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Country	Execution	TF No.	Name	Grant Objectives	Effectiveness Date	Original Closing Date	Current Closing Date	Grant Amount in USD
China	Country	TF050677	China Social Security Reform	The objective of this grant would be to: (i) provide expert advice in establishing a strategy for the development of management systems and information technology for public pension systems using two provinces as pilots for national policy; and (ii) undertake surveys, analysis and related training on pension policy reform options utilizing liability modeling techniques.	11-Jul-02	30-Nov-03	31-Dec-04	777,000
China	Country	TF029759	Developing Government Securities Market	The proposed technical assistance project would assist the MOF to build the capacity as a leading force in developing the GS market by focusing on active government cash management. Recognizing the magnitude of the reforms, the project is designed to be a first step in the development of active cash management in China. It would focus on conceptual design and implementation strategy.	12-Jul-01	28-Feb-03	29-Feb-04	310,000
China	Bank	TF050381	Technical Support for the State Council Office for Reform of the Economic System(SCORES)	The technical assistance will provide support to the State Council Office for Reform of the Economic System (SCORES), a key institution under the State Council to assist the Premier in designing, developing and evaluating economic reform strategies and programs. The project objective is to support the government in developing policies and strategies for financial sector reform, and in implementing those reforms. The principal areas of focus will be to provide policy advice and capacity building to assist the SCORES in formulating and implementing strategies on commercial bank reform, especially the four large state owned banks (SCBs), and banking supervision.	06-Feb-02	14-Jan-04	31-Aug-06	600,000
China	Country	TF050486	Technical Support to the Chinese Securities Regulatory Commission (CSRC)	The technical assistance will involve provision of support to CSRC by international experts in ensuring the adoption of world-class risk management policies in the securities and futures markets. The project will focus on the regulatory framework, supervisory procedures and reporting system. It constitutes the first phase of a longer term strategy that will involve the adoption for the overall securities markets of risk management policies in procedures and information systems by CSRC headquarters and branches, futures and securities exchanges, financial firms and other market players in China. It will support adoption of complementary legal and regulatory standards, and implementation of ongoing, continuous supervision of risk management practices by market players. During this first stage, the project will focus on developing the regulatory framework for the securities and futures markets and the concrete implementation in the futures segment, while implementation of the framework on the over all securities industry will be covered subsequently.	29-May-02	07-Jan-04	31-Aug-06	850,000
China	Country	TF051293	Building the Public Debt Recording, Monitoring and Analyzing System in China	This proposed TA project aims at supporting the ongoing endeavor of the Chinese authorities towards enhancing their public debt management capacity by consolidating the debt-related databases into one single integrated information system and develop and train relevant staff to use key analytical tools on a regular basis so as to support public debt management decision-making in China. It is also a first step towards monitoring the fiscal risks emanating from the Government's contingent liabilities. This is being undertaken by the authorities with a view towards reducing the risks of fiscal crises, control debt costs, and improve market perceptions of financial risks in China.	28-Jan-03	30-Jun-04	31-Aug-06	500,000

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China	Country	TF052334	Study on Public Service Unit Reform	The proposed TA project aims to assist the Government in developing sound strategy and guidelines for the PSU reform. By providing the needed technical assistance, it will help ensure that the proposed reform strategy and guidelines are developed within the right theoretical framework, reflect the full complexity of the PSU sector, and build on a wide range of relevant international experiences. The proposed technical assistance will have 2 components: (i) investigation into the current situation of PSUs and case studies of selected sectors; (ii) comparative study on international experiences.	05-Sep-03	31-Mar-05	31-Aug-06	780,000
China	Country	TF052649	Strengthening Public Health Programs in Rural Poverty Areas	The proposed TA will seek to (a) rationalize the health services through functional coordination and through the implementation of the regional planning policy already adopted by the Government; and (b) improve health status of the populations living in the poorest areas of the country by improving access and quality of the services and by increasing service utilization.	12-Sep-03	31-Aug-05	28-Feb-06	564,000
China	Country	TF053170	Promoting Rural Financial (RF) Markets	The objective of this grant would be: 1. Studying pertinent issues in Chinese rural financial markets · Surveying demand for and supply of rural finance, both formal and informal · Providing recommendations on optimal corporate governance of RFIs and appropriate regulatory framework  2. Knowledge sharing for capacity building · Seminars and training workshops to disseminate research methodologies and findings · Seminars and training workshops to disseminate RF best practices in regulating RF markets · Guided study tours to select countries known for their implementation of best practices in rural finance	12-Feb-04	31-Aug-05	31-Aug-05	700,000
China	Country	TF052902	Labor Market Policy Development: Addressing Unemployment and Developing Human Resources for the Future	This proposed TA will support Chinese governments (central, provincial, municipal) in pushing forward a reform agenda that (a) promotes the integration of the national labor market, (b) develops sustainable and effective social protection instruments for workers, and (c) institutes a human resource development strategy for the longer-term development of the workforce. To assist policy-makers in the discussion and formulation of this labor market reform agenda, a two-year technical assistance program focusing on policy development and capacity building is being proposed. The program includes three components: (1) labor market analysis and policy development; (2) assistance in applied and operational issues related to the employment support programs; (3) capacity building of officials through training and seminars.	04-Dec-03	31-Jul-05	31-Mar-06	450,000

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China	Country	TF052832	Building Capital Flow Vulnerability Analysis and Early Warning System in China	The proposed TA will support the ongoing efforts of the Chinese authorities towards enhancing their risk management capacity by incorporating capital flow-related databases into an early warning system, and developing and training relevant staff to do vulnerability analysis on a regular basis so as to support external risk management decision-making in China. It will also monitor the external risks emanating from increasing capital liberalization in the post-WTO period, and towards enhancing exchange rate-monetary policy-fiscal coordination. The main components of the proposed TA include: (a) putting in place a monitoring system for short-term capital flows; (b) estimating international investment positions in China; (c) establishing an early warning system; and (d) providing training for SAFE staff on the recording, monitoring, management and analysis of cross-border capital flows and exposure to international best practice.	11-Nov-03	31-Aug-05	31-Aug-06	640,100
China	Country	TF052842	Enterprise Privatization, Restructuring and Governance	The objective of this grant would be: 1). Privatization – Survey and analysis of Chinese privatization experience; comparisons with OECD and East European experience; and recommendations on pre-sale enterprise preparation and organization of enterprise sales; 2). Restructuring – Survey and analysis of Chinese SOE restructuring experience and recommendations on treatment of key restructuring issues (e.g, priorities among claimants); 3). Management performance monitoring and compensation – Survey of practices among large private companies and SOEs in China; recommendations for enhanced performance monitoring and compensation of key Ownership Agency staff and SOE directors; 4). Financial and risk management procedures – Case studies on best practices and problem areas in China; international comparisons; and recommended procedures manual; 5). Corporate governance procedures – Case studies on best practices in China; international comparisons; and recommended procedures manual.	06-Nov-03	31-Aug-05	31-Aug-05	650,000
China	Country	TF053169	Insolvency Reform	Consultants will develop up to ten case studies comparing likely results and legal and implementation issues from SOE bankruptcy or court-supervised reorganization under two alternative scenarios: (i) application of the new draft insolvency law or (ii) continued use of the 1986 SOE bankruptcy law. Based on findings from these case studies as well as relevant international experience, the Consultant would provide recommendations on additional insolvency reform to the Committee. The Consultant's analysis would pay particular attention to the following issues: eligibility for submitting an SOE insolvency petition; commencement criteria for SOE bankruptcy or court-supervised reorganization; role of the administrator; the role of SOE workers in reorganization/bankruptcy cases; and potential financial sector and social costs under each scenario. Training workshops for judges, trustees, and other insolvency professionals would focus on key elements of the relevant insolvency legislation plus training in basic financial analyses and business issues likely to arise in insolvency cases.	13-Feb-04	31-Aug-05	31-Aug-05	300,000

