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REHABILITATION OF RURAL ROADS IN THE PROVINCE OF BOKEO

Location	Northwestern Region
Client	Department of Communication, Transport, Post and Construction (DCTPC), Bokeo, and Ministry of Communication, Transport, Post and Construction (MCTPC), Vientiane
Financing	German Financial Cooperation / KfW
Period	2001 – 2009
Value of Services	2.032 million US\$



Project Description

The project foresees the improvement of the living conditions of the rural population in the remote Province of Bokeo, which comprises some 125,000 inhabitants, by extending the rural infrastructure, especially with respect to construction, upgrading and maintenance of the road network.

This province is characterised by a high degree of ethnic diversity dominated by hill tribes, who live in extreme poverty without access to commercial and social service centres.

Project implementation covers the construction and rehabilitation to moderate standard of some 130 km of priority rural roads and 4 - 5 bridges (total length 300 m).

Together with the establishment of an effective routine Road Maintenance Management System (RMMS) and improved maintenance funding, the project will ensure a sustainable integration of the rural poor into the regional economy, also by the promotion of the domestic construction industry.

Scope of Services

Feasibility study covering the provincial road sector in an integrated approach, from road network considerations to screening of candidate road projects and recommendations for improved road maintenance (2001).

Project implementation (2003-2006), including:

a) Investment Component (IC):

- Review of existing documents and implementation concept
- Engineering design for roads and bridges
- Tendering of different construction packages and tender evaluation
- Supervision of construction and contract administration
- Operation of Disposition Fund for LCB contracts
- Socio-economic impact monitoring

b) Accompanying Measures Component (AMC):

- Capacity development (DCTPC & Contractors)
- Introduction and implementation of the RMMS
- Operation of Disposition Fund for AMC contracts and procurements