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ADB	Asian Development Bank
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 Zusammenarbeit
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
SDR	Special Drawing Rights

Sida	Swedish International Development Agency
TA	Technical Assistance
UNDP	United Nations Development Programme
UNDCP	United Nations International Drug Control Programme
UNESCO	United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization
UNHCR	United Nations High Commission for Refugees
UNOPS	UN Office for Project Services
USAID	United States Agency for International Development
WIPO	World Intellectual Property Organization
WTO	World Trade Organization

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AZERBAIJAN

ESTABLISHMENT OF THE BAKU STOCK EXCHANGE – PHASE I

Funding Agency : EBRD

Executing Agency : State Committee for Securities of Azerbaijan

Amount : EUR 122,000

Project Description: Assistance in improving its laws and legal institutions governing the securities market in order to bring Azeri Laws in line with international practice, and establishment of the Baku Stock Exchange.

Project Status : In progress

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BANGLADESH

BENEFICIARY PARTICIPATION AND PROJECT MANAGEMENT (T.A. No. 2564-BAN)

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

Executing Agency : Local Government Engineering Department of the Ministry of Local Government, Rural Development and Cooperatives

Amount : US\$7,000,000

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 cooperative societies.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion– June 2002)

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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) 956-3721

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 (Expected completion–March 2001)

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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 (Expected completion –May 2001)

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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 (Expected completion–March 2001)**Project Contact** : Ms. Gulfer Cezayirli
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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 non-governmental organization (other than Grameen Bank) or non-pilot District Bittahen Bank to function as a bank MFI provided it satisfies the qualification criteria set forth in the legislation.**Project Status** : In progress (Expected completion - October 2001)**Project Contact** : Mr. Nimal Fernando
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Resources
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Dhaka 1208
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, licenses, 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 (Expected completion – April 2001)**Project Contact** : Ms. Dagmar Graczyk
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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 (Expected completion – March 2001)**Project Contact** : Mr. Darius Teter
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CHITTAGONG HILL TRACTS REGION DEVELOPMENT AND INVESTMENT STUDY (T.A. No. 3328-BAN)

Funding Agency : ADB (from Japan Special Fund)

Executing Agency: Chittagong Hill Tracts Development Board
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Amount : US\$1,000,000

Project Description (legal component): The TA will assist in (i) the identification of legal issues and constraints to development activities in the region, including the progress in implementing the peace accord of 1997; and (ii) the examination of any remaining land disputes and their impact on the region's overall development activities, and reflect the findings in the proposed regional plan.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion – June 2001)

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CORPORATIZATION OF THE ASHUGANJ POWER STATION (T.A. No. 3343-BAN)

Funding Agency : ADB (from Japan Special Fund)

Executing Agency: Ministry of Energy and Mineral Resources
Government of Bangladesh Secretariat
Dhaka-1000
Fax: (8802) 865079

Amount : US\$1,000,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance in the preparation of all necessary legal instruments which will include the drafting of power purchase agreement between the Bangladesh Power Development Board (BPDB) and the Ashuganj Power Station (APS) for sale of power from APS, and the purchase of gas by APS from the gas company.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion – March 2001)

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SECOND SMALL-SCALE WATER RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT SECTOR (T.A. No. 3358-BAN)

Funding Agency : ADB (from Japan Special Fund)

Executing Agency: Local Government Engineering Department
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Amount : US\$500,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance in: (i) the review of existing policies and legislation related to water resources management; (ii) the review of legal constraints that influence sustainable water resource management; and (iii) the preparation of a detailed policy and legislation matrix indicating what will be required to achieve the sector goal with a time-bound framework.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion–December 2001)

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ORGANIZATIONAL REFORM OF BANGLADESH RAILWAY, PHASE III (T.A. No. 3491-BAN)

Funding Agency : ADB (from Japan Special Fund)

Executing Agency: Bangladesh Railway
Rail Bhavan, Abdul Ghani Road
Bangladesh Secretariat, Dhaka
Fax: (8802) 45642330

Amount : US\$900,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance to the Government to pass the new legislation required to (i) confirm the reforms already approved through resolution of Bangladesh Railway (BR) specifically the division of powers and authority to the Government, Bangladesh Railway Authority, and the director general of BR; (ii) introduce the new regulatory and institutional framework for rail concessions as per Government recommendations; and (iii) establish the Bangladesh Railway Corporate Entity as a statutory corporation.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion June 2002)

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●CAPACITY BUILDING OF THE SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION AND SELECTED CAPITAL MARKET INSTITUTIONS (T.A. No. 3533-BAN)

Funding Agency : ADB (from Japan Special Fund)

Executing Agency : Securities and Exchange Commission of Bangladesh
Jiban Birma Tower
10, Dilkusha C/A, Dhaka-1000
Fax: (8802) 9563721

Amount : US\$850,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance in: (i) review and amendment of laws and regulations pertinent to the operation of public companies and fund management; (ii) training on legal aspects of corporate governance, transactions in securities and management, and investment of funds in the capital market.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion–April 2002)

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●PENSION AND INSURANCE SECTOR (T.A. No. 3590-BAN)

Funding Agency : ADB (from Japan Special Fund)

Executing Agency : Ministry of Finance

Amount : US\$600,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance to (i) review the existing legal framework for trusts and recommend amendments to facilitate the development of contractual savings on a trust basis; (ii) explore the need for legislation to govern the provision of financial advice and provide appropriate draft legislation if considered necessary; (iii) review the Insurance Act (1938), identifying constraints or weaknesses in the Act which hinder the functioning and sustainability of an effective regulatory system or the effective operation of the insurance market, and propose appropriate amendments; and (iv) examine the legal and regulatory framework currently applicable to pension and provident funds, and identify weaknesses relating to solvency, fund administration, investment management and fiduciary requirements, and member protection.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion–November 2001)

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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

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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\$1,850,000

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

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CHILD TRAFFICKING PROJECT

Funding Agencies : 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

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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 alternate 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

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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: (i) strengthening the legal and regulatory framework through the revision/reform of key business laws and regulations; (ii) strengthening alternate dispute resolution (ADR) mechanisms and support for the promotion and implementation of the Ombudsman Office; (iii) improving court administration, streamlining court

procedures, and strengthening capacity of MOL, especially in the areas of drafting and vetting; (iv) improving human resource development by way of developing judicial training and legal education; (v) implementing a management information system for the judiciary to improve transparency and efficiency of work; and (vi) building/upgrading physical infrastructure where necessary in the judicial sector.

Project Status : In progress

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CAPACITY ENHANCEMENT OF THE JUDICIAL SYSTEM

Funding Agency : The World Bank

Executing Agency : Ministry of Law (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: (i) developing the institutional capacity needed to begin the work of modernizing business laws; (ii) initiating measures towards the training of judges in business-related legal disciplines; and (iii) introducing urgently needed measures to give ready access to the business community to legal information.

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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

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COMPLETED PROJECTS

Organization Reform of Bangladesh Railways, Phase II

Funding Agency : ADB
Executing Agency : Ministry of Communications

Preparing the Northwest Agriculture Development

Funding Agency : ADB
Executing Agency : Ministry of Agriculture

Human Rights and Legal Education

Funding Agencies : CIDA, DFID, European Commission &
the Aga Khan Foundation
Executing Agency : BRAC

Democracy Partnership (AID-388-0249)

Funding Agency : USAID
Executing Agency : The Asia Foundation

BHUTAN

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) the 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) the evaluation of the legal environment for insurance operations in the country and preparation of draft regulations and legislation.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion–May 2001)

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★ROAD PLANNING & MANAGEMENT STRENGTHENING (T.A. No. 3470-BHU)

Funding Agency : ADB (from Japan Special Fund)

Executing Agency : Department of Roads
Ministry of Communications
Thimpu
Fax: (975 2) 325913

Amount : US\$954,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance in the compilation, analysis and consolidation of legislation related to the road sector, and in the preparation of draft legislation for a proposed road act to cover road and road transport in the country.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion–December 2001)

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COMPLETED PROJECTS

Capacity Upgrading of Financial Sector Infrastructure and Entrepreneurial Development

Funding Agency : ADB
 Executing Agencies: Ministry of Finance/Royal Monetary Authority of Bhutan

Policy and Legal Framework for Power Sector Development

Funding Agency : ADB
 Executing Agency : Ministry of Trade and Industry

Capacity Building of the Construction Development Board

Funding Agency : ADB
 Executing Agency : Construction Development Board

CAMBODIA

DEVELOPING CAPACITY IN AUDIT AND INSPECTORATE FUNCTION (T.A. No. 2566-CAM)

Funding Agency : ADB
 Executing Agency : Ministry of Economy and Finance
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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 (Expected completion - September 2001)

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FINANCIAL SECTOR DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM (T.A. No. 3467-CAM)

Funding Agency : ADB
 Executing Agency : National Bank of Cambodia
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Amount : US\$800,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance in: (i) strengthening enforcement of the existing legal framework for corporate governance and bankruptcy procedures; (ii) developing a legal framework for the Government's anti-corruption initiatives related to specific sectors; and (iii) legal and regulatory reforms relative to accounting and auditing in public and private sectors.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion - March 2001)

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IMPLEMENTATION OF LAND LEGISLATION (T.A. No. 3577-CAM)

Funding Agency : ADB
 Executing Agencies: Ministry of Justice
 Ministry of Land Management, Urban Planning and Construction

Amount : US\$600,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance in (i) putting a legal system and mechanism in place that will resolve the existing uncertainty, disputes and chaos with respect to land ownership and related rights to land; (ii) strengthening the capacity of the judiciary, legal community and technical staff responsible for implementing the law, and thereby contribute to restoring the confidence of the general public in the legal system; and (iii) raising public awareness of the law.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion - December 2002)

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CBA/BAKC COOPERATIVE PROGRAM

Funding Agency : CIDA Partnership Branch

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

Amount : US\$47,050

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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STRENGTHENING OF JUDICIARY

Funding Agency : Service Culterel 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

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COOPERATION IN THE LEGAL FIELD BETWEEN CAMBODIA AND JAPAN

Funding Agency : JICA

Executing Agencies: Supreme Court, Japan

Research & Training Institute of the Ministry of Justice, Japan

Japan Federation of Bar Associations

Ministry of Justice, Cambodia

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

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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: Assistance to key government bodies, decision-makers, educators and the general public to improve the national capacity for sustainable environmental and natural resource management. Assistance also includes advice regarding draft legislation, regulations and inter-ministerial agreements to implement environmental responsibilities in a coherent manner.

Project Status : In progress

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Project Status : In progress

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COMPLETED PROJECT

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): Assistance in (i) strengthening institutional capacity for controlling public expenditures by developing a legal and regulatory framework for public accounting; (ii) strengthening institutional capacity for managing foreign debt by developing the legal framework; (iii) private sector development; (iv) preparation and implementation of master plan for drafting and revision of priority economic and financial laws and regulations; (v) legal training for judges, lawyers, civil servants and other professionals; and (vi) establishing an automated system for publication on a regular basis in Khmer, French and English of the Official Journal, higher court decisions, jurisprudence and doctrinal writings, and trademark gazette.

Project Status : In progress

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Democratic Initiatives Project (AID-442-0111-1)

Funding Agency : USAID

Executing Agency : The Asia Foundation

Preparation for Cambodia's Membership in ASEAN

Funding Agency : UNDP

Executing Agency : UN Office for Project Services

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.

