Notifications to Arab Contracting Companies and Consultancy Offices
Regarding Projects and Technical Assistance Operations Funded by
The Arab Bank for Economic Development in Africa (BADEA)

in the June 2026 session

As part of the financing activities of the Arab Bank, the Board of Directors approved, during its June 2026 session, the financing of public sector operations for the benefit of some African countries. These include five projects and six technical assistance operations.

The total approved financing in this session amounted to $263.31 million, of which $260 million was allocated to contribute to the financing of five public sector projects, while $3.31 million was designated for the financing of six technical assistance operations. Below is a summary of the operations approved for financing:

Project Details

Beneficiary State	Republic of Sierra Leone	
Project Name	Bumbuna Hydroelectric Power Station Development Project	
Total Cost	USD 76.0 million	
BADEA Finance	USD 30.0 million	
Other Financing	OPEC Fund	USD 45.0 million
	Government	USD 1.0 million
Description and Components of the Project	The project includes the following key components: The project consists of the construction and equipping of the second hydropower plant at the Bumbuna Dam, in addition to the replacement and modernization of the direct current (DC) supply systems and control systems of the existing hydropower plant (Bumbuna I). (1) Civil Works and Associated Equipment ▪ Civil Works: This sub-component includes the construction of the powerhouse for the second generating unit, the foundations for the power transformers at the existing substation, underground cable ducts, the drainage system, and support structures for equipment and installations. It also covers all civil works required for the installation, operation, and maintenance of the hydropower generation facilities and their integration with the existing infrastructure and utilities. In addition, this sub-component includes the preparation of detailed civil engineering designs.	

	▪ Supply and Installation of Equipment: This sub-component includes the supply, installation, testing, and commissioning of: ❖ A new hydropower generating unit with an installed capacity of approximately 60 MW; ❖ The main step-up transformer (13/161 kV) and all associated equipment and accessories; ❖ Replacement and upgrading of selected existing electrical equipment at the hydropower plant; and ❖ Preparation of detailed engineering designs. (2) Dam Safety Enhancement This component includes the rehabilitation and upgrading of the dam safety system, as well as the hydro-mechanical systems associated with the radial gate. (3) Consulting Services This component includes the review of studies, preparation of tender documents, and assistance to the executing agency in the procurement process, including tendering, bid evaluation, contract award, and construction supervision (including the review of the contractor's detailed designs). It also covers the preparation of the Mid-Term Review Report and the Project Completion Report. (4) Support to the Project Implementation Unit (PIU) This component provides transportation and office equipment for the PIU, including: Two vehicles (one four-wheel-drive vehicle and one pick-up truck); Six computers with accessories; One printer; and One photocopier. (5) Project Launch and Mid-Term Review Workshops. (6) Annual Financial Audit.
Project Objectives	Overall Objective: The project aims to contribute to the achievement of the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), particularly SDG 7 on Affordable and Clean Energy and SDG 9 on Industry, Innovation and Infrastructure, while also promoting sustainable economic growth. Furthermore, the proposed project seeks to contribute to the achievement of Goal 10 of the African Union's Agenda 2063, which focuses on the development of world-class, integrated infrastructure across Africa. Specific Objectives: The project specifically aims to: • Enhance the country's electricity generation capacity by increasing power production from renewable and sustainable energy sources. • Reduce the electricity supply deficit to meet the growing demand for energy.

