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Asian Development Bank

<p>Brief description of the organisation</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ ADB is an international development finance institution headquartered in Manila, Philippines. ▪ ADB was established in 1966 and is owned and financed by its 67 members, of which 48 are from the region and 19 are from other parts of the globe. Georgia is the 67th and newest member, having joined ADB effective 2 February 2007. ADB also has 27 field offices, including resident and regional missions, a country office, a liaison office, and representative offices. ▪ ADB's main partners are governments, the private sector, non-government organisations, development agencies, community-based organisations and foundations.
<p>Mission</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ ADB's mission is to help its developing member countries reduce poverty and improve the living conditions and quality of life of their people. Its vision is "An Asia and Pacific Region Free of Poverty". ▪ Strategy 2020, launched in 2008, sets ADB's new strategic course emphasising that poverty reduction can only be sustained if more people are economically productive, economic growth takes place alongside well-managed natural environment, and neighbouring economies work together within larger and freer markets to achieve common interests through common efforts. ▪ Strategy 2020 focuses on three distinct but complementary development agendas of the region: inclusive economic growth, environment sustainable growth, and regional integration.
<p>Fields of Activity/ structure</p> <p><i>Statistics</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ ADB is not directly responsible for collection of primary statistics. However it plays an important role in providing technical and financial support for statistical and related statistical capacity building activities in its developing member countries. ▪ ADB's technical and financial support in statistical activity largely focuses on economic statistics; social statistics and; statistical capacity building. ▪ ADB maintains structured databases on social and economic indicators of its developing member countries
<p>Mandate</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ The purpose of the Bank shall be to foster economic growth and co-operation in the region of Asia and the Far East and to contribute to the acceleration of the process of economic development of the developing member countries in the region, collectively and individually as stipulated in the Agreement Establishing The Asian Development Bank, 1966.
<p>Statistical work</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Multi-annual 3 year programme. The current programme covers the period 2009 -2011 and encompasses formulating strategies for statistical capacity building in

programme	<p>developing member countries with weak statistical systems to improve and sustain their statistical capacity through country specific and/or regional technical assistance. The Development Indicators and Policy Research Division of the Economics and Research Department is the nodal unit that bears the responsibility in implementing the programmes.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ The Division works with other institutions/agencies on various international initiatives such as the International Comparison Program. ▪ Some statistics related initiatives are sometimes implemented by the regional departments of ADB on an ad hoc basis.
Number of staff <i>Total / Statistical division</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ ADBs staff strength, including field offices, is about 2500 from 57 of its 67 members: 874 professional and 1,627 national staff. ▪ Only a small number of staff numbering, 4 professional and 6 national staff from the Development Indicators and Policy Research Division are directly involved in statistical activities.
Flagship Publications <i>Statistics</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Key Indicators for Asia and the Pacific _ Annual ▪ Basic Statistics _ Annual ▪ Asian Development Outlook _ Biennial
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