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Executive Summary

Business Advisory

Most activities supporting SMEs were concluded in this year. However, activities continue on entrepreneurship, micro-finance and business skill training for businesses affected by the tsunami in southern Thailand.

With additional USAID funding, K.I.Asia began work on a new project – “Trade Capacity Building for ASEAN.” A project team was set up to manage the project which will focus on building export capability for manufacturers and exporters of packaged food products from ASEAN countries. The project will concentrate on overcoming the obstacles to exports to three key markets – the USA, Japan and China. Work plans were completed and approved. Activities are expected to begin in the first quarter of FY2007.

Business Support Organization Partnerships (BSOP)

The final English language course in the Corporate Citizenship Training Program. A total of 30 participants took part in the course on “Communicating and Branding Corporate Citizenship” that was delivered by K.I.Asia staff and Dr. Lawrence Moore from Boston College. K.I.Asia also began preparations for the delivery of corporate citizenship training in Thai.

The first Thai language course on corporate social responsibility was designed and delivered to participants from the Thai private sector in September. This was the final activity supported by USAID under the long-term effort to raise standards of doing business in Thailand.

Thailand Competitiveness Initiative

The final report of the Competitiveness Initiative was completed and submitted to USAID. There will be no further project activities with USAID funding. However, in line with USAID’s intentions to make AERA activities sustainable beyond the end of USAID financing, K.I.Asia has worked with the Thai government on further cluster-based competitiveness activities. The K.I.Asia competitiveness team, with funding from the National Economic and Social Development Board, completed a year-long study of some 150 clusters in Thailand and made recommendations on policies and strategies to improve competitiveness in 20 selected clusters. The team also completed a cluster development handbook for use by the Thai government. The Ministry of Industry engaged K.I.Asia to assist the leather cluster and the provincial government asked the Institute to help the jewelry cluster design and set up a jewelry trade center.

Education Program

The One Computer Classroom (OCC) project, the last component of the AERA Education Program, was completed this year. The OCC project introduced a



methodology for using one computer in each classroom to foster project-based learning, independent thinking, cooperative learning and greater use of IT in learning math, science and English. The final project symposium demonstrated that the schools involved had used the technology effectively. Senior officials from the Ministry of Education said the project was useful to the development of Ministry IT policy and asked for a more detailed report. With the end of USAID funding for this effort, K.I.Asia is seeking further funding from the private sector. One company has already pledged support.

Borderless Action Against Microbes Project (BAAM)

In line with the regional, multi-disease approach agreed with USAID, the Borderless Action Against Microbes (BAAM) Program increased its activities related to Laos and Cambodia. The BAAM team coordinated with the Royal Thai Government Department of Disease Control (MOPH) to co-sponsor and organize a workshop to develop Joint Action Programs on avian and pandemic influenza in Thailand, Laos and Cambodia. The workshop also included discussions of joint activities for prevention and control of HIV/AIDS, TB, malaria and general disease outbreak response along borders of Thailand, Cambodia and the Lao PDR. The team participated in regional influenza pandemic table top simulation exercises in Mae Hong Son, near the Burmese border, and in Yasothorn and Mukdahan, near the Lao border. BAAM provided technical support for development of proposals for avian and pandemic influenza. The staff held consultations with UNICEF in Laos on developing teachers' guides for a life-skills-based approach to infectious disease prevention in schools.

On malaria, BAAM coordinated with the USAID/RDMA Infectious Disease Program and WHO Mekong Malaria Program to prepare for a regional partners strategy review workshop on malaria control. The staff worked with the Thai Bureau of Vector Borne Disease to organize a workshop to review the past five years of the Thai malaria control program. BAAM began field testing of a rapid diagnostic test for malaria developed by the Royal Thai Government National Institute of Health and the Bureau of Vector Borne Disease (MOPH) with USAID funding support.

K.I.Asia began working with US Pharmacopeia, supporting its USAID-funded Drug Quality Information Program in Thailand.

Environmental Support Program

Activities under the Environmental Support Program entered their final phase for the last two projects: The Sustainable Enterprise Initiative, which helps Thai business schools incorporate environmental management skills in their programs and the Enhanced Municipal Manager Training Program, which develops materials and training programs to help give municipal managers the skills to better manage municipal environmental projects. Activities, however, were delayed by the political events in September.

A Thammasat University industry advisory board meeting and workshop on Sustainable Enterprise was rescheduled for December 7, 2006. A public seminar on



Corporate Sustainability Management was also postponed but has yet to be rescheduled.

The fourth training program on Urban Management began in July. Trainees from provincial administrative organizations (PAO), Tambol administrative organizations (TAO) and Municipalities attended the training. The course is scheduled to finish in December, 2006. K.I.Asia and KPI organized a workshop on “The development of tools and technique for citizen surveys and presentation to the public” on September 3, 2006. A public seminar on Citizen Surveys for Thai cities was postponed due political developments. KPI completed preparation of a citizen survey protocol and manual for use in Thai cities.



Business Advisory Center (BAC)

Business Advisory Services

Trade Capacity Building

Additional grant funding was confirmed by USAID in July help promote export of packaged food products from Thailand and other ASEAN countries to three major markets: the USA, Japan and China. The project focuses on ready-to-cook, ready-to-eat, ingredients and seasonings products. The main objectives will be to increase export sales of these products to the target markets and to maintain or increase employment in exporting ASEAN countries. A new team was set up to manage the project and began work planning. The work plan was completed featuring capacity building and linkage activities. Capacity building activities include a series of three seminars for the three target markets focusing on regulations and technical requirements by each country concerning safety, quality standards and labeling. The plan also calls for international experts to help ASEAN manufacturers improve package designs and manufacturing processes to maintain quality and extend shelf life. The linkage activity will help ASEAN companies exhibit their products at a major food trade show in Bangkok and meet buyers from the three target markets. The first activity will be a seminar for the Japanese market on November 23 in Bangkok. More detail about the project can be found at www.aseanfoodexport.com.

Building Hotel Capacity for the Upcoming High Season

To help hotels in tsunami-affected area of Phang-nga province continue to recover from the disaster, Kenan organized trainings on Front Office Management during September 6-8 and Food & Beverage Management on September 15-17 to enhance skills of hotel staff and prepare them for the coming high season. The Phang-nga Tourism Association and the Dusit Thani College partnered with K.I.Asia to provide supporting facilities and instructors respectively.

The objectives of the training were:

1. To help hotels in the target area increase management efficiency by enhancing skills of senior and front line staff
2. To train local people in hotel-related businesses in the area
3. To reduce turnover and develop the competency of hotel staff
4. To upgrade staff skills to retain customers and encourage repeat visits

Participating hotels were all from tsunami-affected areas in Khao Lak, Lamkaen and Pakarung beach. They sent 50 and 60 staff to attend the Front Office Management and the Food & Beverage trainings respectively. Most attendees were senior staff or working at the supervisory level. The six days of training held at the Khao Lak Sea View Resort and Spa on Nathong Beach in Khao Lak.

The Front Office training covered such topics as managing front office guest services, establishing room availability and room occupancy, front office manpower requirement and scheduling and yield management. The Food & Beverage training

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included an introduction to Food & Beverage business, characteristics of F&B in hotels and resorts, fundamental management process in F&B, communication techniques, problems found in F&B, marketing concepts in F&B, market analysis, up-selling techniques, financial viability, profit & loss analysis, break-even analysis, characteristics of menu, menu planning analysis and recipe costing.

K.I.Asia completed the final grants and training for micro-finance organizations set up in six tsunami-affected areas. The final grants were provided only after review of the organizations' performance over the previous six months. All six organizations showed that they had developed and implemented good micro-finance practices and had a good rate of loan repayment. K.I.Asia will continue to monitor these organizations with support from the William R. Kenan Jr. Charitable Trust. The K.I.Asia team also provided final assistance to the entrepreneurs trained earlier. Support for these entrepreneurs and further entrepreneurship training also will be carried out with funding from the Kenan Charitable Trust.

Other activities

In addition to activities funded directly by USAID, the Institute carried out activities that were funded largely by the Thai government and the private sector, but short-falls were made up by program income collected in previous years by the Institute in relation to activities under the USAID AERA program. These included the "Thai Franchise to Global Franchise" Project for the Department of Business Development, Ministry of Commerce which is helping Thai SMEs to expand their business to additional countries through franchise mechanisms. More than 20 Thai companies are participating in this program. The Labor Standards program begun under USAID funding has continued with funding from the private sector. Major activities included factory audits and a seminar on standards certification for the garment and textile industry. The leader of K.I.Asia's Labor Standards team was invited to speak for the Asian Workers' Occupational Health, Safety and Environment Institute (OHSEI) in July on the subject of corporate social responsibility for labor unions. He was also invited by TUV-Nord (Thailand) to be a panelist in a seminar for approximately 100 attendees to share our experience on the benefits of the Social Accountability (SA8000) standard.



Indicator Tables

Intermediate Objective 1 Bank and Business Activity Restarted

Indicators	Total number of SMEs receiving AERA consulting assistance Increase in gross revenue
Unit of Measure	Number of firms assisted Average percentage change in gross revenue on the part of assisted firms.
Source	Company records and company reports to BAC
Indicator Description	Current GDP growth projections for Thailand are in the 2.5% range. SMEs receiving AERA assistance are expected to perform at least twice as well and a target of 5% growth in total revenue has been set. One year after assistance, firms' revenue for the most recent quarter will be compared to the same quarter the previous year.

Year	Target # of Assisted SMEs Cumulative	Actual # of Assisted SMEs Cumulative	Actual Avg. % Sales Increase
2000	20	116*	31% ¹
2001	120	165	40% ²
2002	220	193	43% ³
2003	320	231	50% ⁴
2004	400	286	18% ⁵
2005	400	338	43% ⁶
2006	400	343	50% ⁷

* Including 40 for 1999

¹: 10 projects out of 32 respondents reported sale increase
16 projects reported no change in sale
3 projects reported sale decrease
3 projects did not reveal sale data

²: 2 projects out of 5 respondents reported sale increase
2 projects reported no change in sale
1 project did not reveal sale data

³: 16 projects out of 37 respondents reported sale increase

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- 15 projects reported no change in sale
 2 projects reported sale decrease
 4 projects did not reveal sale data
- ⁴ : 2 projects out of 5 respondents reported sale increase
 Q1&2 2 projects reported no change in sale
 1 project did not reveal sale data
 Q3 5 projects out of 9 respondents reported sale increase (1 project reported
 10% increase, 1 reported 5% and 3 did not reveal figures)
 2 projects reported no change in sale
 2 projects did not reveal sale data
 Q4 3 projects out of 6 respondents reported sale increase (1 project reported
 more than 10% increase, 1 reported about 200% and 1 did not reveal %
 increase)
 1 project reported no change in sale
 2 projects did not reveal sale data
 '03 total 10 projects out of 20 respondents reported sale increase
 5 projects reported no change in sale
 5 projects did not reveal sale data
- ⁵ : 1 project out of 4 respondents reported sale increase
 Q1 3 projects reported no change in sale
 Q2 0 projects out of 6 respondents reported sale increase
 4 projects reported no change in sales
 1 project reported sale decrease
 1 project did not reveal sale data
 Q3 Only 1 project was completed in Q3 year 2003, but not convenient to
 complete the questionnaire
 Q4 1 project out of 1 respondent reported sale increase
- ⁶ : 1 project out of 2 respondents reported sale increase
 Q1 1 project reported no change in sale
 Q2&3 No respondent
 Q4 2 projects out of 5 respondents reported sale increase
 3 projects reported no change in sale
- ⁷ : 1 project out of 2 respondents reported stable sale
 Q1 1 project (wholesaler market) received budget for construction, no sale yet
 Q2&3 No respondent
 Q4 7 projects out of 12 respondents reported sale increase



Indicator tables

Intermediate Objective 1 Bank and Business Activity Restarted

Indicator	Business plans or elements of business plans in use by SMEs receiving AERA assistance.
Unit of Measure	Percentage of SMEs with current business planning.
Source	Company follow-up reviews by BAC.
Indicator Description	Each SME receiving assistance will be encouraged where appropriate to use business planning methodologies. The percentage of firms that continue to maintain that planning one year after assistance is projected at 50%.

