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ARD  Associates in Rural Development
AusAID  Australian Agency for International Development
BMZ  Bundesministerium für Wirtschaftliche Zusammenarbeit und Entwicklung (the German Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development)
BOO/BOT  Build-Own-Operate/Build-Own-Transfer
CAPLUS  Center for Asian and Pacific Law-University of Sydney
CEELI  Central and Eastern European Law Initiative
CHECCHI  Checchi and Company Consulting Inc.
CICETE  China International Centre for Economic and Technical Exchanges
CIDA  Canadian International Development Agency
DANIDA  Danish International Development Agency
DFID  Department for International Development (British)
DMC  Developing Member Country of the Asian Development Bank
EBRD  European Bank for Reconstruction and Development
FINNIDA  Finnish International Development Agency
FSVC  Financial Services Volunteer Corporation
GEF  Global Environment Facility
GTZ  Deutsche Gesellschaft für Technische Zusammen-arbeit
HSF  Hanns-Seidel Foundation
IBRD  International Bank for Reconstruction and Development
IDF  Institutional Development Fund (of the World Bank)
IMCC  International Management Communication Corporation
IMF  International Monetary Fund
ISAR  Initiative for Social Action and Renewal in Eurasia
IUCN  International Union for the Conservation of Nature and Natural Resources
JICA  Japan International Cooperation Agency
KAF  Konrad Adenauer Foundation
KPMG  KPMG Consulting (Asia Pacific) Pte. Ltd.
NDI  National Democratic Institute
NGO  Non-Government Organization
NORAD  Norwegian Agency for International Development
NOVIB  Netherlands Organization for International Relations
PRC  People's Republic of China
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BENEFICIARY PARTICIPATION AND PROJECT MANAGEMENT (T.A. No. 2564-BAN)

Funding Agency : The Netherlands Government (TA administered by ADB)

Executing Agencies : Local Government Engineering Department (LGED) of the Ministry of Local Government, Rural Development and Cooperatives

Amount : US$6,800,000

Project Description (legal component): TA to develop a master plan for the establishment of Water Management Associations (WMAs) including preparation of standard sample WMA by-laws; assistance in the formation of WMAs as co-operative societies.

Project Status : In progress. One hundred and eight WMAs have been formed and registered.

ADB Project Contact : Mr. Ki Hee Ryu
Forestry and Natural Resources Division (West)
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E-mail: kryu@adb.org

ORGANIZATIONAL REFORM OF BANGLADESH RAILWAYS, PHASE II (T.A. No. 2544-BAN)

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agency : Ministry of Communications
Railway Division
Rail Bhavan, Abdul Ghani Road
Bangladesh Secretariat, Dhaka
Fax: (8802) 456 4230

Amount : US$1,100,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance to the Government in drafting legislation to restructure Bangladesh Railways into an autonomous entity and prepare for corporatization.

Project Status : In progress

ADB Project Contact : Mr. Hans Carlsson
Transport and Communications Division (West)
Tel: (632) 632-6772
E-mail: hcarlsson@adb.org

CAPACITY BUILDING OF SECURITIES & EXCHANGE COMMISSION AND STOCK EXCHANGES (T.A. No. 2913-BAN)

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agency : Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC)
Fax: (8802) 9563721
**Amount**: US$1,100,000

**Project Description** (legal component): Assistance to the Government in: (i) drafting amendments to the SEC Act so that it will incorporate all existing securities legislation; (ii) drafting the regulatory framework and Memorandum and Articles of Association of the proposed central depository system; (iii) preparing various guidelines and regulations related to the capital market; and (iv) preparing cases for prosecution of securities laws offenders.

**Project Status**: In progress

**ADB Project Contact**: Mr. Virgilio Velasco  
Financial Sector and Industry Division (West)  
Tel: (632) 632-6386  
E-mail: vvelasco@adb.org

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**PROMOTING GOOD URBAN GOVERNANCE IN DHAKA (T.A. No. 3053-BAN)**

**Funding Agency**: ADB  

**Executing Agency**: Dhaka City Corporation  
Nagar Bhaban, Dhaka

**Amount**: US$150,000

**Project Description** (legal component): Review of the legal framework and operational rules regulating the role, responsibilities, and powers of central, zonal, and ward level administrations of Dhaka City Corporation with a view to developing a decentralized management style and measures for overall organizational streamlining.

**Project Status**: In progress

**ADB Project Contact**: Ms. Gulfer Cezayirli  
Water Supply, Urban Development and Housing Division (West)  
Tel: (632) 632-6879  
E-mail: gcezayirli@adb.org

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**LAND ADMINISTRATION REFORM (T.A. No. 3054-BAN)**

**Funding Agency**: ADB (from Japan Special Fund)

**Executing Agency**: Ministry of Land  
Bangladesh Secretariat  
Dhaka 1208  
Fax: (8802) 862-989/868-557

**Amount**: US$880,000

**Project Description** (legal component): Review of the existing legal and institutional frameworks relating to land adjudication to (i) identify the existing laws, ordinances, regulations, orders, manuals, and other legal instruments governing land administration; (ii) assess required reforms to support technical solutions agreed for modern cadastral surveys, which will introduce and provide legal validity to the proposed new certificate of land ownership (CLO); (iii) develop legal and institutional models to identify an achievable level of legal and institutional reform to produce the CLO; and (iv) prepare draft legislation as necessary.

**Project Status**: In progress
ADB Project Contact: Ms. Gulfer Cezayirli
Water Supply, Urban Development and Housing Division (West)
Tel: (632) 632-6879
E-mail: gcezayirli@adb.org

**ESTABLISHMENT OF A FRAMEWORK FOR SUSTAINABLE MICROFINANCE (T.A. No. 3078-BAN)**

**Funding Agency:** ADB

**Executing Agency:** Ministry of Local Government, Rural Development and Cooperatives

**Amount:** US$800,000

**Project Description** (legal component): Review of existing legislation relating to banking and financial institution operations with a view to drafting a comprehensive enabling legislation for bank microfinance institutions (MFI) and/or recommending amendments to existing legislation. The comprehensive bank MFI legislation will provide the legal basis for any externally funded project, nongovernment organization (other than Grameen Bank) or nonpilot District Bittaheen Bank to function as a bank MFI provided it satisfies the qualification criteria set forth in the legislation.

**Project Status:** In progress

ADB Project Contact: Mr. Maurice de Alwis
Agriculture and Rural Development Division (West)
Tel: (632) 632-6760
E-mail: mdealwis@adb.org

**SUPPORT FOR THE ENERGY REGULATORY AUTHORITY (T.A. No. 3129-BAN)**

**Funding Agency:** ADB (from Japan Special Fund)

**Executing Agency:** Power Cell/Ministry of Energy & Mineral Resources
Bhaban 6, Bangladesh Secretariat
Dhaka
Fax: (8802) 414060

**Amount:** US$900,000

**Project Description** (legal component): Assistance in the establishment of the Energy Regulatory Authority. This includes (i) review of existing legislation and regulation; (ii) preparation of draft framework for regulations; drafting of key regulations, licences, and codes, including grid, distribution, planning, industrial, and competitive tendering codes; and (iii) training for lawyers of sector executing agencies in the understanding and application of new regulations.

**Project Status:** In progress

ADB Project Contact: Ms. Dagmar Graczyk
Energy Division West
Tel: (632) 632-6238
E-mail: dgraczyk@adb.org

**PREPARING THE NORTHWEST AGRICULTURE DEVELOPMENT PROJECT (T.A. No. 3230-BAN)**
Funding Agency : ADB (from Japan Special Fund)

Executing Agency : Ministry of Agriculture
Bangladesh Secretariat
Dhaka

Amount : US$500,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance to (i) evaluate the legal and policy framework for agricultural inputs, trade, and services; (ii) identify legal constraints to enhancement of private and NGO sectors; and (iii) propose policy adjustments and legal initiatives to develop new forms of linkages between the public and private sectors.

Project Status : In progress

ADB Project Contact : Ms. Pratima Dayal
Agriculture and Rural Development Division West
Tel: (632) 632-6942
E-mail: pdayal@adb.org

KALNI-KUSHIYARA RIVER IMPROVEMENT (T.A. No. 3267-BAN)

Funding Agency : ADB (from Japan Special Fund)

Executing Agencies : Bangladesh Water Development Board
Dhaka

Ministry of Water Resources
Dhaka

Amount : US$500,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance to (i) review and analyze the existing policies and institutional and legal frameworks for financing of operations and maintenance and cost recovery in the water resources sector; (ii) review government laws and regulations regarding land acquisition, resettlement, and compensation; and (iii) review the legal status of the land that may need to be acquired (e.g. court disputes, land titles, etc.) and propose solutions for the acquisition of such land.

Project Status : In progress

ADB Project Contact : Mr. Adrian Ruthenberg
Forestry and Natural Resources Division West
Tel: (632) 632-6744
E-mail: aruthenberg@adb.org

HUMAN RIGHTS AND LEGAL EDUCATION

Funding Agencies : CIDA, DFID, European Commission and the Aga Khan Foundation

Executing Agency : BRAC
BRAC Centre
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75 Mohakhali CA
Dhaka - 1212

Amount : US$4,000,000

Project Description (legal component): Providing BRAC’s Village Organization (VO) group members with information and training on Muslim family law, fundamental rights guaranteed by the Constitution which reflect the provisions of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, the Criminal Procedure Code, the Muslim law of inheritance and land law, focusing on the empowerment of the VO group members legally and socially through increasing their knowledge of the law and human rights, leading to increased awareness of their legal rights and responsibilities and an increased willingness to act on these rights and responsibilities.

Project Status : In progress (1996-2000)

Project Contacts : Mr. Aminul Alam
Deputy Executive Director

Ms. Elina Zubaidy, Sector Specialist
BRAC Centre
75 Mohakhali C/A
Dhaka - 1212
Tel: (8802) 8824180-87
Fax: (8802) 8823542, 8823614, 8826448
E-mail: general@brac.bdmail.net

JUVENILE JUSTICE PROJECT

Funding Agency : UNICEF

Executing Agency : Ministry of Law, Justice and Parliamentary Affairs
Government of Bangladesh, Dhaka

Amount : US$500,000

Project Description: Assistance to review laws relating to juvenile justice and improve the implementation of these laws by training and sensitizing key implementors including judges, magistrates, police officers, social workers and personnel in charge of detention centers.

Project Status : In progress

UNICEF Project Contact : Mr. Gopalan Balagopal
Chief, Rights Cluster/CNSP
Tel: (8802) 9335810
E-mail: bgopalan@mail.unicef.bangla.net

STUDY OF THE USE OF THE LEGAL SYSTEM TO COMBAT VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN

Funding Agency : UNICEF

Executing Agency : Institute of Law and Development
52, Tejkunipara, Tejgaon, Dhaka-1215

Amount : US$1850
Project Description: Assistance for an in-depth analysis of the legal system related to violence against women by studying a selected number of judicial cases.

Project Status: In progress.

Project Contact: Ms. Sigma Huda
Institute of Law and Development
Tel: (8802) 9553741

CHILD TRAFFICKING PROJECT

Funding Agency: UNICEF, ILO

Executing Agency: Ministry of Women and Children's Affairs
Government of Bangladesh, Dhaka

Amount: US$1,500,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance to enhance the legal competence of enforcement agencies to deal with child trafficking.

Project Status: In progress

UNICEF Project Contact: Ms. Birgithe Lund-Henriksen
Programme Officer
Rights Cluster/CNSP
Tel: (8802) 9336701-18

DEMOCRACY PARTNERSHIP (AID-388-0249)

Funding Agency: USAID

Executing Agencies: The Asia Foundation
BRAC

Amount: US$12,000,000

Project Description (legal component): The project is designed to increase access to justice for the socially and economically disadvantaged in Bangladesh, focusing on alternative dispute and conflict resolution, access to justice, public defense and legal aid, and the rights of disadvantaged groups, particularly women and the landless.

Project Status: In progress. This project will end in September 2000.

Project Contact: Dr. Karen Casper
Representative
The Asia Foundation
House 3/B, Road 50
Gulsan, Dhaka-1212
Tel: (8802) 8826079
Fax: (8802) 8826134
E-mail: rep@tafbg.agni.com

JUDICIAL AND LEGAL CAPACITY BUILDING

Funding Agency: The World Bank
Executing Agency: Ministry of Law (MOL)

Implementing Agency: Supreme Court Registrar’s Office

Amount: US$45,000,000

**Project Description:** The project aims to: (i) improve the legal and institutional framework through advice regarding the revision/reform of key business laws and regulations; (ii) strengthen alternative dispute resolution (ADR) mechanisms and support the promotion and implementation of the Ombudsman Office; (iii) streamline courtroom administration and the court process and strengthen the capacity of MOL, especially in drafting and vetting legislation; (iv) improve human resource development and training of judicial personnel; (v) implement a management information system for the judiciary to improve transparency and efficiency of work; and (vi) build/upgrade physical infrastructure where necessary in the judicial sector.

Project Status: In progress

World Bank Project Contacts: Mr. Mohsin Ali Khan/Mr. G.M. Khurshid Alam
Bangladesh Field Office
The World Bank
3A Paribagh, Dhaka 1000
Tel: (8802) 8611056
Fax: (8802) 8613220

**PRIVATE SECTOR SUPPORT SERVICES PROJECT (TA FOR THE JUDICIAL AND LEGAL CAPACITY PROJECT)**

Funding Agency: Policy and Human Resources Development Fund (Japan)

Executing Agency: The World Bank

Implementing Agencies: Ministry of Law and Justice (MOL), other ministries concerned of the Government of Bangladesh, Supreme Court Registrar, Business Chambers, NGOs, and representatives from the legal profession.

Amount: US$293,000

**Project Description:** Diagnostic study for capacity building and reform of the legal and judicial system in Bangladesh in preparation for the Judicial and Legal Capacity Building Project. The study will focus on the issues of: (a) strengthening the legal and regulatory framework through the revision/reform of key business laws and regulations; (b) strengthening alternative dispute resolution (ADR) mechanisms and support for the promotion and implementation of the Ombudsman Office; (c) improving court administration, streamlining court procedures, and strengthening capacity of MOL, especially in the areas of drafting and vetting; (d) improving human resource development by way of developing judicial training and legal education; (e) implementing a management information system for the judiciary to improve transparency and efficiency of work; and (f) building/upgrading physical infrastructure where necessary in the judicial sector.

Project Status: In progress

World Bank Project Contacts: Mr. Mohsin Ali Khan/Mr. G.M. Khurshid Alam
Bangladesh Field Office
The World Bank
3A Paribagh, Dhaka 1000
Tel: (8802) 8611056
CAPACITY ENHANCEMENT OF THE JUDICIAL SYSTEM PROJECT

Funding Agency : The World Bank
Executing Agency : Ministry of Law and Justice (MOL)
Implementing Agencies : MOL, Law Commission, Judicial Administration Training Institute
Amount : US$312,700

Project Description: Assistance in institutional development/capacity building activities pertaining to the proposed Legal and Judicial Capacity Building Project, focusing on: (a) developing the institutional capacity needed to begin the work of modernizing business laws; (b) initiating measures towards the training of judges in business-related legal disciplines; and (c) introducing urgently needed measures to give ready access to the business community to legal information.

Project Status : In progress
World Bank Project Contact : Mr. G.M. Khurshid Alam
                        Bangladesh Field Office
                        The World Bank
                        3A Paribagh, Dhaka 1000
                        Tel: (8802) 8611056
                        Fax: (8802) 8613220

COMMERCIAL BANK RESTRUCTURING PROJECT

Funding Agency : Policy and Human Resources Development Fund (Japan)
Executing Agency : The World Bank
Implementing Agencies : Bangladesh Bank, Ministry of Finance
Amount : US$963,000

Project Description: Assistance to improve the environment for loan recovery through the creation of new laws (Money Loan Court Act, Debt Recovery Agencies Act, Deposit Insurance Ordinance), review of the existing laws, and amendment of the following laws: (a) Bangladesh Bank Order; (b) Bangladesh Bank (Nationalization) Order; (c) Banking Companies Act; (d) Transfer of Property Act; (e) Evidence Act; (f) Negotiable Instruments Act; and (g) Deposit Insurance Ordinance.

Project Status : In progress
World Bank Project Contact : Mr. Shamsuddin Ahmad
                        Bangladesh Field Office
                        The World Bank
                        3A Paribagh, Dhaka 1000
                        Tel: (8802) 8611056
                        Fax: (8802) 8613220

COMPLETED PROJECTS

Insurance Industry and Pension Provident Fund Refroms
Funding Agency : ADB
Executing Agency : Ministry of Commerce
Institutional Strengthening of the Privatization Board
Funding Agency : ADB
Executing Agency : Privatization Board

Gas Regulatory Authority
Funding Agency : ADB
Executing Agency : Ministry of Energy and Mineral Resources

Second Institutional Strengthening of Government/NGO Cooperation
Funding Agency : ADB
Executing Agency : NGO Affairs Bureau

Support to Destitute Women in Rural Areas
Funding Agency : European Commission
Executing Agency : The Asia Foundation

BHUTAN

CAPACITY_UPGRADING_OF_FINANCIAL_SECTOR_INFRASTRUCTURE_AND_ENTREPRENEURAL_DEVELOPMENT (T.A. No. 2902-BHU)
Funding Agency : ADB (from Japan Special Fund)
Executing Agencies : Ministry of Finance
Fax: (975 2) 23154
Royal Monetary Authority of Bhutan
Fax: (975 2) 22847
Amount : US$500,000
Project Description (legal component): Assistance in carrying out a legal and regulatory review of the financial sector.
Project Status : In progress
ADB Project Contact : Mr. Larry A. Boyer
Financial Sector and Industry Division (West)
Tel: (632) 632-6326
E-mail: lboyer@adb.org

POLICY AND LEGAL FRAMEWORK FOR POWER SECTOR DEVELOPMENT (T.A. No. 3112-BHU)
Funding Agency : ADB (from Japan Special Fund)
Executing Agency : Ministry of Trade and Industry
Division of Power (DOP)
Fax: (975 2) 22279
Amount : US$500,000
**Project Description** (legal component): Assistance to the Government in the preparation of draft legislation (primary and subsidiary legislation) for the power sector, and providing a legal framework for the future corporatization of DOP and for private sector participation in the power sector, especially the hydropower generation subsector in Bhutan.

**Project Status**: In progress

**ADB Project Contact**: Mr. Constantine Pappas  
Energy Division (West)  
Tel: (632) 632-6317  
E-mail: cpappas@adb.org

**UPGRADING THE ROYAL INSURANCE CORPORATION OF BHUTAN, RESTRUCTURING THE GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES PROVIDENT FUND AND INTRODUCING A PENSION SCHEME**  
(T.A. No. 3111-BHU)

**Funding Agency**: ADB (from Japan Special Fund)

**Executing Agency**: Royal Monetary Authority of Bhutan  
P.O. Box 154, Thimpu  
Fax: (975 2) 22847

**Amount**: US$500,000

**Project Description** (legal component): Assistance in (i) evaluation of the legal environment for the reform and restructuring of the Government Employees Provident Fund and introduction of a new pension plan; (ii) drafting of necessary regulations and legislation for the schemes; and (iii) evaluation of the legal environment for insurance operations in the country and preparation of draft regulations and legislation.

**Project Status**: In progress

**ADB Project Contact**: Mr. Larry Boyer  
Financial Sector and Industry Division West  
Tel: (632) 632-6326  
E-mail: lboyer@adb.org

**CAPACITY BUILDING OF THE CONSTRUCTION DEVELOPMENT BOARD**  
(T.A. No. 3156-BHU)

**Funding Agency**: ADB

**Executing Agency**: Construction Development Board  
P.O. Box 129, Thimpu  
Fax: (975 2) 23441

**Amount**: US$400,000

**Project Description** (legal component): Assistance in (i) ensuring that the procedures and systems implemented by the TA adhere to Bhutan's procurement and contracting laws and regulations; and (ii) the creation of an appropriate and speedy arbitration system.

**Project Status**: In progress

**ADB Project Contact**: Ms. Meeja Hamm
## DEVELOPING CAPACITY IN AUDIT AND INSPECTORATE FUNCTION (T.A. No. 2566-CAM)

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| Executing Agency | Ministry of Economy and Finance  
  Street 92, Sangkat Wat Phnom  
  Khan Daun Penh, Phnom Penh  
  Fax: (855-23) 61616  
  Tel: (855-23) 60606 |
| Amount | US$600,000 |
| **Project Description** (legal component): | Assistance in drafting an Audit Act and implementing guidelines in line with International Standards on Auditing. |
| Project Status | In progress |
| **ADB Project Contacts** | Mr. A. Talib  
  Office of the Auditor General  
  Tel: (632) 632-4016  
  E-mail: atalib@adb.org  
  Mr. Myo Thant  
  Programs Department (West)  
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  E-mail: mthant@adb.org |

## FINANCIAL SECTOR REVIEW

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| Executing Agency | National Bank of Cambodia  
  P.O. Box 25  
  22-24 Norodom Blvd., Phnom Penh |
| Amount | US$600,000 |
| **Project Description**: | The TA is aimed at formulating an agenda for the reform of the domestic financial sector, including a review of the legal framework for the financial sector. |
| Project Status | Proposal |
| **ADB Project Contact** | Mr. R. Limjoco  
  Financial Sector and Industry Division (West)  
  Tel: (632) 632-6490 |
CBA/BAKC COOPERATIVE PROGRAM

Funding Agency : CIDA Partnership Branch

Executing Agencies : Canadian Bar Association
                     Bar Association of the Kingdom of Cambodia

Amount : Can$89,720

Project Description: Assistance in training and exchanges of lawyers on the development of the bar and on professional and substantive law matters.

Project Status : In progress

Project Contacts : Ms. Robin Sully
                  Director, International Development
                  Canadian Bar Association
                  902-50 O’Connor Street
                  Ottawa, ON K1P 6L2, Canada
                  Tel: (613) 237 2925
                  Fax: (613) 237 0185
                  E-mail: robins@cba.org

Mr. Ang Eng Thong
President
Bar Association of the Kingdom of Cambodia
Justice and Law, No. 20R, Street 252
Chat Tomuk, Khand Daun Penh
Phnom Penh, Cambodia

STRENGTHENING OF JUDICIARY

Funding Agency : Service Culturel et de Coopération
                  French Embassy
                  Phnom Penh

Executing Agency : Ministry of Justice in partnership with the following French agencies and institutions:
                   - Ministère de la Justice
                   - Ecole Nationale de la Magistrature
                   - Ecole Nationale des Greffes
                   - Barreau de Lyon

Project Description: Provision of legal advisors to the Ministry of Justice for the drafting of laws and regulations, establishment of a legal documentation center and training of judges, prosecutors, clerks including a training of Cambodian trainers program led by the recipients of overseas training. Support for the creation of the Bar and training of lawyers to be admitted as members of the Bar.

Project Status : In progress.