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China	Country	TF053384	Establishing a Professional Association of Government Financial Managers	The main purpose of this technical assistance project aims at establishing a Professional Association of Government Financial Managers ("the Association"). The Association will be an educational organization dedicated to the enhancement of public financial management. It will serve government accounting professionals by providing quality education, fostering professional development and certification, and supporting standards and research to advance government accountability. The TA provides for: (i) establishing initial bylaws and operating procedures for the Association governance; (ii) establishing an Implementation Committee (IC) providing advisory services to members of the IC; (iii) supporting the development of Journal of Government Financial Management (iv) providing leadership training; and (v) institutional support.	20-Apr-04	31-Aug-05	31-Aug-06	300,000
China	Country	TF054557	Capacity for Regional Research on Poverty and Inequality	To support a new generation of coherent policies addressing poverty and regional inequality, this activity will deliver empirical tools & training to a prominent national Chinese research institution & its regional counterparts. As several of China's provinces are now among East Asia's largest economies, more detailed insight into their own growth challenges & their role in national dev. is essential for the government. This new capacity will enable the State Council & other Chinese agencies to better understand detailed incidence and facilitate more equitable growth, extending its benefits to the low-income majority of the country. The project will include original data dev., research capacity dev., collaborative prototype studies, & regional training & dissemination workshops. These state-of-the-art data & modeling methods developed will establish a coherent framework for more sustainable, detailed, & rigorous policy analysis. It should be noted that these methods can also be transferred to support policy research elsewhere, particularly in other East Asian economies targeted by the ASEM initiative.	01-Mar-05	31-Oct-05	31-Aug-06	315,605
Indonesia	Country	TF050793	Supporting Pro-Poor Policy Development in a Decentralized Indonesia	The proposed TA will be used to support the development and activities of a body being created to assess the nature of poverty in Indonesia and to develop a medium- to long-term strategy to reduce poverty, including defining a role for national policies in a decentralized government, and establishing policy and program priorities.	29-Aug-02	31-Aug-03	30-Nov-03	207,500
Indonesia	Country	TF050033	Improving Fiscal Policy Analysis (Expansion of activities funded under ASEMI TF022661)	The proposed technical assistance would further improve fiscal policy in Indonesia by supporting MOF's capacity to analyze macroeconomic effects on the budget, and effects of budgetary policy on the economy.	16-Nov-01	31-Mar-04	31-Mar-04	200,000
Indonesia	Bank	TF050268	Building Debt Management Capacity in Government	This project would support the multi-year process of building the capability in the Government of Indonesia to manage the country's public debt along the lines of international sound practices along with other donors (such as AusAID, IMF, ADB and USAID) over the period July 2001- June 2004. It would supplement the technical assistance from other donors, such as AusAID, by facilitating the dissemination of additional international sound practices in sovereign debt management from other ASEM member countries.	21-Feb-02	30-Jun-04	31-Aug-06	250,000

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Indonesia	Bank	TF050483	Building Investor Confidence by Promoting Good Corporate Governance	The technical assistance (TA) is intended to raise awareness of the need for good corporate governance and strengthen corporate governance practices among regulators and corporations, including State Owned Enterprises (SOEs). The goal is to encourage more transparency, accountability, fairness and responsibility in the management of corporations in Indonesia – factors crucial in restoring investor confidence and in turn, developing a dynamic capital market. A developed capital market, in addition to bank financing, is vital for growth and a robust private sector driven economy.	16-Apr-02	30-Jun-04	30-Jun-04	50,000
Indonesia	Country	TF050484	Building Investor Confidence by Promoting Good Corporate Governance	The technical assistance (TA) is intended to raise awareness of the need for good corporate governance and strengthen corporate governance practices among regulators and corporations, including State Owned Enterprises (SOEs). The goal is to encourage more transparency, accountability, fairness and responsibility in the management of corporations in Indonesia – factors crucial in restoring investor confidence and in turn, developing a dynamic capital market. A developed capital market, in addition to bank financing, is vital for growth and a robust private sector driven economy.	16-Apr-02	30-Jun-04	30-Jun-04	451,000
Indonesia	Bank	TF053460	A Methodology for Regional Civil Service Reform	The proposed TA will develop methodologies for regional governments to address civil service issues. The methodologies will be developed in cooperation with selected regional governments under the guidance of a national steering committee, and building on international good practice. The TA will: (i) Identify key regional civil service issues.. (ii) Identify key constraints on regional civil service management stemming from central regulation and policies. (iii) Develop key building blocs for civil service reforms;and (iv) Develop a civil service reform implementation plan.	12-May-04	31-Aug-05	30-Jun-06	547,200
Indonesia	Country	TF052962	Housing Finance Policy Reform	The proposed technical assistance will provide support to the housing finance policy reform program being developed by the Indonesian Government with the support of the World Bank. It will focus on the following two areas of assistance: 1. Assistance to the “interdepartmental team” on housing policy and financing options 2. Training seminars on housing program and finance options for bankers and market participants	29-Dec-03	30-Jun-05	30-Jun-05	289,000
Indonesia	Country	TF053168	Poverty Reduction through Collective Action	The proposed TA will provide for a study on the determinants of the capacity for collective action of the urban poor in Indonesia. It will be carried out in the context of a community driven development (CDD) project, the Second Urban Poverty Project (UPP2) that was signed with the government in September 2002. It will involve the collection of data prior to and following project implementation (at the mid-term) and will combine qualitative and quantitative analysis. Another unique feature is the inclusion of control groups in the qualitative analysis. As such, this will constitute a pioneering piece of work in the area of CDD projects in the Bank since such a comprehensive analysis has not been carried out on Bank-financed CDD projects to date. The expectation is that the results of this study will not only inform our understanding of CDD approaches, but also feed into the design of government-sponsored community driven development activities in urban areas in the future. The study is closely linked with GOI’s mid-term evaluation of the UPP2 and will form a critical input into the evaluation.	19-Dec-03	30-Jun-05	30-Jun-06	297,700

