FINAL REPORT

TECHNICAL COOPERATION PROJECT ON DEVELOPING THE CAPACITY OF THE GOVERNMENT TO POST-EVALUATE EXTERNALLY FUNDED PROJECTS

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This Report is one of the three reports produced under the technical cooperation project of Developing the Capacity of the Government to Post Evaluate Foreign Funded Projects, jointly implemented by JICA and PDMO.

This volume is the **Final Report** (main report). The others are (1) **Monitoring** and **Evaluation Guidelines** and (2) **Training and Seminar Materials**.

In addition to these reports, **CD-ROM**s containing the above reports and reference materials downloaded from internet are produced. Hardcopies of downloaded materials are sorted and filed as **M&E Library**.

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

1. Summary of Activities

The one-year technical cooperation project of Developing the Capacity of the Government to Post Evaluate Externally Funded Projects has been implemented jointly by JICA and PDMO from November 2004.

(1) Completed Tasks

Training Program

- (1) Training Program in Thailand for Ex-ante, Monitoring, and Ex-post Evaluation (September 2005, 63 participants)
- (2) Training Program in Japan (October 2005, 2 participants)
- (3) Other Training Opportunities
 - a) Seminar/Workshop on ODA Evaluation in Thailand, January 2005
 - b) Feedback Seminar of JBICPDMO Joint Evaluation, April 2005
 - c) JBIC Ex-post Monitoring Seminar, July 2005
 - d) Feedback Seminar on JBIC Evaluations, September 2005

On-the-job Training

(1) Joint Evaluation with JBIC (1):

Bangkok Water Supply Projects, November 2004 - April 2005

The evaluation works were led by JBIC and JBIC consultant, and PDMO participated as a first exercise. Evaluation Summary and Evaluation Report were drafted by the JBIC consultant, and PDMO made contributions by providing comments on these reports. The ex-post monitoring indicators were developed by PDMO.

(2) Joint Evaluation with JBIC (2):

Regional Development Program (Tourism), July 2005 - First half of 2006 The planning and designing of ex-post evaluation were done by PDMO. The PDM (at evaluation), and Evaluation Grid, and Evaluation Questions were developed by PDMO, this time.

Products

- (1) Monitoring and Evaluation Guidelines (1st Edition)
- (2) PDMO Action Plan for Monitoring and Evaluation Capacity Development
- (3) Loan Disbursement Index and Project Performance Indicators (Draft)

(4) Diagnosis of LP-MIS

(2) Tasks Not Completed

The project planned to achieve "The LP-MIS is functional and fully operated or is being modified to serve the current M&E trend of PDMO."

This is however not realized due to the delay of modification of LP-MIS. The system engineers subcontracted by PDMO are currently working for LP-MIS modification. It is expected to complete the modification by March 2006.

2. Outcome of the Project

(1) The Capacity of PDMO

The knowledge on monitoring and evaluation of PDMO counterpart team has become to the level of delivering lectures to other organizations. In fact, PDMO provided seminars on Project Planning, Monitoring and Evaluation for staff of (1) Project Executing Agencies, and Industrial Planning Department in 2005, utilizing the acquired knowledge through the Project implementation. In addition, the PDMO has received visiting counterpart teams from Viet Nam Ministry of Planning and Investment and Lao Ministry of Finance for their training of monitoring and evaluation. The government officials from two countries came to learn Thai public debt management, especially for monitoring and evaluation system. PDMO also sent a lecturer to a seminar organized by JBIC in Tokyo for making presentation of PDMO's monitoring and evaluation system. Though the number is rather limited, but the Project could produce high quality of personnel for monitoring and evaluation in PDMO in a short period of time.

(2) The Products

The Project was successful to produce almost all planned products, such as guidelines, indicators, action plan etc (Action Plan as attached). It is, however, that there has been no opportunity for trying to use these products at actual condition. According to the Action Plan, PDMO has a plan to carry out two ex-post evaluations per year. Therefore, it is an important opportunity to use the produced outputs, in order to review and confirm the usefulness, and to make modifications, according to real needs.

Schedule of Action Plan by PDMO and Project Implementing Agencies (PIA)

Action Plan	Responsible Agencies	Initial Stage	Enhancement Stage		Full Implementat'n Stage
		2005	2006	2007	2008-
< Monitoring and Information System >					
Modification of LP-MIS	PDMO				
Setting performance indicators	PDMO				
3. Opeation of new LP-MIS	PDMP/PIA				
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< Ex-post Evaluation >					
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2. Support to PDMO by JBIC	JBIC				
3. Training for evaluation through participation	PIA				
4. Review of Outcome	PDMO/JBIC		∇	∇	∇

3. Recommendations

(1) Continuation of Activities

The declining trend of foreign funded projects is likely to continue in Thailand. The evaluation after the completion of project implementation may not be a real concern of PDMO. Nevertheless, it is so important to establish the culture of monitoring and evaluation in PDMO. Because, conducting ex-post evaluations and closely monitoring the projects are the best opportunity to learn the sectors and projects which the PDMO staff is handling. It is true that the shortage of staff at PDMO makes it difficult to devote time for monitoring and evaluation. Under these circumstances, monitoring and evaluation activities, especially for ex-post monitoring, may not be given a high priority. It is therefore so important to assign, preferably at least one fulltime senior staff, who is responsible entire ex-post evaluation activities in PDMO. Involvement of donor agency is also preferred in order to maintain external pressure for regular and continued exercises.

(2) Doing On-the-project Training

Monitoring and Evaluation is not requiring complicated theory. It is, in principle, the comparison of planned and actual. Though it is rather simple, but there are a lot of practical difficulties. The first difficulty in the real world is due to unavailability of record, data and information of the particular projects. Second difficulty may be the fact that PDMO's staffs are not sector specialists. The third one is that the project, even in the same sector, differs very much from one to another. In short, evaluation is theoretically simple but the subjected projects differ a lot from one to the other. Under these circumstances, studying in class room does not help so much. Only doing on-the-project (on-the-job) training in real world would help to improve the skill of monitoring and evaluation in short time.

(3) Active Participation at Appraisal

For the staff of PDMO, the first and last opportunity to learn a project effectively is the appraisal work by the donor lending agency. Two-week fulltime participation to the appraisal is the best opportunity to understand not only the project, but also the sector-specific issues and problems, as well as the project-specific matters. It also helps to keep the documents and information in

PDMO, otherwise not be able to obtain.

(4) Agreement from Executing Agency at Commencement

One of the most serious difficulties of PDMO's monitoring and evaluation at this moment is the isolation from the necessary data and information needed for monitoring and evaluation. Timely, accurate, and sufficient supply of data of project implementation progress and realization of project outcome is vital for quality monitoring and evaluation by PDMO. It is however that PDMO can not do by themselves, without the understanding and cooperation from the executing agencies. The new Public Debt Management Act, which legally gives authority to PDMO for monitoring and evaluation, would help to persuade the executing agencies at any moment. It is, however, recommended for PDMO to reach an agreement with the executing agencies in written document prior to commencement of project implementation, for the future supply data from executing agencies with detail data specifications.

(5) Giving Specific Role to PDMO within National Evaluation Framework

Although the specific role to be played by PDMO for monitoring and evaluation of development project, in relation with other central agencies such as the NESDB, Bureau of Budget, and others, is not very clear. This also relate to the feedback system of lessons learned by monitoring and evaluation. Regardless the main functions of PDMO, it is in a very suitable position to be a center for monitoring and evaluation of development projects. If agreed by the relevant authorities of the Government, the PDMO may be officially given the function of the national monitoring and evaluation center of development projects. Only by doing so, PDMO can consider the institutional development and resources allocation plans very seriously.

I. THE PROJECT

1. The Technical Corporation Project

The Project on Developing the Capacity of the Government to Post Evaluate Externally Funded Projects started on November 2004 for one-year period, at the Public Debt Management Office (PDMO) of the Ministry of Finance, Thailand with technical cooperation from the Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA).

The purpose of the project is to strengthen the capacity in monitoring and evaluation (M&E) and post evaluation of external funded project of PDMO, as defined in the project design document. The project is expected to contribute to the PDMO's one of the important functions in the future, that "public debt and externally funded projects are managed effectively and efficiently within fiscal sustainability framework, and it minimizes the cost of borrowing".

The project framework is shown in the project design matrix (PDM) as agreed between JICA and PDMO prior to commencement of the project. The PDM has not been revised, thus still remains valid.

As shown in the PDM, Project Outputs are:

- PDMO develops M&E methodology and loan disbursement index and project performance index,
- ➤ LP-MIS becomes fully operated and used as M&E tool, and
- PDMO staffs acquire the knowledge of M&E and post evaluation method.

Figure I-1 Project Design Matrix

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Date: 20/9

Project Title: Developing the Capacity of the Government to Post Evaluate the Externally Funded Project, Public Debt Management Office (PDMO), Ministry of Finance Thailand Target Area: Monitoring and Evaluation of Externally Funded Project

Target Group: Public Debt Management Office Staff (level 4 –7)

Duration: JFY 2004- 2005 (1 Year)

Narrative Summary	Objectively Verifiable Indictors	Means of Verification	Importa
Overall Goal -Public debt and externally funded projects are managed - effectively and efficiency within fiscal sustainability framework and minimize the cost of borrowing.	-The External funded project disbursement rate is improvedThe reduction in cost of borrowing: the commitment fee or service charge is being paid less than before.	-PDMO Master PlanThe Lender's monthly statement.	-Thailand has a outlook. -The Project Imp achieves project
Project Purpose -The capacity in Monitoring and Evaluation (M&E) and Post Evaluation of external funded project of PDMO is strengthened	-The external funded project is being monitored and evaluated by JBIC /International standard PDMO improves M&E methodology reflected by JBIC/International standard - Loan Portfolio Management Information System (LP-MIS)is functional and fully operated or is being modified to serve the current M&E trend of PDMO.	-PDMO M&E Plan - Project Loan Operation Bureau Monthly Report.	-PDMO's evalua drastically -LP-MIS is being
Outputs 1. PDMO develops M&E methodology and Loan disbursement index and project performance index. 2. LP-MIS becomes fully operated and used as M&E tool. 3. PDMO staffs acquire the knowledge of M&E and Post Evaluation Method	1.1 Project performance auditing benchmark is modified 1.2 Guideline for project M&E is formulated 2. PDMO increases the usage of LP-MIS 3.1 Training participants in Thailand understand the methodology of Project Planning, Evaluation and Appraisal, and Implementation Management 3.2 Training participants in Thailand understand the methodology of Project M&E 3.3 Training participants in Thailand understand the methodology of Project Post Evaluation 3.4 Training participants in Japan and participants of joint evaluation program understand the project evaluation method in JBIC	- The external funded project M&E quarterly monthly report The M&E and post evaluation manual The loan disbursement index and project performance index LP-MIS operation plan Training and joint evaluation reports from participants	-Targeted C/Ps a their working fie
Activities 1.1 Assessment the need and existing tool for M&E and post evaluate the external funded project. 1.2 Developing PDMO M&E master plan & Loan Disbursement Index and project performance index. 2.1 Diagnosis of the problem of LP-MIS and suggesting solution and alternative. 3.1 Assessing the need for the training 3.2 Implementing training program on project M&E and	Inputs <pre></pre>	< That Government> In Kind Support -Program Coordinator (12 man -months)Working space and Utilities for JICA Expert -Workshop room.	-JICA provides t support. -Availability of t and participants -Communication properly manage divisions.
Post Evaluation in Thailand 3.3 Implementing training program on project M&E and Post Evaluation in Japan 3.4 Implementing the joint evaluation program with JBIC			Pre-Conditions The Program is a approved by The government and memorandum.

2. Background of Project

It is now readily apparent in the world that good governance is a key to achieving sustainable socioeconomic development. States are being challenged as never before by the demands of the global economy, new information and technology, and calls for greater participation and democracy. Thailand is not an exception.

Governments and organizations all over the world are grappling with internal and external demands and pressures for improvements in public management. These demands come from a variety of sources including multilateral development institutions, donor governments, parliaments, the private sector, NGOs, citizens' groups and civil society, the media, and so forth. Whether it is calls for greater accountability and transparency, enhanced effectiveness of development programs in exchange for foreign aid, or real results of political promises made, governments and organizations must be increasingly responsive to demonstrate tangible results. In short, government performance has now become a global phenomenon.

The PDMO, as a responsible office for managing the public debt of Thailand has more specific problems related to results-based management of government system. During the 1997 Asian Financial Crisis, the performance of Thailand externally projects was deteriorating. Thai Government executed project disbursed slowly below target. As a result, the loan disbursement stalled and yielded a high commitment fee for unproductive causes. The World Bank dispatched the mission to conduct Portfolio performance audit in Thailand in late 1998. The study indicated that the cause of the project performance problem derived from internal and exogenous factors of the project implementation. The internal factor was the limited capacity of government in executing and monitoring the project as scheduled, while the exogenous factors are the financial crisis and other natural causes that hampered the project progress. The Study also showed that the government lacked the effective monitoring and evaluation on the portfolio. Based on these understandings, the World Bank with the financial assistance from ASEAM Trust Fund granted the Government of Thailand to carry out the Project for developing the Capacity of the Government to Monitor, Evaluate and Support Implementation of Externally-Funded Projects. The Project aims at providing series of training, developing Loan Portfolio

Management Information System (LP-MIS) and preparing guideline for project planning, evaluation and appraisal of public sector projects.

In addition to the loan portfolio management, Thai Government planned sometime ago, and eventually enacted Pubic Debt Management Act in 2005, which legally requires PDMO to report how the project is well performed or how the foreign loan efficiently and effectively utilized. Accordingly, it became an urgent matter for PDMO to improve its project monitoring and evaluation systems as soon as possible.

In response to the recognition above, the Government of Thailand requested the Government of Japan to carry out the Project in accordance with the Agreement on Technical Cooperation between the Government of Japan and the Government of Thailand. Then, the Government of Japan has decided to cooperate on the Project, and assigned Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA) to implement the Project with Public Debt Management Office (PDMO), Ministry of Finance.

