



BHUTAN RESIDENT MISSION

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Mr. Tashi Penjor
Chief, PPD
Ministry of Health
Thimphu, Bhutan

**Subject: Disclosure of Due Diligence Report on Waste Management under LN-4199
(Responsive COVID-19 Vaccines for Recovery Project under the Asia Pacific Vaccine
Access Facility)**

Dear Mr. Penjor:

We acknowledge with thanks the receipt of the revised due diligence report on waste management submitted under Loan BHU- 4199. The due diligence report included a sample facility survey and confirmed that the waste generated from the procurement of medical equipment and supplies under the proposed project can be managed and treated in an environmentally safe manner with existing infrastructure following relevant regulations. We request compliance with project-specific recommendations provided in the due diligence report including compliance with MoH undertaking regarding the supply of equipment only to the facilities having environmental preparedness with respect to bio-medical waste management, occupation and community health safety, and statutory compliances.

This revised due diligence report will be disclosed on the ADB website in accordance with ADB's Safeguard Policy Statement, 2009, and Access to Information Policy 2018.

Thank you.

Yours sincerely,

Shokhimardo Musaev
Officer In charge

cc: Mr. Sangay Tenzin, Project Coordinator, APVAX project, MOH

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