

Proposed Project Summary for Public Disclosure

Project Name	Lanzhou Zhongchuan International Airport Phase III Expansion Project
Country	The People's Republic of China
Sector	Transport
Concept Approval Date	26 August 2021
Total Project Cost	USD 5.14 billion equivalent approx. ¹
Proposed Loan Amount	Up to USD 300 million equivalent ²
Borrower	The People's Republic of China
Implementing Agency	Gansu Civil Aviation Airport Group Co. Ltd.
Project Context	<p>Lanzhou is the capital city of Gansu Province in north-west China. Located on the banks of the Yellow River, Lanzhou is a key regional transportation hub, connecting areas further west to the eastern regions of China. Gansu, with its rich cultural heritage, unique natural landscapes, and colorful ethnic customs, is a popular destination for tourism.</p> <p>The Lanzhou Zhongchuan International Airport (LZIA) serves as a major air transport base for the Gansu province and western China. The current design capacity of LZIA is 8 million passengers and 100,000 tons of cargo annually. Between 2009 and 2019 the passenger traffic at LZIA increased by more than five times, exceeding the design capacity of airport. This has resulted in saturated and overburdened infrastructure with long queues and congestion during peak hours. The expansion of LZIA is imperative to meet the increased demand for air traffic and improve the passenger service levels.</p>
Project Objective	The Project will address the capacity constraints of LZIA by expanding the airport facilities to meet the growing demand for air travel. The Project by providing integration with the surface transport, will contribute towards developing an efficient and comprehensive transport network in the region. The Project will boost productivity and economic growth of the Gansu Province by providing better access to markets and resources.

¹ As of 26 July 2021.

² The final loan amount and currency will be determined during project appraisal.

Project Description	The Project is to implement expansion of the LZIA with design capacity for an annual passenger throughput of 38 million and cargo throughput of 300,000 tonnes. The Project comprises construction of two new runways with associated taxiway system, construction of new apron, terminal building, ground transportation center, cargo facilities, supporting infrastructure and other associated facilities.
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