3. The Inputs

(1) Inputs from Japanese Side

1) JICA Expert

Mr. Hachiro Ida, 12 MM (Nov.21, 2004 ~ Nov.21, 2005

2) Counterpart training in Japan

Name of group training: Seminar on Evaluation of Japan's ODA Loan

Projects

Period: 16 October, 2005 to 29 October, 2005 (2 weeks)

Training institute: JBIC

Trainee: Mr. Yuthapong Eamchang, Economist 6, Special

Loan Program Division, Project Loan Operation

Bureau, PDMO

Ms. Anchana Wongsawang, Director, Consultant Database Center, Project Loan Operation Bureau,

PDMO

3) Cost shred by Japan

Japanese share: 22,338,000 yen (8,240,000 Bhat) (100 %)

(2) Inputs from Thai Side

1) Program Coordinator

Ms.	Arunwan	Director, Special Loan Program Division, Project
Yomjinda		Loan Operation Bureau, PDMO

2) Counterpart

Ms.	Sukuma	Economist	5,	Special	Loan	Program	Division,
Sarahong		Project Loa	n O	peration	Bureau	ı, PDMO	

Mr. Premjit Economist 5, Special Loan Program Division,

Eurbunyanun Project Loan Operation Bureau, PDMO

Mr. Preksarek Economist 3, Special Loan Program Division,

Polprtch Project Loan Operation Bureau, PDMO

3) Working space and utilities for JICA Expert

Working space and utilities were provided to JICA Expert.

4) Workshop room

Meeting room at PDMO was used.

4. Summary of Project Activities

The major activities of the Project are listed hereunder:

(3) Human resources development

1) Monitoring and Evaluation Training Course

Training	Date	Attendants	Major Topics			
Course 1	19 September , 2005	26	Project planning, evaluation,			
			appraisal and implementation			
Course 2	22 September, 2005	23	Project monitoring and evaluation			
Course 3	28 September, 2005	14	Project post evaluation			

2) On the Job Training - Joint Ex-post Evaluations with JBIC

(1) The first joint evaluation for the purpose of on-the-job training with JBIC was done for the Water Supply Projects in Bangkok implemented by the Metropolitan Waterworks Authority (MWA). The preparation of the joint evaluation started as early as April 2004, and main activities were from November 2004 to April 2005. The details (process, activities, and products) are given in Chapter IV. Through this exercise, PDMO could acquire the knowledge about general process of ex-post evaluation of JBIC. During the course of this joint evaluation, the JICA expert organized a short seminar of introductory project evaluation in January

and February 2005 to for PDMO's participating staff to joint evaluation. Monitoring indicators and Monitoring sheet for ex-post monitoring was developed by the PDMO with the assistance of JICA expert, based on the results of ex-post evaluation.

(2) The second joint evaluation was not planned in the original implementation plan, but PDMO and JBIC recognized this joint evaluation exercise is so useful to acquire the practical knowledge of ex-post evaluation. Therefore, it was decided to conduct second one for Regional Development Program (Tourism) implemented by the Tourism Authority of Thailand (TAT). The work started in July 2005. Due to unavailability of the appropriate consultant to be hired by JBIC, the work schedule delayed by two months than originally anticipated. Therefore, we could not complete this additional assignment within the technical cooperation period, but will continue to finish with feedback seminar which is scheduled in the first half of 2006.

3) Training Program in Japan

Two staffs from PDMO participated in training program in Japan. The program was Seminar on Evaluation of Japan's ODA Loan Projects sponsored by JICA and implemented by JBIC. The course was for two weeks in October 2005.

4) Other Training Opportunities

Listed hereunder is other training opportunities of counterpart staff of the team.

- Seminar/Workshop on ODA Evaluation in Thailand, January 17-21, 2005
- Feedback Seminar of Joint Evaluation (PDMO/JBIC), April 29, 2005
- ➤ JBIC Ex-post Monitoring Seminar, July 28, 2005
- Feedback Seminar on JBIC Evaluations, September 8, 2005

(4) Production of materials

Through the implementation of the Project, the following materials are produced.

- 1) PDMO Master Plan: When conducted the joint evaluation with JBIC, PDMO prepared an action plan for future institutional and capacity development for monitoring and evaluation in PDMO. This could be carried out with an understanding the realities of ex-post evaluation. This was discussed at Feedback Seminar with JBIC, and the ideas are shared with the participants.
- 2) Monitoring and Evaluation Guidelines: The Guidelines is to present to mainly for PDMO staff information on various existing tools aimed at facilitating evaluation at the project design, implementation or monitoring, and project completion, and operation stages, including ex-post evaluation of completed projects. The handbook would not be the quality product, but to invite thoughts and comments for continuing effort to provide the best evaluation products possible. The Guidelines is a document designed to evolve and change as PDMO learns from its use.
- 3) **Project Performance Index as tools of M&E**: This is produced as a part of M&E Guidelines.
- (5) Implementation Schedule

The implementation schedule comparable of planned and actual is attached in Figure I-2, next page.

Figure I-2 Implementation Schedule (Planned and Actual)

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5. Terminal Evaluation

The terminal evaluation of this technical cooperation project is still in the process at the time of this reporting. It is, however that, the preliminary conclusions indicate that:

Thai government has emphasized good governance. The effective and efficient budget use has been rapidly recognized. Public Debt Management Act (effective in 2005) is positioned along this context. In line with this, project evaluation will also be important more and more for the results-based budgeting. To response it, PDMO recognizes importance of preparing better tools and capable human resources to properly manage monitoring and project evaluation. The Project is positioned in this vital context.

The Project was effectively and efficiently managed to carry out the activities. The Project produced various important outputs within just one year such as PDMO Action Plan, M&E guideline, project performance indicators, training programs both in Thailand and Japan, and joint evaluation with JBIC, however, LP-MIS can not completed within the Project period due to delay of finalizing TOR. As a result, the Project contributes to strengthen capacity of SPLD in M&E and post evaluation in certain extend. It may construct sound bases to improve loan disbursement rate in future through better monitoring and evaluation system.

The results of terminal evaluation are commonly shared with the project implementation team of PDMO counterparts and the JICA expert.

II. MONITORING OF ON-GOING PROJECT

1. Loan Portfolio Management Information System (LP-MIS)

This section tries to make a preliminary assessment of LP-MIS, and to identify issues for consideration.

The LP-MIS is an essential tool for PDMO for monitoring the progress of on-going foreign funded project. As the Public Debt Management Act comes into operation, PDMO is obliged to report to the Parliament the progress of project/program which utilizes debt instruments. In order to meet this requirement, PDMO plans to enhance the contents and coverage of LP-MIS¹.

A. Main Feature of LP-MIS

(1) Intended User Groups and Their Purpose

The intended user groups and their purposes in using LP-MIS are as follows:²

Intended User Group	Purpose		
> PDMO	> To monitor and evaluate the progress of		
	project implementation and loan		
	utilization as part of their management of		
	loan portfolio		
Project	> To report, as required by PDMO, the		
Implementing	progress of their projects as well as		
Agencies (PIAs)	problems and issues relevant to project		
	implementation		
General Public	Depend on their interest		

(2) Outline of LP-MIS³

Design	A web-based MIS that monitors and evaluates the
Feature	progress of project implementation and loan utilization
Input Data	From the project implementing agencies the lending
	agencies
Outputs	Information on project and loan at appraisal

¹ The work subcontracted to system engineering consultants started in September 2005, and expected to be completed by March 2006.

² LP-MIS User Manual, OSU, PDMO, 200?

³ http://svpdmo.pdmo.mof.go.th/osu/about.php_3

Latest available data on project progress and loan utilization

Evaluation of project and loan progress measured in terms of :

- Project Progress Index (PPI)
- Disbursement Progress Index (DPI)
- Loan Adequacy Index (LAI)
- Summary report on each loan (access is limited to only OSU staff)

(3) Frequency of data input

Once a month

- (4) Input Information
 - a) Project Information
 - Project Title; Project Type; Development Focus;
 - Expected Project Completion Date;
 - Project Director; Contact Address
 - Project Objectives; Project Scope; Project Cost Estimates (at Appraisal);
 - Project Risks; Land Acquisition; Counterpart Budget; Project Environmental Issues
 - Project Cost Estimate (current; by category)
 - Loan Covenants
 - b) Loan Information
 - Loan No.; Loan Title; Project; Loan Type; Lender
 - Currency; Interest Rate; Commitment Charge Rate; Repayment Period; Grace Period; Service Charge Rate; Counterpart Budget
 - Fact Finding Dates; Appraisal Dates; Board Approval Date; Loan Negotiations Dates; Cabinet Approval Date; Cabinet Loan Signing Approval Date; Loan Signing Date; Legal Opinion Date; Loan Effective Date
 - Original Loan Closing Date; Current Loan Closing Date
 - Original Loan Amount; Cancellation; Loan Allocation; Category; Allocated Amount; % Expenditures to be Financed
 - Commitment Amount; Commit. Date; Commit. Amount (USD Eqv.); Commit. Amount (currency in contracts); Disbursement Amount;

Disb. Date; Disb. Amount (USD Eqv.); Disb Amount (actual amount in the paid currency)

- c) Disbursement Projection
- d) Contract Information
 - Contract No.; Financed under Loan-key in the loan number; Work Component-cost category of the contract;
 - Estimated Cost-the estimated contract value in USD;
 - Contract Award-date of contract award; Begin-date when the contract is effective; Completion-date when the contract is required to be completed; Days-the contract implementation period in days;
 - Contract Details-status of progress of the contract to be key in quarterly during the contract period.
 - Milestones in the procurement process
 - % Completion-if the procurement has been completed, key in the physical progress of the contract in % of the total contract works. For consulting service and training contracts, if there is no estimate of contract progress, estimate the contract progress from the percentage of time lapsed

B. Present Operations and Problems

(1) The Data is not updated

The LP-MIS is not operated, and disbursement data is manually aggregated to produce monthly disbursement data. This is mainly because the PIAs are not providing necessary data to PDMO.

(2) Lack of information

The information source for project monitoring is not only the information provided for LP-MIS by PIAs, but also progress reports prepared by the PIAs and consultants. These reports contain not only project progress information, but other relevant information related to projects. It seems that PDMO is not receiving all progress reports prepared by relevant parties.

(3) Shortage of manpower

Project monitoring requires certain manpower. It is not only for collection of progress data and input them in LP-MIS, but also requires analytical works such as crosscheck with donors information, assessment of appropriateness and reliability of data provided by PIAs, and preparation of remedial measures if project is facing serious bottleneck.

C. Issues for Consideration

(1) Area for Monitoring

The following is a quotation from LP-MIS Manual. The understanding about limitation of PDMO was quite right. Even though LP-MIS targets narrow area of loan utilization, it can not be perfectly operated. This is purely because shortage of staff, and there is no full-time OSU staff. Therefore, in case that LP-MIS expands its coverage, full-time staff should be assigned to OSU.

"The coverage of project monitoring and evaluation (PME) task carried out by the lending agency and the project agency is broad encompassing not only loan utilization and project implementation progress, but also changes that may affect project goals and objectives, changes in key project assumptions or risks, project quality, status of other project inputs, compliance with covenants, and major problems and issues affecting project progress. Considering limited budget and personnel, PDMO would not be able to carry out the PME task with such a broad coverage. During the initial years of its PME operation, the PDMO should focus its PME task on expediting project implementation and loan utilization to minimize the commitment charges and the about of idle loan fund. Such matters as project quality and changes in conditions affecting project viability should be left to the project agency. However, PDMO should deal with these matters on a case by case basis focusing on large project with high risks. The PME system tracks the amount of inputs used and the progress of project implementation, and derives conclusions on the performance of project implementation and loan utilization. The PDMO will then take appropriate corrective actions to cause the PIA to improve project and loan performance."

(2) Institutional Arrangement

There was an expectation that PIAs would update information from PIA's end through internet-web. It is not certain such arrangement was agreed with PIA when LP-MIS was developed. Two matters need to be considered in this respect;

 a) If we depend on PIAs input, it is likely that completing monthly update would not be done in timely manner. PDMO may force PIAs to do on

- time, and it will work to a certain extent. But time required is longer than PDMO does data input.
- b) Even though PIAs are very cooperative and do data input on time, the input data have to be checked by PDMO for correctness and consistency.

It is certainly workable that PDMO collect data from PIAs, and data input is done by PDMO, rather than PIAs direct data input to LP-MIS.

(3) Use of Computer System and PDMO's Internal Arrangement
Modern IT technology provides a tool for data arrangement and information
sharing in efficient manner. But it only works with data - accurate data.
OSU has its limitation about checking data accuracy, because it is not
involved in project monitoring itself. The data check has to be done by
each officer-in-charge to the project. We should not expect that the
problems of present system can be solved by the application of technology.
If manual system is chaotic, electronic system will only compound the
same problem. It does not intend to discourage the use of computer
system. It would definitely contribute to improve efficiency of monitoring
activities, if and only if the system is fully operated. It is, therefore, again
returns to the issue: shortage of PDMO staff.

2. Loan Disbursement Index: Loan Performance Indicators⁴

The purpose of this section is; 1) to discuss the appropriateness of present Loan Performance Indexes (PPI, DPI and LAI), and 2) to consider new Loan Performance Indexes⁵, if necessary and appropriate. As it is observed that present indexes are not well representing the loan performance, changes of indexes are proposed (to use only two indexes: DPI and DPI_{current}). Further discussions on this issue are expected, in order to determine the direction of

⁴ There is another set of indicators related to development projects. These are called as "**Project Performance Indicators or Outcome Indicators**" While Loan Performance Indicators measure mainly process efficiency, the Outcome indicators measure mainly the effects of projects to beneficiaries (or society/economy).

⁵ This paper deals only financial (and physical) aspect of loan performance. There are other aspects in monitoring such as reforming organizational structure, skill transfer and training, and introduction of management information system, etc. These issues will be discussed separately.

future LP-MIS⁶.

A. Background⁷

Project implementation consumes time and money as well as other resources. Therefore, the project monitoring and evaluation (PME) system tracks the amount of inputs used and the progress of project implementation, and derives conclusions on the performances of project implementation and the loan utilization. The PDMO will then take appropriate corrective actions to cause the PIA to improve project and loan performance. Essentially, the PME system will collect, analyze and interpret data to answer the following key questions:

- Is there a delay in project implementation?
- If the answer is yes, how serious is the delay and is it necessary to extend the loan closing date?
- Would the loan amount and the local budget be adequate to complete the project? Would there be any surplus loan fund and local budget?
- What actions that the PDMO should take to cause the PIA to improve project implementation and loan performance?

To answer the above questions, the PME system will collect the following basic data:

- Time lapsed since project commencement relative to the total project implementation period.
- The cumulative loan commitment⁸ and disbursement relative to the total loan amount.
- The project implementation progress relative to the total amount works under the project.
- The amount of local budget allocation and cumulative disbursement relative to the total amount.

B. Present System⁹

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There are three indexes used in present LP-MIS to facilitate evaluation of project and loan performance; Project Progress Index (PPI), Disbursement Progress

⁶ The decision should be incorporated into new LP-MIS of which modification and enhancement will be undertaken soon.

