

## **Project Summary for Public Disclosure**

Project Name	Toll Roads Program in Russia	
Country	The Russian Federation	
Sector	Transport	
<b>Concept Approval Date</b>	12 May 2020	
<b>Board Approval Date</b>	29 September 2020	
<b>Total Project Cost</b>	Up to USD 1.5 billion	
Loan Amount	USD 100 million	
Borrower	Eurasian Development Bank	
Implementing Agency	Eurasian Development Bank	
Program Context	The Government of the Russian Federation (GoRF) has made it a priority to increase investments in the transport sector to rejuvenate and grow the economy. In 2014, the GoRF approved the Transport Strategy up to 2030, which sets a target of commissioning 11,672 km of Category 1 <sup>1</sup>	
	highways by 2024 and 32,246 km by 2030. At the end of 2019, the total length of Category 1 highways was 2,490 km, way below the target by 2024. To catch up on achieving the target, the GoRF is attracting private sector investments into financing and operating toll roads. The Eurasian Development Bank (EDB) has been actively involved in financing toll roads in Russia and continues to add new toll road projects to its loan portfolio.	
Program Objective	The objective of the Program is to improve transport connectivity in the Russian Federation through supporting the expansion of the toll-roads network, in line with the GoRF's Transport Strategy 2030.	
Program Description	The proposed NDB loan through the modality of a two-step loan will be used by EDB to finance sub-projects meeting the selection criteria agreed with NDB. These sub-projects, which typically will be structured based on PPP arrangements, will involve construction of new toll roads or upgrade of existing toll roads in the Russian Federation.	
Expected Benefits	The positive outcomes and impacts of the Projects include i) reduced transportation costs in Russia resulting from reduced travel time, vehicle operating costs, and reduced frequency and costs of accidents; ii) improved inter-regional connectivity in the Russian Federation and the	

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 $<sup>^{1}</sup>$  Category 1 roads in Russia have design traffic of over 14,000 vehicles per day, design speed of 120-150 km per hour, and have a minimum of 4 lanes.



	international Europe-Western China corridor; and iii) enhanced economic activities where sub-projects are implemented.		
Environmental and Social Aspect	The Program is Category "FI-A" in line with NDB's Environmental and Social Framework (ESF). The main sub-projects' E&S impacts include (i) large-scale deforestation and impacts to biodiversity, (ii) land acquisition triggering loss of land and physical resettlement of people.  To mitigate the E&S risks, all sub-projects with significant E&S impacts and risks or triggering E&S impacts that are not addressed by EDB's E&S management system will be subject to E&S appraisal by NDB to ensure material alignment with NDB's ESF.		
Financing Aspect			
	Source of Fund	Amount (USD million)	
	NDB	100	
	Other Sources (Loans, E	quity, 1,400	
Implementation	The Program is estimated to be implemented over four years between 2020 and 2024. EDB will be the Implementation Agency. Procurement will be conducted in compliance with Russia's national law and regulations.		
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