CHINA, PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF

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**: Assistance in establishing policies and a regulatory framework for the consulting industry in PRC.**Project Status** : In progress (Expected completion - March 2001)**Project Contact** : Mr. R. J. Robertson
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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 (Expected completion - April 2001)**Project Contact** : Mr. Patrick Giraud
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Transport and Communications Division East
Tel: (632) 632-6765
E-mail: pgiraud@adb.org**STRENGTHENING OF THE 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 (Expected completion - March 2001)**Project Contact** : Mr. Xiaohua Peng
ADB
Office of the General Counsel
Tel: (632) 632-4910
E-mail: xpeng@adb.org**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 (Expected completion - December 2001)**Project Contact** : Mr. Bo Q. Lin
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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 (Expected completion - June 2001)

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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\$2,400,000

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 (Expected completion - September 2001)

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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
Fax: (8610) 6309-7699

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 (Expected completion - October 2001)

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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 (Expected completion - March 2001)

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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 (Expected completion - November 2001)

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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 (Expected completion - December 2001)

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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 reviewing the legal framework for the capital markets, identifying deficiencies, and in preparing recommendations for the establishment of an integrated and sound capital market legal system.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion - February 2002)

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**INSTITUTIONAL STRENGTHENING OF THE CINDA
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 (Expected completion - March 2001)

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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) reviewing 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 (Expected completion - November 2001)

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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\$1,545,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance in (i) the 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) the 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 (Expected completion - May 2001)

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★STRENGTHENING URBAN SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT (T.A. No. 3447-PRC)

Funding Agency : ADB (from Japan Special Fund)

Executing Agency : Ministry of Construction
Sanlihe Road
Beijing 100835
Fax: (8610) 6831-3669

Amount : US\$600,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance to (i) review the impacts of any policy recommendations on the poor and recommend legal and institutional arrangements to promote public participation in waste management; (ii) identify any legal or regulatory restrictions, both domestic and foreign, on private participation; (iii) review the legal framework of the urban solid waste management program, the pollution control legislation, and related regulatory frameworks of the central, provincial, and municipal governments; and (iv) recommend changes and improvements to strengthen the capacity to implement programs and enforce legal provisions at the municipal level.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion - August 2001)

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★JIANGSU HIGHWAY BUILD-OPERATE-TRANSFER (T.A. No. 3569-PRC)

Funding Agency : ADB (from Japan Special Fund)

Executing Agency : Jiangsu Provincial Communications Department
No. 16 Zhenzhou Road
Nanjing, Jiangsu Province
Fax: (8625) 220-1945

Amount : US\$600,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance in (i) the evaluation of BOT projects, including the legal aspects; and (ii) the enactment of legislation for BOT and other private sector modalities.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion - September 2002)

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❖ **TRANSJURISDICTION ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT
(T.A. No. 3588-PRC)**

Funding Agency : ADB (from Japan Special Fund)

Executing Agency : State Environment Protection Administration
115 Nanxiaojie, Xizhimennei
Beijing 100035

Amount : US\$2,100,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance in (i) operationalizing trans-jurisdictional provisions of the revised Water Pollution Prevention and Control Law (the Law) of 1996, using the Yellow River Basin as a case study; (ii) developing local legislation, rules, and regulations implementing the trans-jurisdictional provision of the Law; (iii) training legislative drafters of provinces on comparative practices and procedures used in other countries to remove potential sources of conflicts, resolution of conflicts, appeals, and resolution; and (iv) identifying the need for a national law to integrate various dimensions of river basin environmental management.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion - May 2003)

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❖ **FORMULATION OF THE GOVERNMENT PROCUREMENT
LAW (T.A. No. 3631-PRC)**

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agency: National People's Congress
Office of Economic Legislative Affairs
Financial and Economic Committee
23 Xijiaminxiang St., Xi Cheng District
Beijing 100805
Fax: (8610) 6409-7452

Amount : US\$578,000

Project Description: Assistance in the drafting of the government procurement law relating to the process and methods of procurement such as funding source, administering and monitoring functions, etc. for submission to the National Committee of the National People's Congress of PRC by the end of 2002.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion - February 2003)

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❖ **WTO MEMBERSHIP AND FOREIGN TRADE LAW
REFORM**

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agencies: Ministry of Foreign Trade and Economic
Cooperation

Office of the State Council

Amount : US\$800,000

Project Description: The objectives are to: (i) assist the Government in developing a legislative and legal system compatible with the WTO principles, rules and obligations; (ii) strengthen its ability to exercise the rights accorded under WTO and its regulatory capability facing a more competitive international and domestic market after the entry of WTO; and (iii) assist its efforts to provide legal information of and clarification of the foreign trade and investment-related laws and regulations.

Project Status : Proposal

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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) the 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)

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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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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 - March 2001)

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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\$195,458

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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INITIATIVE IN JUDICIAL REFORM

Funding Agency : Ford Foundation

Amount : US\$2,900,000

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.

Project Status : In progress

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INITIATIVE IN CRIMINAL JUSTICE SYSTEM REFORM

Funding Agency : Ford Foundation

Amount : US\$1,000,000

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.

Project Status : In progress

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.

Project Status : In progress

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TRAINING AND ADVISORY SERVICE ON COMMERCIAL LAWS AT THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN TRADE AND ECONOMIC COOPERATION (MOFTEC), PN 96.2139.2-001.00

Funding Agency : Federal Ministry of Economic Cooperation and Development of the Federal Republic of Germany

Executing Agency : GTZ

Amount : DM 4,000,000 (First Phase)
DM 2,500,000 (Second Phase)

Project Description: Training and advisory service on commercial laws at the Treaty and Law Department of the Ministry of Foreign Trade and Economic Cooperation focuses on the reform of commercial laws. The main focus lies with training courses of between 1 week to 2 months focusing on implementation methods consistent with the rule of law. For this purpose, case studies as well as moot courts are included in the curriculae, which are mainly handled according to Chinese law

with comparative reference to German law. Moreover, symposia and delegations are organized in order to research on comparative legal topics, and scholarships in international study programs are provided for experts involved in the project.

Project Status : First Phase - completed
Second Phase - in progress (September 2000 - December 2004)

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ADVISORY SERVICE TO THE FINANCIAL AND ECONOMIC COMMITTEE (FEC) OF THE NATIONAL PEOPLE'S CONGRESS (NPC), PN 96.2140.0-001.00

Funding Agency : Federal Ministry of Economic Cooperation and Development of the Federal Republic of Germany

Executing Agency : GTZ

Amount : DM 4,000,000 (First Phase)
DM 5,000,000 (Second Phase)

Project Description: Assistance includes: (i) advisory service to the Financial and Economic Committee on the reform of economic legislation (particularly laws on foreign exchange, investment funds, securities, bankruptcy, small and medium enterprises, company law, trust law, bidding, public procurement, and state budget); (ii) training courses on specific topics of commercial law; and (iii) international study programs for experts involved in the drafting process of economic legislation.

Project Status : First Phase - completed
Second Phase - in progress (September 2000 - December 2004)

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RURAL OFFICIAL TRAINING CENTRE (CPR/96/503)

Funding Agency : UNDP

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Recipient Agency : Ministry of Civil Affairs (MOCA)
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Amount : US\$1,574,582

Project Description (legal component): Assistance in strengthening the capacity of the MOCA in the implementation of the Organic Law, and promoting the grassroots self-governance in rural areas.

Project Status : In progress (1996-2001)

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

Funding Agency : UNDP

Executing Agency : CICETE
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Implementing Agency: CICETE

Recipient Agency : Customs General Administration
Mr. Huang Shengqiang
Director, General Office
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Beijing 100730
Tel: (8610) 6204-9988
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Amount : US\$17,586,750

Project Description (legal component): Assistance to (i) amend the Customs Law and three regulations in line with international obligations; (ii) strengthen the capacity of enforcement of the Customs; and (iii) to enhance the enforcement of anti-drug.

Project Status : In progress (1996-2001)

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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: CICETE

Recipient Agency : Legal Aid Center of the Ministry of Justice
Mr. Gong Xiaobin, Deputy Director
32 Nanchangjie Street, Beijing 100031
Tel: (8610) 6608-1319
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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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URBAN RESIDENT COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT (CPR/99/594)

Funding Agency : UNDP

Executing Agency : CICETE
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Implementing Agency: CICETE

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147 Beiheyuan Jie, Beijing 100721
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Fax: (8610) 6513-5544 ext. 3119

Amount : US\$306,000

Project Description: Assistance in formulating a policy framework for the development of urban resident community in China to promote grassroots self-governance and democratic process in urban areas.

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

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PROMOTION OF REFUGEE LAW PROGRAMME

Funding Agency : UNHCR

Executing Agency : CICETE
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Fax: (8610) 6201-1328

Amount : US\$72,500

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: (i) 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 (ii) strengthening the key legal institutions responsible for legislation and the implementation of economic laws. The project consists of three parts: (a) sub-projects to support preparation of legislation; (b) sub-projects to support legal training; and (c) 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 (1993-1998) 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 thorough 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 redesigning the lawyers' examination system and continuing legal education will also be provided.

Project Status : In progress

SICHUAN GAS DEVELOPMENT AND CONSERVATION PROJECT (Loan No. 3716 CHA)

Funding Agencies : (a) 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 (i) the formulation of a restructuring action plan encompassing, inter alia, the development of legal, regulatory and contractual regime for onshore oil and gas activities, and the corporatization and commercialization of oil and gas enterprises; and (ii) carrying out the said restructuring action plan.

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

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COMPLETED PROJECTS

Restructuring of Insolvent State Enterprises

Funding Agency : ADB
Executing Agency : State Economic and Trade Commission

Institutional Strengthening of Local Railways in Shaanxi Province

Funding Agency : ADB
Executing Agency : Shaanxi Xiyuan Railway Company

Power Sector Restructuring

Funding Agency : ADB
Executing Agency : State Power Corporation

China National Automated Payments System

Funding Agency : ADB
Executing Agency : People's Bank of China

Provincial Legislation on Environmental Protection and Natural Resources

Funding Agency : ADB
Executing Agency : Environmental Protection and Natural Resources Committee

Policies and Strategies for Sustainable Development of the Lancang River Basin

Funding Agency : ADB
Executing Agency : Statement Planning Commission

Institutional Strengthening of the Huaneng Group

Funding Agency : ADB
Executing Agency : China Huaneng Group

Hai River Basin Wastewater Management and Pollution Control

Funding Agency : ADB
Executing Agency : State Environmental Protection Administration

Legislation Drafting Support for Securities Investment Funds Law

Funding Agency : ADB
Executing Agency : Financial and Economic Committee

The Reform of Economic Law in China

Funding Agency : AusAID
Implementing Agency: China University of Political Science and Law

Tax Policy and Administration Reform

Funding Agencies : UNDP, IMF
Executing Agency : CICETE

State Assets Management Reform

Funding Agency : UNDP
Executing Agency : CICETE

Leiden-Beijing Legal Transformation Project

Funding Agency : Dutch Ministry of Education
Executing Agency : Van Vollenhoven Institute

EAST TIMOR

✪TRANSPORT SECTOR RESTORATION (T.A. No. 3401-ETM)

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agency : United Nations Transitional Administration in East Timor (UNTAET)
Fax: (1212) 963-2180

Amount : US\$1,000,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance in (i) reviewing the transport sector legislation in order to identify areas for simplification, modification, and deregulation to establish a purposeful regulatory framework for the sector; and (ii) drafting of legislation for the consideration of the UNTAET and the East Timorese civil society.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion - June 2001)

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✪CAPACITY BUILDING FOR GOVERNANCE AND PUBLIC SECTOR MANAGEMENT (T.A. No. 3412-ETM)

