

Project Implementation Monitoring Report (#10)

Reporting Period From 2024/01 To 2024/06

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:	Konstantin Limitovskiy		
Responsible Department:	PSC2		
Project Team Members:	Siyang Wang, Team Member; Liu Yang, Project Counsel; Duran Moy, Alternate Counsel; Yi Geng, SFD - Financial Management Specialist; Yunlong Liu, SFD - Procurement Specialist; Jiaming Yu, Team Member; Mark Barnard, SFD - Environment Specialist; Ercan Ozbulut, SFD - Social Development Specialist; Jiaming Yu, Project admin		
Completed Site Visits by AIIB:	May, 2021 1. Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank (AIIB) carried out the virtual supervision mission for Türkiye: 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 Türkiye 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 Nov, 2023 Supervision mission May, 2024 Combined midterm review for ISMEP and supervision mission for the ISMEP-AF Additional Financing Project		
Planned Site Visits by AIIB:			
Current Red Flags Assigned:	0		
Current Monitoring Regime:	Regular Monitoring		
Previous Red Flags Assigned:	0		
Previous Red Flags	2023/12		

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Assigned Date:

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:	261.78	Latest disbursement (amount/date):	11.44/May. 14, 2024
Undisbursed:	38.22	Disbursement Ratio (%): ¹	87.26

5. Project Implementation Update

The project implementation has been progressing well. The reconstruction of 21 schools (88 percent) out of the total of 24 school buildings has been either completed or nearly completed (more than 93 percent progress). For the school buildings that have been retrofitted, 118 school buildings (93.7 percent) out of 124 buildings have been completed. Retrofitting works for the 5 remaining school

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.

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buildings are ongoing.

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.	<p>No issues.</p> <p>All the procurements of the Project have been going very well. The procurement of 103 contracts (including 14 goods contracts, 54 works contracts and 29 consulting services contracts, 1 goods contract terminated, 5 works contracts totally dissolved or terminated) under the Project has been completed with a total signed(committed) contract amount of USD 287,474,515. The procurement of remaining contracts under the project including 1 goods contract and 2 works contracts with a total cost estimate of USD17,198,000 is still ongoing, which is expected to be completed within the next 2 months. By that time, the procurement of the Project will have been totally completed.</p> <p>Completion status of the works contracts under original project: 39 works contracts have been completed, while 15 works contracts are under construction.</p>
Component 3: Project Management Supp (\$7m)	On track	No non-compliance issues	No issues.

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Financial Management:

The project has continuously maintained the acceptable financial management system with satisfactory performance. The interim financial report could be timely provided to reflect project implementation progress and disbursement status. Audit reports were issued with unmodified (clean) opinion and no major issues were noted in the Management Letter.

According to the Interim Financial Report (IFR), cumulative expenditures incurred by the end of Mar 31, 2024 was USD239.5 million, accounted 80% of total budget of USD300 million. Total loan amounts committed to signed contracts amounted to USD295 million, accounted 98% of total loan amount.

6. Status of the Grievance Redress Mechanism (GRM)

All recommendations of GRM from the last visit (May 2023) were accepted and implemented, especially related to Worker's GRM.

IPCU has an adequate GRM with two tiers in place and working properly. All construction sites held signs with information about the GRM, and IPKB installed additional GRMs for the workers on the construction sites.

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 annual 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	Target	Actual	Year				Target
Number of beneficiaries (students, teachers, medical staff, etc.) having access to disaster resilient public facilities	Project	Number	2020	0	0	0	20,000	0	40,000	50284	60,000	68,755	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	0	10	0	20	98	40	134	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	Target	Actual	Year			
Number of schools retrofitted or reconstructed under the project	Project	Number	2020	0	0	0	10	0	20	98	40	134	50		85			85		Bi-annual	IPCU	

Number of hospitals retrofitted or reconstructed under the project	Project	Number	2020	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1		1				1		Bi-annual	IPCU	
Percentage of buildings with improved energy efficiency under the project	Project	%	2020	0	0	0	25	0	40	100	60	100	60			60				60		Bi-annual	IPCU	
Number of school communities reached out to via consultation meetings and awareness program	Project	Number	2020	0	0	0	10	0	20	270	40		50		85				85		Bi-annual	IPCU		