⁷ This Section is an extract from the Chapter 4 of "LP-MIS Conceptual Framework and Design, OSU, PDMO, undated"

⁸ 'Commitment' in this case means amount of loan proceeds committed for payment to contractors/suppliers according to the payment schedule in contract.

⁹ Section 4.5 of "LP-MIS Conceptual Framework and Design, OSU, PDMO, undated"

Index (DPI), and Loan Adequacy Index (LAI).

Project Progress Index (PPI)

The PPI measures project progress against the time consumed. Therefore it is defined as;

PPI = <u>Project Progress in percent</u> Time Lapsed in percent

Where, Project Progress is calculated in rather complicated manner; including both procurement progress (20% weight) and physical progress (80%). Summation of each contract's progress weighted as against total project cost becomes "Project Progress".

The interpretation of magnitude of PPI is explained as follows;

PPI	Interpretation ¹⁰			
1.0	Implementation is	s right c	n schedu	le
Greater than 1.0	Implementation is	s ahead	of sched	ule
Less than 1.0	Implementation	slips	behind	the
	schedule			

Project progress is classified based on the magnitude of PPI into four performance categories;

Classification	Magnitude of PPI
Fully satisfactory	PPI > 1
Satisfactory	1 > PPI > 0.75
Average	0.75 > PPI > 0.5
Unsatisfactory	0.5 > PPI

Disbursement Progress Index (DPI)

The DPI, in present LP-MIS, measures the loan disbursement progress as against the time lapse. The DPI will compare the actual disbursement to the benchmark average disbursement¹¹. It is calculated as follows;

DPI = Actual disbursement of the monitored project (ACD) Benchmark average disbursement (AVD)

Two benchmark values of DPI are calculated;

DPImin = MND/AVD

¹⁰ PPI, according to its definition, cannot be interpreted as shown in the table. This issue is discussed in later section.

In this definition, DPI is significantly affected by the values of AVD and MND, and validity of DPI depends on degree of disbursement pattern's similarity between monitored project and benchmark projects

 $DPlav = 0.5 \times (DPlmin + 1)$

 Average disbursement between benchmark minimum disbursement and benchmark maximum disbursement

Where

MND = Benchmark minimum disbursement

Disbursement progress is classified based on the magnitude of DPI relative to DPImun and DPIav;

Classification	Magnitude of DPI
Fully satisfactory	DPI > 1
Satisfactory	1 > DPI > DPlav
Average	DPlav > DPl > DPlmin
Unsatisfactory	DPImin > DPI

Loan Adequacy Index (LAI)

The LAI is an indicator to serve as a rough indicator for gauging the loan adequacy. LAI is defined as;

LAI = Amount of remaining project work, % of the total work

Remaining uncommitted loan amount, % of total loan amount

In the Manual, level of loan adequacy is arbitrarily set as follows;

LAI Value	Implication
Greater than 1.5	The remaining loan amount may not
	be adequate to complete the project
Between 1 and 1.5	The remaining loan amount should
	be adequate to complete the project
Lower than 1	A loan surplus is likely

C. Discussion

When these indicators were developed, they were intended to serve to answer two major questions; 1) Is there a delay?, and 2) Would loan and local budget be adequate? PDMO, depending on answers to these questions, is supposed to take actions to cause the PIA to improve project implementation and loan performance.

Project Progress Index (PPI)

Two matters are discussed hereunder; a) difficulty of making/calculating PPI, and b) appropriateness of benchmark against which the project under monitoring is assessed.

The definition of PPI is as follows;

PPI = <u>Project Progress in percent</u> Time Lapsed in percent

Where, Project Progress is measured for each contract, based on two activities; procurement (20% weight) and physical progress (80%). Summation of each contract's progress weighted as against total project cost becomes "Project Progress".

a) Calculation of PPI - Is it easy?

The following is an example of calculation of project progress during procurement stage;

Event	Assigned Score	Cumulative	Contract	Contribution to
	for	Achievement, %	Progress, %	Project
	Achievement, %			Progress, % ⁽¹⁾
Preparation of Specifications and	5	5	1.00	0.15
tender document				
2. Approval of tender document by	5	10	2.00	0.30
lending agency				
3. Advertisement of contract	5	15	3.00	0.45
4. Pre-qualification of bidders	15	30	6.00	0.90
5. Approval of shortlist	5	35	7.00	1.05
6. Receiving proposals	5	40	8.00	1.20
7. Proposal evaluation	20	60	12.00	1.80
8. Approval of contract award	5	65	13.00	1.95
9. Contract negotiations	10	75	15.00	2.25
10. Draft contract submitted	5	80	16.00	2.40
11. Approval of draft contract	10	90	18.00	2.70
12. Contract signing	10	100	20.00	3.00

(1) Weight of contract is 15% of total project cost

The progress of contract implementation will be estimated as follows

Contract	Criteria for Progress
	Evaluation
Consulting service contract	Contract time lapsed
Equipment supply contract	Percent contract disbursement
Civil works contract	Physical progress

	Training and fellowship	Training time lapsed
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It seems quite complicated to derive "project progress" from operational point view. The idea behind of making PPI, though complicated, is the project progress is measured not only by the physical progress or disbursement progress, but also by the progress of preparation, i.e. procurement progress. Whether making or using this kind of complex indicator contributes for reasonably better understanding of project progress, or not, is a matter of

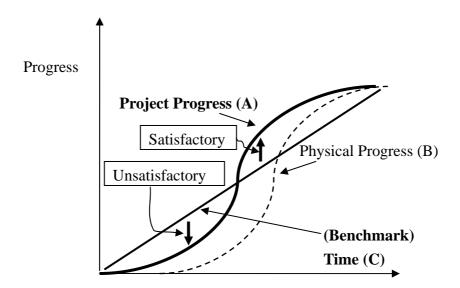
b) Benchmark - Is it appropriate to use time lapsed as benchmark?

question.

Suppose a project is being implemented perfectly same schedule as it was planned, does calculation based on above definition of PPI give the answer as '1.0'? It is very likely that the PPI would NOT be '1.0'.

Even in the Manual, it is noted that "The value of PPI will vary during project implementation. During the initial two years, the PPI would be very low. ... Consequently, meaningful data on project implementation progress would be obtained in the latter part of year 2 and beyond. The PPI would increase and approach 1 as the project is nearing completion. It is also likely that the value of PPI could sometimes exceed 1 during the advanced stages of project implementation." This note indicates that a project with PPI=0.6 at early stage may be better in terms project progress than the project with PPI=0.8 approaching end of project. Therefore, present PPI cannot be used for assessment of progress in straightforward manner, but real interpretation and classification of PPI requires adjustment when we evaluate the performance.

This is because the 'Project Progress in percent' is compared with time lapsed, while it does not really take the schedule (time factor) into account. Therefore, PPI does not give the answer to the very simple question "It there a delay in project implementation?" This is simply because it does not compare with original plan of schedule, but merely with time lapsed.



c) Suggestion

The conclusion is rather simple that the PPI is better measured by using "Original Schedule of the Project" as a benchmark. How to define the index is discussed together with DPI.

<u>Disbursement Progress Index (DPI)</u>

The present definition of DPI is;

DPI = <u>Actual disbursement of the monitored project (ACD)</u> Benchmark average disbursement (AVD)

It can not be understood from the Report¹² that; 1) how the benchmark average disbursement (AVD) was made, and what is the benchmark? 2) how many types of benchmark were prepared, and for what sectors?

In any case, by its definition, it is very clear that DPI is very much dependent on the shape of benchmark average disbursement (AVD). It is not guaranteed to provide right indication of disbursement progress by comparing with average disbursement pattern. A disbursement pattern of the project under monitoring may be similar to other projects in the same sector, but not the same. In either case of PPI or DPI, because they use generalized materials as benchmarks (PPI as against time lapsed; DPI as against average disbursement pattern), it makes difficult to answer the question "Is there a delay?"

¹² LP-MIS Conceptual Framework and Design, OSU, PDMO, undated

Index	Progress Measured by	Benchmark	(compared
		with)	
PPI	Combination of procurement	Time lapsed	
	process progress and		
	contract implementation		
	progress		
DPI	Amount of disbursement	Average	Disbursement
		Pattern	

To modify the indexes to provide answer to the question "Is there a delay?" directly, it should take the following factors into account;

- It may not be necessary to use two indexes, both PPI and DPI. PPI and DPI are more or less the same, because disbursement follows after project progress. Therefore, disbursement can represent the project progress to a certain extent.
- Since the purpose of PPI and DPI is to measure the delay, it is most appropriate to use original schedule of 'The Project', which is prepared at appraisal as benchmark.
- Good index should be 1) easy to derive from operational point, 2) simple for everybody's understanding, and 3) directly comparable with other project without any adjustment.
- Implementation delay from original plan is a concern of PDMO. At the same time, it is also a PDMO's interest to see current year's performance.

Two indexes are proposed hereunder; a) New Disbursement Performance Index (NDPI) which shows the degree of delay, if there is, from the original implementation plan, and b) Disbursement Performance Index for Current Year (DPI_{current}) which compares actual disbursement of current year against the target of the year.

a) DPI (new)

Purpose: To identify delay by comparing with original schedule

Definition:

DPI (mm/yy) = Actual cumulative disbursement up to month/year

Cumulative disbursement up to month/year in original plan

b) DPI_{current}

Once the project is delayed by years, it is not likely to recover the schedule back

to original plan. NDPI is to compare only with original schedule, delayed project always classified as 'unsatisfactory'. That is the way it goes, and a PIA with such projects is understood as not good performing agency.

But short term performance is also important for PIAs as well as PDMO. PIAs annually prepare the implementation/disbursement plan for its budgeting purpose based on actual progress of the project. Based on PIA's annual plan together with other information, PDMO prepare the annual borrowing plan. Close monitoring of disbursement is of critical importance for PDMO, as it affects annual borrowing plan. This disbursement plan revised annually can be used as disbursement target of the year. DPI_{current} is intended to measure performance of the project in short-term aspect.

Purpose: To measure the disbursement/implementation performance of the current year

Definition:

DPI_{current} (mm) = Actual disbursement of current year up to mm(month)

Planned disbursement target up to mm(month)

If actual disbursement is same as the disbursement schedule (target), DPI_{current} is 1.0 (100%).

Loan Adequacy Index (LAI)

LAI is supposed to judge whether loan is enough, or loan shortage is likely. LAI is important for PDMO to know from various aspect such as minimizing the borrowing cost, etc. However, it is not an indicator to monitor regularly. The cases, which require judgment and decision, are 1) contract value becomes significantly lower or significantly higher than the estimate, or 2) substantial changes of the project scope are done.

Loan adequacy can be assessed through the process of annual revision of disbursement plan (as indicated at the bottom of Attachment 2), rather than doing it monthly. It may worth to mention that in the case of loan adequacy the amount of surplus or shortage rather than the ratio (percentage).

Other Matters

One of the key questions to operate the PME system is "What actions that the PDMO should take to cause the PIA to improve project implementation and loan performance?" While having a good PME system to monitor loan performance

as PDMO's concern, PDMO also needs to institutionalize a mechanism to solve the problems together with PIAs. With this mechanism, the PME system gives real value for improvement of project quality.

D. Suggestion

This Issue Paper tries to identify the problems of present Loan Performance Indexes. Development of indexes depends how it will be used. This paper believes that the new DPI (NDPI) and DPI_{current} would give the answer to "Is there a delay in project implementation?" And adequacy of the loan and budget can be assessed, when annual disbursement plan is prepared.

It is recommended to determine whether PDMO continues to use present indexes system, or to revise it. Then, it has to be incorporated into new LP-MIS which will be re-constructed very soon.

3. Guidelines for Monitoring

General guidelines for monitoring of on-going projects are described in a separate volume of **Monitoring and Evaluation Guidelines**. Please refer to Chapter III.

III. EX-POST EVALUATION BY PDMO

1. PDMO's Functions in Development Project

The prime responsibility of the PDMO is to enforce debt ceilings established annually, including external debt, and acting to ensure that external debt is used selectively for the most appropriate uses, e.g., technical skills transfer, access to technology, international loans to state enterprises with foreign income, or projects with high foreign content. The PDMO also plays a role in domestic debt approval; domestic bond issues, etc., must be approved by the PDMO. well as being an approval agency, the PDMO also acts as a resource within the Thai public sector, e.g., advising and assisting state enterprises and government agencies on debt financing mechanisms most appropriate to their requirements. The over-riding objective of PDMO is to ensure Thailand's fiscal sustainability, thus debt is not to be taken on lightly. Over the last several decades Thailand has established a reputation for being conservative in terms of public sector debt. For example, in past borrowing from multilateral development banks, the loan commitments are on the declining trend, and the full value of loans was often not utilized. A similar hard line is taken with many domestic agencies, even those wishing to issue domestic debt instruments. The Ministry of Finance, through PDMO, has discouraged excess borrowing (and refused to guarantee such debt) on the grounds that debt should be used for specific projects in a high capacity institutional and technical environment, not as ongoing deficit financing at the sub-sovereign level.

Each year, the National Debt Committee in the Ministry of Finance establishes a limit on new external debt to ensure fiscal sustainability. This year (Fiscal 2005) the new debt limit is 1 billion U.S., in 2004 it was \$900 million U.S. A limit on domestic debt exists, but because it is so high (10% of total budget expenditure in a fiscal year) it is of no practical importance. An important role of PDMO is that it monitors projects that have taken on foreign debt to ensure that such moneys have been spent as intended, and effectively. In this sense, infrastructure projects involving foreign debt are monitored much more closely by the Thai Government, often a plus in terms of their performances or in deriving learning lessons for similar future projects. This becomes much relevant to PDMO as the new Public Debt Management Act was enacted in February 2005. The new act requires PDMO to monitor and report the public

debt situation as well as the performance of the project (not loan performance but the issues related to outcome of borrowing projects).

The monitoring activities of PDMO in the past were rather limited to record the disbursement and repayment for the loan operations. With an inception of Mega projects in 2005, the public investment, particularly in construction, will continue to grow at double digit rate for couple of years. The question is to what extent and in which areas the PDMO has to strengthen the capacity of monitoring and evaluation. This has to be considered in the national monitoring and evaluation system.