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agency : United Nations Transitional Administration in East Timor (UNTAET)
Fax: (1212) 963-2180

Amount : US\$1,000,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance in developing legal and regulatory frameworks for transparent ground rules for the functioning of the private sector, including an investment code, property and commercial law, and procedures for the leasing of vacant state land and facilities.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion - March 2002)

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ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT CAPACITY IMPROVEMENT (T.A. No. 3501-ETM)

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agency : United Nations Transitional Administration in East Timor (UNTAET)
Fax: (1212) 963-2180

Amount : US\$250,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance in reviewing the environmental and natural resources laws, legislation, and regulations currently enforced in East Timor, and provision of related recommendations considering the conditions in East Timor.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion - September 2001)

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Project Description (legal component): Assistance in reviewing legislation relating to banking and financial institution operations with a view to drafting a comprehensive enabling legislation for microfinance institutions, including banks and credit unions.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion - March 2001)

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FIJI

REHABILITATION OF THE TELECOMMUNICATIONS SECTOR - PHASE II (T.A. No. 3504-ETM)

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agency : United Nations Transitional Administration in East Timor (UNTAET)
Fax: (1212) 963-2180

Amount : US\$150,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance in setting up of a legal and regulatory framework for the telecommunications sector in which the public and/or private sector will operate.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion - March 2001)

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WOMEN'S PLAN OF ACTION (T.A. No. 3360-FIJ)

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agency : Ministry of Women and Culture
GPO Box 14068
Suva
Fax: (679) 303-829

Amount : US\$500,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance to (i) review laws, policies, and regulations relating to women's employment and economic rights; (ii) prepare and draft more appropriate laws, policies, regulations that reflect the current status and role of women in the economy; and (iii) work with the Law Reform Commission and the Ministry of Labor and Industrial Relations to identify and amend discriminatory legislation, policies, and regulations.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion - April 2002)

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STRENGTHENING THE MICROFINANCE POLICY AND LEGAL FRAMEWORK (T.A. No. 3556-ETM)

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agency : United Nations Transitional Administration in East Timor (UNTAET)
Fax: (1212) 963-2180

Amount : US\$250,000

COMPLETED PROJECTS

Public Enterprise Reform (Phase II)

Funding Agency : ADB
Executing Agency : Ministry of Commerce, Industry, Cooperatives & Public Enterprises

Urban Sector Strategy Study

Funding Agency : ADB
 Executing Agency : Ministry of Housing and Urban Development

INDIA

**ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT AT THE STATE LEVEL
 (T.A. No. 3423-IND)**

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 : In progress (Expected completion - August 2002)

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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 (Expected completion - April 2001)

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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\$800,000

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 of the legal practice undertaken by the private sector in development; and (iii) development of appropriate training materials and guidelines for this sector.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion - December 2001)

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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 (Expected completion - February 2001)

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Project Description (legal component): Assistance in (i) the review of legal and regulatory frameworks of trading and investing in fixed-income securities in India, identifying required changes in legislation; (ii) the design of enabling legal, regulatory and tax frameworks for an efficient, liquid, and transparent secondary domestic debt market; and (iii) the review of capacity of regulatory and supervisory bodies to determine capacity-building needs.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion - May 2001)

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❖PRIVATE SECTOR PARTICIPATION IN ELECTRICITY TRANSMISSION (T.A. No. 3380-IND)

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agency : Power Grid Corporation of India Limited
B-9 Qutab Institutional Area
Katwaria Sarai, Delhi 11006
Fax: (9111) 656-0086

Amount : US\$600,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance in (i) the review of contract and company laws developed by the Government for private sector participation in the transmission subsector, and recommend changes that may be necessary; and (ii) the establishment of a new independent power transmission company to allow private sector participation in the establishment of transmission lines and in the implementation of the Meramundali-Jeypore 400 kV transmission line project.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion - May 2002)

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❖DEVELOPMENT OF SECONDARY DEBT MARKET (T.A. No. 3473-IND)

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agency : Department of Economic Affairs
Ministry of Finance
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New Delhi - 110001
Fax: (9111) 301-2477

Amount : US\$600,000

❖REORGANIZATION PLAN FOR GUJARAT ELECTRICITY (T.A. No. 3573-IND)

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agencies: Gujarat Electricity Board
Government of Gujarat

Amount : US\$600,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance in developing the legal framework to implement the reorganization of Gujarat Electricity Board.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion - February 2002)

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❖SUPPORT TO THE GUJARAT ELECTRICITY REGULATORY COMMISSION (T.A. No. 3575-IND)

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agency: Gujarat Electricity Regulatory Commission (GERC)

Amount : US\$450,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance in (i) drafting a tariff and regulatory policy valid for the next five years; adaptation of the draft regulations in other states of India; and (ii) training key staff of GERC in administering the regulations.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion - August 2002)

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●SUPPORTING FISCAL REFORMS IN KERALA (T.A. No. 3576-IND)

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agency: Finance Department
Department of Finance
Government of Kerala
Kerala, India
Fax: (0471) 326990

Amount : US\$1,000,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance in (i) drafting a bill on the fiscal responsibility and administrative orders to go with it; and (ii) amending the model VAT law.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion - August 2001)

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ELECTRICITY REFORM PROGRAMME IN STATE OF ORISSA

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

ELECTRICITY REFORM PROGRAMME IN STATE OF HARYANA

Funding Agency : Department for International Development
(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

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ELECTRICITY REFORM PROGRAMME IN STATE OF ANDHRA

Funding Agency : Department for International Development
(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

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COMPLETED PROJECTS

North-South Development in West Bengal

Funding Agency : ADB
Executing Agency : Industrial Credit and Investment Corporation of India Ltd.

Housing Finance II

Funding Agency : ADB
Executing Agency : Department of Economic Affairs

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\$951,000

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 (Expected completion - July 2001)

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

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agency : Directorate General for Financial Institutions
 Ministry of Finance
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 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 (Expected completion - April 2001)

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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 (Expected completion - June 2001)

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INSTITUTIONAL DEVELOPMENT OF SECONDARY MORTGAGE FACILITY

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agency : Ministry of Finance
Jl. Dr. Wahidin No. 1
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Fax: (6221) 384 8049

Amount : US\$500,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance in (i) the 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) the review of the legal environment relating to securitization in Indonesia to support securitization, including the need for a securitization law; and (iii) the 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
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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 (Expected completion - May 2001)

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URBAN SECTOR DEVELOPMENT IN A DECENTRALIZED ENVIRONMENT (T.A. No. 3326-INO)

Funding Agency : ADB (from Japan Special Fund)

Executing Agency : National Development Planning Agency
Jalan Taman Suropati 2
Jakarta 10310
Fax: (6221) 310 1921

Amount : US\$600,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance in (i) reviewing and analyzing the regulatory framework prepared to support the Government's decentralization legislation as expressed through laws No. 22 and 25 of 1999; (ii) reviewing existing regulatory frameworks for laws No. 4 and 24 of 1992 as relevant in the context of decentralization; and (iii) reviewing the changing role and function of the various levels of government agency in legislating for urban development policies and strategies within the context of the Government's decentralization agenda.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion - February 2001)

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SOE PRIVATIZATION AND RESTRUCTURING II

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agency : Ministry of Finance
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Jakarta 10710
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Amount : US\$2,600,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance in corporate restructuring including financial as well as operational restructuring of state-owned enterprises utilizing the available instruments of corporate governance, with the objective of reducing their financial burden on the government by increasing their operational and financial efficiency, thereby enhancing their divestment.

Project Status : Proposal

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❖ ESTABLISHMENT OF AN ANTICORRUPTION COMMISSION (T.A. No. 3380-INO)

Funding Agency : ADB (from Japan Special Fund)

Executing Agency : Director General of Law and Legislation

Amount : US\$1,000,000

Project Description: Assistance in the establishment of an anticorruption commission. The TA comprises three components: (i) public dissemination and consultation on the nature and objectives of the commission and the Corruption Law; (ii) comparative studies of good practices for establishing and implementing the commission; and (iii) institutional design for the establishment of the commission.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion - July 2001)

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❖ GOVERNANCE AUDIT OF THE PUBLIC PROSECUTION SERVICE (T.A. No. 3472-INO)

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agency : Attorney General's Office of Indonesia
Attorney General's Office
Jl. Sultan Hasanuddin No. 1
Kebayoran Baru
Jakarta Selatan, Indonesia
Fax: (6221) 739-3889

Amount : US\$1,000,000

Project Description: The objective is to undertake a governance audit of the organization and operational policies and procedures of the Public Prosecution Service to improve its effectiveness and efficiency.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion - July 2001)

Project Contact : Mr. Fong Chin Choon
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❖ CORPORATE GOVERNANCE REFORM (T.A. No. 3484-INO)

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agency : National Development Planning Agency

Amount : US\$300,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance to (i) develop detailed proposals for strengthening securities, capital markets, and banking regulations to improve corporate governance in these sectors consistent with principles articulated in the Code of Good Corporate Governance; (ii) review and make recommendations for strengthening stock exchange listing rules to incorporate principles stated in the Code of Good Governance; and (iii) develop and implement workshops to disseminate the strategy.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion - April 2001)

Project Contact : Mr. Klaus-Peter Kriegsmann
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❖ DEVELOPMENT OF A FINANCIAL SERVICES SUPERVISORY INSTITUTION (T.A. No. 3620-INO)

Funding Agency : ADB (from the Asian Currency Crisis Support Facility)

Executing Agency : Directorate General of Financial Institutions
Ministry of Finance
Gedung A, 3rd Floor
Jl. Dr. Wahidin No. 1
Jakarta Pusat
Fax: (6221) 384-7434

Amount : US\$1,700,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance in (i) drafting the enabling legislation for the creation of the financial services supervisory institution (FSSI); (ii) reviewing all legislation and regulations related to different financial regulators and markets, including company law; and (iii) developing proposals for the amendment of various laws to ensure the establishment and effective operation of the FSSI.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion - April 2002)

Project Contact : Ms. Shamshad Akhtar
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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

Project Contact : Mr. James Agee
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Ministry of Law and Legislation
Gedung Kumdang, 5th Fl.
Jl. H.R. Rasuna Said Kav. 6-7, Jakarta
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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 alternate 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

Project Contact : Mr. Douglas Ramage
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Kebayoran Baru
Jakarta Selatan 12160
Tel: (6221) 722 2674
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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

Project Contact : Ms. Laila Suryodipuro
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Regional and Urban Development Office
USAID/Jakarta
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Jakarta 10110
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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**Project Contact** : Ms. Karin Nordlander
Legal Department
The World Bank
1818 H Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20433, U.S.A.
Tel: (202) 458-1670
Fax: (202) 522-1590**RAILWAY EFFICIENCY PROJECT (Loan 4106-IND)****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**Project Contact** : Ms. Karin Nordlander
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1818 H Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20433, U.S.A.
Tel: (202) 458-1670
Fax: (202) 522-1590**INTENSIFIED IODINE DEFICIENCY CONTROL PROJECT (Loan 4125-IND)****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**Project Contact** : Mr. Anthony Toft
Legal Department
The World Bank Office
Jakarta, Indonesia
Tel: (6221) 5299-3000
Fax: (6221) 5299-3111**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** : In progress**Project Contact** : Ms. Karin Nordlander
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Tel: (202) 458-1670
Fax: (202) 522-1590**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**Project Contact** : Mr. Anthony Toft
Legal Department
The World Bank Office
Jakarta, Indonesia
Tel: (6221) 5299-3000
Fax: (6221) 5299-3111**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

