

Türkiye : Istanbul Seismic Risk Mitigation and Emergency Preparedness Project

1. Project Information

Project ID:	P000319	Instrument ID:	L0319A
Member:	Türkiye	Region:	Western Asia
Sector:	Urban	Sub-sector:	Urban resilience
Instrument type:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Loan:300.00 US Dollar million <input type="checkbox"/> Guarantee	Lead Co-financier(s):	
ES category:	B	Borrowing Entity:	Ministry of Treasury and Finance, Türkiye
Implementing Entity:	Istanbul Project Coordination Unit		
Project Team Leader:	Nat Pinnoi		
Responsible DG:	Gregory Liu		
Responsible Department:	INF2		
Project Team Members:	Siyang Wang, Team Member; Liu Yang, Project Counsel; Duran Moy, Alternate Counsel; Yi Geng, OSD - Financial Management Specialist; Pedro Ferraz, OSD - Environment & Social Development Specialist; Yunlong Liu, OSD - Procurement Specialist; Siyang Wang, Project admin		
Completed Site Visits by AIIB:	May, 2021 1. Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank (AIIB) carried out the virtual supervision mission for Turkey: Istanbul Seismic Risk Mitigation and Emergency Preparedness (ISMEP) project on May 20, 2020. Due to the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic, the AIIB Mission team could not visit Turkey thus the supervision mission was conducted through video conference. May, 2023 Combined supervision for the ISMEP project and appraisal mission for the ISMEP-Additional Financing Project		
Planned Site Visits by AIIB:	Oct, 2022 Virtual Meeting Nov, 2023 Supervision and mid-term review mission for ISMEP project and first supervision mission for the ISMEP-AF		
Current Red Flags Assigned:	0		
Current Monitoring Regime:	Regular Monitoring		
Previous Red Flags Assigned:	0		
Previous Red Flags Assigned Date:	2022/12		

2. Project Summary and Objectives

The objectives of the project are to improve the disaster resilience of critical public facilities and to enhance emergency preparedness of the City of Istanbul. The project's main component will finance structural strengthening of about 100 critical public buildings through retrofitting or reconstruction (mainly schools and hospitals as well as a

few other social and administrative facilities).

The project will adopt the existing implementation arrangements established under the World Bank-financed ISMEP project and being used by the other IFIs in the ISMEP projects they are financing. The implementing agency is the Istanbul Project Coordination Unit (IPCU) established under the Istanbul Governorship. An existing Project Steering Committee established under the World Bank-financed ISMEP project will continue to oversee project implementation and provide strategic guidance. The Steering Committee is chaired by the Governor of Istanbul and includes Directors of the provincial departments of the concerned ministries, representatives of Istanbul Metropolitan Municipality, and Ministry of Urbanization and Environment.

The main project beneficiaries will be the occupants of the target public buildings (students and teachers at schools, patients and service providers at hospitals and clinics). The secondary beneficiaries will be ordinary citizens in Istanbul who can use strengthened schools as emergency shelters and have continuous access to medical services at safer hospitals even after a disaster. Public entities responsible for emergency preparedness and response in Istanbul will also benefit through capacity building activities.

3. Key Dates

Approval:	Dec. 12, 2019	Signing:	Jan. 07, 2020
Effective:	Mar. 04, 2020	Restructured (if any):	
Orig. Closing:	Jun. 01, 2025	Rev. Closing (if any):	

4. Disbursement Summary (USD million)

Contract Awarded:		Cancellation (if any):	0.00
Disbursed:	187.81	Most recent disbursement (amount/date):	11.84/Apr. 18, 2023
Undisbursed:	112.19	Disbursement Ratio (%) ¹ :	62.60

5. Project Implementation Update

Since the project's effectiveness was declared in 2020, the project implementation has been progressing well. As of the end of May 1, 2023, there are 74 contracts that have been signed with the total value of USD 239.37 million. 45 contracts (USD 97.81 million) have been completed while 29 contracted (USD 141.56 million) are under implementation. There are still ten tender packages under various stages of procurement process, with a total estimated value of USD 29.86 million. Finally, five contracts worth USD 8 million are expected to be procured by December 31, 2025. All those signed contracts and ongoing tenders (including all committed project management amount) lead to the total committed amount of USD 277.23 million (92 percent of the total loan amount). Therefore, only USD 22.77 million is uncommitted.

