

General Information

Name: Additional Financing (AF) for Georgia Emergency COVID-19 Response Project

Status: Ongoing

Duration: 26 July, 2021 - 30 April, 2023

Donor: International Bank for Reconstruction and Development (IBRD)

Project Implementing Entity: Project Implementation Unit, Ministry of Internally Displaced Persons from the Occupied Territories, Labour, Health and Social Affairs of Georgia

Budget: 28,700,000 EUR

Main Objective

On May 1, 2020, Georgia and the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development (IBRD) signed a loan agreement for the COVID-19 Emergency Response Project, which aims to prevent, detect and respond to the COVID-19 pandemic threats in Georgia and strengthen its national public health preparedness systems. On May 26, 2021, to facilitate vaccination of the population, a new subcomponent **1.3 Vaccine Procurement and Deployment** was added to the first component "Rapid Response to COVID-19" of the agreement, which aims to:

- Supporting Georgia's health sector in the acquisition and deployment of Project COVID-19 Vaccines;
- Strengthening Georgia's institutional framework to enable safe and effective vaccine deployment, including development of: (i) national policies surrounding prioritization of vaccine allocation; (ii) regulatory standards for vaccination; (iii) standards and protocols surrounding cold chain, supplies, storage, logistics, and training; and (iv) accountability, grievance, citizen and community engagement mechanisms;
- Supporting the development of Georgia's vaccine-related infrastructure, immunization systems, and service delivery capacity, including, inter alia, cold chain facilities, vehicles and logistics infrastructure, assessment of vaccine management capacity and training of delivery workers.