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**Q3** Does your national development strategy include trade priorities ? (i.e. Aid-for-Trade priorities)

**Yes**

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**Q4** If yes, please indicate your Aid-for-Trade priorities: Below are listed the most common priority areas grouped according to broad Aid-for-Trade categories. Please rank the top 5 priority areas among the ones listed below. (1 being the most important)

Export diversification	1
Regional integration	4
Trade facilitation	2
Trade policy analysis, negotiations and implementation	5
Transport infrastructure (airport, roads, rail, port)	3

Please specify further the priorities that you selected above as well as the main problems/obstacles encountered in furthering them and provide a weblink to the relevant strategy.

**CHALLENGES AND OPPORTUNITIES FOR DEVELOPMENT** 2.1. Challenges 2.2. Opportunities 2.3. The demographic window of opportunities 3. STRENGTHENING COUNTRY'S INSTITUTIONAL CAPACITY 3.1. Effective system of public administration 3.2. Development of regions 4. HUMAN CAPITAL DEVELOPMENT 4.1. Education and science 4.2. Health care and longevity 4.3. Social protection 4.4. Culture 4.5. Environment for living (Liveable environment) 4.6. Reduction of social inequalities 5. QUALITY OF ECONOMIC GROWTH AND EFFICIENCY OF THE REAL SECTOR OF ECONOMY 5.1. Real sector of economy 5.2. Productive employment 5.3. Financial sector 5.4. Investment climate link for national strategy - [http://nafaka.tj/images/zakoni/new/strategiya\\_2030\\_en.pdf](http://nafaka.tj/images/zakoni/new/strategiya_2030_en.pdf)

**Q5** Have your Aid-for-Trade priorities changed since 2016?

**Yes,**

Please specify further the priorities that you selected above, as well as the main problems/obstacles encountered in furthering them. Please include a weblink to the relevant strategy.:

The priorities of the government's National Development Strategy 2016–2030 are energy security and efficient use of energy, improved communications and reposition as a transit country, food security, nutrition and improve public access to quality food, and creation of jobs through increased private investment, economic diversification, and competitiveness. Three medium term development programs will be sequenced, with the first phase covering 2016–2020, where strategic directions will include developing an institutional support system, improving the business environment for private sector development, and increasing human capital productivity. The second phase (2021–2025) is planned for rapid growth of investments; while the third phase (2026–2030) is projected to mark the transition from industrialized growth strategies to diversified production and knowledge-based innovation. Link for information -

<https://www.adb.org/sites/default/files/institutional-document/190300/cps-taj-2016-2020.pdf>

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**Q6** If yes, please rank the top 3 drivers of these changes :(Please choose no more than 3 options)

Economic diversification	<b>2</b>
Industrialization objectives	<b>3</b>
New national development strategy	<b>1</b>

**Q7** Have these changes been reflected in your dialogue with development partners?

**Unsure**

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**Q8** Please provide names, titles, references or weblinks to policy documents relevant to Aid for Trade in your country.

<https://www.adb.org/sites/default/files/institutional-document/190300/cps-taj-2016-2020.pdf>

[http://nafaka.tj/images/zakoni/new/strategiya\\_2030\\_en.pdf](http://nafaka.tj/images/zakoni/new/strategiya_2030_en.pdf)

Responsible body - Ministry of Economic Development and Trade of the Republic of Tajikistan and Government of the Republic of Tajikistan

official website: <http://www.medt.tj/en/>

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**Q9** Is economic diversification a priority in your national or regional development strategy?

**Yes,**

If yes, please provide additional information (including as to how economic diversification is defined and measured).: The following triune task of this period will be tackled: the policy of import substitution with regard to the consumer goods, export diversification and expansion of investment opportunities in the national economy. The construction and reconstruction of the planned transport corridors will be completed and Tajikistan will get out of the railway siding, the way to the sea will be open, opportunities of transportation system operation will increase as a whole.

**Q10** What are the main constraints to economic diversification identified in your national or regional development strategy?(You may tick more than 1 box)

**High input costs** ,

**High trade costs** ,

**Limited services capacity,**

**Poor international competitiveness,**

**Transport infrastructure (airport, roads, rail, port)**

**Q11** Please indicate in which of category(ies) of aid-for-trade financing you receive aid-for-trade support for economic diversification.(You may tick more than 1 box and/or leave boxes unticked if you do not receive support)

Trade policy and regulations (Including training of trade officials, analysis of proposals and positions and their impact, support for national stakeholders to articulate commercial interest and identify trade-offs, dispute issues, institutional and technical support to facilitate implementation of trade agreements and to adapt to and comply with rules and standards)

Trade facilitation,

Trade-related infrastructure (Including physical infrastructure)

Transport and storage infrastructure

Trade development (Including investment promotion, analysis and institutional support for trade in services, business support services and institutions, public-private sector networking, e-commerce, trade finance, trade promotion, market analysis and development)

Banking and financial services

Agriculture,

Industry,

Travel and tourism

Trade related adjustment (Including supporting developing countries to put in place accompanying measures that assist them to benefit from liberalized trade)

**Q12** Does the aid-for-trade support you receive for economic diversification align with the priorities established in your national or regional trade and development strategy(ies)?

