



**MONGOLIA: BORDER EFFICIENCY FOR SUSTAINABLE TRADE
PROJECT 55044-002**



VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT

The Government of Mongolia (GoM) commences the Border Efficiency for Sustainable Trade (BEST) Project with a loan from the Asian Development Bank (ADB). The objective of the Project is to increase Mongolia's trade, promote export diversification as provided in Mongolia's long-term development policy (Vision 2050), enhance resilient and sustainable integration into regional and global value chains – Connecting the Region for Shared and Sustainable Development (CAREC) 2030, and improve operational efficiency, resilience, and safety of the movement of goods and people in Mongolia's cross-border points. The Project Executing Agency (EA) is the National Port Recovery Committee (NPRC) Office and Project Implementing Agencies are the Border Port Administration (BPA) and General Customs Administration (GCA) and as part of the Project the MoF is seeking to recruit a **qualified Environmental and Social Safeguard Monitoring Specialist at the Project Implementation Unit (PIU) who will work on a part-time basis.**

Objective of the Assignment

Responsibilities

- Under the supervision of the PIU, the consultant will provide inputs and policy advice to ensure compliance of all BEST subprojects with environmental and social safeguard requirements of ADB (SPS, 2009) and the government. This includes but is not limited to ensuring that all the requirements of the project's EARF, subproject EMPs, Resettlement Framework (RF), and Ethnic Group Development Framework (EGDF) are met and that all approvals, permits, licenses, and other domestic requirements are met.
- Be responsible for monitoring the implementation of the mitigation measures, EMPs, and any required resettlement plans (RPs) and ethnic group development plans (EGDPs) for the project.
- Assist the PIU to update subproject IEEs and EMPs to take into account (a) any changes to the subproject design for their potential to cause negative environmental impacts; (b) required revisions to environmental monitoring and mitigation measures; and (c) provide justification for any proposed changes to the operation, throughout the subprojects implementation.
- Conduct or organize capacity building on ADB and domestic environmental and social safeguards requirements. Ensures project deliver specified results and meet quality expectations.
- Guide the PIU in the implementation of the EARF, RF, and EGDF.
- Support the PIU to establish and maintain the GRM.
- Coordinate consultation with local stakeholders, informing them of imminent construction works, updating them on the latest subproject development activities and the GRM.
- Conduct compliance monitoring of social and environmental safeguards issues to ensure implementation in accordance with (a) all applicable laws and regulations of Mongolia relating to environment, social safeguards, health and safety, and labor standards; (b) ADB SPS; (c) ADB's social protection strategy; (d) EARF; RF;EGDF; (e) all measures and requirements set forth in subproject IEEs and EMPs, social safeguards due diligence reports, and any subproject RPs and EGDPs developed during project implementation. Assist to formulate corrective actions where necessary to ensure that the project complies with the applicable laws and regulations of Mongolia and requirements of ADB SPS;
- Liaise with the Ministry of Environment and Tourism (MET) or aimag Department of Environment and Tourism (DET) with respect to their inspection and monitoring activities.
- Participate in project reviews by ADB;
- Prepare and/or provide relevant inputs for safeguards monitoring reports required by the PIU, government, and/or ADB, including semiannual environment, any required social monitoring reports, and project progress reports; and



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- Assist the executing and implementing agencies to transition to all environmental and social management and reporting responsibilities during the first 2 years of operation.

Qualifications:

- Postgraduate degree or equivalent related to environmental and/or social safeguards or a relevant discipline;
- At least 5 years of relevant professional experience working for project(s) financed by ADB or other international organizations;
- Sound knowledge of ADB environment, and social safeguard policies, and compliance requirements;
- Sound knowledge of the government's policy and regulatory frameworks for environment assessment, management, and resettlement;
- Good command of verbal and written English and Mongolian; and
- Good computer and report preparation skills.

The Environmental and Social Safeguard Monitoring Specialist will be selected pursuant to the applicable GoM and ADB rules, regulations, and procedures.

If you possess the above qualifications, please submit a **cover letter** indicating reasons for considering yourself suitable for the position, detailed **CV** highlighting experience and skills, copy of diplomas or certificates and two reference letters from last two employers no later than **October 14, 2024. Only shortlisted candidates will be contacted.** Applications and supporting documents under the name of the Environmental and Social Safeguard Monitoring Specialist will be submitted to ADB Consultant Management System (CMS) https://selfservice.adb.org/OA_HTML/adb/adbpos/jsp/ADBCMSHomepage.jsp. Incomplete applications will not be considered. If you need any further details, please feel free to contact us.

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