Project Contact : Mr. Anthony Toft
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**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

Project Contact : Mr. Anthony Toft
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COMPLETED PROJECTS

Facilitating Limited Recourse Financing in the Civil Aviation Sector

Funding Agency : ADB
Executing Agency : Directorate General of Air Communications

Planning for Fire Prevention and Drought Management

Funding Agency : ADB
Executing Agency : National Development Planning Agency

Reform of Pension and Provident Funds

Funding Agency : ADB
Executing Agency : Directorate General for Financial Institutions

Development of a Strategy for IPP Rationalization

Funding Agency : ADB
Executing Agency : Ministry of Mines and Energy

Development of Power Sector Restructuring

Funding Agency : ADB
Executing Agency : Directorate General of Electricity and Energy Department

Strategy for Restructuring Public Services

Funding Agency : ADB
Executing Agency : Agency for the Assessment and Application of Technology

Judicial Independence Legal Capacity Building

Funding Agencies : AusAID, Australian NGO
Executing Agency : Supreme Court

Judicial Training Program

Funding Agency : AusAID
Executing Agency : Supreme Court

BAPEDAL Development Technical Assistance Project

Funding Agency : The World Bank
Executing Agency : Environmental Impact Management Agency

East Java Strategy Regional Development

Funding Agency : Japanese Government (World Bank project)

KAZAKHSTAN

**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 (Expected completion - September 2001)

Project Contact : Mr. Jyrki Wartiovaara
ADB
Environment Division
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DEEPENING OF AGRICULTURAL REFORMS AND DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS (T.A. No. 3541-KAZ)

Funding Agency : ADB (from Japan Special Fund)

Executing Agency: Ministry of Agriculture
49 Abai Street
Asiana, Kazakhstan.
Fax: (3172) 326-819

Amount : US\$800,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance in (i) promoting a wider understanding within Kazakhstan's rural communities of the new legal and institutional environment for agriculture; and (ii) refinement of legislation related, among others, to farm and land ownership, secured lending, agricultural bankruptcy, the legal rights of farms and small businesses, and the formation of voluntary rural associations.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion - March 2003)

Project Contact : Mr. Njoman Bestari
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Forestry and Natural Resources Division East
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Project Description: Assistance in drafting and implementing securities laws and regulations, and provision of training, advice and counsel to the National Commission on Securities and securities market participants.

Project Status : In progress

Project Contact : Regional Mission for Central Asia
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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

Project Contact : Regional Mission for Central Asia
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ECONOMIC RESTRUCTURING - ACCOUNTING AND AUDIT REFORM

Funding Agency : USAID

Executing Agency: 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

TELECOMMUNICATIONS REGULATORY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME

Funding Agencies : Taiwan, Japan (administered by EBRD)

Executing Agency: Ministry of Communications

Amount : EUR 400,000

Project Description: Assistance in developing an adequate regulatory framework in telecommunications likely to foster private investment and enable the development of the sector. The project was launched in September 2000.

Project Status : In progress

Project Contact : Mrs. Meni Styliadou
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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)

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DEMOCRATIC INITIATIVES PROJECT - RULE OF LAW AND LEGAL REFORM

Funding Agency : USAID

Executing Agency: American Bar Association
117 Zheltoksan Street, Apt. #3
480091, Almaty
Tel/Fax: (3272) 624-387
E-mail: chris@ceeli.alma-ata.su

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

Project Contact : Regional Mission for Central Asia
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ECONOMIC RESTRUCTURING - COMMERCIAL LAW

Funding Agency : USAID

Executing Agency: 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

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

Project Contact : Regional Mission for Central Asia
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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

Project Contact : Regional Mission for Central Asia
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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

Project Contact : Regional Mission for Central Asia
USAID
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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

Project Contact : Regional Mission for Central Asia
USAID
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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

Project Contact : Regional Mission for Central Asia
USAID
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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

Project Contact : Regional Mission for Central Asia
USAID
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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

Project Contact : Regional Mission for Central Asia
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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**Project Contact** : Regional Mission for Central Asia
USAID
97a Furmanova Street
480091, Almaty
Tel: (3272) 507-615/507-612
Fax: (3272) 696-490/507-636**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**Project Contact** : Mr. Ruslan Mamishev
The World Bank
1818 H Street N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20433, U.S.A.
Fax: (202) 522-1591
E-mail: rmamishev@worldbank.org**LEGAL REFORM PROJECT (KZ-PA-46046) - Loan****Funding Agency** : The World Bank**Executing Agency** : Ministry of Justice
67 Aiteke Bi
6480091 Almaty
Fax: (3272) 638-431**Amount** : 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 alternate 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**Project Contacts** : Ms. Sandra Bloemenkamp
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1818 H Street N.W.
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Head, Project Preparation and Implementation Unit
Ministry of Justice
67 Aiteke Bi
6480091 Almaty
Fax: (3272) 638-431**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**Project Contact** : Ms. Ruka Sanusi
Development Specialist
Institutional Development Group
Crown Agents
St. Nicholas House
Sutton, Surrey SM1 1EL, England
Tel: (44 181) 770-0194
Fax: (44 181) 643-3311
E-mail: IDG!Rsanusi@cagate.attmail.com**COMPLETED PROJECT****Capacity Building for Pension Reform****Funding Agency** : ADB
Executing Agency : Ministry of Labor and Social Protection

KIRIBATI

**OUTER ISLANDS DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM
(T.A. No. 3593-KIR)**

Funding Agency : ADB (from Japan Special Fund)

Executing Agency : Ministry of Home Affairs and Rural
Development

Amount : US\$350,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance in the development of the legal framework for the proposed Outer Islands Trust Fund (OITF) which will provide a useful complementary financing mechanism to the Revenue Equalization Reserve Fund.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion – March 2002)

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**CORPORATE GOVERNANCE AND ENTERPRISE REFORM
PROGRAM - PHASE II (T.A. No. 3505-KGZ)**

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agency : Ministry of Foreign Trade and Industry
106 Chui Prospect
Bishkek City
Fax: (996-312) 663498

Amount : US\$700,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance in strengthening the legal and regulatory framework for (i) the enforcement of corporate governance and bankruptcy procedures; (ii) enterprise restructuring to infuse financial discipline and viability; and (iii) financial disclosure and transparency.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion - August 2001)

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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
Government House, Bishkek 720003
Fax: (3312) 218-627

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 (Expected completion - June 2001)

**IMPROVING THE ENABLING ENVIRONMENT FOR SKILLS
AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP DEVELOPMENT
(T.A. No.3553-KGZ)**

Funding Agency : ADB (from Japan Special Fund)

Executing Agency : Ministry of Labor and Social Protection
215, Tynystanova str.
Bishkek 720000
Fax: (996-312) 221837

Amount : US\$600,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance to (i) identify, formulate, and advocate appropriate policy and legislative reforms that enable the primary vocational education system to be more responsive to changing labor market requirements.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion - May 2001)

Project Contact : Mr. Manuel P. Perlas
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Education, Health & Population Division East
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ECONOMIC RESTRUCTURING - COMMERCIAL LAW - GENERAL BUSINESS LAW**Funding Agency** : USAID**Executing Agency** : 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

Project Contact : Regional Mission for Central Asia
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480091, Almaty, Kazakhstan
Tel: (3272) 507-615/507-635
Fax: (3272) 507-636/696-490

ECONOMIC RESTRUCTURING - COMMERCIAL LAW - TRADE AND INVESTMENT**Funding Agency** : USAID**Executing Agency** : Booz-Allen & Hamilton**Amount** : US\$2,724,817

Project Description: Assistance in the development of a legal and regulatory environment conducive to free trade and investment. The primary component of this assistance is the 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.

Project Status : In progress

Project Contact : Regional Mission for Central Asia
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Fax: (3272) 507-636/696-490

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

Project Contact : Regional Mission for Central Asia
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Fax: (3272) 507-636/696-490

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

Project Contact : Regional Mission for Central Asia
USAID
480091, Almaty, Kazakhstan
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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) the establishment of a regulatory framework to promote increased trade and foreign investments.

Project Status : In progress

Project Contact : Regional Mission for Central Asia
USAID
480091, Almaty, Kazakhstan
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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

Project Contact : Regional Mission for Central Asia
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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

Project Contact : Regional Mission for Central Asia
USAID
480091, Almaty, Kazakhstan
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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

Project Contact : Regional Mission for Central Asia
USAID
480091, Almaty, Kazakhstan
Tel: (3272) 507-615/507-635
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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

Project Contact : Regional Mission for Central Asia
USAID
480091, Almaty, Kazakhstan
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DEMOCRATIC REFORM - NON-GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATIONS

Funding Agencies : USAID
ABA/CEELI

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

Project Contact : Regional Mission for Central Asia
USAID
480091, Almaty, Kazakhstan
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Fax: (3272) 507-636/696-490

FINANCIAL SECTOR DEVELOPMENT TECHNICAL COOPERATION (Project No. 28520)

Funding Agency : The World Bank

Amount : US\$239,500

Project Description (legal component): Assistance in reviewing banking legislation, accounting standards, auditing procedures and bank supervision.

Project Contact : Legal Department
The World Bank
1818 H Street N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20433, U.S.A.
Fax: (202) 522-1591

COMPLETED PROJECTS

Institutional Strengthening of the Financial Sector

Funding Agency : ADB
Executing Agency : Ministry of Finance

Enforcement of International Commercial Arbitration

Funding Agency : EBRD
Executing Agency : Office of the President

LAO PEOPLE'S DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC

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\$150,000

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 (Expected completion - April 2001)

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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 (Expected completion - March 2001)

Project Contact : Mr. Robert J. Dobias
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Environment Division
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ASSESSING A CONCESSION AGREEMENT FOR THE LAO PDR COMPONENT OF THE CHIANG RAI TO KUNMING HIGHWAY (T.A. No. 3396-LAO)

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agency: ADB

Amount : US\$150,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance will include (i) the review of concession agreements, joint venture agreements, and all relevant background documents, including but not limited to construction contracts, and financing and business documents; and (ii) the assessment and advice on legal issues associated with the Government's wish to take over the shares of the Thai investor, and effectively control the Economic Quadrangle Joint Development

Corporation, a joint venture company which will develop an existing road through northern Lao PDR.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion - August 2001)

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Transport and Communications West
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✪ **NAM NGUM RIVER BASIN DEVELOPMENT**
(T.A. No. 3544-LAO)

Funding Agency : ADB (from Japan Special Fund)

Executing Agency: Water Resources Coordination Committee
Secretariat
Vientiane, Lao PDR
Fax: (856 21) 213472

Amount : US\$850,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance in developing legislation and decrees to support the implementation of the Water Law.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion - February 2002)

Project Contact : Mr. Akmal Siddiq
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Forestry and Natural Resources Division West
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**COOPERATION IN THE LEGAL FIELD BETWEEN LAW
PDR AND JAPAN**

Funding Agency : JICA

Executing Agencies: Research & Training Institute of the
Ministry of Justice, Japan

Nagoya University

Ministry of Justice, Lao PDR

Amount : US\$850,000

Project Description: Assistance in establishing the basic legal infrastructure and in training legal personnel through the explanation of the legal system in Japan. From 2001, in addition to the Ministry of Justice, the Supreme People's Court and the Office of Public Prosecutor General will officially be included in the project.

Project Status : In progress. A one-month seminar in Japan and a one-week seminar in Vientiane per year since 1999.

