

UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
100 F Street, N.E.  
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REPORT OF  
ASIAN DEVELOPMENT BANK

In respect of the issue of the ADB's  
U.S.\$4,500,000,000  
0.50 per cent. Global Notes due 4 February 2026  
Series No.: 1231-00-1

Filed pursuant to Rule 3 of Regulation AD  
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The following information is filed pursuant to Rule 3 of Regulation AD in respect of the issue of U.S.\$4,500,000,000 principal amount of 0.50 per cent. Global Notes due 4 February 2026 (Series No.: 1231-00-1) (the “Notes”) of the Asian Development Bank (the “ADB”) under its Global Medium-Term Note Program (the “Program”).

Item 1.        Description of Obligations

The terms and conditions of the Notes are set forth in the Prospectus to the ADB’s Global Medium-Term Note Program dated 9 December 2020 (as amended and supplemented and together with the documents incorporated by reference therein, the “Prospectus”), previously filed under a report of the ADB dated 2 February 2021, and in the Pricing Supplement relating to the Notes dated 2 February 2021 (the “Pricing Supplement”), previously filed under a report of the ADB dated 2 February 2021. Certain other information about the ADB is provided in the form of an Information Statement, the latest version of which, dated 24 April 2020, was filed under a report of the ADB dated 24 April 2020.

The fiscal agent of the ADB with respect to the Notes is the Federal Reserve Bank of New York, 33 Liberty Street, New York, NY 10045.

Item 2.        Distribution of Obligations

See the Prospectus, pages 66 to 71 and the Pricing Supplement.

As of 2 February 2021, the ADB entered into a Terms Agreement, previously filed under a report of the ADB dated 2 February 2021, with Citigroup Global Markets Limited, HSBC Bank plc, Merrill Lynch International and Morgan Stanley & Co. International plc (the “Joint Lead Managers”), and the other managers named in the Terms Agreement (together with the Joint Lead Managers, the “Managers”),

pursuant to which the ADB has agreed to issue, and the Managers have severally but not jointly agreed to purchase, a principal amount of the Notes aggregating U.S.\$4,500,000,000 for an issue price of 99.759% of the principal amount less a management and underwriting fee of 0.125% of the principal amount. The Notes will be offered for sale subject to issuance and acceptance by the Managers and subject to prior sale. It is expected that the delivery of the Notes will be made on or about 4 February 2021.

The Managers propose to offer all the Notes to the public at the public offering price of 99.759%.

The respective principal amounts of the Notes that each of the Managers commits to underwrite are set forth opposite their names below:

Name	Principal Amount
Citigroup Global Markets Limited.....	U.S.\$1,096,875,000
HSBC Bank plc.....	U.S.\$1,096,875,000
Merrill Lynch International.....	U.S.\$1,096,875,000
Morgan Stanley & Co. International plc.....	U.S.\$1,096,875,000
Daiwa Capital Markets Europe Limited.....	U.S.\$22,500,000
Danske Bank A/S.....	U.S.\$22,500,000
Mizuho International plc.....	U.S.\$22,500,000
NatWest Markets Plc.....	U.S.\$22,500,000
Swedbank AB (publ).....	U.S.\$22,500,000
Total.....	U.S.\$4,500,000,000

### Item 3. Distribution Spread

See the Pricing Supplement, pages 3 and 6, and the Terms Agreement.

	<u>Price to the Public</u>	<u>Commissions and Concessions</u>	<u>Proceeds to ADB</u>
Per Unit	99.759%	0.125%	99.634%
Total	U.S.\$4,489,155,000	U.S.\$5,625,000	U.S.\$4,483,530,000

Item 4. Discounts and Commissions to Sub-Underwriters and Dealers

See Item 3.

Item 5. Other Expenses of Distribution

<u>Item</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Legal Fees .....	U.S.\$35,000*
Fees/Expenses of Independent Accountants .....	U.S.\$11,078*
Listing Fees (Luxembourg) .....	U.S.\$3,631*

\* Asterisks indicate that expenses itemized above are estimates.

Item 6. Application of Proceeds

See the Prospectus, page 6.

Item 7. Exhibits

- (a) (i) Prospectus relating to the Global Medium-Term Note Program dated 9 December 2020, previously filed under a report of the ADB dated 2 February 2021.
- (ii) Pricing Supplement dated 2 February 2021, previously filed under a report of the ADB dated 2 February 2021.
- (b) Copy of an opinion of counsel as to the legality of the Notes.
- (c) (i) Standard Provisions relating to the issuance of Notes by the ADB under the Program dated as of 9 December 2020, previously filed under a report of the ADB dated 2 February 2021.
- (ii) Terms Agreement dated 2 February 2021, previously filed under a report of the ADB dated 2 February 2021.
- (d) (i) Information Statement dated 24 April 2020, previously filed under a report of the ADB dated 24 April 2020.
- (ii) Prospectus and Pricing Supplement (see (a) above).