Year	Target	Actual
1999	0	Baseline – 0
2000	50%	100% ¹
2001	50%	100% ¹
2002	50%	97% ²
2003	50%	100% ³
2004	50%	91% ⁴
2005	50%	100% ⁵
2006	50%	100% ⁶

¹ All of the 32 and 5 responded projects in year 2000 and 2001 respectively either have business plans newly created or have existing plans in place

² 36 of 37 respondents have business plans in place and 1 does not

³ All of the 5 respondents for Q1&2, all 9 respondents for Q3 and all 6 respondents for Q4 reported having business plans in place

⁴ 3 of the 4 respondents for Q1 reported having business plans in place while all of 6 respondents for Q2 did, no respondent in Q3, the 1 respondent in Q4 did

⁵ All 2 responded projects in Q1 2005 reported having business plans in use, no respondent in Q2&3 and all 5 respondents in Q4 did.

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Business Support Organizations Partnership

Corporate Citizenship Training Program: Engaging the Private Sector for Sustainable Economic Progress

The Business Support Organization Partnership (BSOP) program under the AERA program funded by USAID was completed on in June and July with completion of the last two projects “Corporate Citizenship Training program: Engaging the Private Sector for Sustainable Development” (BSOP #3199) and “Developing the Rayong Livable Community: Proposal for the Economic Development Partnership Component” (BSOP #3299). The outcomes from the BSOP program, especially from these last two projects, have enabled K.I.Asia to provide continuing services Thai companies implement corporate citizenship programs. Further activities were undertaken with funding support from the private sector, but using expertise, research and materials developed with funding support from USAID. These included:

1. Thai language Strategic Corporate Citizenship Services training
2. Intellectually Property Rights project - Comparative Assessment Study of Patent Offices in Southeast Asia and China

In addition, K.I.Asia strategic corporate citizenship unit provided outreach and support for USAID’s Global Development Alliance-Building Partnerships for the Prevention and Control of Avian Influenza and Pandemic Influenza in the Greater Mekong Subregion. (PAI)

1. Strategic Corporate Citizenship training.: Engaging the Private Sector for Sustainable Economic Progress

The third phase of Corporate Citizenship Training Program continued collaboration with The Center for Corporate Citizenship (CCC) at Boston College, The positive feedback from the first two years of training has indicated the program is effectively promoting good corporate citizenship in Thailand and contributes to the creation of sound and ethical business practices,

Training on “Communicating and Branding Corporate Citizenship” was delivered for two days on May 16-17. The training program was conducted by Kenan staff and Dr. Lawrence E. Moore from the Boston College’s CCC. Over 30 participants completed the course, including senior and mid-level management from U.S., Thai and multinational corporations, K.I.Asia partners, and trained participants of “The Institute on Corporate Community Involvement”, “Evaluation and Measurement”, and “Building Effective Employee Volunteer Programs”.

The SCC unit conducted its first Thai-language strategic corporate citizenship training course on “Developing a strategy for being Corporate Citizenship” on 14-15 September 2006. Twenty six participants from 17 organizations joined this training, which received an overall satisfaction rate of 95 %.

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As part of its task of promoting Corporate Citizenship K.I.Asia developed and delivered a presentation on “The Business Case for Good Corporate Citizenship in Sensitive Businesses” for the Pharmaceutical Research and Manufacturers Association (PreMA). In addition, more than 300 copies of surveys on The State of Corporate Citizenship in Thailand and Consumers’ Behavior and Attitude towards Corporate Social Responsibility of the Business Organizations in Thailand were distributed. The purpose of these surveys was to provide a better understanding of companies that have implemented CC in Thailand and to provide an insight into consumers’ attitudes toward CC

2. Comparative Assessment Study of Patent Offices in Southeast Asia and China

With support of Pfizer Inc. and other private sector contributions, K.I.Asia has worked with the International Intellectual Property Institute (IPI) and the Chulalongkorn University’s Intellectual Property Institute (CUIPI) in Thailand to conduct the Comparative Assessment Study of Patent Offices in Southeast Asia. The first draft of the report was completed in July 2006. The final draft scheduled for completion by the end of the year will include recommendations for the private sector.

Building Partnerships for the Prevention and Control of Avian Influenza and Pandemic Influenza in the Greater Mekong Subregion. (PAI)

The objective of the project is to promote the prevention and control of avian influenza by forming public-private partnerships to design and implement activities in the work areas of communications, preparedness planning, human response and surveillance, and animal response and surveillance.

The K.I.Asia PAI team, which includes members of both the SCC team and the Public Health team, completed the preliminary work for the projects to be funded. The team developed a request for proposals (RFP) and disseminated it throughout the region. The RFP was sent to over 200 businesses, NGOs, and other organizations in the Greater Mekong Subregion, including organizations based outside the region with activities in the region. The team made visits to several organizations to explain the RFP, answer questions, and create enthusiasm for the project. On 26-30 September, a visit to Cambodia was made, during which four organizations, USAID, FAO, PSI, and AED were visited and from them, other contacts were garnered and subsequently made. The dissemination process will continue through October when project proposals are due.

Indicators of success: An indicator of success for this phase is the number of RFPs that were disseminated. Over two hundred copies of the RFP were disseminated via fax, email, and delivery.

Business Support Organization Partnerships Indicator Tables

The indicators below are focused on the development of partnerships that raise business standards in Thailand. With the completion of the formation of these



partnerships, there will be no further change or addition to these indicators. This, therefore will be the final report on BSOP indicators.

Intermediate Objective 1 Corporate and Financial Governance Improved

Indicator	Policies, systems, or procedures adopted by participating partner organizations
Unit of Measure	Number of participating organizations implementing policies, systems, or procedures introduced or strengthened through the partnership fostered by the BSOP

Year	Expected Measures Cumulative	Actual
1999	0	Baseline - 0
2000	2	7
2001	7	17
2002	10	23
2003	15	25
2004	20	27
2005*	25	27

* Q4 of Year 2005 (July – September): In total, 27 policies and systems have been changed.

Intermediate Objective 2 Financial and Corporate Governance Improved

Indicator	The number of long-term partnerships initiated and maintained
Unit of Measure	Number of partnerships

Year	Expected Partnerships Cumulative	Actual
1999	0	Baseline - 0
2000	2	7
2001	4	16
2002	8	22
2003	12	23
2004	10	25
2005*	8	25

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Business Support Organization Partnerships Indicator Tables

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Education Program

The AERA Education Program was established to help Thai educational institutions better develop Thailand's future workforce so that they are equipped with skills in higher-level thinking, information technology and English in order to contribute more fully to the country's economic development. Previous reports have covered the completion of all the various sub-projects. This report describes a follow-on activity that attracted donor support from the Thai private sector.

K.I.Asia developed its "One Computer Classroom" (OCC) project with funding provided by the USAID AERA program. This project attracted follow-on support from Banpu Public Company. With Banpu funding, K.I.Asia is implementing OCC in six targeted schools in Lampang, Lamphoon, and Phayao provinces. Project activities include:

- 1) Educating school directors
- 2) Training for 86 OCC Teachers
- 3) Collecting research information from OCC classrooms
- 4) Follow-up school visits
- 5) Closing Seminar in the second quarter of FY 2007



Borderless Action Against Microbes Program (BAAM)

The Borderless Action Against Microbes Program aims to strengthen national capacities and regional collaboration for effective surveillance, prevention and control of infectious diseases, including malaria, dengue fever, and potentially pandemic avian influenza. Strategic actions include development of replicable models of collaboration in trans-boundary infectious disease control. These models cover monitoring and responding to the emergence of resistance to antimicrobial medicines, counterfeit and substandard medicines, and sub-optimal medicine use that contribute to antimicrobial resistance and treatment failures. In tandem with capacity building for measures undertaken by the public health system, BAAM supports health system reform to enable community action and empowerment through school life-skills-based health education and participatory learning for a long-term effect on community health behaviors.

During the reporting period from July through September 2006, activities implemented included the following:

Joint Action Programs on Infectious Disease Control in Border Areas: BAAM coordinated with and provided funding support to the RTG Department of Disease Control (MOPH) to conduct a workshop to develop Joint Action Programs for collaboration on avian and pandemic influenza (Thailand, Laos, Cambodia), and for joint activities for prevention and control of HIV/AIDS, TB, malaria and disease outbreak response along Thailand's borders with Cambodia and the Lao PDR

Malaria control strategy review: BAAM Coordinated with the USAID/RDMA Infectious Disease Program and WHO Mekong Malaria Program to prepare for a regional partners strategy review workshop on malaria control, which BAAM will host in Chiang Mai November 7-8.

BAAM coordinated with the Royal Thai Government Bureau of Vector Borne Disease (MOPH) to prepare for a workshop to review successes in the Thailand malaria control program over the past 5 years and to recommend strategies for the next 5 years. BAAM will sponsor this workshop in Chiang Mai November 4-6.

Sentinel site monitoring of anti-malarial drug resistance: BAAM continued to support the RTG Bureau of Vector-Borne Diseases in conducting therapeutic efficacy and in vitro sensitivity monitoring of the currently used front line anti-malarial drugs in 9 border provinces under the malaria sentinel surveillance drug resistance network initiative.

Research and development of an affordable, reliable, locally-produced rapid test for malaria antigen: The Royal Thai Government National Institute of Health and the Bureau of Vector Borne Disease (MOPH) conducted field testing of 600 units of the prototype rapid diagnostic test for malaria in Tak, Kanchanaburi, and Chantaburi Provinces. Results indicate very high levels of sensitivity and specificity, equal or better than the currently used commercial tests for *P. falciparum* and non-falciparum malaria. Next year, it is planned to obtain the services of the Shoklo Malaria Research Unit to conduct independent testing of the RDTs produced by NIH.



School life skills-based education for infectious disease behavior development: BAAM Program Manager James Hopkins held consultations with UNICEF/Lao PDR and the Ministry of Education regarding collaboration to develop teachers' guides for a life-skills-based approach to infectious disease prevention and control in schools. It was agreed in principle to collaborate on developing materials for teachers on avian influenza, malaria and dengue fever.

Influenza Pandemic Preparedness Planning: The BAAM team participated in an influenza pandemic table top simulation exercise workshop organized by the Mekong Basin Disease Surveillance Program in Mukdahan Province (Thailand). It sponsored an influenza pandemic table top simulation exercise workshop organized by the Regional Office of Disease Control and the Provincial Public Health Office of Yasothon (Thailand).

The team also participated in an influenza pandemic table top simulation exercise workshop organized by the Provincial Public Health Office of Mae Hong Son (Thailand) and held consultations regarding coordination of avian influenza control and pandemic planning with refugee camps and international NGOs.

BAAM held consultations with the International Rescue Committee (IRC) regarding collaboration on avian influenza control and pandemic planning in refugee camps with provincial public health offices.

Coordination and networking: BAAM Provided technical support and coordination in programming and development of GDA proposals for avian and pandemic influenza. The team participated in monthly meetings for coordination of response by international agencies and NGOs in regional avian influenza programs;

Drug Quality Information Program: K.I.Asia's Public Health Program began a partnership with the US Pharmacopeia on USP's DQI project. With the financial support of USAID, USP DQI is expanding its already successful Mekong malaria project in Thailand to improve availability of good quality essential medicines, strengthen existing national drug information systems, and raise government and public awareness of the problems created by poor quality drugs. The office was set up and an drug quality expert brought in. The expert assisted in the preparation and design of a baseline survey of the quality of selected anti-retroviral, anti-tuberculosis and antibiotic drugs in Thailand. She also helped assess the medicine manufacturing site at Mahidol University.