Project Contact : Mr. Terutoshi Yamashita
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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 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 (extended to June 2001)

Project Contacts : Ms. Lisbet Bostrand
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✪ **LEGAL EDUCATION**

Funding Agency : Sida

Executing Agency: Ministry of Education

Implementing Agency: Umea University

Amount : US\$1,200,000 (approximately)

Project Description: Support to the Faculty of Law and Political Science at the National University of Laos.

Project Status : In progress

Project Contact : Ms. Lisbet Bostrand
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STRENGTHENING THE JUDICIARY (LAO/99/006)

Funding Agency : UNDP/Sida

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

Amount : US\$100,000 (approximately)

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 : In progress (2000-2003)

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STRENGTHENING THE OFFICE OF THE PUBLIC PROSECUTOR (LAO/99/007)

Funding Agency : UNDP/Sida/CIDA

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

Amount : US\$200,000 (approximately)

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 : In progress

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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 : In progress

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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

Leasing Legislation

Funding Agency : ADB
Executing Agency : Ministry of Finance

Strengthening of Water Sector Action Plan

Funding Agency : ADB
Executing Agency : Water Resource Coordinating Committee

Irrigation Management Transfer

Funding Agency : ADB
Executing Agency : Ministry of Agriculture and Energy

MALDIVES

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\$995,000

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

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion - September 2002)

Project Contact : Mr. Hamid Sharif
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Office of the General Counsel
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★CAPACITY BUILDING FOR THE MALDIVES CUSTOMS SERVICES (T.A. No. 3496-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\$700,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance in the establishment of an appropriate legal framework that authorizes the application of the new valuation system. This has two phases: first, the enactment of a law that will reflect the language and spirit of the WTO Agreement on Customs Valuation; and second, the crafting of rules and regulations to implement the law.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion - August 2001)

Project Contact : Mr. Jiro Tsunoda
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Financial Sector and Industry Division West
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**INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT
(T.A. No. 3597-MLD)**

Funding Agency : ADB

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

Implementing Agency: Ministry of Communication, Science and
Technology

Amount : US\$150,000

Project Description (legal component): Review of current acts and statutes governing the telecommunications sector, and recommend appropriate revisions where necessary.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion - March 2001)

Project Contact : Mr. Dong-Soo Pyo
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Transport and Communications Division West
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COMPLETED PROJECTS

Strengthening the Maldivian Legal System

Funding Agency : ADB
Executing Agency : Ministry of Justice, Attorney General

Private Sector Participation in the Maldives Port Authority

Funding Agency : ADB
Executing Agency : Ministry of Finance and Treasury

A Study of Capacity Building for Maldives Public Accounting System

Funding Agency : ADB
Executing Agency : Ministry of Finance and Treasury

MICRONESIA, FEDERATED STATES OF

**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 (legal component): Assistance in capacity building and policy reform in the fisheries sector, including development of fisheries law and resource rights.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion - February 2001)

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Pacific Operations Division
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IMPROVING ACCESS TO LAWS (T.A. No. 3510-FSM)

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agency: Supreme Court
PSJ, Palikir, Pohnpei FM 96941
Fax: (691) 320-2756

Amount : US\$300,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance in (i) the establishment of a legal information system to improve the efficiency and responsiveness of the legal system by making existing and future laws more available to the public and by advancing public understanding of the system; and (ii) the creation of a program of community education using written materials, television programs, and a radio program explaining basic aspects of the legal system.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion - November 2001)

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COMPLETED PROJECTS

Investment Promotion and Financial Sector Review

Funding Agency : ADB
Executing Agency : Department of Resources and
Development

**Privatization of Public Enterprises and Corporate Governance
Reforms**

Funding Agency : ADB
Executing Agency : Department of Economic Affairs

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. This includes (i) a training of trainers program to help build a team of instructors to teach at the retraining center; and (ii) 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 (Expected completion - March 2002)

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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 (Expected completion - December 2002)

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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 (Expected completion - December 2007)

Project Contact : Mr. Adrianus G. Rijk
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 Agriculture and Rural Development Division
 East
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●RURAL FINANCE (T.A. No. 3397-MON)

Funding Agency : ADB (from Japan Special Fund)

Executing Agency: Bank of Mongolia (Central Bank)
 Commerce Str. 6
 Ulaanbaatar-11
 Fax: (9761) 311471

Amount : US\$700,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance to (i) review bylaws and practices of rural financial institutions; and (ii) identify key constraints, including potential technical, legal, and policy obstacles, that have prevented the development of sustainable financial institutions capable of delivering rural financial services on a commercial basis.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion - March 2001)

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●STRENGTHENING FINANCIAL SECTOR DEVELOPMENT (T.A. No. 3459-MON)

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agency: Bank of Mongolia (Central Bank)
 Commerce Str. 6
 Ulaanbaatar-11
 Fax: (9761) 311471

Amount : US\$600,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance in strengthening the legal, regulatory and institutional framework for developing the capital market and contractual savings institutions.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion - March 2001)

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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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 Ulaanbaatar
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 Fax: (9761) 323-905

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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 lawmakers 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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 Konrad-Adenauer Foundation
 Central Cultural Palace (Room 313)
 Ulaanbaatar
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 Fax: (9761) 358-579

**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
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State Audit Board of Mongolia
Ulaanbaatar
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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 lawmakers and lawyers in Germany; funding of seminars on legal issues; assignment of short-term experts; and establishment of a legal database.

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

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

Funding Agency : The World Bank

Executing Agency: Ministry of Justice

Amount : SDR 1,500,000

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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COMPLETED PROJECTS

Program Preparation for Governance Reforms

Funding Agency : ADB
Executing Agency : Ministry of Finance

Institutional Strengthening of the Housing Sector

Funding Agency : ADB
Executing Agency : Ministry of Infrastructure Development

Enhancing Governance in Mongolia: Providing Resource and Training to the Judiciary

Funding Agency : USAID
Executing Agency : General Council of Courts of Mongolia

NEPAL

FORMULATING AN ACTION PLAN FOR CIVIL SERVICE REFORMS (T.A. No. 3117-NEP)

Funding Agency : ADB

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

Amount : US\$660,000

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 (Expected completion– June 2001)

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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: (771) 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 (Expected completion– December 2001)

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COMPANY, INSOLVENCY, AND SECURED TRANSACTIONS (T.A. No. 3461-NEP)

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agency : Ministry of Law and Justice

Amount : US\$250,000

Project Description: Assistance in (i) the reform of laws relating to companies, insolvency, and secured transactions, with a view to enhancing corporate governance; (ii) restructuring or dissolution of companies in distress; and (iii) establishment of an institutional framework for creation, perfection, and enforcement of security over property.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion– June 2001)

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AGRICULTURE SECTOR PERFORMANCE REVIEW (T.A. No. 3536-NEP)

Funding Agency : ADB (from Japan Special Fund)

Executing Agency : Ministry of Agriculture and Cooperatives
Singh Durbar
Kathmandu, Nepal
Fax: (9771) 225-825

Amount : US\$600,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance will be provided (i) to examine the legal issues relating to implementation of the Government's policy for market-oriented agricultural development under the Agriculture Perspective Plan (APP); and (ii) to identify and recommend specific measures to facilitate legislative and regulatory changes required for effective implementation of the APP.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion– November 2001)

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STREAMLINING OF FINANCIAL, CORPORATE AND COMMERCIAL LEGISLATION (T.A. No. 3580-NEP)

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agency : Ministry of Law and Justice

Amount : US\$250,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance in reviewing and updating of financial and corporate sector legislation. This will include: (i) a diagnostic study of existing laws and issues, taking into account the institutional framework for implementation and enforcement; (ii) development of guiding principles and policy objectives to be addressed through legislation, and conduct workshops to foster a participatory process in updating legislation; (iii) drafting support for new legislation based on the reform needs identified; and (iv) recommendations to improve the institutional framework for enforcement.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion– December 2001)

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INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGY FOR IMPROVED FINANCIAL SERVICES PROVISION (T.A. No. 3581-NEP)

Funding Agency : ADB (from Japan Special Fund)

Executing Agency : Ministry of Finance

Amount : US\$565,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance in the establishment of a legal and regulatory environment for electronic banking which includes updating of the Telecommunications Act, and drafting of an e-commerce policy and legislation to meet international standards and requirements for secure, timely, and accurate financial transactions.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion– July 2001)

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❶ SECOND RURAL INFRASTRUCTURE DEVELOPMENT (T.A. No. 3625-NEP)

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agency : Ministry of Local Development
Shree Mahal, Pulchowk
Lalitpur
Fax: (9771) 523329

Amount : US\$565,000

Project Description (legal component): Review of current Government legislation and policies affecting the rural infrastructure sector and identify policy changes that may be necessary.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion– December 2001)

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Project Description: This project seeks to promote the rule of law through three main strategies: (i) improve citizen's access to justice particularly of the poor and disadvantaged through the establishment of Arbitration Boards at the village and municipal level to settle minor disputes in accordance with the provisions of the Local Self Governance Act, 1998; (ii) strengthening the capacity of the Ministry of Law, Justice and Parliamentary Affairs to draft appropriate treaties and legislation; and (iii) enhancing transparency, accountability, and competency in judicial system through reform of substantive and procedural laws, training to judges and modernization of case flow.

Project Status : Proposal

Project Contacts : (1) For Rule of Law Component:
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Registrar, Supreme Court
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❷ INSTITUTIONAL SUPPORT FOR GOVERNANCE REFORMS (T.A. No. 3622-NEP)

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agency : Ministry of

Amount : US\$1,525,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance will include: (i) review of proposed anticorruption legislation to assess whether it meets international best practice; and (ii) analysis of the institutional framework for combatting corruption, focusing on the judicial system, the Commission for the Investigation of the Abuse of Authority, the Auditor General's Office, and the Special Police (at district level).

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion– July 2002)

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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)

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❸ STRENGTHENING OF THE RULE OF LAW AND REFORM OF THE JUDICIARY

Funding Agency : UNDP

Executing Agencies: Ministry of Law, Justice and Parliamentary Affairs, and the Supreme Court of Nepal

Amount : US\$1,358,314

COMPLETED PROJECT

Capacity Building of the Ministry of Law and Justice

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agency : Ministry of Law and Justice

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: Assistance in developing legal frameworks for the creation of an independent and autonomous securities regulatory body and an insurance regulatory body. This includes drafting some key corporate and securities laws.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion– June 2001)

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**CAPACITY ENHANCEMENT OF THE SECURITIES
MARKET (T.A. No. 1577-PAK)**

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agency : Securities and 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 which includes development of a legal and regulatory framework for asset securitization. Under the TA, the legal aspects of each component will be analyzed and new legal and regulatory frameworks evolved.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion– June 2001)

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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 (Expected completion– June 2001)

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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\$995,000

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 examination 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 (Expected completion– June 2001)

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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
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 (Expected completion– October 2001)

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**STRENGTHENING OF INSTITUTIONAL CAPACITY FOR
JUDICIAL AND LEGAL REFORM (T.A. No. 3433-PAK)**

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agency : Ministry of Law, Justice, Human Rights and
Parliamentary Affairs
Fax: (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 : In progress (Expected completion– July 2001)

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**☛SUPPORT FOR THE PRIVATIZATION OF KARACHI
ELECTRIC SUPPLY CORP. (T.A. No. 3502-PAK)**

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agency : Privatization Commission
EAC Building, Islamabad
Fax: (9251) 921-1692

Amount : US\$1,000,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance in the privatization of the Karachi Electric Supply Corporation (KESC) which includes review of documents to assess the status of KESC's legal and contractual obligations.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion– September 2001)

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**☛ENHANCING CAPITAL MARKET DEPTH FOR PREPARING
CAPITAL MARKET DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM II
(T.A. No. 3559-PAK)**

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agency : Securities and Exchange Commission

Amount : US\$150,000

Project Description (legal component): Review of the legal and regulatory framework for securities and public offerings to identify gaps and constraints for a more active use of the capital market for procurement of funds.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion– April 2001)

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❶ **FISCAL DECENTRALIZATION (T.A. No. 3621-PAK)**

Funding Agency : ADB
Executing Agency : National Reconstruction Bureau
 Chief Executive Secretariat #2
Amount : US\$1,400,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance in the development of a district borrowing legal framework to enable creditworthy districts to eventually move to borrowing for their investment needs.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion– January 2002)

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❷ **HEALTH SECTOR REFORM IN NORTH-WEST FRONTIER PROVINCE (T.A. No. 3386-PAK)**

Funding Agency : ADB
Executing Agency : Department of Health, NWFP
 Human Resource Building
 NWFP Secretariat
 Fax: (9291) 921-0419
Amount : US\$500,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance in the development of rules and regulations for the conduct of business of the autonomous hospitals and decentralized health authorities.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion– May 2001)

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❸ **INSTITUTIONAL STRENGTHENING FOR GOVERNMENT-NGO COOPERATION (T.A. No. 3618-PAK)**

Funding Agency : ADB
Executing Agency : Ministry of Finance and Economic Affairs
Amount : US\$400,000

Project Description (legal component): Review of legal and regulatory structures affecting NGOs and the development of recommendations for revision of these structures.