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Indonesia	Country	TF053347	Developing a Diversified Financial Sector in Indonesia: Strengthening Capacity of the Capital Market and Non-Bank Financial Institutions	The TA is intended to substantially further the process of developing a diversified financial sector in Indonesia by strengthening the regulators of the Indonesian capital market and non-bank financial institutions (NBFIs) through promoting international standards and best practices among the regulators. The proposed TA will provide assistance to five beneficiary agencies: the Capital Market Supervisory Agency (BAPEPAM), Jakarta Stock Exchange (JSX) and other self regulating organizations (SROs), Directorate of Insurance, Directorate of Pension Funds and Directorate of Banking and Other Financing Services. The beneficiaries can be grouped under two categories: Capital Market and NBFIs. Each of the five beneficiary agencies is proposing assistance to improve its standards and regulations as well as surveillance and enforcement. International experts would be sought to assist the agencies in these areas on longer term basis (nine months). Additionally, an extensive program for capacity building of the agencies' staff is proposed as encouraged by the Bali Initiative (ASEM meeting in July 2003).	26-Apr-04	31-Aug-05	31-Aug-06	1,716,600
Indonesia	Country	TF053383	Environmental Governance and Sustainable Cities Initiative	The main purpose of this Grant is to provide technical assistance to the Ministry of Environment (KLH) to improve the overall scope, quality, and implementation of its Good Environmental Governance Program and related activities, and by doing so, ensure that the long-term benefits of decentralization are achieved. The proposed technical assistance will have four components: (i) Strengthening Public Environmental Awareness; (ii) Enhancing Monitoring and Evaluation Systems to Measure Environmental Performance; (iii) Capacity Building to Develop Strategic Environmental Plans (i.e. on sanitation, solid waste collection, water quality); and (iv) Financing Mechanisms for Urban Environmental Services	14-Apr-04	15-Jul-05	15-Apr-06	457,350
Indonesia	Country	TF053785	Institutional Strengthening for Department of Community and Village Development	This technical assistance proposal consists of three activities : (i) assessment of PMD's revised mission, organization, staffing, budget structure and managerial capacities by a professional management consultant; (ii) a participatory assessment by PMD regional and national offices of PMD's revised structure and functions under decentralization; (iii) Preparation of an organizational improvement plan for PMD/Ministry of Home Affairs management review, to be issued as a Ministerial decision.	06-Sep-04	31-Aug-05	31-Aug-05	602,900
Indonesia	Country	TF053895	Strengthening Fiscal Policy Analysis Capacity In Ministry of Finance	The primary objective of the proposed grant involves working with the core MODFI staff on an important modeling addition and reinforcing the use of the model and training on its dissemination during an important transition to a new structure at the Ministry of Finance. The second key extension objective is to reach wider user-groups in and outside the MoF (especially university and research institutions). Finally, to meet the growing need for improvement in the policy analysis capacity in finance and financial institutions.	12-Aug-04	31-Aug-05	31-Aug-06	360,000

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Indonesia	Country	TF053282	Designing Effective Community Empowerment Programs	The purpose of this TA is to help the Indonesian State Ministry for National Development Planning (Bappenas) improve its capacity to analyze, program, and evaluate its community development projects. The proposed TA will develop and implement methodologies, databases, and standardized analytical approaches that allow Bappenas to assess and compare the costs and benefits from different kinds of community development projects. The TA will also help Bappenas develop job descriptions and standardized reporting formats for Bappenas decision-makers so that the capacities developed through the ASEM grant can be sustained after the project is complete.	14-Apr-04	30-Jun-05	31-Dec-05	450,000
Indonesia	Country	TF053367	Rural Investment Climate Survey (RICS)	This activity will undertake a rural investment climate survey. The survey instrument would complement the general, urban-focused, investment climate survey underway beginning mid-2003 with the ADB and the WB supporting survey implementation by the Central Bureau of Statistics (BPS). The rural survey will draw on the methodological framework and survey instrument recently developed in the Agriculture and Rural Development Department of the WB and currently being piloted in Sri Lanka. Coverage will be both on- and off-Java, and will include (but not be restricted to) Districts (at a minimum twenty and up to sixty) currently included in the Initiatives For Local Governance Reform Project (ILGRP) under preparation. Apart from the usefulness of the analytical outcome and policy recommendations of this activity, it would also give Government experience with this diagnostic tool, and give it the capacity to implement it periodically in the future as part of guiding its policies and programs in support of rural economic growth.	17-May-04	31-Aug-05	31-Aug-06	200,000
Indonesia	Country	TF054163	Economic Benefits of Community Investment Projects	The study will cover three activities: (a) Calculation of Economic Internal Rate of Return which will sample approx. 200-250 rural infrastructure projects in approx. 100 villages in three major islands in Indonesia: Java, Sumatra and Sulawesi; (b) Calculation of Economic Impact of Rural Infrastructure on Villages, which will also examine the overall impact of infrastructure in project villages; and (c) Comparison of Village-Level Infrastructure, which will compare infrastructure with other village infrastructure. A Study Team Leader will be hired as a consultant to manage and direct this study. The Study Team Leader will oversee the work of a team of eight to ten engineers to be hired through the project. Two data entry operators will also need to be hired on a short-term basis. All MIS data and infrastructure reports will be made available to the study team through the executing agencies.	08-Oct-04	31-Aug-05	31-Dec-05	350,000