Environmental Support Program

Sustainable Enterprise Initiative

The Sustainable Enterprise Initiative was funded by USAID to help Thai business schools develop research, curricula and teaching materials that would incorporate environmental awareness and environmental management skills in their MBA programs and executive education programs. Now in its final phase, the initiative's activities in FY2006 included:

- Completion of plans for Thammasat University to organize its 2nd industry advisory board meeting and workshop on Sustainable Enterprise in Thailand at the Royal Princess Hotel, Bangkok targeting 50 participants from universities and business sectors on September 21, 2006. This meeting and workshop had to be postponed due to political developments in Thailand. The activities have been rescheduled for December 7, 2006.
- K.I.Asia in collaboration with the business schools at Thammasat University and Chulalongkorn University planned to organize a public seminar on Corporate Sustainability Management in September, 2006. This activity was also postponed due to the coup d'etat, but has yet to be rescheduled.

Enhanced Municipal Manager Training Program

The Enhanced Municipal Manager Training Program was funded by USAID to follow-up on an earlier program to develop materials and training programs that would help municipal managers develop the processes and skills to better manage municipal projects – especially water, wastewater and solid waste projects. The key Thai partner in this effort is King Prajadhipok's Institute (KPI). Activities in the past year included:

Launch of the fourth class of Urban Management on July 14, 2006. A total of 74 trainees from provincial administrative organizations (PAO), Tambol administrative organizations (TAO) and Municipalities attended the training. The course consists of 7 topics, plus study visits both in-country and abroad. It is scheduled to finish in December, 2006.

KPI continued to assist the pilot municipalities to implement the citizen surveys and analyze results. K.I.Asia and KPI organized a workshop on "The development of tools and technique for citizen surveys and presentation to the public" on September 3, 2006 for working group members from Chiang Mai, Udonthani, Khon Kaen, Nonthaburi, Pakkred, Rangsit at the Royal River Hotel, Bangkok. After this workshop, KPI planned to organize a public seminar on Citizen Surveys for Thai cities late September, 2006 but this was postponed due political developments. KPI completed preparation of a citizen survey protocol and manual for use in Thai cities.



Project Matrices

The following matrices show cumulative project activities since the beginning of the K.I.Asia-USAID cooperative agreement on economic recovery and reform.

Business Support Organizations Partnership Program Quarterly Activities Report

<i>BSOP Project Matrix – Projects Completed</i>				
<i>Large Grants</i>				
Project Name / Objective	Description	Objectives/ outcomes	Partners	Status
Standards of Practice Handbook: Certified Investment and Securities Analyst Program / <i>Financial Governance</i>	The Association for Investment Management and Research (AIMR) and the Securities Analysts Association (SAA) promoted a "code of ethics" for the Thai corporate sector by translating and adapting the AIMR's manual for the Thai environment.	To build up a strong ethics and professional standards program	SAA (Thai), AIMR (US)	The project was completed in September 2001.
Support programs related to the Chartered Financial Analyst Designation/ <i>Financial Governance</i>	AIMR experts traveled to Bangkok to conduct a workshop on Global Investment Performance Standards (GIPS). In addition, the 10-day review sessions in tutorial classes were delivered to prepare CISA/CFA candidates for level 1 and level 2, year 2002 exam, using Schweser materials.	to raise the quality of Thai practitioners in finance and capital markets.	SAA (Thai), AIMR (US), Schweser (US)	The project was completed in May 2002.
Upgrading the Capability of Accounting Instructors / <i>Financial Governance</i>	The Institute for Certified Auditors and Accountants of Thailand (ICAAT) developed accounting instructional aids including video tapes, computer programs and teacher's manuals to use in higher education with assistance from a US counterpart university.	Improved accounting standards particularly outside of Bangkok.	ICAAT (Thai), U.S. University	The project was completed in December 2002. On December 12, 2003, ICAAT and K.I.Asia presented accounting teaching materials and teachers' manuals, to Her Royal Highness Princess Chulaporn Walailuk in honor of His Majesty King Bhumibol Adulyadej on the occasion of his 75th birthday.

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<i>Projects Completed</i>				
<i>Large Grants</i>				
Project Name / Objective	Description	Objectives/ outcomes	Partners	Status
Comparative Study on Thailand's Savings and Investment Tax Policy / <i>Financial Governance</i>	The study was to examine the impact of Thailand's present tax structure on the financial and capital markets from both the economic and administrative aspects. The Security Exchange Commission of Thailand (SEC) asked for the Thai Development Research Institute with assistance from U.S. experts to conduct the study.	More attractive tax provisions for investors.	Thai SEC, TDRI, U.S. Counterpart	The project was completed in September 2001.
Bankruptcy Court Administration Program Part I / <i>Legislative and Judicial Reforms</i>	The American Bankruptcy Institute (ABI) has provided technical assistance to the Thai Central Bankruptcy Court (CBC) in training and establishing systems to deal under the revised laws with the backlog of corporate bankruptcies.	To improve the capabilities of the CBC and develop a relationship between CBC & ABI	CBC (Thai) ABI (U.S.)	The project was completed in March 2002
Bankruptcy Court Administration Program Part II / <i>Legislative and Judicial Reforms</i>	As a result of ABI's recommendation in Part I of the program, additional technical assistance and training is to be given to CBC by the ABI-member team in area of IT. With BSOP support, the videoconferencing equipment was also installed at the CBC to connect with the Office of the Judiciary.	To increase the capabilities of CBC in handling bankruptcy cases.	CBC (Thai) ABI (U.S.)	The last training component in Thailand is pending.
Thai Bankers Handbook / <i>Corporate Governance</i>	Under a licensing agreement with the American Bankers Association (ABA), the Thai Institution for Banking and Finance Association (TIBFA) develops a handbook for all Thai Bankers by adopting ABA materials.	Completion and use of handbook throughout Thailand	TIBFA (Thai) ABA (U.S.)	TIBFA introduced a Thai Bankers' Handbook to 130 financial sector professionals and the media on March 14, 2003. The project was already completed.



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Establishing TLAPS Linkage with APICS/ <i>International Competitiveness</i>	To continue its effort to establish a sustainable relationship with APICS, TLAPS will deliver a pilot training program for APICS certification. APICS CPIM certification consists of five modules. The pilot program includes five review courses to cover the CPIM's five modules. The results of the pilot program will determine future support for subsequent training programs.	To establish a sustainable relationship with APICS	TLAPS (Thai) APICS (U.S.)	The fifth review on 'the Strategic Management of Resources', the fourth module of CPIM, was held June 4 – 6, 2004. The project has been completed.
Performance Audit Workshop / <i>Corporate Governance</i>	The training program was delivered as a two-week workshop introducing the fundamental principals, concepts, and methods of performance auditing. This workshop includes a three-day module on instructional skill to improve the ability of participants to pass on their newly acquired knowledge and skills to the Office of the Auditor General's auditors throughout the country.	To improve the capability of the OAG's auditors in performance auditing	OAG (Thai) GAO (U.S.)	The project was completed in April 2001.
Development and Implementation of the Strategic Framework and operational plan./ <i>Corporate Governance</i>	The US General Accounting Office and the Office of Inspector General, Department of Transportation (OIG/DOT) is providing technical assistance to increase the capabilities of the Office of the Auditor General of Thailand (OAG) and its officials in developing and implementing a new strategic framework and operational plan for OAG.	To devise the strategic framework and operational plan for OAG	OAG (Thai) GAO, OIG/DOT (U.S.)	The activities were completed. The final draft of strategic framework is to be announced by August 2004.



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Building Capacity and Professional Standard for Property Valuation in Thailand / <i>Financial Governance</i>	The Appraisal Foundation (TAF) is providing technical assistance to the Securities Exchange Commission (SEC) to develop a single standard, code of ethics and its audit manual for Thai valuation profession. A single, neutral standard, code of ethics and audit manual for supervision will improve the transparency and accuracy of appraisals and will have a positive impact on financial and capital markets sector.	Single standard, code of ethics, and its audit manual for Thai valuation profession	SEC (Thai) TAF (U.S.)	The project was completed in November 2003.
ABIH Certified Industrial Hygienist Program / <i>International Competitiveness</i>	The Occupational Health and Safety at Work Association (OHSWA) of Thailand joined with the American Board of Industrial Hygiene (ABIH) to provide training and establish a certificate program	To upgrade the professional skills of Thai health officials and strengthen the relationship between OHSWA and ABIH	OHSWA (Thai) ABIH (U.S.)	The project was completed in .2001September
Public Education Program on Credit Bureaus/ <i>Financial Governance</i>	The Fiscal Policy Office (FPO), and the Bank of Thailand (BOT) partnered with the U.S. Consumer Data Industry Association (CDIA), the Federal Trade Commission, and the Federal Reserve Board (FRB) to exchange knowledge and information on credit bureaus through public education programs.	To increase the awareness of credit information, credit reporting, credit bureaus, and the establishment and use of credit among the public, including private and government sectors	FPO, BOT (Thai) CDIA (U.S.)	The project was already completed.

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SET Junior Achievement Thailand / <i>International Competitiveness</i>	The BSOP is providing support to the Thailand Securities Institutes (TSI) of the Stock Exchange of Thailand (SET) to organize, develop and deliver economics education programs for Thai youth and to promote Thai capital markets. Junior Achievement International (JAI), an International arm of the well-known US economic education organization, has provided the TSI with curriculum, education materials, and expert technical and training.	To promote the long-term development of the capital market and stock market in Thailand	SET-TSI (Thai) JAI (U.S.)	K.I.Asia continued to work with the SET-TSI to conduct a series of training. The contract with SET-TSI will be extended through September 2005.
The Bond Market Development/ <i>Financial Governance</i>	The co-operation between Thai BDC and TBMA was focused on the technical assistance and consultation, translation and adaptation of standards materials, as well as the introduction of an appropriate organizations in the U.S. to provide training course to the Thai BDC. This cooperative program aim at developing bond market in Thailand.	To develop the bond market in Thailand	Thai BDC TBMA (U.S.)	The project was already completed in September 2002.
Secured Transaction Law Development and Implementation/ <i>Legislative and Judicial Reforms</i>	American Bankruptcy Institute (ABI) provided technical assistance to the Office of the Judiciary (OJ) to promote a new law on Business Secured Transaction in Thailand and to prepare the establishment of Registry Office	To promote a new Business Secured Transaction Law and to prepare for the establishment of a Registry Office	OCJ (Thai) ABI (U.S.)	The project was already completed in September 2002.
Community Leadership Training Program/ <i>Corporate Governance</i>	The Institute for Management Education for Thailand foundation (IMET) joined with The Community Leadership Association (CLA) to conduct a training on Community Leadership program to promote good community leadership throughout Thailand	To promote good community leadership throughout Thailand	IMET (Thai) CLA (U.S.)	The project was completed in September 2002

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Mediation Center for Financial Disputes Program/ <i>Legislative and Judicial Reforms</i>	American Bankruptcy Institution (ABI) provided technical assistance and training to enhance the efficiency and capabilities of a newly-established Mediation Centre for Financial Disputes (MCFD), including mediators, financial advisors, and staff.	To enhance the ability and creativity of mediators, financial advisors, and MCFD staff	DRO (Thai) ABI (U.S.)	The project was successfully completed in September 2002
Organic Inspection Training Program/ <i>International Competitiveness</i>	The Independent Organic Inspectors Association (IOIA) provided technical assistance to the Department of Agriculture (DOA) to develop the organic crops inspection process in Thailand	To build Thai government officer's capabilities to inspect organic crops	DOA (Thai) IOIA (U.S.)	The project was completed in June 2002.
Productivity and Workplace Improvement/ <i>International Competitiveness</i>	Occupational Safety and Health Association (OSHA) and the National Institute of Occupational Health and Safety (NIOSH) are joining with the National Institute for the Improvement of Working Conditions and Environment (NICE) to deliver a train-the-trainer program on "Productivity and Workplace Improvements" in Thailand.	To upgrade the skills of regional NICE officers.	NICE (Thai) OSHA (U.S.) NIOSH (U.S.)	The project has been pending.
Upgrading the Capabilities of Post and Telegraph Department's Staff for National Telecommunications Commission's Secretariat Office/ <i>Corporate Governance</i>	This training and technical assistance program is to upgrade the capabilities of the officials of the Post and Telegraph Department (PTD) in the preparation of the organization to be transformed into the Secretariat of the National Telecommunications Commission (NTC) which is to operate as an independent regulator regulating telecommunications, and promoting competition and liberalization.	To upgrade the capabilities of PTD's officials	PTD (Thai) FCC (U.S.)	The project was successfully completed in August 2003.