It seems that one of the most relevant regulation of the government for monitoring and evaluation be the Royal Decree on Rules and Procedure for Good Public Administration of 2003. This Decree states that the good public administration is the administration to meet the following targets:

- > responsiveness
- > result-based management
- effectiveness and value for money
- lessening unnecessary steps of work
- reviewing mission to meet changing situation
- providing convenient and favorable services
- > regular evaluation

The Department and SOEs are required to specify in the performance plan, details on steps of works, operation period and budget for each step, and objective, result and key performance indicator of the mission. It also requires them to establish, in addition to their own review and evaluation, an independent inspection committee in order to evaluate the performance of duty of the government agency related to the result of the mission, quality of service, pleasure of customer, and value for money. The prime responsibility of success of implementation of development projects lies on executing agencies. The PDMO's major concern is how much the debt are actually used and disbursed. If it is in addition to PDMO's traditional role, it is not clear that on what ground and with what expectations the PDMO would be involved more heavily in monitoring and evaluations of other departments and agencies projects.

Considering the above facts about PDMO and national monitoring and evaluation system, PDMO may be able to play an important role in monitoring and evaluation

2. Ex-post Evaluation by PDMO

A. Joint Ex-post Evaluation Exercise with JBIC

During the course of this Technical Cooperation Project, PDMO carried out two Joint Ex-post Evaluation Exercises with JBIC, as a on-the-job training.

The projects jointly worked with JBIC are;

- (1) Bangkok Water Supply Project
- (2) Regional Development Program

(1) Bangkok Water Supply Project

The exercise started in November, and ended at Feedback Seminar jointly organized by PDMO and JBIC in April 2005. PDMO could acquire the knowledge about general process of ex-post evaluation of JBIC. During the course of this joint evaluation, the JICA expert organized a short seminar of introductory project evaluation in January and February 2005 to for PDMO's participating staff to joint evaluation. Monitoring indicators and Monitoring sheet for ex-post monitoring was developed by the PDMO with the assistance of JICA expert, based on the results of ex-post evaluation.

At the end of this program, PDMO prepared the evaluation of this exercise and future (mid-term) work plan for strengthening the ex-post evaluation capability. This was discussed at Feedback Seminar with JBIC, and the ideas are shared with the participants.

(2) Regional Development Program

This second joint evaluation was not planned in the original implementation plan, but PDMO and JBIC recognized this joint evaluation exercise is so useful to acquire the practical knowledge of ex-post evaluation. Therefore, it was decided to conduct second one. The work started in July 2005. Due to unavailability of the appropriate consultant to be hired by JBIC, the work schedule delayed by two months than originally anticipated. Therefore, we could not complete this additional assignment within the technical cooperation

period, but will continue to finish with feedback seminar which is scheduled in the first half of 2006.

The major outputs produced through the joint exercises are in the following pages. These includes;

- (1) Bangkok Water Supply Project
- Implementation Schedule and Roles and Responsibilities
- > Evaluation Summary
- Evaluation Report
- Monitoring Indicators and Monitoring Sheets
- PDMO's Action Plan for Monitoring and Evaluation of Development Projects
- ➤ Minutes of Discussion on the Joint Evaluation
- (2) Regional Development Program
- ➤ Implementation Schedule of Second Joint Ex-post Evaluation
- Project Design Matrix traced by PDMO at Ex-post Evaluation (PDMe)
- Evaluation Grid and Evaluation Questions drafted by PDMO

Implementation Schedule and Roles and Responsibilities of Relevant Authorities

				<u>PDMO</u>	Executing			
				(inc. JICA	Agency	External Eval	luators Team	<u>JBIC</u>
				expert)	MWA	Leader	Member	
Before		✓	Finalizing Survey/Action Plan of Joint Evaluation	_	-	0	_	0
		✓	Drawing up Questionnaire (draft)	_	_	0	_	0
		✓	Discussion on Questionnaire (draft)	_	_	0	- / O	0
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		✓	Discussion on Action Plan (draft)	0	_ / -	- / O	_	0
		✓	Finalizing Action Plan	0	_	- / O	_	0
	Apr05	✓	Feedback Seminar	0		-/O	_	0

Notes: PLANNED / ACTUAL (Single mark in one box shows that there was no change in planned and actual responsibilities for the task □ = Leading Agency□ = Assist Leading Agency (Discussion & comment, give information)

□=Participant

- =No task

^{*} Action plan would be prepared based on the review of the attainment of the objectives of Joint Evaluation

EVALUATION SUMMARY

Project Name: TXVII-7 Fourth Bangkok Water Supply Project (II) and Fifth Project

TXVIII-7 Networks System Improvement Project

Overall Rating: A

Evaluator: A.F. (Consultant assigned by JBIC) and Public Debt Management Office, Ministry of Finance

[Outline of Loan Agreement]

TXVII-7	TXVIII-7
Loan Amount / Loan Disbursed Amount: 16,969 million yen / 11,663 million	Loan Amount / Loan Disbursed Amount: 5,599 million yen / 3,730 million yen
yen	Date of Loan Agreement: September 1993
Date of Loan Agreement: January 1993	Final Disbursement Date: January 2001
Final Disbursement Date: November 2002	

Project Outline

To cope with an increase in water demand and reduce water leakage as well as to improve water quality by constructing water treatment plants and improving distribution network systems in the Bangkok Metropolitan Area, thereby improving public health, enhancing industrial and commercial activities, and reducing use of groundwater.

Criteria	Appraisal (Plan)	Post Evaluation (Actual)	Notes
Relevance [A]	(1) The 7th National Economic and Social Development	(1) The 9th National Economic and Social Development	Related ODA loan projects
	Plan (1992-1996) focused on the expansion of water	Plan (2002-2006) put an emphasis on the	- 4th Project (I) (1991)

Criteria	Appraisal (Plan)	Post Evaluation (Actual)	Notes
	supply facilities.	improvement of water supply facilities.	- 6th Project (1994)
	(2) The water shortage in the Bangkok Metropolitan	(2) There is still high demand for stable water supply	- 7th Project (I) (1999)
	Area was serious; the MWA Master Plan (1990) also	(volume, pressure, and quality) in the Bangkok	- 7th Project (II) (2000)
	emphasized the expansion of the water supply	Metropolitan Area.	
	facilities.	(3) The Projects addresses the above issues with full	Master Plan
	(3) Aiming at expanding water production and	regard for their importance and relevance.	Prepared by Thai DCI (Thailand),
	distribution facilities in the Bangkok Metropolitan		Safege Consulting (France), and other
	Area to address the above issues, the Projects had a		Thai firms.
	high priority in the water supply sector.		
Efficiency [B]	[Output]	[Output]	
	4th Project (II)	4th Project (II)	
Output [A]	(1) Improvement of the existing raw water canal from	(1) Cancelled	(1) The existing canal was later found
Schedule [C]	Sam Lae raw water PS to Bang Khen WTP (17.8		to have sufficient conveying
Cost [A]	km)	(2) As planned	capacity for supplying raw water
	(2) Pumping unit at Bang Khen raw water PS	(3) As planned	if the canal banks were raised in
	(3) Lad Krabang Distribution PS with a 40,000 m ³		certain sections. MWA did this
	reservoir and a 7,500 KVA power station	(4) As planned	with its own resources.
	(4) Transmission conduits (20.5 km)	(5) 18.1 km	
	(5) Trunk mains (56.7 km)	(6) 19 km	
	(6) Distribution pipelines (600 km)	(7) 310 km	
	(7) Rehabilitation of distribution pipelines (163 km)	(8) As planned	
	(8) Consulting services: a) Review of tender documents,		
	tender evaluation; b) Construction supervision		
	(1,662 M/M)		
	5th Project	5th Project	
	(1) Maha Sawat WTP (400,000 m ³ /d)	(1) As planned.	
	(2) Trunk mains (100.9 km)	(2) 219.5 km	
	(3) Distribution pipelines (1,000 km)	(3) 669.3 km	
	(4) Consulting services: a) D/D for water treatment	(4) As planned	

Criteria	Appraisal (Plan)	Post Evaluation (Actual)	Notes
	plants, review of D/D for other components; b) Construction Supervision (1,720 M/M) Networks System Improvement Project	Networks System Improvement Project	
	 Pumping building with a 40,000 m³ reservoir and a 7,500 KVA power station Distribution pumping units (7 units) Trunk mains (130 km) Distribution pipelines (370 km) 	 (1) As planned. (2) 5 controlling systems added (3) 216.4 km (4) 296 km (5) And January 	(2) Controlling systems at the 5 distributing PSs were additionally installed to increase the
	(5) Consulting services: a) D/D; b) Construction Supervision (329 M/M) [Schedule] 4th Project (II) - Jan. 1993 – Jun. 1996 (42 months) 5th Project - Sept. 1992 – Apr. 1996 (44 months) Networks System Improvement Project - Sept. 1993 – Feb. 1998 (54 months)	[Schedule] 4th Project (II) - Jan. 1993 – Jun. 2000 (90 months) 5th Project - Jan. 1993 – Jan. 2002 (109 months) Networks System Improvement Project - Sept. 1993 – Jan. 2004 (125 months)	operational efficiency of pumping units. - The delays were caused by (a) delays in obtaining land permissions from BMA, (b) construction suspension caused by flooding in Nov. 1995, and (c) cash-flow problems of contractors caused by the Asian
	[Cost] 4th Project (II) - ¥ 22,955 m 5th Project - ¥ 39,084 m Networks System Improvement Project - ¥ 20,522 m	[Cost] 4th Project (II) - ¥ 13,388 m 5th Project - ¥ 20,335 m Networks System Improvement Project - ¥ 12,206 m	economic crisis in 1997. - The cost under-runs were caused by (a) intense competition among contractors and (b) fluctuation of exchange rate.

Criteria	Appraisal (Plan)	Post Evaluation (Actual)	Notes
Criteria Effectiveness [A]	Appraisal (Plan) (1) Increase in water production volume (Maha Sawat WTP) (2000 target; 2 years after the project completion) 146 mil. m³/year (2) Improvement of overall water service in Bangkok (2000 target; 2 years after the project completion) a) Population Served: 8.39 mil. b) Percentage of Population Served: 80.1% c) Service Area: 1,060 km² d) Non-revenue Water Rate: 25.0%	Post Evaluation (Actual) (1) Increase in water production volume (Maha Sawat WTP) (2003 actual) 125.2 mil. m³/year (85.8% of target) (2) Improvement of overall water service in Bangkok (2003 actual) a) Population Served: 6.93 mil. b) Percentage of Population Served: 87.5% c) Service Area:1,515.5 km² d) Non-revenue Water Ratio:33.7% [Beneficiary Interview Survey (N=200)] - Water availability: 86.5% answered "largely improved" or "improved."	(2) The Asian economic crisis in 1997 significantly affected the population growth trend in Bangkok Metropolitan Area (2003: forecasted 11.3 mil.; actual 7.8 mil.) and its economic and commercial activities, thereby lowering the growth rate of water demand below the original plan. b) Percentage of population served =
	(3) Water Quality Improvement	 Water service stability: 85.5% answered "largely improved" or "improved." (3) Water Quality Improvement MWA's water quality standards, which are based on WHO recommendations for international drinking water standards, have been fulfilled. [Beneficiary Interview Survey] The result was that 91% answered water quality is "largely improved" or "improved." 	population served / population in responsible areas c) The increase in outputs (trunk mains) has contributed to expanding the MWA service Areas. d) Water leakage was once increased due to the increased water pressure caused by the increase in production. MWA is currently undertaking a NRW reduction project, targeting to reduce NRW to less than 30% by 2006.
		(4) FIRR: 4th Project (incl. 4-I) 12.77%; 5th Project 5.03%; Networks System 10.67%	(3) MWA (WHO) Water Quality Standards Item

Criteria	Appraisal (Plan)	Post Evaluation (Actual)	Notes
	(4) FIRR: 4th Project (incl. 4-I) 5.35; 5th Project 4.73%; Networks System 4.54%		Arsenic 0.01mg/l (4) Higher FIRR has been achieved because of (a) lower construction cost and (b) lower O&M costs.
Impact	(1) Improvement of sanitation	(1) Decrease in acute diarrhea cases: 877.58 in 1998 to 676.98 in 2002 (per 100,000). [Beneficiary Interview Survey] - 18.5% responded that the project contributed to a decrease in water-born diseases.	
	(2) Enhancement of industrial and commercial activities	(2) Significant contribution in the eastern part of the Bangkok Metropolitan Area: GRDP Growth in Samut Prakan Province in 2000-02 was 7.48% p.a., while the national average was 3.17% p.a.)	
	(3) Decrease in groundwater use	(3) Decrease in groundwater use: MWA groundwater use decreased from 130 mil m³ (1993) to none in 2004. Areas which recorded land subsidence more than 3cm p.a. are largely decreased.	
			(3) Amendment of Groundwater Act (originally stipulated in 1977, revised in 1992 and 2003): oblige to obtain groundwater operating license, and set criteria on groundwater fee.
Sustainability [A]	(1) Executing Agency [Technical Capacity] - No problems.	[Technical Capacity] - No problems.	O&M staff are provided training programs at NWTTI (JICA technical cooperation, 1985) and external institutions.
	[Operation and Maintenance System]	[Operation and Maintenance System]	
	- No problems.	Important issues such as revision of water tariff are decided by MWA Board subject to approval of Minister of Interior.	

Criteria	Appraisal (Plan)			Post Evaluation (Actual)			Notes				
						- O&M is undertaken by Office of Bang Khen WTP,					
						Office of Maha Sawat WTP, and Office of the					
					Wa	ter Transmis	sion and Dist	ributing Syst	em.		
	[Financial Conditions]				[Financial Conditions]				- Water tariff was increased three		
	- No problems (Million Baht)				- No	problems	(Million Ba	ıht)		times from 1993 (effective rate: 7.17	
		Total	Operating	Net	Capital-As	3	Total	Operating	Net	Capital-As	Baht/ m ³) to 1999 (11.88 Baht/ m ³)
		Revenues	Income	Income	set Ratio		Revenues	Income	Income	set Ratio	
	1992	5,653	1,542	1,670	44.27%	2001	12,083	3,142	2,660	37.65%	
						2002	12,766	3,613	3,669	42.98%	
						2003	13,992	4,200	3,536	45.71%	
	(2) Operation and Maintenance Status				(2) Operation and Maintenance Status						
						- No problems					
Lessons Learned						[Lessons Learned]					
&						For MWA					
Recommendations						MWA should have established solid and effective communication channels with other concerned					
						governmental agencies, such as BMA and DOH, to share information and facilitate coordination					
						among all agencies concerned to avoid delays in project completion.					
					[Recommendations]						
						N/A					
Rating						- Releva	nce: A				
						- Efficie	ncy: B				
			- Effectiveness: A								
						- Sustain	ability: A				
						- Overal	Rating: A				

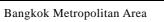
Thailand

Fourth Bangkok Water Supply Project (II) and Fifth Project Networks System Improvement Project

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1. Project Profile & Japan's ODA Loan







Maha Sawat Water Treatment Plant

1.1 Background

In the early 1990s, the population of the Bangkok Metropolitan Area was forecast to grow from 8,073,000 in 1991 to 9,353,000 in 1996, and this growth would lead to an increase in maximum water demand from 3,460,000 m³/day in 1992 to 4,330,000 m³/day in 1996. As the production capacity of water supply facilities at the Metropolitan Waterworks Authority (MWA) around that time was only 3,780,000 m³, there would be a supply-demand gap of 550,000 m³. The gap would continue to grow at 200,000 m³ annually to be as much as 1,090,000 m³ in 1999. In particular, the west bank area of the Chao Praya River, where the population was growing rapidly, was predicted to suffer a serious shortage of water supply, resulting in a supply-demand gap of 350,000 m³ in 1992 and 550,000 m³ in 1999. Commercial and industrial development as well as improvement of living standards in the Metropolitan Area would further accelerate this trend. Moreover, water transmission and distribution facilities were also decrepit and weak, causing a high proportion of non-revenue water (NRW). In addition, the Bangkok Metropolitan Area had a serious land subsidence problem because of overuse of groundwater, and there was an

¹ The preceding ODA loan projects for MWA included the 1st, 2nd, 3rd, and 4th (I) Water Supply Improvement Projects. Major outputs of the 4th Project (I) (L/A: September 1991; disbursed amount: 5,849 million yen) were (i) siphons at the raw water canal, (ii) water treatment facilities at Bang Khen water treatment plant, (iii) pumping units at transmission pumping stations, and (iv) transmission and distribution pipelines.

urgent requirement for MWA to expand its coverage area to prevent further use of groundwater.

