Presentation

On

10 Years of SAARC Development Fund

By CEO,SDF Dr Sunil Motiwal

Regional Cooperation and Integration Through Project Collaboration
CELEBRATING 10 YEARS OF SAARC DEVELOPMENT FUND (SDF)

“SDF extends its warmest wishes to the people of all the eight SAARC Member States on the occasion of 10\textsuperscript{th} Anniversary of SDF, 28-29 April 2020.

SDF, as an umbrella financial institution for SAARC projects and programs, is fully committed towards promoting regional integration and economic cooperation through project funding and collaboration.”

Dr Sunil Motiwal, CEO
28 April 2020. www.sdfsec.org
SDF was inaugurated in 2010 by heads of the eight SAARC Member States – Afghanistan, Bangladesh, Bhutan, India, Maldives, Nepal, Pakistan and Sri Lanka.

Year 2020: 10 YEARS Of SDF

As a regional funding institution for programmes and projects in all the eight SAARC Member States, our mandate is to promote the welfare of the people of SAARC region, to improve their quality of life, to accelerate economic growth, social progress and poverty alleviation in the region and to contribute to “Regional Cooperation and Integration Through Project Collaboration”.
Governing Council

Board of Directors

SDF Secretariat

Finance Ministers of 8 SAARC Member States

Representatives from 8 Member States + SG, SAARC + CEO, SDF

• SDF Senior Management consists of CEO, Directors and Assistant Directors
• SDF Secretariat consists of Managers, Program Officers & Support staff
**SDF Funding Windows**

- **Social Window** funds projects on poverty alleviation, social development focusing on education; health; human resources development; support to vulnerable/disadvantaged segments of the society; funding needs of communities, micro-enterprises, rural infrastructure development.

- **Economic Window** extends funding to projects in Trade and Industrial Development, Agriculture and allied sectors, Services Sector, Science and Technology, and other non-Infrastructure areas.

- **Infrastructure Window** of SDF extends funding to projects in Energy, Power, Transportation, Telecommunication, Environment, Tourism and other Infrastructure areas.

- **Micro Small and Medium Enterprise (MSME) program**
  SDF proposes to fund MSME program in SAARC Member States. MSME funding scheme within the Economic Window of SDF. The MSME Funding Scheme of SDF has recently been approved in the 30th SDF Board meeting.
SAARC Development Fund

AFGHANISTAN

SOCIAL WINDOW
1. SABAH
2. MCH
3. ZECS
4. SAIEVAC
5. POST HARVEST
6. TOLL FREE
7. WASH
8. BAMBOO
9. NETWORKING
10. LIVELIHOOD
11. CAUCs
12. SAARC BIB

NEPAL

INFRASTRUCTURE WINDOW
1. 37 MW Upper Trishuli Hydroelectric Power Plant
2. Expansion of Koshi Corridor 220 kV Transmission Line
3. 593 MW Upper Karnali Hydroelectric Project

SOCIAL WINDOW
1. SABAH
2. MCH
3. ZECS
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BHUTAN

ECONOMIC WINDOW
1. Purchase of New ATR Aircraft

SOCIAL WINDOW
1. SABAH
2. MCH
3. ZECS
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PAKISTAN

SOCIAL WINDOW
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BANGLADESH

SOCIAL WINDOW
1. SABAH
2. MCH
3. Cc
4. SAIEVAC
5. POST HARVEST
6. CRP
7. TOLL FREE
8. BAMBOO
9. NETWORKING
10. LIVELIHOOD
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SRI LANKA

INFRASTRUCTURE WINDOW
1. 13.2 MW Waste to Energy Project

SOCIAL WINDOW
1. SABAH
2. MCH
3. Cc
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MALDIVES