	• Lower the cost of electricity generation by reducing reliance on high-cost thermal power plants and minimizing energy import expenditures. • Strengthen energy security and improve the reliability of electricity supply. • Create new employment opportunities and promote investment. • Stimulate economic and industrial development. • Contribute to poverty reduction and improve the living standards of the population.
Procurement of goods and services	Goods and services for the project will be procured as follows: • Selection of the contractor for the civil works and associated components through an open international competitive bidding process, under an Engineering, Procurement and Construction (EPC) contract, covering detailed engineering design, procurement, construction, testing, and commissioning. • Selection of the consulting firm through a shortlist established following an open international call for expressions of interest (EOI). • Procurement of vehicles, information technology equipment, and related accessories for the Project Implementation Unit (PIU) through competitive bidding limited to local suppliers. • Implementation of the project launch workshop and the mid-term review workshop through specialized local agencies or institutions. • Annual financial audits of the project to be carried out by recognized local audit firms selected from a shortlist.
Project Implementation Program	Project implementation is expected to commence in January 2028. The actual execution of the civil works, together with the supply, installation, testing, and commissioning of the equipment, is expected to take approximately 29 months. This implementation period will be preceded by a six-month period during which the contractor will prepare the detailed engineering designs, which will be reviewed and approved by the supervising consultant. The project is expected to be completed by the end of June 2030.
The executing agency of the project	Project Executing Agency: Electricity Generation and Transmission Company (EGTC) of Sierra Leone DG EGTC: Ing. Milton Ngegbai Email: mgegbai74@gmail.com, info@egtc.sl Address: Kingtom Power House, 3 Battery Street, Kingtom, Freetown, Sierra Leone

Beneficiary State	Republic of Equatorial Guinea	
Project Name	"Ciudad de la Paz" Power Supply Project (Phase I)	
Total Cost	USD 51.25 million	
BADEA Finance	USD 50.0 million	
Other Financing	Government	USD 1.25 million
Description and Components of the Project	The project comprises the following main components: (1) Civil Works and Associated Infrastructure • High-Voltage Transmission Line (110 kV): Construction of a 110 kV high-voltage transmission line, comprising approximately 14 km of overhead line and 12 km of underground cable. The component also includes the construction of the required steel transmission towers, the upgrading of the Djibloho substation, the supply and installation of an Optical Ground Wire (OPGW) communication system, the construction of 110/20 kV high-/medium-voltage substations, and the installation of the associated control, protection, and operational management systems. • Medium-Voltage Distribution Network (20 kV): Construction of an underground 20 kV medium-voltage distribution network extending approximately 40 km, together with the construction and equipping of 20/0.4 kV medium-/low-voltage distribution substations, and the establishment of the required distribution centers to serve the targeted urban development areas. (2) Consulting Services • Provision of consulting services required for project preparation and implementation, including the updating of the detailed engineering designs, preparation of the Environmental and Social Impact Assessment (ESIA), preparation of the bidding documents, and the provision of construction supervision, technical oversight, and contract administration services to ensure that the works are carried out in accordance with the approved technical specifications and implementation schedule. • The consulting services will also include the design, procurement, deployment, and operationalization of an integrated Project Management Information System (PMIS) for the implementing agency, together with the provision of training and capacity-building activities for the relevant national staff to ensure the effective utilization of the system and to strengthen project	

	planning, monitoring, and evaluation in line with international best practices. (3) Support to the Project Implementation Unit (PIU). (4) Project Launch and Mid-Term Review Workshops. (5) Annual Financial Audit of the Project.
Project Objectives	The project's overall objective is to contribute to the achievement of Sustainable Development Goal (SDG) 7 on Affordable and Clean Energy, SDG 9 on Industry, Innovation and Infrastructure, and SDG 11 on Sustainable Cities and Communities. It also contributes to the implementation of Agenda 2063, particularly Goal 1, which seeks to improve living standards, quality of life, and well-being for all; Goal 4, which promotes economic transformation and the development of competitive and productive economies; and Goal 7, which aims to build sustainable and resilient societies and economies capable of addressing future challenges. Specifically, the project seeks to ensure a reliable and affordable electricity supply to the country's new administrative capital, thereby helping to reduce the electricity supply deficit and increase the national electrification coverage rate. It will also facilitate the relocation of public institutions and government agencies to the new capital while creating an enabling environment for private sector investment through the provision of modern and reliable electricity infrastructure. Furthermore, the proposed project aims to address the existing problems of low voltage levels and insufficient network capacity, thereby improving the overall quality and reliability of electricity service.
Procurement of goods and services	Goods and services for the project will be procured as follows: • Selection of the consulting firm (Engineer) responsible for updating the detailed engineering designs, preparing the Environmental and Social Impact Assessment (ESIA), preparing the bidding documents, and providing construction supervision and technical oversight, based on a shortlist of Arab and African consulting firms and Arab–African joint ventures. The shortlist of prequalified firms will be established in accordance with the BADEA's procurement procedures. These consulting services will be divided into two assignments: (i) design and study services, and (ii) construction supervision and contract administration services. • Selection of the contractor responsible for the execution of the civil works and associated infrastructure through open international competitive

