

PHILIPPINES

Enhancing Access to and Provision of Water Services with the Active Participation of the Poor (MDGF-1919)



Economic Governance

Total Budget:	USD 5,375,000		
Budget by Agency:	UNDP: 3,813,266	UNICEF: 1,561,734	
Participating Gov. Entities:	National Economic and Development Authority, Department of Interior and Local Government, National Water Resources Board		
Start Date:	1 June 2009	Approval Date:	19 January 2009
Est. End Date:	1 June 2012	Signature Date:	13 April 2009
Disbursements:	First Disbursement:	1 June 2009	USD 2,037,075
	Second Disbursement:		
	Third Disbursement:		
In Brief:	<p>This proposal contributes to the improvement of efficiency, access, affordability and quality of potable water services provided by utilities. It supports community-based initiatives to enhance and establish the sustainable delivery of water in depressed communities in five (5) regions; 36 waterless municipalities with 122,000 households (HHs). Government investments in infrastructure will be complemented by policy/regulatory reforms and capacity building to stimulate investment flows, promote participation, empower duty bearers/claimholders and address socio-economic needs. Grassroots organizations, local government units (LGUs) and other local institutions will be mobilized to ensure access of water to HHs and community facilities and institutions. Cost-recovery measures will be integrated to ensure sustainability. Financing schemes will also be tested. Capacities of local duty bearers and claimholders, esp. women, will be capacitated to sustain the delivery of services.</p>		

Outcomes:

- Establish investment support mechanisms to improve efficiency, access, affordability and quality of water services provided by utilities at the local/community level
- Enhance local capacities to develop, operate and manage water utilities by fostering inclusive participation in decisions relating to water service provision



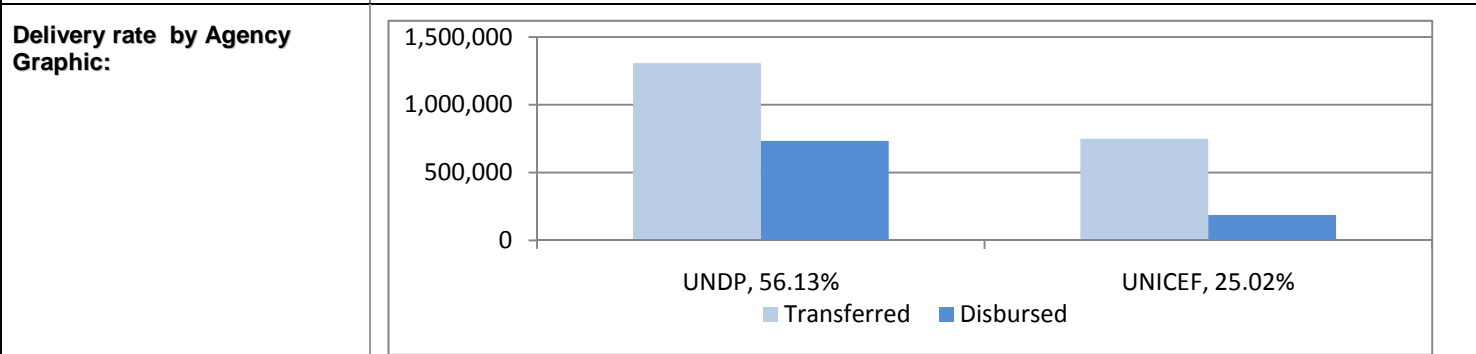
Regions of Intervention:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Region 2 (Cagayan and Isabela), Region 5 (Camarines Norte and Camarines Sur), Region 9 (Zamboanga del Norte, Zamboanga del Sur and Zamboanga Sibuguey), Region 10 (Bukidnon, Lanao del Norte, Misamis Occidental and Misamis Oriental), and Region 13 (Agusan del Sur). 	
MDGs	MDG7 T7.C	
Beneficiaries	Direct	Indirect
• No. Institutions	39	0
• No. Women	49	363,804
• No. Men	58	368,196
• No. ethnic groups	0	0

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Status
 The programme had a long inception phase resulting in some delays. However, now that disbursements to national partners and lengthy procurement procedures have been completed, programme is advancing.

Estimated financial execution status as of the June 30, 2010 biannual report:

<p>Disbursed Budget:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 17.14 % over the Total approved budget • 44.79 % over transferred budget 	<p>Committed Budget:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 29.44 % over the Total approved budget • 76.92 % over transferred budget
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Main Achievements: None to report yet.

Other important achievements

- Groundwork for the building of local capacities in terms of water and sanitation planning and monitoring, customer service code formulation, water and sanitation toolbox application and information, education and communication planning is ongoing
- Draft baseline surveys were formulated with the participation of IPs and RPs. The baseline survey instrument was pre-tested in the 1st quarter of 2010, the results of which were used for the refinement of the guidelines and the completion of the manuals for the survey. Technical Inventory Trainings for the Baseline Survey were conducted in Regions 2, 5, 9, 10 and 13.
- In capacity assessment, consultations on the Capacity Assessment Framework and a Capacity Development Scoping workshop were conducted, as well as a 'Training of Trainers' for the Capacity Assessment Team. Consultants for the needs assessment and formulation of training modules have been on board since June 2010
- A Capacity Assessment Framework for Local Water Governance was developed. Formulation of TOR for the WATSAN Toolbox Consultancy Services is ongoing

Does the JP incorporate gender considerations in the **activities/outputs/outcomes**? (example)

Does the JP include gender specific **indicators** in the monitoring plan?(example)

Does the JP mention gender relationships as part of the **challenges** analyzed? (specify)