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Environmental and Social Completion Sheet (ESCS)

Overview

Project Name:	PROGRAMME DE MODERNISATION ROUTIERE
Project Number:	2012-0465
Country:	Morocco
Project Description:	The project included the rehabilitation of 26 engineering structures, road safety improvements, and the rehabilitation and widening of 1,720 km of roads.

Summary of Environmental and Social Assessment at Completion

EIB notes the following Environmental and Social performance and key outcomes at Project Completion.

The project consisted of rehabilitation of 26 engineering structures, road safety improvements, and the rehabilitation and widening of 1,720 km of roads. The original project description envisaged the rehabilitation and widening of 1,335 km of roads and 124 engineering structures, but the scope was amended during implementation to reflect delays in financing, evolving technical and financial circumstances, and the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic.

As the investments concerned only existing infrastructure and did not include any sections upgraded to four lanes or more, none of the components would have fallen under Annex I or II of the EIA Directive 2011/92/EU. Local legislation also did not require an Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) for these types of investments.

As the technical studies were developed, each component underwent individual environmental and social screening — including assessments for the presence of natural habitats and protected areas. Based on these screenings, appropriate protection and/or compensation measures were prepared in accordance with the Resettlement Policy Framework and the Environmental Management Framework (*Cadre de gestion environnementale*). These framework documents were finalised and approved by the Bank as a condition for the first disbursement.

The programme consisted primarily of works carried out within the existing right-of-way, and as such, the project's adverse impacts were mostly temporary and occurred during the construction phase, with negligible environmental or social impacts.

The project did not involve any involuntary resettlement or expropriation of land, properties, businesses, or other assets. Consequently, no persons were displaced as part of the works.

The programme's positive impacts stemmed from increased accessibility, improved road safety, and, in some areas, reduced emissions resulting from lower congestion.

Summary opinion of Environmental and Social aspects at completion:

EIB is of the opinion based on reports from the promoter and site visits by the EIB team during Construction that the Project has been implemented in line with EIB Environmental and Social Standards, applicable at the time of appraisal.