	bidding, in accordance with the BADEA's applicable procurement rules and procedures. • Procurement of vehicles, information technology equipment, and related accessories for the Project Implementation Unit (PIU) through competitive bidding limited to local suppliers. • Implementation of the project launch and mid-term review workshops through specialized local agencies or institutions. • Annual financial audits of the project to be carried out by recognized local audit firms selected from a shortlist.
Project Implementation Program	The actual construction phase is expected to take approximately 24 months. This will be preceded by an initial six-month period dedicated to the selection of the consulting firm, to be carried out in parallel with the completion of the loan agreement signature and its entry into force. A further six-month period will then be allocated for updating the detailed engineering designs, preparing the Environmental and Social Impact Assessment (ESIA), and preparing the bidding documents. Accordingly, the actual implementation of the project is expected to commence in April 2028 and to be completed by March 2030.
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Beneficiary State	**Kingdom of Eswatini**	
Project Name	**Mkhonfvo–Ngwavuma Water Production Enhancement Programme: Agricultural Value Chain Development and Water Resources Optimization Project**	
Total Cost	USD 257.6 million	
BADEA Finance	USD 60.0 million	
Other Financing	OPEC Fund	USD 20.0 million
	African Development Bank (AfDB)	USD 115.0 million
	Private Sector	USD 29.6 million
	Government	USD 33.0 million

Description and Components of the Project	The part to be financed by the BADEA comprises the following components: (1) Secondary Irrigation Water Distribution System in the Mkhonkweni and St. Phillips Areas: This component includes the construction and installation of an external secondary water distribution network extending approximately 5 km in Mkhonkweni and approximately 21 km in St. Phillips. The network will consist of PVC and (GRP) pipelines with diameters ranging from 200 mm to 1,400 mm. The component also includes the construction of gravel access roads alongside the secondary distribution pipelines, with a total length of approximately 24.68 km, comprising 3.70 km in Mkhonkweni and 20.98 km in St. Phillips.
Project Objectives	The project's overall objective is to contribute to the achievement of the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), particularly SDG 1 (No Poverty), SDG 2 (Zero Hunger), SDG 8 (Decent Work and Economic Growth), and SDG 17 (Partnerships for the Goals). The project also contributes to the implementation of Africa's Agenda 2063, particularly Goal 1, which aims to achieve a high standard of living, quality of life, and well-being for all citizens, and Goal 5, which promotes modern agriculture to increase productivity and agricultural output. Furthermore, the project is fully aligned with BADEA's Strategy 2030, particularly its strategic pillar on Agricultural Value Chain Development. Specifically, the project seeks to provide irrigation water in the southern regions of the country to support agricultural production and productivity, promote the development of agricultural value chains, and strengthen resilience to climate change. The project's key expected outcomes include: • Increasing the irrigated area from approximately 22,000 hectares to 27,000 hectares. • Increasing agricultural production from approximately 150,000 tons to 280,000 tons per year. • Reducing water losses from approximately 35% to 15%. • Creating approximately 20,000 direct and indirect employment opportunities. • Increasing farmers' average annual income from approximately US$2,500 to US$4,000. • Benefiting approximately 150,000 farmers and their household members.
Procurement of goods and services	The civil works and associated infrastructure to be financed by BADEA, comprising the secondary irrigation water distribution system in the Mkhonkweni and St. Phillips areas, will be procured through open international competitive bidding, in accordance with BADEA’s applicable procurement rules and procedures.