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Capacity Building for Dispute Resolution (Judicial Reform Project)/ <i>Legislative and Judicial Reforms</i>	The Office of the Judiciary (OJ), the Federal Judicial Center (FJC), and the American Bar Association (ABA) have joined together to exchange knowledge and information on judicial reform issue. This training and technical assistance program aims to promote the application of new measures in the Thai courts in order to eliminate unnecessary delays and to improve efficiency in the court proceedings of economic cases.	To improve efficiency in the court proceedings	OCJ (Thai) FJC (U.S.) ABA (U.S.)	The project was already completed.
USFDA-Approved Better Process Control Scholl (BPCS) in Thailand Year II and III/ <i>International Competitiveness</i>	The National Center for Genetic Engineering and Biotechnology (BIOTEC) has provided the assistance to King Mongkut's University of Technology Thonburi (KMUTT) to establish USFDA approved BPCS in Thailand. BPCS is the first ever school in Thailand which aims to assist Thai food exporters of low-acid canned food (LACF) and acidified foods (AF) in exporting to foreign markets.	To establish a USFDA certified BPCS in Thailand	BIOTEC, KMUTT (Thai) Purdue Univ. (U.S.)	The project was already completed.
Internal Audit Quality Assessment – Professional Practices and Training on Quality Assurance Review Program/ <i>Corporate Governance</i>	The Institute of Internal Auditors (IIA-US) initiated its professional practice of rendering quality auditing services on Quality Assurance Review (QAR) program for Krung Thai Bank, and provided capacity building for its Thai affiliated IIA of Thailand (IIAT). This QAR services aims to assist the bank's internal audit staff to improve its skills in operational auditing risk assessment and implementing of internal control.	To provide KTB with quality QAR services that will help improve its good governance.	KTB, IIAT (Thai) IIA-US (U.S.)	The project was completed in November 2002



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Capacity building for Internal Auditors profession Year II – Control Self Assessment Program/ <i>Corporate Good Governance</i>	The Institute of Internal Auditors (IIA-US) is joining with the Institute of Internal Auditors of Thailand (IIAT) to deliver a public education and to conduct professional training course on Control Self Assessment (CSA) Program for The Institute of Internal Auditors of Thailand’s members in building capacity for internal auditor profession.	To improve Thailand’s financial and corporate governance through the education of internal auditors profession.	IIAT (Thai) IIA-US (U.S.)	Ms. Johanna Swauger, IIA’s Assistant Vice President of the Research & Analysis, traveled to Bangkok to deliver a seminar and two training classes on “Enterprise Risk Management” from July 17 – 24, 2004. The project was successfully completed.
IPR Management Training Program/ <i>International Competitiveness</i>	The International Intellectual Property Institute (IIPI) and BIOTEC will join together with K.I.Asia and other key stakeholders to contribute to a roadmap for national IP development and provide intellectual property management training for researchers, potential biotech entrepreneurs, investors and SMEs to promote bio-entrepreneurship in Thailand and build the IPR commercialization skills of a core group of K.I.Asia Intellectual Property consultants.	To develop and deliver a course for entrepreneurs, researchers and bio-entrepreneurs on IPR commercialization	BIOTEC, K.I.Asia (Thai) IIPI (U.S.)	On July 29, BSOP hosted a discussion forum on “Intellectual Property Roadmap for Thailand” in cooperation with BIOTEC, Thailand Research Fund (TRF), and Chulalongkorn University’s Intellectual Property Institute (CU IPI) and IIPI.
Corporate Citizenship Training Program: Engaging the Private Sector for Sustainable Economic Progress – Phase I/ <i>Corporate Good Governance</i>	K.I.Asia's BSOP program, Thai experts from CSR Working committee and academics, and The Center for Corporate Citizenship at Boston College (The Center) will join together to deliver a series of training initiatives that promote private sector participation in local economic development.	To engage in social and economic development within their communities.	K.I.Asia, Thai experts (Thai) CCC (U.S.)	K.I.Asia in collaboration with CCC delivered a training program on “The Institute on Corporate Community Involvement” for the first time in Thailand. The training was held on June 22 – 23, 2004 for approx. 30 participants from Thai and multinational companies. The project was successfully completed.

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Developing the Rayong Livable Community: Proposal for the Economic Development Partnership Component/ <i>Corporate Good Governance</i>	BSOP is joining with Cornerstone Global Program, U.S. Economic Development Partnership Industrial Estate Authority of Thailand (IEAT), Dow Chemical Thailand, Ltd , and Rayong community, to implement the Economic Development Partnership in Rayong. Through this project, stakeholders in the Rayong community along with K.I.Asia staff will gain hands-on experience in creating and sustaining an economic development partnership to (re)develop the Rayong province into a “livable community”.	To develop and sustain a pilot economic development partnership in Mab Tha Phut/Rayong that effectively addresses the community’s (re)development agenda	K.I.Asia, Dow Chemical, IEAT (Thai) KIW, U.S. EDP (U.S.)	Three delegates from Rayong Community participated in the U.S. Study Tour to learn more about the U.S. economic development partnership model. The trip took place from September 12 – 25, 2004.
Developing the Rayong Livable Community: Proposal for the Economic Development Partnership Component/ <i>Corporate Good Governance</i>	K.I.Asia, Amata City Company Limited, and Rayong community jointly implement the Economic Development Partnership in Rayong. This project aims to pursue collaboration among business sector to share resources for economic development and to develop community to be livable.	To develop a pilot project that bought private sectors’ resources to develop students to become good responsible citizens as valuable resources in living community and neighboring community.	K.I.Asia US EDP (US) Amata City Company Limited (Thai)	A youth camp, using K.I.Asia’s Youth Development model, was organized to schools nearby the Map Ta Phud Industrial Estate and Amata Industrial Estate on June 1-4, 2006.
Corporate Citizenship Training Program: Engaging the Private Sector for Sustainable Economic Progress – Phase II/ <i>Corporate Good Governance</i>	K.I.Asia's BSOP program and The Center for Corporate Citizenship at Boston College (The Center) will join together to deliver an Executive Briefing and the Corporate Citizenship training program in a series of training courses to promote private sector participation in local economic development.	To engage in social and economic development within the area of Corporate Social Responsibility.	K.I.Asia, CCC (U.S.)	K.I.Asia in collaboration with CCC delivered a series of training courses in Bangkok held on July 14-15 and 18-19 with participants from Thai and multinational companies. The training was successfully completed. On October 26, the unit organized a reunion session for trained participants.



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Regional Judicial Reform: Alternative Dispute Resolution/ <i>Legislative and Judicial Reform</i>	BSOP is joining with Thailand's Ministry of Justice and the Office of the Judiciary to hold the 2 nd ASEAN Law Forum focusing on Alternative Dispute Resolution. The Forum will include a one-day workshop and one and a half-day conference. The participants will include representatives from ASEAN member countries.	To promote ADR in ASEAN	MOJ OJ ASEAN Sec. K.I.Asia	The 2 nd ASEAN Law Forum held from July 26 – 28, 2005 in Bangkok was successfully completed.
Corporate Citizenship Training Program: Engaging the Private Sector for Sustainable Economic Progress – Phase III/ <i>Corporate Good Governance</i>	K.I.Asia's BSOP program and The Center for Corporate Citizenship at Boston College (The Center) continue to jointly deliver series of training courses of the Corporate Citizenship Training Program to promote private sector participation in Corporate Social Responsible (CSR) concept.	To engage in social and economic development especially to staff in corporate to understand the area of Corporate Social Responsibility.	K.I.Asia, CCC (U.S.)	K.I.Asia in collaboration with CCC delivered a training course on "Communicating and Branding Corporate Citizenship" in Bangkok on May 16-17, 2006. Over 30 participants from Thai and MNCs attended the training course.



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Technical Assistance for Thailand Rating Information Services (TRIS) / Financial Governance	Mr. Reed C. Parker, Volunteer Executive from IESC, had spent one month in Bangkok to provide technical assistance to TRIS in the area of credit rating from January 17 - February 11, 2000.	To strengthen Thai corporations' abilities to raise funds by improving the capabilities of TRIS in bond rating.	TRIS (Thai), IESC (US)	The project was completed in February 2000.
Technical Assistance for Thailand - (TRIS)Rating Information Services Financial Governance /2 #Trip	An expert from Financial Services Volunteer Corps (FSVC) is providing technical assistance and training on traditional credit rating methodology to TRIS analysts. The program will also include the on-the-job training on specific cases to be rated.	To strengthen the capabilities of TRIS in credit rating methodologies and procedures, securitization	,(Thai)TRIS (SU)FSVC	The project was already .completed
APICS-TLAPS Partnership / International Competitiveness	former ,Richard Welch .Mr ,With BSOP Support President of APICS to travel to Bangkok to attend the TLAPS conference and to build the TLAPS .2000ay relationship with TLAPS in M President and Advisor also attended APICS under BSOP 2001conference held in October .support	To establish long-term cooperation between TLAPS and APICS	TLAPS (Thai), APICS (US)	The project was already .completed



International Auditor Fellowship Program / <i>Corporate Governance</i>	The officials from the Office of the Auditor General (OAG) participated in an International Auditor Fellowship Program organized by the US General Accounting Office (GAO). The GAO Fellowship program, which supports the goal of the International Organization of Supreme Audit Institutions (INTOSAI) to strengthen auditing and financial management practices and promotes the sharing of information and experiences among Supreme Audit Institutions (SAI) throughout the world.	To improve the capabilities of the OAG staff and develop a relationship between OAG and GAO	,(Thai)OAG GAO (U.S.)	Under BSOP support, two OAG staff, including Mr. Phaisarn Vorasetsiri (2000), and Mr. Karanee Butrameeboon (2001), participated in the GAO Fellowship program in U.S. The program was already completed.
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The International Auditor Fellowship Program's field office placement 2000 / <i>Corporate Governance</i>	The program is a continuation of the International Auditor Fellowship program and is designed to provide the participant with training, which includes gaining practical experiences in designing and implementing audits.	To improve the capabilities of the OAG staff and develop a relationship between OAG and GAO	(Thai)OAG GAO (U.S.)	Mr. Phaisarn Vorasetsiri, the 2000 GAO Fellow, was selected to participate in the on-the-job training at GAO's field office in Chicago. The program was already completed.
Land Assessors' standard and procedures / <i>Financial Governance</i>	Mr. James Park, Director of Research and Technical Issues from the Appraisal Foundation (TAF) came over to hold talks with key Thai organizations involved in the land assessment in late August.	Improve knowledge of assessors in Thai assessment organizations	Association of Thai Assessors, TAF (U.S.)	The program was completed in .2000August
Certificate for Occupational Health and Safety / <i>International Competitiveness</i>	BSOP provided financial support to Mr. Dan Agopowicz, the Board Chair of the American Board of Industrial Hygiene to deliver a seminar to the Occupational Health and Safety at Work Association in Thailand	To initiate training programs and establish a certificate program to comply with the new Labour ACT.	OHSWA (Thai), ABIH (U.S.)	The program was already completed.