Project Status : In progress
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COMPLETED PROJECT

Reform of Pension and Provident Funds

Funding Agency : ADB
Executing Agency : Ministry of Finance

PAPUA NEW GUINEA

❹ **REVIEW OF MINING AND HYDROCARBON TAX REGIMES (T.A. No. 3444-PNG)**

Funding Agency : ADB
Executing Agency : Internal Revenue Commission
 P.O. Box 710
 Waigani N.C.D.
 Fax: (675) 321-4002
Amount : US\$325,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance will include: (i) review of existing legislation for mining and hydrocarbons considering the transparency and simplicity of the tax system and the potential for tax avoidance and transfer pricing; and (ii) advice, as necessary, on the interpretation of laws and agreements concerning the fiscal regimes, and on the legal aspects of reform proposals.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion– February 2001)

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REVIEW OF CONSTRAINTS TO INFORMAL SECTOR DEVELOPMENT (T.A. No. 3507-PNG)

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agency : Department of Finance and Treasury
Vulupindi Haus
Waigani, Papua New Guinea
Fax: (675) 328-8431

Amount : US\$225,000

Project Description (legal component): Review of the existing legal and regulatory frameworks for informal sector activities in urban centers, taking into account the broader issues arising from the prevailing economic, social, and political environment, and recommending appropriate modifications.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion– June 2001)

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ROAD SECTOR INSTITUTION DEVELOPMENT

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agency : Department of Transport and Civil Aviation
P.O. Box 1489
Port Moresby, NCD
Fax: (675) 325-1919

Amount : US\$750,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance in restructuring the legal framework for road sector management.

Project Status : Proposal

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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)

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LEGAL CAPACITY BUILDING

Funding Agency : AusAID

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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COMPLETED PROJECTS

Road Sector Cost Recovery Improvement

Funding Agency : ADB
Executing Agency : Department of Transport and Civil Aviation

Preparation of the Rehabilitation of the Navigation Aids System

Funding Agency : ADB
Executing Agency : Department of Transport and Works

Financial Management Strategic Framework

Funding Agency : ADB
Executing Agency : Department of Treasury and Planning

Access to Laws Project

Funding Agency : AusAID

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 (Expected completion – April 2001)

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

Funding Agency : ADB

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

Amount : US\$798,000

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 (Expected completion – March 2001)

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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\$1,500,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance in (i) reviewing 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 (ii) 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 (Expected completion – May 2001)

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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 (Expected completion – April 2001)

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STUDY ON COST RECOVERY MECHANISM FOR IRRIGATION O & M (T.A. No. 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
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Amount : US\$300,000

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

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion – March 2001)

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●CAPACITY BUILDING FOR THE REGULATORY OFFICE OF THE METROPOLITAN WATERWORKS AND SEWERAGE SYSTEM

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agency : Metropolitan Waterworks and Sewerage System (MWSS)
Katipunan Road, Balara, Quezon City
Fax: (632) 921-2887

Amount : US\$1,000,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance in strengthening the institutional capacity of the MWSS-Regulatory Office (MWSS-RO) to efficiently regulate concessionaire performance under the Concession Agreements, focussing on arbitration as well as the legal aspects of MWSS-RO tasks set out in the Concession Agreements.

Project Status : Proposal

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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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●ACTION PROGRAM FOR JUDICIAL REFORM

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agency : Supreme Court of the Philippines

Amount : US\$1,000,000

Project Description: The objectives are to (i) strengthen the judiciary's fiscal independence and responsibility; (ii) improve the appointment process and the incentives system under which judges and justices function; (iii) enhance the capacity of the judiciary to dispense justice; and (iv) improve transparency in the judiciary and public access to information regarding the judiciary.

Project Status : Proposal

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COMPLETED PROJECTS

Institutional Strengthening of the Insurance Commission

Funding Agency : ADB
 Executing Agency : Insurance Commission

Strengthening Public Finance & Planning of Local Government Units

Funding Agency : ADB
 Executing Agency : Department of Budget and Management

Development of Alternative Law and Alternative Lawyers

Funding Agency : NOVIB
 Executing Agency : Alternative Law Research and Development Center, Inc.

Amount : US\$500,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance in drafting procedural, regulatory, and legislative framework for the establishment of an urban management system paying special attention to mechanisms for agency coordination, development assessment, strategic planning and policy making, resolution of land issues, and village and community participation.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion - October 2001)

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COMPLETED PROJECT

Implementation of Privatization Strategy

Funding Agency : ADB
 Executing Agency : Treasury Department



☉CAPACITY BUILDING OF FINANCIAL AND BUSINESS ADVISORY INTERMEDIARIES (T.A. No. 3549-SAM)

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agency : Treasury Department
 P.O. Box 30017, Apia
 Fax: (685) 21-312/24-779

Amount : US\$500,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance in the improvement of the legal and regulatory environment for the corporate sector, particularly those areas that impact the micro- and small enterprise sector.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion - December 2005)

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☉CAPACITY BUILDING OF URBAN PLANNING AND MANAGEMENT (T.A. No. 3566-SAM)

Funding Agency : ADB (from Japan Special Fund)

Executing Agency : Treasury Department
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STRENGTHENING OF PUBLIC SECTOR MANAGEMENT (T.A. No. 3061-SOL)

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agency : 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 (Expected completion - June 2001)

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**REVIEW OF PROVINCIAL GOVERNMENT
(T.A. No. 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 (Expected completion - June 2001)

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**☉STRENGTHENING PUBLIC SECTOR MANAGEMENT -
PHASE 2 (T.A. No. 3419-SOL)**

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agency : Office of the Prime Minister
Public Service Department
P.O. Box G1, Honiara
Fax: (677) 24594

Amount : US\$550,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance in (i) the preparation of draft legislation and the constitutional amendments to support the reforms in the public sector; and (ii) the supervision and training of indigenous legal graduates recruited for the purpose of assuming legal drafting roles within the Cabinet or the Attorney-General's Office.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion - March 2002)

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SRI LANKA
**SUSTAINABLE NATURAL RESOURCE MANAGEMENT
FOR DEVELOPMENT (T.A. No. 3271-SRI)**

Funding Agency : ADB (from Japan Special Fund)

Executing Agencies: Ministry of Finance and Planning
Department of External Resources
Treasury Bldg., Colombo 01
Fax: (941) 447633

Ministry of Forestry and Environment
Colombo
Fax: (941) 866656

Amount : US\$800,000

Project Description (legal component): 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.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion - August 2001)

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**☉PREPARING THE SOUTHERN PROVINCE RURAL
ECONOMIC ADVANCEMENT (T.A. No. 3385-SRI)**

Funding Agency : ADB (from Japan Special Fund)

Executing Agency : Ministry of Plan Implementation and Parliamentary Affairs

Amount : US\$800,000

Project Description (legal component): Review of laws and regulations relevant to microenterprise and rural enterprise development, including those impacting formation and registration, credit supply, marketing, and export of production; and recommend ways of simplifying processes, including policy changes and amendments to the relevant legislation.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion - June 2001)

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❖ PROMOTION OF PRIVATE SECTOR INVOLVEMENT IN OIL/GAS EXPLORATION (T.A. No. 3450-SRI)

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agency : Ceylon Petroleum Corporation
 2F/177 Galle Road
 Colombo 03
 Fax: (941) 320948

Amount : US\$325,000

Project Description (legal component): Review and update the Sri Lankan petroleum exploration and production legislation, and petroleum sharing contracts to make sure that (i) it offers exploration terms and conditions that include commitments on the work program, financial control, and assignment of environmental and safety responsibilities; and (ii) the terms are attractive to the Government and to the international oil companies, given the relatively low potential currently perceived of Sri Lanka's sedimentary basins.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion - September 2001)

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❖ SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISE DEVELOPMENT (T.A. No. 3578-SRI)

Funding Agency : ADB (from Japan Special Fund)

Executing Agency : Ministry of Finance and Planning

Amount : US\$400,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance in streamlining the legal and regulatory framework affecting small and medium enterprises and the business sector by (i) identifying constraints and impediments posed by the existing legal and regulatory framework for industry, trade, finance, and investment; (ii) identifying laws and regulations that require amendment or repeal in view of the high costs of compliance; and (iii) drafting amendments as appropriate.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion - June 2001)

❖ PLANTATION DEVELOPMENT (T.A. No. 3594-SRI)

Funding Agency : ADB (from Japan Special Fund)

Executing Agency : Ministry of Plantation Industries

Amount : US\$800,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance will include (i) the review of legislation affecting the plantation sector and identifying policy reforms necessary for an enabling environment for the private sector; (ii) the assessment of the effectiveness of current labor laws to address health, education, other social requirements, and actual implementation and awareness of labor laws among the estate workers and staff; (iii) the introduction of complementary programs and laws; and (iv) the formulation of a project to promote, among others, legal literacy to improve the conditions of estate workers and staff.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion - October 2001)

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❖ INTEGRATING CLEANER PRODUCTION INTO INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT (T.A. No. 3624-SRI)

Funding Agency : ADB (from Japan Special Fund)

Executing Agency : Ministry of Economic and Industrial
 Development
 Galle Road, Colombo 3
 Sri Lanka

Amount : US\$800,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance in reviewing existing policies and legislation related to industrial development and environmental management to identify policy constraints and opportunities for implementing cleaner production strategy and practice.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion - April 2002)

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TAJIKISTAN

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

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DISSEMINATION OF LAWS AND THE STRENGTHENING OF THE LEGAL INFORMATION SYSTEM (T.A. No. 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.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion - September 2001)

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COMPLETED PROJECTS

Coastal Resource Management

Funding Agency : ADB
Executing Agency : Ministry of Fisheries & Aquatic Resource Development

South Harbor Development in the Port of Colombo

Funding Agency : ADB
Executing Agency : Ministry of Port Development, Rehabilitation & Construction

Protected Area Management and Wildlife Conservation

Funding Agency : ADB
Executing Agency : Department of Wildlife Conservation

☉STRATEGY FOR IMPROVED FLOOD MANAGEMENT (T.A. No. 3495-TAJ)

