











## Assistance to Vulnerable Countries

Session 1: Japan Fund for Prosperous and Resilient Asia and the Pacific (JFPR) Anniversary Event





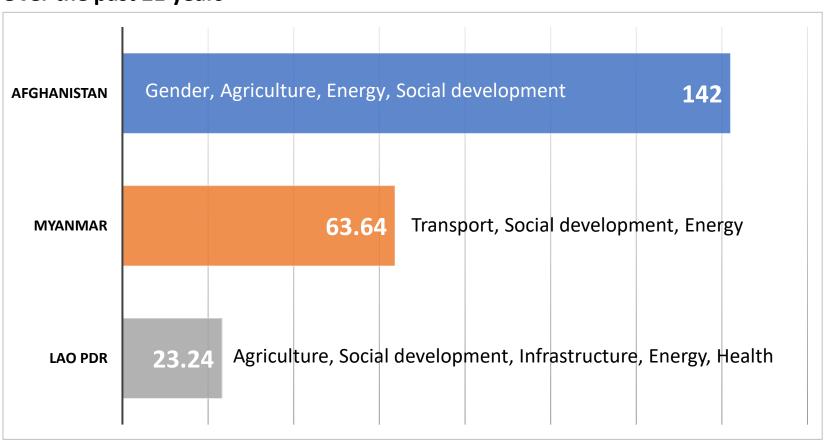






### JFPR support for the most vulnerable countries

#### Over the past 21 years



#### With further support to:

- Federated States of Micronesia
- Kiribati
- Papua New Guinea
- Republic of the Marshall Islands
- The Solomon Islands
- Timor Leste

Afghanistan Lao People's Democratic Republic Myanmar

ADB FOCUS IN FCAS

Address Causes of Conflicts

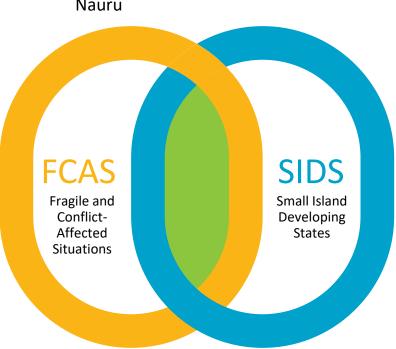
Promote Reconstruction

**Targeted Social Assistance** 

Essential Infrastructure and Social Services

Federated States of Micronesia Kiribati Marshall Islands Nauru

Papua New Guinea Solomon Islands Timor-Leste Tuvalu



Cook Islands Palau
Fiji Samoa
Maldives Tonga
Niue Vanuatu

ADB FOCUS IN SIDS

Disaster Risk Management

Connectivity and Access

Environmental Sustainability

Improve Business Environment

ADB FOCUS IN FCAS-SIDS



**Build Resilience** 



Institutional Development and Government Reforms



Gender-based Violence



Climate Change Adaptation



Promote Private Sector-led Growth



**Regional Cooperation** 



#### Figure 2A: The FSA Theory of Change

Sustainable development

2030

Improved livelihoods, inclusiveness, and resilience in FCAS and SIDS

Support Strategy 2030 operational priorities

Strong focus on poor, youth, women, ethnic minorities, and other vulnerable groups

Improved performance of ADB operations in FCAS and SIDS

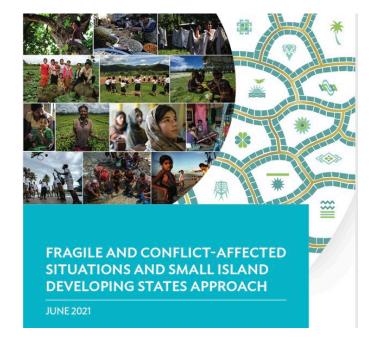
Results in fragile, conflict-affected, and small island developing states lag bank-wide results

Increased use of differentiated approaches in ADB operations in FCAS and SIDS

Tailoring interventions during planning, implementation, and monitoring

### No country left behind

With country project performance declining over the past few years, ADB needs to tailor its development approaches and to the highly specific country contexts of FCAS and SIDS and transform its strategy





### A tailored approach: Timor-Leste coffee sector project

- JFPR- funded project \$3 million grant
- Collaboration with local government, JFPR, ADB, other partners
- Consultations led to a development plan owned and led by the locals
- Tailored to the situation
  - Understanding of context
  - Recognizing low capacity
  - Identifying opportunities
  - Forging real relationships
  - Exhibiting patience



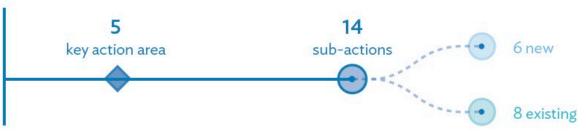




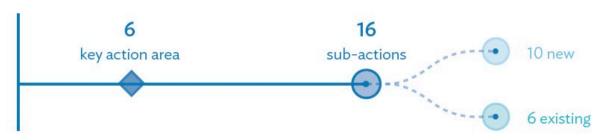
# Priorities going forward

Three Pillars with Key Action Areas

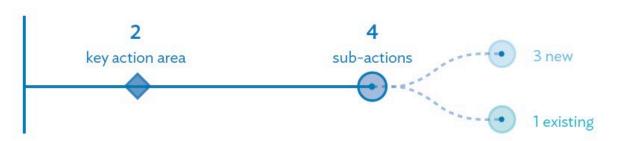
Improving responsiveness of standard ADB processes, procedures, and practices



Increasing ADB's institutional capacity for operations in FCAS and SIDS



Enhancing understanding of DMC contexts



The FCAS and SIDS Approach's three pillars define key action areas

- Countries need additional assistance to define or understand the context
- Additional resources needed to tailor approaches