Project Contacts : Mr. Maurice Gaillard
                   Advisor to the Ministry of Justice
                   Ministry of Justice - Sothcaros Bd
TRAINING COURSE FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF CIVIL AND COMMERCIAL LAW OF CAMBODIA

Funding Agency : JICA

Executing Agencies : Supreme Court, Japan

Research & Training Institute of the Ministry of Justice, Japan
Tel: 813-3592-8526
Fax: 813-3592-7753

Japan Federation of Bar Associations

Project Description: Assistance in establishing the basic infrastructure in the fields of civil and commercial laws including training of Cambodian lawmakers on the Japanese legal framework through seminars in Japan.

Project Status : In progress

Project Contact : Mr. Motoo Noguchi
Research and Training Institute of the Ministry of Justice, Japan
1-1-1 Kasumigaseki, Chiyoda-ku
Tokyo 100, Japan
Tel: 813 3592-8526
Fax: 813 3592-7753
E-mail: qzg05027@muj.biglobe.ne.jp

ENVIRONMENTAL TECHNICAL ADVISORY PROJECT (Project No. CMB/94/103)

Funding Agency : UNDP/Norway

Executing Agency : Ministry of Environment and other line ministries
H.E. Dr. Mok Mareth
Phnom Penh
Tel: (855-23) 427-884

Amount : US$2,987,400 (UNDP)
US$106,000 (Norway)

Project Description: Provision of capacity-building TA to key Government bodies, decision-makers, educators and the general public to improve the national capacity for sustainable environmental and natural resource management. Assistance and advice regarding draft legislation, regulations and inter-ministerial agreements to implement environmental responsibilities in a coherent manner.
Project Status: In progress

UNDP Project Contacts: Ms. Kaarina Immonen
Assistant Resident Representative

Ms. Makiko Omura
Programme Officer
53, Rue Pasteur, Boeng Keng Kang
Phnom Penh
Tel: (855-23) 216-167/216-257
Fax: (855-23) 426-429/721-042

PREPARATION FOR CAMBODIA’S MEMBERSHIP IN ASEAN (Project No. CMB/96/006)

Funding Agency: UNDP

Executing Agency: UN Office for Project Services (UNOPS)
New York

Implementing Agencies: Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation
Ministry of Economy and Finance
Ministry of Commerce

Amount: US$436,793

Project Description (legal component): The Project is designed to provide comprehensive assistance related to Cambodia's preparations to join the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN), including advice regarding accession to ASEAN agreements and related legal reforms.

Project Status: In progress

UNDP Project Contact: Mr. Jeff Kaplan
Project Manager/Adviser
ASEAN Project - CMB/96/006
UNDP Cambodia
No. 53, Rue Pasteur, Boeng Keng Kang
Phnom Penh, Cambodia
Tel: (855-23) 427-718/(855-12) 807-401
Fax: (855-23) 426-429

DEMOCRATIC INITIATIVES PROJECT (AID-442-0111-1)

Funding Agency: USAID

Executing Agency: The Asia Foundation

Amount: US$14,578,928

Project Description (legal component): Assistance to NGOs and other local partners, supporting activities that strengthen the protection and promotion of human rights and encourage increased civil sector leadership in promoting democratic practices and public accountability.
Project Status : In progress (until 31 March 2000)

Project Contact : Mr. Jon Summers
Representative
The Asia Foundation
P.O. Box 536 P.T.T.
Phnom Penh
Tel: (855-23) 217-553/216-895/367-262
Fax: (855-23) 362-344

TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE PROJECT (Cr. No. 2664 KH)

Funding Agency : The World Bank

Executing Agency : Ministry of Economy and Finance

Amount : SDR 11,600,000

Project Description (legal component): Strengthening institutional capacity for controlling public expenditures by developing a legal and regulatory framework for public accounting. Strengthening institutional capacity for managing foreign debt by developing the legal framework. Legal TA for private sector development. Provision of legal advisory services to the Ministry of Justice, Council of Jurists, and Legal Reform Unit. Preparation and implementation of master plan for drafting and revision of priority economic and financial laws and regulations. Legal training for judges, lawyers, civil servants and other professionals. Establishing an automated system for publication on a regular basis in Khmer, French and English of (i) Official Journal; (ii) higher court decisions, jurisprudence and doctrinal writings; and (iii) trademark gazette.

Project Status : In progress

World Bank Project Contact : Mr. Raj Soopramanien
(legal component) Legal Department
Tel: (202) 522-1610
Fax: (202) 522-1590

RULE OF LAW DEVELOPMENT: LABOR LAW EDUCATION OF WOMEN AND CHILDREN

Funding Agency : The World Bank

Executing Agency : Ministry of Education, Youth, and Sport

Amount : US$470,700

Project Description: Assistance in the development of the rule of law through labor law education and dissemination including: (i) the production of training materials on Cambodia’s labor laws and regulations with a special emphasis on women, children, and the disabled; (ii) the provision of training to ministry officials, labor inspectors, judges, vocational training center managers, employers, women workers, disabled workers, and students in these laws and regulations; (iii) training of future trainers; and (iv) the development of a pilot labor dispute resolution program.

Project Status : Proposal

World Bank Project Contact : Mr. Raj Soopramanien
Legal Department
Tel: (202) 458-1610
COMPLETED PROJECTS

Agricultural Policy Reform Support
Funding Agency : ADB
Executing Agency : Office of Council of Ministers

Programme Support to Governance, Democracy and Human Rights in Cambodia
Funding Agencies : UNDP/Norway/Netherlands
Executing Agency : UN Office for Project Services

CHINA, PEOPLE’S REPUBLIC OF

RESTRUCTURING OF INSOLVENT STATE ENTERPRISES (T.A. No. 2748-PRC)
Funding Agency : ADB
Executing Agency : State Economic and Trade Commission
26 Xuan Wu Men, West Avenue, Beijing
Postcode 100053
Tel: (8610) 6304-5377
Amount : US$600,000

Project Description: The TA aims to assist the Government with training of officials, judges and administrators responsible for reorganization or liquidation of insolvent PRC entities under the insolvency laws. The TA will assist in developing capacity in the judiciary, the Government departments concerned and insolvency practitioners in multiparty negotiations of workouts, implementation of reorganization plans and winding up insolvent entities in the PRC. The TA will provide international experience in bankruptcy legislation and procedures, and training of Government staff.

Project Status : In progress

ADB Project Contact : Mr. Henry C. Pitney
Office of the General Counsel
Tel: (632) 632-4897
E-mail: hpitney@adb.org

INSTITUTIONAL STRENGTHENING OF LOCAL RAILWAYS IN SHAANXI PROVINCE (T.A. No. 2878-PRC)
Funding Agency : ADB (from Japan Special Fund)
Executing Agency : Shaanxi Xiyan Railway Company
Xian, Shaanxi Province
Fax: (8629) 223-2442
Amount : US$400,000

Project Description (legal component): The TA will assist in the corporatization of Shaanxi Local Railway Company into a limited liability entity under the Company Law.
Project Status : In progress
ADB Project Contact : Mr. Randhir S. Soin
Transport and Communications Division (East)
Tel: (632) 632-6663
E-mail: rsoin@adb.org

REGULATORY FRAMEWORK FOR THE ENGAGEMENT OF CONSULTANTS  (T.A. No. 3138-PRC)

Funding Agency : ADB (from Japan Special Fund)
Executing Agency : State Science and Technology Commission of China
15B, Fuxing Road, Beijing 100862
Fax: (8610) 8511833/8512645

Amount : US$700,000

Project Description: The TA will help establish policies and a regulatory framework for the consulting industry in PRC.

Project Status : In progress
ADB Project Contact : Mr. R. J. Robertson
Consulting Services Division
Tel: (632) 632-6131
E-mail: rrobertson@adb.org

CORPORATIZATION, LEASING AND SECURITIZATION IN THE ROAD SECTOR (T.A. No. 2952-PRC)

Funding Agency : ADB (from Japan Special Fund)
Executing Agency : State Planning Commission
38 Yuetannanjie
Beijing, PRC
Fax: (8610) 6850-1854

Amount : US$1,000,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance in reviewing legislation, policy guidelines and Stock Exchange regulations and identifying needed changes to promote corporatization, leasing and securitization in the road sector.

Project Status : In progress
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STRENGTHENING OF PRC LEGAL INFORMATION SYSTEM (T.A. No. 3000-PRC)

Funding Agency : ADB
Executing Agency: Bureau of Legislative Affairs
State Council
Mail Box 1750, Beijing 100017
Fax: (8610) 6309-7699

Amount: US$630,000

Project Description: Assistance in strengthening the institutional capacity of the Bureau of Legislative Affairs to enable it to establish and operate effectively a legal information system disseminating official foreign language translations of legal information.

Project Status: In progress

ADB Project Contact: Mr. Xiaohua Peng
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POWER SECTOR RESTRUCTURING (T.A. No. 2917-PRC)

Funding Agency: ADB (from Japan Special Fund)

Executing Agency: State Power Corporation
137 Fuyou St., Beijing 100031
Fax: (8610) 6601-6077

Amount: US$804,700

Project Description (legal component): Assistance in examining the regulatory regime with a view to identifying the changes in government policies and the legal framework required to improve the regulatory regime, make it more independent, and give effect to the competitive environment.

Project Status: In progress

ADB Project Contact: Mr. Kanamanapalli Sridhar
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CHINA NATIONAL AUTOMATED PAYMENTS SYSTEM (T.A. No. 2938-PRC)

Funding Agency: ADB

Executing Agency: People’s Bank of China (PBC)
32 Cheng Fang St., Western District
Beijing 100800
Fax: (8610) 6601-6724

Amount: US$750,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance in reviewing and recommending measures to strengthen PBC’s existing legal and regulatory framework and practices, and recommending measures to improve the participating commercial banks’ practices in the context of the national implementation program.
TA CLUSTER FOR PROMOTION OF CLEAN TECHNOLOGY
SUBPROJECT 3: LEGISLATIVE SUPPORT FOR CLEAN TECHNOLOGY (T.A. No. 3079-PRC)

Funding Agency: ADB

Executing Agency: National People’s Congress
No. 23, Xijiaominxiang
Beijing 100805
Fax: (8610) 6309-8439

Amount: US$352,000

Project Description: The TA will review and analyze related laws and regulation that might affect the introduction of clean technologies, including those relating to labor, bankruptcy, investment, capital and profit repatriation, and outline required modifications.

Project Status: In progress

ADB Project Contact: Mr. Aminul Huq
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PENSION REFORM (T.A. No. 3148-PRC)

Funding Agency: ADB

Executing Agency: Ministry of Labor
12 Hepingli Zhangjie
Beijing 100716
Fax: (8610) 6421-1624

Amount: US$1,800,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance in the development of proposals for legal reform to implement the new pension system. This includes (i) review of the existing and draft pension legislation for State-owned, privately-owned, foreign-owned, rural and township enterprises; (ii) development of legislation and regulatory amendments needed to provide an effective and efficient legal and regulatory environment for the new pension system; and (iii) drafting of the legal framework required to extend the coverage of the public pension system to non-state sectors and for development of supplemental insurance.

Project Status: In progress

ADB Project Contact: Mr. Jaseem Ahmed
Financial Sector and Industry Division (East)
PROVINCIAL LEGISLATION ON ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AND NATURAL RESOURCES CONSERVATION (T.A. No. 3123-PRC)

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agency : Environment Protection and Natural Resources Committee
National People's Congress
No. 23, Xijiaominxiang
Beijing 100805
Fax: (8610) 6309-8439

Amount : US$300,000

Project Description: Assistance in the development of local legislation for water pollution prevention and control, and land law administration, using Sichuan province as a case study. After the case study, two seminars will be held to disseminate the experience and knowledge from the study to legislative drafters in other provinces.

Project Status : In progress

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DEVELOPMENT OF ECONOMIC LAWS (T.A. No. 3279-PRC)

Funding Agency : ADB (from Japan Special Fund)

Executing Agencies : Legislative Affairs Commission
Great Hall of the People
Beijing
Fax: (8610) 6309-6644

Office of Legislative Affairs
Mail Box 1750
Beijing 100017
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Amount : US$1,400,000

Project Description: Assistance in the preparation of (i) amendment to the Company Law; (ii) revision of the Bankruptcy Law; (iii) trust law; (iv) regulations on closedown of, and bankruptcy procedure for, financial institutions; (v) social security law; (vi) laws on registration of commercial and industrial organizations; and (vii) law on administrative licensing.

Project Status : In progress
CAPACITY BUILDING OF THE INSURANCE SECTOR REGULATORY SYSTEM  
(T.A. No. 3302-PRC)

Funding Agency :  ADB (from Japan Special Fund)

Executing Agency :  China Insurance Regulatory Commission  
No. 410 Fu Cheng Men Nei Dajie  
Xicheng District, Beijing  
Fax: (8610) 6601-1869

Amount :  US$700,000

Project Description (legal component):  Strengthening of the legal and regulatory framework and operational guidelines for the PRC insurance sector in line with international standards.

Project Status :  In progress

ADB Project Contact :  Mr. Ying Qian  
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YELLOW RIVER FLOOD MANAGEMENT SECTOR  (T.A. No. 3259-PRC)

Funding Agency :  ADB (from Japan Special Fund)

Executing Agency :  Ministry of Water Resources  
No. 2 Lane 2 Baiguang Road  
Beijing 100053  
Fax: (8610) 6354-8037

Amount :  US$930,000

Project Description (legal component):  Review of the adequacy of legal and regulatory framework, and procedures for enforcement as part of the Government’s flood management plan to ensure that a comprehensive approach has been adopted for flood management throughout the river basin, and that all appropriate options have been considered to arrive at a cost-effective, technically sound, and socially acceptable plan.

Project Status :  In progress

ADB Project Contact :  Mr. Tetsuro Miyazato  
Forestry and Natural Resources Division East  
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POLICIES AND STRATEGIES FOR SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT OF THE LANCANG RIVER BASIN
(T.A. No. 3139-PRC)

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agency : State Planning Commission
Third Regional Division
38, S Yue Tan Street
Sanlihe, Beijing
Fax: (8610) 6851-1589

Amount : US$660,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance to (i) review existing laws relating to the designation and development of river basins, as well as environmental laws, and recommending any necessary changes in legislation for carrying out the proposed development works; and (ii) review legal and other obligations in relation to international rivers, and propose any policy revisions that may be needed to ensure that PRC meets its international water law obligations.

Project Status : In progress

ADB Project Contact : Mr. M. Jamilur Rahman
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BANKING SUPERVISION AND LIQUIDITY RISK MANAGEMENT SYSTEM
(T.A. No. 3098-PRC)

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agency : People’s Bank of China
32 Cheng Fang St.
Beijing 100800
Fax: (8610) 6606-7509

Amount : US$825,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance in (i) review of existing legal and regulatory framework in the context of the objectives of the TA; and (ii) proposals for changes in the legal and regulatory framework and practices in the context of the Shanghai regional and head office of the People’s Bank of China.

Project Status : In progress

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INSTITUTIONAL STRENGTHENING OF THE HUANENG GROUP (T.A. No. 3100-PRC)

Funding Agency : ADB
Executing Agency: China Huaneng Group (CHNG)
Huaneng Bldg.
No. 23A Fuxing Road
Beijing
Fax: (8610) 6822-3349

Amount: US$750,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance in (i) review of the legal and regulatory background against which CHNG operates, including the laws and regulations on Government enterprises, investment planning, environmental control, foreign investment, taxation, and accounting procedures; and (ii) identifying areas in the legal framework that can be strengthened.

Project Status: In progress

ADB Project Contact: Mr. Julius Ordonha
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HAI RIVER BASIN WASTEWATER MANAGEMENT AND POLLUTION CONTROL
(T.A. No. 3095-PRC)

Funding Agency: ADB (from Japan Special Fund)

Executing Agency: State Environmental Protection Administration
15 Nanxiaojie, Xizhimenne
Beijing 100035
Fax: (8610) 6615-1776

Amount: US$570,000

Project Description (legal component): Analyze the Government's present policy framework (the Water Pollution Prevention and Control Law and related regulations) for wastewater management and pollution control, and identify strengths, weaknesses, efficiencies, inefficiencies, issues, and areas needing action, particularly at the provincial and municipal levels.

Project Status: In progress

ADB Project Contact: Mr. In-Ho Keum
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LEGISLATION DRAFTING SUPPORT FOR SECURITIES INVESTMENT FUNDS LAW

Funding Agency: ADB

Executing Agency: Financial and Economic Committee
National People's Congress
No. 23 Xijiaominxiang
Beijing
Amount: US$400,000

**Project Description:** Assistance for the preparation of the Securities Investment Fund Law through the following components: (i) review of the draft Law by international and domestic experts; (ii) comparative study on the laws and regulations of other countries; and (iii) training in legislation drafting skills, and workshops and international seminars.

**Project Status:** Proposal

**ADB Project Contact:**
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**CAPACITY BUILDING OF THE CAPITAL MARKETS’ REGULATORY SYSTEM**  
(T.A. No. 3304-PRC)

**Funding Agency:** ADB (from Japan Special Fund)

**Executing Agency:** China Securities Regulatory Commission  
Jin Rong Street, Xi Change District  
Beijing 100032  
Fax: (8610) 6621-0206

**Amount:** US$1,000,000

**Project Description (legal component):** Assistance in review of the legal framework for the capital markets, identify deficiencies, and prepare recommendations for the establishment of an integrated and sound capital market legal system.

**Project Status:** In progress

**ADB Project Contact:**  
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**INSTITUTIONAL STRENGTHENING OF THE CINDA ASSET MANAGEMENT COMPANY**  
(T.A. No. 3303-PRC)

**Funding Agency:** ADB (from Japan Special Fund)

**Executing Agency:** China Cinda Asset Management Corporation  
Beijing Dong Huan Plaza  
No. 29, Dong Zhong Road  
Dong Cheng District, Beijing  
Fax: (8610) 6418-1218

**Amount:** US$800,000

**Project Description (legal component):** Assistance in the formulation of a legal framework for asset management companies (AMCs). This includes (i) compilation and review in English of existing legislation, regulations, rules, and administrative orders relevant for AMC operations; (ii) study of cases, laws and practices of foreign countries; (iii) preparation of bylaws, rules, guidelines, and procedures for international operations of various activities; (iv) participation in Cinda AMC’s effort to enact the Financial Asset Management Company
Chapter of the State-owned Asset Law; and (v) assistance in the selection of cases resolving nonperforming loans in different sectors, and the compilation of cases to serve as case laws for future court proceedings.

**Project Status**: In progress

**ADB Project Contact**: Mr. Ying Qian  
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**CAPACITY BUILDING IN TRAFFIC SAFETY, PLANNING, AND MANAGEMENT**  
(T.A. No. 3341-PRC)

**Funding Agency**: ADB (from Japan Special Fund)

**Executing Agency**: Ministry of Public Security

**Amount**: US$600,000

**Project Description** (legal component): Assistance in (i) review of legislation, acts, policy guidelines, and other rules and regulations relevant to road traffic and the prosecution patterns; and (ii) identifying areas in the current legal system, especially regarding citations and prosecutions where revisions are needed.

**Project Status**: In progress

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**SONGHUA RIVER FLOOD WETLAND AND BIODIVERSITY MANAGEMENT**  
(T.A. No. 3376-PRC)

**Funding Agency**: ADB (from Japan Special Fund)

**Executing Agency**: Ministry of Public Security

**Amount**: US$600,000

**Project Description** (legal component): Assistance in (i) review of current statutory frameworks for Songhua River basin management (including provisions relating to land use and prevention of encroachment into unsafe areas); and (ii) formulation of recommendations at the provincial and regional levels for legislative and regulatory reforms in accordance with the Government's water sector reform agenda.

**Project Status**: In progress

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**ADMINISTRATIVE LAW REFORM**
Funding Agency: The Asia Foundation

Amount: US$300,000

Project Description: Assistance in (i) the development of new laws and regulations in licensing, compulsory enforcement and pricing and fees; (ii) preparation of an Administrative Procedure Law; and (iii) improved accountability and enforcement of administrative law. Grant beneficiaries and project principals include the National School of Administration, the Legislative Affairs Commission of the National People’s Congress, the State Council’s Office of Legal Affairs, and the Administrative Law Research Group.

Project Status: In progress (1999 - December 2001)

Project Contact: Mr. Allen C. Choate
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LEGAL AID AND LEGAL LITERACY

Funding Agency: The Asia Foundation

Amount: US$710,000

Project Description: The multi-year project will provide grants and other forms of technical assistance to the Ministry of Justice, the National Legal Aid Center, selected universities and non-profit organizations to establish and improve legal aid services and popular legal education activities. Support is being extended for the establishment and initial operations of sub-provincial legal aid centers in poor regions; for the expansion and improvement of university-based legal aid services; for the extension of legal aid services to a wider constituency such as migrant women workers; and for media-based legal literacy programs and the wider dissemination of legal information to the general public.

Project Status: In progress (October 1999 - September 2002)

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THE REFORM OF ECONOMIC LAW IN CHINA

Funding Agency: AusAID

Implementing Agency: China University of Political Science and Law
University of Canberra

Amount: AUD$199,695
**Project Description:** The objective of this project is to collaboratively develop a comparative database on Chinese economic law reform, which would then be made available to a wider community. This will be achieved through seminars, workshops and training exchanges, as well as through joint publications and monographs in areas such as insolvency and joint venture law reform.

**Project Status:** In progress (1997-2000)

**Project Contact:**
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Second Secretary  
Australian Embassy  
21 Dong Zhi Men Wai Dajie  
Beijing, P.R. China 100600

**ASSESSMENT OF RECENT ADMINISTRATIVE AND ECONOMIC LEGISLATION IN SHANGHAI ECONOMIC ZONES**

**Funding Agency:** Australia-China Council, Australian Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade

**Executing Agency:** CAPLUS

**Project Description:** The aim of the project is to examine the legislative process in the Shanghai Government and the legal status of the regulations passed and policies formulated by the local government with a view to eliminating any inconsistency with national laws. The project will focus on administrative and economic legislation concerning foreign investment in the Shanghai economic zones.

**Project Status:** In progress

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**CANADA-CHINA SENIOR JUDGES TRAINING PROJECT**

**Funding Agency:** CIDA

**Executing Agency:** University of Montreal  
Canada

**Amount:** Can$4,200,000

**Project Description:** Under this institutional capacity-building project undertaken with the National Judges College of the People’s Supreme Court, two generations of senior Chinese judges will receive training in order to become trainers of judges within the College. A ten-month training programme will be held in Canada during which training will be provided in Substantive Law, Legal Theory, Adult Education techniques as well as in Judicial Practice; internship within law firms and with Canadian judges will also be provided. A preparatory programme will be offered in China as well as a post-training programme. Six joint seminars will be organized by the Project in cooperation with the National Judges College and will be opened to Chinese practicing judges.

**Project Status:** In progress. Expected completion - late Fall 2000.
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CBA/ACLA COOPERATIVE PROGRAM

Funding Agency: CIDA Partnership Branch

Executing Agencies: Canadian Bar Association
The All China Lawyers Association

Amount: Can$89,720

Project Description: Assistance in training and exchanges of lawyers on the development of the Bar and on professional and substantive law matters.

