

# INDIGENOUS PEOPLES IMPACT CATEGORIZATION- Nimir Village, Colonia, Yap State

Date: September 2014

## A. Instructions

- (i) The project team completes and submits the form to the Environment and Safeguards Division (RSES) for endorsement by RSES Director, and for approval by the Chief Compliance Officer (CCO).
- (ii) The classification of a project is a continuing process. If there is a change in the project components or/and site that may result in category change, the Sector Division submits a new form and requests for recategorization, and endorsement by RSES Director and by the CCO. The old form is attached for reference.
- (iii) The project team indicates if the project requires broad community support (BCS) of Indigenous Peoples communities. BCS is required when project activities involve (a) commercial development of the cultural resources and knowledge of indigenous peoples, (b) physical displacement from traditional or customary lands; and (c) commercial development of natural resources within customary lands under use that would impact the livelihoods or the cultural, ceremonial, or spiritual use that define the identity and community of indigenous peoples.
- (iv) In addition, the project team may propose in the comments section that the project is highly complex and sensitive (HCS), for approval by the CCO. HCS projects are a subset of category A projects that ADB deems to be highly risky or contentious or involve serious and multidimensional and generally interrelated potential social and/or environmental impacts.

## B. Project Data

Country/Project No./Project Title : TA-8257 REG Results-Based Strategy and Sector Planning in the Pacific - 1  
FSM/Palau ICT: Environmental and Social Safeguards (46366-001)

Department/ Division : PARD

Processing Stage :

Modality :

Project Loan     Program Loan     Financial Intermediary     General Corporate Finance  
 Sector Loan     MFF     Emergency Assistance     Grant  
 Other financing modalities:

## C. Indigenous Peoples Category

New     Recategorization — Previous Category [ ]

Category A     Category B     Category C     Category F1

## D. Project requires the broad community support of affected Indigenous Peoples communities.

Yes     No

## E. Comments

Project Team Comments:

RSES Comments:

## F. Approval

Proposed by:

Reviewed by:

Project Team Leader, {Department/Division}

Date:

Social Safeguard Specialist, RSDD/RSES

Date:

Social Development Specialist, {Department/Division}

Date:

Director, RSES

Date:

Endorsed by:

Approved by:

Director, {Division}

Highly Complex and Sensitive Project

Chief Compliance Officer

Date:

Date:

### Indigenous Peoples Impact Screening Checklist

<b>KEY CONCERNS</b> (Please provide elaborations on the Remarks column)	<b>YES</b>	<b>NO</b>	<b>NOT KNOWN</b>	<b>Remarks</b>
<b>A. Indigenous Peoples Identification</b>				
1. Are there socio-cultural groups present in or use the project area who may be considered as "tribes" (hill tribes, schedules tribes, tribal peoples), "minorities" (ethnic or national minorities), or "indigenous communities" in the project area?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	The national population including those in the project site are mostly indigenous people of Micronesian descent thus belong to the mainstream population.
2. Are there national or local laws or policies as well as anthropological researches/studies that consider these groups present in or using the project area as belonging to "ethnic minorities", scheduled tribes, tribal peoples, national minorities, or cultural communities?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	The national constitution recognizes the predominantly local population on the project site on their rights to land.
3. Do such groups self-identify as being part of a distinct social and cultural group?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
4. Do such groups maintain collective attachments to distinct habitats or ancestral territories and/or to the natural resources in these habitats and territories?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
5. Do such groups maintain cultural, economic, social, and political institutions distinct from the dominant society and culture?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
6. Do such groups speak a distinct language or dialect?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
7. Has such groups been historically, socially and economically marginalized, disempowered, excluded, and/or discriminated against?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
8. Are such groups represented as "Indigenous Peoples" or as "ethnic minorities" or "scheduled tribes" or "tribal populations" in any formal decision-making bodies at the national or local levels?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
<b>B. Identification of Potential Impacts</b>	<b>N/A</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

<b>KEY CONCERNS</b> (Please provide elaborations on the Remarks column)	YES	NO	NOT KNOWN	Remarks
9. Will the project directly or indirectly benefit or target Indigenous Peoples?				The people of Yap State particularly those in the project site (capital) will have increased access to faster internet service throughout the island; also indirectly through (i) reliable internet connection, (ii) stabilized internet charges, (ii) re-allocation of saved budget to other basic social services & infrastructure, improved basic services provision including education and health using internet, and (iii) attraction of local and international investments through faster and reliable internet services.
10. Will the project directly or indirectly affect Indigenous Peoples' traditional socio-cultural and belief practices? (e.g. child-rearing, health, education, arts, and governance)	Faster internet service will improve access to distance education opportunities by young and older Yapese people, greater access to on-line medical consultations for both patients and medical professionals, and improve government transparency through online annual reports.			
11. Will the project affect the livelihood systems of Indigenous Peoples? (e.g., food production system, natural resource management, crafts and trade, employment status)	Faster internet is expected to contribute to improved communications management including natural resource (land and marine) monitoring and reporting.			
12. Will the project be in an area (land or territory) occupied, owned, or used by Indigenous Peoples, and/or claimed as ancestral domain?		N/A		
<b>C. Identification of Special Requirements</b> <i>Will the project activities include:</i>		N/A		

KEY CONCERNS (Please provide elaborations on the Remarks column)	YES	NO	NOT KNOWN	Remarks
13. Commercial development of the cultural resources and knowledge of Indigenous Peoples?				
14. Physical displacement from traditional or customary lands?				
15. Commercial development of natural resources (such as minerals, hydrocarbons, forests, water, hunting or fishing grounds) within customary lands under use that would impact the livelihoods or the cultural, ceremonial, spiritual uses that define the identity and community of Indigenous Peoples?				
16. Establishing legal recognition of rights to lands and territories that are traditionally owned or customarily used, occupied or claimed by indigenous peoples ?				
17. Acquisition of lands that are traditionally owned or customarily used, occupied or claimed by indigenous peoples				

**D. Anticipated project impacts on Indigenous Peoples – N/A**

Project component/ activity/ output	Anticipated positive effect	Anticipated negative effect
1.		
2.		
3.		

Note: The project team may attach additional information on the project, as necessary.