



Project Data Sheet

Project 45042-003

Project Name	Accounting and Financial Management System Reform of Thailand’s Railway Sector	
Project Number	45042-003	
Country / Economy	Thailand	
Project Status	Closed	
Project Type / Modality of Assistance	Technical Assistance	
Source of Funding / Amount	TA 8194-THA: Accounting and Financial Management System Reform of Thailand's Railway Sector	
	Japan Fund for Prosperous and Resilient Asia and the Pacific	US\$ 950,000.00
Strategic Agendas	Environmentally sustainable growth Inclusive economic growth	
Drivers of Change	Governance and capacity development Partnerships	
Sector / Subsector	Transport / Rail transport (non-urban)	
Gender		
Description	<p>The PATA will improve SRT financial management and operational efficiency to support the Government's objective to make rail a competitive transport mode, with market share of rail freight transport to increase from 2% in 2010 to 8% by 2020. The PATA will enhance SRT's management, accounting, and financial information system to support future restructuring objectives.</p>	
Project Rationale and Linkage to Country/Regional Strategy	<p>Prolonged underinvestment and poor governance has kept Thailand's railway system from keeping pace with market demand and economic growth. Operating and maintenance costs are higher than for other railways in the region, and service is poor. Railway infrastructure is old, unreliable, and unsafe. The percentage of long-distance passengers on rail fell from 78% in 1993 to 55% in 2009, highlighting a dramatic reduction in competitiveness compared with other transport modes. Freight transport has maintained its market share but only at 2% of total freight traffic.</p>	
Impact	The SRT improving its financial management and operating more efficiently as a competitive transport mode	
Project Outcome		
Description of Outcome	An SRT management, accounting, and financial information system developed that can be used to support future restructuring objectives of SRT as desired by the Government	

Progress Toward Outcome	The high-level management of the State Railway of Thailand (SRT) has agreed to support on new management, accounting, and financial information system.
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Implementation Progress

Description of Project Outputs	<p>1. The requirements specified of a new management, accounting, and financial information system for the SRT to meet its projected information requirements</p> <p>2. An implementation plan prepared to support the transition of the SRT's operations and finances to the new information system and defining key activities, a timetable, expected costs and sources of finance, bid documentation, and a capacity development program</p>
Status of Implementation Progress (Outputs, Activities, and Issues)	Various meetings including trainings and workshops were held prior to finalizing of TA reports. Deliverables under the TA were submitted and being reviewed by SRT, i.e. Financial Report, SRT Report, Stakeholder Report, FMIS specification, bidding documents, communication plan and draft Final Report. English version of the draft Final report is approved but translation (Thai) version is under the revision of the consulting team.

Geographical Location

Summary of Environmental and Social Aspects

Environmental Aspects

Involuntary Resettlement

Indigenous Peoples

Stakeholder Communication, Participation, and Consultation

During Project Design	Meetings, workshops, and trainings have been held with key stakeholders within SRT and other government agencies.
During Project Implementation	<p>Training Courses on Effective Finance Function and Finance for Non Financial Manager have been conducted during November 2013.</p> <p>Several meetings with relevant staff in SRT, including high-level management staff have been held, where discussion and requirements of FMIS have been made in such meetings.</p>

Business Opportunities

Consulting Services	The TA engaged a firm consultant with a total of 36.1 person-months input, comprising 21.6 person-months of international and 14.5 person-months of national consulting services.
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Responsible ADB Officer	Jetwattana, Oranuch
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Responsible ADB Department	Southeast Asia Department
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Responsible ADB Division	Thailand Resident Mission
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Executing Agencies	<p><i>Ministry of Finance</i></p> <p><i>Public Debt Management Office (PDMO)</i></p> <p><i>Rama VI Road, Bangkok 10400</i></p> <p><i>Thailand</i></p>
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Timetable

Concept Clearance	05 Jun 2012
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Fact Finding	-
MRM	-
Approval	19 Oct 2012
Last Review Mission	-
Last PDS Update	20 Mar 2014

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Milestones

Approval	Signing Date	Effectivity Date	Closing		
			Original	Revised	Actual
19 Oct 2012	20 Nov 2012	20 Nov 2012	31 Jul 2013	29 Mar 2014	18 Aug 2014

Financing Plan/TA Utilization							Cumulative Disbursements	
ADB	Cofinancing	Counterpart		Project Sponsor	Others	Total	Date	Amount
		Gov	Beneficiaries					
0.00	950,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	950,000.00	17 Jun 2022	803,711.09

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