SET Derivatives Program / Financial Governance	Mr. Robert B. Gilmore, an expert consultant, came to provide technical assistance and training to the Stock Exchange of Thailand (SET) to improve SET's knowledge of derivatives and systems to offer derivatives products.	To prepare the SET's staff for delivering of new derivatives products.	SET (Thai), U.S. partner	The program was completed.
Thai Credit Bureau / Financial Governance	With BSOP support, the executives from the Central Credit Information Services Co., Ltd. (CCIS) and the Thai Credit Bureau Co., Ltd., attended The Credit Reporting World Conference held by the US Consumer Data Industry Association (CDIA) in 2000 and 2002.	Better knowledge on credit bureaus	CCIS, TCB (Thai), CDIA (US)	The program was completed.



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BMA – Thai BDC Partnership/ <i>Financial Governance</i>	Mr. Michael Decker, Vice President of Research and Policy Analysis at the Bond Market Association (TBMA) held the meetings with the Thai Bond Dealing Centre (Thai BDC) and the Thai regulators in the area of bond market development in Thailand. This is the first step of building the partnership between Thai DBC and TBMA.	To build the partnership between Thai BDC and TBMA	Thai BDC, TBMA (U.S.)	The trip has been completed
International Pension Exchange <i>Financial Governance</i> /Program	experts from Pacific Pension Institute .Three US provided technical assistance to (PPI) of Thailand (GPF)Government Pension Fund World"and gave their presentations at the conference held by "Class Fund Management .GPF	GPF staff To educate on pension fund management	,(Thai)GPF (.S.U)PPI	The project was completed in May .2001
International Pension Exchange Program II/ <i>Financial Governance</i>	BSOP provided support for the expert from Pacific Pension Fund to deliver a 2003 Asian Pension Fund Roundtable Meeting to be held December 11 - 12, 2003 in Bangkok.	To strengthen the standards and performance of national pension systems and to promote more effective and transparent corporate governance in t the region	GPF (Thai), PPI (U.S.)	The project was approved in December 2003.
Secured Transaction Law Development and Implementation/ <i>Legislative and Judicial Reforms</i>	With BSOP support, Dr. Thammanoon Phitayaporn, to attend the International Colloquium on Secured Transactions to discuss the first preliminary draft Legislative Guide on Secured Transactions prepared by the Secretariat of the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law (UNCITRAL)	To share Thailand's views on Secured Transactions Law with international communities	OJ (Thai) UNCITRAL	The project was completed.

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Thai Telecommunication Development/ <i>International Competitiveness</i>	Under BSOP support to the Post and Telegraph Department (PTD), the Communication Authority of Thailand (CAT) and the Telephone Organization of Thailand (TOT) sent the delegation to attend the "Southern Asian Telecommunications Regulatory Workshop" in Jakarta, Indonesia. In addition, the BSOP also has provided expert assistance to set up regulatory procedures for Thai National Telecommunications Commission (NTC).	To develop regulatory procedures for Thai NTC.	PTD (Thai), CAT (Thai), TOT (Thai), U.S. expert	The project was completed.
Bankruptcy Law Reform Project/ <i>Legislative and Judicial Reforms</i>	Mr. George M. Kelakos made his preliminary trip to Bangkok to discuss the American Bankruptcy Institute (ABI)'s technical assistance in the issues related to bankruptcy law reform with the Council of State (COS).	To promote bankruptcy law reform in Thailand	COS (Thai) ABI (U.S.)	The project was completed in April 2002.
Judicial Administration and Reform Course/ <i>Legislative and Judicial Reforms</i>	With BSOP support, the Supreme Court of Thailand sent two judges to participate in Judicial Administration and Reform Course held in Sydney, Australia between June 2 – 21, 2002. The course was organized by the International Development Law Institute (IDLI) to review international and regional initiatives in judicial administration and governance, and to provide forum for discussion of judicial reform issues arising in the Asia-Pacific region.	To promote judicial administration and reform	The Supreme Court (Thai), IDLI	The project was completed.



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Judicial Capacity regarding Intellectual Property – Enforcement and Dispute Settlement/ <i>Legislative and Judicial Reforms</i>	Three senior judges from the Central Intellectual Property and International Trade Court participated in a conference on Intellectual Property – Enforcement and Dispute Settlement held in Washington D.C., U.S. September 12 – 13, 2002. The conference was organized by the United States Patent and Trade Mark Office (USPTO) and the International Intellectual Property Institute (IIPI) to provide a forum for participants to share their experiences in Intellectual Property Enforcement and Dispute Settlement.	To share Thailand’s experiences on IPR with international	IP&IT court (Thai), IIPI (U.S.)	The project was completed in September 2002
The 5 th Annual Symposium on Intellectual Property Law: New Dimension in Present and Future/ <i>Legislative and Judicial Reforms</i>	BSOP provided support for the Central Intellectual Property and International Trade Court to organize the 5 th Annual Symposium on Intellectual Property Law. The symposium was held Dec. 2 – 3.	To expose Thai public to international practices of IPR	IP&IT court (Thai), IIPI (U.S.)	The project was completed.
Workshop for bankers on negotiating and mediating NPL settlements effectively/ <i>Financial and Corporate Governance</i>	The BSOP with the Thai Bankers' Association, the Alternative Dispute Resolution Office, and the World Bank organized a one-day workshop "Negotiating and Mediating NPL Settlements Effectively." The workshop was conducted by two U.S. experts from the American Bankruptcy Institute. The participants included 50 bankers and representatives from Thai Asset Management Corporation (TAMC) and the Corporate Debt Restructuring Advisory Committee (CDRAC) of the Bank of Thailand.	To promote mediation to resolved financial cases in the courts in order to strengthen Thailand’s financial and judiciary systems	TBA, ADR (Thai), ABI (U.S.), World Bank	The activity was completed.



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IP and Bio-entrepreneurship Training Workshops/ <i>International Competitiveness</i>	Two US experts, Dr. Mark Tang of World Technology Ventures, and Dr. Frances Toneguzzo, Director of Licensing, MGH, Harvard Medical School, traveled to Thailand to deliver an introductory training course on IP Management to BAC consultants. Subsequently, K.I.Asia and BIOTEC co-organized a workshop on “Bio-entrepreneurship”, as part of the BioThailand 2003 conference. The US presented to 80 researchers, entrepreneurs, government and corporate participants.	To raise the awareness concerning bio-entrepreneurship in Thailand	K.I.Asia, BIOTEC (Thai), IIFI (U.S.)	The activities were completed.
Workshop on IPR Enforcement/ <i>Legislative and Judicial Reform</i>	BSOP provided partial support for Mr. George M. Kelakos, Co-Chair of the International Committee of the American Bankruptcy Institute to participate in and share the U.S. experiences related to Alternative Dispute Resolution and mediation in intellectual property enforcement cases at a workshop on IPR enforcement to be held in Bangkok from May 18 – 21. The workshop is organized by the United States Patent and Trademark Office.	To promote best practices of ADR in IP enforcement cases	K.I.Asia, ABI, USPTO (U.S.)	Mr. George M. Kelakos traveled to Bangkok in mid May to participate in the workshop on IPR Enforcement, organized by the USPTO.
The 7 th Annual Symposium on Current Issues in IP Law in Asia / <i>Legislative and Judicial Reforms</i>	BSOP provided partial support for the Central Intellectual Property and International Trade Court to organize the 7 th Annual Symposium on Current Issues in IP Law in Asia. The symposium was held in Bangkok from November 30 to December 1.	To expose Thai public to current International Property Law in Asian and European perspective.	IP&IT court (Thai), The Max-Planck Institute, Waseda U., JETRO (Japan)	The Workshop was completed.



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<i>AERA Regional Regulatory Dialogue Program – Projects Completed</i>				
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Dialogue projects in Thailand				
Strengthening Administrative Court Capacity: Judge Forum on Administrative Contracts	The experts from the U.S. Court of Federal Claims and other U.S. organizations provided technical assistance to strengthen the capacity of the Thai Administrative Courts in hearing administrative contract disputes	To develop court policy guidelines on Administrative Contracts	OAC (Thai), U.S. CFC	The project was already completed in March 2003.
Strengthening Administrative Court Capacity: Case Management and Court Administration	PADCO and K.I.Asia facilitated a partnership between the Thai Administrative Courts and the U.S. Federal Judicial Center to strengthen the capacity of the Thai Administrative Courts in managing cases by raising awareness of senior judges on U.S. best practices and developing an action plan for implementing a recent assessment of the Court's case management capabilities by AusAID.	To develop guidelines on a Court policy for case management and court administration	OAC (Thai), U.S. CFC, FJC (U.S.)	The Office of the Administrative Courts organized a Thai – U.S. Forum on Case Management and Case Tracking System on July 21, 2004. Two U.S. experts joined the forum to share the U.S. experiences with Thai judges. The project was successfully completed in July 2004.
Developing a Thai Class Action Law	The American Bar Association (ABA) provided expert assistance to work with the Council of State (CoS), the Class Action Research Team, and the Class Action Subcommittee in developing the new Thai Class Action Law.	To develop the Thai Class Action Law	CoS (Thai), ABA (U.S.)	The project was successfully completed.



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Dialogue projects in Thailand				
Developing a Thai Open Meetings Law	The Office of the Maryland Attorney General, PADCO and the Kenan Institutes will work with the, Council of State, the Open Meetings Law Subcommittee, and the research team to facilitate access to international and U.S. best practices in developing the new open meetings law by establishing direct linkages between Thai and U.S. practitioners and legal experts.	To develop the Thai Open Meetings Law	CoS (Thai), Office of Maryland Attorney General (U.S.)	The project has been canceled. The funding has been reallocated.
Thai-US Program on Legislative Drafting Reform: Sharing Best International Best Practices on Legislative Drafting	Since the development for the “Developing a Thai Open Meeting Law” program was cancelled, the reallocation of the budget was approved to support the Office of the Council of State to implement the “Thai-US Program on Legislative Drafting Reform: Sharing Best International Best Practices on Legislative Drafting” program.	To develop the Thai Legislative Drafting Reform	CoS (Thai), Office of the Legislative Counsel from the US House of Representative (US), the State of Maryland (US), the National Conference of State Legislature	The Office of the Council of State organized the Legislative Drafting Reform Program held from November 8-11. The program included a workshop and a discussion series on legislative drafting process and challenges. Additional activities include Observation Program to the United States: Sharing Experience on Law-Making in Washington, DC and Maryland from June 13 to July 1, 2005. This event was completed.