SOCIAL WINDOW
1. SABAH
2. MCH
3. Cc
4. SAIEVAC
5. POST HARVEST
6. TOLL FREE
7. NETWORKING
8. LIVELIHOOD

PROJECTS - SOCIAL WINDOW
1. Strengthening the Livelihood Initiative for Home-based Workers in SAARC Region (SAHAM)
2. Strengthening Maternal and Child Health including Immunization (MCI)
3. Scaling up of Zero Energy Cold Storage technology for the vaccination/immunisation in the high hills of SAARC countries (ZECS)
4. Empowering Rural Communities: Reaching the Unreached (CRI)
5. South Asia Initiative to Tackle Violence Against Children (SAIVAC)
6. Post-Harvest Management and Value Addition of Fruits in Production Calculations in SAARC Countries (POST HARVEST)
7. Regional Inter-professional Master’s Programme in Rehabilitation Science (CRP) Phase I & II
8. Toll Free Helplines for Women and Children in SAARC Member States (TOLL FREE)
9. Strengthening of Water, Sanitation and Hygiene services in selected areas of SAARC Countries (WASH)
10. Promotion of Integrated Bamboo Based Enterprise Development among SAARC Countries (BAMBOO)
11. Networking and Capacity Building of Women Entrepreneurs (WEM) from SAARC Countries (NETWORKING)
12. Livelihood Enhancement of Small Farmers in SAARC Region through Small Agri-businesses focusing on Value Chain Development (LIVELIHOOD)
13. Consultancy for Scaling Up Climate Smart Agriculture in South Asia (CSA)
14. SAARC BIB and E-Commerce Trade Portal (SAARC BIB)
## Financial Achievements

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<td>SDF Authorized Capital</td>
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<td>SDF Total Capital Base</td>
<td>USD 529.37 Million</td>
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*SDF financials are audited by certified international external auditors*
Achievements under the Social Windows

Projects Approved
Implementing 80 projects (in 12 areas) under the Social window.

Funds disbursed
Disbursed USD 48.86 million for Social Window projects in all the SAARC Member States

The regional Social Window projects include strengthening the livelihood of home-based workers (SABAH), reducing the mother and child mortality, addressing the needs of farmers, providing Zero-Energy Cold storage facilities for agricultural products, delivering connectivity and content of e-governance to rural folks through ICT, ending violence against children and women, supporting inter-professional Masters Programme in rehabilitation science, improving access to water, sanitation and hygiene in the SAARC region and setting up a consortium of climate smart agriculture in South Asia.

54 Projects completed and 22 successfully closed
# Status of SDF projects

## SOCIAL WINDOW PROJECTS

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<td>Post- Harvest Management and Value Addition of Fruits in Production Catchments in SAARC</td>
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SDF Funded Social Window Projects in Bhutan

SAARC DEVELOPMENT FUND (SDF) FUNDED PROJECTS IN BHUTAN

SAARC Development Fund

WANGDUEPHODRANG
- MCH
- CeC

PUNAKHA
- MCH
- CeC

LHUNITSE
- MCH
- CeC

TRONGSA
- MCH
- CeC

THIMPHU
- SABAH
- CeC
- SAIVAC
- NETWORKING

PONGAR
- ZECS
- CeC

TASHIGANG
- MCH
- CeC

SAMTSE
- CeC
- WASH
- LIVELIHOOD

SAMDRUPJONGKHAR
- MCH

TSIRANG
- CeC

CHHUHKHA
- CeC
- PHT
- LIVELIHOOD

DAGANA
- MCH
- ZECS
- CeC

SARBANG
- SABAH
- CeC

ZHENGANG
- ZECS
- CeC
- BAMBOO

SAARC WINDOW - PROJECTS IN BHUTAN
- Strengthening the livelihood initiative for home-based workers in SAARC Region (SABAH)
- Strengthening Maternal and Child Health (MCH)
- Scaling up of Zero Energy Cold Storage (ZECS) technology for the horticultural commodities in the high hilly areas
- Empowering Rural Communities: Reaching the Unreached (CeC)
- South Asia Initiative to End Violence Against Children (SAIVAC)
- Post Harvest Management and Value Addition of Fruits in Production Catchments in SAARC Countries (PHT)
- Strengthening of Water, Sanitation and Hygiene (WASH) services in selected areas of SAARC Countries
- Promoting Integrated Bamboo Based Enterprise Development among SAARC Countries (BAMBOO)
- Networking and capacity building of women entrepreneurs (SMERU) from SAARC Countries (NETWORKING)
- Livelihood enhancement of small farmers in SAARC region through small agro-business focusing on value chain development (LIVELIHOOD)
SDF Funded Social Window Projects in Bhutan

