) are women. During this reporting period, a series of training and trial assessment, followed by actual assessment for provincial-level assessment and certification committee for each of the 7 ASEAN Tourism standards were held in Luang Prabang, Vang Vieng and Champasak from April-June. A total of 594 participants were trained. A total of 201 or 34 % are women.	Concerted efforts were made to ensure certification bodies follow a gender-balanced composition, resulting in a women representation of 29%, just short of the 30% target.
Target 10: At least 35% of ASEAN tourism standards trainers are women (2017 baseline: 0)	Achieved. National-level Training-of-trainer workshops were completed for all seven Standards. Of the total of 219 individuals trained, 84 (38%) are women.	GAD specialists to coordinate with the Tourism Development Department and the Tourism Management Depts on a gender review
Target 11: At least 45% of ASEAN tourism awards selection panel members are women (2017 baseline: 0).	Achieved: The ASEAN Sustainable Tourism Awards (ASTA) promote two tourism products and their destination (areas, small cities, districts, villages) in each ASEAN country. National assessors	

	<p>first evaluate each application against eligibility and sustainability criteria and undertake a field visit. Based on their findings they select the national nominations. Winners (two from each country) are selected jointly by their national tourism organisation, the ASEAN tourism working group and the ASEAN secretariat.</p> <p>Lao PDR has 10 ASTA national assessors, of whom 7 (70%) are women.</p>	<p>of the application of the ASEAN tourism standards.</p>
<p>Objective 6. Promote equal access to ASEAN tourism standards training and information</p>		
<p>Activity 6: ASEAN tourism standards manuals translated to Lao language.</p>	<p><u>Achieved</u> Translation of seven (7) ASEAN Tourism Standards were completed. Five out of seven standards were adapted to national standards, the other two are used in their original form. All seven final standards were published in Lao language.</p>	
<p>Target 12. At least 40 % of women participants in ASEAN tourism standards training for businesses are women</p>	<p><u>Achieved.</u> A series of workshops to disseminate the ASEAN tourism standards were conducted in 2019 that involved a total of 2,550 participants, of who 1,041 or 41% are women.</p> <p>This reporting period, a series of provincial-level training on the 7 ASEAN tourism standards involve at least 283 participants, 87 or 31 % are women. These upgraded their knowledge and disseminated the manuals. These figures are included in the cumulative tally above.</p>	
<p>Output 3: Institutional arrangements for tourism destination management and infrastructure O&M strengthened</p>		
<p>Objective 7. Promote gender balanced project management.</p>		
<p>Target 13: Women comprise at least 30% of project steering committee members. (2017 baseline: ~25% (4 women))</p>	<p><u>Ongoing:</u> The National Project Steering Committee consists of 7 members; 2 (29%) of who are women.</p>	<p>Efforts were made to ensure the national project steering committee has a gender-balanced composition, resulting in a women representation of 29%, just short of the 30% target.</p>
<p>Target 14: Women hold 30% of project director and deputy director positions. (2017 baseline: 20%).</p>	<p><u>Achieved:</u> Among the PCU and four PIU Directors and Managers (10 persons in total), 2 directors and 1 manager are women (30%).</p>	
<p>Target 15: At least 40% of overall PCU and PIU staff positions are held by women (2017 baseline: 34%).</p>	<p><u>Achieved:</u> Among the 27 PCU and PIU staff, 14 (52%) are women</p>	
<p>Target 16: At least 30% of PCU and PIU staff that attend technical and project</p>	<p><u>Achieved:</u> In total 521 PCU and PIU staff have participated in technical and project</p>	<p>Note however that these are total numbers, and that</p>