Project Status: In progress (1998-2001)

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LEIDEN-BEIJING LEGAL TRANSFORMATION PROJECT

Funding Agency: Dutch Ministry of Education

Executing Agency: Van Vollenhoven Institute

Amount: US$207,200

Project Description: The TA aims at (i) providing Chinese lawyers with training in Dutch and European law; and (ii) conducting research into ways of making modern Chinese law more accessible to non-Chinese. The TA includes training courses in the PRC to enhance PRC lawyers' knowledge of continental legal systems for the purpose of assisting in the reform of PRC laws. Courses are being offered in Dutch Civil and Commercial Law and Dutch Company Law. Research in PRC law has focussed on tax and environmental law.

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INITIATIVE IN JUDICIAL REFORM

Funding Agency: Ford Foundation
Amount: US$2,200,000

Project Description: The initiative supports a number of projects to strengthen the judiciary and to encourage thinking in China about changes that would make the judiciary a more professional, effective and respected institution. The project focuses on four elements: (i) exploration of ideas for reform and experimentation with such reforms in Chinese courts; (ii) development of new approaches to judges' training that emphasize development of professional values, examination of courts' dispute resolution roles, and legal skills-building rather than study of substantive law; (iii) development of the judicial profession; and (iv) research by Chinese groups to understand better how Chinese courts and judges actually function.

Status: In progress

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INITIATIVE IN CRIMINAL JUSTICE SYSTEM REFORM

Funding Agency: Ford Foundation
Amount: US$700,000

Project Description: The initiative supports a number of projects to reform the criminal justice system to strengthen the protection of individual rights, heighten the importance of procedures, redefine the roles of prosecutors, judges and lawyers, and improve the caliber and professionalism of prosecutors.

Status: In progress

Project Contact: Ms. Phyllis Chang
INITIATIVE IN “LAW-IN-ACTION”

Funding Agency : Ford Foundation

Amount : US$1,100,000

Project Description: The initiative supports a number of projects to transform law in China from an abstract concept with limited impact on actions of either state officials or individuals, to a concrete tool that can be used by individuals to realize their rights and check abuse of state power, and by the state to govern with more accountability, fairness and transparency. In addition to building legal consciousness, the projects seek to give lawyers, students and citizens practical experience in using laws and legal processes to protect individual rights, to further social justice, and to identify barriers in the implementation of laws.

Status : In progress

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SINO-GERMAN COOPERATION IN ECONOMIC LAW AT THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN TRADE AND ECONOMIC COOPERATION

Funding Agencies : German Government, GTZ

Executing Agency : Department of “Treaty and Law” at the Ministry of Foreign Trade and Economic Cooperation (MOFTEC)

Amount : DM 4,000,000

Project Description: The objective of this project is to impart knowledge of economic and foreign trade law to MOFTEC staff by means of further training and advice, thus contributing towards the promotion and completion of the overall legal prerequisites [sic] in the People’s Republic of China. The training is concentrated on courses on Chinese Contract Law, Law on Reorganization, Guarantee Law, and Law on Foreign Investment Enterprises.

Project Status : In progress

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**ADVISORY SERVICE TO THE FINANCIAL AND ECONOMIC COMMITTEE OF THE NATIONAL PEOPLE’S CONGRESS OF THE PEOPLE’S REPUBLIC OF CHINA**

**Funding Agencies**: German Government, GTZ  
**Executing Agency**: Financial and Economic Committee of the National People’s Congress of the People’s Republic of China  
**Amount**: DM 4,000,000  
**Project Description**: Advisory service to the Financial and Economic Committee on the reform of commercial laws (particularly the Bankruptcy Law, Securities and Future Trade Law), and on drafting a law on Foreign Exchange and Public Procurement.  
**Project Status**: In progress  
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**RURAL OFFICIAL TRAINING CENTRE (CPR/99/503)**

**Funding Agency**: UNDP  
**Executing Agency**: The Ministry of Foreign Trade and Economic Cooperation  
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**Amount**: US$1,574,582  
**Project Description** (legal component): Strengthening the capacity of the MoCA in the implementation of the Organic Law.  
**Project Status**: In progress (1996-2000)
**TAX POLICY AND ADMINISTRATION REFORM (CPR/96/512)**

**Funding Agencies**: UNDP, IMF

**Executing Agency**: CICETE

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**Implementing Agency**: State Administration of Taxation

**Amount**: US$934,000 (UNDP)
US$545,000 (IMF)

**Project Description** (legal component): Assistance to strengthen the tax system through policy reforms and legislative initiatives to increase transparency of the tax system. Specific legislative initiatives will address personal income tax, enterprise income tax, inheritance tax, securities tax, value-added tax, excise tax and customs duties. A new Basic Tax Law and a revised Tax Administration Law will be drafted, to set out the general principles of the tax system, clarify the powers of tax officials and the rights of taxpayers, and provide for new collection enforcement measures such as third-party levies.

**Project Status**: In progress (1997-2000)

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**STATE ASSETS MANAGEMENT REFORM (CPR/96/514)**

**Funding Agency**: UNDP

**Executing Agency**: CICETE

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**Implementing Agency**: Ministry of Finance

**Amount**: US$700,000
**Project Description**: Assistance to develop and implement a new system for state asset management through legislative and regulatory processes, in particular the drafting of a State Asset Management Law.

**Project Status**: In progress (February 1999 - Dec. 2000)

**UNDP Project Contact**

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**IMPLEMENTATION OF TRADE EFFICIENCY IN CHINA CUSTOMS (CPR/96/508)**

**Funding Agency**: UNDP  
**Executing Agency**: CICETE  
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Tel: (8610) 6204-3571  
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**Implementing Agency**: Customs General Administration

**Amount**: US$1,586,750 (UNDP)  
US$12,000,000 (Government)

**Project Description** (legal component): Assistance to (i) improve trade efficiency in China by strengthening China Customs' capability in legislation administration; and (ii) update the Customs Law and regulations to speed up Customs clearance.

**Project Status**: In progress (1996-2000)

**UNDP Project Contact**

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**STRENGTHENING THE CAPACITY OF CHINA’S LEGAL AID SYSTEM (CPR/99/502)**

**Funding Agency**: UNDP  
**Executing Agency**: CICETE  
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**Implementing Agency**: Legal Aid Center of the Ministry of Justice
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Fax: (8610) 6608-1319

Amount : US$320,000

**Project Description**: Assistance to the Ministry of Justice in strengthening its capacity to implement the principle of “governing the country according to law” by improving legal aid service to the poor. This includes training of legal aid workers at all levels, developing and publishing a “legal aid handbook”, and developing a comprehensive interactive legal aid website.

**Project Status** : In progress (November 1999 - November 2001)

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**PROMOTION OF REFUGEE LAW PROGRAMME**

**Funding Agency** : UNHCR

**Executing Agency** : CICETE  
Mme. Liang Dan, Director-General  
18 Beisanhuan Zhonglu, Beijing 100011  
Tel: (8610) 6204-3571  
Fax: (8610) 6441-2453

Amount : US$72,550

**Project Description** (legal component): Assistance in providing training to officials who will be involved in drafting refugee legislation and in implementing asylum legislation.

**Project Status** : In progress (1997-2002)

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**ECONOMIC LAW REFORM PROJECT (Cr. No. 2654 CHA)**

**Funding Agency** : The World Bank

Amount : SDR 6,900,000

**Project Description** (legal component): The project objective is to assist the PRC in improving the legal framework to support economic reform by: strengthening the training methods, curricula and opportunities for law teachers, legal practitioners and legal, judicial and other government personnel in the theory and practice of the new legal framework; and strengthening the key legal institutions responsible for legislation and the implementation of economic laws. The project consists of three parts: sub-projects to support preparation of legislation; sub-projects to support legal training; and institutional support.

(a) Sub-projects under the legislative component would support the preparation of laws (and their supplementary regulations and implementing rules) included in the National People’s Congress (NPC) five year
(1993-98) legislative agenda, which would assist in the development of a market economy (about 54 laws are considered in this category). Initial sub-projects include support for the drafting of a revised bankruptcy law, unified contract law, tax laws, anti-monopoly law and implementing regulations for the foreign trade law.

(b) Sub-projects under the training component would be expected to assist short-term needs in practical training of legal personnel as well as long-term strengthening of the legal training system, such as through curriculum development. Training sub-projects would be expected to address primarily in-country training and would not be limited to training at the national level in Beijing.

(c) The institutional support component would provide targeted assistance to key legal institutions whose functions will expand and grow in importance in a market economy. The NPC’s Commission on Legislative Affairs, which reviews and revises all drafts submitted to the NPC and is also responsible for the drafting of selected laws, would modernize its document processing and circulation with new office equipment and technology and would upgrade its databases of foreign laws, for reference purposes. The State Council’s Bureau of Legislative Affairs would upgrade and extend its database of Chinese laws, State Council regulations, ministerial circulars and provincial legislation and regulations. Funds would be provided for various government agencies to be joined in a legal information network. Assistance to the Ministry of Justice in re-designing the lawyers’ examination system and continuing legal education will also be provided.

Project Status : In progress

World Bank Project Contact : Ms. Nicolette DeWitt
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SICHUAN GAS DEVELOPMENT AND CONSERVATION PROJECT (Loan No. 3716 CHA)

Funding Agencies : (a) The World Bank (IBRD Loan)
(b) Japanese Government (Grant)
(c) GEF (Grant)

Amount : (a) US$255,000,000
(b) ¥150,000,000
(c) SDR 7,300,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance in (a) formulation of a restructuring action plan encompassing, inter alia, the following areas: (i) the development of legal, regulatory and contractual regime for onshore oil and gas activities, and (ii) corporatization and commercialization of oil and gas enterprises; and (b) carrying out the said restructuring action plan.

Project Status : (a) The World Bank (IBRD Loan) - in progress
(b) Japanese Government (Grant) - completed
(c) GEF (Grant) - in progress

World Bank Project Contact : Mr. Clifford Garstang
Legal Department
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COMPLETED PROJECTS

Implementation of the Fujian Province Electric Power Bureau Corporatization and Restructuring Program
Funding Agency : ADB
Executing Agency : Fujian Province Electric Power Bureau

Seminar on BOT in the Water Supply Sector
Funding Agency : ADB
Executing Agency : Ministry of Water Resources

Integration of Securities Market
Funding Agency : ADB
Executing Agency : China Securities Regulatory Commission

Institutional Strengthening of Local Railways in Sichuan
Funding Agency : ADB
Executing Agency : Sichuan Province Planning Commission

Capacity Building for Environmental and Natural Resources Legislation
Funding Agency : ADB
Executing Agency : Environmental Protection Committee of the National People's Congress

BOT for Changsha Power Generation
Funding Agency : ADB
Executing Agency : State Power Corporation

BOT for Chengdu Water Supply
Funding Agency : ADB
Executing Agency : People's Bank of China

Establishment of National Procurement Regulations for the Public Sector
Funding Agency : ADB
Executing Agency : Policy and Research Department

Improvement of Environmental Management in Shaanxi Province
Funding Agency : ADB
Executing Agency : Shaanxi Provincial Planning Commission

Restructuring Xiamen Harbor Management and Improving Port Management Information System
Funding Agency : ADB
Executing Agency : Xiamen Harbor Bureau

Promotion of Energy-Saving Construction Materials
Funding Agency : ADB
Executing Agency : Department of the State Administration of Building Materials Industry

Legislation Drafting Support for Securities Law
Funding Agency : ADB
Executing Agency : Financial and Economic Committee

Policies and Regulatory Framework for the Construction Industry
Funding Agency : ADB
Executing Agency : Ministry of Construction

Practical Training Scheme for Chinese Lawyers in the United Kingdom
Funding Agencies : DFID/European Commission

Regulation of Securities and Futures Market
Funding Agency : UNDP
Executing Agencies : CICETE/Department of International Technical and Economic Relations of the Ministry of Foreign Trade and Economic
COOK ISLANDS

URBAN INFRASTRUCTURE (T.A. No. 3085-COO)

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agency : Office of the Prime Minister
                  Rarotonga
                  Tel: (682) 24594
                  Fax: (682) 26497

Amount : US$790,000

Project Description (legal component): Under Phase I of the project, review of enabling legislation of existing institutions and regulatory agencies will be carried out and advice will be provided on necessary amendments to or revisions of the legislation relating to sustainable water supply, and solid and liquid waste management services. Phase II will provide assistance in drafting enabling legislation to underpin the institutional and policy reforms identified in Phase I.

Project Status : In progress

ADB Project Contact : Mr. E. Gordon Fox
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FIJI

PUBLIC ENTERPRISE REFORM (PHASE II) (T.A. No. 3242-FIJ)

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agency : Ministry of Commerce, Industry, Cooperatives and Public Enterprises
                  P.O. Box 2278, Government Buildings
                  Suva
                  Fax: (679) 315-035

Amount : US$600,000

Project Description (legal component): Advice to the Department of Public Enterprise on the legal aspects of the process of restructuring or divesting of the government's interest in public sector enterprises concerned.

Project Status : In progress

ADB Project Contact : Mr. Eugenue Zhukov
URBAN SECTOR STRATEGY STUDY (T.A. No. 3243-FIJ)

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agency : Ministry of Housing and Urban Development
Suva
Fax: (679) 303-515

Amount : US$670,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance in reviewing and updating the town planning regulations and building and sanitation bylaws. This includes review of the Local Government and Town Planning Acts and preparation of draft acts for formal consideration and passage.

Project Status : In progress

ADB Project Contact : Mr. Jeffry R. Stubbs
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COMPLETED PROJECTS

Capital Market Development Authority

Funding Agency : ADB
Executing Agency : Reserve Bank of Fiji

INDIA

NORTH SOUTH CORRIDOR DEVELOPMENT IN WEST BENGAL (T.A. No. 3142-IND)

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agencies : Industrial Credit and Investment Corporation of India Ltd.
West Bengal Industrial Development Corporation

Amount : US$1,300,000

Project Description (legal component): Review of the institutional capacity and legal framework for inter-modal planning and implementation in the North-South transport corridor, and recommendations for key improvements in transport policies and legislation to eliminate coordination and information failures among transport modes, and public and private sector operators.

Project Status : In progress

ADB Project Contact : Mr. Hans-Peter Brunner
HOUSING FINANCE II (T.A. No. 3288-IND)

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agency : Department of Economic Affairs
Ministry of Finance
166-B, North Block, New Delhi
Fax: (9111) 301-2477

Amount : US$405,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance in reviewing the legal framework for securitization in India. This includes (i) review of the central and state Stamp Act issues pertaining to the securitization of mortgages; (ii) preparation of revisions to foreclosure laws; and (iii) study of relevant sections under the Companies Act, Banking Regulation Act, Insurance Act, Transfer of Property Act, Security Control Regulation Act, Negotiable Investments Act, and other applicable legislation, and amendment of such acts to support mortgage securitization.

Project Status : In progress

ADB Project Contact : Mr. James Patrick Lynch
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ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT AT THE STATE LEVEL

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agency : Ministry of Environment and Forest
Bikaner House, Annexe-5
Shahjahan Road
New Delhi 110011
Fax: (9111) 436-3967

Amount : US$3,620,000

Project Description (legal component): The scope includes (i) review of environmental laws, rules and regulations, and assessment of the state's viability to innovate the development and promulgation of environment laws, standards, and regulations within the framework of the requirements of the constitution and the central government; (ii) identification and review of industrial, trade, labor, and investment laws which unintentionally promote and protect polluting industries; and (iii) review of banking and commercial laws related to financing of cleaner production technologies in the private and public sector.

Project Status : Proposal

ADB Project Contact : Mr. Ely A. R. Ouano
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SUPPORT FOR PUBLIC SECTOR UNDERTAKING REFORM AND SOCIAL SAFETY NET IN MADHYA PRADESH (T.A. No. 3338-IND)

Funding Agency: ADB

Executing Agency: Finance Department
Government of Madhya Pradesh
Bhopal
Fax: (91-0755) 551-387

Amount: US$600,000

Project Description (legal component): The scope includes (i) advice on legal aspects of restructuring/divestment and assistance in developing a restructuring plan that is consistent with the applicable law; (ii) preparation of relevant legal documents and assistance in closing of the enterprises' sale or initial public offering; and (iii) review of existing arrangements in cooperative societies with a view to suggesting reform measures to enhance operational freedom of cooperatives.

Project Status: In progress

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CAPACITY BUILDING FOR SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT (T.A. No. 3365-IND)

Funding Agency: ADB

Executing Agency: Ministry of Finance
5th Floor, B-Wing, Janath Bhawan
Janpath, New Delhi 110 001
Fax: (9111) 301-2477

Amount: US$1,000,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance will include (i) review of the national and international laws and policies related to land acquisition and resettlement in India and provide guidance as to how the differing interests may be rationalized to carry out social assessments and guide resettlement planning and implementation; (ii) review the legal practice undertaken by the private sector in development; and (iii) contribute to developing appropriate training materials and guidelines for this sector.

Project Status: In progress

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REFORM OF THE PRIVATE PENSION AND PROVIDENT FUNDS SYSTEM AND EMPLOYEES' PROVIDENT FUND ORGANIZATION (T.A. No. 3367-IND)
Funding Agency: ADB

Executing Agency: Department of Economic Affairs
Ministry of Finance, New Delhi
Fax: (9111) 301-2477

Amount: US$1,000,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance to (i) review legal and regulatory framework of the pension and provident funds and identify legal constraints impeding efficient operation; (ii) design enabling legal, regulatory, and institutional frameworks for pension and provident funds; and (iii) identify required changes in legislation consistent with the proposed legal, regulatory framework for pension and provident funds, and prepare draft investment guidelines.

Project Status: In progress

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ELECTRICITY REFORM PROGRAMME IN STATE OF ORISSSA

Funding Agency: Department for International Development (DFID)

Executing Agency: Department of Power
Government of Orissa, India

Amount: £12,000,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance in (i) drafting new legislation for the restructuring and reform of the State Electricity Board and power sector in the State of Orissa, India; (ii) implementing a new independent regulatory regime involving the establishment of a Regulatory Commission and a new system of licensing for transmission and bulk and retail supply of electricity; (iii) introducing competition into the power generation sector; (iv) drafting model power purchase agreements; (v) introducing private sector skills into the distribution functions through an interim distribution management agreement as a means of accelerating long term privatization; and (vi) drafting of day-to-day operating codes and procedures.

Project Status: In progress

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ELECTRICITY REFORM PROGRAMME IN STATE OF HARYANA

Funding Agency: DFID

Executing Agency: Department of Power
Government of Haryana, India
Amount : £15,000,000

**Project Description (legal component):** Assistance in (i) drafting legislation for the restructuring and reform of the Haryana State Electricity Board (HSEB) and power sector in the State of Haryana; (ii) implementing a new independent regulatory regime involving the establishment of a regulatory commission and a new system of licensing for transmission and bulk supply of electricity, introducing competition in the power generation sector; and (iii) the corporatization of the new transmission and distribution companies and the transfer of staff from the HSEB to these new companies.

Project Status : In progress

Project Contact : Mr. R. P. Jones  
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Energy Sector Group  
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**ELECTRICITY REFORM PROGRAMME IN STATE OF ANDHRA**

Funding Agency : DFID  

Executing Agency : Department of Power  
Government of Andhra Pradesh, India  

Amount : £1,500,000

**Project Description (legal component):** Assistance to the Government of Andhra Pradesh and Andhra Pradesh State Electricity Board (APSEB) in the corporatization of the new transmission and distribution companies and in the transfer of staff from the APSEB to these new companies.

Project Status : In progress

Project Contact : Mr. R. P. Jones  
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**COMPLETED PROJECTS**

**Review of Electricity Legislation and Regulations in Gujarat**

Funding Agency : ADB  
Executing Agency : Government of Gujarat

**Institutional Strengthening of Gujarat Infrastructure Development Board**

Funding Agency : ADB  
Executing Agency : Industry and Mines Department

**Solicitation of Private Sector Implementation of the Chhara Combined Cycle Power**

Funding Agency : ADB  
Executing Agency : Government of Gujarat

**Financial Management Support to Kheda and Rajkot Distribution Profit Centers**
Funding Agency : ADB
Executing Agency : Gujarat Electricity Board

**Preparation of Natural Gas Development Master Plan**
Funding Agency : ADB
Executing Agency : Gas Authority of India Ltd.

**Liquified Natural Gas Terminal**
Funding Agency : ADB
Executing Agency : Gas Authority of India Ltd.

**Institutional Support for Telecommunications Development**
Funding Agency : ADB
Executing Agency : Telecommunications Regulatory Authority of India

**Madhya Pradesh Power Sector Development**
Funding Agency : ADB
Executing Agencies : Government of Madhya Pradesh/Madhya Pradesh Electricity Board

**Strengthening Local Government in Madhya Pradesh**
Funding Agency : ADB
Executing Agency : Finance Department

**Western Transport Corridor - Facilitating Private Participation**
Funding Agency : ADB
Executing Agency : National Highways Authority of India

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**INDONESIA**

**IMPLEMENTATION OF A REGULATORY FRAMEWORK FOR THE GAS INDUSTRY (T.A. No. 2933-INO)**

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agency : Directorate General for Oil and Gas
Ministry of Mines and Energy
Jl. Abdul Mulu, Jakarta 10160
Fax: (6221) 386 2142

Amount : US$565,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance in implementing recommendations made under an earlier ADB-funded TA in respect of a regulatory framework for the gas industry, and advice to the new gas regulatory body in its initial operations.

Project Status : In progress

ADB Project Contact : Mr. Mukhtar Ahmed
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**FACILITATING LIMITED RECURS FINANCING IN THE CIVIL AVIATION SECTOR**
(T.A. No. 2929-INO)

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agency : Directorate General of Air Communications
Jl. Angkasa 1/2, Kemayoran, Jakarta
Fax: (6221) 640 3976

Amount : US$975,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance to facilitate the use of the BOT mechanism as a regular and sustainable feature of civil aviation financing, including production of a model standard concession agreement suitably adapted for civil aviation projects, advice on the bidding process, documents and evaluation, and a draft land rights conveyance contract.

Project Status : In progress

ADB Project Contact : Mr. Sean O'Sullivan
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PLANNING FOR FIRE PREVENTION AND DROUGHT MANAGEMENT (T.A. No. 2999-INO)

Funding Agency : ADB (from Japan Special Fund)

Executing Agency : National Development Planning Agency
Jl. Taman Surapati 2
Jakarta Pusat, 10310
Fax: (6221) 314 5374

Amount : US$1,000,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance in (i) analysis of relevant laws and regulations guiding the use of fire emergency response procedures, drought preparedness, atmospheric pollution control, and alternative uses of biomass; (ii) review of traditional laws relating to land tenure in priority provinces with specific reference to the areas earmarked for conversion into industrial timber plantations, industrial estate crops, and transmigration settlements, as provided under the current policies and legislation; and (iii) review of current policies and land legislation and tenure including the provisions of adat laws to determine their legal significance regarding the community's tenure rights under the existing national legislation pertaining to land tenure.