Yes

**Q13** Has your government recorded progress in economic diversification since the launch of the Aid-for-Trade initiative in 2006?

Unsure

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**Q14** If yes, please specify in which area(s):(You may tick more than 1 box)

Respondent skipped this question

**Q15** If yes, please also indicate in which sector(s): (You may tick more than 1 box)

Respondent skipped this question

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**Q16** In which category(ies) of Aid for Trade is the support you receive impactful for economic diversification?(You may tick more than 1 box and/or leave boxes unticked if you do not receive support)

**Trade policy and regulations (Including training of trade officials, analysis of proposals and positions and their impact, support for national stakeholders to articulate commercial interest and identify trade-offs, dispute issues, institutional and technical support to facilitate implementation of trade agreements and to adapt to and comply with rules and standards)**

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**Trade facilitation,**

**Trade-related infrastructure (Including physical infrastructure)**

,

**Transport and storage infrastructure**

**Trade development (Including investment promotion, analysis and institutional support for trade in services, business support services and institutions, public-private sector networking, e-commerce, trade finance, trade promotion, market analysis and development)**

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**Banking and financial services**

**Agriculture,**

**Industry,**

**Travel and tourism**

**Trade related adjustment (Including supporting developing countries to put in place accompanying measures that assist them to benefit from liberalized trade)**

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**Q17** What factors contribute to the success of the aid-for-trade support you receive for economic diversification?(You may tick more than 1 box. Please limit your answer to the top five factors)

Capacity to draft funding applications ,  
 Coordination among donors ,  
 Country ownership,  
 Donor interest in specific projects/programmes ,  
 Good trade-related infrastructure ,  
 Mobilization of domestic private investment ,  
 National/regional coordination,  
 Services capacity

**Q18** What factors may limit the success of the aid-for-trade support you receive for economic diversification?(You may tick more than 1 box. Please limit your answer to the top five factors.)

Diverging priorities between partner and donor ,  
 Inadequate infrastructure,  
 Failure to mobilize domestic private investment ,  
 Lack of country ownership ,  
 Lack of donor interest in specific projects/programmes ,  
 Limited financing for the private sector ,  
 Poor coordination among donors ,  
 Poor national/regional coordination

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**Q19** Does the Aid for Trade you receive help mobilize other forms of development finance for economic diversification (i.e. non-concessional financing, foreign direct investment, remittances, trade finance, etc.). **Yes**

**Q20** Which development partner(s) are the most important source of aid-for-trade financing for economic diversification?(You may tick more than 1 box)

**Australia,**  
**European Union,**  
**Finland,**  
**Germany,**  
**Japan,**  
**Korea,**  
**Switzerland,**  
**United Kingdom,**  
**United States,**  
**Asian Development Bank (AsDB) ,**  
**International Monetary Fund (IMF) ,**  
**Islamic Development Bank (IsDB) ,**  
**International Trade Centre (ITC) ,**  
**United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) ,**  
**World Bank ,**  
**World Trade Organization (WTO)**

**Q21** Which South-South partner(s) are the most important source of financing for your economic diversification?(You may tick more than 1 box)

**China,**  
**Turkey,**  
**Kingdom of Saudi Arabia ,**  
**Qatar**

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**Q22** Looking ahead, in which sector(s) will future support for economic diversification be most required? (You may tick more than 1 box)

**Agriculture,**  
**Industry,**  
**Services**

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**Q23** Looking ahead, in which category of aid-for-trade financing do you think that your government will require aid-for-trade support for economic diversification. (You may tick more than 1 box and/or leave boxes unticked if you do not receive support)

**Trade policy and regulations (Including training of trade officials, analysis of proposals and positions and their impact, support for national stakeholders to articulate commercial interest and identify trade-offs, dispute issues, institutional and technical support to facilitate implementation of trade agreements and to adapt to and comply with rules and standards)**

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**Trade facilitation,**

**Multilateral trade negotiations**

**Trade education/training,**

**Trade-related infrastructure (Including physical infrastructure)**

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**Transport and storage infrastructure**

**Banking and financial services**

**Agriculture,**

**Industry,**

**Travel and tourism**

**Trade related adjustment (Including supporting developing countries to put in place accompanying measures that assist them to benefit from liberalized trade)**

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**Q24** Is there any Aid-for-Trade project or programme for economic diversification that you would like to showcase as an example of best practice? (Please provide additional information and include weblinks as relevant)

For additional information please visit the web link:

<https://www.adb.org/sites/default/files/publication/189730/taj-export-diversification-growth.pdf>

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**Q25** Is economic empowerment a priority in your national or regional development strategy?