management training are women.	management training, of which, 192 or 37% are women.	individuals have participated in more than one activity. For future monitoring actual number of participating individuals will also be tracked.
Objective 8. Promote women's representation in destination management network and infrastructure O&M entities.		
Target 17: DMN managers comprise at least 30% women (2017 baseline: ~30%).	Achieved: Of the total 14 DMN managers at provincial and national secretariat, 12 or 86% are women.	Propose revisions to the GAP to enhance gender responsive elements in Objective #8.
Target 18: Women comprise at least 40% of total DMN membership (2017 baseline: ~30%).	Achieved. National-level DMN: 52 par, 34 women (46%). Provincial/District-level DMNs have non-fixed memberships and so participation differs meeting to meeting, but generally the 30% target of women participation is achieved.	
Target 19: At least 30% of 150 public works and tourism site managers (90 public works and tourism site managers in Lao PDR) are women, with skills, equipment, and budget needed to effectively develop and implement tourism management plans and infrastructure O&M (2017 baseline: 0)	Ongoing. To date (March 2020), data has not been collected on whether public works and tourism site managers who have participated in capacity building activities related to tourism management and infrastructure O&M have the skills, equipment, and budget needed to effectively develop and implement tourism management plans and infrastructure O&M, and how many among them are women.	GAD specialists to review the content of DMPs and provide feedback / suggestions on gender responsiveness.
Target 20: Community tourism groups involving women and youth (at least 40% women and girls membership) are established or strengthened in all sites with community-managed tourist attractions.	Planned. A number of sites in the project target areas are community-managed. These will be identified and membership recorded once infrastructure subproject construction is underway in preparation of their future involvement in site operation. During the course of project implementation additional community tourism groups may be established, and their capacity built.	Propose specific affirmative gender measures to capacitate the women and youth to involve themselves in community-managed tourist attractions.
Target 21: At least 50% of participants in tourism-related service training are women (2017 baseline: ~70%).	Ongoing: To date, one hospitality training for hotel, guesthouse and restaurant providers in Nong Khiaew, Ngoi dostrict, Luang Prabang, was conducted (16-23/02/2020) with the participation of 57 (41, 72%, women)	
Objective 9. Improve gender mainstreaming capacity to implement and monitor the GAP and report gender impacts.		
Target 22: 50% of 18 (10 for Lao PDR) gender focal persons appointed to PCUs, PMUs, and PIUs are men.	Achieved. Male and female gender focal points have been appointed at the PCU and in 4 PIUs (10 gender focal points, 5 men and 5 women)	
Activity 7: Gender specialists and social development consultants provide gender equality training and GAP implementation training to all	Achieved. The International Gender Specialist (IGS) is recruited and mobilized in October 2019. She has been working closely with the National Gender Specialist	

<p>project supervision, management, and coordination entities.</p>	<p>(NGS) and conferred with PCU officers and PMCES and M&E consultants.</p> <p>Gender orientation training to PCU and project consultants was conducted on 21 Oct. 2019. A total of 18 attended, 10 or 56 % of whom are women.</p> <p>A series of gender consultation workshops were conducted on 9-10 Oct 2019 with PIU-Vang Vieng, Ban Naduang and Ban Phon Vieng (target project sites) and Sengsavang village authorities. A total of 103 participated, 40 (39 %) of who were women.</p> <p>A series of one-day trainings on GAP Implementation and Documentation to PIUs and gender focal persons in Vientiane Province (Nam Ngum and Vang Vieng) on 29-31 January 2020, in Champasak on 3-6 February 2020, and Luang Prabang on 10-12 February 2020, to discuss with GAD focal persons the GAP indicators that they have to monitor, document and report quarterly, and the case study outline of GAD impact stories they have to identify, monitor and document towards the mid-term project review. A total of 86 participated, 550 (64%) of who were women.</p>	
<p>Activity 8: GAP targets and actions are reflected in annual project work plans and reported in quarterly progress reports.</p>	<p>Ongoing. The first annual project workplan (2019) has been reviewed along with the overall Gender Action Plan. Gender focal persons (one male and one female) were appointed for each PIU. All GAD focal persons were oriented on the ADB and Lao PDR gender equality policies and principles in sustainable tourism. Specific women participation targets have been incorporated in the 2020 project workplan. Future workplans will include GAD action and targets in addition to women participation.</p>	
<p>Activity 9: PPMS includes sex-disaggregated indicators and templates to track GAP progress, implementation, and project benefits.</p>	<p>Ongoing. The PPMS, which is expected to be completed by Q2-2020, will include DMF gender indicators and GAP progress reporting template and procedures.</p>	
<p>Target 23: At least 3 human impact stories on GAP implementation, including women's understanding of, and satisfaction with project design, and improved economic opportunities are documented for publication.</p>	<p>Ongoing. The GAD specialists consulted with PIU gender focal persons on the draft template of gender case studies. M&E specialists will be further consulted on a coordinated design and plan for the human impact storied on GAD and other project impacts and benefits before the end of 2020.</p>	

