

PDMF 3rd-4th Quarter Report 2004

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Status:

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- Completion of eight project studies and the approval of 8 new project studies under the Lump Sum Fund (LSF).

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As of 2004, 74 pre-investments studies, master planning activities and capacity building programs worth PhP 26.40 M have been undertaken through the PDMF in 16 regions, including ARMM.

The second half of 2004 marked the completion of eight project studies and the approval of 8 new project studies under the Lump Sum Fund (LSF). Two of the completed projects are under the First Tranche (Minimum Allocable Fund) and five (5) under the Lump Sum Fund (LSF)¹. Thus far, there are already 63 (85%) completed projects under the PDMF. There are still 11 projects on-going, 3 of which are in the final stages of completion.

Completed FS, Master Plans

- Pre-FS on the La CASSA (Cuenca, Alitagtag, Sta. Teresita, San Nicolas, Agoncillo, Batangas) Tourism Circuit (Region IV-A)
- FS on the Establishment of Rambutan-Kalamansi-Banana Processing Center in Or. Mindoro (Region IV-B)
- Phase II of the Pre-FS on Polangui Upland Resources and Environment (PURE) Project, Polangui, Albay (Region V)
- FS on Agricultural Water Supply Improvement in Ajuy, Iloilo (Region VI)



Part of the Pre-FS on the La CASSA Tourism Circuit is Mt. Maculot, Cuenca, Batangas: Popular “beginners climb” among mountaineers; offers a spectacular and different view of Taal Lake and Volcano Island. (Region IV-A).

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Fund Sourcing

Aside from project preparation, the NEDA Regional Offices have been assisting and coordinating with funding agencies in the implementation of their completed PDMF projects. Fund sourcing activities during the second half of 2004 include the following:

- After conducting a consultation among stakeholders on the implementation of the proposed CUMILOS Market, the LGU is now eyeing the Land Bank of the Philippines as possible funding source for the construction of the CUMILOS Market (Region I)
- A marketing contract with BIO-wealth, a marketing company of BIO-Essence Philippines, has been signed for the Ylang-ylang Essential Oil Project in Anao, Tarlac (Region 3).

¹The Minimum Allocable Fund comprises the share of NEDA Regional Offices and ARMM-RPDO from PDMF based on regional population and poverty incidence and the Lump Sum Fund is the equal share of NEDA Regional Offices of PhP 902,124.06 each. These funds were sourced from the 20th tranche of the Japan Fund For Increased Food Production Program in the Philippines (KR2).

Completed FS, Master Plans

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- FS on Coastal Resources Regeneration Program for LIPASECU (Libertad, Pandan, Sebaste, Culasi) Antique (Region VI)
- FS on the Establishment of a Farm Level Grain Center in Prosperidad, Agusan del Sur (Region XIII)
- Master Plan for the Municipality of Paglat, Maguindanao (ARMM)
- Master Plan for the Municipality of Lumbatan, Lanao del Sur (ARMM)



Coral transplantation as a component of the Pandany bay regeneration program under the FS on Coastal Resources Regeneration Program for LIPASECU Antique (Region VI)

Fund Sourcing

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- The "Libertad Municipal Waterworks Improvement Project" was submitted to DILG for financial assistance under the Mindanao Basic Urban Services Sector (MBUSS) Project (Region 10).
- The "Infrastructure Support to the Economic Program" of Sarangani has been funded under the CY 2004 Capital Expenditure Program of the Philippine Ports Authority (PPA). The completion of the detailed engineering design of the port component of the Infrastructure Support to the Economic Program of Sarangani last August 2004 paved the way for the approval of the funding by PPA worth 32 million.



Municipal Fish Port of Sarangani: Port component of the Infrastructure Support to the Economic Program of Sarangani, Davao del Sur

The "Improvement of the Level III Water System" of Sulop, Davao del Sur and the "Upland Irrigation Project" of San Isidro, Davao Oriental, are proposed for funding assistance under the Spanish Mixed Credit facility and the General Grant Aid Program (GGAP) of the Japanese Government, respectively (Region 11).

- The LGU of Arakan adopted a progressive type of implementation for the improvement/expansion of Water System Level III at Barangay Poblacion and Doroluman. The LGU has allocated a total of 3.5 million from its local funds to install 8 inch. diameter pipelines for 882 linear meter stretch of the project.
- Construction/Expansion of Water System - Level II in Brgy. San Mateo, Aleosan already has an assured funding from the Support to Agrarian Reform Communities Project in Central Mindanao (Region 12).

Fund Utilization

With the approval of eight (8) new projects under LSF, PDMF assistance has increased to P26.403 million. Total disbursements as of December 2004 amounted to PhP 21.20 M, or 80% of the total funds released to LGUs/regions.

Only 8% of the funds released under the MAF are yet to be disbursed. These projects are in the final stages of completion. For the LSF, 33% of the funds have yet to be disbursed, mostly comprising of new projects approved in 2004. Fund utilization for both MAF and LSF is expected to increase in the 1st quarter of 2005 as the implementation of new projects is in full swing.