**Yes,**

If yes, please provide additional information on how economic empowerment is prioritized in your national or regional strategy.:

In the area of improving the actual policy on gender equality: Development of institutional mechanisms to incorporate national and international commitments on gender equality and women's empowerment in sectoral policies; In the area of promoting the creation of productive jobs: - Provision of support to small and medium sized enterprises in order to create employment in high-tech innovative industries, social sphere, taking into account empowerment of the youth and women;

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**Q26** For which groups does your national or regional development strategy seek to promote economic empowerment?(You may tick more than 1 box)

**Women's economic empowerment** ,  
**Micro, Small and Medium Sized Enterprises**

**Q27** Does the national or regional development strategy propose any indicators to track economic empowerment or include any targets to achieve?

**Yes**

**Q28** Does the national or regional development strategy link economic empowerment to participation in international trade?

**Unsure**

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**Q29** Please indicate in which category(ies) of aid-for-trade financing you receive aid-for-trade support for economic empowerment.(You may tick more than 1 box and/or leave all boxes unticked if you do not receive support)

**Trade policy and regulations (Including training of trade officials, analysis of proposals and positions and their impact, support for national stakeholders to articulate commercial interest and identify trade-offs, dispute issues, institutional and technical support to facilitate implementation of trade agreements and to adapt to and comply with rules and standards)**

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**Trade policy and administrative management** ,

**Trade facilitation,**

**Multilateral trade negotiations** ,

**Trade-related infrastructure (Including physical infrastructure)**

,

**Transport and storage infrastructure** ,

**Banking and financial services** ,

**Agriculture,**

**Industry,**

**Travel and tourism**

**Q30** Does the aid-for-trade support you receive for economic empowerment align with the empowerment priorities established in your national or regional trade and development strategy(ies)?

**Yes**

**Q31** How best can Aid for Trade make a contribution to women's economic empowerment?(You may tick more than 1 box. Please limit your answer to the top five factors)

Improving access to information ,  
 Improving access to global value chains ,  
 Improving the flow of goods at borders (Trade Facilitation)  
 ,  
 Providing access to finance ,  
 Supporting the growth and economic development of women  
 ,  
 Supporting the elaboration of gender-sensitive policies

**Q32** What forms of aid-for-trade financing, in your view, best support women's economic empowerment?(You may tick more than 1 box and/or leave all boxes unticked if you do not receive support)

Trade policy and administrative management ,  
 Trade education/training,  
 Communications infrastructure,  
 Business support services,  
 Banking and financial services ,  
 Travel and tourism ,  
 Trade related adjustment (Including supporting developing countries to put in place accompanying measures that assist them to benefit from liberalized trade.)

**Q33** What factors contribute to the success of Aid for Trade in promoting women's economic empowerment? (You may tick more than 1 box. Please limit your answer to the top five factors)

Alignment of aid-for-trade support with national/regional priorities ,  
 ,  
 Coordination among donors ,  
 Country ownership,  
 Donor interest in specific projects/programmes ,  
 Institutional capacity to implement projects ,  
 National/regional coordination,  
 Services capacity

**Q34** How best can Aid for Trade make a contribution to the economic empowerment of MSMEs?(You may tick more than 1 box. Please limit your answer to the top five factors)

- Improving the flow of goods at borders (Trade Facilitation)
- Supporting the growth and economic development of women
- Supporting the growth and economic development of Youth
- Upgrading business skills,
- Upgrading the energy infrastructure
- Upgrading the transport infrastructure,
- Improving access to foreign markets
- Improving access to global value chains
- Improving digital connectivity

**Q35** What forms of aid-for-trade financing, in your view, best support the economic empowerment of MSMEs? (You may tick more than 1 box and/or leave all boxes unticked if you do not receive support)

- Building productive capacity
- Agriculture,
- Trade policy and administrative management
- Trade facilitation,
- Multilateral trade negotiations
- Trade-related infrastructure (Including physical infrastructure)
- Transport and storage infrastructure
- Energy supply and generation infrastructure

**Q36** What factors contribute to the success of Aid for Trade in promoting the economic empowerment of MSMEs? (You may tick more than 1 box. Please limit your answer to the top five factors)

- Capacity to draft funding applications
- Country ownership,
- National/regional coordination,
- Services capacity