1.2 Objective

The objectives of the projects were to cope with increasing water demand and reduce water leakage as well as to improve water quality by constructing water treatment plants and improving distribution network systems in the Bangkok Metropolitan Area, thereby contributing to improving public health, enhancing industrial and commercial activities, and reducing use of groundwater.

1.3 Borrower/Executing Agency

Metropolitan Waterworks Authority/Metropolitan Waterworks Authority

1.4 Outline of Loan Agreement

	Fourth Bangkok Water Supply Project (II) and Fifth Project	Networks System Improvement Project
Loan Amount	16,969 million yen	5,599 million yen
Loan Disbursed	11,663 million yen	3,730 million yen
Amount		
Date of Exchange of	December 1992	September 1993
Notes	January 1993	September 1993
Date of Loan		
Agreement		
Terms and Conditions		
Interest Rate	3.0% p.a.	3.0% p.a.
Repayment Period	25 years	25 years
(Grace Period)	(7 years)	(7 years)
Procurement	General Untied	General Untied
Final Disbursement	November 2000	January 2001
Date		
Contractors	Obayashi Corporation	Kubota Corporation (Jpn.)
	(Jpn.)	Other Thai Firms
	Kawasho Corporation	
	(Jpn.)	
	Other Thai Firms	
Consultants	Nihon Suido Consultants	
	(Jpn.)	
	Safege Consulting (Fr.)	
	Other Thai Firms	
Project Planning (F/S)		

2. Results & Evaluation

2.1 Relevance

2.1.1 Relevance at the time of appraisal

Thailand's 7th National Economic and Social Development Plan (NESDP) (1992-1996) emphasized the importance of expanding the city's water supply facilities and reducing water leakage. Corresponding to a serious water shortage at that time, MWA proposed the expansion of water supply facilities in its master plan prepared in 1990.² Hence, the subject projects had a high priority, as these projects aimed at expanding water production and distribution facilities in the Metropolitan Area to address these problems.

2.1.2 Relevance at the time of ex-post evaluation

The present 9th NESDP (2002-2006) also argues a priority need for improving water supply facilities. Significant needs for stable water supply services still remain, particularly for improvements in volume, pressure, and quality. Thus, the projects continue to hold importance and relevance to address these issues.³

2.2 Efficiency

2.2.1 Outputs

A comparison between the planned outputs at appraisal and the actual outputs at ex-post evaluation shows that most of the major components were implemented as planned with only slight variations (see Table 1 and Figure 1).

In the 4th Water Supply Improvement Project (II) (4th Project (II)), the improvement of the existing canal was cancelled because the canal was later found to have sufficient conveying capacity if some sections of canal banks were raised. This bank raising was conducted through the maintenance activities of MWA. Moreover, in the Network Systems Improvement Project (Network Systems Project), five controlling systems at distribution pumping stations were additionally installed to enhance the operational efficiency of pumping units.

On the other hand, in all the three projects, the pipeline components, such as transmission conduits, trunk mains, and distribution pipelines were modified. The reasons for the modifications were (i) to cope with the increasing water demand in newly expanded service areas, (ii) to adjust to specific conditions of project sites, and (iii) to coordinate with other governmental agencies such as the Bangkok Metropolitan Administration

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² The master plan, "Master Plan for Water Supply and Distribution of Metropolitan Bangkok," was prepared by the Thai DCI in association with Southeast Asia Technology, the Team Consulting Engineers, and the Safege Consulting.

³ The 7th Water Supply Improvement Project (1999-2006), partially financed by JBIC, is currently being implemented.

(BMA) and the Department of Highways (DOH).

These modifications made in the course of implementation were reasonable and did not affect the overall efficiency of the project implementation.

Table 1: Appraisal Plans & Actual Performance (Outputs)

Phase	Plan	Actual	Reason of modifications
4th Project (II)	(1) Improvement of the existing raw	(1) Cancelled	(1) The existing canal was
	water canal from Sam Lae raw		later found to have
	water PS to Bang Khen WTP: 17.8		sufficient conveying
	km		capacity for supplying raw
	(2) Pumping unit at Bang Khen raw	(2) As planned	water if the canal banks
	water PS: 348 m ³ /m		were raised in certain
	(3) Lad Krabang Distribution PS: 111	(3) As planned	sections. MWA did this
	m ³ /m; Power station: 7,500 KVA		with its own resources.
	(4) Transmission conduits: 20.5 km	(4) As planned	
	(5) Trunk mains: 56.7 km	(5) 18.1 km	
	(6) Distribution pipelines: 600 km	(6) 819 km	
	(7) Rehabilitation of distribution	(7) 310 km	
	pipelines: 163 km		
	(8) Consulting services: a) Review of	(8) As planned	
	tender documents, tender		
	evaluation; b) Construction		
	supervision (1,662 M/M)		
5th Project	(9) Maha Sawat WTP: 400,000 m ³ /d	(1) As planned	
	(10) Trunk mains: 109.5 km	(2) 219.5 km	
	(11) Distribution pipelines: 1,000	(3) 669.3 km	
	km	(4) As planned	
	(12) Consulting services: a) D/D		
	for water treatment plants, review		
	of D/D for other components; b)		
	Construction Supervision (1,720		
	M/M)		
Network	(1) Pumping building; Reservoir:	(1) As planned	(2) Controlling systems at the
Systems	40,000 m ³ ; Power station: 7,500		5 distributing PSs were
Project	KVA	(2) 5 controlling	additionally installed to
	(2) Distribution pumping units: 7	systems	increase the operational
		added	efficiency of pumping
	(3) Trunk mains: 130 km	(3) 216.4 km	units.
	(4) Distribution pipelines: 370 km	(4) 296 km	
	(5) Consulting services: a) D/D; b)	(5) As planned	
	Construction Supervision (329		
	M/M)		

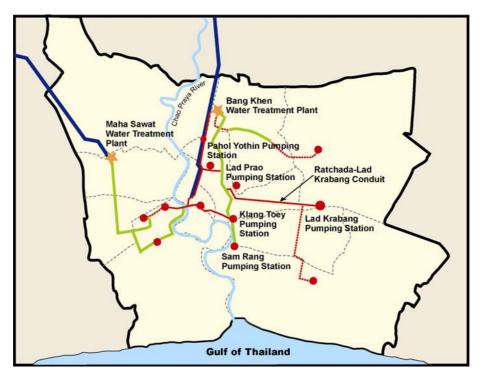


Fig. 1: Project Site Map (Actual)

2.2.2 Project Period

Table 2 presents a comparison between the planned project period at appraisal and the actual project period at ex-post evaluation. The pipeline components were greatly delayed, while the water production components were completed on time. The delays were primarily attributable to (i) delays in obtaining construction permissions from BMA, (ii) flooding in November 1995, and (iii) cash-flow problems of contractors due to the Asian economic crisis in 1997.

Phase	Plan	Actual
4th Project (II)	January 1993 – June 1996	January 1993 – June 2000
	(42 months)	(90 months)
5th Project	September 1992 – April 1996	September 1992 – January 2002
	(44 months)	(113 months)
Network Systems Project	September 1993 – February 1998	September 1993 – September 2004
	(54 months)	(133 months)

Table 2: Appraisal Plans & Actual Performance (Project Period)

2.2.3 Project Cost

Table 3 shows a comparison between the planned project cost at appraisal and the actual project cost at ex-post evaluation. In all the three projects, the actual project costs were within the initial budgets. These cost under-runs were primarily a result of (i) intense competition among contractors during the tender and (ii) depreciation of local currency.

 Phase
 Plan
 Actual

 4th Project (II)
 ¥ 22,955
 Foreign ¥ 8,066
 ¥ 13,388
 Foreign ¥ 6,440

 Local
 ¥ 14,889
 Local
 ¥ 6,948

¥ 16,017

¥ 23,067

¥ 5,599

¥ 14,923

¥ 20,335

¥ 12,206

Table 3: Appraisal Plans & Actual Performance (Project Cost) (¥ million)

Foreign

Foreign

Local

Local

2.3 Effectiveness

Improvement Project

Network Systems

5th Project

2.3.1 Increase in Production Volume

As indicated in Figure 3, since its start in 1996, the Maha Sawat water treatment plant has operated effectively at an operation rate of more than 70% on average. The water production volume in 2003 reached as much as 85.8% of the planned figure. In 2000, the subsequent 6th Water Supply Improvement Project further increased the production capacity by 400,000 m³/day.

¥ 39,084

¥ 20,522



Foreign

Foreign

Local

Local

¥ 5,057

¥ 15,278

¥ 3,319

¥ 8,887

Fig. 2: Filter at Maha Sawat Water Treatment Plant

In 2003, the Maha Sawat water treatment plant

treated 14.5% of the total MWA water production. The establishment of the Maha Sawat water treatment plant has made an extremely important change to the entire MWA system, as it reduces the dependence on the Bang Khen water treatment plant and serves the western part of the Bangkok Metropolitan Area.

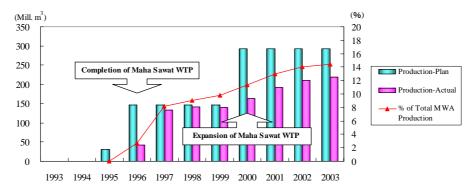


Fig. 3: Appraisal Plans & Actual Performance (Water Production Volume) (Source: MWA)

2.3.2 Improvement in Water Supply Services in Bangkok Metropolitan Area

As Table 4 presents, MWA has improved its overall water supply services since the beginning of the projects in 1993. However, the actual figures of population served and

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⁴ Operational rate = average daily production / facility capacity x 100

total water sales have fallen below the original plan, largely because the Asian economic crisis negatively affected the population growth trend (2003: forecast 11.3 million; actual 7.8 million) as well as commercial and industrial activities in the Bangkok Metropolitan Area. Meanwhile, the fact that the percentage of the population served and service area have exceeded the plan indicates that MWA has successfully expanded its service capacities even under unfavorable socioeconomic conditions.

Table 4: Appraisal	Plans &	Actual Performance	(Water Suppl	ly Services)
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FY	Project Implementation Period*		•	Population Served (000)		Percentage of Population Served (%)		Service Area (km²)		Total Water Sales (mill. m³)	
	4	5	NS	(Plan)	(Actual)	(Plan)	(Actual)	(Plan)	(Actual)	(Plan)	(Actual)
1993				6,559.0	5,583.0	76.4	77.7	780.0	784.4	965.8	836.1
1994				6,790.0	5,792.0	76.8	80.0	810.0	822.3	1,071.0	816.1
1995				7,023.0	5,959.0	77.2	82.2	850.0	892.9	1,178.5	870.3
1996				7,258.0	6,124.0	77.6	83.7	890.0	968.9	1,171.6	911.2
1997				7,495.0	6,307.0	78.0	85.7	940.0	1,096.4	1,193.1	944.7
1998				7,789.0	6,369.0	78.7	85.6	1,000.0	1,129.3	1,334.3	914.8
1999				8,088.0	6,232.0	79.4	85.3	1,030.0	1,148.4	1,352.3	856.6
2000				8,390.0	6,345.0	80.1	84.2	1,060.0	1,242.7	1,445.4	880.3
2001				8,697.0	6,500.0	80.8	85.3	1,090.0	1,279.5	1,445.4	929.5
2002				9,007.0	6,703.0	81.5	86.9	1,120.0	1,448.8	1,554.9	969.4
2003				9,322.0	6,931.0	82.2	87.5	1,150.0	1,515.1	1,554.9	1,013.9

^{* 4 = 4}th Project; 5 = 5th Project; NS = Network Systems Project

(Source: MWA)

On the other hand, the planned targets for non-revenue water (NRW) ratio have not been achieved (Figure 4). The NRW ratio increased dramatically from 31.9% in 1993 to 43.1% in 1997 because water production volume had increased and consequently raised water pressure in the pipelines. From the peak level in 1997, however, MWA has managed to decrease NRW through a number of measures, including the pipeline components of the projects as well as the recent Water Loss Improvement Project (2002-2005).⁵

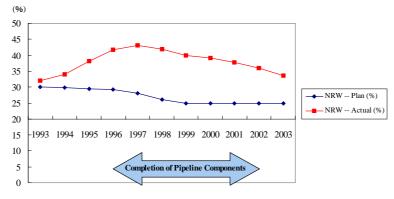


Fig. 4: Appraisal Plans & Actual Performance (Non-revenue Water Ratio) (Source: MWA)

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⁵ The project aims at reducing NRW ratio to less than 30% by 2006. Specific measures include improvement of distribution facilities and introduction of automatic control system with IT enhancement.

The results of the beneficiary survey show that the beneficiaries of the projects are generally satisfied with the changes that the projects have brought about (see Figure 5).⁶ The proportion of interviewees who answered "largely improved" or "improved" was 86.5% when referring to water availability and 85.5% when referring to water stability.

