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CLASSIFICATION
PROJECT EVALUATION SUMMARY (PES) - PART I

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1. PROJECT TITLE PVO Co-Financing The Asia Foundation/Population (TAF/Pop)	2. PROJECT NUMBER 388-0010-04	3. MISSION/AID/W OFFICE Bangladesh
	4. EVALUATION NUMBER (Enter the number maintained by the reporting unit e.g., Country or AID/W Administrative Code, Fiscal Year, Serial No. beginning with No. 1 each FY) <input type="checkbox"/> REGULAR EVALUATION <input type="checkbox"/> SPECIAL EVALUATION	

5. KEY PROJECT IMPLEMENTATION DATES			6. ESTIMATED PROJECT FUNDING A. Total \$ 500,000 B. U.S. \$ 500,000	7. PERIOD COVERED BY EVALUATION	
A. First PRO-AG or Equivalent FY 79	B. Final Obligation Expected FY 79	C. