



Regional Centres in Bangkok and Colombo Consolidated Work Plan for Democratic Governance for 2006

This work plan describes the expected outputs of the Regional Centres in 2006 in the Area of Democratic Governance. It includes information on timeframes, country coverage, partners and resources.

Note:

- Outputs which are cross-practice or cross-regional centre in orientation are highlighted in *italics*; and the lead Regional Centre is the first one indicated under the output statement
- Countries categorization colour coding: **red** for LDCs, **blue** for tsunami-affected countries, and **green** for other countries.

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List of Abbreviations and Acronyms

ADPC	Asian Disaster Preparedness Centre	E&E	Energy and Environment
AIDS	Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome	EAD	Electoral Assistance Division
AIT	Asian Institute of Technology	ECON	ECON Analysis
APDIP	Asia- Pacific Development Information Programme	ERW	Explosive Remnants of War
APGMP	Asia- Pacific Gender Mainstreaming Programme	EU	European Union
APJRF	Asia- Pacific Judicial Reform Forum	EWRRS	Early Warning Rapid Response System
APRI	Asia- Pacific Regional Initiative on HDRs	EWS	Early Warning System
APTI	Asia- Pacific Trade Initiative	FDI	Foreign Direct Investment
ARGP	Asia Regional Governance Programme	FFA	Forum Fisheries Agency
AsDB	Asian Development Bank	GEF	Global Environment Facility
ASEAN	Association for South-East Asian Nations	GFDRM	Global Facility for Disaster Risk Management
AUPF	ASEAN UNDP Partnership Facility	GICHD	Geneva International Centre for Humanitarian Demining
BCPR	Bureau for Crisis Prevention and Recovery	GOPAC	Global Parliamentarians against Corruption
BDP	Bureau for Development Policy	GTT	Global Task Team
BOM	Bureau of Management	GYAN	Global Youth Action Network
BRSP	Bureau for Resources and Strategic Partnerships	HACT	Harmonised Arrangements on Cash Transfers
CBfSR	Capacity Building for Sustainable Recovery	HD	Human Development
CBO	Community Based Organization	HDIA	Human Development Impact Assessment
CBS	Center for Business Solutions	HDR	Human Development Report
CCA	Common Country Assessment	HIV	Human Immunodeficiency Virus
CCE	Community Capacity Enhancement	HRBA	Human Rights Based Approach
CCW	Convention on Conventional Weapons	IATF	Inter-Agency Task Force
CD	Capacity Development	ICIMOD	International Centre for Integrated Mountain Development
CDP	Centre for Disaster Preparedness	ICT	Information and Communications Technology
CEDAR	Capacity for Efficient Delivery of Achievable Results	ICTD	Information and Communications Technology for Development
CHRI	Commonwealth Human Rights Initiative	IDEA	Institute for Democracy and Electoral Assistance
CLC	Collaborative Learning Course	IDRC	International Development Research Centre
CO	Country Office	IF	Integrated Framework
CoP	Communities of Practice	IFRC	International Federation of the Red Cross
CPC	Canadian Parliamentary Center	IGES	Institute for Global Environmental Strategies
CPR	Crisis Prevention and Recovery	IISD	International Institute for Sustainable Development
CSDS	Countries in Special Development Situations	ILO	International Labour Organization
CSO	Civil Society Organization	INCOD	International Network on Constitutional Development
CSR	Corporate Social Responsibility	IPG	Innovative Partnerships Grants
CUTS	Consumer Unity & Trust Society	IPO	Indigenous Peoples Organization
DAD	Donor Assistance Database	IPS	Integrated Package of Services

DFID	UK Department for International Development	ISDR	International Strategy for Disaster Reduction
DMI	Disaster Management Institute	ITDG	Intermediate Technology Development Group
DRM	Disaster Risk Management	IUCN	International Union for Conservation of Nature
JICA	Japan International Cooperation Agency	RDPI	Rural Development Policy Institute
KM	Knowledge Management	REP-PoR	Regional Energy Programme for Poverty Reduction
KPI	King Pradjaphipok Institute	RHDR	Regional Human Development Report
LDC	Least Developed Country	RIPP	Regional Indigenous Peoples Programme
LIRNEasia	Learning Initiatives on Reforms for Network Economies Asia	RMG	Results Management Guide
LRC	Learning Resources Centre	SAARC	South Asian Association for Regional Cooperation
M&E	Monitoring and Evaluation	SAFTA	South Asian Free Trade Agreement
MA	Mine Action	SARI	South Asia Regional Initiative
MAU	Mine Action Unit	SDC	Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation
MDG	Millennium Development Goal	SHDR	SAARC Human Development Resource Centre
MDGI	Millennium Development Goal Initiative	SNV	Stichting Nederlandse Vrijwilligers or Foundation of Netherlands Volunteers
MDGR	Millennium Development Goal Report	SOPAC	South Pacific Applied Geoscience Commission
MPN	Management Practice Network	SPC	South Pacific Commission
MPRP	Pro-poor Macro Policies Programme	SPREP	South Pacific Regional Environment Programme
MPT	Management Practice Team	TAC	Tsunami Aid Coordination
NCAR	National Center for Atmospheric Research	TERI	The Energy Resource Institute
NDI	National Democratic Institute	TNRC	Thailand National Red Cross
NGO	Non-Governmental Organization	TRAC	Target for Resource Allocation from the Core
NSET	National Society for Earthquake Technology	TTF	Thematic Trust Fund
NYU	New York University	UNAIDS	Joint United Nations Programme on HIV/AIDS
OCHA	Office for Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs	UNCDF	United Nations Capital Development Fund
OECD	Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development	UNCRD	United Nations Centre for Regional Development
OHCHR	Office of High Commissioner for Human Rights	UNDAF	United Nations Development Assistance Framework
OHRLS	Office of High Representative for Least Developed, Landlocked and Small Island Countries	UNDGO	United Nations Development Group Office
OIST	Office of Information Systems and Technology	UNDP	United Nations Development Programme
OLPS	Office of Legal and Procurement Support	UNDPA	United Nations Department of Public Affairs
PEG	Pacific Energy and Gender Network	UNEP	United Nations Environment Programme
PEI	Poverty Environment Initiative	UNESCAP	UN Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific
PICs	Pacific Island Countries	UNIAP	United Nations Inter-Agency Project
PIDS	Philippine Institute for Development Studies	UNICEF	United Nations Children's Fund
PLWHA	People Living with HIV/AIDS	UNIFEM	United Nations Development Fund for Women
PPP	Public-Private Partnerships	UNITAR	United Nations Institute for Training and Research
PPPUE	Public-Private Partnerships for the Urban Environment	UNMAS	United Nations Mine Action Service
PRS	Poverty Reduction Strategy	UNODC	United Nations Office for Drug Control
PRSP	Poverty Reduction Strategy Paper	UNSC	United Nations Staff College
PSRC	Pacific Subregional Centre	UNV	United Nations Volunteers
RBAP	Regional Bureau for Asia and the Pacific	WB	World Bank
RCB	Regional Centre in Bangkok	WBI	World Bank Institute
RCC	Regional Centre in Colombo	WHO	World Health Organization

RCM Regional Coordination Mechanism

WTO World Trade Organization

Goal 2: Fostering Democratic Governance

Strategic Objectives

Governance systems in the region, despite significant gains, are becoming unresponsive to citizens' needs. Governance deficits, along with the unequal access to political, economic, social and cultural opportunities, undermine the legitimacy of Governments at central and local levels. These deficits and resulting discrimination particularly affect vulnerable and disadvantaged groups such as women, the rural and urban poor, ethnic minorities and indigenous peoples, people living with HIV/AIDS or disabilities, migrant workers and Internally Displaced Persons. To remedy this, the Governance Practice team will promote a rights-based approach to development, stressing principles of accountability, transparency, participation, non-discrimination, gender equality and the rule of law in development processes at regional, national and local levels.