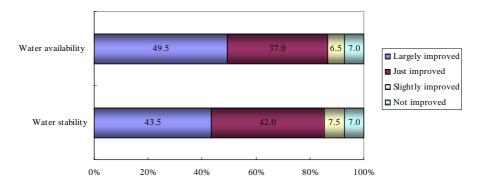


Fig. 5: Beneficiary Interview Survey (Improvement of Water Supply Services) (N=200)

It should be noted that these improvements have become possible with the implementation of other water supply sector projects such as the West Bank Raw Water Canal Project (1993-2002), the Pipe Networks System Improvement Project (1994-2003), the 6th Water Supply Improvement Project (1995-2006) and the 7th Project (1999-2006).

2.3.3 Improvement in Water Quality

thorough consultation with MWA.

The subject projects have also contributed to improving the water quality of MWA. The water quality currently satisfies set standards, which are based on the 1993 WHO recommendations on international drinking water standards (see Table 5).

Table 5: Water Quality Standards of MWA

Item	MWA					
Escherichia coli	None					
Color	15					
Turbidity	5					
Arsenic	0.01mg/l					

(Source: MWA)

This is also evidenced by the fact that 91.0% of the interviewees in the beneficiary interview surveys evaluated water quality as "largely improved" or "improved".

⁶ The beneficiary interview survey was undertaken as a part of this evaluation to measure the contribution of the subject projects to improving the MWA water supply services and subsequently the environment in the Bangkok Metropolitan Area. In each of four selected areas, 50 interviewees were randomly chosen. The interview locations included Bangkok Outer Ring Road and Lad Krabang from the 4th and 5th projects as well as Phahol Yothin and Srinakarindra from the network systems project. These locations were chosen in

2.3.4 Financial Reevaluation

The recalculated financial internal rates of return (FIRRs) of the 4th Project, 5th Project, and the Networks System Project are 12.8%, 5.0%, and 10.7%, respectively (Table 6).⁷ These figures surpass the expected FIRRs at appraisal, primarily because of (i) the decrease in project costs and (ii) decrease in operation and maintenance (O&M) costs due to the enhancement of operational efficiency by reducing personnel (i.e. increase in the customer to employee ratio) and introducing IT.

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Phase	Plan	Actual					
4th Project	5.4%	12.8%					
5th Project	4.7%	5.0%					
Networks System Project	4.5%	10.7%					

Table 6: Appraisal Plans & Actual Performance (FIRRs)

2.4 Impacts

2.4.1 Improvement in Sanitation

The Bangkok Metropolitan Area had long suffered from poor sanitation and, consequently, a high incidence of waterborne disease. Even though the results of the beneficiary survey do not clearly indicate that the beneficiaries are aware of the projects' contribution, the cases of acute diarrhea per 100,000 people decreased from a peak level of 877.58 in 1998 to 676.98 in 2002.8

The beginning of this trend coincides with the implementation of trunk main and distribution pipeline improvement, and it is therefore suggested that the projects have assisted in improving sanitary conditions in the Bangkok Metropolitan Area.

2.4.2 Enhancement of Commercial and Industrial Activities

The subject projects also appear to have enhanced commercial and industrial activity in the Bangkok Metropolitan Area. In particular, positive impacts on economic and commercial activities have been evident in the areas where the Lad Krabang distribution pumping station was constructed under the 4th Project. The average annual GRDP growth rate from 2000 to 2002 in this area was 7.48%, more than double the national average of 3.17%.



Fig. 6: Lad Krabang Pumping Stations

⁷ The FIRR calculations performed at appraisal took costs to be construction costs and O&M costs (for all the projects), and benefits to be the incremental increase in revenue from water sales (for all the projects) and reduction in water loss (4th Project and Network Systems Project only) as well as savings in energy consumption (for Network Systems Project only). The recalculations of this evaluation use the same terms. It should be noted that these evaluations of the 4th Project cover both the phase I and the phase II.

⁸ 18.5% of the interviewees answered "Yes" to the question asking if the Projects have decreased waterborne disease in neighborhood, while 4.5% said "No" and 77.0% "Don't know."

2.4.3 Reduction of Groundwater Use

As shown in Table 7, the use of groundwater has decreased since the mid-1990s from 238,400 m³/day to none in 2004. This is primarily because (i) several MWA projects, especially the networks system project, have expanded the area served by the central system, and (ii) the government amended the Groundwater Act in 2003 to tighten the enforcement of rules on groundwater use. The areas with land subsidence of more than 3 cm/year have significantly reduced.

Table 7: Groundwater Use in Bangkok Metropolitan Area (1000 m³/day)

1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004
120.3	191.8	238.4	251.8	214.3	109.3	21.0	24.0	12.0	11.4	7.1	0.0

(Source: MWA)

2.5 Sustainability

2.5.1 Executing Agency

2.5.1.1 Technical Capacity

The technical capacity of MWA is strong enough to ensure the sustainability of the project effectiveness. In order to further enhance the technical capabilities of each employee, MWA provides a range of training programs at the National Waterworks Technology Training Institute (NWTTI) and external institutions. Moreover, MWA seeks to improve its managerial capacity by obtaining ISO 9001 certification and other measures.

2.5.1.2 Operation and Maintenance System

The responsibility for O&M of the facilities and equipment under the subject projects lies with several departments under the Deputy Governor of Production and Transmission, which include the Office of Bang Khen Water Treatment Plant, Maha Sawat and Thon Buri Water Treatment Plant Department, and the Office of Water Treatment and Distribution Systems (see Figure 7).

The Board of Directors makes important decisions, such as on changes to water prices, in consultation with the Ministry of Interior. 10

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⁹ NWTTI was established through the receipt of technical cooperation from the Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA) in 1989.

The tariff structure of MWA is different between domestic and business/governments users. Both types have proportional tariff classifications according to consumption amount with the minimum rate of 8.50 Baht/m³ (23.3 Yen) for domestic users and 9.50 Baht (26.0 Yen) for business/government users. Minimum tariffs for domestic users are 0.75 Ringgit (20.0 Yen) for domestic users and 1.80 Ringgit (51.4 Yen) for industrial and commercial users in Kuala Lumpur, and 1,335 Rupiah (15.2 Yen) for domestic users and 5,200 Rupee (59.4 Yen) for commercial and industrial users in Jakarta.

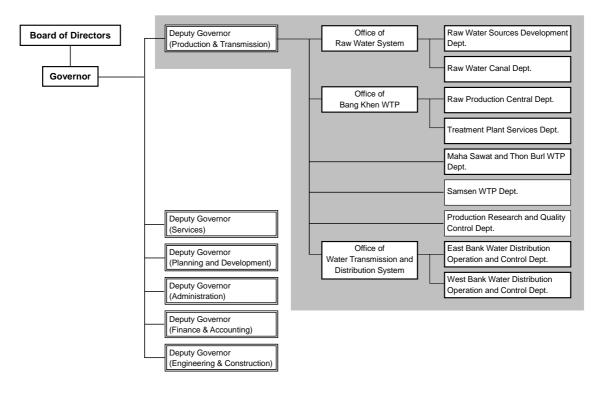


Fig.7: O&M Organizational Chart

2.5.1.3 Financial Status

Table 8 indicates the key financial indicators of MWA for the past three years. Overall, the financial status has been stable with a net income ratio of over 20% and an equity to capital ratio of over 40%, levels that should ensure the sustainability of the project facilities. Price increases in 1997, 1998, and 1999 raised the MWA's effective rate from 7.14 Baht/m³ in 1994 to 11.88 Baht/m³, and this has contributed to the financial performance.

Table 8: Key Financial Indicators

FY	Total Revenues (Mill. Baht)	Income		Equity to Capital Ratio (%)
1992	5,653	1,542	1,670	44.3
2001	12,083	3,142	2,660	37.7
2002	12,766	3,613	3,669	43.0
2003	13,992	4,200	3,536	45.7

(Source: MWA)

2.5.2 Operation and Maintenance Status

The O&M status of the project facilities constructed through the projects is generally favorable.

3. Feedback

3.1 Lessons Learned

For MWA

MWA should have established solid and effective communication channels with other concerned governmental agencies, such as BMA and DOH, to share information and facilitate coordination among all agencies concerned to avoid delays in project completion.

3.2 Recommendations

None.

Comparison of Original & Actual Scope

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Items	Planned	Actual			
(1) Outputs					
- 4th Bangkok Water Supply	• Improvement of the existing raw	• Cancelled			
Improvement Project (II)	water canal: 17.8 km				
	• Pumping unit at Bang Khen raw	· As planned			
	water PS: 348 m ³ /m				
	• Lad Krabang Distribution PS	· As planned			
	• Transmission conduits: 20.5 km	· As planned			
	• Trunk mains: 56.7 km	• 18.1 km • 819 km			
	Distribution pipelines: 600 kmRehabilitation of distribution	V - 7			
	pipelines: 163 km	• 310 km			
	• Consulting services: 1,662 M/M	· As planned			
- 5th Bangkok Water Supply	• Maha Sawat WTP: 400,000 m ³ /d	·			
Improvement Project	• Trunk mains: 109.5 km	• 219.5 km			
Improvement Project	• Distribution pipelines: 1,000 km	• 669.3 km			
	• Consulting services: 1,720 M/M	· As planned			
- Networks System	Pumping building; Reservoir:	· As planned			
Improvement Project	40,000 m3; Power station: 7,500	735 planned			
Improvement Hoject	KVA				
	• Distribution pumping units: 7	• 5 controlling systems added			
	• Trunk mains: 130 km	• 216.4 km			
	• Distribution pipelines: 370 km	• 296 km			
	• Consulting services: 329 M/M	• As planned			
(2) Project period					
- 4th Project (II)	Jan. 1993 – Jun. 1996	Jan. 1993 – Jun. 2000			
- 5th Project	Sept. 1992 – Apr. 1996	Sept. 1992 – Jan. 2002			
- Networks System	Sept. 1993 – Feb. 1998	Sept. 1993 – Sept. 2004			
Improvement Project	•				
(3) Project cost					
- 4th Project (II)					
Foreign currency	8,066 million yen	6,440 million yen			
Local currency	14,889 million yen	6,948 million yen			
Total	22,955 million yen	13,388 million yen			
Japan's ODA loan	8,836 million yen	6,541 million yen			
Exchange rate	$Y1 = B \ 0.196$	$Y1 = B \ 0.399$			
	(June 1992)	(Weighted average for execution period)			
- 5th Project					
Foreign currency	16,017 million yen	5,057 million yen			
Local currency	23,067 million yen	15,278 million yen			
Total	39,084 million yen	20,335 million yen			
Japan's ODA loan	8,133 million yen	5,122 million yen			
Exchange rate		$\mathbf{Y}1 = \mathbf{B} \ 0.370$			
N. d. G.	(June 1992)	(Weighted average for execution period)			
- Networks System					
Improvement Project	5 500 million	2 210 milli			
Foreign currency	5,599 million yen	3,319 million yen			
Local currency	14,923 million yen	8,887 million yen			
Total	20,522 million yen	12,206 million yen			
Japan's ODA loan Exchange rate	5,599 million yen ¥1 = B 0.226	3,730 million yen $$1 = B \ 0.379$			
Exchange rate					
	(June 1993)	(Weighted average for execution period)			

Monitoring Indicators and Monitoring Sheet

Selection of Ex-post Monitoring Indicators for Bangkok Water Supply ProjectsObjectives and Scope of Projects

To cope with an increase in water demand and reduce water leakage [Objectives] By constructing water treatment plants and improving distribution network

systems in Bangkok Metropolis [Scope]

Thereby to contribute improving public health, enhancing industrial and commercial activities, and reducing use of groundwater [Goal]

Three kinds of indicators

Operation of facility

Production of water

Distribution of water

Direct outcome

Increase in water supply (volume of delivered water, number of person served)

Keep water quality standards

Reduction of water loss (NRW)

Reduction of groundwater use

Impact (Goal to be attained as a results of direct outcome)

Productivity improvement (Reduction of cost of water supply)

Reduction of water-born diseases

Economic growth in service areas

Reduction of land subsidence

Matters to be considered

Measuring effects/impacts of The Projects (eliminating effects/impacts of other projects)

As less burden to MWA for collection of data as possible

Targets??? (Only collecting data does not make sense. Actual performance should be compared with the targets.) <=But difficult to set the target at this stage

Indicators (Long list)

- Water Production of MWA (MCM/year)
- (Water Production at Maha Sawat WTP: a part of the above)
- Volume of Water Sale (MCM/year)
- Population Served (Number of people)
- Non-revenue Water (%)
- Operating expenses per unit sales (B/m3)
- Fulfillment of Water Quality Standard (Y/N)
- Number of Water-born Diseases (number of acute diarrhea per 100,000 people: This data to be collected from XXX by MWA)
- Amount of Grand Water Use (MCM/year, Already xero)
- Land Subsidence (cm of land subsidence per year: This data to be collected from YYY by MWA)

Project Effect/Impact Indicator Monitoring Sheet (JBIC Funded Project)

The Project and Ex-post Evaluation

Country Thailand

Project Fourth Bangkok Water Supply Project/Fifth Project/Network System Improvement Pro

Executing Agency/Monitoring Agency Metropolitan Waterworks Authority (MWA)

Evaluation Date December 2004
Rating Highly Satisfactory (A)
Monitoring Period Year 2005-2009

Status of Recommendations

Recommendations by Ex-post Evaluation	Action Taken by MWA
None	

Мо	nitoring Indicators								Updated	, 2005
	Indicator	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
1	Water production of entire MWA system (MCM)	1,481.7	1,505.0	1,516.1	1,538.0	1,613.0	1,688.0	1,765.0	1,820.0	1,867.0
2	Water production at Maha Sawat WTP (MCM)	192.1	210.8	219.2	253.3	266.8	281.0	419.7	441.6	467.2
3	Population served (People, 000)	6,500.0	6,703.0	6,931.0	7,236.0	7,372.0	7,513.0	7,655.0	7,801.0	7,948.0
4	Non-revenue water rate (%)	37.7%	36.0%	33.7%	30.81%	30.71%	30.68%	30.65%	30.63%	30.62%
5	Cost per unit sold (B/m3)	9.99	9.13	9.36	9.79	9.1	9.65	9.06	9.21	9.16
6	Fulfillment of water quality standard	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S

actual

Definition of Indicators

1 Water production of entire MWA system (MCM) Total water production volume of MWA (million cubic meter)

2 Water production at Maha Sawat WTP (MCM) Water production volume (million cubic meter) at Maha Sawat WTP

3 Population served (person, 000) Population for which MWA provides water supply services

4 Non-revenue water rate (%) (Volume of water for which tariff not collected)/(Total water production)*100

5 Cost per unit sold (B/m3) (Total expense (B))/(Total sales (m3))

6 Fulfilment of water quality srandard S: Satisfied MWA's water quality standard; F: Failure to fulfill (specify non-fulfilled items)

The Monitoring Sheet shall be submitted by MWA through PDMO(OSU) to JBIC by end [month] every year.

