

ADB provides \$650 M to support upgrading Indonesia's healthcare facilities and labs

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Third in a series of ADB support to the Government of Indonesia in developing and implementing the postpandemic Health System Transformation Agenda

The Asian Development Bank (ADB) has approved a \$650 million investment loan to upgrade and enhance primary health care facilities and public health laboratories nationwide to improve prevention, detection, and treatment of communicable diseases, noncommunicable diseases, and other health conditions.

The Primary Healthcare and Public Health Laboratories Upgrading and Strengthening (PLUS) project directly supports two government projects under the Health System Transformation Agenda: the Strengthening of Primary Healthcare in Indonesia (SOPHI); and the Indonesia-Public Health Laboratory System Strengthening (InPULS).

The PLUS project will equip more than 10,000 primary health care facilities and more than 500 public health laboratories nationwide to fully meet the minimum service standards stipulated by the government. The support will include equipment procurement, delivery, commissioning, user training, operations and maintenance services (O&M), and capacity development in O&M.

The project will significantly contribute to climate change mitigation in the health sector by upgrading facilities with energy-efficient equipment. The strengthening of the public health laboratory network will also enhance health resilience and preparedness to handle future pandemic threats, including those related to climate change.