Economic and Infrastructure Windows:

Purchase of ATR Aircraft for Druk Air : USD 13 M

Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSME) : USD 10 M

Social Window:

SDF’s fund commitment for Bhutan : USD 8.48 M
Total disbursement (as on July, 2019) : USD 7.29 M
Projects supported and implemented : 10
Ongoing projects : 3
Closed projects : 7

Total: USD 31.48 M
Achievements under Social Window

115 Community e-Centers (CeCs) - CeC Project

52 Special Care Newborn Units - MCH Project

24 Community Facilitation Centers (CFCs) - SABAH Project

1 five-floor international students hostel - CRP Project

12 Zero Energy Cold Storage - ZECS project.

8 Trade Facilitation Centers (TFCs) - SABAH Project.

12 pack houses, 6 processing centers, 6 cold stores, 2 fruit ripening chambers and 3 banana value addition facilities - Post-Harvest Project.
Equipment installed in SAARC MS

Medical equipment for 52 District Hospitals, 242 Sub-district Hospitals and 1,180 Health Post Centers / Community Health Centers - MCH Project

Equipment for 8 TFC, 24 CFC, 391 CeC, 1 Computer Lab, 18 Packing and Processing Centers, Classroom equipment and furniture for MSc. in Rehabilitation Science - SABAH, CeC, CRP, Post Harvest Project.

Trainings for:
16,080 Home-based Workers, 638 CeC Operators/entrepreneurs, 454 doctors, nurses and bio-medics.
Sustainability and advocacy

Sustainability

- **9,755** home-based workers (HBW) got regular work from the TFCs- SABAH project

- **USD 2.16 million** sales proceeds of home-based workers’ products & 23 sales outlets run by Women HBWs- SABAH Project

Advocacy:

- **251,700** outreach/awareness material on Child Protection printed and distributed- SAIEVAC Project

- Developed **2005 IEC** materials on Child Projection- SAIEVAC Project

- **5,243 people** (media, parents, students, parliamentarian) sensitized on Violence against Children (VAC)- SAIEVAC Project
Recently approved project under Social Window

| Title                                                                 | Consortium for Scaling Up Climate Smart Agriculture in South Asia  
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<td>Ifad</td>
<td>International Fund for Agricultural Development</td>
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<td>Objective</td>
<td>To promote sustainable and resilient agricultural intensification in south Asia through enhanced capacity to scale up CSA strategies and technologies.</td>
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| Implementing Agency                                                    | 1. National Agricultural Research and Extension Systems (NARES)  
|                                                                      | 2. SAARC Agricultural Centre (SAC)                                  |
| Proposed Budget                                                       | Total fund commitment of USD 3.65 million (Cash and In-Kind)  
|                                                                      | **Total fund- USD 3.65 million (Cash and In-Kind)**  
|                                                                      | **SDF- Cash USD 0.75 million**                                     |
|                                                                      | **IFAD –cash contribution USD 1.5 million**                        |
|                                                                      | In-kind Contribution: USD 1.4 m (USD 0.25m SAARC Agricultural Centre, USD 0.25m International Food Policy Research Institute, USD 0.6m Global Program on climate change adaptation & Food Security, USD 0.3 m National Agricultural Research & Extension Systems).  
|                                                                      | **Cash Contribution: USD 2.25 million**                            |
| Beneficiaries                                                         | Small holder farmers in SAARC Member States                         |
| Project Duration                                                       | 3 Years (2020 – 2022)                                              |
| MS participation                                                      | Afghanistan, Bangladesh, Bhutan, India, Nepal, Pakistan and Sri Lanka. |
# New Projects under Social Window