The three **outcomes** to be pursued by the Governance Practice Team between 2004-2007 are:

1. Increased effectiveness of representative bodies at central and sub-national levels to perform their democratic functions and enhance national poverty reduction goals
2. Increased access to justice by the poor and disadvantaged groups such as indigenous peoples
3. Transparent, accountable and inclusive State-citizen partnerships for effective service delivery

Strategy

In implementing the work plan, the Practice Team (and contracted expertise) will provide policy advice to UNDP COs; undertake policy research and codifying of lessons; contribute to the development and dissemination of products and tools; consolidate and expand networks for enhanced learning and knowledge sharing; pilot capacity building activities; provide technical assistance to selected countries; and engage in advocacy working closely with the media.

Specifically, in 2006, progress toward achieving the outcomes will be reflected through:

- Development of tools and training modules to enhance parliamentarians' and local elected officials' representational and oversight functions; comparative research on Parliamentary Codes of Ethics; a greater focus in mainstreaming gender through assessing women's political participation; and strengthening Parliamentary Networks.
- Training on Access to Justice Programming at national levels and supporting 5-6 pilot projects on implementing HRBA principles at country levels; sector specific case studies and related capacity needs assessments for Indigenous Peoples; collation of lessons and training on Constitutional Processes and the activation/strengthening of Judicial Institution Networks
- A mixture of activities aiming at improving accountability and pro-poor service delivery through better planning and monitoring/auditing of service providers' performance at local/national levels; policy guidelines on fiscal decentralization; guidelines and capacity development activities to combat corruption and promote ethics/ conflict-of-interest policies; analysis of frameworks and mechanisms for more effective aid coordination at national levels; and mapping of good practices of pro-poor PPPs.

MDG linkages in collaboration with the RCC will be emphasized and promoted through several of these activities and outputs for 2006, including the role of parliamentarians; local service delivery; HRBA pilots; and gender equality focused outputs.

MYFF Service Line: [2.1 Policy support for democratic governance](#)

Policy Research / Analysis / Advocacy				
Outputs	Timeframe	Countries	Partners	Resources
Report on Policy and Legislative Arrangements and Best Practices for Social Protection Schemes in select countries (new) RCB	Q3	TBD	ILO, Academics	ARGP \$25,000 (TBM)
Review of regulatory frameworks and institutional arrangements for cross-border governance completed RCB	Q2	Asia- Pacific	ESCAP	ARGP \$35,000
<i>Pacific HDR - preparation, technical consultation, editing, reviewing, printing, launch and dissemination</i> RCC/ RCB/ PSRC	Q1- Q2	Pacific Island countries	University of South Pacific	APRI \$50,000
Policy Advice				
Outputs	Timeframe	Countries	Partners	Resources
Policy Advice to Country Offices on Capacity Development RCB	Q1- Q4	Asia		Cap2015 Staff
Capacity Development and Training				
Outputs	Timeframe	Countries	Partners	Resources
<i>Young Leaders and Governance course offered two times or more (new)</i> RCB/RCC	Q1- Q4	Asia- Pacific/Global	LEAD International, others	ARGP \$20,000; RIPP \$14,000; RIPP \$20,000 (TBM); APGMP Staff; Cap2015 \$30,000
Capacity Diagnostics Toolkit, including assessment of government- wide capacity and cross-cutting functional capacities RCB	Q2	Asia- Pacific/Global		Cap2015 \$30,000
Training for Country Offices and Government staff, including ToT, on Capacity Assessment using capacity assessment toolkits RCB	Q3- Q4	Asia		Cap2015 Staff

MYFF Service Line: [2.2 Parliamentary development](#)

Policy Research / Analysis / Advocacy				
Outputs	Timeframe	Countries	Partners	Resources
Comparative Research and Tools for Parliaments (new) RCB	Q3- Q4	Asia- Pacific	Canadian Parliamentary Centre (CPC-Canada); King Pradjaphipok Institute (KPI); National Democratic Institute (NDI)	ARGP \$75,000; ARGP \$70,000 (TBM)
Policy Advice				
Outputs	Timeframe	Countries	Partners	Resources
Policy advice and technical backstopping on parliamentary development provided in response to CO requests RCB	Q1- Q4	Asia- Pacific		Staff

MYFF Service Line: [2.3 Electoral Systems](#)

