

**MONTHLY REPORT ON SMALL-SCALE TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE PROJECTS  
NOT EXCEEDING \$150,000 PER PROJECT  
October 1999**

**1. Cost Recovery Mechanism Analysis for Coastal Zone Protection, Sri Lanka**

<b>Executing Agency</b>	Ministry of Tourism and Civil Aviation
<b>TA Type</b>	Advisory and Operational
<b>TA Amount (\$'000)</b>	150.0
<b>ADBBO Listing</b>	01 September 1999
<b>Date Approved</b>	13 October 1999

**Project Description**

The objective of the TA is to assist the Government to identify possible means of increasing revenues from the tourism sector for meeting part of the O&M costs of coastal protection works. In consultation with industry representatives, the TA will establish the potential and recommend suitable measures for collection of such revenues. The scope of the TA will comprise a review of the existing levies/taxes on the industry and assessment of the affordability for increasing revenues from the industry. By making comparisons with other similar countries, and taking into account factors specific to Sri Lanka, the TA will recommend measures to increase participation of the tourist industry in monitoring the coastal environment and mechanism to collect specific revenues. It will also explore the possibility of setting up a separate fund for the purpose.

**Status of Consulting Services:** No action has been taken to recruit consultants.

**2. Study for Stung Chinit Water Resources Development, Cambodia**

<b>Executing Agency</b>	Ministry of Water Resources and Meteorology
<b>TA Type</b>	Project Preparatory
<b>TA Amount (\$'000)</b>	150.0
<b>ADBBO Listing</b>	10 August 1999
<b>Date Approved</b>	13 October 1999

**Project Description**

The objective of the TA is to reassess the economic viability, and technical and social soundness of the Stung Chinit Water Resources Development Project, based on a better understanding of available water flows, potential cropping patterns, intensity and yields, engineering requirements and costs, and beneficiary participation. Complementary studies financed by external sources will also develop a policy component to support cost recovery and farmer management of operations and maintenance, provide a more detailed understanding of socioeconomic conditions in the Project area, and investigate the feasibility of groundwater supplemental dry season irrigation. The findings of the TA will be presented in the format of a revised Project proposal for an investment project to be considered by the Government and the Bank.

**Status of Consulting Services:** Consultants have been recruited and mobilized.

**3. Marine Biodiversity Conservation, Solomon Islands**

<b>Executing Agency</b>	Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries
<b>TA Type</b>	Project Preparatory
<b>TA Amount (\$'000)</b>	150.0
<b>ADBBO Listing</b>	15 September 1999
<b>Date Approved</b>	19 October 1999

## Project Description

The overall objective of the TA is to complement an earlier ongoing PPTA (TA 3237-SOL: Fisheries Management and Development) in formulating one project proposal for a fisheries management and conservation project. The earlier PPTA has the following components, (i) institutional strengthening; (ii) wharf infrastructure development; (iii) pearl farming legislation and regulation; and (iv) promotion of suitable fisheries within the archipelagic waters. This TA will augment the institutional strengthening component of the PPTA by establishment of (i) a system of marine protected areas to conserve key coral reef ecosystems, fish spawning grounds, and other key ecological components of the country's marine environment; and (ii) the necessary institutional set-up and regulatory framework to effectively regulate the live reef fish trade and ensure that it develops in an environmentally sustainable manner.

**Status of Consulting Services:** Recruitment of consultants is underway.

### 4. Private Sector Development Program, Fed. States of Micronesia

<b>Executing Agency</b>	Department of Economic Affairs
<b>TA Type</b>	Project Preparatory
<b>TA Amount (\$'000)</b>	150.0
<b>ADBBO Listing</b>	09 August 1999
<b>Date Approved</b>	19 October 1999

#### Project Description

The objective of the TA is to prepare a Private Sector Development Program (PSDP) in the form of a Sector Development Program which would combine investment components with a quick disbursing policy based component. The TA will undertake a sector review of the private sector and conduct a business survey to identify needs for skills training, financial services, and policy changes. The TA will contribute to preparing PSDP with focus on vocational education and training; business development training and advisory services, and policy adjustments, including preparation of a logical framework, cost estimates, implementation and institutional arrangements; economic and social justifications; and design of a policy matrix. The TA will also identify additional areas for potential technical assistance to strengthen institutional capacity in the sector.

**Status of Consulting Services:** Consultants have been fielded.

### 5. West Henan Agricultural Development, People's Republic of China

<b>Executing Agency</b>	Henan Finance Department
<b>TA Type</b>	Project Preparatory
<b>TA Amount (\$'000)</b>	150.0
<b>ADBBO Listing</b>	Not listed <sup>a</sup>
<b>Date Approved</b>	26 October 1999

#### Project Description

The objective of the TA would be to update and revise the earlier PPTA report, subsequent staff consultant reports (market assessment, economics, and financial analysis), resettlement plan, and Project preparation reports by the previous and new Project Management Offices. The scope of the TA would include, *inter alia*: (i) detailed poverty analysis to assist in targeting poor households and to categorize the Project under the new Poverty Reduction Strategy; (ii) revise the resettlement plan for the Huaiba Water Supply Scheme; (iii) review and update the farm production models for livestock, horticulture, and agriculture; (iv) conduct further analysis of the financial viability of

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proposed pilot enterprises; (v) update and revise the economic and financial analysis and sensitivity analysis for each component and the overall Project; (vi) document the implementation arrangements and fund flows; (vii) revise the proposed financing plan and ensure that county Governments are capable of taking on extra debt; and (viii) revise the essential components of the draft Report and Recommendation to the President.

**Status of Consulting Services:** No action has been taken to recruit consultants.

## **6. Capacity Building of the Center for Senior Secondary Education, Uzbekistan**

<b>Executing Agency</b>	Center for Senior Secondary Education (CSSE)
<b>TA Type</b>	Advisory and Operational
<b>TA Amount (\$'000)</b>	150.0
<b>ADBBO Listing</b>	Not listed <sup>a</sup>
<b>Date Approved</b>	29 October 1999

### **Project Description**

The TA will assist capacity building of CSSE by introducing to and training the CSSE staff on: (i) concept of outcome oriented planning; (ii) defining and understanding effective monitoring and evaluation functions for measuring progressive achievements of outcomes; (iii) fundamental principles and procedures for preparing and managing Bank-financed projects; and (iv) assessing and understanding the work load and responsibilities associated with preparation and management of Bank-financed projects.

**Status of Consulting Services:** Recruitment of consultants is underway.

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