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Assignment: TF056971

**PHRD: PHILLIPINES NATIONAL SECTOR SUPPORT FOR SOCIAL WELFARE AND DEVELOPMENT REFORM****PHRD - PHRD FUND-TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE TF**

Task Team Leader: 00000092390 - Jehan Arulpragasam  
 Approving Manager: 00000008998 - Emmanuel Y. Jimenez

Summary Information	
TF Status	ACTV
Recipient Country	Philippines
Executed By	Recipient
Managing Unit	6986 - EASHD - HIS
Grant Start Date / End Date	11/09/2006 to 03/31/2009
Program Manager	Helena Y. Nkole
Original Grant Amount	500,000.00
Grant Amount	500,000.00
Outstanding Commitments	0.00
Cumulative Disbursements	320,236.40 as of 06/30/2008
Disbursed 07/01/2007 to 06/30/2008	109,879.69
Donor	TF513001 - Japan - Ministry of Finance

*This GRM report includes the following sections: Overview, Outcome, Components/Outputs, Execution, Program(PHRD), Processing, Attached Documents, Disbursements, Internal Comments.*

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## OVERVIEW

### Overall Assessments and Ratings

#### Grant Objectives:

THE DEVELOPMENT OBJECTIVES OF THE PROJECT ARE TO: (1) IMPROVE THE OUTCOMES OF BASIC SOCIAL WELFARE AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES IN REDUCING VULNERABILITY OF THE POOREST AND MARGINALIZED GROUPS (2) IMPROVE THE GOVERNANCE OF BASIC SOCIAL ASSISTANCE AND SOCIAL PROTECTION SERVICE DELIVERY THROUGH INTEGRATED REFORMS AT NATIONAL AND LOCAL LEVEL (3) BUILD CAPACITY OF THE DSWD AND ASSOCIATED AGENCIES IN PERFORMANCE ORIENTED BUDGETING AND MANAGEMENT

#### Overall progress from 07/01/2007 to 06/30/2008 with regard to Achieving Grant Objectives:

**Rating:** Moderately Satisfactory ( Previously Rated Moderately Satisfactory on 06/30/2007 )

#### Comment:

The draft reform areas of the Department were presented during the project Preparation Mission. The Mission confirmed the indicative WB support for the following components: national targeting system; implementation of the Philippines CCT program; monitoring and evaluation; and, policy and strategy development. The major outputs of the Grant for this reporting period include the Medium-Term Expenditure Plan (MTEP); final report on risk and vulnerability analysis; inventory of existing social protection services; proposed institutional development and capacity building framework; analysis of the current monitoring and evaluation system of DSWD; training of reform focal persons; conduct of series of national and regional consultations within DSWD. The formulation of the MTEP triggered the consolidation of the various reform packages while the various consultations ensure broad acceptability of the reform within the Department. The MTEP has been submitted to the Department of Budget and Management and already served as basis for the DSWD's budget proposal for 2009 thus providing the required budget ceiling for the prospective Bank-assisted projects.

#### Overall progress from 07/01/2007 to 06/30/2008 with regard to Implementation of Grant Financed Activities:

**Rating:** Moderately Satisfactory ( Previously Rated Satisfactory on 06/30/2007 )

#### Comment:

The Grant is being implemented in accordance with the Grant Agreement. Institutional uncertainties due to the recent issuance of A.O 232, however, temporarily delayed the conduct of the final consultations with the external stakeholders. This has been rescheduled in August in time for the closing of the Grant since an amended A.O No.232-A has been issued, clarifying the role of the DSWD as program coordinator and secretariat of the National Social Welfare Program.

### Grant follow-up and structure

#### Description and context of Grant:

**Expected follow up (if any):** Follow up Bank project/loan/credit/grant

**Comment on follow up:**

**End Date of Last Site Visit:**

**Restructuring of Grant:**

### Activity Risk

**Rating:** Modest Risk

#### Comment:

There is currently low risk of the grant not leading to the loan. The grant itself will succeed in achieving the stated development objectives. The loan will be required to ensure achievement of all development objectives and particularly #1. as the loan will focus on supporting the development of a CCT program and a targeting system. The DSWD and World Bank are

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in the process of finalizing the project documents. The DSWD is scheduled to submit the proposal for review of the NEDA-ICC within August. On its part, the WB has prepared a draft PAD which is scheduled for submission to the Board in February 24, 2009.

## Critical Issues and Pending Actions for Management Attention

There are currently no issues and actions for Management attention.

## OUTCOME

### Comments on outcome achieved from 07/01/2007 to 06/30/2008

### Grant Outcome Indicators

No Outcome indicators are defined or used for this grant.

## COMPONENTS/OUTPUTS

There are no components defined for this trust fund / grant.