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Indonesia	Country	TF054312	Human Resource Capacity Building of the Anti Corruption Commission	Indonesia's National Dev. Programme 2001-2005 accords a high priority to fighting corruption, & the national strategy includes the establishment of the Corruption Eradication Commission (KPK) which has the potential to be an important avenue in taking legal action & prosecuting corruptors as well as implement a comprehensive programme of prevention actions. KPK has been supported through Partnership for Governance Reform that brings together Government agencies with Dev. partners incl. the WB & civil society organizations; however there is no capacity bldg provided once staff has been employed. The recruitment of permanent staff is scheduled to start in June 2004 & is expected to be completed by Oct. 2004. To build up KPK to ensure that it is solid institution that has integrity takes time & while all the above-mentioned strands of support contribute to the same overall goals, KPK remains hamstrung as regards the impl. on of a comprehensive and flexible human resource dev. programme that will allow senior mgmt. to quickly respond to training & other human resource dev. related needs.	22-Nov-04	31-Aug-05	31-Aug-06	350,000
Philippines	Country	TF050955	Knowledge Enhancement of Key Issues in Corporate Governance	The technical assistance aims to complement the ongoing efforts in the Philippines by the government, private sector, civil society and the World Bank to improve corporate governance. The TA is designed to continue to address capacity building in institutions following the financial crisis by building upon current momentum in addressing important issues in corporate governance through improved learning programs and the dissemination of information on key issues in corporate governance.	19-Dec-02	30-Jun-04	30-Jun-05	444,000
Philippines	Bank	TF052298	Pension Reform	The proposed TA will support the following activities aimed at improving the systemic deficiencies of the system: (a) rationalizing the existing pension schemes: SSS, GSIS, and Armed Forces of the Philippines Retirement and Separation Benefit System (AFP-RSBS); (b) improving pension management; (c) improving pension fund investment governance and management; (d) defining pension eligibility, and, (e) assessing the related fiscal transition costs and possible sources of funding. At the same time, this grant will facilitate the definition of structural pre-requisites needed for a new pension system . <a href="#">(See TF052349 for Recipient-executed portion).</a>	07-Jul-03	31-Aug-05	31-Aug-06	742,500
Philippines	Country	TF052349	Pension Reform	The proposed TA will support the following activities aimed at improving the systemic deficiencies of the system: (a) rationalizing the existing pension schemes: SSS, GSIS, and Armed Forces of the Philippines Retirement and Separation Benefit System (AFP-RSBS); (b) improving pension management; (c) improving pension fund investment governance and management; (d) defining pension eligibility, and, (e) assessing the related fiscal transition costs and possible sources of funding. At the same time, this grant will facilitate the definition of structural pre-requisites needed for a new pension system . <a href="#">(See TF052298 for Bank-executed portion).</a>	07-Jul-03	31-Aug-05	31-Dec-05	250,000

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Philippines	Country	TF052163	Sustainable Poverty Reduction and Good Governance	The proposed TA will provide institution-building technical assistance to strengthen macroeconomic stability and reduce poverty and vulnerability to future crises, focusing on priority areas not covered by other sources of technical assistance. The grant will finance the following activities: (1) Strengthening the management of fiscal risks; (2) Strengthening local government units' effectiveness in poverty alleviation and service delivery; (3) Enhancing the pro-poor impact of public expenditures through more effective oversight arrangements; (4) Improving judicial effectiveness by supporting civil society involvement in judicial appointments; and (5) Grant implementation, coordination and audit arrangements. <a href="#">[see TF052164 for Bank-executed portion].</a>	26-May-03	30-Jun-05	31-Aug-06	717,600
Philippines	Bank	TF052164	Sustainable Poverty Reduction and Good Governance	The proposed TA will provide institution-building technical assistance to strengthen macroeconomic stability and reduce poverty and vulnerability to future crises, focusing on priority areas not covered by other sources of technical assistance. The grant will finance the following activities: (1) Strengthening the management of fiscal risks; (2) Strengthening local government units' effectiveness in poverty alleviation and service delivery; (3) Enhancing the pro-poor impact of public expenditures through more effective oversight arrangements; (4) Improving judicial effectiveness by supporting civil society involvement in judicial appointments; and (5) Grant implementation, coordination and audit arrangements. <a href="#">[see TF052163 for Recipient-executed portion].</a>	26-May-03	30-Jun-05	30-Jun-05	101,400
Philippines	Bank	TF051862	Closing the Productivity Gap	The proposed TA aims to establish key policy actions that would strengthen firm-level productivity growth by deepening linkages between foreign trade and investment on the one hand and domestic economic activity on the other. Improved productivity growth in turn would complement corporate restructuring efforts by increasing the private sector's resilience to future crisis, as well as deliver greater poverty reduction benefits by boosting income growth. Starting from Philippines' strengths, the proposed work would focus on the following two questions: 1. How can trade and FDI inflows be better linked to domestic firms, resulting in an upgrading of domestic technological capabilities? 2. How can the relatively high education levels in the country be better leveraged to both attract knowledge-intensive FDI and improve the domestic absorptive capacity for receiving technological spillovers?	25-Mar-03	31-Dec-04	30-Jun-05	300,000
Philippines	Country	TF052722	Poverty Monitoring and Analysis	The goal of the technical assistance is to enhance impacts of poverty analysis in policy-making to ensure that decisions of the government are based on informed analysis, and resources are allocated for interventions with maximal impacts on poverty reduction. Building on the strong caliber of its staff, the government has requested Bank's assistance to aid government agencies in improving the methodology for estimating official poverty statistics and in enhancing their analytical tools in poverty monitoring and analysis. Thus, the technical assistance will take the form of capacity building activities in improving the quality of poverty measurement methodology and analysis as well as enhancing quality of data. <a href="#">[see TF052723 for Bank-executed portion].</a>	27-Oct-03	31-Aug-05	31-Aug-06	86,000

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Philippines	Country	TF053181	Strengthening Capacity for Bank Supervision	The proposed technical assistance builds upon the activities already undertaken with resources from previous grants and policy dialogue with the Government following the Financial Sector Assessment Program (FSAP) in 2001. Specifically, this grant will provide technical advisory support to strengthen the central bank's capacity to supervise the banking sector under the following components: (1) Development of information technology (IT) supervision capacity; (2) Strengthening capacity for risk based consolidated supervision; and (3) Grant implementation.	17-Feb-04	31-Aug-05	31-Dec-05	479,650
Philippines	Country	TF053254	Strengthening the Implementation and Enforcement Capacity of Procurement Institutions for Sustainable Good Governance	The objective of the Grant is to provide technical assistance to strengthen the capacity of the Government Procurement Policy Board (GPPB) to enforce and implement the Government Procurement Reform Act and its implementing rules and regulations (IRR).  The Grant will finance the following activities: 1. The customization and pilot testing in four specific government agencies of the finalized generic procurement manual; 2. Training of government agencies, including the local government units (LGUs), suppliers, consultants and contractors, in the implementation of standard bidding documents, contracts and forms; 3. Ensuring the proper implementation and enforcement by procuring entities of the Law and its IRR, including the LGUs; 4. Implementation of Bids and Awards Committee Observer Guidelines; 5. Provision of grant implementation arrangement to support the GPPB-Technical Services Office (TSO).	15-Mar-04	31-Aug-05	31-Aug-06	716,000
Philippines	Country	TF054210	Strengthening the Institution of the Office of the Ombudsman for Good Governance	The objective of the Grant is to support the Office of the Ombudsman in its anti-corruption activities and improve public sector governance through selected technical assistance and capacity building activities, including:  1. Strengthening the knowledge and skills of field investigators in case preparation and prosecution. 2. Support the design of a case monitoring and tracking system. 3. Support the design of a databanking system for the Statement of Assets and Liabilities, and Net Worth (SALN) of public officials. 4. Grant implementation arrangements that will support the proper execution of the Grant.	01-Oct-04	31-Aug-05	31-Aug-06	716,600

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Regional	Bank	TF050193	Building Capacity for Decentralized Financing and Delivery of Services	The proposed technical assistance will complement decentralization reforms underway through out the region and will strengthen World Bank support in these areas. The technical assistance will focus on three areas: (i) Strengthening the policy framework for decentralization, (ii) Sharing regional and international knowledge and experience in improving local government service delivery and financing, and (iii) Strengthening the capability of local training and professional institutions to train government officials.	16-Apr-02	15-Nov-03	31-Aug-06	1,000,000
Regional	Bank	TF050031	Poverty Mapping in Indonesia, Thailand and China	The objective of this project is to improve understanding about the geographic incidence of poverty at far smaller levels of spatial aggregation than has been possible so far. The project will provide technical assistance to researchers and staff in national statistical offices to implement the poverty mapping methodology discussed above. It is proposed that the poverty mapping methodology be implemented in Indonesia, Thailand and China in the first instance, with possible extension to other countries in the region, e.g., the Philippines, and Vietnam in the second phase.	14-Oct-03	31-May-03	31-Aug-06	985,000
Regional	Bank	TF050293	Regional ASEM Forum on Public Debt Management	The proposed grant will support the <i>ASEM Forum on Public Debt Management</i> that was endorsed at the December 2000 meeting of ASEM Deputies in Tokyo. This annual Forum, the first of which will be held in November 2001 in Thailand, is aimed at directly facilitating and promoting knowledge sharing and dialogue among those involved in public debt management policy formulation and its implementation in East Asia and other ASEM member countries.	12-May-03	31-Dec-02	31-Dec-03	75,000
Regional	Bank	TF050674	Corporate Dynamics and Restructuring in East Asia, 2000-10	The major East Asian countries have come to recognize the full extent of corp & financial weaknesses & begun introducing policies & inst changes to come to grips with these. The changes envisaged in corp. gov., banking regulations, banking practices, industrial organization, the business env., the legal system, & the role of the public sector are potentially far reaching. Because of the enormity of the task facing governments, progress todate has been slow, & there is an apparent need for bldg capacity in individual countries to tackle these issues & for guidance on how to implement them. The proposed cap. bldg under this ASEM proj. would complement and contribute to this work. This proposal is part of a 2-phase activity, in which the second phase will entail a European workshop to disseminate the project's findings. Specifically, in the first phase, the corporate restructuring agenda will focus on building local institutions' ability to link improvements in this area with the demands of a competitive global economy via dev. & training in methodological tools, incl. surveys & competitive analysis, & training seminars.	13-Sep-02	31-Dec-03	31-Dec-03	108,000

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Regional	Bank	TF052857	Improving Information and Analytical Capacity for Monitoring and Evaluation of Human Development	Provide TA to various statistical offices & HD sector ministries & localities in East Asian countries to improve the scope & quality of their HD programs. It's being proposed because a cross-country effort is expected to have the advantage of fostering an exchange of ideas & experiences that can speed up the uptake & dissemination of information & methods. The proposed TA will have three major components: (i) Enhancing M&E Systems, (ii) Capacity Bldg & (iii) Streng. Policy Analysis. Expected outputs: (i) the production of a series of technical assessments (country-specific reports plus a regional comprehensive report summarizing the findings from the country studies), (ii) the formulation of improved data collection instruments, (iii) support of policy analyses that governments & technical agencies can use to guide policy decisions about HD & (iv) training materials & workshop programs. An important outcome of the work is that it will enable the various countries that will participate to enhance their ability to better measure & monitor MDGs.	07-Mar-04	31-May-05	31-Aug-06	884,500
Regional	Bank	TF053459	Promotion of dialogue and sharing of experience between Europe and Asia on Regional Integration Issues with assistance from the Boao Forum Asia Secretariat (Hainan, China)	This project will facilitate dialogue and the sharing of experience between ASEM countries and the BFA Secretariat on social and economic development and regional integration issues. This project will also finance the components that draw specifically upon the regional integration experience of Europe and Asia, with exclusive participation in project activities from ASEM members and the BFA Secretariat based in Hainan (China). It would support ASEM beneficiaries' learning from the EU of regional integration issues through the following: (i) enhanced dialogue through visits by experts teams (which would include the BFA secretariat as well as specialists from the ASEM beneficiary countries) to regional fora/institutes in Asia and Europe and participation of experts teams in their events ; (ii) involvement of experts and institutes from ASEM countries in strengthening BFA Secretariat's program of economic studies, with a focus on EU experience; (iii) outreach by the BFA Secretariat, including dissemination of information on regional integration experiences and support for extension of newsletter and website activities.	14-Jun-04	31-Aug-05	31-Aug-06	500,000
Thailand	Bank	TF050488	Capacity Building and Strategy for Poverty Reduction	The work to be undertaken in this project will be the second, and pivotal phase that would build on earlier work supported by an ASEMI grant for poverty alleviation and social protection (TF021242) and the regional ASEM grant on Social Indicators (TF023261). <a href="#">[see TF050489 for recipient-executed portion].</a>	04-Jun-02	30-Jun-03	31-Oct-03	207,000
Thailand	Country	TF050489	Capacity Building and Strategy for Poverty Reduction	The work to be undertaken in this project will be the second, and pivotal phase that would build on earlier work supported by an ASEMI grant for poverty alleviation and social protection (TF021242) and the regional ASEM grant on Social Indicators (TF023261). <a href="#">[see TF050488 for Bank-executed portion].</a>	04-Jun-02	30-Jun-03	31-Oct-03	375,000