Annex 10: Status of compliance with Grant Covenants as of 31 June 2020

Item	Covenants	Status of Compliance
	Grant Agreement Article IV: Particular Covenants	
1	Section 4.01. In the carrying out of the Project and operation of the Project facilities, the Recipient shall perform, or cause to be performed, all obligations set forth in Schedule 4 to this Grant Agreement.	Compliant
2	Section 4.02. (a) The Recipient shall (i) maintain separate accounts and records for the Project; (ii) prepare annual financial statements for the Project in accordance with financial reporting standards acceptable to ADB; (iii) have such financial statements audited annually by independent auditors whose qualifications, experience and terms of reference are acceptable to ADB, in accordance with auditing standards acceptable to ADB; (iv) as part of each such audit, have the auditors prepare a report, which includes the auditors' opinion(s) on the financial statements and the use of the Grant proceeds, and a management letter (which sets out the deficiencies in the internal control of the Project that were identified in the course of the audit, if any); and (v) furnish to ADB, no later than 6 months after the end of each related fiscal year, copies of such audited financial statements, audit report and management letter, all in the English language, and such other information concerning these documents and the audit thereof as ADB shall from time to time reasonably request.	Compliant <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PCU and PIUs maintain separate accounts and records for the Project • PCU prepares annual financial statements for the Project • Annual project financial statements (APFS) will be audited by the State Auditing Organization of Lao PDR. The first annual audit will be undertaken, and the audited APFS together with the auditor's opinion, submitted to ADB within 9 months from the end of Fiscal Year 2019 (i.e. by 30 September 2020). Since no counterpart funds were used and no withdrawals made from the grant account during the period of 25 December 2018 (project effectiveness) to 31 December 2018, the APFS for Fiscal Year 2018 will be combined with the APFS 2019, as approved by ADB.
3	Section 4.02. (b) ADB shall disclose the annual audited financial statements for the Project and the opinion of the auditors on the financial statements within 14 days of the date of ADB's confirmation of their acceptability by posting them on ADB's website.	To be complied with. The first audited APFS is due for submission to ADB by 30 September 2020. Draft 2019 AFS submitted to SAO in March 2020 after prior review from ADB.
4	Section 4.02. (c) The Recipient shall enable ADB, upon ADB's request, to discuss the financial statements for the Project and the Recipient's financial affairs where they relate to the Project with the auditors appointed pursuant to subsection (a)(iii) hereinabove, and shall authorize and require any representative of such auditors to participate in any such discussions requested by ADB. This is provided that such discussions shall be conducted only in the presence of an authorized officer of the Recipient, unless the Recipient shall otherwise agree.	To be complied with.
5	Section 4.03. The Recipient shall enable ADB's representatives to inspect the Project, the Goods and Works, and any relevant records and documents.	Compliant
	Grant Agreement Schedule 4	

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6	<p><u>Implementation Arrangements</u></p> <p>The Recipient shall ensure that the Project is implemented in accordance with the detailed arrangements set forth in the PAM. Any subsequent change to the PAM shall become effective only after approval of such change by the Recipient and ADB. In the event of any discrepancy between the PAM and this Grant Agreement, the provisions of this Grant Agreement shall prevail.</p>	Compliant
7	<p><u>Environment</u></p> <p>The Recipient shall ensure that the preparation, design, construction, implementation, operation and decommissioning of the Project and all Project facilities comply with (a) all applicable laws and regulations of the Recipient relating to environment, health and safety; (b) the Environmental Safeguards; and (c) all measures and requirements set forth in the IEE, the EMPs, and any corrective or preventative actions set forth in a Safeguards Monitoring Report.</p>	Compliant
8	<p><u>Land Acquisition and Involuntary Resettlement</u></p> <p>The Recipient shall ensure that all land and all rights- of-way required for the Project are made available to the Works contractor in accordance with the schedule agreed under the related Works contract and all land acquisition and resettlement activities are implemented in compliance with (a) all applicable laws and regulations of the Recipient relating to land acquisition and involuntary resettlement; (b) the Involuntary Resettlement Safeguards; and (c) all measures and requirements set forth in the RP, and any corrective or preventative actions set forth in the Safeguards Monitoring Report.</p> <p>Without limiting the application of the Involuntary Resettlement Safeguards or the RP, the Recipient shall ensure that no physical or economic displacement takes place in connection with the Project until:</p> <p>(a) compensation and other entitlements have been provided to affected people in accordance with the RP; and</p> <p>(b) a comprehensive income and livelihood restoration program has been established in accordance with the RP.</p>	Compliant
9	<p><u>Indigenous Peoples</u></p> <p>The Recipient shall ensure that the preparation, design, construction, implementation and operation of the Project and all Project facilities comply with (a) all applicable laws and regulations of the Recipient relating to indigenous peoples; (b) the Indigenous Peoples Safeguards; and (c) all measures and requirements set forth in the IPP, and any corrective or preventative actions (i) set forth in a Safeguards Monitoring Report, or (ii) subsequently agreed between ADB and the Recipient.</p>	Compliant
10	<p><u>Human and Financial Resources to Implement Safeguards Requirements</u></p> <p>The Recipient shall make available necessary budgetary and human resources to fully implement the EMPs, the RP and the IPP.</p>	Compliant