Project Status : In progress

ADB Project Contact : Mr. Peter King
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REFORM OF PENSION AND PROVIDENT FUNDS (T.A. No. 3116-INO)

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agency : The Directorate General for Financial Institutions
Ministry of Finance
Jalan Dr. Wahidin No. 1
Gedung A. Lantai 3, Jakarta 10710
Fax: (6221) 384 7434

Amount : US$800,000

**Project Description** (legal component): Assistance in developing an enabling legal, regulatory and institutional framework for the prudent management of pension and provident funds, which would contribute to the effective development of the capital market.

**Project Status** : In progress

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REGULATORY REFORM OF THE INSURANCE INDUSTRY (T.A. No. 3119-INO)

**Funding Agency** : ADB

**Executing Agency** :
The Directorate General for Financial Institutions
Ministry of Finance
Jalan Dr. Wahidin No. 1
Gedung A. Lantai 3, Jakarta 10710
Fax: (6221) 384 7434

**Amount** : US$800,000

**Project Description** (legal component): Assistance in promoting growth and stability of the insurance industry in Indonesia by strengthening and modernizing the insurance legislation.

**Project Status** : In progress

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CORPORATE GOVERNANCE AND ENTERPRISE RESTRUCTURING (T.A. No. 3149-INO)

**Funding Agency** : ADB (from Japan Special Fund)

**Executing Agency** :
Ministry of Empowerment of State-Owned Enterprises
Gedung Sapta Pesona
Jalan, Yedan Merdeka Barat 17, Jakarta
Fax: (6221) 385 9221

**Amount** : US$2,470,000

**Project Description** (legal component): Assistance in strengthening the regulatory and legal frameworks to support the reform of state-owned enterprises.

**Project Status** : In progress
DEVELOPMENT OF A STRATEGY FOR IPP RATIONALIZATION  (T.A. No. 3113-INO)

Funding Agency  :  ADB

Executing Agency  :  Ministry of Mines and Energy
Jl. Medan Merdeka Selatan No. 18
Jakarta Pusat 10110
Fax:  (6221) 384 7461

Amount  :  US$1,000,000

Project Description (legal component):  Assistance in developing a policy framework for renegotiating existing power purchase agreements (PPAs), analyzing possible options for PPA rationalization in order to promote a fair, transparent and principled resolution of all outstanding legal issues.

Project Status  :  In progress

ADB Project Contact  :  Mr. Anil Terway
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DEVELOPMENT OF POWER SECTOR RESTRUCTURING  (T.A. No. 3083-INO)

Funding Agency  :  ADB

Executing Agency  :  Directorate General of Electricity and Energy Development

Amount  :  US$150,000

Project Description (legal component):  Assistance in the provision of legal expertise to review the draft regulations and electricity legislation prepared in connection with the 1996 World Bank funded study on Power Sector Regulatory Reform and Development of Private Power, in light of the Government's new Power Sector Restructuring Policy and determine modifications and changes which need to be made to such draft regulations and legislation to ensure that it reflects the terms and conditions of the newly announced Government policy for the electricity sector.

Project Status  :  In progress

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STRATEGY FOR RESTRUCTURING PUBLIC SERVICES  (T.A. No. 3233-INO)

New
Funding Agency : ADB (from Japan Special Fund)

Executing Agency :  Directorate-General of Financial Institutions
Ministry of Finance

Amount : US$488,000

Project Description (legal component): Advice to the Department of Public Enterprise on the legal aspects of the process of restructuring or divesting the government's interest in public sector enterprises.

Project Status : In progress

ADB Project Contact : Mr. Sultan H. Rahman
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NATURAL RESOURCES AND ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT SECTOR
(T.A. No. 3234-INO)

Funding Agency : ADB (from Japan Special Fund)

Executing Agency : Agency for the Assessment and Application of Technology
Directorate of Technology for Natural Resources Inventory
Jl. M. H. Thamrin No. 8
Jakarta 10340
Fax: (6221) 316 9720

Amount : US$380,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance in (i) documenting experience in other countries with the evolution of comprehensive natural resources management laws; (ii) examining previous reviews of the natural resources laws in Indonesia and drawing conclusions on any significant gaps in the legislation; (iii) identifying critical regulations and government orders that need to be amended, replaced, or drafted to implement key natural resources and decentralization laws; (iv) assessing the need for additional legal training in natural resource management; and (v) designing a legislation and regulations component of the proposed loan.

Project Status : In progress

ADB Project Contact : Mr. Peter N. King
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INSTITUTIONAL DEVELOPMENT OF SECONDARY MORTGAGE FACILITY

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agency : Ministry of Finance
Jl. Dr. Wahidin No. 1
Building B, Jakarta 10710
Fax: (6221) 384 8049

Amount : US$500,000
Project Description (legal component): Assistance in (i) review of the legal, administrative, and procedural impediments to the registration, change of ownership, and perfection of security over land that would impede the effective operation of the proposed Secondary Mortgage Facility Company (PT SMF), or the future introduction of mortgage-backed securities; (ii) review of the legal environment relating to securitization in Indonesia to support securitization, including the need for a securitization law; and (iii) preparation of articles of association for PT SMF, and a draft shareholder agreement for potential founding shareholders in PT SMF in order to facilitate their evaluation and investment in the institution.

Project Status: Proposal

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CAPACITY BUILDING FOR DECENTRALIZATION OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT PROCESS (T.A. No. 3252-INO)

Funding Agency: ADB

Executing Agencies: Ministry of Home Affairs
Departemen Dalam Negeri
Direktorat Jenderal Pembangunan Daerah
Dit. Pembinaan Pengelolaan Lingkungan
Jl. TM Pahlawan No. 20, Kalibata, Jakarta
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National Environmental Management Agency
BAPEDAL
Gedung Arthaloka Lt. 6
Jl. Jend. Sudirman No. 2
Jakarta 10220
Tel: (6221) 251 2480

Amount: US$420,000

Project Description (legal component): Review of legislation related to environmental protection at national, provincial, and district levels to assist the Government in considering revision of the legislation along the lines of the Regional Autonomy Law (Act No. 22/1999) as specified in Article 133 of the Law.

Project Status: In progress

ADB Project Contact: Mr. Edy Brotoisworo
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URBAN SECTOR DEVELOPMENT IN A DECENTRALIZED ENVIRONMENT (T.A. No. 3326-INO)

Funding Agency: ADB

Executing Agency: National Development Planning Agency
Jalan Taman Suropati 2
JUDICIAL INDEPENDENCE LEGAL CAPACITY BUILDING PROJECT (JILCAP)

Funding Agencies : AusAID, Australian NGO, other Donors

Executing Agency : Supreme Court
Indonesia
(6221) 381 0361

Implementing Agency : Australian Legal Resources International

Amount : US$50,000 (AusAID)
US$50,000 (Australian NGO)
US$8,400 (other donors)

Project Description: Assistance in establishing an independent judiciary through technical support to legislative, administrative and institutional reforms governing judicial powers, appointment and review, control and remuneration.


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JUDICIAL TRAINING PROGRAM

Funding Agency : AusAID

Executing Agency : Supreme Court
Implementing Agencies : Australian Legal Resources International  
Australia-Indonesia Legal Development Foundation  
Centre for Democratic Institutions

Amount : US$249,000

Project Description: Training and networking to provide better benchmarks for Indonesian judges, and to improve standards within the Indonesian judiciary.

Project Status : In progress (Completion - 30 June 2000)

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ECONOMIC LAW AND IMPROVED PROCUREMENT SYSTEMS (ELIPS PROJECT)

Funding Agency : USAID

Executing Agency : Ministry of Law and Legislation

Amount : US$15,000,000

Project Description: The ELIPS Project consists of four components: Competition Law, Secured Transactions, Bankruptcy, and Arbitration.

1. Competition Law - The project will provide expert assistance in reviewing, analyzing and commenting on draft legislation relating to competition and trade policy. The project will also provide assistance to develop regulations/rules necessary to implement a new competition law and for designing an agency or institution to regulate competitive activity and oversee enforcement efforts and mechanisms. Work is being closely coordinated with World Bank and other donors.

2. Secured Transactions - Technical support will be provided to further revise the legal framework for secured transactions taking into account other areas of the law such as banking and bankruptcy to create a
cohesive legal structure in support of commercial lending practices. The tasks necessary to support this effort will include reviewing, analyzing and commenting on existing draft laws and providing assistance in drafting and revising laws/regulations to support a registry system. This work is being closely coordinated with the Asian Development Bank which, among other tasks, is focusing on providing assistance on the design and implementation of a registry system.

3. **Bankruptcy** - To support the Government's efforts to draft and enact a new comprehensive bankruptcy law, the project will provide technical assistance to review, analyze and comment on existing legislation.

4. **Arbitration** - In conjunction with the Government's efforts to finalize and enact an arbitration/alternate dispute resolution law this year, the project will provide assistance to review, analyze and comment on existing draft laws, and for assistance in drafting, if needed. Additionally, resources will be provided to advise on discrete issues related to implementation of the arbitration law, such as enforcement of foreign arbitration awards.

**Project Status**: In progress

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**STRENGTHENING DEMOCRATIC PARTICIPATION AND ACCOUNTABILITY (AID-497-0385)**

**Funding Agency**: USAID  
**Executing Agency**: The Asia Foundation  
**Amount**: US$109,843  
**Project Description** (legal component): Support of capacity building activities for the Indonesian Center for Environmental Law (ICEL). The project is designed to enhance ICEL's institutional development, develop policies, systems and skills in alternative methods of environmental and labor dispute resolution, enhance the quality of justice, judicial accountability, and access to legal information through publication of court decisions.

**Project Status**: In progress

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**PUBLIC PRIVATE PARTNERSHIP CENTER (P3C) PROJECT (PCE-1-800-97-00015-00)**

**Funding Agency**: USAID  
**Executing Agency**: National Development Planning Agency (BAPPENAS)  
**Amount**: US$432,032
**Project Description:** Assistance to the Government in implementing Kappres 7/1998 which is a new cross-sectoral regulation on public-private partnership in infrastructure which includes the preparation of operating manuals for the regulation, the establishment of a cross-sectoral regulatory framework, and the creation of a cross-sectoral dispute resolution mechanism.

**Project Status:** In progress

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**BAPEDAL DEVELOPMENT TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE PROJECT** (Loan No. 3454-IND)

**Funding Agency:** The World Bank

**Executing Agency:** Environmental Impact Management Agency (BAPEDAL)

**Amount:** US$12,000,000 (US$4,200,000 for BAPEDAL Legal Mandate, Enforcement and Compliance System Program)

**Project Description (legal component):** Assistance in the clarification of BAPEDAL's mandate; assistance in drafting of laws and regulations empowering BAPEDAL to implement its tasks and functions; and assistance in the conducting of workshops, seminars and training programs in the area of legal mandate development.

**Project Status:** In progress.

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**LAND ADMINISTRATION PROJECT** (Loan No. 3792 IND)

**Funding Agency:** The World Bank

**Amount:** US$80,000,000

**Project Description (legal component):** Legal TA in connection with the drafting of new regulations on land registration.
Project Status : In progress

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EAST JAVA STRATEGY REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT (TF-029451)

Funding Agency : Japanese Government (World Bank Project)
Amount : US$600,000

Project Description (legal component): Provision of legal advisory services to review national and provincial guidelines, laws and regulations related to: (a) urban development with a view to designing a solid legal framework for regional urban development; and (b) land use and management.

Project Status : In progress

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RAILWAY EFFICIENCY PROJECT

Funding Agency : The World Bank
Executing Agencies : Government of Indonesia
State Railway Corporation (PERUMKA)
Amount : US$105,000,000

Project Description (legal component): Review of and advice on reform of the railway legal and regulatory framework with a view to promoting privatization.

Project Status : In progress

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INTENSIFIED IODINE DEFICIENCY CONTROL PROJECT

Funding Agency : The World Bank
Executing Agency : Government of Indonesia
Amount : US$28,500,000

Project Description (legal component): Review of regulatory framework related to salt and iodized salt.

Project Status : In progress
Coral Reef Rehabilitation and Management Project

Funding Agency: The World Bank
Executing Agency: Indonesian Institute of Sciences (LIPI)

Project Description (legal component): Review of legal framework for coral reef management.

Project Status: Proposal

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Banking Reform Assistance Project (Loan No. 4255-IND)

Funding Agency: The World Bank
Executing Agency: Bank Indonesia, Ministry of Finance

Amount: US$20,000,000

Project Description (legal component): Technical assistance for diagnosis and recommendation of reforms in the financial sector.

Project Status: In progress

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Information Infrastructure Development Project (Loan No. 4244-IND)

Funding Agency: The World Bank
Executing Agency: Ministry of Tourism, Posts, and Telecommunications

Amount: US$34,500,000

Project Description (legal component): Review of legal and regulatory framework for intellectual property rights, specifically with regard to information technology, and technical assistance for the privatization of postal services.

Project Status: In progress.

World Bank Project Contact: Ms. Teresa Genta-Fons
Legal Department
BEPEKA AUDIT MODERNIZATION PROJECT (Loan No. 4194-IND)

Funding Agency : The World Bank
Executing Agency : National Auditing Board (BEPEKA)
Amount : US$16,400,000

Project Description (legal component): Review of legal and regulatory framework on government auditing and governance, and training of lawyers.

Project Status : In progress.

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COMPLETED PROJECTS

Capacity Building for Private Sector Participation in Urban Development
Funding Agency : ADB
Executing Agency : Directorate General of Human Settlements

National Biodiversity Information Network
Funding Agency : ADB
Executing Agency : Research and Development Center for Biology

Strengthening of Urban Waste Management Policies and Strategies
Funding Agency : ADB
Executing Agency : Directorate General of Human Settlements

Marine Resources Evaluation and Management
Funding Agency : ADB
Executing Agency : Bureau for Assessment and Application

Planning for Fire Prevention and Drought Management
Funding Agency : ADB
Executing Agency : National Development Planning Agency

Private Participation in Urban Services Project
Funding Agency : USAID
Executing Agency : National Development Planning Agency
CAPACITY BUILDING FOR PENSION REFORM (T.A. No. 2910-KAZ)

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agency : Ministry of Labor and Social Protection
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122 Kunaev St.
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Amount : US$1,000,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance in: (i) developing detailed regulations for pension funds and fund management companies; and (ii) strengthening the capacity of regulatory authorities to regulate funds, fund management companies and custodian banks.

Project Status : In progress

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STRENGTHENING ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT (T.A. No. 3350-KAZ)

Funding Agency : Government of Finland (administered by ADB)

Executing Agency : Ministry of Environment and Natural Resources
81 K. Marks Str.
Kokshetau 475000, Kazakhstan

Amount : US$700,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance in (i) review of environmental legislation and other regulations and standards deriving from the legislation; and (ii) related training of staff responsible for environment and natural resources management, and preparation of manuals.

Project Status : In progress

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ECONOMIC RESTRUCTURING - FINANCIAL MARKETS DEVELOPMENT

Funding Agency : USAID

Executing Agency : National Securities Commission
Amount: US$7,635,000 (also covers similar TA in Kyrgyz Republic and Uzbekistan)

Project Description: Provision of technical assistance in drafting and implementing securities laws and regulations. Provision of training, advice and counsel to the National Commission on Securities and securities market participants.

Project Status: In progress

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ECONOMIC RESTRUCTURING - FISCAL REFORM

Funding Agency: USAID

Executing Agency: Ministry of Finance

Amount: US$6,000,000 (also covers similar TA in Kyrgyz Republic and Uzbekistan)

Project Description: Technical assistance in the development of legislation for value added tax, excise tax, corporate income tax and personal income tax and advice on the administration of these and other taxes.

Project Status: In progress

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ECONOMIC RESTRUCTURING - ACCOUNTING AND AUDIT REFORM

Funding Agency: USAID

Executing Agencies: Main Department for Methodology, Organization and Control of Accounting of the Ministry of Finance

Amount: US$5,000,000 (also covers similar TA in Kyrgyz Republic)

Project Description: Assistance on training in, and the implementation of, internationally accepted accounting and auditing standards as well as training for professional associations and self-regulatory organizations.

Project Status: In progress

USAID Project Contact: Mr. Paul Davis
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DEMOCRATIC INITIATIVES PROJECT - RULE OF LAW AND LEGAL REFORM

Funding Agency : USAID
Implementing Agency : American Bar Association
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Amount : US$435,000

Project Description: The objective of the project is to help in the establishment of a viable legal community, including the establishment of an independent organization for the promotion of legal literacy and continuing legal education for Kazakhstan’s attorneys and populace, and the general promotion of the status of the legal profession. TA to be provided will cover areas such as establishment of a bar association; development of legal literacy programs for the public and for lawyers; formation of lawyer work groups on current legal reforms and legislative changes; dissemination of legal literature and information; and advice on specific legislation related to legal practice.

Project Status : In progress

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ECONOMIC RESTRUCTURING - COMMERCIAL LAW

Funding Agency : USAID
Executing Agencies : ARD/Checchi

Amount : US$1,559,200

Project Description: Assistance to the Ministry of Justice and other government agencies in the development of a system of commercial legislation designed to support private business activity, training the professionals tasked with enforcing the system - lawyers and judges, and training of procurators on economic crime topics. The primary focus is on the protection of property interests, the enforcement of contracts, the protection of creditors' rights and the facilitation of business formation and operation.

Project Status : In progress

USAID Project Contact : Mr. Gary Linden
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COMMERCIAL LAW REFORM - TRADE AND INVESTMENT

Funding Agency: USAID
Executing Agency: Booz-Allen & Hamilton
Amount: US$15,015,570
Project Description (legal component): USAID assistance focuses on the development of a legal and regulatory environment conducive to free trade and investment in Kazakhstan.
Project Status: In progress
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COMMERCIAL LAW REFORM - TRAINING

Funding Agency: USAID
Executing Agencies: Ministry of Justice, State Law University, Supreme Court, Adilet High Law School, Association Lawyers of the Business World
Amount: US$1,150,000 (also covers similar TA in Kyrgyz Republic)
Project Description: The third and last component of the Commercial Law Program is the main training support for the other components. It includes training in the United States, Kazakhstan and the Kyrgyz Republic, and is focused primarily on the training of lawyers and judges.
Project Status: In progress
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DEMOCRATIC REFORM - RULE OF LAW

Funding Agency: USAID
Executing Agency: ABA/CEELI
Amount: US$1,776,438
**Project Description**: USAID promotes a legal environment which is conducive to NGO development by (i) promoting the development of indigenous bar and judicial associations in Kazakhstan and bar association newsletters; and (ii) the creation of law libraries for local lawyers and NGOs involved in the rule of law, human rights, and other civil society areas.

**Project Status**: In progress

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**ECONOMIC RESTRUCTURING - PENSION REFORM**

**Funding Agency**: USAID  
**Executing Agency**: IMCC  
**Amount**: US$2,706,128

**Project Description**: Assistance in the development of regulations for the implementation of a new law on pensions, and assistance in the administration of the new pension regime.

**Project Status**: In progress

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**COMMERCIAL LAW REFORM - CUSTOMS LAW**

**Funding Agency**: USAID  
**Executing Agencies**: Customs Committee, Ministry of Justice, Agency for Strategic Planning and Reform  
**Amount**: US$6,628,703 (also covers similar TA in Kyrgyz Republic and Uzbekistan)

**Project Description** (legal component): Assistance in (i) drafting and securing passage of legislation in the areas of customs law and intellectual property rights; and (ii) establishment of a regulatory framework to promote increased trade and foreign investments.

**Project Status**: In progress

**USAID Project Contact**: Mr. Paul Davis  
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DEmOCRATIc REFORM - CIVIL SOCIETY DEVELOPMENT

Funding Agency : USAID
Executing Agency : ISAR, Counterpart Consortium, NDI
Amount : US$8,348,008

Project Description (legal component): Support NGO participation in the preparations of legal and regulatory frameworks affecting NGO operations.

Project Status : In progress
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ECONOMIC RESTRUCTURING - BUDGETARY/TAX REFORM

Funding Agency : USAID
Executing Agency : KPMG/Barents Group
Amount : US$11,543,948

Project Description (legal component): Assistance in the formulation and implementation of economic restructuring policies in the fiscal area by assisting the government in drafting and implementing a new tax code, developing a budget classification system, and working on national and local budget laws for Kazakhstan.

Project Status : In progress
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ECONOMIC RESTRUCTURING - FINANCIAL SECTOR DEVELOPMENT

Funding Agency : USAID
Executing Agency : FSVC
Amount : US$150,000

**Project Description** (legal component): Assistance in establishing a legal basis and regulatory framework for payment operations, real-time gross settlement systems, automated clearing facilities, payment system, risk management, disaster recovery planning and the introduction of payment cards to the market.

**Project Status** : In progress

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**PETROLEUM TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE PROJECT**

**Funding Agency** : The World Bank

**Amount** : US$300,000

**Project Description** (legal component): Legal TA to enact a petroleum law and a petroleum taxation code.

**Project Status** : In progress

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**LEGAL REFORM PROJECT (KZ-PA-46046)**

**Funding Agency** : The World Bank

**Executing Agency** : Ministry of Justice
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**Amount** : Loan of US$15,000,000 (approximately)

**Project Description**: The project will assist in (i) the improvement of the legal education system; (ii) judicial development, regulatory reform and alternative dispute resolution; (iii) improvement in the technical, professional and institutional capacity of agencies involved in legal drafting; and (iv) strengthening legal information systems.

**Project Status** : In progress
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CIVIL SERVICE REFORM

Funding Agency: The World Bank
Executing Agency: Crown Agents

Project Description: Assistance in providing the legislative framework for the civil service of Kazakhstan and in drafting required legislation and statutes.

Project Status: In progress

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COMPLETED PROJECT

Institutional Strengthening of the Road Sector
Funding Agency: ADB
Executing Agency: Department of Roads

KYRGYZ REPUBLIC

CAPACITY BUILDING FOR CORPORATE GOVERNANCE AND INSOLVENCY PROCEDURES
(Loan No. 1547-KGZ)
Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agency : Department of Economy, Market Relations and Investments
Prime Minister's Office
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Amount : US$4,000,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance in reforming the legislation and procedures relating to corporate insolvency and related institutional strengthening of Arbitrazh Courts.

Project Status : In progress

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INSTITUTIONAL STRENGTHENING OF THE FINANCIAL SECTOR (T.A. No. 3239-KGZ)

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agency : Ministry of Finance
58 Erkindik Avenue
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Amount : US$600,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance in drafting a negotiable instruments law compatible with the Law on Banks and Banking Law, the Central Bank Law, and International Chamber of Commerce (ICC) 500; (ii) drafting a documentary credit law along the lines of ICC 500; and (iii) reviewing proposed amendments to the Law on Banks and Banking Activity.