### Comment on planned and actual Output

### Comment on component implementation progress

## EXECUTION

### Bank project related to the grant

Project ID / Name:	P082144 - PH-Social Welfare and Development Reform
Project Status:	Lending
Global Focal Area:	
Product Line:	PE - IBRD/IDA

### Implementing agency and contact details

Agency:	Department of Social Welfare and Development		
Contact:	Luwalhati Pablo		
Address:	DSWD Bldg, Batasan Complex, Quezon City, Philippines		
Phone:	63 2 9318101	Email:	lfp@dswd.gov.ph
Website:	www.dswd.gov.ph		

### Implementation performance ratings from 07/01/2007 to 06/30/2008 with regard to:

**Project Management:** Satisfactory (Previously Rated Satisfactory on 06/30/2007)

**Brief Comment:**

There is continued high level of commitment in managing the reform program by DSWD and in engaging the Bank in formulating

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**Implementation performance ratings from 07/01/2007 to 06/30/2008 with regard to:**  
the project and the oversight agencies for support.

**Financial Management:** Satisfactory (Previously Rated Satisfactory on 06/30/2007)

**Brief Comment:**

Disbursements have been in accordance with plan.

**Counterpart Funding:** Satisfactory (Previously Rated Satisfactory on 06/30/2007)

**Brief Comment:**

DSWD provided counterpart for consultations and trainings on the reform.

**Procurement:** Satisfactory (Previously Rated Satisfactory on 06/30/2007)

**Brief Comment:**

All procurement were completed in accordance with the guidelines.

**Monitoring and Evaluation:** Satisfactory (Previously Rated Satisfactory on 06/30/2007)

**Brief Comment:**

Regular meetings were conducted. Management meetings between DSWD and the Bank were readily convened.####

## Additional Comments on Implementation Performance:

### PROGRAM

#### Program Specific Questions

**1 .(Required for all Progress Reports) Any difference between actual and planned disbursement? If so, why? Specify measures taken to improve visibility of Japan's contribution. Any extensions of grant closing dates? If so, provide reasons.**

None. Closing date was extended (no cost and final extension) from 3/31/08 to 09/30/08 to introduce draft Reform Agenda to DSWD partners; hold a major summit to sign social pact for SP and package the Reform Agenda; launching of its website and final report preparation.

**2 .(Required for PP grants for Completion Reports) Examples of capacity enhancement of the grant implementing agency as a result of the grant? Has the quality at entry of the associated operation improved as a result of grant activities? Explain.**

not applicable

**3 .(Required for Cofinancing grants for Completion Reports) Explain briefly how the cofinancing grant contributed to institutional capacity building. Explain how this grant complemented the project activities financed from other sources.**

not applicable

**4 .(Required for Climate Change grants for Completion Reports) Describe if and how the grant financed activities contributed to the country's climate change agenda. Indicate how the grant financed activities would be sustained or mainstreamed after closure.**

not applicable

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5 .(Required for Implementation grants for Completion Reports) Describe briefly how the grant financed activities helped to address the implementation issues which were not foreseen at project preparation stage.  
not applicable

6 .(Required for all grant types for Completion Reports) Specify measures taken to improve visibility of Japan in the recipient country. Has the grant audit completed? Are audited reports qualified? Provide reasons and measures taken for rectification.  
not applicable

## PROCESSING

### Manager's comments on this GRM report:

Date:08/15/2008 User ID:WB08998 Name:Mr Emmanuel Y. Jimenez Operation performed:Approved by Manager  
I'm pleased that there are no issues with respect to this grant. But it is a good idea to monitor closely as DSWD has relatively low capacity on implementation.

### GRM report history - Requested on 06/26/2008, due on 09/15/2008

Action	Name	Status	Date
Created	Lourdes L. Anducta	Draft	08/04/2008
Changed	Cesar Palma Banzon	Draft	08/08/2008
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Submitted to TTL	Cesar Palma Banzon	Draft	08/08/2008
Changed	Jehan Arulpragasam	Draft	08/15/2008
Submitted for Approval	Jehan Arulpragasam	Submitted	08/15/2008
Approved by Manager	Emmanuel Y. Jimenez	Approved	08/15/2008

## DOCUMENTS

None

## DISBURSEMENTS

### Disbursements Summary in USD

Date From	Date To	Planned Cumulative	Planned Period	Actual Cumulative	Actual Period
07/01/2006	12/31/2006	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
01/01/2007	06/30/2007	0.00	0.00	210,356.71	210,356.71

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01/01/2008	06/30/2008	0.00	0.00	320,236.40	62,821.18
07/01/2008	12/31/2008	0.00	0.00	389,421.34	69,184.94
01/01/2009	06/30/2009	0.00	0.00	399,390.84	9,969.50

## INTERNAL COMMENTS

Date:08/15/2008 User ID:WB08998 Name:Mr Emmanuel Y. Jimenez Operation performed:Approved by Manager

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Date:08/08/2008 User ID:WB296403 Name:Mr Cesar Palma Banzon Operation performed:Submitted to TTL

Hi Jehan. I am sending on behalf of Malu following her inputs and our updates. For your review and submission. Thank you.