


# Report of the Working Group on Governance and Anti-Corruption

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# Strategic Areas of Focus for Benchmarking & Monitoring

- Developing mechanisms for holding Government accountable for the performance of its mandate
  - Improvement of tax collection efficiency and management of resources
  - Prosecution of tax evasion and graft cases
  - Strengthening of anti-corruption agencies (e.g. OMB, Sandiganbayan)
  - Continued Judicial and justice system reform to ensure and promote the rule of law to all citizens and sectors of society
  - Streamline the civil service to rationalize Government functions and service delivery
  - Electoral reform
  - Elimination of pork barrel
  - Building a culture within Government and civil society of intolerance to corruption
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## PRIORITY ACTIVITIES

### 1. Investigation and Prosecution of

- Tax cases
- Graft cases

*[Lifestyle checks and vetting were seen as strategies for or tools of investigation and prosecution of graft cases]*

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### 2. Speedy disposition of cases in regular court

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### 3. Implementation of Procurement Reforms

## INDICATORS

- Number of cases investigated & filed
  - Amounts forfeited & recovered
  - Case processing time (investigation, case preparation, trial, decision)
  - Increased civil society participation and citizen reporting of graft & corruption (whistleblower)
  - Improvements in tax collections tied to public perception of low value of tax evasion and high risk of prosecution
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- Number of cases resolved
  - Case processing time reduced
  - Public perception of judicial efficiency
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- Transparency in Bidding & Awards process
- Cost of procurement (at the time awarded and upon completion)
- Time of delivery Compliance of government obligations to pay suppliers
- Quality of service / goods delivered
- Number of agencies that have installed and are actually using e-procurement system (including frequency)
- Number of trained and independent observers involved to monitor
- Number of contract variations
- Transparency in contract variations and total cost parameters upon completion