Project Status : In progress

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ENFORCEMENT OF INTERNATIONAL COMMERCIAL ARBITRATION

Funding Agency : EBRD

Executing Agency : Office of the President

Amount : ECU 48,600

Project Description: Assistance in establishing a mechanism for the enforcement of international commercial arbitration by assisting in (a) accession to the Convention on the Recognition and Enforcement of Foreign Arbitral Awards (New York Convention); (b) drafting the law on international commercial arbitration based on the
UNCITRAL model law; and (c) training in order to facilitate implementation of the New York Convention and the International Commercial Arbitration Law.

**Project Status**: The Kyrgyz Republic acceded to the New York Convention on 18 December 1996. The training session will be held upon submission/passage of the proposed arbitration law.

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**ECONOMIC RESTRUCTURING - COMMERCIAL LAW-GENERAL BUSINESS LAW**

**Funding Agency**: USAID  
**Executing Agencies**: ARD/Cheechi  
**Amount**: US$2,724,817

**Project Description**: Assistance in the development of a system of commercial legislation designed to support private business activity, focussing on the protection of property interests, the enforcement of contracts, the protection of creditors’ rights, the development of clear and transparent bankruptcy procedures, and the facilitation of business formation and operation; and in the area of implementation of commercial laws vital for a free market economy.

**Project Status**: In progress

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**ECONOMIC RESTRUCTURING - COMMERCIAL LAW - TRADE AND INVESTMENT**

**Funding Agency**: USAID  
**Executing Agency**: Booz-Allen & Hamilton  
**Amount**: US$2,724,817

**Project Description**: Assistance on the development of a legal and regulatory environment conducive to free trade and investment. Accession to the WTO, which would harmonize Kyrgyz Republic trade and investment regime with international standards and allow the freer flow of goods and services across Kyrgyz Republic borders, is the primary component of this assistance.

**Project Status**: In progress

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ECONOMIC RESTRUCTURING - COMMERCIAL LAW - TRAINING

Funding Agency : USAID
Executing Agency : ARD/Checchi
Amount : US$1,680,988

Project Description: Assistance to reform the Kyrgyz Republic legal and regulatory system by training judges, procurators and attorneys on how to interpret and apply commercial and economic crime legislation. Additionally, assistance to Ministry of Justice personnel to create and activate a public notice filing system for security interests and other liens, and also with developing a comprehensive legal information system for use by all branches of government and the public.

Project Status : In progress

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DEMOCRATIC REFORM - JUDICIAL DEVELOPMENT AND LEGAL REFORM

Funding Agency : USAID
Executing Agency : ABA/CEELI
Amount : US$2,099,789

Project Description: Assistance in the development of an independent judiciary, a judicial association, lawyers' associations and code of ethics for judges and lawyers.

Project Status : In progress

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COMMERCIAL LAW REFORM - CUSTOMS LAW

Funding Agency : USAID
Executing Agency : Booz-Allen & Hamilton
Amount : US$6,628,703 (also covers similar TA in Kazakhstan and Uzbekistan)
**Project Description** (legal component): Assistance in (i) drafting and securing passage of legislation in the areas of customs law and intellectual property rights; and (ii) establishment of a regulatory framework to promote increased trade and foreign investments.

**Project Status**: In progress

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**ECONOMIC RESTRUCTURING - FINANCIAL MARKETS DEVELOPMENT**

**Funding Agency**: USAID

**Amount**: US$7,635,000 (also covers similar TA in Kazakhstan and Uzbekistan)

**Project Description** (legal component): Assistance in drafting and implementing securities laws and regulations and provision of legal advice to securities market participants.

**Project Status**: In progress

**USAID Project Contact**: Mr. Paul Davis  
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**ECONOMIC RESTRUCTURING - ACCOUNTING TRAINING**

**Funding Agency**: USAID

**Executing Agency**: Carana Corporation

**Amount**: US$2,338,693

**Project Description** (legal component): Assistance in: (i) training in, and the implementation of, internationally accepted accounting and auditing standards; and (ii) training for professional associations and self-regulatory organizations.

**Project Status**: In progress

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**ECONOMIC RESTRUCTURING - FISCAL REFORM**

**Funding Agency**: USAID  
**Executing Agency**: KPMG/Barents Group  
**Amount**: US$11,473,809

**Project Description**: Assistance to the Ministry of Finance and the Tax Inspectorate to formulate and implement economic restructuring policies in the fiscal area. This includes drafting, revisions and training for the new tax code, extensive technical assistance to create a centralized and automated tax information gathering and reporting system, assistance for forecasting income and overall government planning, and formulation of rationalized budget policies at the national and local levels.

**Project Status**: In progress  
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**ECONOMIC RESTRUCTURING - FINANCIAL SECTOR DEVELOPMENT**

**Funding Agency**: USAID  
**Executing Agency**: FSVC  
**Amount**: US$150,000

**Project Description** (legal component): Assistance to establish a legal basis and regulatory framework for payment operations, establishing real-time gross settlement systems, automated clearing facilities, payment system, risk management, disaster recovery planning and the introduction of payment cards to the market.

**Project Status**: In progress  
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**DEMOCRATIC REFORM - NON-GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATIONS**

**Funding Agency**: USAID  
**Executing Agencies**: Counterpart Consortium
ABA/CEELI

Amount : US$2,048,359 (Counterpart Consortium)
          US$2,099,789 (ABA/CEELI)

**Project Description** (legal component): Support NGO participation in the preparation of legal and regulatory frameworks affecting NGO operations.

**Project Status** : In progress

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**FINANCIAL SECTOR DEVELOPMENT TECHNICAL COOPERATION (Project No. 28520)**

**Funding Agency** : The World Bank

**Amount** : US$239,500

**Project Description** (legal component): TA to review banking legislation, accounting standards, auditing procedures and bank supervision.

**World Bank Project Contact** : Legal Department
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**COMPLETED PROJECTS**

**Pension Reform**
Funding Agency : ADB
Executing Agency : Ministry of Labor and Social Protection

**Skills and Entrepreneurship Development**
Funding Agency : ADB
Executing Agency : Principal Directorate for Vocational Training

**Telecommunications Law Development**
Funding Agency : EBRD
Executing Agency : Ministry of Communications

**Secured Transactions Legislation**
Funding Agency : EBRD
Executing Agency : EBRD
LEASING LEGISLATION (T.A. No. 1844-LAO)

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agency : Ministry of Finance
Thatluang Road
Vientiane
Tel: (856 21) 213813
Fax: (856 21) 412415

Amount : US$100,000

Project Description: The TA will assist the Government in preparing leasing legislation.

Project Status : In progress

ADB Project Contact : Mr. Eugenue Zhukov
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DEVELOPMENT AND APPLICATION OF THE SECURED TRANSACTIONS LAW AND BANKRUPTCY LAW (T.A. No. 3154-LAO)

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agency : Ministry of Justice
P.O. Box 8
Vientiane
Fax: (856 21) 414102

Amount : US$200,000

Project Description: The TA will further the Bank’s efforts to develop the financial sector by focusing on two legal areas critical for domestic and foreign investment and secured lending. Under the first part of the TA, implementing regulations for the bankruptcy law will be prepared. The second part of the TA will provide training to students at the Faculty of Law and to practicing lawyers in applying the secured transactions and bankruptcy laws and their implementing regulations.

Project Status : In progress

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STRENGTHENING SOCIAL AND ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT (T.A. No. 3133-LAO)

Funding Agency : ADB (from Japan Special Fund)

Executing Agencies : Department of Communications
                      Vientiane
                      Fax: (856 21) 414132

                      Science Technology and Environment Organization
                      P.O. Box 2779, Vientiane
                      Fax: (856 21) 213472

                      Ministry of Industry and Handicrafts
                      Nongbone Road, Vientiane
                      Fax: (856 21) 413013

Amount : US$950,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance in developing and strengthening the national environmental management framework. This includes (i) review of national environmental and social policies and regulations, especially Decree 63, which provides the legal basis for Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA), and the Environmental Protection Law; and (ii) development of enabling legislation for a national EIA framework.

Project Status : In progress

ADB Project Contact : Mr. Robert J. Dobias
                      Environment Division
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STRENGTHENING OF WATER SECTOR ACTION PLAN (T.A. No. 3205-LAO)

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agency : Water Resources Coordination Committee
                   Secretariat
                   Prime Minister's Office
                   Lansang Road, Vientiane
                   Fax: (856 21) 218737

Amount : US$300,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance in developing a framework to draft cross-sectoral regulations to implement the Water and Water Resource Law. This includes (i) consultation with all ministries and agencies concerned in legal aspects of water sector issues; and (ii) review of the Water and Water Resources Law and all the laws, regulations, and decrees related to the water sector.

Project Status : In progress
IRRIGATION MANAGEMENT TRANSFER (T.A. No. 3189-LAO)

Funding Agency: ADB (from Japan Special Fund)

Executing Agency: Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry
Lansang Road, Vientiane
Fax: (856 21) 214079

Amount: US$650,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance to (i) review the existing decrees, regulations, and Government orders to determine whether these provide an adequate legal and regulatory framework for the implementation of the envisaged Irrigation Management Transfer (IMT) program; (ii) create an enabling legal framework for implementation of the proposed IMT program; and (iii) review the present transfer agreements, and develop a model transfer agreement between the Government and beneficiaries.

Project Status: In progress

ADB Project Contact: Mr. C. R. Rajendran
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COOPERATION IN THE LEGAL FIELD BETWEEN LAO PDR AND JAPAN

Funding Agency: JICA

Executing Agencies: Research & Training Institute of the Ministry of Justice, Japan
Nagoya University
Ministry of Justice, Lao PDR

Project Description: Assistance in establishing the basic legal infrastructure and in training legal personnel through the explanation of the legal system in Japan.

Project Status: In progress

Project Contact: Mr. Motoo Noguchi
Research and Training Institute of the Ministry of Japan
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STRENGTHENING THE RULE OF LAW IN LAOS - PHASE III

Funding Agency : Sida

Executing Agency : Ministry of Justice
Dr. Houy Pholsena
Chief of Cabinet
Vientiane
Tel: (856 21) 414102

Amount : US$1,800,000 (approximately)

Project Description: The overall objective of the TA is to contribute to the strengthening of the rule of law by supporting the development of the court system and legal procedures, and by increasing the number of qualified lawyers as well as upgrading the competence of legal staff through comprehensive support for the development of the School of Law and the judiciary, and for the publication and dissemination of legal texts.

Project Status : In progress

Project Contacts : Embassy of Sweden
Vientiane
Tel: (856 21) 313772
Fax: (856 21) 315001

Sida
Division for Public Administration and Management
Stockholm, Sweden
Tel: (468) 6985270
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STRENGTHENING THE JUDICIARY (LAO/99/006)

Funding Agencies : UNDP/Sida

Executing Agency : The People's Supreme Court of the Lao PDR

Amount : US$506,960

Project Description: Assistance to the Supreme People's Court to strengthen implementation and enforcement through: (i) targeted training for judicial personnel; and (ii) improved production and dissemination of legal materials to lower courts to upgrade their legal knowledge and assist in the resolution of cases.

Project Status : Proposal

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STRENGTHENING THE OFFICE OF THE PUBLIC PROSECUTOR (LAO/99/007)
Funding Agencies: UNDP/Sida/CIDA

Executing Agency: The Office of the Public Prosecutor of the Lao PDR

Amount: US$526,120

Project Description: Assistance to the Office of the Public Prosecutor in (i) training on best practices for staff prosecutors and investigators; and (ii) establishment of a data management system to more effectively and efficiently utilize its limited human resources to monitor and enforce laws.

Project Status: Proposal

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STRENGTHENING THE FOUNDATIONS FOR IMPLEMENTATION OF THE RULE OF LAW (LAO/99/008)

Funding Agency: UNDP

Executing Agency: Ministry of Justice of the Lao PDR

Amount: US$623,064

Project Description: Assistance to the Ministry of Justice in (i) strengthening the foundations of the legal drafting process; (ii) strengthening the system of drafting of laws and regulations to promote more effective implementation; and (iii) improved dissemination of laws and legal information.

Project Status: Proposal

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LEGAL FRAMEWORK DEVELOPMENT (IDF Grant)

Funding Agency: The World Bank

Executing Agency: Ministry of Justice

Amount: US$496,000
Project Description: Assistance in developing the Lao legal framework, including (i) formulating a medium-term national legal framework development plan; (ii) assessment of legal training needs of central and provincial law officials and, based on the findings thereof, preparing an action plan for training of such officials; (iii) preparing implementing regulations for priority laws and decrees; (iv) establishing a computerized system for systematic reporting and publication of the decisions of higher courts, and for the gradual development of a Lao legal dictionary and a system of jurisprudence and doctrinal writings; (v) training of law officials through their participation in law school programs and study tours abroad, to strengthen their legal capacities and skills, especially in the areas of economic and financial law, judicial procedures, legal reasoning and analysis, and legal research and drafting methodology; and (vi) conducting local workshops for Ministry of Justice officials and members of the Law Reform Commission and National Assembly Legislative Standing Committee and other senior law officials on inter alia (a) selected legal topics related to their duties and responsibilities; and (b) the theory and methodology for monitoring and evaluating the economic and social impact and consequences of the implementation of certain existing Lao laws, decrees and regulations. Based on these workshops, appropriate course curricula for the Vientiane Law School will be designed.

Project Status: In progress

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COMPLETED PROJECTS

Restructuring and Consolidation of the State-Owned Commercial Banks
Funding Agency : ADB
Executing Agency : Bank of Lao PDR

Foreign Investment Capacity Enhancement
Funding Agency : ADB
Executing Agency : Foreign Investment Management Committee

Institutional Strengthening of the Procurement Monitoring Office
Funding Agency : ADB
Executing Agency : Ministry of Finance

MALAYSIA

New FORMULATION OF A FINANCIAL SECTOR REFORM STRATEGY (T.A. No. 3157-MAL)
STRENGTHENING THE MALDIVIAN LEGAL SYSTEM  (T.A. No. 2896-MLD)

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agencies : 
(1) Ministry of Justice
(2) Attorney General

Amount : US$150,000

Project Description: In preparation of a project to strengthen the legal system, a study will be carried out to identify measures to improve lawmaking, court administration and legal education, including steps to be undertaken to set up a system for continuing legal education for judges, court administrators, government and private lawyers and civil servants in the legal area.

Project Status : In progress

ADB Project Contact : Mr. Suresh Nanwani
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PRIVATE SECTOR PARTICIPATION IN THE MALDIVES PORT AUTHORITY  (T.A. No. 3099-MLD)

Funding Agency : ADB (from Japan Special Fund)

Executing Agency : Ministry of Finance and Treasury
Ameenee Magu, Male 20-03
Republic of Maldives
Fax: (96-0) 324432

Amount : US$420,000
Project Description: Review of relevant legislation and other prerequisites for corporatization of the Maldives Port Authority (MPA) and drafting of a new legislation or amendment to the MPA Charter to implement or facilitate a successful transition from port authority to port company.

Project Status: In progress

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STRENGTHENING LEGAL EDUCATION AND JUDICIAL TRAINING (T.A. No. 3389-MLD)

Funding Agency: ADB

Executing Agency: Ministry of Finance and Treasury
Ameenee Magu, Male 20-03
Republic of Maldives
Fax: (96-0) 324432

Amount: US$850,000

Project Description: Assistance in improving Maldivian legal education and in improving court practices, procedures and case management.

Project Status: In progress

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A STUDY OF CAPACITY BUILDING FOR MALDIVES PUBLIC ACCOUNTING SYSTEM (PHASE II) (T.A. No. 3320-MLD)

Funding Agency: ADB (from Japan Special Fund)

Executing Agency: Ministry of Finance and Treasury

Amount: US$510,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance includes (i) review of the Constitution, legislation, regulations and instructions related to Government accounting and financial management to identify gaps and weaknesses in the existing legislative framework; (ii) development of a new legal and regulatory framework using internationally recognized standards for financial legislation for the public accounting system; and (iii) formulation of an implementation plan for drafting financial legislation, regulations, and administrative instructions.

Project Status: In progress

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MICRONESIA, FEDERATED STATES OF

INVESTMENT PROMOTION AND FINANCIAL SECTOR REVIEW (T.A. No. 2786-FSM)

Funding Agency : ADB
Executing Agency : Department of Resources and Development
P.O. Box PS 12
Palikir, Pohnpei FM 96941
Fax: (691) 320-5854

Amount : US$380,000

Project Description: Assistance to the National and four State Governments in drafting legislation on mortgages of land and property, making the new foreign investment laws in the four States operational, and designing suitable credit enhancement mechanisms to make capital more accessible to small entrepreneurs.

Project Status : In progress

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FISHERIES MANAGEMENT AND DEVELOPMENT (T.A. No. 2832-FSM)

Funding Agency : ADB (from Japan Special Fund)
Executing Agency : Micronesia Maritime Authority
P.O. Box PS-122
Palikir, Pohnpei FM 96941
Fax: (691) 320-2383

Amount : US$934,000

Project Description: Assistance in capacity building and policy reform in the fisheries sector, including development of fisheries law and resource rights.

Project Status : In progress

ADB Project Contact : Mr. Thomas Gloerfelt-Tarp
Pacific Operations Division
Office of Pacific Operations
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PRIVATIZATION OF PUBLIC ENTERPRISES AND CORPORATE GOVERNANCE REFORMS
(T.A. No. 3201-FSM)

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agency : Department of Economic Affairs (DEA)
P.O. Box Ps-12
Palikir, Pohnpei FM 96941
Fax: (691) 320-5854

Amount : US$600,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance in reviewing the relevant legislation, including rules and regulations, applicable to public sector enterprises (PSEs) and advising DEA on the legal aspects of restructuring or divestiture of government ownership of PSEs.

Project Status : In progress

ADB Project Contact : Mr. Eugenue Zhukov
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COMPLETED PROJECT

Performance-Based Public Resource Management

Funding Agency : ADB
Executing Agency : Department of Finance and Administration

MONGOLIA

RETRAINING OF LEGAL PROFESSIONALS IN A MARKET ECONOMY (T.A. No. 2967-MON)

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agency : Ministry of Justice
Ulaanbaatar 210646
Fax: (9761) 325-225

Amount : US$1,000,000

Project Description: The TA aims to help the Government establish a retraining center in Ulaanbaatar to provide continuing legal education for Government lawyers, judges, prosecutors and other legal professionals. The TA includes a training of trainers program to help build a team of instructors to teach at the retraining center. The TA will assist in the development and delivery of a long-term country-wide legal retraining program which will provide Mongolian lawyers with practical legal skills and knowledge necessary for lawyers working in a market economy.

Project Status : In progress
ADB Project Contact: Mr. Victor L. You  
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PROGRAM PREPARATION FOR GOVERNANCE REFORMS (T.A. No. 2931-MON)

Funding Agency: ADB (from Japan Special Fund)

Executing Agency: Ministry of Finance  
Khudaldaany 4, Ulaanbaatar 11  
Fax: (9761) 320-247

Amount: US$967,300

Project Description (legal component): The TA will (i) examine the constitutional and legal validity of all the provisions of the Public Sector Management and Finance Act (PSMFA) and highlight any implications of the Act on the operations of the judicial system of Mongolia; (ii) review the legal environment in relation to the overall Government objective of establishing a market-based economy; (iii) review the current status of property rights in Mongolia especially with respect to urban land and immovable property and croplands; and (iv) recommend measures to improve the legal situation with regard to the implementation of the PSMFA.

Project Status: In progress

ADB Project Contact: Ms. Ziba Farhadian-Lorie  
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INSTITUTIONAL STRENGTHENING OF THE HOUSING SECTOR (T.A. No. 3090-MON)

Funding Agency: ADB (from Japan Special Fund)

Executing Agency: Ministry of Infrastructure Development  
Department of Urban Development and Housing and Public Service  
Fax: (9761) 310-612

Amount: US$640,000

Project Description (legal component): Review of existing housing and condominium laws, amendments to the housing, privatization and condominium laws, as well as the Energy Law, Civil Code, and other legal documents relevant to the sector.

Project Status: In progress

ADB Project Contact: Mr. Sangay Penjor  
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PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION REFORM (T.A. No. 3316-MON)
Funding Agency: ADB

Executing Agency: Cabinet Secretariat
Strategic Development Division
Ulaanbaatar

Amount: US$1,100,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance to pilot performance-based administrative reforms within five implementing agencies and to prepare the groundwork for further broadening of the reforms to the remaining parts of the public sector. This includes (i) guidance on the legal implications of the reforms; and (ii) preparation of legal policy guidelines on the governance reforms for Parliament, local governments, and other agencies.

Project Status: In progress

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CAPACITY BUILDING FOR CADASTRAL SURVEY AND LAND REGISTRATION
(T.A. No. 3395-MON)

Funding Agency: ADB

Executing Agencies:
State Agency for Geodesy and Cartography of Ministry of Infrastructure Development
Ikh Foyruu-15, Ulaanbaatar-46
Fax: (9761) 322-683
Tel: (9761) 324-576

Land Management Agency of Ministry of Nature and Environment
P.O. Box 83, Ulaanbaatar 35
Fax: (9761) 360-562
Tel: (9761) 360-562

Amount: US$990,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance to develop a comprehensive and cohesive framework of laws relating to land and the land administration system. This also includes training of appropriate government personnel in the interpretation and administration of the laws and the land administration system, through seminars and workshops.

Project Status: In progress

ADB Project Contact:
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ASSISTANCE TO LEGAL SECTOR (1)

Funding Agencies : German Government, GTZ
Executing Agency : Ministry of Justice
Amount : DM 5,500,000

Project Description: Advisory services for the Ministry of Justice focusing on the reform of commercial laws in Mongolia.

Project Status : In progress

Project Contacts : German Embassy
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ASSISTANCE TO LEGAL SECTOR (2)

Funding Agencies : German Government, Konrad-Adenauer Foundation (KAF)
Executing Agency : Ministry of Justice and others

Project Description: Since 1993 support has included study tours and scholarships for Mongolian law makers and lawyers in Germany; funding of seminars on legal issues; and assignment of both long-term and short-term experts.

Project Status : In progress.

Project Contacts : German Embassy
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Central Cultural Palace (Room 313)
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ASSISTANCE TO LEGAL SECTOR (MONGOLIAN AUDITING BOARD) (3)

Funding Agencies : German Government, GTZ
Executing Agency : State Audit Commission
Amount : DM 3,000,000

Project Description: Support for the establishment of a Mongolian auditing board.

Project Status : In progress

Project Contacts : German Embassy
United Nations Street
Mr. Michael Rossbach
State Audit Board of Mongolia
ASSISTANCE TO LEGAL SECTOR (4)

Funding Agencies : German Government, Hanns-Seidel Foundation (HSF)

Executing Agency : Ministry of Justice and others

Project Description: Since 1994 support has included study tours and scholarships for Mongolian law makers and lawyers in Germany; funding of seminars on legal issues; assignment of short-term experts; and establishment of a legal data base.

Project Status : In progress

Project Contacts : German Embassy

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HUMAN RIGHTS EDUCATION

Funding Agencies : UNDP, UNESCO and DANIDA

Executing Agency : UNESCO

Amount : US$320,000

Project Description: As part of a decentralization package, assistance for human rights education at the smallest administrative unit level (baghs) in Mongolia.

Project Status : In progress

Project Contact : Mr. Gonzalo Abad

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CAPACITY BUILDING FOR GOVERNING INSTITUTIONS: SUPPORT FOR DEMOCRATIC GOVERNANCE

Funding Agency : UNDP
Executing Agencies : Secretariat General of Parliament  
Chancellery of President's Office  
Cabinet Secretariat  
General Council of Courts  

Amount : US$2,500,000

Project Description: The Project involves technological and organizational capacity building as well as governance and policy analysis methodology training for the four powers of the Mongolian State: Parliament, Presidency, Government and the Judiciary.

Project Status : In progress

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ENHANCING GOVERNANCE IN MONGOLIA: PROVIDING RESOURCE AND TRAINING TO THE JUDICIARY

Funding Agency : USAID

Executing Agency : General Council of Courts of Mongolia

Amount : US$644,988

Project Description: Assistance in the development of benchbooks by a working group composed of six Mongolian legal professionals with following publication, distribution and training of judges at selected aimags and Ulaanbaatar city, other members of the legal profession, and representatives of civil society on the usage of the book. The benchbooks will be used by judges as reference materials and self-training guides, and should become an essential element in the overall objective of reinforcing the rule of law by enhancing the competence of the main actors of the judicial process and making the operation of justice more understandable.

Project Status : In progress (July 1997 - September 2000)

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BANKING, ENTERPRISE AND LEGAL TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE CREDIT (BELTAC Credit No. 2948)

Funding Agency : The World Bank
Executing Agency : Ministry of Justice
Amount : SDR1,500,000

Project Description (legal component): The BELTAC legal reform component will provide advisory support and training for the Ministry of Justice and selected legal institutions. It envisages a pipeline of subprojects, the first of which are (i) training of professionals on the application of the (new) bankruptcy law and a public information campaign on bankruptcy; (ii) the establishment of a registry for the registration of secured interests in movable property; and (iii) strengthening of the bailiff's office through a combination of study tours and the development of a basic training course for bailiffs on execution of judgments.

Project Status : In progress

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INSTITUTIONAL STRENGTHENING OF THE CIVIL AVIATION SECTOR
Funding Agency : ADB
Executing Agency : Civil Aviation Authority

IMPROVING THE ACCOUNTING AND AUDITING SYSTEMS
Funding Agency : ADB
Executing Agency : Ministry of Finance

STRENGTHENING THE SUPERVisory AND RESTRUCTURING CAPACITY
Funding Agency : ADB
Executing Agency : Bank of Mongolia

NEPAL

CAPACITY BUILDING OF THE MINISTRY OF LAW AND JUSTICE (T.A. No. 2974-NEP)

Funding Agency : ADB
Executing Agency : Ministry of Law and Justice (MLJ)
Babar Mahal, Kathmandu
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Fax: (9771) 220684
FORMULATING AN ACTION PLAN FOR CIVIL SERVICE REFORMS (T.A. No. 3117-NEP)

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agency : Ministry of General Administration
    Harhar Bhavan, Pulchowk
    Lalitpur
    Tel: (9771) 521811

Amount : US$630,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance to (i) examine existing local government legislation including the decentralization legislation recently passed by Parliament; (ii) provide advice with respect to the recent decentralization legislation, and assist in the preparation of documents and reports; and (iii) examine the proposed devolution of local government functions.

Project Status : In progress

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STRENGTHENING PROJECT IMPLEMENTATION PRACTICES (T.A. No. 3306-NEP)

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agency : Ministry of Works and Transport
    Babar Mahal, Kathmandu
    Tel: (9771) 226698
    Fax: (9771) 241431

Amount : US$820,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance in (i) review of existing rules, laws, regulations, procedures, and standard documents related to public works undertaken by the Government and government-owned corporations and authorities; and (ii) preparation of a compendium that will provide a comprehensive guide and reference for project personnel when implementing projects.

Project Status : In progress

ADB Project Contact : Mr. Robert Rothery
RIGHTS, RESPONSIBILITIES, AND ADVOCACY PROGRAM

Funding Agency: USAID
Executing Agency: The Asia Foundation
Amount: US$1,876,850

Project Description (legal component): As part of an overall program for the empowerment of women in Nepal, a three-year participatory training program on legal rights, civic responsibilities, and basic advocacy skills will be provided to rural women in established economic groups.

Project Status: In progress (1997-2001)

Project Contact: Mr. Nick Langton
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COMPLETED PROJECTS

Capital Market Development
Funding Agency: ADB
Executing Agency: Securities Board

Institutional Strengthening of the Ministry of Population and Environment
Funding Agency: ADB
Executing Agency: Ministry of Population and Environment

Institutional Reforms in the Agriculture Sector
Funding Agency: ADB
Executing Agency: Department of Agriculture

Preparing the Crop Diversification Project
Funding Agency: ADB
Executing Agency: Department of Agriculture

PAKISTAN

CAPITAL MARKET AND INSURANCE LAW REFORM (T.A. No. 2825-PAK)

Funding Agency: ADB
Executing Agencies: Ministry of Commerce
Islamabad
Fax: (9251) 920-1570
Corporate Law Authority
Islamabad

Amount: US$100,000

Project Description: The TA will assist the Government of Pakistan in developing legal frameworks for the creation of an independent and autonomous securities regulatory body and an insurance regulatory body. Under the TA, assistance will be provided for drafting some key corporate and securities laws. The TA will draw upon international best practices.

Project Status: In progress

ADB Project Contact: Mr. Hamid Sharif
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REFORM OF PENSION AND PROVIDENT FUNDS (T.A. No. 2867-PAK)

Funding Agency: ADB

Executing Agency: Ministry of Finance
Islamabad
Fax: (9251) 920-4915

Amount: US$600,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance in (i) reviewing the legal and regulatory framework of existing pension and provident fund schemes, identifying legal constraints in extension of coverage in Pakistan; (ii) selection of a suitable reform model for pension and provident fund schemes from the perspective of legal enforcement and designing an enabling legal and regulatory framework for the selected reform model; (iii) proposing relevant modifications to regulations or needed legislation for the proposed pension and provident fund schemes; and (iv) preparing draft investment guidelines.

Project Status: In progress

ADB Project Contact: Mr. Werner Liepach
Financial Sector and Industry Division (West)
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CAPACITY ENHANCEMENT OF THE SECURITIES MARKET (Loan No. 1577-PAK)

Funding Agency: ADB

Executing Agency: Securities & Exchange Commission (SEC)
(formerly Corporate Law Authority)
Islamabad
Amount: US$5,000,000

Project Description: The TA Loan will comprise the following components: (i) institutional strengthening of SEC; (ii) strengthening of self-regulatory mechanisms among market participants; (iii) establishment of an efficient national clearing and settlement system by the stock exchanges and its integration with the depository network; and (iv) establishment of an over-the-counter debt market. Under the TA, the legal aspects of each component will be analyzed and new legal and regulatory frameworks evolved. Component (iv) includes development of a legal and regulatory framework for asset securitization.

Project Status: In progress

ADB Project Contact: Mr. Werner Liepach
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STRENGTHENING GOVERNMENT LEGAL SERVICES AND THE SUBORDINATE JUDICIARY
(T.A. No. 2979-PAK)

Funding Agency: ADB
Executing Agency: Ministry of Law, Justice, Human Rights and Parliamentary Affairs
Fax: (9251) 920-2628

Amount: US$150,000

Project Description: The TA aims at studying the delivery of legal services to the Government and the working of the Judiciary in Pakistan, and formulating, through a participatory framework process, recommendations for strengthening and improving the systems. The TA will cover two components, namely Government legal services and the subordinate judiciary.

Project Status: In progress

ADB Project Contact: Mr. Hamid Sharif
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LEGAL AND JUDICIAL REFORM (T.A. No. 3015-PAK)

Funding Agency: ADB
Executing Agency: Ministry of Law, Justice, Human Rights and Parliamentary Affairs
Fax: (9251) 920-2628

Amount: US$800,000

Project Description: The TA aims to address the key governance issues of inefficiencies in the legal and judicial system which are adversely impacting economic development. The scope of the TA includes: (i) an examination of the working of courts including human resources, court administration, case management, the physical infrastructure of courts and the use of technology; (ii) an analysis and recommendations for reform of procedural laws and rules; (iii) development of a legal information system for dissemination of laws and judicial
precedents; (iv) recommendations for use of technology and computers by the law ministries, other government legal offices and the courts; (v) a critical assessment of the institutional framework for judicial training; (vi) a critical assessment of legal education and training; (vii) an assessment of the legal profession and the issues relating thereto; (viii) an examination of the issues relating to access to justice including the small causes courts, the offices of the ombudsmen and representation of women in the legal profession and the judiciary; and (ix) an examination of the issues in economic law reform including arbitration law, insolvency and other key commercial laws.

**Project Status**: In progress

**ADB Project Contact**: Mr. Hamid Sharif
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**WATER RESOURCES STRATEGY STUDY** (T.A. No. 3130-PAK)

**Funding Agency**: ADB

**Executing Agency**: Ministry of Water and Power
Block A, Secretariat Building
Islamabad
Fax: (9251) 920-6272

**Amount**: US$650,000

**Project Description** (legal component): Assistance in the enhancement of the legal and regulatory framework for resource management and service provision in relation to developing the water sector strategy.

**Project Status**: In progress

**ADB Project Contact**: Mr. Akmal Siddiq
Forestry and Natural Resources Division (West)
Tel: (632) 632-6748
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**STRENGTHENING OF INSTITUTIONAL CAPACITY FOR JUDICIAL AND LEGAL REFORM**

**Funding Agency**: ADB

**Executing Agency**: Ministry of Law, Justice, Human Rights and Parliamentary Affairs
Islamabad
Tel: (9251) 921-2710

**Amount**: US$2,900,000

**Project Description**: The objective of the TA is to strengthen institutional capacity for judicial and legal reform and enable the government to initiate key governance and institutional reforms. This includes: (i) judicial policymaking and administration; (ii) delay-reduction pilot projects; (iii) improving access to justice; (iv) judicial training to enhance the institutional capacity of the Federal Judicial Academy, legal education and legal profession; (v) economic law reform; and (vi) drafting of legislation or amending existing rules and regulations, including arbitration law.

**Project Status**: Proposal

**ADB Project Contacts**: Mr. Bruce Carrad
COMPLETED PROJECTS

Natural Gas Import Study
Funding Agency : ADB
Executing Agency : Ministry of Petroleum and Natural Resources

Reform of the Insurance Industry
Funding Agency : ADB
Executing Agency : Ministry of Commerce

Restructuring of Public Sector Mutual Funds
Funding Agency : ADB
Executing Agency : Privatization Commission

PAPUA NEW GUINEA

ROAD SECTOR COST RECOVERY IMPROVEMENT. (T.A. No. 3191-PNG)

Funding Agency : ADB
Executing Agency : Department of Transport and Civil Aviation
P.O. Box 1489
Port Moresby, NCD
Fax: (675) 300-2304

Amount : US$350,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance in creating the legal environment for a new road sector cost recovery policy. This includes (i) identification of the legal arrangements for implementing the cost recovery policy and channeling the revenues to road maintenance; and (ii) drafting legal texts, as appropriate, including the enabling legislation for implementing the proposed mechanism for channeling road sector cost recovery.

Project Status : In progress

ADB Project Contact : Ms. Sirpa Jarvenpaa
Pacific Operations Division
Tel: (632) 632-6146
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PREPARATION OF THE REHABILITATION OF THE NAVIGATION AIDS SYSTEM
Funding Agency : ADB (from Japan Special Fund)

Executing Agency : Department of Transport and Works
                P.O. Box 1489
                Port Moresby, NCD
                Fax: (675) 300-2304

Amount : US$500,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance in reviewing legal frameworks for a navigation aids trust fund and drafting required legal texts.

Project Status : In progress

ADB Project Contact : Ms. Sirpa Jarvenpaa
                      Pacific Operations Division
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FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT STRATEGIC FRAMEWORK (T.A. No. 3240-PNG)

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agency : Department of Treasury and Planning
                Vulupindi Haus
                P.O. Box 710
                Waigani
                Fax: (675) 328-8495/8141

Amount : US$500,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance in (i) reviewing the present legal, regulatory and institutional environment; (ii) identifying inconsistencies or other issues to be addressed; and (iii) recommending strategies for the solution of issues in relationship models and reporting formats.

Project Status : In progress

ADB Project Contact : Mr. Steven van der Tak
                      Pacific Operations Division
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ATTORNEY GENERAL’S DEPARTMENT INSTITUTIONAL STRENGTHENING

Funding Agency : AusAID

Amount : To be determined

Project Description: Investigation of possible forms of assistance to improve access to legal and judicial services and increase the responsiveness of the justice system to community needs by strengthening the capacity of the Attorney General's Department, the judiciary, the National Judicial Staff Service and the Legal Training Institute.
It is anticipated that two projects will be implemented arising from this exercise - an institutional strengthening project for the Attorney General's Department and a legal capacity building project which aims to improve the skill levels of the judiciary, court staff and legal practitioners and students.

**Project Status**

: In progress (4 years from late 1999)

**Project Contact**

: Ms. Deborah Bowman  
Second Secretary (Development Cooperation)  
Australian High Commission  
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### ACCESS TO LAWS PROJECT

**Funding Agency**

: AusAID

**Amount**

: A$3,500,000

**Project Description**: The project will (i) improve access to the laws of PNG by consolidating and publishing the statutes and case law of PNG both in electronic and hard copy form, and (ii) publish and distribute a number of selected legal texts for use by judges, magistrates, legal practitioners and students.

**Project Status**

: In progress (September 1998 - September 2000)

**Project Contact**

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### LEGAL CAPACITY BUILDING

**Funding Agency**

: AusAID

**Amount**

: To be determined

**Project Description**: Assistance to increase the responsiveness of the justice system to community needs by strengthening the capacities of the judiciary and magistracy, the National Judicial Staff Service, the Legal Training Institute and the legal profession generally. The overall aim is to enhance the skills of those people whose work is critical to the effective operation of the PNG justice system.

**Project Status**

: In progress (Duration - 3 years from mid-2000)
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PHILIPPINES

INSTITUTIONAL CAPACITY BUILDING OF THE PHILIPPINE DEPOSIT INSURANCE CORPORATION  
(T.A. No. 2971-PHI)

Funding Agency: ADB

Executing Agency: Philippine Deposit Insurance Corporation (PDIC)

Amount: US$742,000

Project Description (legal component): The TA will strengthen PDIC’s risk analysis, banking supervision, receivership, liquidation, and legal processes by drawing on internationally recognized best practices in these areas. This includes the enhancement of the overall legal parameters and operations of PDIC, preparation of relevant legal manuals and guidelines for PDIC staff, and training of PDIC staff in the areas of bank receiverships, claims and liquidations.

Project Status: In progress

ADB Project Contact: Ms. Henrike Feig  
Financial Sector and Industry Division (East)  
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E-mail: hfeig@adb.org

DECENTRALIZATION OF BASIC EDUCATION MANAGEMENT  
(T.A. No. 3115-PHI)

Funding Agency: ADB

Executing Agency: Department of Education, Culture and Sports  
Ministry of the Prime Minister  
University of Life Complex  
MERALCO Avenue, Pasig City  
Fax: (632) 835-5191

Amount: US$622,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance to review policies, laws and regulations and propose modifications to strengthen the decentralization of basic education management.

Project Status: In progress
AIR EMISSION POLICY STUDIES (T.A. 3128-PHI)

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agency : Department of Environment and Natural Resources
Environment Management Bureau
3/F Topaz Bldg., 99-100 Kamias Road
Diliman, Quezon City
Fax: (632) 928-5698

Amount : US$1,200,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance to review of the legal framework of the Department of Environment and Natural Resources as well as the operations of the Pollution Adjudication Board and the Public Hearing Committee under the Laguna Lake Development Authority jurisdiction; and for drafting and enforcing legislation and regulations, to improve the efficiency and effectiveness of operations and to establish a framework through which legal aspects of environmental management can be made more transparent and effective.

Project Status : In progress

ADB Project Contact : Mr. Charles Melhuish
Transport and Communications Division (East)
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INSTITUTIONAL STRENGTHENING OF THE INSURANCE COMMISSION (T.A. 3120-PHI)

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agency : Insurance Commission
1071 United Nations Avenue, Manila
P.O. Box 3589

Amount : US$600,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance in strengthening and modernizing the insurance legislation. This includes review of the legal and regulatory framework for monitoring financial conditions and investment position of insurance companies, and preparation of new insurance legislation in order to include the pre-need sector under the administrative supervision of the Insurance Commission.

Project Status : In progress

ADB Project Contact : Mr. Hiroyuki Motohashi
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STRENGTHENING PUBLIC FINANCE AND PLANNING OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNITS (T.A. 3145-PHI)

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agency : Department of Budget and Management

Amount : US$870,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance in the establishment of the Local Government Development Facility (LGU-DF) and amendment of the Local Government Code (LGC) to increase LGU finance for investment programs.

Project Status : In progress

ADB Project Contact : Mr. Shiladitya Chatterjee
Division East 2
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NON-BANK FINANCIAL SECTOR DEVELOPMENT (T.A. 3245-PHI)

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agency : Securities and Exchange Commission
8/F SEC Building
EDSA Greenhills, Mandaluyong City
Fax: (632) 726-8459

Amount : US$2,000,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance in reviewing and amending key legislation and regulations to determine the adequacy of current market and prudential regulations for non-bank financial institutions (including investment houses, finance companies, mutual funds, and brokers/dealers).

Project Status : In progress

ADB Project Contact : Ms. Naomi A. Chakwin
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STUDY ON COST RECOVERY MECHANISM FOR IRRIGATION O & M (T.A. 3235-PHI)

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agencies : Department of Agriculture (Office of the Secretary)
Elliptical Road, Quezon City
Fax: (632) 926-3833

National Irrigation Administration
E. de los Santos Avenue
Diliman, Quezon City
Fax: (632) 926-2846
Amount : US$300,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance in reviewing existing laws, rules and regulations on irrigation service fee.

Project Status : In progress

ADB Project Contact : Mr. Tetsuro Miyazato
Forestry and Natural Resources Division (East)
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DEVELOPMENT OF ALTERNATIVE LAW AND ALTERNATIVE LAWYERS

Funding Agency : Netherlands Organization for International Relations (NOVIB)
Amaliastraat 7
P.O. Box 30919 GX
The Hague, The Netherlands

Executing Agency : Alternative Law Research and Development Center, Inc. (ALTERLAW)

Project Description: This is a five-year development plan intended to develop or re-orient the lawyers and the practice of law towards human rights and people centered development. In terms of issues, it is concentrating on legal/human rights and social equity issues related to Filipino migrant workers, HIV/AIDS and human rights, legal issues involving NGOs (inter-NGO as well as intra-NGOs issues), and integration of all human rights.


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REFORMING THE ADMINISTRATION OF JUSTICE THROUGH COALITION ADVOCACY (RAJCA)
AID-492-G-98-00032-00

Funding Agency : USAID

Executing Agency : The Asia Foundation

Amount : US$2,267,643

Project Description: This project seeks to strengthen the Philippine legal and judicial system for it to operate more efficiently, effectively, and above all equitably for all Filipinos, particularly disadvantaged sectors. Working in coalition with Alternative Law Groups, the project includes interventions in three areas: (i) reform within the court system; (ii) reform outside the court system (including barangay justice, quasi-judicial adjudication, and the formulation

Project Status : In progress
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Makati City  
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Fax: (632) 853-0474

COMPLETED PROJECTS

**Pasig River Environmental Management and Rehabilitation**  
Funding Agency: USAID  
Executing Agency: Department of Environment and Natural Resources

**Private Sector Infrastructure Project**  
Funding Agency: Japanese Government (World Bank project)

SAMOA

IMPLEMENTATION OF PRIVATIZATION STRATEGY (T.A. No. 2788-SAM)

Funding Agency: ADB (from Japan Special Fund)  
Executing Agency: Treasury Department  
P.O. Box 3017, Apia  
Fax: (685) 21312  
Amount: US$600,000

Project Description: Assistance in (i) the preparation of umbrella legislation for the supervision and control of state-owned enterprises; and (ii) the corporatization and restructuring of the Post and Telecommunication Department, including the preparation of enabling legislation and a suitable regulatory framework.

Project Status: In progress  
ADB Project Contact: Mr. Eugenue Zhukov  
Office of Pacific Operations  
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**COMPLETED PROJECT**

Samoa Statutes Reprint 1978-1996  
Funding Agency: Forum Fisheries Agency  
Executing Agency: Office of the Attorney General
SOLOMON ISLANDS

STRENGTHENING OF PUBLIC SECTOR MANAGEMENT  (T.A. No. 3061-SOL)

Funding Agency : ADB
Executing Agencies : Ministry of Finance
P.O. Box 26
Honiara
Fax: (677) 20392

Amount : US$600,000

Project Description (legal component): Legal advice on changes required to relevant legislation and associated regulations to support the public service reform process.

Project Status : In progress

ADB Project Contact : Mr. Robert Siy
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REVIEW OF PROVINCIAL GOVERNMENT  (T.A. 3171-SOL)

Funding Agency : ADB
Executing Agency : Department of Provincial Government and Rural Development

Amount : US$150,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance in drafting a new or revised Provincial Government Act incorporating technically sound and appropriate measures proposed by various sectors which are in line with national objectives and policies.

Project Status : In progress

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SRI LANKA

COASTAL RESOURCE MANAGEMENT  (T.A. No. 3034-SRI)

Funding Agency : ADB (from Japan Special Fund)
Executing Agency : Ministry of Fisheries and Aquatic Resource Development
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<td>ADB (from Japan Special Fund)</td>
<td>Ministry of Finance and Planning, Department of External Resources, Treasury Bldg., Colombo 01, Ministry of Forestry and Environment, Colombo</td>
<td>US$800,000</td>
<td>Assistance in (i) review of existing legislation to determine where legislative changes are required, and the extent to which the legal framework required can be built on the existing (reformed) legislative base; (ii) assessment of the Government's capacity to implement laws; and (iii) identification of new legal instruments and processes, including alternate enforcement/mediation and dispute resolution mechanisms, needed for the modern and effective implementation of the proposed strategic policy framework for natural resource management.</td>
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<td>ADB (from Japan Special Fund)</td>
<td>Ministry of Port Development, Rehabilitation and Construction, 43-48 York St., Colombo 01</td>
<td>US$1,460,000</td>
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**Project Description** (legal component): Assistance in (i) reviewing the national legislation and port regulations including legislation and regulations dealing with labor laws; and (ii) analysis of legal constraints and solutions of having a predetermined operator benefit from the port expansion.