Funding Agency : ADB (from Japan Special Fund)

Executing Agency : Center for the Liquidation of the Consequences of National Disasters

Amount : US\$550,000

Project Description (legal component): Review the adequacy of the existing legal instruments for implementing various strategies and procedures for efficient flood management, and suggest modifications if any are required.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion - July 2001)

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❖ AGRICULTURE REHABILITATION (T.A. No. 3514-TAJ)

Funding Agency : ADB (from Japan Special Fund)

Executing Agency : Ministry of Water Resources
5/1 Shamci Street
Dushanbe, Republic of Tajikistan

Amount : US\$750,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance will include (i) review of the legal and law enforcement environment for farm/agribusiness operations and privatization, including land reform licensing, registration, taxation, and specific local rules and practices; and (ii) the assessment of the relevance of existing laws for the formation of water users associations.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion - May 2001)

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❖ RURAL FINANCIAL SYSTEMS DEVELOPMENT (T.A. No. 3555-TAJ)

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agency : National Bank of Tajikistan

Amount : US\$150,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance in (i) the development of an appropriate legal and regulatory framework for microfinance institutions; (ii) the incorporation of NGOs as microfinance institutions; and (iii) conducting workshops with the National Bank of Tajikistan, key government ministries, NGOs, and interested banks concerning relevant legal processes/requirement, and institutional modes and linkages deemed appropriate for the development of rural financial services.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion - May 2001)

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❖ TELECOMMUNICATIONS REGULATORY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME

Funding Agency : Japan (administered by EBRD)

Executing Agency : Ministry of Telecommunications

Amount : EUR 301,214

Project Description: The objective of the Project is to assist the Tajik authorities in drafting a modern telecommunications law and in establishing a clear predictable and pro-competitive regulatory framework.

Project Status : In progress

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COMPLETED PROJECT

Institutional Strengthening of the Transport and Energy Sectors

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agency : Office of the Prime Minister

THAILAND

**◆ PREPARING MEDIUM TERM RECOVERY STRATEGY
(T.A. No. 3373-THA)**

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agency : National Economic and Social
Development Board (NESDB)

Amount : US\$1,000,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance in (i) reviewing all provisions in the new constitution and in other legal documents (national and local) that pertain to decentralization, devolution of powers, and other related jurisprudence, including the state of implementation or the required codes and rules for implementation; (ii) identifying possible gaps in the legal mandate providing for decentralized functions of government, devolution of government services, and power sharing; and (iii) preparing recommendations for changes in structure of NESDB and different levels of government to respond to the needs of decentralization.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion - November 2001)

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**◆ SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT SECTOR
(T.A. No. 3570-THA)**

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agency : Pollution Control Department
Phaholyothin Center, 8th Floor
404 Phaholyothin Road, Phayathai
Bangkok 10400
Fax: (662) 619-2210

Amount : US\$150,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance in (i) the preparation of a legal and regulatory framework for provincial solid waste management operations; (ii) establishing an institutional framework for the implementation and operation of the solid waste facilities proposed under the project, defining the roles and institutional boundaries of all stakeholders, including the National Committee on Livable Cities, the League of Municipalities, as well as private sector representatives; and (iii) establishing the existing provisions of any occupational health and safety legislation or regulations, and propose any improvements.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion - June 2001)

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**◆ TRAINING IN BUSINESS REORGANIZATION AND
INSOLVENCY (T.A. No. 3589-THA)**

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agency : Business Reorganization Office

Amount : US\$150,000

Project Description: The objectives are: (i) to strengthen the decision making process of the Business Reorganization Office and the Legal Execution Department in the administration of business reorganization cases through increasing the understanding of relevant officials of the economic, financial, legal and accounting implications of insolvency regimes in line with international best practice; (ii) to strengthen the capacity of Thai training institutions to deliver high quality training in insolvency processes to a range of practitioners; and (iii) to assist in the promotion of the understanding of bankruptcy, rehabilitation, restructuring and insolvency law, principles and practice through the development of a practitioners' handbook.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion - October 2001)

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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

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**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

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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): 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 : In progress

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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 : In progress

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COMPLETED PROJECTS

Asset Securitization

Funding Agency : ADB
Executing Agency : Fiscal Policy Office

Promotion of Market-Based Instruments for Environmental Management

Funding Agency : ADB
Executing Agency : Office of Environmental Policy and Planning

UZBEKISTAN

**RURAL SAVINGS AND CREDIT UNION DEVELOPMENT
(T.A. No. 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 (Expected completion – March 2001)

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PENSION REFORM (T.A. No. 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 (Expected completion– September 2001)

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●CORPORATE GOVERNANCE REFORMS (T.A. No.3562-UZB)

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agency : Information Analytical Department
Government House
Tashkent 700 008
Fax: (3712) 139-8144

Amount : US\$700,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance will include (i) review of existing legal and regulatory framework for corporate governance; (ii) review of the constraints on good corporate governance; and (iii) prepare a legal and regulatory framework for the most appropriate modality (e.g. trustee governance) outlining the rights and responsibilities of the shareholder (e.g. Government) and those of the other parties.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion – April 2002)

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LEASING LEGISLATION**Funding Agency** : Japan/EBRD**Amount** : EUR 59,264**Project Description:** The project aims to improve the legal and tax environment for commercial leasing transactions.**Project Status** : In progress**Project Contact** : Mr. Hsianmin Chen
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Office of the General Counsel
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E-mail: chen@ebrd.com**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**Project Contact** : USAID
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480091, Almaty, Kazakhstan
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Fax: (3272) 696-490/507-636**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**Project Contact** : USAID
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Fax: (3272) 696-490/507-636**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**Project Contact** : USAID
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Fax: (3272) 696-490/507-636**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**Project Contact** : USAID
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Fax: (3272) 696-490/507-636**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

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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

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COMPLETED PROJECT

Institutional Strengthening and Policy Support to the Road Sector

Funding Agency : ADB
Executing Agency : The Road Board

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 (Expected completion – August 2001)

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RURAL FINANCIAL SERVICES (T.A. No. 3206-VAN)

Funding Agency : ADB
Executing Agency : Ministry of Trade and Business Development
PMB 056
Port Vila, Vanuatu
Fax: (678) 25677

Amount : US\$250,000

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 (Expected completion – June 2001)

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LAW REFORM AND CAPACITY BUILDING
(T.A. No. 3366-VAN)

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agency : State Law Office
PMB 048
Port Vila, Vanuatu
Fax: (678) 22362

Amount : US\$300,000

Project Description (legal component): 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 (Expected completion – February 2001)

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●CAPACITY BUILDING OF THE LEGAL SECTOR
(T.A. No. 3613-VAN)

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agency : State Law Office
PMB 048
Port Vila, Vanuatu
Fax: (678) 22362

Amount : US\$330,000

Project Description: The TA will (i) provide an awareness heightening program to public sector officials on the law and their rights and obligations under it; (ii) assist the Government to meet international standards with respect to money laundering and international fiscal responsibility; (iii) provide capacity building and skills transfer training to legal officers in the SLO and other legal offices, including the capacity to monitor and prevent fraudulent activities and ensure the Government complies with legislative requirements; (iv) provide high quality and timely advice to Government ministries; (v) assist the Government to improve the quality of its action in defense of its legal obligations; (vi) assist the Government to provide public awareness campaigns; and (vii) help SLO to establish and operate a public law information center.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion – September 2002)

COMPLETED PROJECT

Strengthening the State Law Office

Funding Agency : ADB
Executing Agency : State Law Office

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 (Expected completion – June 2001)

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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 (Expected completion – June 2001)

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FINANCIAL MARKET DEVELOPMENT (T.A. No. 3147-VIE)

Funding Agency : ADB (from Japan Special Fund)

Executing Agency : State Bank of Viet Nam
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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 (Expected completion – February 2001)

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CAPACITY BUILDING FOR PREVENTION OF FOODBORNE DISEASES (T.A. No. 3483-VIE)

Funding Agency : ADB (from Japan Special Fund)

Executing Agency : Ministry of Health
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Ba Dinh District, Hanoi
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Amount : US\$500,000

Project Description (legal component): Review of existing policies, laws, and regulations related to food quality, hygiene, and safety, and based on the review, proposals will be submitted for the development of a coordinated national policy on food safety, complemented by new laws and regulations tailored to the country's needs and resources.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion – December 2001)

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REVISION OF THE BANKRUPTCY LAW SUPPORT (T.A. No. 3599-VIE)

Funding Agency : ADB (from Japan Special Fund)

Executing Agency : The State Bank of Viet Nam

Amount : US\$150,000

Project Description: Assistance in revising the Bankruptcy Law and the implementation decree for the purpose of accelerating sustainable economic growth through efficient high quality financial intermediation.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion – September 2001)

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VIETNAM-AUSTRALIA TRAINING PROJECT

Funding Agency : AusAID

Executing Agency : Ministry of Justice
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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

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NATIONAL CONSTRUCTION LAW PROJECT

Funding Agency : AusAID

Executing Agency : 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

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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

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CBA/VLA COOPERATIVE PROGRAM

Funding Agency : CIDA Partnership Branch

Executing Agencies: Canadian Bar Association (CBA)
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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\$133,763

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 (1996-2001)

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COOPERATION IN THE LEGAL FIELD BETWEEN VIET NAM AND JAPAN

Funding Agency : JICA

Executing Agencies: Research and Training Institute of the
Ministry of Justice

Ministry of Justice, Viet Nam

Supreme People's Court

Supreme People's Procuracy

Project Description: The objective of the project is to assist Viet Nam in establishing the basic legal infrastructure and in training legal personnel through the explanation of the legal system in 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, II, III**

Funding Agency : Sida

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

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

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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 Agency : 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 : About US\$1,000,000 (UNDP)
US\$1,800,000 (Government of Denmark)

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

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**STRENGTHENING JUDICIAL CAPACITY IN VIET NAM
(VIE/95/017/B/01/99)**

Funding Agency : UNDP/Government of Denmark

Executing Agency: Supreme People's Court

Implementing Agencies : Institute of Judicial Science
Supreme People's Court
Hanoi
UN Office for Project Services (UNOPS)
New York

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

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.

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

Funding Agency : UNDP/Government of Denmark

Executing Agency: Supreme People's Procuracy

Implementing Agencies : Institute of Procuratorial Science
Supreme People's Court
Hanoi

UN Office for Project Services (UNOPS)
New York

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

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.

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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

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.

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IMPROVING THE REGULATORY ENVIRONMENT FOR BUSINESS (VIE/97/016)

Funding Agency : UNDP

Executing Agency: Central Institute for Economic Management

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

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STRENGTHENING THE LEGAL CAPACITY IN VIET NAM, PHASE II (VIE/98/001)

Funding Agency : UNDP

Executing Agency: 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.

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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

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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

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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 PROJECT

Study on the Policy and Institutional Framework for Forest

Resources Management

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agency : Ministry of Agriculture and Rural
Development

REGIONAL

**SECURED TRANSACTIONS LAW REFORM
(TA No. 5773-REG)**

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing 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.

Countries Covered: India, Indonesia, Pakistan, People's Republic of China, Pakistan, Thailand

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion - March 2001)

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**DEVELOPMENT OF THE INTERNET FOR ASIAN LAW
(DIAL II) (TA No. 5820-REG)**

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing 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.

Countries Covered: India, Indonesia, Mongolia, Pakistan, People's Republic of China, Philippines, Viet Nam

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion - July 2002)

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INSOLVENCY LAW REFORM (TA No. 5795-REG)**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.