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<th>Duration</th>
<th>MS and Implementing Partners</th>
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| World Food Programme WFP Regional Bureau for Asia and Pacific, Thailand                      | 1. USD 25,655,222 2. USD 8,589,222 3. USD 17,066,000 | (3 years) | Nepal  
  - WFP Nepal  
  - Ministry of Industry, Commerce and Supplies, Govt of Nepal  
  - Nepal Food Corporation, Govt of Nepal  
  - Dept of Food Technology and Quality Control/Ministry of Agriculture & Livestock Development, Govt of Nepal  
  - WFP, Sri Lanka  
  - National Food Promotion Board, Ministry of Agriculture, Sri Lanka  
  - Dept of Agriculture of Ministry of Agriculture and Forests through Bhutan Food Fortification Taskforce comprising of below agencies:  
    - Ministry of Health (MoH), Ministry of Education (MoE), Gross National Happiness Commission, Bhutan Agriculture and Food Regulatory Authority, Food Corporation of Bhutan Ltd.  
    - World Food Programme (WFP) | 1. To provide technical assistance and capacity strengthening support to the government for expanding the distribution of fortified rice through national social safety net programs;  
  2. To provide technical assistance and capacity strengthening support to the regulatory and food safety agencies for an enabling policy and regulatory environment for rice and other staple food fortification; and  
  3. To increase awareness about healthy diets and adequate nutrient intake among the target population. |
| Scaling up fortified rice through social safety net programs across Bhutan, Nepal and Sri Lanka | RGOB (Cash): USD 6,722,000.00 WFP Bhutan (Cash): USD 110,000.00 WFP Nepal (Cash): USD 245,000.00 GON (Cash): USD 5,789,000.00 National Food Promotion Board, Ministry of agriculture, Govt of Sri Lanka (Cash): USD 4,200,000.00 |          | Nepal  
  - WFP Nepal  
  - Ministry of Industry, Commerce and Supplies, Govt of Nepal  
  - Nepal Food Corporation, Govt of Nepal  
  - Dept of Food Technology and Quality Control/Ministry of Agriculture & Livestock Development, Govt of Nepal  
  - WFP, Sri Lanka  
  - National Food Promotion Board, Ministry of Agriculture, Sri Lanka  
  - Dept of Agriculture of Ministry of Agriculture and Forests through Bhutan Food Fortification Taskforce comprising of below agencies:  
    - Ministry of Health (MoH), Ministry of Education (MoE), Gross National Happiness Commission, Bhutan Agriculture and Food Regulatory Authority, Food Corporation of Bhutan Ltd.  
    - World Food Programme (WFP) | 1. To provide technical assistance and capacity strengthening support to the government for expanding the distribution of fortified rice through national social safety net programs;  
  2. To provide technical assistance and capacity strengthening support to the regulatory and food safety agencies for an enabling policy and regulatory environment for rice and other staple food fortification; and  
  3. To increase awareness about healthy diets and adequate nutrient intake among the target population. |