Item	Covenants	Status of Compliance
11	<p><u>Safeguards - Related Provisions in Bidding Documents and Works Contracts</u></p> <p>The Recipient shall ensure that all bidding documents and contracts for Works contain provisions that require contractors to:</p> <p>(a) comply with the measures relevant to the contractor set forth in the IEE, the EMPs, the RP and the IPP (to the extent they concern impacts on affected people during construction), and any corrective or preventative actions set forth in a Safeguards Monitoring Report;</p> <p>(b) make available a budget for all such environmental and social measures;</p> <p>(c) provide the Recipient with a written notice of any unanticipated environmental, resettlement or indigenous peoples risks or impacts that arise during construction, implementation or operation of the Project that were not considered in the IEE, the EMPs, the RP and the IPP;</p> <p>(d) adequately record the condition of roads, agricultural land and other infrastructure prior to starting to transport materials and construction; and</p> <p>(e) reinstate pathways, other local infrastructure, and agricultural land to at least their pre- project condition upon the completion of construction.</p>	Compliant
12	<p><u>Safeguards Monitoring and Reporting</u></p> <p>The Recipient shall do the following:</p> <p>(a) submit semi- annual Safeguards Monitoring Reports to ADB and disclose relevant information from such reports to affected persons promptly upon submission;</p> <p>(b) if any unanticipated environmental and/or social risks and impacts arise during construction, implementation or operation of the Project that were not considered in the IEE, the EMPs, the RP and the IPP, promptly inform ADB of the occurrence of such risks or impacts, with detailed description of the event and proposed corrective action plan; and</p> <p>(c) report any actual or potential breach of compliance with the measures and requirements set forth in the EMPs, the RP or the IPP promptly after becoming aware of the breach.</p>	<p>To be complied with.</p> <p>First semi-annual Safeguards Monitoring Report due for submission to ADB by 31 July 2020 (covering project quarters 5 and 6).</p>
13	<p><u>Prohibited List of Investments</u></p> <p>The Recipient shall ensure that no proceeds of the Grant are used to finance any activity included in the list of prohibited investment activities provided in Appendix 5 of the SPS.</p>	Compliant

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14	<p><u>Labor Standards, Health and Safety</u></p> <p>The Recipient shall ensure that the core labor standards and the Recipient's applicable laws and regulations are complied with during Project implementation. The Recipient shall include specific provisions in the bidding documents and contracts financed by ADB under the Project requiring that the contractors, among other things: (a) comply with the Recipient's applicable labor law and regulations and incorporate applicable workplace occupational safety norms; (b) do not use child labor; (c) do not discriminate workers in respect of employment, sex and occupation; (d) do not use forced labor; (e) allow freedom of association and effectively recognize the right to collective bargaining; and (f) disseminate, or engage appropriate service providers to disseminate, information on the risks of sexually transmitted diseases, including HIV/AIDS, to the employees of contractors engaged under the Project and to members of the local communities surrounding the Project area, particularly women.</p> <p>The Recipient shall strictly monitor compliance with the requirements set forth in paragraph 10 above and provide ADB with regular reports.</p>	Compliant
15	<p><u>Gender and Development</u></p> <p>The Recipient shall ensure that (a) the GAP is implemented in accordance with its terms; (b) the bidding documents and contracts include relevant provisions for contractors to comply with the measures set forth in the GAP; (c) adequate resources are allocated for implementation of the GAP; (d) progress on implementation of the GAP, including progress toward achieving key gender outcome and output targets, are regularly monitored and reported on quarterly basis to ADB; and (e) key gender outcome and output targets include: (i) 30% of the overall staff positions and 40% of the management positions in the PCU and PIUs to be filled by women; (ii) appointment of gender focal points in the PCU and each PIU; (iii) at least 40% of training participants under the Project are women; and (iv) disaggregation of all monitoring and evaluation (M&E) data by sex and ethnicity.</p>	<p>Compliant</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • GAP is being implemented with support from Gender Specialists (individual consultants) • GAP is included as binding document in bidding documents and works contracts • GAP implementation is adequately resourced • GAP monitoring and reporting will be integrated into the PPMS, and M&E consultants will support progress reporting • Updated GAP implementation progress reports attached to quarterly reports
16	<p><u>Counterpart Support</u></p> <p>The Recipient shall: (a) through the Project Executing Agency, ensure that counterpart funds for Project implementation are available on time; and (b) ensure that the Project Executing Agency has sufficient funds to satisfy its liabilities arising from any Works, Goods and Consulting Services contract.</p> <p>The Recipient shall (a) through the Project Executing Agency cause each Participating Provinces, prior to their physical completion, prepare and adopt a plan for achieving full cost recovery of the operation and maintenance expenditures of each Project facility within their province; and (b) finance through budget allocation any shortfall in the operation and maintenance of the Project facilities within each Participating Province.</p>	Compliant
17	<p><u>Consultation with Stakeholders</u></p> <p>The Recipient shall ensure that consultation with the Project stakeholders takes place during Project implementation, in accordance with the stakeholder communication strategy set out in the PAM.</p>	Compliant