Countries Covered: India, Indonesia, Hongkong, Korea, Japan, Malaysia, Pakistan, People's Republic of China, Philippines, Singapore, Taipei, China, Thailand

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion - April 2001)

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PACIFIC JUDICIAL TRAINING (TA No. 5895-REG)**Funding Agencies** : ADB/AusAID/DFID/NZODA/UNDP

Executing Agency : Institute of Justice and Applied Legal Studies
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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.

Countries Covered: Cook Islands, Fiji, Kiribati, Marshall Islands, Federated States of Micronesia, Nauru, Niue, Palau, Papua New Guinea, Samoa, Solomon Islands, Tokelau, Tonga, Tuvalu, Vanuatu

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion - March 2003)

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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 (TA No. 5815-REG)**Funding Agency** : ADB

Executing Agency : Fisheries Forum Agency
Honiara, 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.

Countries Covered: Cook Islands, Fiji, Kiribati, Federated States of Micronesia, Nauru, Niue, Palau, Papua New Guinea, Republic of the Marshall Islands, Samoa, Solomon Islands, Tonga, Tuvalu, Vanuatu

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion - August 2001)

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LEGAL LITERACY FOR SUPPORTING GOVERNANCE (TA No. 5856-REG)**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 (Expected completion - June 2001)

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ORGANIZATION AND MANAGEMENT OF GOVERNMENT LEGAL SERVICES (TA No. 5876-REG)

Funding Agency : 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.

Countries Covered: India, Nepal, Pakistan, Philippines, Thailand

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion - August 2001)

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LEGAL TRAINING OF GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS IN PRIVATE INFRASTRUCTURE DEVELOPMENT (TA No. 5901-REG)

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.

Countries Covered: Bangladesh, People's Republic of China, Viet Nam

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion - December 2001)

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PROMOTING REGIONAL COOPERATION IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF INSOLVENCY LAW REFORMS

Funding Agency : ADB (from Japan Special Fund)

Executing Agency : ADB

Amount : US\$1,500,000

Project Description: The objectives are to (i) facilitate the development of sound insolvency frameworks for the handling of cross-border insolvencies; (ii) facilitate regional cooperation especially the exchange of ideas and experiences between courts and other competent authorities involved in the handling of cross-border insolvency cases, and formal and informal workouts and restructurings; (iii) review on a comparative basis informal insolvency frameworks to further develop the informal process; and (iv) develop case studies and model frameworks to illustrate how an integrated approach to secured transactions and insolvency law reform can be implemented.

Countries Covered: Indonesia, Korea, Philippines, Thailand

Project Status : Proposal

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STRENGTHENING PRO-POOR LEGAL AND REGULATORY FRAMEWORKS

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agency : ADB

Amount : US\$500,000

Project Description: The primary objectives are to: (i) determine the key systemic and substantive poverty-exacerbating legal problems confronting the poor, disadvantaged and women in the participating DMCs; (ii) identify the ways in which such problems are products of inadequate integration of international human rights treaties and conventions into domestic legal/regulatory frameworks of such selected DMCs and/or poor implementation of existing DMC legal and regulatory frameworks; (iii) identify the most workable ideas and strategies from within and, as applicable, beyond the participating DMCs, that could, if adopted, address such key systemic and substantive poverty exacerbating legal problems; and (iv) formulate

action plans for DMCs to address such problems through legal and regulatory reform and through institutional support and capacity-building for governmental and non-governmental agencies, including detailing possible ADB and other donor interventions to address the problems so identified.

Countries Covered: Bangladesh, Bhutan, India, Maldives, Nepal, Pakistan, Sri Lanka

Project Status : Proposal

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CAPACITY BUILDING FOR ENVIRONMENTAL LAW TRAINING IN THE ASIA AND PACIFIC REGION (TA No. 5658-REG)

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agency : International Union for Conservation of Nature - Environmental Law Centre
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Amount : US\$600,000

Project Description: The World Conservation Union (IUCN), in partnership with the Faculty of Law of the National University of Singapore (NUS), proposes an advanced program to build the capacity of legal educators throughout the Asia and Pacific region to train lawyers and law students in environmental law. The scope of the TA includes (i) organizing and preparing the curriculum of the training course; (ii) preparing the teaching materials for this course; (iii) running two annual training courses of six weeks each at NUS for a total of about fifty legal educators from the region; and (iv) publishing at the end of two years the teaching materials as they evolve during the period.

Countries Covered: Bangladesh, Cambodia, Fiji, India, Indonesia, Lao PDR, Malaysia, Myanmar, Nepal, Pakistan, People's Republic of China, Pakistan, Papua New Guinea, Philippines, Sri Lanka, Thailand, Viet Nam

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion - August 2001)

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ACCOUNTABILITY MECHANISM IN THE ASIA AND PACIFIC REGION (TA No. 5829-REG)

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agency : ADB

Amount : US\$500,000

Project Description: Assistance in (i) the development of analytic framework for a major study of accountability institutions in the Asian and Pacific region; (ii) the preparation of case studies on anticorruption organizations and procedures for transparency and administrative review; and (iii) the development and operationalization of whistleblower protection as a complementary avenue of advancing Government efforts at anticorruption.

Countries Covered: India, Indonesia, Korea, Kyrgyz Republic, Malaysia, Mongolia, Nepal, Pakistan, Papua New Guinea, People's Republic of China, Philippines, Singapore, Sri Lanka, Viet Nam

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion - December 2001)

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STUDY ON FOREST POLICY AND INSTITUTIONAL REFORMS (TA No. 5900-REG)

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agency : National Economic and Social Development Board (NESDB)

Amount : US\$1,000,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance will include (i) review of all provisions in the new constitution and in other legal documents (national and local) that pertain to decentralization, devolution of powers, and other related jurisprudence, including the state of implementation or the required codes and rules for

implementation; (ii) identifying possible gaps in the legal mandate providing for decentralized functions of government, devolution of government services, and power sharing; and (iii) preparing recommendations for changes in structure of NESDB and different levels of government to respond to the needs of decentralization.

Countries Covered: Bangladesh, Pakistan, Philippines, Sri Lanka

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion - November 2001)

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✪ NATIONAL RESETTLEMENT POLICY ENHANCEMENT AND CAPACITY BUILDING (TA No. 5935-REG)

Funding Agency : ADB (from Japan Special Fund)

Executing Agency : ADB

Amount : US\$500,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance on enhancing policy and legal frameworks, strengthening institutional arrangements to implement resettlement policies and laws, and building resettlement capacity.

Countries Covered: Bangladesh, Cambodia, Indonesia, Nepal, Pakistan, People's Republic of China, Philippines, Viet Nam

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion - December 2001)

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✪ CAPACITY BUILDING FOR INDIGENOUS PEOPLES/ ETHNIC MINORITY ISSUES AND POVERTY REDUCTION (TA No. 5953-REG)

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agency : ADB

Amount : US\$400,000

Project Description (legal component): Review of policies, laws, guidelines, and directives at the national level, identifying any areas or sectors that can address the needs of indigenous peoples/ethnic minorities in poverty reduction, and indigenous peoples/ethnic minority policy; and provide copies of such policy, law, guideline, and directive.

Countries Covered: Cambodia, Indonesia, Philippines, Viet Nam

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion - November 2001)

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✪ IDENTIFYING DISABILITY ISSUES RELATED TO POVERTY REDUCTION (TA No. 5956-REG)

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agency : ADB

Amount : US\$300,000

Project Description (legal component): Review of policies, laws, guidelines, and directives at the national level, identifying any areas or sectors that can address the needs of disabled people in the poverty reduction program; and provide copies of such policies, laws, guidelines, and directives.

Countries Covered: Cambodia, India, Philippines

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion - June 2001)

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✪ REGIONAL POWER TRANSMISSION MODERNIZATION PROJECT IN THE CENTRAL ASIAN REPUBLICS (TA No. 5960-REG)

Funding Agency : ADB (from Japan Special Fund)

Executing Agency : ADB

Amount : US\$900,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance will include (i) the assessment of the regulatory and legislative framework of the power sector; (ii) the development of a framework for energy policies, laws, and regulations; and (iii) the development of a strategy for applying proposed policies, regulations, legislation, and environment protection measures, emphasizing operational autonomy and accountability.

Countries Covered: Kazakhstan, Kyrgyz Republic, Tajikistan, Uzbekistan

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion - November 2001)

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COUNTERING MONEY LAUNDERING IN THE ASIAN AND PACIFIC REGION (TA No. 5967-REG)

Funding Agency : ADB (from Japan Special Fund)

Executing Agency : Asia/Pacific Group on Money Laundering Secretariat

Amount : US\$650,000

Project Description: The objectives are to facilitate the adoption and implementation of anti-money laundering measures based on internationally accepted standards in the selected DMCs, and to accelerate regional cooperation and collaboration in the fight against money laundering.

Countries Covered: Cook Islands, Fiji, Indonesia, Nauru, Philippines, Republic of the Marshall Islands, Samoa, Thailand, Vanuatu

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion - June 2002)

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JUDICIAL INDEPENDENCE

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agency : ADB

Amount : US\$275,000

Project Description: Assistance to improve judicial independence in countries belonging to the South Asian Association for Regional Cooperation (SAARC) and Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN). This will include (i) conducting research on the current state of judicial independence and challenges in these countries, and (ii) based on the research, hold two regional workshops and a conference to gather senior members of the judiciary and senior legal policymakers to enhance frank and informative dialogue outside the confines of a single country context, and a fostering and cementing of subregional cooperation amongst similarly situated countries.

Countries Covered: Bangladesh, Bhutan, Cambodia, India, Indonesia, Lao PDR, Malaysia, Maldives, Myanmar, Nepal, Pakistan, Philippines, Singapore, Sri Lanka, Thailand, Viet Nam

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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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)

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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 of the Ministry of Justice

Project Description: To assist developing countries in establishing the basic infrastructure in the fields of civil and commercial laws, and anti-corruption laws. On each theme, a one-and-a-half month seminar on the Japanese legal system for government officials and lawyers responsible for lawmaking and implementing in these fields in Asia and other regions is held annually.

Project Status : In progress

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CORRUPTION CONTROL IN CRIMINAL JUSTICE COURSE

Funding Agency : JICA

Executing Agency : Research and Training Institute of the Ministry of Justice

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.

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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.

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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.

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**ENHANCEMENT OF DRUG LAW ENFORCEMENT
TRAINING IN EAST ASIA (RAS/97/C51)**

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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 (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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Amount : US\$1,793,700

Project Description: The project is aimed at curtailing the rampant diversion and trafficking of precursors in East Asia as the means to reduce manufacture of heroin and ATS in the region. It intends to achieve that goal by continuing to strengthen precursor control in Cambodia, China, Laos, Myanmar, Thailand and Vietnam, where diversion and trafficking of precursors is most serious, improve control of licit trade in precursors in Indonesia, Malaysia and the Philippines to prevent further development of ATS manufacture in these countries, and to enhance regional cooperation between countries in East Asia to address the regional problem.

Project Status : Estimated start 2001

● PRECURSOR CONTROL IN EAST ASIA (RAS/00/F34)

Funding Agency : U.S.A. (partially funded)

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CANCELLED PROJECT

Surveys on Court Congestion and Access to Justice

Funding Agency : ADB
Executing Agency : ADB

**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

**Institutional Legal Training in Cambodia, the People's Republic of
China, India, Mongolia and Viet Nam**

Funding Agency : ADB
Executing Agency : IDLI

**Governance and Regulatory Regime for Private Infrastructure
Development**

Funding Agency : ADB
Executing Agency : ADB

**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