**Beneficiaries:** The primary beneficiaries of the project will be school children. The project will address micronutrient deficiency among approximately 800,000 school children in Sri Lanka and Bhutan by introducing fortified rice through school feeding programme and in Nepal the project will reach 200,000 beneficiaries among vulnerable groups through the social safety net programme in remote geographies. In addition to the above beneficiaries the project will also benefit:  
- 1,000 government officials from the Ministry of Agriculture, Ministry of Health, NFPB and MPCS will receive training on standard setting, food safety and quality assurance (50 percent female, 50 percent female)  
- 5,000 schoolteachers and school caterers will receive training on rice fortification and food safety practices (70 percent female, 30 percent male)
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<td>USD 6.8 Mn 2. USD 3.4 Mn 3. USD 3.4 Mn</td>
<td>(3 years)</td>
<td>Bangladesh, India, Nepal, Pakistan</td>
<td>1. Climate impacted vulnerable communities supported to plan and implement resilient, inclusive, water and sanitation services, including environmental sanitation 2. Local government institutions at sub-district/district level provided with technical support to improve climate resilient water and sanitation services for target communities 3. Climate resilient WASH models, research, documentation and evidence based advocacy to influence policy and practice at state/provincial/national and South Asia regional level</td>
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<td><strong>Beneficiaries:</strong> Communities in the 4 countries with poor and excluded socio-economic backgrounds (women, children, people with disabilities, ethnic minorities, tribal and low caste communities) who are most exposed to climate and disaster risks, and suffer from underlying vulnerabilities associated with low levels of access to essential services including WASH and health, education and livelihood/income generation opportunities.</td>
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<td>Technical Assistance to SAARC Member Countries for Large Scale Solar Deployment</td>
<td>1. USD 986,453 2. USD 503,003 3.483,450</td>
<td>18 months</td>
<td>Bangladesh, Bhutan, Maldives, Nepal, Sri Lanka</td>
<td><strong>Primary Beneficiaries</strong> The direct beneficiaries of the project will be the relevant Ministries/Departments of each member country. In all five countries will be benefitted. The indirect beneficiaries of the project will be the other stakeholders in the solar and renewable energy sector. Understand the role for solar energy and identify scalable solar interventions in each country. 1. Strengthen eco-system for implementing these interventions through policy and regulations in each country. 2. Design large scale programs for solar intervention for each country.</td>
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<td>Afghanistan Proposal for COVID-19 Emergency response</td>
<td>Ministry of Public Health Afghanistan</td>
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<td>Health - Supply of Equipment - Health promotion - Preventive measures</td>
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<td>Bangladesh Proposal for COVID-19 Emergency Response</td>
<td>Ministry of Health and Family welfare</td>
<td>1.5 Mn</td>
<td>5 months</td>
<td>Health - Supply of Equipment - Health promotion</td>
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<td>Bhutan (2 proposals)</td>
<td>Department of Disaster Management Royal Government of Bhutan in collaboration with Ministry of Agriculture &amp; Forests, Ministry of Education, Local Government</td>
<td>1.0 Mn</td>
<td>1 year</td>
<td>Poverty alleviation, Education, Health, Human resources development, Support to vulnerable/disadvantaged segments of the society, micro-enterprises</td>
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<td>1. Enhancing food security &amp; providing e-learning in emergencies for the most vulnerable sections of the society.</td>
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<td>2. Emergency assistance to support the coronavirus pandemic response in Bhutan</td>
<td>Ministry of Health, Royal Government of Bhutan</td>
<td>1.58 Mn</td>
<td>2 years</td>
<td>Health - Response to COVID strengthened - ICU for COVID center at Eastern Regional Referral Hospital strengthened</td>
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<td>Maldives</td>
<td>Capacity Building for Strengthening Involvement of Women in Key Economic Sectors to Encourage Sustainable Economic Development in the Maldives</td>
<td>The national SME development body of the government, Business Center Corporation (a fully state-owned enterprise)</td>
<td>1.4 Mn</td>
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<td>Pakistan</td>
<td>Standard package for strengthening the preventive and curative activities for Mental health and Non-communicable diseases against COVID-19 and conduction of COVID-19 research activity nationwide through SDF</td>
<td>Ministry of National Health Services Regulations &amp; Coordination</td>
<td>1 Mn</td>
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<td>Sri Lanka (2 proposals submitted)</td>
<td>Establishment of new isolation building for Infectious Diseases at National Hospital Kandy.</td>
<td>National Hospital, Kandy, Ministry of Health and Indigenous Medical Services</td>
<td>1.47 Mn</td>
<td>6 months</td>
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<td>Sri Lanka</td>
<td>Product &amp; market diversification and Sustain the survival of SMEs affected due to COVID-19 Epidemic</td>
<td>Sri Lanka Export Development Board (SLEDB)</td>
<td>1 Mn Co-financing- 1Mn (Govt of Sri Lanka)</td>
<td>8 months</td>
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<td>Water Aid - Bangladesh, India, Nepal and Pakistan</td>
<td>Water Aid Bangladesh</td>
<td>SDF - 829,567 50% Co-financing-829,567</td>
<td>8 months</td>
<td>Health, Poverty alleviation, Support to vulnerable/disadvantaged segments of the society.</td>
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<td>Sri Lanka</td>
<td>Federation of Chambers of Commerce and Industry of Sri Lanka (FCCISL)</td>
<td>1.1 Mn</td>
<td>2 years</td>
<td>Health, Education and Human Resource Development</td>
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<td>12</td>
<td>Pakistan (Afghanistan, Bangladesh, Pakistan)</td>
<td>Department of Pathology and Laboratory Medicine, Aga Khan University</td>
<td>3 Mn</td>
<td>3 years</td>
<td>Desk review, Research, Survey, Education, Health, Human resources development, Support to vulnerable/disadvantaged segments of the society</td>
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**TOTAL SDF Funding** 16.9 Mn
Fund Mobilization