Up to May 1, 2023, 91 and 7 schools have been retrofitted and reconstructed or 77 percent and 24 percent of the total number of schools to be retrofitted and reconstructed,

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

respectively. Additionally, 1 administrative building, 1 dormitory building and 1 social service building reconstruction are on-going.

Components	Physical Progress	Environmental & Social Compliance	Procurement
Component 1: Emergency Preparedness (\$10m)	On track	No non-compliance issues	No issues.
Component 2: Seismic Risk Mitigation for Public Facilities (\$283m)	On track	No non-compliance issues.	No issues.
Component 3: Project Management Supp (\$7m)	On track	No non-compliance issues	No issues.

Financial Management:

Based on the procurement prior review and procurement post review conducted by AIIB team, as well as the findings from the field Mission, it can be concluded that the performance of the project procurement progress is generally satisfactory, and the procurement of all goods, works and services contracts financed by AIIB has materially complied with the AIIB Procurement Policy requirements. IPCU has updated the project procurement plan and received the no objection of AIIB in April of 2023. The procurement of all works contracts is expected to be completed by end of 2023. The procurement post review for 2022 is underway.

On financial management, through discussion and documents review, it was noted the ISMEP project could continuously maintain acceptable project financial management system to manage project funds and produce project financial statements to reflect sources and usage of project funds in the format required by MOTF and Bank. The financial audit report for 2022 is forthcoming.

The Bank Environmental and Social (ES) team held detailed discussions with IPCU and relevant officials of the Istanbul government. In addition, field visits and interviews were conducted in nearby schools and construction sites to check and discuss the key ES aspects with responsible IPCU and Construction Supervision Consultant. The Project implementation of the Environmental and Social Management Plan Framework (ESMPF) has been found to be satisfactory and in compliance with the Bank Environmental and Social Framework and Policy.

6. Status of the Grievance Redress Mechanism (GRM)

IPCU has an adequate GRM with two tiers in place and working properly. GRM details were provided to the mission and included in the environmental and social performance audit report. All construction sites held signs with information about the GRM. IPCU will provide AIIB a summary of the grievances and actions taken and the most common type of grievance.

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

Overall, the project has been progressing well and generally meet the anual targets.

Remarks:

Project Objective Indicators	Indicator level	Unit of Measure	Cumulative Target Values															Frequency	Responsibility	Comments								
			Baseline		2020		2021		2022		2023		2024		2025		End Target											
			Year	Value	Target	Actual	Target	Actual	Target	Actual	Target	Actual	Target	Actual	Target	Actual	Year				Target	Actual						
Number of beneficiaries (students, teachers, medical staff, etc.) having access to disaster resilient public facilities	Project	Number	2020	0	0			20,000			40,000	50284	60,000			80,000			120,000				120,000			Annual	IPCU	Completed 91 retrofitted schools and 7 reconstructed schools.
Number of key public facilities retrofitted or reconstructed under the project to resist a major earthquake	Project	Number	2020	0	0			10			20	98	40			50			90				90			Bi-annual	IPCU	

Project Intermediate Indicators	Indicator level	Unit of Measure	Cumulative Target Values															Frequency	Responsibility	Comments								
			Baseline		2020		2021		2022		2023		2024		2025		End Target											
			Year	Value	Target	Actual	Target	Actual	Target	Actual	Target	Actual	Target	Actual	Target	Actual	Year				Target	Actual						
Number of schools retrofitted or reconstructed under the project	Project	Number	2020	0	0			10			20	98	40			50			85				85			Bi-annual	IPCU	
Number of hospitals retrofitted or reconstructed under the project	Project	Number	2020	0	0			0			0					1			1				1			Bi-annual	IPCU	
Percentage of buildings with improved energy efficiency under the project	Project	%	2020	0	0			25			40	100	60			60			60				60			Bi-annual	IPCU	
Number of school communities reached out to via consultation meetings and awareness program	Project	Number	2020	0	0			10			20	270	40			50			85				85			Bi-annual	IPCU	