Policy Research / Analysis / Advocacy				
Outputs	Timeframe	Countries	Partners	Resources
Policy Studies on Electoral Dispute Mechanisms and Election Violence (new) RCB	Q4	Bangladesh, Cambodia, India, Indonesia, Nepal, Pakistan, Philippines, Sri Lanka, and Thailand	Countries in Special Development Situations (CSDS) and 9 other institutions in the region	ARGP \$80,000; ARGP \$50,000 (TBM)
Policy Advice				
Outputs	Timeframe	Countries	Partners	Resources
Policy advice for free and fair electoral processes RCB	Q1- Q4	Asia- Pacific	UN Department of Public Affairs (UNDPA) / Electoral Assistance Division (EAD)	Staff

MYFF Service Line: [2.4 Justice and human rights](#)

Policy Research / Analysis / Advocacy				
Outputs	Timeframe	Countries	Partners	Resources
Asia- Pacific Judicial Reform Network and Toolkit launched (new) RCB	Q2- Q4	Asia- Pacific	Asia- Pacific Judicial Reform Forum (APJRF), Supreme Court of the Philippines, World Bank, Commonwealth Human Rights Initiative (CHRI)	ARGP \$50,000 (TBM); APDIP Staff
Surveys and lessons learned on Land and Natural Resource Management (new) RCB	Q1- Q3	Asia- Pacific	IPOs, Government, and CSOs	RIPP \$65,000; RIPP \$60,000 (TBM)
Action Oriented Case Studies on Inclusive Governance for Disadvantaged groups RCB/RCC	Q1- Q3	Afghanistan, Bangladesh, Cambodia, Fiji, India, Iran, Philippines, Sri Lanka, Thailand, Tonga, and other islands	CSOs, IPOs	ARGP \$75,000; RIPP \$50,000; APGMP Staff
Policy Making and Institutional Framework for Access to Justice (new) RCB	Q3	India	Legal Education and Research Society (LEARS), Yale Law School	ARGP \$35,000
Programme Development / Technical backstopping				
Outputs	Timeframe	Countries	Partners	Resources
Pilot projects on Human Rights Based Approaches Lessons and Applications (new) RCB/ RCC	Q1- Q4	Asia- Pacific	Office of High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR), IPOs, and others	ARGP \$40,000; RIPP \$35,000; ARGP \$80,000 (TBM)
Policy Advice				
Outputs	Timeframe	Countries	Partners	Resources
Policy advice and technical backstopping on justice and human rights provided in response to CO requests RCB	Q1- Q4	Asia- Pacific		Staff
Capacity Development/ Training				
Outputs	Timeframe	Countries	Partners	Resources
Constitution Making in Asia: Training Courses for Leaders (new) RCB	Q2- Q4	Asia- Pacific	IDEA, INCOD, KPI	ARGP \$40,000; ARGP \$55,000 (TBM)
Creation and Strengthening of Regional Forum on Indigenous peoples' rights and development RCB	Q1- Q4	Asia- Pacific	Governments, IPOs, CSOs, Civil Society, UN agencies	RIPP \$102,000; RIPP \$100,000 (TBM)

MYFF Service Line: [2.5 E-Governance and Access to Information](#)

Capacity Development/ Training				
Outputs	Timeframe	Countries	Partners	Resources
Skills and capacities of policymakers within the field of e-Government strengthened with the aim of applying ICTs to ensure transparency, good governance and accountability within the	Q1- Q4	Cambodia, China, Fiji, Hong Kong, India, Japan, Mongolia,	United Nations Centre for Regional	APDIP \$20,000; ARGP \$28,000;

realm of public service delivery RCB		Pakistan, Philippines, ROK, Sri Lanka, and Thailand	Development (UNCRD)	UNCRD \$55,000 (Parallel funding)
e-Government Applications: A Study on Pro-Poor e-Government Applications RCB	Q1-Q2	Philippines	Commission on Information and Communications Technology (CICT) of the Philippines	APDIP \$15,000
Media Development & Training on Governance Themes in Asia (new) RCB	Q2	Asia- Pacific		ARGP \$66,000