Fund Mobilization : Social Window

• Voluntary contributions from Member States and other institutions (within and outside SAARC region)
• Through CSR from Corporate
• “Line of Credit or Grant” and TA from potential Investors/ Banks/ FIs/ MDBs/RDBs etc for funds by availing
• Grants and Concessionary Loans combination from Member States and MDBs.
• Internal transfers from the surplus generated by the Economic and Infrastructure Windows of the Fund.
• Interest income from investment of surplus funds; recycling of loan funds.
• Advisory fees from managing other agencies funds/activities.

Fund Mobilization : Economic & Infrastructure Windows

• SDF to get rated by International Rating Agency.
• Availing Line of Credit from MDBs and IFIs.
• Avail Fund from International Capital and Debt Market.
• Issuance of Bond to raise Fund.
Achievements under the E&I Windows

**Projects Approved**

1. Transmission line project of Nepal Electricity Authority (NEA) under a sovereign loan of USD 15 million to the Government of Nepal.


**Funds disbursed**

- Disbursed USD 13 million loan to Drukair Corporation Ltd. for the Procurement of the ATR for Druk Air under the sovereign guarantee extended by the Royal Government of Bhutan.

Activation of E&I Windows

- SDF Board as approved 5 projects under its E&I window.

**Projects at negotiation stage for disbursement**

- SDF is currently considering some cross-border regional connectivity projects in renewable energy, transport, telecom and Information Technology & Communication (ICT) under the Economic and Infrastructure Windows of SDF.
Achievements under the E&I Windows

Launching of the Co-financing of Micro Small Medium Program in SAARC Member States

1. SDF proposes to launch its MSME program in order to upgrade Micro Small Medium Enterprises in the SAARC region by providing line of credit.

2. SDF would create access to financial services which can in-turn boost job creation, raise income, reduce vulnerability and increase investments in human capital in SAARC Member states.

Objective:

1. Considering limited resources of the SDF, Co Financing under MSME programme is strategically advantageous.
2. SDF is proposed to be positioned as a **REGIONAL FUNDING INSTITUTION** for funding MSME Sector in SAARC Member States.
Achievements on Strategic Alliances

Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with Leading Institutions
To Co-Finance the cross-border projects and leverage resources in the SAARC Member States, through the MoU, SDF has developed he working relationships with many organisations as follows:

MoUs signed:
1. Asian Development Bank. (ADB)
2. SAARC Bodies like South Asian University, SAARC CCI, SAARC Arbitration Council etc.
3. Small Industries Development Bank of India (SIDBI)
4. United Nations Development Program (UNDP)
5. UNICEF

MoUs to be signed:
1. Agence Française De Développement (AFD)
2. Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank (AIIB)
3. European Investment Bank
4. Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA)
5. New Development Bank (NDB)
6. The World Bank
7. UNESCAP
8. WFP
9. IFAD
Department Activities

“To strengthen the Credit Portfolio of SDF and implementing the robust RISK Management practices adhering towards the international lending norms”.