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18	<p><u>Governance and Anticorruption</u></p> <p>The Recipient shall (a) comply with ADB's Anticorruption Policy (1998, as amended to date) and acknowledge that ADB reserves the right to investigate directly, or through its agents, any alleged corrupt, fraudulent, collusive or coercive practice relating to the Project; and (b) cooperate with any such investigation and extend all necessary assistance for satisfactory completion of such investigation.</p> <p>The Recipient shall ensure that the anticorruption provisions acceptable to ADB are included in all bidding documents and contracts, including provisions specifying the right of ADB to audit and examine the records and accounts of the executing and implementing agencies and all contractors, suppliers, consultants, and other service providers as they relate to the Project.</p>	Compliant

Annex 11: ASEAN Tourism Standards Certification Since 2008 (incl. 2020 certifications)

Standard	Awarded
<u>Homestay (3)</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Ban Naduang (Kaeng Nyui waterfall site), Vang Vieng District, Vientiane Province ▪ Ban Hua Don Deng (Don Deng Island), Pa Thoumphone District, Champasak Province ▪ Ban Don Kho (Don Kho Island), Xanasomboun District, Champasak Province 	2016, 2018 2017, 2019 2017, 2019
<u>Clean Tourist City (2)</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Luang Prabang City, Luang Prabang Province ▪ Vientiane City 	2018 2020
<u>Community-Based Tourism (3)</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Ban Nong Luang (Dong Huasao National Protected Area), Paksong District, Champasak Province ▪ Ban Konglor (Konglor cave site), Khounkham District, Khammouane Province ▪ Namkat Yor La Pa resort, Xay District, Oudomxay Province 	2017 2017 2019
<u>Clean Public Toilet (4)</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Phousi mountain tourist site, Luang Prabang City, Luang Prabang Province ▪ Wat Xieng Thong, Luang Prabang City, Luang Prabang Province ▪ Tat Nyeuang waterfall site, Paksong District, Champasak Province ▪ Khon Phapheng waterfall site, Khong District, Champasak Province 	2018 2018 2018 2018
<u>Green Hotel (32)</u> Champasak Province <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Champasak Palace, Pakse City ▪ Champa Resident, Pakse City ▪ Champasak Grand, Pakse City ▪ Khon Phapheng Resort, Khong District ▪ King Fisher Eco-lodge, Pathoumphone District ▪ Pakse Hotel, Pakse City ▪ La Folie Lodge, Champasak ▪ Atina Hotel, Pakse City ▪ River Resort, Pakse City ▪ Sisouk Resident, Pakse City ▪ Arawan Riverside Hotel, Pakse City ▪ Bachieng Resort, Bachieng District ▪ Paksong Danngarm Hotel Luang Prabang Province <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Phou Vao, Luang Prabang City ▪ Souvannaphoum, Luang Prabang City ▪ The Grand Luang Prabang, Luang Prabang City ▪ Villa Santi, Luang Prabang City ▪ 3 Nagas Hotel, Luang Prabang City ▪ Khmu Lodge Luang Prang, Luang Prabang City ▪ Luangxay Resident, Luang Prabang City ▪ Santi Resort and SPA, Luang Prabang City ▪ Chitchareune Mueang Luang Hotel, Luang Prabang City ▪ Kiridara Hotel, Luang Prabang City ▪ Sofitel Luang prabang, Luang Prabang City ▪ Avani Hotel, Luang Prabang City ▪ Pullman Hotel, Luang Prabang City Oudomxay Province <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Pakbeng Lodge, Pabeng District ▪ Charming Lao (Ngam Lao) Hotel, Xay District 	2008 2010 2010 2010 2010 2010 2010 2012 2014 2014 2016 2016 2018 2020 2008, 2014 2008, 2012, 2014 2008, 2014 2010, 2012 2010 2012 2012 2014 2016 2016 2018 2020 2012 2018