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Thailand	Country	TF050491	Out of Court Mediation Capacity Building Project	The proposed ASEM project will provide technical assistance to the Dispute Resolution Office within the Office of the Courts of Justice. The objectives are to strengthen its institutional capacity to administer out-of-court mediation for financial disputes, and in particular non-performing loan cases (NPLs), and to promote public understanding and awareness of an out-of-court mediation process. Effective mediation is a useful alternative mechanism to resolve financial disputes and NPL cases, reduce the current backlog in the Civil Courts where mortgages are enforced, and in some cases, to expedite corporate restructuring. This additional institutional capacity and dispute resolution framework will help the Thai authorities, debtors and creditors to accelerate recovery of the financial and corporate sectors, and will provide a better framework for new bank lending going forward.	17-Jul-02	30-Sep-03	31-Mar-04	400,000
Thailand	Country	TF052331	Strengthening Governance and Social Service Delivery through Public Sector Reform	The proposed TA will support the Thai Government's implementation of the on-going reforms to strengthen governance and improve social services delivery so as to facilitate the achievement of the Millenium Development Goals (MDG) and MDG+. The technical assistance will focus on three areas: (1.) Improving resource management for poverty reduction; (2.) Enhancing service delivery and strengthening governance; (3.) Strengthening external monitoring and evaluation of the public sector.	23-Sep-03	31-Dec-04	28-Feb-06	996,600
Thailand	Country	TF050975	Strengthening Social Protection	The proposed TA through CDP-SP is intended to help Thailand develop a balanced social protection strategy through complementing the currently existing informal risk coping mechanisms with a more diverse set of public and market-based risk reduction, mitigation and coping mechanisms. In the relevant priority areas, CDP-SP seeks to improve the targeting, efficiency, cost-effectiveness and equity of social protection services. This process is aimed at assisting Thailand to develop policies and interventions in a manner that will promote inclusive, equitable and flexible labor markets and offer the poor and unemployed better social protection services.	11-Aug-03	31-Dec-04	28-Feb-06	985,000
Thailand	Country	TF052385	Strategy and Implementation for a Competitive Financial Sector	The objectives would be to: (1.) Strengthen supervision and regulation of financial institutions in preparation for an FSAP currently planned by the authorities for FY-04. Strengthen quality control over auditors. (2.) A medium term strategy for the financial sector (blueprint) will be prepared by the authorities in consultation with the industry and outside experts. (3.) Transition from the current blanket government guarantee of deposits to a limited deposit insurance program and other aspects of a transition towards greater market discipline. (4.) Establish derivative products needed by firms to hedge basic risks, starting with interest rate futures. Remove tax distortions, which stymie product innovation in the financial markets. Promote a more balanced financial system by training institutional investors on bonds and portfolio management. Promote the development of institutional investors and products in the debt market. (5.) Formalize a regulatory and institutional framework for efficient micro finance.	23-Sep-03	31-Aug-05	30-Aug-06	990,000

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Thailand	Country	TF052904	Capacity Building and Strategy for Poverty Reduction II	The proposal will support the impl. of the second stage of CDP-PAM. The TA will be in the form of capacity bldg activities, policy reform & social movement activities to support the efforts to successfully implement the pov. red. strategy based on the Ninth Plan. The focus will continue to be to assist on a selective basis policy reforms of the government's poverty reduction agenda through improved data, analysis, actions, and M&E. A central topic will be to enhance the knowledge of, & to design appropriate poverty strategies to reduce, spatial differences in poverty, inequality, & other social indicators. Despite Thailand's impressive progress with pov. red., pockets of deprivation still exist & regional disparities are high. A better understanding of poverty at the local level is not just important for ensuring adequate monitoring in the context of the ongoing decentralization, but also for formulating appropriate policies to accelerate growth & pov. red. in lagging regions. <a href="#">[see TF052905 for Bank-executed portion]</a> .	15-Dec-03	31-Aug-05	31-Dec-05	720,000
Thailand	Bank	TF052905	Capacity Building and Strategy for Poverty Reduction II	The proposal will support the impl. of the second stage of CDP-PAM. The TA will be in the form of capacity bldg activities, policy reform & social movement activities to support the efforts to successfully implement the pov. red. strategy based on the Ninth Plan. The focus will continue to be to assist on a selective basis policy reforms of the government's poverty reduction agenda through improved data, analysis, actions, and M&E. A central topic will be to enhance the knowledge of, & to design appropriate poverty strategies to reduce, spatial differences in poverty, inequality, & other social indicators. Despite Thailand's impressive progress with pov. red., pockets of deprivation still exist & regional disparities are high. A better understanding of poverty at the local level is not just important for ensuring adequate monitoring in the context of the ongoing decentralization, but also for formulating appropriate policies to accelerate growth & pov. red. in lagging regions. <a href="#">[see TF052904 for Recipient-executed portion]</a> .	15-Dec-03	31-Aug-05	31-Dec-05	200,000
Thailand	Country	TF053057	Education Reform	The proposal will support a series of activities for the implementation of the Government's education reform program in three key areas, namely: i) education finance reform, ii) education decentralization and school-based management, and iii) teacher development. Specifically, one objective of the technical assistance would be to support review of the current funding arrangements for education in Thailand. This review would help identify the impact of these arrangements on the efficiency and equity of education service delivery and support the design of a new funding formula to improve the situation in the future. The technical assistance would also support the development of a model for decentralized school-based management as well as improvements in quality and professional development among in-service teachers in core curriculum areas.	11-Feb-04	30-Aug-05	30-Aug-06	850,000

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Thailand	Country	TF053040	Participatory Watershed Management for Ping River Basin	The purpose of this technical assistance is to build a participatory approach to water integrated watershed management in the Ping River in Northern Thailand. The development objective of this TA is to improve environmental quality in the Ping River Basin, which will contribute to achieving enhanced livelihood and health outcomes for the communities. This will be achieved by: (a) developing a participatory micro-watershed management model that provides access to all stakeholders (communities, local government agencies and private sector enterprises) in the decision making process, and demonstrating its implementation; (b) enhancing capacity of stakeholders, especially local government and community groups, to participate in the planning, implementation and monitoring of interventions; (c) strengthening regulatory and incentive mechanism to modify behavior of watershed users; and (d) developing a results framework to monitor environment, health and livelihood outcomes.	30-Jan-04	31-Aug-05	31-Aug-06	700,000
Thailand	Country	TF053550	Skills and Competitiveness for Poverty Reduction in Northeast Thailand	The development objective of the technical assistance is to reduce poverty in Northeast Thailand by: (a) increasing the productivity of skill and educational institutions; (b) Analyse the factors that influence the productivity of educational and training institutions in Thailand, particularly in the Northeast; (c) Facilitate competition and transparency among skill providing institutions; (d) Strengthen Thailand's capacity for technological innovation; (e) Promote efficient use of public and private resources for ICT education.  These objectives will be addressed through three project components: 1. Productivity Assessment of Skill Delivery Institutions. 2. Benchmarking portal of skill delivery institutions. 3. Capacity building and E-learning component.	07-Jul-04	31-Aug-05	30-Aug-06	370,300
Thailand	Country	TF053461	Thailand's Preparation for Financial Services Liberalization	The project would help the authorities to develop and disseminate Thailand's strategy towards financial services liberalization in the following areas: (i) data analysis and costs and benefits of the strategic options for Thailand's financial services liberalization and of the strengths and weaknesses of Thai financial institutions by business line; and (ii) workshops for stakeholders to disseminate the strategy and outcomes of the negotiations, including the effect on the local financial institutions and the Thai financial system.	19-May-04	31-Aug-05	28-Feb-06	218,000
Thailand	Country	TF054498	Stimulating VCT and Early Recruitment into ART in Thailand	The objectives of this TA are to: (a) study how to stimulate demand for voluntary counseling and testing services (VCT) and facilitate early recruitment into antiretroviral therapy (ART) for people living with HIV/AIDS (PHAs); and then on the basis of said study, (b) design a set of pilot demand-side interventions to support the scale-up of the government's program to ensure large-scale access to treatment for HIV/AIDS.	25-Jan-05	31-Mar-06	30-Aug-06	260,000