<i>AERA Regional Regulatory Dialogue Program – Projects Completed</i>				
Project Name / Objective	Description	Objectives/ outcomes	Partners	Status
Dialogue projects in Vietnam				
Supporting Development of an IP Court in Vietnam	In partnership with the USAID's Support for Trade Acceleration (STAR) project, PADCO facilitated dialogue between Vietnamese and Thai judges and other counterpart agencies and organization to support the development of a specialized court or bench within the Vietnam Supreme People's Court to enable implementation of the U.S.-Vietnam Bilateral Trade Agreement (BTA). This program included a series of integrated activities planned and implemented in cooperation with the STAR program.	To develop an Intellectual Property Court in Vietnam	Vietnam Supreme People's Court; Thai Central Intellectual Property and International Trade (CIPIT) Court	Two Thai judges from the Central Intellectual Property Court traveled to Hanoi, Vietnam to participate in and share legal experiences related to intellectual property at two seminars on IPR disputes held between June 23 - 27. The seminars, organized by the Supreme People's Court of Vietnam, aimed to address the aspects of Vietnam's intellectual property obligations under the Vietnam-U.S. Bilateral Trade Agreement and TRIPS. The activity was completed.
Regional Dialogue on Public Participation in Government Decision Making	PADCO, K.I.Asia and The Asia Foundation facilitated linkages between Vietnam and Thailand on public participation related to their on-going efforts to develop new legal frameworks, and in addition launched a regional forum on public participation. Activities will include: (1) focused exchange between Vietnam and Thailand, and (2) a linked regional seminar in Bangkok. Participants will include legislators, agency officials and civil society leaders from Indonesia, Philippines, Thailand and Vietnam.	To promote public participation in Vietnam	Vietnam Office of the National Assembly; Thai Council of State, the Asia Foundation	The project was completed in July 2003.

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<i>AERA Regional Regulatory Dialogue Program – Projects Completed</i>				
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Dialogue projects in Vietnam				
Strengthening Vietnam Administrative and Judicial Review Process: Sharing Experience with Thai Administrative Agencies and Courts	The AERA Regional Regulatory Dialogue Program provided support for the Vietnamese delegation to visit Thai counterpart agencies and courts to exchange information and experience on administrative agency and court review, and dispute resolution. The visitation exposed the Vietnamese delegation to Thailand’s practices in administrative and judicial review process. This activity is joint program between the Vietnam STAR program and AERA’s Regulatory Dialogue program to strengthen Vietnam’s administrative and judicial review process.	To strengthen Vietnam’s administrative and judicial review process	Communist Party of Vietnam, STAR-Vietnam, Thailand’s Administrative Courts, Council of State, Alternative Dispute Resolution Office, Revenue Dept., and Central Intellectual Property and International Trade Court	Eleven senior officials from Vietnamese courts and government agencies visited Thai counterparts, including courts and government agencies between January 12 – 16, 2004 to learn more about Thailand’s practices in administrative and judicial review process. The activity was completed.



AERA Regional Regulatory Dialogue Program – Projects Completed

Project Name / Objective	Description	Objectives/ outcomes	Partners	Status
Dialogue projects in Vietnam				
Thailand – Vietnam Training on Intellectual Property Enforcement	In partnership with the USAID's Support for Trade Acceleration (STAR) project, PADCO and K.I.Asia is facilitating dialogue between Vietnamese and Thai judges and other counterpart agencies and organization to support the development of a specialized court or bench within the Vietnam Supreme People's Court to enable implementation of the U.S.-Vietnam Bilateral Trade Agreement (BTA). This program will include a three-week training program for Vietnamese judges on IPR enforcement to support movement toward establishment of a specialized IPR court. From venues in Vietnam and Thailand, this comprehensive training program will include presentations, training sessions and site visits conducted experts from Vietnam, Thailand and the U.S. In addition, to expand regional cooperation on IPR enforcement, the program will include judges from China and Laos.	To support the establishment of a specialize IP court in Vietnam by strengthening the capabilities of selected Vietnamese judges in handling IPR cases through specialized training on IPR principles, litigation procedures and institutional arrangements	Central Intellectual Property and International Trade Court (CIPIT), STAR-Vietnam, Supreme People's Court of Vietnam	The two-weeks training program for 25 Vietnamese judges and officials was held in Thailand from March 7-18, 2005. In addition, two Laos Judges and one Chinese Judge joined the first week of the workshop. The project went successfully.



AERA Education Program's Project Matrix

1. Projects Completed

Project Name	Partners	Project Description	Grant Amount (US\$)	Timeline	Current Status
East-West Community College Project - Leadership and Teacher Training	Office of the Community College Promotion, Ministry of Education and East-West Community College Consortium	To assist Thailand's Ministry of Education in its effort to establish community colleges in Thailand. Two training programs were delivered to the college administrators including the training on leadership skills in Bangkok and the training on community college administration, teaching, and faculty development in Hawaii.	69,723	February 1 - December 31, 2002	The project was completed.
English through Entertainment	Supervisor Unit, Department of General Education	To assist in the reproduction and distribution of a lesson plan and instructional media for the "English through Entertainment" course. English Center, Supervisory Unit and specialized teachers worked together to design the curriculum, develop the lesson plan, produce the instructional media and evaluate the program. A teacher's manual, videotapes and cassette tapes are additional instruments to support the teachers.	34,633	April 15, 2001 - 31 December 2003	The project was completed. The training packages were distributed to 3,000 high schools nationwide.
Chula Conference on Innovative Ideas for English Language Teaching	Chulalongkorn University Language Institute	CULI organized the 5th International Conference from December 15-17, 2003. The focus was on innovative ideas for ELT including the applications of innovative technologies, which can be applied to classroom instruction or self access learning centers.	5,500	May 1, 2003 - January 31, 2004	The project was completed.
Participatory Learning Leading to Integrated Community Development	Chiang Mai University (Thai Woman of Tomorrow Project) and the Office of the National Primary Education Commission (ONPEC)	To use a new learning approach to involve community members in understanding more about the value of education and the action competency that students were able to develop. The activities mainly focus on staff development of all related participants such as school staff and key members of the community.	26,519	January 1, 2003 - December 31, 2003	The teacher workshop was completed. Each school presented its localized curriculum and results from the

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					first academic semester.
English Language Center for Mae Fah Luang University	Mae Fah Luang University and Oregon State University	To assist Mae Fah Luang University in its effort to establish an English language center. TESOL specialists from Oregon State University provided consultation and workshops on curriculum development and set-up of a resource center to the Liberal Arts Faculty's English teachers for phase I. MFLU English teachers to be trained in language teaching skill at OSU, for phase II.	68,656	December 1, 2002 - June 30, 2004	The project was completed.
Thai Youth Development by ICT Project - Web-Aided Instruction Train-the-Trainers Component	Ministry of Information and Communications Technology (MICT), Min. of Education (MoE), National Electronics and Computer Technology Center (NECTEC), TOT Corporations Co., Ltd., Communications Authority of Thailand (CAT) and Oracle Corporation Thailand, Ltd.	To expand a learning opportunity for Thai youth by building capacity and increasing capability of ICT skills for them, leading our country to be a knowledge-based society. This is to train about 4,000 leading teachers in 2003 and 1,000 leading teachers in 2004 on web-based instruction/training skills. The 3-day training course will equip teachers with ICT knowledge in think.com software, computer graphics, and Internet-browser programs.	35,813	April 1, 2003 - December 31, 2004	4,000 leading teachers were trained on web based instruction/training skills. The project was completed.
Animation and Multimedia Workshop (Phrase I)	Rajabhat Chiang Rai University	To enhance computer skills in the making of animation and multimedia of students in grades 4-9 in Chiang Rai provide. The 16-hour training program organized by Rajabhat Institute Chiang Rai trained 120 students in 4 sessions. The objectives of this program are for the students to gain an understanding of drawing basic cartoons and computer graphics; to use MOHO software to create animation; and to acquire skills in art and creative thinking. Five students from this training participated in the Thailand Animation and Multimedia Fair (TAM) in 2005.	7,745	May 1 – September 30, 2004	The project was completed

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Information and Communications Technology Training for Educational Purposes in Rural Higher Education Institute	Rajabhat Surin University (RSU)	To enhance an e-Learning competency of Rajabhat Surin University (RSU), a rural higher education institute in the Northeastern Thailand. The main activity of the project is to train 20 educational staff from RSU who will become trainers for other RSU staff and teachers from 17 schools' labs in Surin province on ICT for education development skills. After the completion of this course, trainees will be able to finish and upload websites. They will integrate this new tool/teaching method in their regular classes. Approximately 1,000 students will gain knowledge from 20 web sites that will be created by the 20 trainees in this program.	10,000	Feb 01, 2004- Aug 31, 2004	The training was delivered. The project was completed.
ICT Workshop for School Teacher in the North	Rajabhat Institute Chiang Rai	To upgrade the ICT capabilities of 200 teachers in Chiang Rai. RICR has its own courseware management (http://E-learning.ricr.ac.th) and believes that this tool will be useful in bridging the digital divide for schools in the Northern Thailand. This 18-hour training course equipped trainees with knowledge of RICR Courseware Management, e-learning web-site design, and web-site developing software.	8,275	May 1 – September 30, 2004	The project was completed.
Self-Access English Language Centers for Thai Community Colleges	Office of Community College Promotion, Ministry of Education, King Mongkut's University of Technology Thonburi, and Oregon State University	To improve English teaching capabilities of the 10 Thai community colleges by assisting them in setting up a self-access English language center at each college. The self-access centers were equipped with learning materials, including books and multimedia resources suitable for learners with varying levels of English language skill. The centers have become an important tool for language learning not only for students but also teachers and the workforce in the community. Some centers were also integrated into existing English language programs where participants can improve their English at their own time, pace, and interest with supervision from a learning facilitator.	50,000 (plus \$15,000 from the US Embassy)	June 25, 2003 – August 31, 2005	Follow-up visits by KMUTT experts to three selected SACs were complete. The final report was submitted to K.I.Asia.

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Entrepreneurship Training for Thai Community Colleges	K.I.Asia's Business Advisory Center, Bureau of Community College Administration, North Carolina Community College System	To bring in and localize a successful entrepreneurship curriculum from the US. With assistance from the North Carolina Community College System (NCCCS), six Thai trainers were trained to become Master Facilitators for "REAL Entrepreneurship" curriculum in order for them to adapt and train trainers and students from the ten Thai community colleges. The REAL Entrepreneurship curriculum is expected to be adopted as an on-going training program at Thai community colleges and other Thai educational institutions.	87,702	May 1, 2004 – September 30, 2005	Eight roll-out training sessions were successfully delivered by the trained community college trainers with supervision from K.I.Asia Master Facilitators. All the community college trainers were certified to use the curriculum.
Improving the Quality of Education Through IT Project, under the World Bank-funded Secondary Education Quality Improvement (SEI) project	Rajabhat Institute Chiang Mai, Oregon State University, Meanprasatwittaya School	The activities supplemented the World Bank-funded Secondary Education Quality Improvement (SEI) Project (Northern Region) awarded to K.I.Asia and to achieve the aims of the AERA - Education program in promoting ICT in education. The key activities undertaken included organizing a training workshop on Computer Assisted English Language Learning (CAELL) and using information technology for teaching. A workshop on Enhancing Leadership and Management of Technology was held. The project also promoted a New Model of Supervision-Supportive Mentoring (kalyanamit): Strengthen Education Service Area supervisors through experiential learning in implementing learning reform and application of computer technology as a tool for teaching and learning and developed local software/courseware/CAI CD-ROM & materials.	69,420	May 1, 2004 – June 30, 2005	The project was completed. A workshop among all stakeholders to gather feedbacks and lessons learned on SEI project implementation was organized during 14-15 June 2005.



