Session 3: Financing the Transition
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Who We Are

ADB is committed to achieving a prosperous, inclusive, resilient, and sustainable Asia and the Pacific, while sustaining its efforts to eradicate extreme poverty. Established in 1966, it is owned by 68 members—49 from the region.
ADB is Asia and the Pacific’s Climate Bank

What We Do

The Asian Development Bank (ADB) supports projects in developing member countries that create economic and development impact, delivered through both public and private sector operations, advisory services, and knowledge support.

- **ADB Strategy 2030 Operational Priority**: Tackling climate change, building climate and disaster resilience, and enhancing environmental sustainability
- **ADB’s 3/4 of the number of its operations** will support climate change mitigation and/or adaptation by 2030
- **Climate finance target**: ADB’s own resources to reach $100 billion cumulatively from 2019 to 2030.
MDB Support to the Steel Transition

- Multilateral Development Bank’s support to heavy industries has been relatively limited in the past 20 years, with higher involvement in the 1980’s and 1990’s.

- However, the role of hard-to-abate heavy industries (steel, aluminum and cement) in carbon emissions are requiring MDBs to renew efforts towards supporting these industries to decarbonize.

- These efforts fall within the wider efforts for Energy Transition, decarbonizing all sources of energy.

- Recent technology innovations, such as transformation of transport and industrial sector through electrification and hydrogen/ammonia create new opportunities.

- Decarbonization of hard-to-abate industries, like steel production, are now apart of MDBs effort to fight climate change.
ADB Support to the Steel Transition

- Similar to other MDBs, ADB had a limited role in heavy industry development. However, efforts related to climate change mitigation are creating new collaboration opportunities.

- Some recent ADB support has been limited to middle income countries (like the PRC) related to Technical Assistance for CCUS.

- But much more financial support is needed to help the steel transition into electric arc and green hydrogen in developing Asia, which are directly related to ADB’s climate change strategy.

- Support could be through technical assistance and sovereign lending to government agencies and SOEs. Also, private sector companies operating in ADB’s DMCs can benefit from ADB’s private sector financial products.

- ADB is interested in supporting the steel industry decarbonization and looking forward to collaborating with members of the WSA.
Thank you for your attention

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