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Vietnam	Country	TF050255	Strengthening Community Driven Development	The grant would establish for a period of about two years a small professional team to coordinate learning of lessons from community driven development (CDD). Lessons and findings would be discussed and disseminated through the Partnership to Assist the Poorest Communes (PAC), a forum established in 1999 to bring government, donors and NGOs together to support (CDD). The team would support PAC's secretariat. The expected outcome would be the timely availability of data on CDD activities, lessons based on experience, improved government/donor coordination, shared guidance on effective CDD, potential cooperation of donor activities, and feedback for future CDD policy reform.	30-May-02	30-Sep-03	31-Jan-05	419,000
Vietnam	Country	TF050280	Support for the Operation and Monitoring of the Social Safety Net for Redundant Workers	The proposed project will support the government of Vietnam to implement the Social Safety Net (SSN) for State Owned Enterprise (SOE) workers and monitor the SSN Fund's operation. It will provide technical assistance to build an efficient monitoring system right from the inception of the SSN Fund. The project will help to train government staff who are in charge of assisting the redundant SOE workers better understand the Fund's procedures. A survey of retrenched workers will also be supported so that the government can monitor the SSN Fund's performance using proper methodological guidelines as required by the PRSC.	07-May-02	31-Dec-03	31-Dec-03	342,000
Vietnam	Country	TF050454	Banking Reform Program	The State Bank of Vietnam (SBV) through prior ASEM grants has define an overall framework for Bank Restructuring and has identified several developmental areas for the State Owned Commercial Banks (SOCBs) that have been incorporated into the individual SOCBs restructuring plans. The implementation of the SOCBs restructuring plans is the next critical step in the banking reform program as evidenced in the Poverty Reduction Support Credit (PRSC). The reform program included as part of this adjustment operation aims at transforming the SOCB's into modern commercial banks; a task that requires substantial resources and highly specialized technical assistance that is not available locally. As such, this grant will fund the technical assistance for one SOCB through a twinning arrangement[1] with a reputable international banker or financial consultant firm.	18-Jul-02	31-Dec-03	31-Dec-03	694,000
Vietnam	Country	TF052046	Banking Sector Regulation, Supervision and Development	The proposed TA builds upon the activities already undertaken with resources from previous ASEM grants and activities financed with resources from several bilateral donors. Specifically, this grant will support the following activities: (a) a re-evaluation of SBV's organizational structure aimed at improving its supervisory capacity (b) a review and update of selective banking sector laws and regulations; (c) the definition of measures needed to accelerate the development of the banking sector including, the need to level the playing field and widen access to credit; and, (d) the introduction of an enhanced operational environment based on international best practice to improve the competitiveness and profitability of the banking sector.	08-Sep-03	30-Jun-05	30-Jun-06	944,500

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Vietnam	Country	TF051961	Enhancing Poverty Reduction in the Education Budget Processes	The proposed TA builds on the activities undertaken by the government of Vietnam with the support from DFID, EU and UNDP and WB. Specifically, the TF will allow MOET and related government agencies to: (i) review the experience and lessons learnt from the pilot provincial planning and budgeting; (ii) review the pilot education medium term expenditure framework exercises; (iii) study the implications of the Government's Decree 10 (financial management of revenue-generating public institutions) with respect to efficiency gains as well as the impacts toward the vulnerable service users ; (iv) review the experience of the government trial of block grant financing and its implications for the annual and medium term budget processes; (v) strengthen the link between the annual budget and the public investment program; and (vi) propose revisions and new funding mechanisms in the application of the budget to education that mainstream poverty and efficiency objectives	09-Jun-03	31-Aug-05	30-Jun-06	450,000
Vietnam	Country	TF051834	Monitoring of SOE New Establishment and Transformations	The proposed TA builds upon previous work undertaken in this area including resources from previous ASEM grants. Specifically this grant will support the work that is being done to consolidate data obtained from over a 1,000 sources so that both the Government and donors will have a clear view of the progress being achieved with State Owned Enterprise reform. This work is important for the specific economic benefits that it will bring and to facilitate the tracking of agreements made with the Government and donors led by the Bank under Poverty Reduction Support Credits.	21-Mar-03	31-Aug-05	30-Jun-06	660,000
Vietnam	Country	TF052587	Banking Sector - SOCB Audit and BASLE Core Principle Assessment	The proposed technical assistance builds upon the activities already undertaken with resources from previous ASEM grants (TF022399 for Vietnam Banking Sector Restructuring, TF020583 for Banking Reform and Development and TF052046 for Banking Sector Regulation, Supervision and Development) and activities financed with resources from several bilateral donors. Specifically, these grant will support the following activities: (a) the Audits of one State Owned Commercial Bank (SOCB) based on International Accounting and Auditing Standards for a period of two years; and, (b) the completion of the BASEL core principle assessment and implementation of recommendations at SBV.	14-Jan-04	31-Aug-05	30-Jun-06	640,000
Vietnam	Country	TF052643	Training of Directors and Management of Enterprises on Corporate Governance	The main purpose of this TA is to educate and train directors, managers, and chief accountants of medium to large SOEs and private enterprises on their roles, duties, and accountabilities under the SOE Law and the Enterprise Law. The program will support the Academy of Finance of Vietnam in expanding its training capacity, through the training of trainers and development of a curriculum and training material on modern concepts and techniques of corporate governance. The TA provides for: (i) a training course for the trainers at the Academy of Finance; (ii) development of educational and reference materials; (iii) seminars and workshops to enhance awareness of modern corporate governance and shareholder rights among stakeholders; (iv) provision of research and advisory services to promote corporate governance in Vietnam; and (v) an assessment of corporate governance practices in accordance with OECD principles.	29-Dec-03	31-Aug-05	30-Jun-06	325,000

