

**INDIGENOUS PEOPLES IMPACT CATEGORIZATION- Nimar 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)

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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**

[ X ] New [ ] Recategorization — Previous Category [ ]

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<input type="checkbox"/> Category A	<input type="checkbox"/> Category B	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Category C	<input type="checkbox"/> Category FI
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**D. Project requires the broad community support of affected Indigenous Peoples communities.**  Yes  No

**E. Comments**

Project Team Comments:	RSES Comments:
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**F. Approval**

<b>Proposed by:</b>	<b>Reviewed by:</b>
Project Team Leader, {Department/Division} Date:	Social Safeguard Specialist, RSDD/RSES Date:
Social Development Specialist, {Department/Division} Date:	<b>Endorsed by:</b> Director, RSES Date:
<b>Endorsed by:</b> Director, {Division}	<b>Approved by:</b> Chief Compliance Officer

Highly Complex and Sensitive Project

Date:

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### 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?		X		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?		X		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?		X		
4. Do such groups maintain collective attachments to distinct habitats or ancestral territories and/or to the natural resources in these habitats and territories?		X		
5. Do such groups maintain cultural, economic, social, and political institutions distinct from the dominant society and culture?		X		
6. Do such groups speak a distinct language or dialect?		X		
7. Has such groups been historically, socially and economically marginalized, disempowered, excluded, and/or discriminated against?		X		
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?		N/A		
<b>B. Identification of Potential Impacts</b>	N/A			

<b>KEY CONCERNS</b> (Please provide elaborations on the Remarks column)	<b>YES</b>	<b>NO</b>	<b>NOT KNOWN</b>	<b>Remarks</b>
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		

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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**

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

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