MYFF Service Line: [2.6 Decentralisation, local governance and urban/rural development](#)

Policy Research / Analysis / Advocacy				
Outputs	Timeframe	Countries	Partners	Resources
Policy research on Representation in Decentralized Governance RCB	Q1- Q4	Afghanistan, Bangladesh, India, Indonesia, Iran, Maldives, Pakistan, Philippines, Thailand, and Timor Leste	UNIFEM, Int. IDEA, Regional Research Institutes, Danish Institute on International Studies	ARGP \$103,000; ARGP \$35,000 (TBM); APGMP Staff
Policy research on Local Infrastructure & Service Delivery for the MDGs (new) RCB	Q1- Q4	Bangladesh, Cambodia, Lao PDR, Malaysia, Maldives, Pakistan, Thailand, Vietnam, (Yemen)	United Nations Capital Development Fund (UNCDF), NYU, Regional Research Institutes	ARGP \$150,000 (TBM); UNCDF \$113,000; PPPUE \$TBD
Internet based Asia- Pacific Illustrative Map of Pro-Poor Local Level PPPs in Basic Services Delivery RCB	Q1- Q4	Asia- Pacific	PPPUE's CLC Regional Nodes, Regional Research Institutes, Community of Practitioners	PPPUE
Policy Advice				
Outputs	Timeframe	Countries	Partners	Resources
Policy advice on and technical backstopping on decentralization, local governance, and urban development provided in response to CO requests RCB	Q1- Q4	Asia- Pacific		Staff

Capacity Development/Training				
Outputs	Timeframe	Countries	Partners	Resources
Series of regional workshops on exploring and examining financing options/solutions for Pro-Poor Local Level PPP projects in basic services delivery in LDCs of Asia- Pacific RCB	Q1- Q4	Asia- Pacific LDCs	UNCDF, United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR), Private Sector, Loughborough University	PPPUE \$TBD

MYFF Service Line: [2.7 Public administration reform and anti-corruption](#)

Policy Research / Analysis / Advocacy				
Outputs	Timeframe	Countries	Partners	Resources
Comparative study and policy options for incentives and career system for the senior civil service, with particular attention to gender disparities (new) RCB	Q3	China, India, Indonesia, Mongolia, Philippines, ROK, and Thailand	Academic institution – national research or academic institutes	ARGP \$45,000 (TBM)
Comparative study and policy options for incentives and career system for local government staff, with particular attention to gender disparities (new) RCB	Q3	Bangladesh, India, Indonesia, Philippines, ROK and Thailand	University of Canberra -6 National Research Inst. or academic	ARGP \$45,000
Public Service Ad on Anti Corruption—adapted nationally and made available regionally and globally (new) RCB	Q2- Q4	Asia- Pacific	SASI & SASI; HITCO Group	ARGP \$13,000
Programme Development / Technical backstopping				
Outputs	Timeframe	Countries	Partners	Resources
Programme/project development, implementation and monitoring and evaluation support on PAR, anti- corruption, and aid management RCB	Q1- Q4	Asia- Pacific		Staff
Policy Advice				
Outputs	Timeframe	Countries	Partners	Resources
Policy advice and technical backstopping on public administration reform and anti-corruption provided in response to CO requests RCB	Q1- Q4	Asia- Pacific		Staff
Capacity Development/Training				
Outputs	Timeframe	Countries	Partners	Resources
Regional knowledge sharing event on Anti Corruption Institutional and Legislative Development and launching of the CoP “Integrity in Action” (new) RCB	Q2	Asia- Pacific	UN Office for Drug Control (UNODC), Bratislava Regional Centre	ARGP \$65,000

Total resources required to achieve the outputs from all sources of funding: \$2,142,000

The following is the breakdown of Regional Programme resources totaling \$... to the practice work plan implementation:

- Asia- Pacific Development Information Programme (APDIP) - \$20,000
- Asia- Pacific Regional Initiative on HDRs (APRI) - \$50,000
- Asia Regional Governance Programme (ARGP) - \$713,000
- Regional Indigenous Peoples Programme (RIPP) - \$266,000