Core Scope of Work: Pre Sanction Credit Appraisal, Post Sanction Credit Appraisal, Post Sanction Risk Management.

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| 1.   | Credit Management       | a) Execution of ‘end-to-end Project Appraisal’ from concept to approval including project due diligence, debt structuring and defining the Credit Terms and Conditions under the Project Financing.  
     |                           | b) Referring the approved Credit Policy to define Credit Terms and Conditions.  
     |                           | c) Getting the Credit outlook and Credit Report on the borrowers from Secondary Data sources.                                                                                          |
     |                           | b) Identification of Credit Default Risk, Operational Risk, Market Risk, Maturity Risk, Country Risk, FX Risk, Political Risk, Legal Risk, Social & Environmental Risk, etc in the Projects to be financed by SDF.  
     |                           | c) For the in-principle approved projects, conducting Site Visits and Enhanced Due Diligence as the Risk Management activity.                                                                                           |
| 3.   | Investment Management   | Actively involved in identifying the options for the Investment of Funds in the Market Driven Products assuring MINIMUM ASSURED RETURN with Zero Risk and better return than FDs.                                                                 |


Admin & Finance

- Timely Preparation of Financial Statements based on IFRS
- Getting Financial Statements Audited - Ernst & Young, Chartered Accountants firm from Sri Lanka – SDF’s Auditor for FY 2019-2021 (Former Auditor was Deloitte Haskins & Sells, Kolkata, India)
- Effective Fund Management to maximize the Return with least Risk assumption
- Preparation of Budget (2020 Budget of the Secretariat has been approved by the Board)
- Procurement of Goods/Services as per Rules
- Active involvement in various committees formed for the evaluation of proposals
- Recruitment, Performance Appraisals and HR management
- Organization of various need based In-house training
- Active support with required logistics for various meetings (Project, Counterpart Agencies & Board Meeting) and events
- Adherence to Charter, Bylaws, Regulations & Policies while discharging day to day activities
**Internal Audit**

**Objectives:**

- Manage internal oversight activity of SDF
- Provide objective assurance to the SDF Management and Board
- Improve the SDF’s operations
- Help to establish a systematic & disciplined approach to achieve objectives
- Improve the effectiveness of risk management, governance & control process
- Promotes organizational values and ethical culture
- Provide advice and insight on policy, procedures & concurrent issues
Internal Audit

Achievements:
- Manage internal oversight activity of SDF
- Added value to the organization
- Completed internal audit of SDF Secretariat for FY 2017 & 2018
- Conducted audit of SDF funded 12 projects in 2018 and 1 in 2019
- Conducted field review mission of 20 projects in 2019
- Improved the policy based approach at entity wide operations
- Improved the governance, risk management & internal control process
- Provided advisory services to the management on concurrent issues

Plan for 2020
- Manage internal oversight activity of SDF
- Conduct internal audit of SDF Secretariat for 2019 (in progress)
- Carry out audit of SDF funded projects in its Member State
- Report to the board on observations and other audit results
Independent Third-party Evaluation of SDF funded project in MS

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Other departments of SDF

1. **IT** - For eg. Implementation of an ERP - Enterprise Resource Planning for the automation of various in-house process and Business Intelligent report generations
   - e Governance of the SDF funded projects by providing tech gadgets to the project people performing ground work for instant transfer of the task, validating in SDF and enter into the database system

2. **Legal** - Legal department is responsible for all kinds of legal services to our stakeholders and ensure legal compliance at SDF Secretariat

3. **Communications**: To strengthen visibility and credibility of SDF in the Member States through strengthened project communications
## Way Forward

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