Project Implementation Program	Actual implementation of the project works is expected to commence in the second quarter of 2027, following completion of the preparatory procedures, including updating the bidding documents, launching the tender, evaluating the bids, and preparing the contract award recommendation. These activities will be undertaken under the proposed advance procurement arrangements to expedite project implementation. The civil works for the secondary irrigation water distribution system in the Mkhonkweni and St. Phillips areas are expected to take approximately 36 months, with completion scheduled for the first quarter of 2030.
The executing agency of the project	Name: Eswatini Water and Agricultural Development Enterprise (EWADE) Email: info@ewade.co.sz Website: https://www.ewade.co.sz/ Telephone Number: +268 2411 8600 Address: EWADE Building- Along MR8, Siphofaneni - P.O. Box 198, Siphofaneni M214

Beneficiary State	**Republic of Guinea**	
Project Name	**Kankan University Expansion Project**	
Total Cost	USD 110.0 million	
BADEA Finance	USD 100.0 million	
Other Financing	Government	USD 10.0 million
Description and Components of the Project	The project comprises the following main components: (1) Civil Works and Associated Infrastructure This component includes the construction and equipping of an integrated complex of academic, administrative, and support facilities with a total built-up area of approximately 56,150 m^2. The works include, in particular, the construction of two teaching buildings (one comprising four storeys and the other five storeys), a large lecture hall, a university library, a multi-purpose activities hall, a university cafeteria, an administrative building, a conference hall, a three-storey faculty office building, and a three-storey student residence. The component also includes the construction of roads and basic infrastructure (VRD), together with all associated site development works. (2) Consulting Services This component includes:	

	• Reviewing and approving the detailed designs prepared by the contractor and supervising the execution of the works. • Updating the preliminary studies for the second phase of the project, preparing the detailed engineering designs, and drafting the related bidding documents. It also includes the preparation of the project's mid-term evaluation report. (3) Support to the Project Implementation Unit (PIU) and the Implementing Agency, including • Provision of office furniture, transport equipment (two pick-up vehicles), six computers, and a multifunction printer for the Project Implementation Unit (PIU). • Provision of office furniture, two pick-up vehicles, nine computers, and a photocopier for the implementing agency. (4) Project Launch and Mid-Term Evaluation Workshops (5) Annual Financial Audit
Project Objectives	The project's overall objective is to contribute to the achievement of the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), particularly SDG 4 (Quality Education), SDG 8 (Decent Work and Economic Growth), and SDG 9 (Industry, Innovation and Infrastructure). The project also supports the implementation of Africa's Agenda 2063, particularly Goal 2, which seeks to build a prosperous Africa based on inclusive growth and sustainable development. Furthermore, the project is fully aligned with BADEA's Strategy 2030, particularly its pillar on Human Capital Development and Investment in Social Infrastructure. Specifically, the project aims to: • Increase the student intake capacity of Kankan University from approximately 5,000 to 10,000 students; • Improve the quality of higher education and scientific research; • Provide a modern and conducive university environment that promotes learning and innovation; • Strengthen the University's institutional and administrative capacities; • Improve accommodation and living conditions for students and academic staff; and • Support the country's economic and social development by producing a highly qualified workforce that meets labour market needs.
Procurement of goods and services	Goods and services for the project will be procured as follows: • The consultant responsible for preparing the mid-term evaluation report, the detailed engineering designs, and

	the bidding documents for the second phase of the project will be selected through shortlisting of Arab, African, or Arab/African consulting firms. • The procurement of transport equipment and office supplies required to support the Project Implementation Unit (PIU) and the implementing agency will be carried out through competitive bidding limited to local agents and suppliers. • The project launch workshop and the mid-term evaluation workshop will be organized through specialized local agencies, in accordance with the BADEA's applicable procurement procedures. • The annual financial audit of the project will be conducted through the selection of an auditor from a shortlist of recognized local audit firms.
Project Implementation Program	Actual implementation of the project is expected to commence in September 2026. According to the contractual implementation schedule, the construction works are expected to be completed within twenty-four (24) months. However, the overall implementation period is anticipated to extend to approximately thirty (30) months. The procurement, delivery, and installation of the university equipment and furniture will be carried out during the final year of the civil works. This will be followed by a twelve (12)-month defects liability period, during which any outstanding technical deficiencies will be rectified.
The executing agency of the project	Ministère de l'Enseignement Supérieur et de la Recherche Scientifique Direction Nationale des Infrastructures et Équipements Universitaires et Scientifiques Adresse : Immeuble KPC Almamya, 1er au 5e et 10e étages, Kaloum, Conakry, Guinée Boîte postale : BP 2201 Conakry Téléphone : +224 625 48 72 79 E-mail: contact@mesrs.gov.gn ; odoumbouya2023@gmail.com