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target

Officer in charge at MWA

No	Indicator	Definition of Indicator	Reason for Indicator Selection	Target
1	Water production of entire MWA system (MCM)	Annual total production of entire MWA System, including production at water treatment plants, mobile plants, deep wells systemd, and separate systems, etc. (million cubic meters)	To measure the ability of MWA's water supply (whether MWA fulfills the project objetive of "to cope with an increase of water demand")	1688 MCM by 2006
	Water production at Maha Sawat WTP (MCM)	Annual water production at Maha Sawat water treatment plant (million cubic meters)	To measure the operation ratio of facility constructed under the project	281.1 MCM by 2006
3	Population served (People, 000)	Population who recieves water supply service of MWA (Persons, thousand)	To judge whether the objectives "to cope with an increase of water demand" is fulfilled or not	7,400 by 2006
4	Non-revenue water rate (%)	[1-(Water supply with revene collection/Total water production)]*100	The project was aiming to reduce water leakage. The indicator is to measure the achievement of this objective.	30% by 2006
5	Cost per unit sold (B/m3)	(Total expense (B))/(Total sales (m3)) MWA considers cost per unit sold based on all kind expenses i.e. Costs for chemical, electrical, salary, interests, raw water, materials, outsource services, depreciation and others to amount of water sold.	Though it was not clearly spelled out, with the facilities of the projects, production efficiency improvement can be reasonably expected	9.65 by 2006
6	Fulfilment of water quality standard	S: Satisfied with MWA's water quality standrad F:Failure to fulfill MWA water quality standards refers to WHO guidelines. For production process, one sample each will be collected from raw water basin, sedimentation tanks, filters and clear water tanks for testing at every 4 hours interval. In distribution system, one sample each from the area with 10,000 inhabitants is collected every day. At present upper than 97.5 % fulfill the standards.	The project was expected to contribute to improveing public health. By knowing whether the water fulfill water quality standard or not, it gives indicative information, though it cannot be considered as direct cause-effect relation.	98% by 2006

MINUTES OF DISCUSSION ON THE JOINT EVALUATION FOR

FOURTH BANGKOK WATER SUPPLY PROJECT AND FIFTH PROJECT
AND NETWORKS SYSTEM IMPROVEMENT PROJECT
BETWEEN
JAPAN BANK FOR INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION
AND
PUBLIC DEBT MANAGEMENT OFFICE
MINISTRY OF FINANCE

Date: 29 April, 2005 Place: Bangkok

Japan Bank for International Cooperation (hereinafter called "JBIC") and the Government of the Kingdom of Thailand, represented by the Public Debt Management Office, Ministry of Finance (hereinafter called "PDMO") have facilitated the joint evaluation on the captioned projects (hereinafter called "BWS Projects") with the aim of capacity building of PDMO and other organizations in charge of monitoring and evaluation of JBIC-assisted development projects. The joint evaluation activities were designed as per the Aide Memoir of November 30, 2004, and have been carried out by a team of experts for the ex-post evaluation (hereinafter called "External Evaluators Team") appointed by JBIC and PDMO. Technical assistance for PDMO's capacity building has been provided by JICA Evaluation Expert. The data collection for the joint evaluation was supported by Metropolitan Waterworks Agency (hereinafter called "MWA").

JBIC and External Evaluators Team in one part, and PDMO and JICA Evaluation Expert in the other part hereby agree on the following matters.

- Review on the capacity building for project evaluation through the experience of the joint evaluation for the BWS projects as detailed in the Annex 1.
- 2. Action Plan for strengthening project monitoring and evaluation by PDMO as shown in the Annex 2.

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REVIEW

ON

THE CAPACITY BUILDING FOR PROJECT EVALUATION THROUGH THE EXPERIENCE

OF

THE JOINT EVALUATION

FOR

FOURTH BANGKOK WATER SUPPLY PROJECT AND FIFTH PROJECT AND NETWORKS SYSTEM IMPROVEMENT PROJECT

- 1. Implementation of the Joint Evaluation
- 1.1 The joint evaluation of the BWS Projects was carried out basically in line with the framework and the Terms of References (TOR) mentioned in the Aide Memoir of November 30, 2004.
- 1.2 The comparison between the planned and the actual implementation of the TOR for the joint evaluation is as per Attachment 1 and summarized as follows:
- (i) External Evaluators Team designed the evaluation framework in discussion with JBIC in July- August, 2004.
- (ii) External Evaluators Team collected information including documentation review and site survey with the assistance of MWA in November December, 2004.
- (iii) External Evaluators Team drafted the evaluation summary in discussion with PDMO, JBIC and MWA in December.
- (iv) External Evaluators Team drafted the evaluation report in discussion with PDMO JBIC and MWA in April, 2005.
- (v) PDMO, JBIC and External Evaluators Team reviewed the achievement of the joint evaluation and drew-up of the Action Plan in April, 2005.
- 1.3 In performing the Joint Evaluation activities as mentioned in 1.2 above, the following milestones planned on November 30, 2004 were realized:
- (i) Evaluation Workshop attended by all concerned parties (November 12, 2004)
- (ii) First Joint Evaluation Meeting attended by all concerned parties (November 29, 2004)
- (iii) Second Joint Evaluation Meeting attended by PDMO and External Evaluators

- Team (December 13, 2004)
- (iv) Submission of draft Evaluation Summary Sheet from External Evaluators Team to PDMO and JBIC (December 27, 2004)
- (v) Training Program for Evaluation of ODA loan projects provided by JICA Evaluation Expert (January February, 2005)
- (vi) Submission of draft Evaluation Report from External Evaluators Team to PDMO (April 5, 2005)
- (vii) Third Joint Evaluation Meeting attended by all concerned parties (April 7, 2005)
- (viii) Feedback Seminar attended by all concerned parties (April 29, 2005)
- 2. Outcomes attained by the Joint Evaluation
- 2.1 The objective of the joint evaluation was to enhance the capabilities of PDMO to conduct ex-post evaluation of JBIC-assisted projects. The indicators for this objective were defined as (1) a degree of PDMO's understanding of the concept and the use of the tools/procedures applied in the joint evaluation for the BWS projects, and (2) a willingness of PDMO to coordinate similar evaluation activities for other JBIC-assisted projects.
- 2.2 With reference to the indicator (1), according to the self-evaluation by the said two organizations and the evaluation by the External Evaluators Team, it could be concluded that PDMO and MWA have gained understanding of the following items:
- (i) Roles of ex-post evaluation to improve project management and accountability.
- (ii) Logical framework and operation/ effect indicators for enabling a systematic and result-based approach of project monitoring and evaluation.
- (iii) Importance of incorporating "before-after" comparison in evaluation design.
- (iv) Importance of quantitative indicators, which are complemented by qualitative indicators, to evaluate outcomes and impacts of a project.
- (v) Definitions and viewpoints of DAC Five Evaluation Criteria (Relevance, Efficiency, Effectiveness, Impact and Sustainability), which could make evaluation multifaceted and comprehensive.
- (vi) Roles of ex-post monitoring (i.e. regular measurement of project effect/ impact indicators for completed projects) to enhance sustainability (continuity) of project benefits after its completion
- 2.3 With reference to the indicator (2), PDMO expressed its willingness to replicate the joint evaluation experience for other completed JBIC-assisted projects. For this purpose, JBIC, PDMO and the External Evaluators Team jointly formulated the Action Plan for

Strengthening Project Monitoring and Evaluation by PDMO as per Annex 2.

- 3. Issues Arisen During the Course of the Joint Evaluation
- 3.1 During the course of discussions, the following issues have arisen:
- (i) Though PDMO has actively participated in joint evaluation, constraint was observed due to shortage of staff.
- (ii) PDMO's first priority is to improve monitoring system of on-going projects.
- 3.2 The above-mentioned issues were taken into consideration in the formulation of the Action Plan.

ACTION PLAN FOR

STRENGTHENING PROJECT MONITORING AND EVALUATION BY PDMO

1. Background of the Action Plan

It has become a consensus of the international development community that evaluation of development assistance is an important management tool for enhancing effectiveness and sustainability of development projects. With the growing recognition of the approach of Result-based Management, more emphasis has been put on performance-oriented evaluation. In response to such a trend, PDMO and JBIC have been engaged in an improvement of their project monitoring and evaluation systems. As part of their efforts, PDMO and JBIC facilitated the ex-post evaluation activities on Fourth Bangkok Water Supply Project and Fifth Project, and Networks System Improvement Project ("BWS Projects") conducted by PDMO and a team of experts for the ex-post evaluation appointed by JBIC ("External Evaluation Team"). The objectives of this joint evaluation are to strengthen Thailand's ability for ex-post evaluation, to facilitate development of monitoring and evaluation system, and to harmonize evaluation procedure between Thailand and JBIC.

Through a series of the joint evaluation activities, PDMO has gained understanding of the concept and procedures of JBIC ex-post project evaluation and monitoring. Based on this experience, the Action Plan for strengthening project monitoring and evaluation by PDMO was formulated.

2. Objective of the Action Plan

The objective of the Action Plan is to enhance effectiveness and sustainability of development projects under the supervision of PDMO through development of a mechanism in which PDMO implements or coordinates ex-post evaluation and monitoring of completed projects, and feedbacks the results to executing agencies and

other concerned parties. The ultimate target is that all executing agencies under the coordination by PDMO apply standardized procedures of ex-post evaluation and ex-post monitoring for ODA loan projects, and make an effective use of the results of these activities in their project formulation and implementation.

3. Output of the Action Plan

The expected output of the Action Plan is a mechanism for ex-post evaluation and monitoring of completed JBIC-assisted projects in which PDMO takes the initiative and executing agencies are involved. The main outputs are as follows;

- Concerned staff could design, and conduct ex-post evaluation and monitoring of completed projects.
- (2) PDMO could lead and perform ex-post evaluation and monitoring of completed projects.
- (3) Management information system in PDMO to accumulate project information throughout project cycle (Loan Portfolio Management Information System: LP-MIS)¹¹
- (4) Ex-post evaluation reports produced through pilot studies and on-the-job training program

4. Activities and Implementation Schedule of the Action Plan

Activities and Implementation schedule of the Action Plan is as per Attachment 2, consisting of three stages; Initial Stage (2005), Enhancement Stage (2006-2007), and Full Implementation Stage (2008-). Activities and implementation schedule of producing the above-mentioned outputs are tentatively set as follows:

(1) Initial Stage (2005) <for PDMO>

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LP-MIS in PDMO was originally developed to monitor implementation performance of foreign-funded on-going projects. The System could automatically produce implementation performance indicators such as Project Progress Index, Disbursement Progress Index, and Loan Adequacy Index. The PDMO is in the process of enhancing the system, with an intention to build a consistent system for ex-ante (preparatory and approval stage) evaluation, implementation monitoring, and ex-post (completion and operation stage) evaluation.

- i) Conducting one ex-post evaluation study through joint evaluation exercise with JBIC.
- ii) Setting project performance indicators for all on-going projects.
- iii) Modification and Improvement of PDMO's LP-MIS.
- iv) Institutional development including human resources development to accommodate ex-post evaluation and monitoring activities in PDMO.

<for executing agencies involved in the Pilot Project's evaluations>

- i) Participate in ex-post evaluation activities coordinated by PDMO.
- ii) Submit the completed Project Effect/ Impact Indicator Monitoring Sheet to PDMO and JBIC.
- iii) Follow-up the recommendations from the ex-post evaluation.

<for JBIC >

 i) Conduct one ex-post evaluation study through joint evaluation exercise with PDMO during the Initial Stage.

(2) Enhancement Stage (2006-2007)

<for PDMO>

- i) Conducting pilot ex-post evaluation studies, at least two studies each year.
- ii) Full operation of new LP-MIS, and modification of the system if required.
- iii) Continuation of institutional development including human resources development in PDMO.

<for executing agencies conducting the Pilot Project's evaluation>

- i) Participate in ex-post evaluation activities coordinated by PDMO.
- ii) Submit the completed Project Effect/Impact Indicator Monitoring Sheet to PDMO and JBIC and discuss it with them every year.
- iii) Follow-up the recommendations from the ex-post evaluation.

(3) Full Implementation Stage (2008 -)

<for PDMO>

- i) Review the enhancement stage's outcome and revise the monitoring and evaluation mechanism if necessary.
- ii) Develop ex-post evaluation and monitoring guidelines and disseminate to executing agencies.

iii) Implement the ex-post evaluation and monitoring activities for all foreign-funded projects.

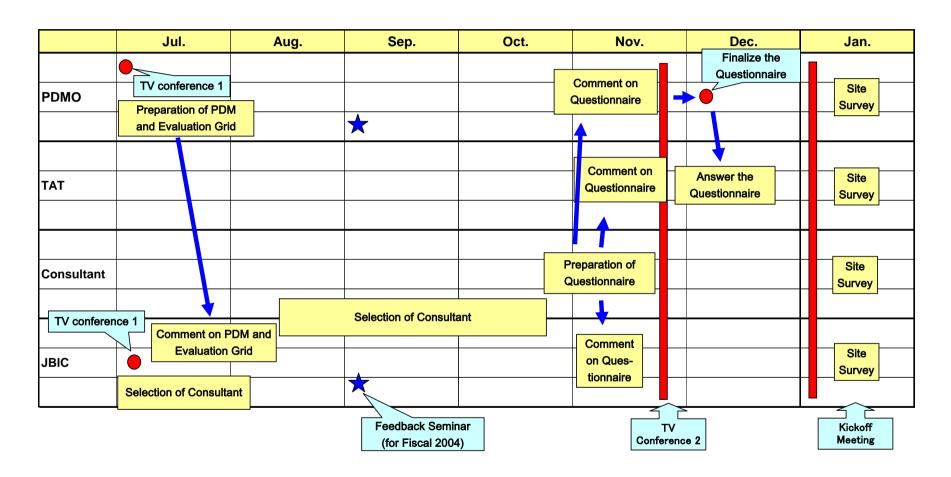
<for all executing agencies >

- i) Participate in ex-post evaluation activities coordinated by PDMO according to the above-mentioned guidelines.
- ii) Submit the completed Project Effect/ Impact Indicator Monitoring Sheet to PDMO and JBIC.
- iii) Take actions according to the recommendations from the ex-post evaluation.

5. Measures to Ensure the Proper Implementation of the Action Plan

The progress of the Action Plan should be regularly (i.e. at least once a year) reviewed by PDMO and JBIC. JBIC would support the human resource and institutional development in PDMO, if necessary and appropriate.