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One Computer Classroom (OCC)	K.I.Asia, Educational Service Area Offices and 10 schools and Chiangmai, Chiangrai, Pitsanulok and Petchaboon	<p>To carry out an action research in piloting the use of One Computer Classroom model for 11 selected SEQI participating schools. 12 teachers were given 1 set of computer and equipment to implement OCC model and collect data for the project research. A training session for those participating teachers on how to practically apply OCC model in the class for the subject of English, Mathematics and Science was organized. After the training, those trained teachers integrated the OCC model into their teaching plan. They recorded the teaching results as part of the project action research submitted to Ministry of Education for further application to the standard curriculum.</p> <p>A survey showed that after applying OCC in their classroom, 575 students showed improvement on social skills (78%), thinking skills (76%), cognitive learning (71%), and behavior (71%). Additionally teachers also realized a significant teaching improvement based on their self-evaluation..</p>	34,442	October 05 – April 06	Project funded by USAID completed, report being prepared for MoE. Private sector funding allows continued work.
K.I.Asia- GMS English Academic Fellowship Program	K.I.Asia, Mae Fah Luang University, educational institutions from the GMS countries	<p>To strengthen Mae Fah Luang University's position as a leading higher educational institution in the Greater Mekong Sub-region (GMS) that uses English as a major medium of teaching instruction. The K.I.Asia – GMS English Academic Fellowship Program will not only be a channel to promote MFLU in the region to be better known among professors and scholars, but will also upgrade MFLU's own academic human resources. Two main activities under this project are the provision of twelve fellowships to professors and graduate students from the GMS countries and the organization of a GMS TESOL forum at MFLU.</p>	74,000	April 1, 2004 – September 30, 2005	GMS Forum was completed. All fellows had submitted their research papers and returned home country. MFLU is re-reading the papers to verify research work is valid. They will announce the result in early November 2005.

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American Volunteers for Thai Community Colleges Projects (AVTCC)	King Mongkut's University of Technology Thonburi and Bureau of Community College Administration	The project brought in 12 qualified English native speakers from the US to work as volunteers at the newly-established self-access English language centers (SACs) of the ten Thai community colleges. These American volunteers, spending at least three months in Thailand, provided opportunities for community college students to have more interactions with English native speakers, encourage exchanges of cultures, and promote more use of the English language.	34,050	October 2004 – September 2005	The first batch of five American volunteers successfully finished their ten-week assignments in Thailand. The second group of volunteers have already arrived and will work with their community college host until October 14, 2005
Development Impact Report	Bureau of Community College Administration, Ministry of Education and the Thai Community Colleges	A research to follow up on the impact of the AERA-funded projects that have been aimed at building capacity for the Thai Community College System and the newly-established Mae Fah Luang University. The four projects include: Leadership and Teacher Training; Establishment of Self-Access English Language Centers; Entrepreneurship Training for Thai Community Colleges; and the American Volunteers for Thai Community Colleges. Data will be gathered through follow-up surveys, questionnaires, focused groups, and interviews. The report is expected to be done in May 2006.	1,100 (traveling expenses)	November 2005 – May 2006	The project team is currently designing research methodologies.



Borderless Action Against Microbes

Borderless Action Against Microbes GMS Public Health Program

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<i>Small Grants</i>				
Project Name / Objective	Description	Objectives/ Outcomes	Partners	Status
Thailand-Cambodia workshop on joint strategies for border collaboration on infectious disease control (HIV/AIDS, TB, Malaria, and outbreaks of Emerging Infectious Diseases) / <i>Trans-boundary Collaboration</i>	Supported the RTG Department of Disease Control (MOPH) to organize a Thailand-Cambodia workshop to develop joint action plans for health collaboration and infectious disease control (HIV/AIDS, TB, Malaria, and outbreaks of Emerging Infectious Diseases) along the common border.	Specific Objectives: 1. Identify priority issues and program strategies as the basis for joint action planning and border area collaboration 2. Identify program activities in need of funding support to enhance cross-border collaboration and ID program effectiveness	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • RTG Dept of Disease Control • RCG Department of Disease Control (Border Cooperation Focal Point) • RTG Office of Disease Control(Chonburi) • RTG Bureau of Vector Borne Disease • Provincial Public Health Offices on the Thailand-Cambodia border 	Priority set of strategies and activities identified. A follow-on workshop in September will aim to flesh-out action plans and funding requirements, including collaboration on avian and pandemic influenza.
Thailand-Cambodia-Laos workshop to develop Joint Action Programs for border collaboration on infectious disease control (HIV/AIDS, TB, Malaria, and outbreaks of Emerging Infectious Diseases including avian and pandemic influenza) / <i>Trans-boundary Collaboration</i>	Supported the RTG Department of Disease Control (MOPH) to organize a Thailand-Cambodia-Lao workshop to develop Joint Action Programs for collaboration on infectious disease control (HIV/AIDS, TB, Malaria, and outbreaks of Emerging Infectious Diseases) along common borders.	Specific Objectives: 3. Identify priority issues and program strategies as the basis for joint action planning and border area collaboration 4. Identify program activities in need of funding support to enhance cross-border collaboration and ID program effectiveness	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Thai/Cambodia/Lao Departments of Disease Control • RTG Regional Offices of Disease Control • RTG Bureaus of Vector Borne Disease, TB, HIV • Dept of Livestock Dev. • Provincial Public Health Livestock Offices on the Thailand-Cambodia border 	Priority set of strategies and funding activities identified. A follow-on support meeting in October will aim to coordinate funding support for the Joint Action Programs.



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The Study of Anti-malarial Drug Use Practice in Thailand / <i>Surveillance of MDR Malaria</i>	<p>This activity consists of phase I, problem identification. Initial data collection will take place on the eastern border of Thailand with Cambodia. Since a study took place in Cambodia in October 2002, there may be a comparison of information across the border with Cambodian colleagues to identify potential areas of collaboration and joint approaches. It is anticipated that once the approach is developed for eastern Thailand, it will be adapted to the specific local conditions in other border regions, such as on the Thai-Burmese border, and that those areas will also be surveyed.</p> <p>The overall objective of this activity is to enhance the capacity of national and local counterparts to systematically identify and monitor community-level drug management practices and use and disseminate this information to develop policy and programmatic interventions.</p>	<p>Specific Objectives:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Develop a Thailand-specific assessment and monitoring tool, which can be applied in border areas in Thailand 2. Develop the capacity to adapt the tool to local circumstances and apply it in selected areas 3. Analyze the findings to identify key drug use problems that may require additional exploration 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bureau of Vector Borne Disease (Sub-Grantee) • Chantaburi Provincial Public Health Office • Office of Disease Control Chonburi • Management sciences for Health <p>Chantaburi Province Vector-borne Disease Control Center, Vector-borne Disease Control Units in Pong Nam Ron and Soi Dao Districts</p>	<p>Data collection is completed and final analysis is underway</p> <p>Preparations are underway to -expand coverage to the Thai Burma border at sentinel surveillance sites in Mae Hong Son and Tak Provinces</p>



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Project Name / Objective	Description	Objectives/ Outcomes	Partners	Status
<p>Strengthening of Sentinel Surveillance System for Anti-malarial Drug Resistance in Thailand / Surveillance of MDR Malaria</p>	<p>With the Malaria Group of the Bureau of Vector-Borne Diseases (MOPH) as focal point, the ADR surveillance network comprises malaria clinics under responsibility of regional Vector Borne Disease Control Offices 1-5, provincial and district community hospitals, and academic field research stations. Nine border provinces with high malaria incidence are selected as sentinel sites, <i>i.e.</i>, Chiang Mai, Mae Hong Son, Tak, Kanchanaburi, Ranong, Ratchaburi, Ubon Ratchathani, Chanthaburi, and Trat. Main activities are:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Training on <i>in vivo</i> therapeutic efficacy assessment and <i>in vitro</i> sensitivity study; 2. <i>In vivo</i> therapeutic efficacy assessment of the first line treatment regimens; 3. <i>In vitro</i> sensitivity study of the currently used anti-malarial drugs; 4. Establishment of an information center for ADR network at the Malaria Division. 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. To establish a network of sentinel surveillance sites for monitoring anti-malarial drug resistance in Thailand 2. To study the current situation of anti-malarial drugs in Thailand both <i>in vivo</i> and <i>in vitro</i> and including using HRP2 drug sensitivity assay 3. To strengthen the cooperation among sentinel sites in country and among neighboring countries towards sharing anti-malarial drug resistance information 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The Malaria Group, Bureau of Vector-Borne Diseases 2. Provincial and district hospitals 3. Mahidol University 4. Siriraja Hospital 5. Thammasat University 6. The Royal Thai Armed Forces Research Institute for Medical Science 7. WHO 	<p>Initial and refresher training completed; sentinel surveillance by <i>in vivo</i> therapeutic efficacy study, <i>in vitro</i> sensitivity study, and HRP2 assay of the currently used anti-malarial drugs is ongoing in 9 sentinel sites.</p> <p>Results of monitoring drug resistance in were analyzed at national technical workshops in 2002, 2003, 2004, 2005. Revised standard treatment regimen has been finalized. The national malaria drug policy committee has revised manuals on treatment guidelines for physicians and health workers; mefloquine-artesunate combination therapy is now used nation-wide since October 2004.</p>



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Project Name / Objective	Description	Objectives/ Outcomes	Partners	Status
<p>Community-Based Malaria Control Along the Thai-Cambodia Border Through Civic Partnerships in Chantaburi and Trat Provinces / Health System Reform –Decentralized Response Strategies and Effective Partnership Models</p>	<p>The main concept of the project is to strengthen community involvement in malaria control and toward self-reliance in the long run through the process of standardized method of working for prevention, cure, and control, by community-based work to improve the potential of community and local agencies to address the malaria problem by themselves with support by related health personnel and other multi-disciplinary teams.</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) To initiate malaria epidemiology information center in the community. 2) To improve prevention in high-risk groups. 3) To promote community participation in solving problem of prevention in high-risk groups, and promote use of dipstick test for early diagnosis. 4) To promote community participation to address malaria with support by government organizations 5) To build capacity of health personnel and volunteers, including health personnel from Cambodia border areas if requested to create a network for disease control by communities themselves in the long run. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MOPH, VBDC, VDDUs • Chantaburi and Trat Provincial Public Health Offices • District Health Offices and Health Centers • Schools • High-risk groups • Village health volunteers • Government agencies • Community leaders 	<p>Orientation workshops on conducted, community civil-society forums on malaria problem, analysis, and action planning conducted in Chantaburi and Trat Provinces.</p> <p>Training on use of GIS for malaria control conducted in Chantaburi Province.</p> <p>Workshop conducted on community epidemiology for multi-sectoral local malaria control core participants in Trat Province, and training held on improved diagnosis and treatment of malaria in Trat Province.</p> <p>Community malaria core ;teams established and trained stakeholder awareness and ssions conductedplanning se based control-for community malaria ;projects</p>



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Developing and producing dipstick dye immunoassays utilizing dye particle-linked monoclonal antibodies developed against pLDH and pGAPDH for malaria antigen detection / <i>Increased Access to Rapid Parasitological Diagnosis and Effective Treatment</i>	Preparing and purifying pLDH and pGAPDH for raising monoclonal antibodies, followed by research and development to determine the feasibility of local production of dipstick dye immunoassays utilizing dye particle-linked monoclonal antibodies developed against pLDH and pGAPDH for malaria antigen detection of both P. falciparum and non-P. falciparum. <i>General objective: To locally produce a rapid, simplified, reliable and maximized sensitivity dipstick dye immunoassay utilizing dye particle-linked monoclonal antibody against pLDH and pGAPDH for detecting malaria antigens of falciparum and non-falciparum malaria in human blood by using our national resources.</i>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> To raise/characterize MABs against pLDH and pGAPDH, maximize test sensitivity, genetic diversity to the P. f. parasite population, and not react to non-malaria antigen. To develop a rapid, simplified, sensitive, and specific dipstick assay to detect asexual erythrocytic stage of P f. and non-P f. To increase sensitivity, aiming at 100% for densities of >100 parasites per µl blood in four species. To improve readability of tests (better signal intensity & avoidance of mix-ups). 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> The Bureau of Vector-Borne Diseases, Department of Disease Control, MOPH National Institute of Health, Department of Medical Sciences, MOPH 	Cloning and expression of pLDH in <i>E. coli</i> by genetic engineering obtained expressed fusion protein. By affinity purification, the protein obtained had high purity and good yield, and these proteins show the pLDH enzyme activity; Pre-immunized sera of rabbits were determined for the reactivity with pLDH and GST proteins by western blot analysis. Reactivity of the immunize sera was characterized by western blot analysis, followed by standardization of ELISA assay, determination of appropriate blocking solution in ELISA assay,

