Role of Multilateral Development Partners in Response to Covid-19 in CAREC: Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene

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COVID Situation in CAREC Members (CW)

Key messages:

- 1% of total world cases
- PAK highest number of cases with sharp increases
- TURK no reported cases
- Testing capacity varies widely

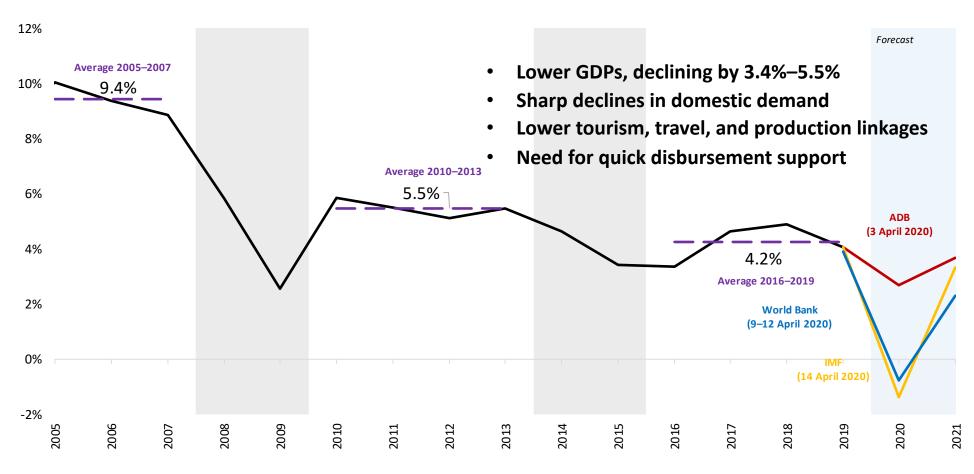
As of 12 May 2020			
CAREC member country	Total cases	Total deaths	Tests per 1M pop
Pakistan	30,941	667	1,335
Kazakhstan	5,207	32	21,767
Afghanistan	4,687	122	400
Azerbaijan	2,589	32	19,076
Uzbekistan	2,486	10	9,710
Kyrgyzstan	1,016	12	9,118
Tajikistan	661	21	
Georgia	638	11	7,454
Turkmenistan	0	0	
	48.225	907	

Source: https://www.worldometers.info/coronavirus/





Economic Impact of COVID-19 in CAREC Members (CW)





Note: Grey areas indicate the 2008-2009 Global Financial Crisis and 2014-2015 oil price fall.

Sources: Asian Development Bank, Asian Development Outlook, 2020 (released on 03 April 2020), International Monetary Fund, World Economic Outlook (released on 14 April 2020), World Bank, Europe and Central Asia Economic Update (released on 9 April 2020) and South Asia Economic Focus, Spring 2020 (released on 12 April 2020)

ADB's Comprehensive Response to COVID-19 Pandemic



Short-term emergency needs







Protective equipment

Health supplies

Testing



Communication



Medium- to long-term needs









Help DMCs counter the socioeconomic impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic



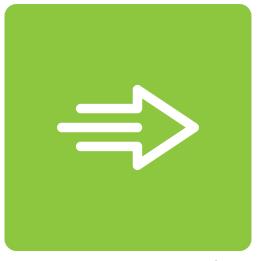
ADB measures to address the pandemic



COVID-19 Pandemic Response Option: ADB's new instrument for COVID-19 response



Other Board-approved policy measures



Management actions for faster response



Sample of ADB COVID-19 Support to CAREC Members (CW)

- PAK: \$50 million for COVID-19 preventive and response efforts, PPE
- **UZB**: \$50 million ventilators, \$1.36 million grant for PPEs, medical supplies
- **AFG**: \$40 million for 15 hospitals with isolations wards, ICUs in the most affected areas, rehabilitation of 5 medical facilities
- Other:
 - 6 requests so far from CW Asia (28% of total COVID related financing)
 - mix of budget support, emergency assistance, and TAs

Extensive partnerships around ADB's COVID-19 response

- ADB collaborates and coordinates extensively with development partners in rolling out its response.
- IMF, World Bank, UNICEF, WHO, AFD, AIIB; EIB; KfW; JICA; bilateral partners.



ADB Urban Sector Response to COVID-19



Project approaches:

- Holistic, integrated approaches to build resilience to shocks
- Improve access to basic urban services for improved health outcomes
- Strengthen institutional capacity to deliver reliable services and respond to emergencies
- WASH, behavior change components to prevent infection and disease spread
- Smart city approaches: spatial mapping to understanding COVID-19 pandemic at the city level (Philippines)

Knowledge sharing:

- Impacts of COVID on urban mobility patterns (blog, Working Paper)
- Managing infectious medical waste during COVID (Guidance Note)
- Urban regeneration for public health (blog)
- Developing digital capacity to address COVID-19 in smart cities (webinar)

Sample ADB urban projects:

- GEO Livable Cities Project (\$70 million)
- UZB Integrated Urban Development Project (\$100 million)