Implementation Schedule of Joint Evaluation for Regional Development Program (Toursim)



PDM (Project Design Matrix) at Appraisal

Project Name:Regional Development ProgramDuration:Sep 1993 - Sep 1998Date:[August 5, 2005]Project Area:3 Regions; North, North-east and SouthTarget Group:Tourism IndustryVer. No.:Version 1.0

Narrative Summary	Objectively Verifiable Indicators	Means of Verification	Important Assumptions
Overall Goal The overall goal of the project is to develop rural area, to distribute income, to earn foreign currency, and to create employment through tourism industry's development	Employment expertunities	 National statistic Office report Bank of Thailand report NESDB report Office of Tourism Developmen report 	
Project Purpose		·	
Additional tourism demand (increase of visitors) will be created by upgrading tourism infrastructure and adding tourist attractions		Bank of Thailand report	- Community acknowledgement acceptance of the tourist site improvement area - Appropriate O&M of developed facilities
Outputs 28 Sub-projects of tourism infrastructure and attraction improvement - North 13 (CM 10,CR 3) - Upper N/E 1 (UD 1) - Lower N/E 5 (UB 5) - South 9 (PK 5, PN2, KB1, SK1)	Completed Sub-projects	- PCR	 No major change in project scope Tourism Industry would respond and make investment in hotel and restaurant Marketing Campaign; tourist site promotion, would be done successfully by TAT No major natural/human disasters
Activities	Inputs		
 Construction/Improvement of infrastructure and other facilities Project Coordination and management (PMU/Consultant) Completion of Construction: schedule 1997 			- Effective coordination with implementing agencies of sub-projects - RTG's timely allocation of budget
			Pre-conditions - Cabinet approved this project - Obtain loan from OECF

Original	Actual	Title	Type of Work	Agency	Cost (Orio	i Cost (PCF	Cost (FR)	MEMO
CM-1	CM-1	Ping River Bank Improvement	Landscape and faciliti		10.4			
CM-2	CM-2	Chang Klan and Ta Pae Road Sidewalk Improvement	Landscape and faciliti		13.6			
CM-3	CM-3	Bank Improvement along Maw Ka Canal	Landscape and faciliti		5.0			
CM-4	CM-4	Three Locations of Three Bridges Landscaping Improvement	Landscape and faciliti		13.7			
CM-5	CM-5	Nong Buak Haad City Park Improvement	Landscape and faciliti		11.5			
CM-6	CM-6	Walking Tour Development in Chiang Mai Old City	Landscape and faciliti		72.4			
CM-7	CM-7	Landscaping Improvement along Outer Bank of Moat	Landscape and faciliti		38.1			
CM-8	CM-8	Tha Ton Tourist Pier	Landscape and faciliti		2.9			
CM-9		Landscaping improvement of Four City Gates and Praya Mang Rai Tower	Landscape and faciliti		14.3			Divided into 2 procurement lots
CM-10	CM-10	Chiang Mai Art and Culture Center		DOLA	68.0			
OW 10	CM-10-1	[Additional] Exhibition Works	Exhibition works	DOLA	0.0			
Subtotal	CIVI-10-1	[Additional] Exhibition Works	EXHIBITION WORKS	DOLA	0.0	221.7		
Oubtotai						221.7		
CR-1	CR-1	Development of Doi Thung Tourist Attraction	Landscape and faciliti	ТАТ	33.0	28.0	28.0	
O1\-1	CR-1-1	[Additional] Development of Doi Thung Tourist Attraction	Landscape and faciliti		0.0			
CR-2	CR-1-1	Development of Rai Mae Fah Luang	Landscape and faciliti		90.0			
CR-3	CR-3	Development and Construction of Golden Triangle Information Center	Landscape and faciliti		240.0			
CIX-3	CR-3-1	[Additional] Interior Works	Lanuscape and raciill	171	0.0			
		[Additional] Exhibition Works	 	-	0.0			
		[Additional] Audio Visual Light and Sound System			0.0		N.A	1
		[Additional] Additional Engineering and Landscape	 		0.0			
		[New] Haad Chiang Rai Development in Honor of HMQ's 5th	Landscape and faciliti	DOL A	0.0			Two contracts
Subtotal	CR-4/4-1	[New] Hadd Chiang Kai Develophient in Honor of HiviQ's 3th	Lanuscape and raciill	DOLA	0.0	502.1	13.1	I WO CONTIACIS
Subtotai			 			302.1		
KB-1	KB-1	Environmental Improvement of Krabi River Side	Landscape and faciliti	DOL 4	21.4	1 20.2	20.4	
ND-1	KB-1-1	[Additional] Environmental Improvement of Krabi River Side (Small Pier)	Landscape and faciliti		0.0			
	VD-1-1	[Additional] Environmental improvement of Krabi River Side (Small Pier)	Lanuscape and raciliti	DOLA	0.0	4.0	4.0	
PK-1	PK-1	Surin Beach Development	LF & Road Improvem	DOI 4	13.4	1 12.7	12.8	
PK-1	PK-1	Karon Beach Walkway and Landscaping Development	Landscape and faciliti		12.5			
PK-2 PK-3			Lanuscape and raciliti	DOLA	16.4		11.0	Canceled because of land acquisition problem
	Cancel	Rawai Beach Development	+		32.4			
PK-4	Cancel	Por Bay Tourist Pier	1	DOL 4			110.0	Canceled because of land acquisition problem Redesigned, and SC agreed to increase cost from 47.7 to 140.6
PK-5	PK-5	Chalong Bay Tourist Pier	Landscape and faciliti	DOLA	42.2	140.6	140.6	Redesigned, and SC agreed to increase cost from 47.7 to 140.6
DNI 1	PN-1	Phona Nac Dior Area Utility Convises and Landscoping Development		PDA	45.9	9 42.6	N.A	
PN-1 PN-2	PN-1 PN-2	Phang Nga Pier Area Utility Services and Landscaping Development Andaman Cultural and Research Center Construction		FAD	127.6			Incompleted (poor performance of contractor), according to PCR
PIN-Z	PIN-Z	Andaman Cultural and Research Center Construction	+ + + + + + + + + + + + + + + + + + + +	FAD	127.0	19.0	N.A	incompleted (poor performance of contractor), according to PCR
CIZ 1	CIZ 4/// 0	Destaration and Conservation in Historical Consults Old City	Destaration and LE	EAD/DOL	105.6	62.0	66.0	Divided into 0 presurement lete
SK-1	SK-1///-8	Restoration and Conservation in Historical Songkhla Old City	Restoration and LF	FAD/DOL	A 105.6			Divided into 8 procurement lots
Subtotal						315.5	1	
LID 4	LID 4	Muana Khana Chiam (Tura Calara Divar) Imprayament	Landagen a and f = -!!!#!	DOL A	0.0		0.4	
UB-1	UB-1	Muang Khong Chiam (Two Colors River) Improvement	Landscape and faciliti		8.8			
UB-2	UB-2	Kaeng Saphu Tourist Attraction Improvement	Landscape and faciliti		25.8			
LID 0	UB-2-1	[Additional] Haad Sai Kaew	Landscape and faciliti		0.0			
UB-3	UB-3	Kaeng Tana National Park Tourist Attraction Improvement	Landscape and faciliti		11.1			
UB-4		Pha Taem National Park Improvement	Landscape and faciliti		20.4			Divided into 2 procurement lots
UB-5	UB-5	Thung Sri Muang City Park Improvement	Landscape and faciliti	DOLA	11.1	10.9	10.9	
UD-1			<u> </u>					
	UD-1	Bang Chiang National Museum and Poh Sri Nai Temple Historical Improvement	Prestoration and I F	FAD	7.8	7.4	7.4	.i

Source of Information

Project Completion Report
 Final Report, Jun2 2000, TEAM Consulting/Pacific Consultants International

Evaluation Grid and Evaluation Questions

TAT: Regional Development Program

EVALUATION GRID

Evaluation Criteria	At Appraisal	At Ex-post Evaluation	Evaluation Question	Data Required	Data source/Survey method
Relevance					
Consistency with national/tourism development policy	7th NESDP (1992-96) International tourism will be promoted to generate foreign exahange earnings, and is set to grow at no less than 13% oer year. Number of tourists is to grow at no less than 8% per year. and associated Tourism Development Plan stated - to increase foreign exchange earnings through tourism - to emphasize conservation of tourist destinations and measures to control negative after effects - to disseminate tourism development and services in a wider scope with a view to simulating investment and employment - to emphasize restoration and management of tourism resources with a view to stimulating investment and employment	9th NESDP (2002-06) Tourism Dev. Plan	What is the present tourism development policy and strategy of the government? Whether the Project is valid approach in the context of present policy and strategy?	Policies/strategies/targets of tourism sector development	Literature survey (NESDPs, Tourism Dev Plan, TAT's cirporate plan and annual reports, etc.) Questionnaire/Interview to TAT and government officials
Matching beneficiary needs	[Who are beneciaries? Private sector in tourism industry, local resident, Thai economy?]		Whether the facillities developed by the Project are useful for tourists and/or tourism industry?	- Beneficiary's assessment on the Project	- Beneficiary survey (Questionnaire and/or interview)
Appropriateness of scope and approach	Strategy of the project is; - to develop gateway cities - with expectation of following private sector investment	- TAT's functions has been separated into development (Min. Tourism), and promotion (TAT)	Will the government contiune to develop tourism related infrastructure development? And why? Why TAT's functions are restructured?	[Tourism sector strategies]: -Combination of The Project (Gateway cities dev.) and other projects (complementary measures) - Public sector's role in tourism development	- Literature survet (NESDPs, Tourism Dev Plan, TAT's cirporate plan and annual reports, etc.) - Questionnaire/Interview to TAT and government officials

Efficiency					
Achievement of outputs	- 28 subprojects (- Final report including post evaluation results on the socio-economic and environmental impacts)	As attached sheet (ProjComponent)	Is there any major change of the project scope from the orginal plan and reasons of changes? How the consultant support for project management contributed to project implementation?	- Final project scope - Reasons of scope change - Consultant outputs	- Questinnaire/Interview to TAT
Implementataion schedule efficiency	- Consultants: Apr 1994 - May 1998 - Construction: May 1994 - Sep 1997		Why the project implementation delay? What measures were taken? What should have been taken?	Actual implementation schedule Reasons of implementation delay, and countermeasures	- Questinnaire/Interview to TAT
Cost efficiency	Y 2,045 + B916 = Y 6,097 million (including price escalation and phisical contingency)	As attached sheet (ProjComponent)	Was the project cost as planned?	- Actual cost	- Questinnaire/Interview to TAT
Appropriateness of implementation scheme	Steering Committee - TAT (PMU) - Executing Agencies		What was the improvement from the first project? Who it worked? Any further improvement measures?	Organizational structure for project implementation	- Questinnaire/Interview to TAT/EAs
Effectiveness					
Use and operation of outputs		[The constructed facilities are used not only by tourists but also by local residents. How the benefits of these will be accounted as project benefits?]	What is the level of utilization of facilities? (Needs to develop this question more specifically) What is TAT's monitoring system?	- Use of facilities (such as number of visitors to musem/visitor center, occupancy rate of shop/restaurant stalls, etc) [What kind of and how we could quantitatively measure the use of facilities maybe difficult for some of facilities]	- Questinnaire/Interview to TAT/O&M agencies
Achievement of project purpose	[TAT's document: Policies of TAT for 1993] - Int'l torusit arrivals (+6% p.a. 7.48m(1996)) - Domestic torists (+3% p.a. 40.5m(1996)) - FOREX by tourism (+13% p.a. B188b(1996)) - New jobs in torism sector (+11% p.a. 1.5m(1996))	TAT	What is the number of tourist arrival, increased by how many? How much was the private sector investment in torism industry induced by the Project? How many new job creation around project area? How much was the international and domestic tourist expenditure? What is the monitoring and evaluation methodology developed by TAT (Monitoring and Evaluation Div of TAT with Chulalongkorn Univ)?	- Tourism arrivals (int'I/domestic) - Revenue from tourism - Tourism sector investment - New jobs in tourism sector - FOREX by tourism ==> - Statiscical data at National level is available, but provinvial/regional data is not published. Need To ask TAT.	- Searching statistics - Questinnaire/Interview to TAT/EAs
EIRR/FIRR	(TAT's calculation: EIRR 23.8%; B/C 2.9) [JBIC did not calculate EIRR]	[EIRR and B/C are calculated by region in Final Report]		[We may not need to calculate EIRR, as it is difficult to quantify the project benefit appropriately.]	

Impact					
Contribution to achievement of overall goal			What is the GPP growth around project area?	- Income of project areas (NESDB statiscics) - FOREX by tourism	- Searching statistics - Questinnaire/Interview to TAT/O&M agencies
Impacts on natural environemnt/resettle ment/land acquisition Impact on policies	, ,				
and institutional systems	•				
Social impact	?	The constructed facilities are used not only by tourists but also by local residents.	How the benefits of these will be accounted as project benefits?	- Countable/unaccountable benefit of improved facilities for local residents	- Questinnaire/interview to local residents
Economic impact		According to World Travel & Tourism Council Report ('The 2005 Travel & Tourism Economic Economic Research Thailand' attached separately), the macro economic impacts such as employment, GDP, FOREX, investment are quantitatively measured, and shows sizable impact of tourism sector to Thai economy. This subject also related to "Effectiveness".	What is the model for the Tourism Satellite Account (TSA)? And, can it be applied to specific regions?	- Data used as inputs to TSA - Output of TSA	- Questinnaire/Interview to TAT
Sustainability					
Present conditions			What is present conditions of facilities? How TAT monitors conditions from time to time? Are there any damages on subprojects in south caused by Tsunami?	Present conditions of facilities developed by the project Any damages on sub-projects in south caused by Tsunami? TAT's monitoring and evaluation system for O&M of facilities	- Questinnaire/Interview to TAT/O&M agencies - Visiting to project sites
Operation and maintenance arrangement			How the facilities constructed by the Project have been transferred to O&M agencies? And what kind of assurancees given by recipient agencies for future O&M?	O&M agreement between TAT and IAs? TAT's monitoring system?	- Questinnaire/Interview to TAT/O&M agencies
Financial resources for O&M			How O&M agencies secure the budget for O&M of facilities? Any rent/user fee collected from visitors/business for facilities developed by the Project?		- Questinnaire/Interview to TAT/O&M agencies
Other matters related to this project	ı				

3. Guidelines for Ex-post Evaluation

General guidelines for ex-post evaluation of completed projects are described in a separate volume of **Monitoring and Evaluation Guidelines**. Please refer to Chapter IV.