**Project Status**: In progress

**ADB Project Contact**: Mr. Udo Witulski  
Transport and Communications Division (West)  
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**PROTECTED AREA MANAGEMENT AND WILDLIFE CONSERVATION**  
(T.A. No. 3273-SRI)

**Funding Agency**: ADB

**Executing Agency**: Department of Wildlife Conservation  
No. 18, Gregory’s Road  
Colombo 07  
Fax: (941) 698556

**Amount**: US$330,000

**Project Description** (legal component): Assistance in (i) review of existing legislation and drafting legal regulations governing management of the wildlife conservation fund; and (ii) preparation of draft concession agreements for nature tourism and other activities identified for inclusion under the Project.

**Project Status**: In progress

**ADB Project Contact**: Mr. Adrian Ruthenberg  
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**LAND TITLING AND CADASTRAL MAPPING PROJECT**

**Funding Agency**: AusAID

**Executing Agency**: Department of Lands, Western Australia

**Amount**: A$350,000

**Project Description**: Assistance for the development of appropriate land titling legislation.

**Project Status**: In progress

**Project Contact**: Mr. Simon Eccleshawl  
Sri Lanka Desk Officer  
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**COMPLETED PROJECTS**
Institutional Strengthening for Comprehensive Water Resources Management
Funding Agency: ADB
Executing Agency: Ministry of Finance and Planning

Institutional Strengthening for EIA Implementation
Funding Agency: ADB
Executing Agency: Ministry of Transport, Environment and Women Affairs

Private Sector Development Program
Funding Agency: ADB
Executing Agency: Department of External Resources

TAJIKISTAN

INSTITUTIONAL STRENGTHENING OF THE TRANSPORT AND ENERGY SECTORS
(T.A. No. 3114-TAJ)

Funding Agency: ADB
Executing Agency: Office of the Prime Minister
80 Rudaki Ave., Dushanbe
Fax: (7 3772) 213446

Amount: US$1,400,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance in reviewing and preparing draft legislation for the transport and energy sectors to create an enabling framework for the delivery of market-based services.

Project Status: In progress

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DISSEMINATION OF LAWS AND THE STRENGTHENING OF THE LEGAL INFORMATION SYSTEM
(T.A. 3238-TAJ)

Funding Agency: ADB
Executing Agency: Office of the President
80 Rudaki Avenue
Dushanbe
Fax: (7 3772) 213446

Amount: US$380,000

Project Description: Assistance in the establishment of the Law Reform Commission, the dissemination of laws of Tajikistan, and the training of Tajik lawyers.
THAILAND

ASSET SECURITIZATION (T.A. No. 2957-THA)

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agency : Fiscal Policy Office
                  Ministry of Finance
                  Rama VI Road, Bangkok 10400

Amount : US$410,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance to formulate appropriate regulations to govern the securitization process, including (i) reviewing legal and tax impediments to the process of securitization; (ii) drafting legislation for trusts, and assisting the Government to set up related rules and regulations to govern the operation of trusts; (iii) recommending appropriate institutional mechanisms and procedures for the proper handling of obligations and safeguarding of mortgages and underlying assets, and (iv) drafting model documents for undertaking securitization transactions.

Project Status : In progress

ADB Project Contact : Mr. Larry Boyer
                     Financial Sector and Industry Division (West)
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                     E-mail: lboyer@adb.org

PROMOTION OF MARKET-BASED INSTRUMENTS FOR ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT (T.A. No. 3013-THA)

Funding Agency : ADB (from Japan Special Fund)

Executing Agency : Office of Environmental Policy and Planning
                  60/1 Phibun Wattana 7, Rama VI Road
                  Phayathai, Bangkok 10400
                  Fax: (662) 270-1661

Amount : US$605,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance in (i) compiling environmental legislation which have implications for the application of market-based instruments (MBIs); (ii) identifying which MBIs can be implemented based on the current structure of legislation; and (iii) analyzing how current legislation limits the future adoption of MBIs and suggesting possible solutions.

Project Status : In progress
ADB Project Contact : Mr. Naseem Ahmad  
Environment Division  
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**COASTAL RESOURCE MANAGEMENT PROJECT (TF 029440)**

Funding Agency : Japanese Government  
Executing Agency : The World Bank  
Amount : US$450,000

**Project Description (legal component):** Legal advisory services to review and provide recommendations concerning the legal and regulatory framework related to: (i) mangrove forests, including land use in mangrove forest areas; (ii) marine national parks, including multiple use approach to marine park management, co-existence between parks and communities living within their boundaries and financing of marine national park management; (iii) coastal fisheries, including property rights and tenure for community-based fisheries management and access and harvest control in the offshore fisheries; and (iv) any other relevant natural resources and environmentally-related policy issues identified during project preparation.

**Project Status** : In progress

**World Bank Project Contact** : Ms. Teresa Genta-Fons  
Legal Department  
Tel: (202) 458-1771  
Fax: (202) 522-1590

**CHAO PRAYA RIVER BASIN WATER RESOURCE PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT PROJECT (TF 022751)**

Funding Agency : Japanese Government  
Executing Agency : The World Bank  
Amount : ¥105,900,000

**Project Description (legal component):** Legal advisory services to review and propose amendments to the existing legal and regulatory framework related to water resources development and conservation, with special emphasis on water rights.

**Project Status** : In progress

**World Bank Project Contact** : Ms. Teresa Genta-Fons  
Legal Department  
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**FINANCIAL SECTOR IMPLEMENTATION ASSISTANCE PROJECT (Loan No. 4233-TH)**

Funding Agency : The World Bank  
Amount : US$15,000,000
Project Description (legal component): Technical assistance for strengthening of the legal and regulatory framework, the supervisory regime, and the institutional mechanisms for regulation of financial institutions.

Project Status: In progress.

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METROPOLITAN DISTRIBUTION REINFORCEMENT PROJECT (Loan No. 4199-TH)

Funding Agency: The World Bank
Amount: US$145,000,000

Project Description (legal component): Technical assistance for the restructuring of power distribution.

Project Status: In progress.

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BUILDING CAPACITY FOR FINANCIAL ACCOUNTABILITY AND GOOD GOVERNANCE PROJECT (IDF Grant)

Funding Agency: The World Bank
Amount: US$343,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance for the improvement of the legal and regulatory framework for financial accountability, transparency of information in the public and private sectors, accounting and auditing standards.

Project Status: Proposal

World Bank Project Contact: Ms. Teresa Genta-Fons
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ECONOMIC MANAGEMENT PROJECT (Loan)

Funding Agency: The World Bank
Amount: US$15,000,000

Project Description (legal component): Preparation of legal framework for corporatization and privatization of state-owned enterprises; preparation of legal framework for concessions and for granting government guarantees.
Project Status : Proposal

World Bank Project Contact : Ms. Teresa Genta-Fons
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COMPLETED PROJECTS

**Strengthening Information Disclosure and Compliance**
Funding Agency : ADB
Executing Agency : Securities and Exchange Commission

**Pension and Provident Funds Program**
Funding Agency : ADB
Executing Agency : Fiscal Policy Office

**Finance Companies Restructuring Project**
Funding Agency : World Bank

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**TUVALU**

**ESTABLISHMENT OF A FUND FOR OUTER ISLAND DEVELOPMENT (T.A. No. 3074-TUV)**

Funding Agency : ADB
Executing Agencies : Ministry of Finance/Attorney General's Office
Amount : US$150,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance (i) in negotiating and drafting an agreement between the central government and Tuvalu’s eight island councils to establish a trust fund for outer-island development, and (ii) to the Attorney General’s Office for drafting empowering legislation and any associated regulations, and advising generally on the placement of the fund and taxation of the income stream.

Project Status : In progress

ADB Project Contact : Mr. Luigi Bodda
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**UZBEKISTAN**

**INSTITUTIONAL STRENGTHENING AND POLICY SUPPORT TO THE ROAD SECTOR (T.A. No. 3118-UZB)**

Funding Agency : ADB
Executing Agency : The Road Board
Amount: US$600,000

Project Description (legal component): Under Phase II of the project, recommendations will be made for a legal framework in transitional economies and legislation will be drafted relating to the road sector.

Project Status: In progress

ADB Project Contact: Mr. Sangpa Tamang
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RURAL SAVINGS AND CREDIT UNION DEVELOPMENT (T.A. 3254-UZB)

Funding Agency: ADB (from Japan Special Fund)

Executing Agency: Central Bank of the Republic of Uzbekistan
6 Uzbekistanskaya Ave.
Tashkent 70001
Fax: (3712) 152-2963

Amount: US$600,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance in the development of a legal and regulatory framework for the establishment of savings and credit unions (SCU). This includes (i) review of the draft SCU law; (ii) preparation of legislative briefs for the Government to establish an appropriate SCU law and accompanying regulations; and (iii) drafting model bylaws of the SCU.

Project Status: In progress

ADB Project Contact: Mr. Stephen P. Groff
Agricultural and Rural Development Division (East)
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PENSION REFORM (T.A. 3134-UZB)

Funding Agency: ADB

Executing Agency: Ministry of Social Maintenance
20 "A" Avtony Street
Tashkent 700100
Fax: (3712) 556-918

Amount: US$850,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance in the formulation of a sound legal and regulatory basis for nonstate pension funds, and examination of operational, legal, and regulatory measures needed on the capital market side, including insurance and asset management companies, custodians, etc., prior to introducing nonstate pensions.

Project Status: In progress

ADB Project Contact: Mr. Ramesh Subramaniam
Financial Sector and Industry Division (East)
Tel: (632) 632-6437
SECURED TRANSACTIONS LEGISLATION

Funding Agency : EBRD

Project Description : Assistance in developing a Secured Transactions Law.

Project Status : Proposal

EBRD Project Contact : Mr. John Simpson
Office of the General Counsel
Tel: (44-171) 338-6050
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LEASING LEGISLATION

Funding Agency : EBRD

Project Description : Provision of comments on the draft Leasing Law.

Project Status : Proposal

EBRD Project Contact : Mr. David Bernstein
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ECONOMIC RESTRUCTURING - FISCAL REFORM

Funding Agency : USAID

Executing Agency : KPMG/Barents Group

Amount : US$2,044,860

Project Description (legal component): Assistance in the development of legislation for value added tax, excise tax, corporate income tax and personal income tax, and advice on the administration of these and other taxes.

Project Status : In progress

USAID Project Contact : Mr. Gary Linden
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ECONOMIC RESTRUCTURING - PENSION REFORM

Funding Agency : USAID
Executing Agency : IMCC

Amount : US$209,550

Project Description: Assistance in the development of regulations for the implementation of the new law on pensions, and assistance in the administration of the new pension regime.

Project Status : In progress

USAID Project Contact : Mr. Gary Linden
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ECONOMIC RESTRUCTURING - FINANCIAL MARKETS DEVELOPMENT

Funding Agency : USAID

Amount : US$7,635,000 (also covers similar TA in Kazakhstan and Kyrgyz Republic)

Project Description (legal component): Assistance in drafting and implementing securities laws and regulations, and provision of legal advice to securities market participants.

Project Status : In progress

USAID Project Contact : Mr. Gary Linden
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COMMERCIAL LAW REFORM - TRADE AND INVESTMENT

Funding Agency : USAID

Amount : US$1,910,774

Project Description (legal component): Assistance in (i) drafting and securing passage of legislation in the areas of customs law and intellectual property rights; and (ii) establishment of a regulatory framework to promote increased trade and foreign investments.

Project Status : In progress

USAID Project Contact : Mr. Gary Linden
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Tel: (3272) 507-615/507-635
DEMOCRATIC REFORM - CIVIL SOCIETY DEVELOPMENT

Funding Agency : USAID
Executing Agency : Counterpart Consortium
Amount : US$1,475,782

Project Description (legal component): Support for NGO participation in the preparations of legal and regulatory frameworks affecting NGO operations.

Project Status : In progress

Project Contact : Mr. Alex Newton
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DEMOCRATIC REFORM - LEGAL REFORM

Funding Agency : USAID
Executing Agency : ABA/CEELI
Amount : US$660,000

Project Description: Assistance in (i) the development of an independent judiciary and legal profession through continuing legal education and assistance in forming judicial and legal associations; and (ii) the improvement of the quality of legislation by reviewing and commenting on draft laws and providing relevant training.

Project Status : In progress

Project Contact : Mr. Alex Newton
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COMPLETED PROJECT

Strengthening of Institutions Engaged in Environmental Protection
Funding Agency : ADB
Executing Agency : State Committee for Nature Protection

Democratic Reform - Government Transparency
Funding Agency : USAID
Executing Agency : International Foundation for Electoral Systems

VANUATU

INSTITUTIONAL SUPPORT TO THE CENTRAL AGENCIES FOR THE COMPREHENSIVE REFORM PROGRAM (PHASE II) (T.A. No. 3046-VAN)

Funding Agency : ADB
Executing Agency : Department of Strategic Management
Ministry of the Prime Minister
Port Vila, Vanuatu
Fax: (678) 23087

Amount : US$1,200,000

Project Description (legal component): Provision of advice to government agencies, especially the Attorney General, on the interpretation, implementation, and compliance of reform legislation relating to the Comprehensive Reform Program, and on the consistency of policy and laws.

Project Status : In progress

ADB Project Contact : Mr. John Samy
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RURAL FINANCIAL SERVICES (T.A. 3206-VAN)

Funding Agency : ADB
Executing Agency : Ministry of Trade and Business Development
Project Description (legal component): Assistance to (i) examine the legal and regulatory framework for rural financial services delivery and recommend an institutional framework for efficient monitoring and supervision of rural finance schemes, including transparent mechanisms for their enforcement; (ii) review and recommend necessary changes to the proposed Credit Union bill and other relevant legislation and regulations; and (iii) examine issues on the availability of collateral, land mortgage, and enforcement of security as they relate to rural finance, and recommend measures to remove the existing constraints including drafting new laws and regulations.

Project Status: In progress

ADB Project Contact:
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STRENGTHENING THE STATE LAW OFFICE (T.A. 3197-VAN)

Funding Agency: ADB
Executing Agency: State Law Office
PMB 048, Port Vila
Tel: (678) 22362

Amount: US$150,000

Project Description: Assistance to (i) improve the quality of legislation, with special regard to ensuring appropriate links between different reform measures; (ii) strengthen institutional and professional capacity within the State Law Office; and (iii) improve the quality and timeliness of advice provided to Government Ministries on the legal implications of reform measures.

Project Status: In progress

ADB Project Contact:
Ms. Lynn Marie Pieper
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LAW REFORM AND CAPACITY BUILDING (T.A. 3366-VAN)

Funding Agency: ADB
Executing Agency: State Law Office
PMB 048, Port Vila
Tel: (678) 22362

Amount: US$300,000

Project Description: Advisory support to the State Law Office to enhance the capacity of its legal staff, particularly for implementing the Comprehensive Reform Program, and to introduce law reform initiatives.
Project Status: In progress

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**COMPLETED PROJECT**

**Urban Growth Management Strategy for Port Vila**
Funding Agency: ADB
Executing Agency: Department of Economic and Social Development

**VIET NAM, SOCIALIST REPUBLIC OF**

**REGISTRATION SYSTEM FOR SECURED TRANSACTIONS (T.A. No. 2823-VIE)**

Funding Agency: ADB
Executing Agency: Ministry of Justice
25A Cat Linh St., Hanoi
Fax: (844) 843-0712

Amount: US$500,000

Project Description: Assistance to identify inputs and actions needed to establish and bring into operation a centralized computerized system, accessible for the public, for registration of property ownership, security interests and other interests in property. Advice will also be provided on implementing regulations to effectuate such system.

Project Status: In progress

ADB Project Contact: Mr. Richard Eyre
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**RETRAINING OF GOVERNMENT LEGAL OFFICERS (T.A. No. 2853-VIE)**

Funding Agency: ADB
Executing Agency: Ministry of Justice
25A Cat Linh St., Hanoi
Fax: (844) 843-0712

Amount: US$1,200,000

Project Description: The TA aims to help the Government establish the institutional framework to provide continuing legal education for Vietnamese lawyers. The TA includes a training of trainers program to help build
a cadre for the provision of continuing legal education. The TA will assist in the development and delivery of a long-term country-wide legal retraining program that aims to provide Vietnamese lawyers with practical legal skills and knowledge necessary for lawyers operating in a market economy.

Project Status : In progress

ADB Project Contact : Ms. Eveline N. Fischer
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STUDY ON THE POLICY AND INSTITUTIONAL FRAMEWORK FOR FOREST RESOURCES MANAGEMENT (T.A. 3255-VIE)

Funding Agency : ADB (from Japan Special Fund)

Executing Agency : Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development
No. 2 Ngoc Ha Sr., Ba Dinh District

Amount : US$470,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance to (i) review the adequacy of laws and regulations related to the National Afforestation Program with a view to achieving its objectives through the demand-driven, participatory, and decentralized approach for land use planning and allocation; and (ii) propose new or amended legislation to facilitate implementation of the National Afforestation Program.

Project Status : In progress

ADB Project Contact : Mr. Patrick Safran
Forestry and Natural Resources Division (West)
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FINANCIAL MARKET DEVELOPMENT (T.A. 3147-VIE)

Funding Agency : ADB (from Japan Special Fund)

Executing Agency : State Bank of Viet Nam
47-49 Ly Thai To, Hanoi
Fax: (844) 825-0612

Amount : US$980,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance to examine the existing legal framework governing capital market functions and propose any revisions or new laws or decrees deemed necessary for a properly functioning capital market.

Project Status : In progress

ADB Project Contact : Mr. Toshimasa Dojima
Financial Sector and Industry Division (West)
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VIETNAM-AUSTRALIA TRAINING PROJECT
Funding Agency : AusAID
Executing Agency : Ministry of Justice
25A Cat Linh St., Hanoi
Fax: (844) 843-0712

Amount : A$2,000,000

Project Description: The TA aims to (i) increase the proficiency in international law relevant to integration into the international economy of lawyers in the Ministry of Justice (MOJ) and other legal and judicial agencies; (ii) increase English language and legal English proficiency in the legal sector; and (iii) establish an in-service capacity for legal English language training for the MOJ and other legal and judicial agencies.

Project Status : In progress

AusAID Project Contact : Ms. Shaanti Sekhon
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Ba Dinh, Hanoi
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NATIONAL CONSTRUCTION LAW PROJECT

Funding Agency : AusAID
Executing Agencies : Ministry of Construction

Amount : A$2,500,000

Project Description: The goal of the project is to encourage safe, cost effective and socially acceptable development and construction in Vietnam through the implementation of the National Construction Law. This includes review and modification of Key Vietnamese Standards to support the technical aspects of the Building Code, leading to more effective implementation.

Project Status : In progress

Project Contact : Dr. Bernice Lee
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VIET NAM - CANADA OCEANS AND COASTAL COOPERATION PROGRAMME - PHASE II - MARINE POLLUTION CONTROL

Funding Agency : VCOP
Executing Agency : VINAMARINE
Amount : Can$41,500 (approximately)

Project Description: Assistance in drafting regulations to implement international conventions dealing with the prevention of marine pollution from ships, and training of lawyers and judges in connection therewith.

Project Status : In progress
Project Contact : Mr. Vuong Dinh Lam
Director of International Cooperation Dept.
Vietnam National Maritime Bureau
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Hanoi
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CBA/VLA COOPERATIVE PROGRAM

Funding Agency : CIDA Partnership Branch
Executing Agencies : Canadian Bar Association (CBA)
902 - 50 O'Connor Street
Ottawa, ON K1P 6L2, Canada
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Fax: (613) 237-0185
E-mail: robins@cba.org

Prof. Luu Van Dat/Mr. Le Phong
President/Director of the Office
Vietnamese Lawyers Association (VLA)
4 Nguyen Thuong Hein St.
Hanoi, Viet Nam

Amount : Can$74,032

Project Description: Assistance in training and exchanges of lawyers on the development of the bar and on professional and substantive law matters.

Project Status : In progress
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TRAINING COURSE FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF CIVIL AND COMMERCIAL LAW OF VIET NAM

Funding Agency : JICA

Executing Agencies : Research and Training Institute, Ministry of Justice
Kasumigaseki 1-1-1, Chiyoda-ku, Tokyo, Japan

Project Description: The objective of the project is to assist Viet Nam in establishing the basic infrastructure in the fields of civil and commercial laws. Officials responsible for lawmaking in Viet Nam have been invited to Japan for about three weeks to undertake research concerning the Japanese legal framework. Several short-term seminars on specific topics are being held in Vietnam by lecturers from Japan.

Project Status : In progress. Phase I was completed in November 1999. Phase II started in December 1999 for three years.

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STRENGTHENING OF THE RULE OF LAW IN VIET NAM - PHASE I AND II

Funding Agency : Sida

Executing Agency : Ministry of Justice
Dr. Ha Hung Cuong
Head of International Department

Amount : US$1,300,000

Project Description: The project covers a number of activities in the legal area, such as seminars and study tours, and provision of legal advice, legal training, English training, as well as advice regarding organizational and administrative matters in the Ministry of Justice.

Project Status : In progress

Project Contacts : Swedish Embassy
Hanoi
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Fax: (844) 823-2195

Sida, Stockholm
Division for Democratic Governance
Tel: (468) 698-5270
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LEGAL EDUCATION

Funding Agency : Sida
Executing Agency: Ministry of Justice  
Dr. Ha Hung Cuong  
Head of International Department

Amount: About US$2,500,000

Project Description: Support to the University of Law in Hanoi, Ho Chi Minh City and other legal training institutions. The project comprises six main sub-components: teachers' training, curricula development, post-graduate studies dialogue partnership, procurement of books/equipment and long-term project planning.

Project Status: In progress

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STRENGTHENING LEGISLATIVE CAPACITY IN VIET NAM (VIE/95/016/B/01/99)

Funding Agencies: UNDP/Government of Denmark

Executing Agency: Office of the National Assembly

Implementing Agencies: Project Management Board  
Hanoi  

UN Office for Project Services (UNOPS)  
New York

Amount: UNDP: About US$1,000,000  
Government of Denmark: US$1,800,000

Project Description: The project seeks to enhance the capacity of the Office of the National Assembly (ONA) to provide efficient legislative services to the National Assembly in its role in strengthening the rule of law and guiding the transition to a market-oriented economic system in Viet Nam. TA will be provided to the ONA on strategic planning capability, information, human resources development and improved technical facilities, in order to upgrade basic human and material resources available to the National Assembly and its various bodies down to the provincial level. Mobilization and coordination of international assistance will be strengthened.

Project Status: In progress

UNDP Project Contact: Mr. Edouard Wattez  
Resident Representative  
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Hanoi, Viet Nam  
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STRENGTHENING JUDICIAL CAPACITY IN VIET NAM (VIE/95/017/B/01/99)

**Funding Agencies**: UNDP/Government of Denmark

**Executing Agency**: Supreme People’s Court

**Implementing Agencies**: Institute of Judicial Science, Supreme People’s Court

**Amount**: UNDP: about US$1,000,000

Government of Denmark: US$1,800,000

**Project Description**: The Project will assist the Government to strengthen its court system and judicial capacity in forms suitable to Viet Nam’s specific conditions of economic reform and civil governance reform within the context of sustainable human development. The strategic objective is to strengthen the capacity of the court system, primarily through training of judges and related court and legal personnel, and support training-related judicial exchanges for court personnel who will serve in a rapidly changing legal framework. Activities will be focused on urgent as well as longer-term needs of the court system, including the Supreme People’s Court, provincial courts and district courts and, where relevant to judicial training and exchanges, other agencies of the Government.

