

CLIMATE INVESTMENT FUNDS

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**[APPROVAL BY MAIL]: BANGLADESH: POWER SYSTEM EFFICIENCY IMPROVEMENT
PROJECT – ADDITIONAL FINANCING- OFF GRID SOLAR PV: SOLAR IRRIGATION
(ADB)(SREP)- XSREBD064A**

COMMENTS FROM UNITED STATES

Have ADB staff evaluated the cumulative impacts of these solar irrigation pumps? Would the 2,000 solar irrigation pumps introduced under this project be expected to replace 2,000 existing pumps, add 2,000 new pumps, or some combination of the two?

Would this project include a capacity-building component to improve on-farm water management?

We note that the original project was Category A for E&S impacts while this sub-project is Category B. Could ADB staff explain the rationale for the difference in categorization between this additional sub-project and the original project?

Would there be any local content requirements for this project?