



SAARC Development Fund

Eligible criteria for the submission of project proposal

Who Can Apply?

The following entities are eligible to apply for funding:

- Governmental Organizations of Member States preferably with a commitment for co-funding / financing;
- Not for Profit, Non-Government Organizations registered in any of the SAARC Member States having experience of working continuously for minimum of 5 years in the relevant field preferably with a commitment of co-funding;
- International Organizations with a commitment to provide technical assistance preferably with a commitment to co-fund SDF funded projects; and
- Private sector agencies registered in any of the SAARC Member States having experience of working continuously for minimum of 5 years in the relevant field with a firm commitment to co-fund SDF funded projects.

Funding Criterion

Potential implementing agencies must fulfill the following basic eligibility criteria for SW funding:

- **Uphold the principles of the SDF Charter:** Project should demonstrate how it will fulfil the objectives of the SAARC Charter;
- Have at least **3 or more SAARC Member States** participating in the proposed project;
- Firm **commitment to co-finance** following a 50:50 co-financing modality (cash only) from Implementing Agencies;
- **Eligibility of Implementing Partners(IPs):** With a view of mitigating risks and conflicts of interest to ensure integrity and impartiality, due diligence policies and processes will be undertaken in assessing the eligibility of the IPs, and co-fund.

The Project proposal has to be submitted as per the prescribed format of SDF. For more information, please visit <http://sdfsec.org/funding-windows>