**Q37** How best can Aid for Trade make a contribution to Youth economic empowerment?(You may tick more than 1 box. Please limit your answer to the top five factors)

- Improving the flow of goods at borders (Trade Facilitation)
- Supporting the growth and economic development of women
- Upgrading business skills,
- Upgrading the energy infrastructure
- Upgrading the transport infrastructure,
- Improving access to foreign markets
- Improving access to global value chains

**Q38** What forms of aid-for-trade financing, in your view, best support to Youth economic empowerment?(You may tick more than 1 box and/or leave all boxes unticked if you do not receive support)

- Building productive capacity
- Agriculture,
- Trade facilitation,
- Multilateral trade negotiations
- Trade-related infrastructure (Including physical infrastructure)
- Transport and storage infrastructure
- Communications infrastructure

**Q39** What factors contribute to the success of Aid for Trade in promoting to Youth economic empowerment? (You may tick more than 1 box. Please limit your answer to the top five factors)

- Coordination among donors
- Donor interest in specific projects/programmes
- Good trade-related infrastructure
- Mobilization of domestic private investment
- Institutional capacity to implement projects
- National/regional coordination

**Q40** In your view, can Aid for Trade make a contribution to the achievement of the 2030 Sustainable Development Agenda ?

Yes

**Q41** If yes, please specify which Sustainable Development Goal or Goals (SDGs) Aid for Trade can help to achieve.(You may tick more than 1 box)Sustainable Development Goals:

- 1. No poverty ,
- 2. Zero hunger,
- 3. Good health and well-being ,
- 4. Quality education,
- 5. Gender equality ,
- 6. Clean water and sanitation ,
- 7. Affordable and clean energy ,
- 8. Decent work and economic growth ,
- 9. Industry, innovation and infrastructure ,
- 10. Reduce inequalities ,
- 11. Sustainable cities and communities ,
- 12. Responsible consumption and production ,
- 14. Life below water ,
- 15. Life on land ,
- 17. Partnership for the goals

**Q42** Which donor(s) are now the most important source aid-for-trade financing for your economic empowerment.(You may tick more than 1 box)

**Australia,**  
**European Union,**  
**Germany,**  
**Japan,**  
**Korea,**  
**Switzerland,**  
**United Kingdom,**  
**United States,**  
**Turkey,**  
**United Arab Emirates ,**  
**Asian Development Bank (AsDB) ,**  
**International Monetary Fund (IMF) ,**  
**Islamic Development Bank (IsDB) ,**  
**International Trade Centre (ITC) ,**  
**United Nations Economic Commission for Europe (UNECE)**  
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**World Bank ,**  
**World Trade Organization (WTO) ,**  
**United Nations Development Programme (UNDP)**

**Q43** Which South-South partner(s) are the most important source of financing for your economic empowerment?(You may tick more than 1 box)

**China,**  
**Turkey,**  
**Qatar,**  
**United Arab Emirates**



**Q44** Looking ahead, in which category(ies) of aid-for-trade financing do you think that further support for economic empowerment will be required.(You may tick more than 1 box and/or leave boxes unticked if you do not receive support)

- Building productive capacity** ,
- Agriculture,**
- Trade policy and regulations (Including training of trade officials, analysis of proposals and positions and their impact, support for national stakeholders to articulate commercial interest and identify trade-offs, dispute issues, institutional and technical support to facilitate implementation of trade agreements and to adapt to and comply with rules and standards).**
- ,
- Trade policy and administrative management** ,
- Trade facilitation,**
- Trade-related infrastructure (Including physical infrastructure)**
- ,
- Trade development (Including investment promotion, analysis and institutional support for trade in services, business support services and institutions, public-private sector networking, e-commerce, trade finance, trade promotion, market analysis and development.)**
- ,
- Fishing,**
- Travel and tourism**

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**Q45** Please provide any additional information that you think may be relevant.(Please references in the form or weblinks, document symbols etc.)

<https://www.adb.org/sites/default/files/publication/189730/taj-export-diversification-growth.pdf>  
[http://nafaka.tj/images/zakoni/new/strategiya\\_2030\\_en.pdf](http://nafaka.tj/images/zakoni/new/strategiya_2030_en.pdf)

**Q46** Is there any Aid for Trade project or programme for economic empowerment you would like to showcase as particularly important for your country or as an example of best practice?(Please provide any relevant additional information and include weblinks as relevant)

<https://www.adb.org/sites/default/files/institutional-document/190300/cps-taj-2016-2020.pdf>

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**Q47** CONSULTATION (Other ministries/agencies consulted in preparing this questionnaire reply):

Ministry of Economic Development and Trade of the Republic of Tajikistan

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