

Cooperation Fund for the Water Sector

Pilot Demonstration Activity

Request Form

Activity Title: Water Resource Management and Environmental Impact Study	
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Request Date: 6 September 2002	
Region: Pacific Region	Country: East Timor
Activity Start Date: 1 October 2002	Activity End Date: 15 November 2002
Cost Estimate: US\$ 50,000	
Implementing Organization Contact:	
Consultant Identified?	If so, Consultant(s) Contact:

Short Description:

1. Background and Rational:

Following the overwhelming vote for independence, the level of devastation in East Timor was extensive and complete. As an added problem, the development of indigenous administrative capacity had remained well below expectations mainly due to policies that limited participation level of the local population in the administration of the country both during the colonial days and the Indonesian rule. Asian Development Bank (ADB) as the joint administrator with the World Bank of the Trust Fund for East Timor (TFET) is currently administering the second of the two Water and Sanitation Grant Projects in East Timor. To support this reconstruction effort, it is essential to assist the country in formulating an integrated water resources management policy and institutional reforms to coordinate and guide sub-sector development.

2. Objectives:

This funding will be used to assist the administration in developing a cross-subsectoral plan for IWRM. This proposal is for a stand-alone plan and deliverable, yet it is foreseen that follow-up assistance to develop capacity to implement and monitor the proposed plan will be necessary.

3. Scope of Work/Description of Activities:

The proposed scope of the assistance will be to provide assessment of the current situation and to make short-, medium- and long-term recommendation for institutional reforms and capacity development to support water resources management and development. This would include service delivery, management of the resources, and environmental concerns.

4. Implementation Schedule, Institutional Management Arrangements, and Proponent

Qualifications:

The implementation is proposed to commence on 1 October 2002 for an initial period of 3 weeks to conduct and initial assessment and prepare a draft plan. This will be followed by a further period of 5 weeks to assist during the implementation stage.

The consultant should be an institutional expert having worked at national level in developing resource management strategy.

5. Expected Results (outputs/outcomes/impacts):

The expert will provide, in a report, an assessment of the country's water resources and recommendations for cross-subsectoral management of these resources. The report will also provide recommendations and directions for future assistance in resources management and environmental impacts. This will include detailed TOR for the next phase of planning and capacity development.

6. Measurable Performance Indicators:

The performance will be monitored through an initial report on the draft plan and recommendations. A workshop/meeting with DMC representatives relevant to the water sector will be convened at the end of the mission. A implementation schedule with deliverables will developed for follow on work.

7. Stakeholder Participation:

During the initial stage, extensive interaction with the government agencies is expected. This will work involve developing a plan and action agenda for integrated stakeholder involvement with more detailed development and implementation of recommended policies and reforms.

8. Scope for Replication/Use in Other DMCs:

As a new democracy the conditions in East Timor are quite unique. While the entire process may not be replicable the planning process and the approaches could be used in other pacific countries.

9. Cost Estimate:

The cost of this initial assistance is expected to require about 2 months of international consulting time and be less than US\$ 50,000.