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		<p>5. To evaluate relative sensitivity/specificity of the antigen detection dipstick method for <i>P. f.</i> malaria field diagnosis compared to microscopy.</p> <p>6. To set up a quality control system for sensitivity and specificity.</p>		<p>and titration of polysera, 4 LDH and 4 GAPDH clones with an acceptable level of response have been produced for use by NIH on the prototype dipstick.</p>
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Project Name / Objective	Description	Objectives/ Outcomes	Partners	Status
<p>Partnerships for a School-based Approach to Community Action Against Malaria / <i>Effective Partnership Models</i></p>	<p>The project builds partnerships to develop a model for a school-based approach to community action against malaria as a strategy for developing knowledge, attitudes, skills and behavior necessary for community-based self-reliant action against malaria in highly endemic border. The model comprises the following key elements:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A process for participatory learning and action against malaria by the school and community; • Use of case study approach on a whole school basis to study the local malaria situation and identify alternative solutions; • Use of life skills education methods to enhance the case study approach and develop/change behavior to prevent and reduce malaria; • Development of learning materials to support discovery learning; • Mobilization of communities for self-reliant action against malaria; • Provision of technical support to schools and communities; • Leveraging resources from local sub-district councils to support community malaria prevention and control plans and projects <p>Phase II (replication trials) began in October 2002 with expansion to include 40 schools in Tak, Mae Hong Son, Chiang Mai, Chantaburi, and Trat Provinces.</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. To strengthen capacity of schools and teachers to facilitate participatory learning and action by students and communities to prevent and control malaria. 2. To raise awareness and mobilize community action to prevent and control malaria. 3. To set up an example of a working model with multi-sectoral organizations collaborating as equal stakeholders. 4. To build on lessons learned and best practices for expansion of coverage to other endemic border areas facing increasingly multi-drug resistant malaria. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ministry of Education - Office of National Primary Education Commission: Office of Special Projects, Office of Supervision and Standards, Offices Provincial Primary Education Commissions in Tak, Mae Hong Son, Chiang Mai, Chantaburi, Trat • Health Behavior Development Group, Malaria Division • Regional Disease Control Offices, Vector Borne Disease Control Centers and Units • The Life Skills Development Foundation • Rajabhat Institute Chiang Mai • Border Patrol Police Bureau 	<p>Phase I (model-building): 200 teachers, principals, education supervisors from 25 schools in 4 districts received 25 days of training in 5 workshops. Students completed community malaria situation assessments, analyzed alternatives, and shared with community leaders in consultation workshops to reach consensus on action plans and projects. Community-generated malaria control projects received funding support. A participatory process evaluation was conducted in August 2002. Phase II: 109 grade 4-9 teachers/ supervisors from 15 expansion schools received 15 days training, conducted surveys of health problems, malaria KAP, analysis of community malaria situation and alternatives for action. Phase III: 230 grade 4-9 teachers from 46 expansion schools received 7 days training on revised curriculum on mosquito-borne diseases.</p>

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<p>Thailand Roll Back Malaria Strategic Planning Workshop / <i>Effective Partnership Models</i></p>	<p>BAAM Project Coordinating Unit organized a multi-agency gathering of key stakeholders in malaria control. Working group sessions were held to obtain input on key strategies for renewed joint efforts to control malaria with special focus on border areas and multi-drug resistant malaria. Deliberations focused on the following thematic areas:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Diagnosis, treatment, case management • Community/household prevention • Epidemiology, surveillance, mapping, GIS • Decentralization, health system reform, responsibilities, and processes for community participation • Staff capacity building and training methodologies • Participatory learning processes, and prototypes for action in target communities • International organizations/agencies and their contribution to Thailand Roll Back Malaria <p>The thematic working groups presented results of their discussions in the form of recommended strategies, activities, support needed, and potential partner agencies for comments and plenary discussion.</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. To seek approaches and mechanisms for mutual cooperation for more successful malaria control. 2. To provide an opportunity for all stakeholders to present experience and share ideas to move toward formulation of key joint strategies for collaboration in systematically advancing as appropriate and necessary. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MOPH • Mahidol University • Thai and US AFRIMS • Royal Project Bureau • Royal Thai Army • Border Patrol Police Bureau • Hilltribe Welfare Division, Ministry of Labor and Social Welfare • Office of the National Economic and Social Development Board • Office of the National Primary Education Commission • The Life Skills Dev. Foundation • IMPECT • IRC • ACTMalaria • MSF • PATH Canada • UNICEF • WHO • USAID 	<p>Workshop completed in July 2000. Participants from the wide range of organizations involved in anti-malaria efforts in Thailand were able to achieve a considerable degree of consensus on four principal strategies for rolling back malaria in Thailand.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Surveillance and response: epidemic preparedness, prevention and control 2. prompt ,Early diagnosis and effective treatment 3. Household and community prevention 4. Health system reform and decentralization to support local self-reliance in malaria control 5. Collaboration and coordination with equal partnerships among local implementing agencies <p>Program strategies, operational</p>

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				strategies, and potential partner agencies were compiled into a national strategic framework for Roll Back Malaria in Thailand.
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Participatory action research planning workshop in Chantaburi Province / <i>Effective Partnership Models</i>	Following on focus group discussions conducted with more than 200 malaria high-risk villagers in Chantaburi Province, MOPH Vector Borne Disease Control Office No. 5 organized a planning workshop with local government officials, informal employers and high-risk forest-related occupation groups from Pong Nam Ron and Soi Dao Districts. Working groups provided input into formulation of proposals for subgrants to support development of appropriate interventions for a community-based approach to malaria control in Thai-Cambodian border areas.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. To review results of focus group discussions with malaria high-risk groups. 2. To generate input on interventions emphasizing self-reliance. 3. To identify collaborating partners and their potential roles. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MOPH VBDO No. 5, VBDC, VDDUs • Chantaburi Provincial Public Health Office • District Health Offices and Health Centers • Border Patrol Police • Royal Thai Marines • Principals and teachers • Informal employers • High-risk groups • Village health vols. 	Completed in August Workshop c Input used to formulate .2001 action research proposal .2002planned for funding in FY Implementation underway on level epidemiology-community system using GIS and community awareness raising .interventions



<p>Participatory action research planning workshops in Trat Province / <i>Effective Partnership Models</i></p>	<p>MOPH Vector Borne Disease Control Office No. 5 organized two planning workshops in Trat Province, with local government officials, informal employers, subdistrict council members, and high-risk forest-related occupation groups from Bo Rai, Muang, and Klong Yai Districts. Working groups provided input into formulation of proposals for subgrants to support development of appropriate interventions for a community-based approach to malaria control in Thai-Cambodian border areas. These workshops were followed by consultations with key officials of Vector Borne Disease Control Office No. 5 on formulating a proposal for subgrant support from BAAM.</p>	<p>4. To review results of focus group discussions with malaria high-risk groups. 5. To generate input on interventions emphasizing self-reliance. 6. To identify collaborating partners and their potential roles.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • , MOPH VBDO No. 5, VBDC, VDDUs • Chantaburi Provincial Public Health Office • District Health Offices and Health Centers • Border Patrol Police • Royal Thai Army and Marines • School Principals and teachers • Informal employers • High-risk groups • Village health vols. 	<p>Workshops completed in Input used to .2001November formulate action research ing inproposal planned for fund Implementation .2002FY level-underway on community epidemiology system and community awareness raising .interventions</p>
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<p>USAID Roll Back Malaria Partners' Meeting: Informal Consultation on Monitoring Anti-malarial Drug Quality and Use Practices / <i>Surveillance of MDR Malaria</i></p>	<p>BAAM Project Coordinating Unit organized a series of meetings from September 12-14, 2001 for consultations on monitoring drug quality and use practices among representatives of USAID Roll Back Malaria partners in Thailand, Cambodia, the U.S.A, and WHO.</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. To identify important issues related to drug quality control and drug use practices in border areas; 2. To identify priority actions needed to initiate study and monitoring of drug quality and use practices as components of sentinel surveillance; 3. To identify potential implementing actors in study and monitoring of drug quality and use practices; 4. To identify opportunities for technical cooperation, and support needed to implement study and monitoring of drug quality and use practices. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • USAID • WHO • Royal Thai Government Ministry of Public Health • Cambodian Ministry of Health • US Pharmacopeia • Management Sciences for Health • ACTMalaria • K.I.Asia - BAAM PCU 	<p>The consultation meetings are completed. The consultations resulted in identification of important issues and priority actions needed to initiate/implement study and monitoring of drug quality and drug use practices as integral components of sentinel surveillance of anti-malarial drug resistance with a focus on Thailand and Cambodia.</p>
<p>Training of village malaria volunteers and/health / district council members-sub <i>Health System Reform – Decentralized Response Strategies and Effective Partnership Models</i></p>	<p>BAAM Project Coordinating Unit collaborated with VBDO Nos. 1 and 2 to organize 2 training workshops for village -malaria volunteers and sub/health district council members on in-depth community malaria situation analysis; prevention, control and treatment of malaria; and coordinating planning for community action against malaria.</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. To increase knowledge, attitudes and behavior related to malaria. 2. To understand analysis of risk and community malaria epidemiological situation. 3. To prepare for collaboration with schools in analyzing alternative actions and formulating community malaria action plans. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ,2and 1 .VBDO No VBDCs and VBDUs • malaria/Village health volunteers • district council-Sub members • Provincial Primary Offices Education • The Life Skills Development Foundation 	<p>Training workshops were .2002completed in February district-Volunteers and sub council members from 25communities served by districts have 4schools in increased knowledge about ,risk analysis/situation ,malaria and are prepared to -collaborate in school community malaria action</p>



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Write shop to summarize one year implementation of the Partnerships for a School-based Approach to Community Action Against Malaria Project / <i>Effective Partnership Models</i>	BAAM Project Coordinating Unit collaborated with the Special Projects Office of the Office of the National Primary Education Commission to organize a write shop to summarize implementation at the whole-school level and at each grade level from kindergarten to grade 9 under the Partnerships for a School-based Approach to Community Action Against Malaria Project.	1. To summarize results of first year implementation including learning processes, curriculum linkages, and teaching plans.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Special Projects Office of the Office of the National Primary Education Commission • Provincial and District Offices of Primary Education • The Life Skills Development Foundation • BAAM PCU 	Writeshops completed in April .2004 ,2003 ,2002 schools 40Representatives of provinces summarized 4in learning ,implementation ,life skills ,content ,processes ,ultsres ,solutions &problems .benefits



<p>Transfer of technology training on preparing and purifying pLDH and pGAPDH for raising monoclonal antibodies / <i>Increased Access to Rapid Parasitological Diagnosis and Effective Treatment</i></p>	<p>Dr. Pongwit Bualombai of the Malaria Division was sent to the University of Manchester to participate in a short training course on preparing and purifying pLDH and pGAPDH for raising monoclonal antibodies. If this is successful, it will be followed by research and development to determine the feasibility of local production of dipstick dye immunoassays utilizing dye particle-linked monoclonal antibodies developed against pLDH and pGAPDH for malaria antigen detection of both P. falciparum and non-P. Falciparum.</p>	<p>1. Transfer of technology on preparing and purifying pLDH and pGAPDH for raising monoclonal antibodies</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Malaria Division, Department of Communicable Disease Control, MOPH • National Institute of Health, Department of Medical Sciences, MOPH 	<p>Dr. Pongwit Bualombai is undergoing training at the Department of Molecular Biology, University of Manchester, and will return in July.</p>
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