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Namkat Yor La Pa, Xay District 	2020
Vientiane Province	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Inthira Hotel, Vang Vieng 	2020
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Charming Lao (Ngam Lao) Hotel, Xay District 	2018
Luang Namtha Province	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Phou Villa, Luang Namtha 	2020
<u>Spa (2)</u>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ SPA at Kiridara Hotel, Luang Prabang City 	2019
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ SPA at Avani Hotel, Luang Prabang City 	2019
<u>MICE Venue (7)</u>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Luang Prabang View Hotel, Luang Prabang City 	2018
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Pullman Hotel, Luang Prabang 	2020
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Crowne Plaza, Vientiane Capital 	2020
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Lao National Convention Centre, Vientiane Capital 	2020
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Paksong Danngarm Hotel, Champasak Province 	2020
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Champasak Grand Hotel, Champasak Province 	2020
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Savannakhet Cultural Hall 	2020
<u>ASEAN Sustainable Tourism Award (4)</u>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Phou Si Mountain, Luang Prabang City - Urban Tourism Award 	2018
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Tree Top Explorer, Paksong District, Champasak Province - Rural Tourism Award 	2018
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Wat Xieng Thong, Luang Prabang City – Urban Award 	2020
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Wat Phou, Champasak – Rural Award 	2020

Annex 12: COVID-19 Recovery SME Support Program

Selection criteria:

- Type of business:
 - o SMEs with products and services whose primary target is visitors/tourists are eligible (e.g. hospitality services providers (small hotels guesthouses, restaurants), handicraft and souvenir producers, travel agents, tour companies, tourist transport service providers etc.)
- Location:
 - o SMEs should be located in the project target provinces of Champasak, Luang Prabang or Vientiane Province
 - o SMEs in project subproject/primary target locations (Siphandon, Nam Ngum 1 Dam Recreational Area, Vang Vieng Town, and Luang Prabang City) will be prioritized
 - o Exceptions could be made for SME's based in Vientiane where they act as a joint venture partner for a SME based in one of the project provinces (i.e. a significant buyer of handicrafts from a project province or an inbound tour operator working in partnership with a local tour operator. The SME needs to demonstrate importance of their role in relation to the local operator.
- Target markets:
 - o Since COVID-19 recovery for the tourism sector will initially focus on domestic tourism, SMEs targeting domestic tourists will be give first priority for support
 - o SMEs targeting exclusively regional tourists (particularly tourists from neighboring countries) and SMEs targeting international tourists that need support to survive will be given second priority

Available support:

- Training:
 - o Health and hygiene (particularly related to COVID-19 mitigation measures)
 - o Business management (planning, cost control, pricing, HRM, accounting etc.)
 - o Product diversification (to meet existing market demand and to target different, more lucrative markets)
 - o Foreign languages
 - o Marketing and promotion (including online)
- Materials and equipment:
 - o Handicraft producers:
 - Materials and systems to implement COVID-19 measures
 - Re-stock raw materials for handicraft production
 - Tools and equipment to boost productivity or to enhance quality and consistency of product
 - Product display hardware (cases etc.)
 - Packaging materials
 - Interpretation and promotion materials
 - o Hospitality services:
 - Materials and systems to implement COVID-19 measures
 - Information materials (such as updated menus, signage, promotional and marketing materials – print and online)
 - Upgrade to rooms and kitchens to better cater for Lao and expat markets
 - Booking systems
 - o Transport services:
 - Materials and systems to implement COVID-19 measures
 - Information materials (such as updated information leaflets, promotional materials – print and online)

- Purchase of vehicles/boats excluded but adaptation or conversion of existing vehicles / boats for domestic tourism market possible
- Travel agents and tour companies:
 - Materials and systems to implement COVID-19 measures
 - Information materials (such as updated promotional materials – print and online)
 - Equipment required for product diversification: boat engines, boat upgrades, life jackets and other safety gear, fishing equipment, kayaks, SUPs and other recreation equipment, bikes and helmets for bike hire etc.