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Vietnam	Country	TF053399	Accelerating Capital Markets Development	This proposed Project under the ASEM Trust Fund aims to assist the Vietnamese Government in increasing the provision of financial services to a broader range of enterprises through capital markets. The diversification of the financial sector will become increasingly critical as the formal financial sector grows because underdevelopment of the capital markets intensifies banking sector risk (due to over-reliance on bank credit) and reduces prospects for improved governance due to the lower market presence of institutional investors. This technical assistance program will include the following components: (a) Improving the SSC capacity in policymaking and securities market regulation; (b) Increasing and promoting the quantity, quality, and diversification of instruments offered in the securities market; (c) Strengthening the operations of securities market intermediaries; (d) Enhancing education, research, and awareness of the securities market; and (e) International exchanges and partnership activities.	13-Aug-04	30-Aug-05	30-Jun-06	650,000
Vietnam	Country	TF053398	Improving Banking Sector Transparency and Reforming Policy Lending	The proposed technical assistance is based on direct requests for assistance from the Vietnam Bank for Social Policies (VBSP), the Development Assistance Fund (DAF), and the SBV Accounting Department. The technical assistance will facilitate the reform of the policy lending institutions through: (a) regulatory and operational framework changes, (b) implementing sound accounting and financial management practices, (c) improving the human resource capacities, strengthening credit risk management functions, fund mobilization, project appraisal, and overall management practices, and (d) assessing the information technology and management information systems infrastructure needs. The project will also assist in the reform of the VAS Chart of Accounts and the VAS financial statement reporting format for banks, based on the requirements of IAS and other international best practices.	10-Aug-04	30-Aug-05	30-Jun-06	975,500
Vietnam	Country	TF053193	Mekong Housing Bank: Diagnostic Review and Preparation for Strategic Partnering/Equitization	The proposed TA is designed to bring the state owned commercial bank (SOCB) Mekong Housing Finance Bank to the point where it is ready to actively seek a strategic partner as an equity investor. Prerequisite steps that will be financed under this grant include an independent financial and portfolio audit of Mekong Housing Bank (MHB) for two years, a diagnostic assessment of its operations and a review of the external policy and legislative environment in which MHB operates. The TA will also help to clarify and align different stakeholder objectives in seeking a strategic partner for MHB, and to define the "type" of strategic investor sought in function of MHB strategic vision and market potential. This grant will also support selected pre-transaction institutional building activities necessary in the area of staff training and strengthening the bank's internal control systems which are of key importance as MHB continues to grow at an extremely rapid pace. Building on the diagnostic work, the options and methodologies for selecting a strategic partner will be evaluated and potential investor interest assessed.	10-May-04	30-Jun-05	31-Dec-05	350,400

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Vietnam	Country	TF053229	Support for the Operation and Monitoring of the Social Safety Net for Redundant Workers (Phase 2)	The proposed project is to continue support the government of Vietnam to implement the Social Safety Net (SSN) for State Owned Enterprise (SOE) workers and monitor the SSN Fund's operation in 2004-2005. It will continue to provide technical assistance to maintain an efficient monitoring system of the SSN Fund. This project is help the Government of Vietnam to promote state-owned-enterprise's (SOE) restructuring program via effective activities of the established social safety net (SSN) for redundant workers caused by SOE's reform. Following are three main components of technical assistance within framework of the project: 1. Facilitate a smooth operation of SSN Fund to support displaced workers from restructured SOEs; 2. Training on SSN policy, regulations and procedures; 3. Monitoring and Evaluation.	01-Jun-04	30-Aug-05	31-Dec-05	369,926
Vietnam	Country	TF053228	Support Development of Social Security Law (SSL) in Vietnam	The main objective of the proposed project is to support a task force within the Ministry of Labor and Social Affairs (MOLISA) on the preparation of the new social security law. The analytical work to be undertaken by the project includes the simulation of parametric reforms to assess the financial sustainability of the system, an evaluation of the incentives to participate based on household survey data, an assessment of the impact on labor demand based on enterprise data, and the discussion of changes in the financing of health care on the operation of the system. In performing the above tasks, the project will address several of the key issues: (i) Country-based upstream analysis feeding into "pro-poor" policies; (ii) Downstream policy impact analysis and (iii) Learning activities that build national capacity for macro-level analytical work.	19-Jul-04	30-Aug-05	28-Feb-06	434,500
Vietnam	Country	TF053365	Technical Twinning Arrangement for the Implementation of the BIDV Restructuring Plan	The proposed technical assistance will consist of three broad areas aimed at fully implementing the recommendations under TF050454. The first will be the facilitation of the effective implementation of the change management program, including on credit policies and procedures, asset liability management, and internal audit. The second will facilitate the development of strategic planning capacity, IT strategy to respond to impact of technological changes, and Management Information Systems (MIS) to improve risk management and corporate decision making. The third will be human resource capacity building to increase management and staff competency for sustained development.	21-Sep-04	30-Aug-05	30-Jun-06	874,000
Vietnam	Country	TF054113	Support for the resolution of non-performing debt and asset of state - owned enterprises	1. To support the Government to evaluate the current situation of non-performing debt and asset of SOEs in order to prepare a comprehensive strategy of resolution. 2. To support the Government to enhance the operational capacity of its agencies responsible for resolving non-performing debt and asset effectively and timely in order to speed up SOEs reform. 3. To support the Government to assess impacts of non-performing debt and asset resolution on effective operation of restructured SOEs and soundness of business environment for economic activities.	20-Jan-05	31-Aug-05	30-Jun-06	427,594

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Vietnam	Country	TF054268	State Bank of Vietnam's (SBV) Road Mapping/Master Planning Technical Assistances to Support of the Implementation of the International Economic Integration Strategy for the Banking Sector	The proposed technical assistance is intended to support SBV's efforts to define all technical assistance (TA) and capacity building activities needed for the implementation of the "International Economic Integration Strategy of Vietnam's Banking Sector" (Decision of the Governor of the State Bank of Vietnam No. 663, June 26, 2003) Specifically, this grant will facilitate the creation of a roadmap to integrate all TA needs and better utilize the financial assistance of bilateral and multilateral agencies and to improve the effectiveness and efficiency of the SBV to implement the International Economic Integration Strategy for the Banking Sector.	01-Mar-05	30-Aug-05	30-Jun-06	342,000
Vietnam	Country	TF053933	Support for Strengthening Evidence-Based Pro-Poor Policy Making in Vietnam	To achieve the set objective of supporting evidence-based pro-poor policy making, three types of activities are proposed under this TA: (i) to improve analytical skills for Vietnamese researchers and policy analysts, a series of technical training workshops in quantitative and qualitative analytical skills of direct relevance to the theme of pro-poor growth and inclusive development will be organized for Vietnamese researchers and policy analysts; (ii) to facilitate policy dialogues among stakeholders on the theme of pro-poor growth and inclusive development, numerous workshops will be carried out at both central and local levels with a strong focus on targeting policy makers and other stakeholders at the local level; (iii) to improve coordination among various stakeholders, necessary support will be provided to a newly established policy research unit, which will coordinate all international and local inputs into training, research and dissemination activities.	07-Dec-04	30-Aug-05	30-Jun-06	305,640