**Project Status**: In progress

**UNDP Project Contact**: Mr. Edouard Wattez

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STRENGTHENING PUBLIC PROCURATORIAL CAPACITY IN VIET NAM (VIE/95/018/B/01/99)

**Funding Agencies**: UNDP/Government of Denmark

**Executing Agency**: Supreme People’s Procuracy

**Implementing Agencies**: Institute of Procuratorial Science

UN Office for Project Services (UNOPS)

**Amount**: UNDP: about US$1,000,000

Government of Denmark: US$1,800,000

**Project Description**: The Project will assist the Government of Viet Nam to strengthen its procuratorial (public prosecutor) system and capacity in forms suitable to Viet Nam’s specific conditions of economic reform and civil governance reform within the context of sustainable human development. The strategic objective is to strengthen the capacity of the legal system, in this instance primarily through training of procurators, support for professional procuratorial handbooks and other professional materials, support for drafting of a revised Criminal Procedure Code and other legislation, and strengthening of English-language skills. Activities will be focused on
urgent as well as longer-term needs of the procuratorial system, including the Supreme People's Procuracy and provincial and district procurators' offices.

Project Status : In progress

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STRENGTHENING LABOR ADMINISTRATION TO EFFECTIVELY IMPLEMENT THE LABOR CODE (VIE/97/003/A/01/99)

Funding Agency : UNDP

Executing Agency : Ministry of Labor

Implementing Agencies : Ministry of Labor and ILO

Amount : $1,500,000

Project Description: The Project will assist the Government in implementing the Labor Code effectively through (i) development of an operational strategic plan for the implementation of the Code; (ii) training of key staff at various levels; (iii) improved dissemination of Labor Code documentation including the creation of two pilot legal counselling offices; (iv) improved information network; and (v) promotion of a tripartite mechanism operation at all levels.

Project Status : Proposal

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TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE TO THE VIET NAM LAWYERS' ASSOCIATION (VIE/97/004/A/01/99)

Funding Agency : UNDP

Executing Agency : To be determined

Implementing Agency : Viet Nam Lawyers' Association (VLA)

Amount : US$500,000 - $700,000 (Phase I)

Project Description: The Project aims at enhancing the capacity of VLA to enable it to successfully fulfil its role under the new context. The initial phase will focus on the development of management capacity to better serve its members including the development of a program of action, electronic membership registry, professional code of conduct and ethics, retraining and research capacity. Subject to the rate of capacity development achieved under the first phase, the second phase would allow the VLA to extend its professional services to the community particularly the poor.
Project Status: Proposal

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IMPROVING THE REGULATORY ENVIRONMENT FOR BUSINESS (VIE/97/016)

Funding Agency: UNDP

Executing Agency: Central Institute for Economic Management (CIEM)

Amount: US$2,382,800

Project Description (legal component): Assistance in the development of a consistent and transparent legal environment and the creation of appropriate legal conditions and investment environment for the international integration process of Viet Nam in line with its accession to AFTA and interest in WTO and APEC.

Project Status: In progress

UNDP Project Contact: Mr. Edouard Wattez
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STRENGTHENING THE LEGAL CAPACITY IN VIET NAM, PHASE II (VIE/98/001)

Funding Agency: UNDP

Executing Agencies: Ministry of Justice

Amount: US$1,582,230

Project Description: Assistance in strengthening the rule of law and law implementation by means of capacity development for government staff in (i) compiling, reviewing and systematizing the normative legal documents promulgated from 1976 to date; (ii) drafting priority legal documents for completing the legal framework for economic activities and environmental protection identified under Phase I, together with reviewing draft laws, and other normative legal documents for constitutionality, consistency with other laws, uniformity, and technical drafting quality; and (iii) public legal dissemination and education. The Project will also provide additional strengthening to the Ministry of Justice and other concerned agencies in coordinating the process of preparing, reviewing and promulgating normative legal documents.

Project Status: In progress

UNDP Project Contact: Mr. Edouard Wattez
Resident Representative
UNDP, Hanoi
29 Phan Boi Chau
PREPARATION FOR STRUCTURAL ADJUSTMENT CREDIT II (TF 029443)

Funding Agency : Japanese Government (World Bank Project)
Amount : US$958,000

Project Description (legal component): Provision of legal advisory services related to: (i) the State Enterprise Reform Action Program including drafting of specific charters for corporatization of strategic enterprises; and (ii) regulatory and prudential framework for the banking system including review and amendment of the existing banking regulations.

Project Status : In progress

World Bank Project Contact : Mr. Clifford Garstang
Legal Department
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CAPACITY BUILDING FOR EVALUATING AND NEGOTIATING PRIVATELY FINANCED INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS (IDF Grant No. TF027563)

Funding Agency : The World Bank
Executing Agency : Ministry of Planning and Investment
Amount : US$487,000

Project Description: Assistance in building capacity of designated government officials and staff for the management of private infrastructure projects in connection with relevant aspects of contract law and preparation of concession agreements, revenue agreements, guaranties and other related instruments.

Project Status : In progress

World Bank Project Contact : Mr. Clifford Garstang
Legal Department
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CAPACITY BUILDING FOR POWER AND GAS SECTOR REGULATION (IDF Grant No. TF027564)

Funding Agency : The World Bank
Executing Agency : Ministry of Planning and Investment
Amount : US$478,000

Project Description: Assistance in building capacity to define the regulatory functions, institutions and regulatory processes to conduct economic regulation of the power and gas subsectors, and to implement and
perform such regulatory functions through training of designated government officials and provision of consultants’ services.

**Project Status** : In progress

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### COMPLETED PROJECTS

**Enterprise Reform**  
Funding Agency : ADB  
Executing Agency : Ministry of Planning and Investment

**Improvement of Power Sector Regulatory Framework**  
Funding Agency : ADB  
Executing Agency : Ministry of Industry

**Policy Support for the State Bank of Viet Nam**  
Funding Agency : ADB  
Executing Agency : State Bank of Viet Nam

**Viet Nam-Canada Oceans and Coastal Cooperation Program - Petroleum Legislation**  
Funding Agencies : CIDA, UNDP  
Executing Agencies : Oil and Gas General Dept.  
Office of Government,  
Ministry of Science, Technology and Environment  
Petro Vietnam

### REGIONAL

**INSTITUTIONALIZING LEGAL TRAINING IN CAMBODIA, THE PEOPLE’S REPUBLIC OF CHINA, INDIA, MONGORIA AND VIET NAM (RETA No. 5640)**

**Funding Agency** : ADB

**Executing Agency** : International Development Law Institute  
Asia Regional Training Office  
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**Amount** : US$450,000

**Project Description**: Development of programs to institutionalize legal training capabilities within local institutions in the four DMCs concerned and/or regional institutions, and, in some of these DMCs, provision of short-term training to legal trainers in effective teaching techniques.

**Project Status** : In progress
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GOVERNANCE AND REGULATORY REGIMES FOR PRIVATE INFRASTRUCTURE DEVELOPMENT  
(RETA No. 5758)

Funding Agency: ADB  
Executing Agency: ADB  
Amount: US$150,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance in developing a framework for evaluation of governance elements of participation, transparency, accountability and predictability in regulatory frameworks in the electricity, telecommunications, transport and water sector in selected DMCs.

Project Status: In progress

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SECURED TRANSACTIONS LAW REFORM (RETA No. 5773)

Funding Agency: ADB  
Amount: US$380,000

Project Description: The TA will provide for a study of collateral security legal reform based on the country studies of selected DMCs.

Project Status: In progress

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DEVELOPMENT OF THE INTERNET FOR ASIAN LAW (DIAL II)  
(RETA No. 5820)

Funding Agency: ADB  
Amount: US$600,000

Project Description: Implementation of the recommendations of the feasibility study completed under the technical assistance earlier funded by ADB for the creation of an electronic resource center to provide DMC officials involved in the law reform process with access to (i) Internet sites housing full-text legislative and regulatory materials from DMCs and best practice jurisdictions in areas of greatest interest to DMCs; and (ii) a
panel of experts who will provide guidance (to designated authorized users) on international experience with such laws and regulations.

**Project Status** : In progress

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**INSOLVENCY LAW REFORM** (RETA No. 5795)

**Funding Agency** : ADB (from Japan Special Fund)

**Executing Agency** : ADB

**Amount** : US$610,000

**Project Description**: The TA is designed to provide a regional forum for DMC government officials concerned with insolvency law reform and administration to discuss common problems in insolvency law reform and administration and to explore regional and international good practice on insolvency law. The RETA will focus on the bankruptcy regimes in non-transition economies.

**Project Status** : In progress

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**PACIFIC JUDICIAL TRAINING** (RETA No. 5895)

**Funding Agencies** : ADB/AusAID/DFID/NZODA/UNDP

**Executing Agency** : Institute of Justice and Applied Legal Studies
University of the South Pacific
PO Box 1168, Suva, Fiji
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**Amount** :
- US$350,000 (ADB)
- US$252,000 (AusAID)
- US$194,000 (DFID)
- US$189,000 (NZODA)
- US$150,000 (UNDP)

**Project Description**: Establishment of an ongoing and comprehensive process of education, training and professional development for judicial service personnel in 15 Pacific countries (Cook Islands, Fiji Islands, Kiribati, Marshall Islands, Federated State of Micronesia, Nauru, Niue, Palau, Papua New Guinea, Samoa, Solomon Islands, Tokelau, Tonga, Tuvalu, and Vanuatu).

**Project Status** : In progress

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DEVELOPMENT OF AN INTERNATIONAL FISHERIES AGREEMENT FOR THE CONSERVATION AND MANAGEMENT OF THE TUNA RESOURCES IN THE WESTERN AND CENTRAL PACIFIC OCEAN (RETA 5815)

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agency : Fisheries Forum Agency
Honirara, Solomon Islands

Amount : US$698,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance in (i) providing a legal opinion and advice on mechanisms used by existing international tuna management organizations to allocate participatory rights; and (ii) providing a legal analysis of the relevant principles of international law on allocation under the 1982 United Nations Law of the Sea Convention and 1995 United Nations International Agreement.

Project Status : In progress

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LEGAL LITERACY FOR SUPPORTING GOVERNANCE (RETA 5856)

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agency : ADB

Amount : US$500,000

Project Description: Study of best practices for the delivery of legal literacy programs in selected DMCs to identify strategies of incorporating such practices in ADB-funded projects to enhance good governance by educating citizens about important legal rights and how to access legal institutions for enforcement of such rights.

Project Status : In progress

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SURVEYS ON COURT CONGESTION AND ACCESS TO JUSTICE (RETA 5855)
Funding Agency : ADB
Executing Agency : ADB
Amount : US$560,000

**Project Description:** Assistance will be provided in carrying out a survey and analysis of court congestion with respect to civil and commercial cases in selected DMCs. General objectives: (i) provide in-depth study of court congestion in DMCs and regional analysis of principal causes and solutions to court congestion; (ii) prepare background paper and comparative report on court congestion; and (iii) publish country reports and comparative report.

Project Status : In progress
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**NEW**

**ORGANIZATION AND MANAGEMENT OF GOVERNMENT LEGAL SERVICES (RETA No.5876)**

Funding Agencies : ADB/Government of Japan/Government of Netherlands
Executing Agency : ADB
Amount : US$400,000 (ADB)
US$225,000 (Government of Japan)
US$37,000 (Government of Netherlands)

**Project Description:** The objective of the Project is to maximize efficiency and quality in the delivery of legal services to governments (India, Nepal, Pakistan, People's Republic of China, Philippines, and Thailand) and thereby reduce costs of economic transactions, promote predictability in transactions with government and improve functioning of government in areas where legal inputs are critical.

Project Status : In progress
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**NEW**

**LEGAL TRAINING OF GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS IN PRIVATE INFRASTRUCTURE DEVELOPMENT (RETA No. 5901)**

Funding Agency : ADB
Executing Agency : ADB
Amount : US$400,000

**Project Description:** Training of government officials (in Bangladesh, PRC and Viet Nam) on legal aspects of private infrastructure development to enhance the capacity of the DMC governments concerned to successfully negotiate and close private sector infrastructure transactions.
DEVELOPING CROSS-BORDER INSOLVENCY SOLUTIONS

Funding Agency : ADB (from Japan Special Fund)

Executing Agency : ADB

Amount : US$2,000,000

Project Description: The objectives are to: (i) facilitate the handling of the growing problem of cross-border personal and corporate insolvencies; (ii) facilitate regional cooperation for the handling of cross-border restructurings and informal workouts, and the cross-border recognition of such arrangements; (iii) facilitate regional acceptance of concepts relating to modern insolvency systems, including "superpriority" and "new money"; and (iv) facilitate the handling of cross-border issues raised by bank restructurings. These also include assistance to (a) foster the implementation and understanding of the regional impact of new insolvency laws, processes, and systems, through the provision of regional workshops and training to administrators and bankruptcy judges on a comparative law basis; and (b) facilitate the establishment of web-based links.

Project Status : Proposal

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POVERTY AND THE LAW: STRENGTHENING ACCESS TO JUSTICE

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agency : ADB

Amount : US$500,000

Project Description: The primary objective is to (i) review and compile for use in ADB operations a knowledge base on the access of people with very low incomes (the poor) to the justice systems in four DMCs; (ii) assess legal and judicial institutional constraints to participation by the poor in economic and social activities; (iii) identify the need for reform in the law and legal/judicial institutions in these DMCs as well as strategic entry points for reforms to promote access to justice, institution-building, and training activities that have potential for ADB involvement; and (iv) develop legally-based strategies and actions to protect and promote the welfare of the poor in these DMCs and thus to reduce poverty.

Project Status : Proposal

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TRADE AND INVESTMENT ACCESS FACILITY FUNDS

Funding Agency: Member Governments of the Commonwealth

Executing Agency: The Commonwealth Secretariat
Export and Industrial Development Division
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United Kingdom
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Amount: US$2,180,000 (approximately), initial funding

Project Description (legal component): Under the Trade and Investment Access Facility (TIAF), assistance will be available to member countries of the Commonwealth in the following areas: (i) provision of technical assistance and training in helping to put in place appropriate legal and regulatory frameworks to promote trade and investment flows; and (ii) provision of help to countries to increase their capacity to participate in WTO negotiations, and to meet requirements or standards of WTO agreements and other international trade and investment agreements.

Project Status: In progress (1998-2001)

Commonwealth Secretariat
Project Contacts: The Deputy Secretary General
(Development Cooperation)
Mr. Anant Vijay
Deputy Director
Export and Industrial Development Division

MEKONG REGION LAW CENTER

Funding Agencies: The Asia Foundation; AusAID; Japan Foundation; DANIDA; Thailand Development Cooperation Foundation; Royal Thai Government; private sector corporations.

Project Description: The Mekong Region Law Center (MRLC) is a non-profit association of the legal communities of Cambodia, Laos, Thailand and Viet Nam established in 1994 to promote the rule of law, encourage sustainable economic and social development, facilitate the process of legal development within the countries of the region, encourage complementarity of legal systems and create a regional approach to problem solving. Current projects include: Commercial Law Initiative; Environmental Law Initiative; Due Process Project; Illegal Labor Migrations Project; Legal Internships; Legal English Training; and Legal Information Exchange.

Project Status: In progress

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THE SOUTH EAST ASIA FUND FOR INSTITUTIONAL AND LEGAL DEVELOPMENT ("SEAFILD")

Funding Agency: CIDA

Executing Agency: CIDA

Amount: Can$7,500,000

Project Description: The Southeast Asian Fund for Institutional and Legal Development will support activities in the area of human rights and democratic development. More specifically, the Fund will contribute to building capacity, at the regional and national levels in Southeast Asia, with regard to the establishment and strengthening of human rights institutions, governmental and non-governmental; the strengthening and enhancement of democratic institutions and processes; progress in legal and judicial reforms and the effective implementation of laws which enhance the protection of the rights of citizens; enhanced capacity of the legal and judicial professions and institutions to play an independent role and strengthen the rule of law; and advancements in the protection of women's rights as well as women's participation in the democratic processes.

Project Status: In progress (1995-2001)

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INTERNATIONAL TRAINING COURSE ON CIVIL AND COMMERCIAL LAW

Funding Agency: JICA

Executing Agency: Research and Training Institute, Ministry of Justice
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Project Description: To assist developing countries in establishing the basic infrastructure in the fields of civil and commercial laws. Officials responsible for lawmaking in Viet Nam, Lao, China, Mongolia, Cambodia and Myanmar have been invited to Japan to attend the two-month seminar on the Japanese legal framework and discuss from the viewpoint of comparative law.
Project Status : In progress. Phase I will end in 2000.

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CORRUPTION CONTROL IN CRIMINAL JUSTICE COURSE

Funding Agency : JICA

Executing Agency : Research & Training Institute of the Ministry of Justice, Japan
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Project Description (legal component): Assistance to developing countries (Cambodia, China, Lao, Tajikistan) in training lawmakers through participation in a two-month seminar on the Japanese system of removing and combatting corruption from the viewpoint of comparative law.

Project Status : In progress. Project will end in 2002.

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DEVELOPMENT OF DRUG CONTROL OPERATIONAL PROCEDURES OF LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES IN EAST ASIA (RAS/97/B65)

Funding Agencies : Japan, U.S.A.

Executing Agencies :

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Amount : US$913,000

Project Description (legal component): The project is designed to develop national procedures for mutual legal
assistance in the six participating countries for enforcement of drug control legislation. Such legal procedures
will allow law enforcement agencies in the participating countries to (i) exchange information, evidence and
witnesses for purposes of enforcement of drug control legislation; and (ii) identify, seize and confiscate illicit
drugs, precursor chemicals, equipment and assets derived from drug trafficking. The project will also offer
national and subregional seminars and workshops on such legal procedures for senior officials from the
subregion.

Project Status : In progress (1999-2001)

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STRENGTHENING OF JUDICIAL AND PROSECUTORIAL DRUG CONTROL CAPACITY IN EAST ASIA
(RAS/97/C74)

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Amount : US$1,553,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance in strengthening the judicial and prosecutorial capacity of Cambodia, China, Laos, Myanmar, Thailand and Viet Nam to administer national drug control legislation and support subregional cooperation. This also includes in-country legal training for drug control by national institutions to meet the specific needs of each of the countries and the establishment of a mechanism for developing and implementing Mutual Legal Assistance Agreements and other initiatives to facilitate subregional cooperation.

Project Status : In progress (1999-2002)

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ENHANCEMENT OF DRUG LAW ENFORCEMENT TRAINING IN EAST ASIA (RAS/97/C51)

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Amount : US$1,570,000

Project Description: The objective of the project is to provide a computer-based, interactive multimedia drug law enforcement training program for customs, police and specialist drug law enforcement officers in Cambodia, China, Lao PDR, Myanmar, Thailand and Viet Nam. Training will be in the language of each of the six countries and will incorporate their respective cultural, legal and procedural requirements.

Project Status : In progress (1999-2001)

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ENHANCEMENT OF CAPACITY TO GATHER AND EXCHANGE INFORMATION BY LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES (RAS/97/C46)

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Amount : US$1,127,000

Project Description: The project will facilitate an increased capacity for law enforcement agencies of the countries that are party to the Memorandum of Understanding on drug control and the Subregional Action Plan to reduce illicit trafficking of narcotic drugs and controlled chemicals by gathering, analyzing and exchanging drug law enforcement information in a systematic and complimentary manner.

Project Status : In progress (1999-2001)

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DEVELOPMENT OF CROSS-BORDER LAW ENFORCEMENT COOPERATION IN EAST ASIA
(AD/RAS/99/D91)

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Amount: US$1,819,100

Project Description: The project will progressively develop and expand in order of priorities the operational effectiveness of law enforcement agencies across and along the borders of countries which are party to the Memorandum of Understanding and the Subregional Action Plan on Drug Control. The project will be implemented in two phases with the China-Laos, China-Myanmar and China-Vietnam borders to be covered by the first phase. The second phase will address identified needs at the Cambodia-Thailand, Cambodia-Vietnam, Laos-Thailand, Laos-Vietnam, Myanmar-Laos, and Myanmar-Thailand borders. Activities will mainly entail building national and bilateral cooperation and enabling cross border personnel to work as a team. The key components will be workshops and specialized on-the-job training to develop skills and knowledge of drug control, initiatives to engender trust and confidence, and structures which favor close liaison. Enforcement activities conducive to practical and daily collaboration will be identified and encouraged.


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DEMOCRATIC INITIATIVES PROJECT - NGO LAW DEVELOPMENT IN CENTRAL ASIAN REPUBLICS

Funding Agency: USAID

Executing Agency: Counterpart Consortium and International Center for Not-for-Profit Law.

Amount: US$800,000

Project Description: Assistance to governments, parliaments and NGOs in Kazakhstan, Kyrgyz Republic, Uzbekistan and Tajikistan in initiating new legislation governing indigenous non-governmental organizations.

Project Status: In progress until 2000

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SPECIAL TRAINING COURSE ON DISPUTE SETTLEMENT PROCEDURES AND PRACTICES

Executing Agency: World Trade Organization
Project Description: Each year the WTO holds dispute settlement courses in Geneva in which participants are provided training concerning the implementation of the Understanding on Rules and Procedures Governing the Settlement of Disputes. The training includes discussions of theoretical cases and participation in simulation exercises. Annually about 10/15 officials from the Asia-Pacific region countries participate in this training course.

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COMPLETED PROJECTS

Subregional Environmental Training and Institutional Strengthening
Funding Agency: ADB
Executing Agency: ADB

Capacity Building for Environmental Law Training in the Asia and Pacific Region
Funding Agency: ADB
Executing Agency: IUCN

The Role of Law and Legal Institutions in Asian Economic Economic Development
Funding Agency: ADB
Executing Agency: ADB

Socio-Legal Status of Women in Selected DMCs
Funding Agency: ADB
Executing Agency: ADB

Cross Border Movement of Goods and People in the Greater Mekong Region
Funding Agency: ADB
Executing Agencies: ADB/ESCAP

Greater Mekong Subregion East-West Transport Corridor
Funding Agency: ADB
Executing Agency: ADB

Investment Promotion in PDMCs
Funding Agency: ADB
Executing Agency: Foreign Investment Advisory Service

Developing Best Practices for Promoting Private Sector Investment
Funding Agency: ADB
Executing Agency: ADB

Review of National Resettlement Policies and Experience With Involuntary Resettlement Projects
Funding Agency: ADB
Executing Agency: ADB

East Loop Telecommunications Project in Greater Mekong Subregion
Funding Agency: Government of France
Executing Agency : ADB

**Strengthening ASEAN's Capacity to Prevent and Mitigate Transboundary Atmospheric Pollution**
Funding Agency : ADB
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