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Ladies and Gentlemen:

We have acted as special United States counsel to the several Managers (the “Managers”) named in the terms agreement dated as of 2 February 2021 between the Asian Development Bank (the “ADB”) and the Managers, in connection with the offering by the ADB of U.S.\$4,500,000,000 principal amount of 0.50 per cent. Global Notes due 4 February 2026 (Series No. 1231-00-1) (the “Notes”) pursuant to the ADB’s Global Medium-Term Note Program (the “Program”). This opinion letter is furnished as an exhibit to a report of the ADB of even date herewith filed with respect to the Notes pursuant to Regulation AD adopted by the Securities and Exchange Commission under Section 11(a) of the Asian Development Bank Act.

In arriving at the opinion expressed below, we have reviewed the following documents:

- (a) the Terms and Conditions of the Notes contained in the prospectus dated 9 December 2020 relating to the Program (as amended and supplemented and including the documents incorporated by reference therein) and the pricing supplement dated 2 February 2021;
- (b) the standard provisions dated as of 9 December 2020 relating to the issuance of Notes by the ADB;

- (c) an executed copy of the uniform fiscal agency agreement dated as of 20 July 2006, the letter of agreement dated 20 July 2006 from the ADB to the Federal Reserve Bank of New York (“FRBNY”) and the letter of acknowledgment dated 8 August 2006 from the FRBNY to the ADB;
- (d) the letter of instruction dated 2 February 2021 from the ADB to the FRBNY, authorizing and requesting delivery of the Notes; and
- (e) the opinion of the General Counsel of the ADB dated 4 February 2021 delivered to the Managers in connection with the offering of the Notes and the opinion of the General Counsel of the ADB dated 9 December 2020 in connection with the commencement of the Program.

In addition, we have reviewed the originals or copies certified or otherwise identified to our satisfaction of all such corporate records of the ADB and such other documents, and we have made such investigations of law, as we have deemed appropriate as a basis for the opinion expressed below.

In rendering the opinion expressed below, we have assumed the authenticity of all documents submitted to us as originals and the conformity to the originals of all documents submitted to us as copies.

Based on the foregoing, and subject to the further assumptions and qualifications set forth below, it is our opinion that the Notes, when they have been duly issued, delivered in book-entry form to or on behalf of the Managers and paid for, will constitute the valid, binding and enforceable obligations of the ADB.

Insofar as the foregoing opinion relates to the validity, binding effect or enforceability of any agreement or obligation of the ADB, (a) we have assumed that the ADB and each other party to such agreement or obligation has satisfied those legal requirements that are applicable to it to the extent necessary to make such agreement or obligation enforceable against it (except that no such assumption is made as to the ADB regarding matters of federal law of the United States of America or the law of the State of New York that in our experience normally would be applicable with respect to such agreement or obligation), (b) such opinion is subject to applicable bankruptcy, insolvency and similar laws affecting creditors’ rights generally and to general principles of equity and (c) such opinion is subject to the effect of judicial application of foreign laws or foreign governmental actions affecting creditors’ rights.

The foregoing opinion is limited to the federal law of the United States of America and the law of the State of New York.

We are furnishing this opinion letter to you at the request of the Managers in our capacity as counsel to the Managers, and this letter is solely for your benefit. This opinion letter is not to be relied on by or furnished to any other person or used, circulated, quoted or otherwise referred to for any other purpose. Notwithstanding the foregoing, you may furnish a copy of this opinion letter (with notice to us, which shall be given before furnishing such copy, when practicable) (a) if required by any applicable law or regulation, (b) to any regulatory authority having jurisdiction over you if required by such authority or (c) in connection with any actual or

threatened claim against you relating to the offering of the Notes if required to assist you in establishing defenses under applicable securities laws, it being understood and agreed that we assume no duty or liability whatsoever to any person furnished this letter in accordance with this sentence and that any such person is not entitled to rely on this letter in any manner as a result of being furnished this letter or for any other reason. We assume no obligation to advise you, or to make any investigations, as to any legal developments or factual matters arising subsequent to the date hereof that might affect the opinions expressed herein.

Very truly yours,

CLEARY GOTTlieb STEEN & HAMILTON LLP

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Jeffrey Karpf', written over a horizontal line.

By: \_\_\_\_\_

Jeffrey Karpf, a Partner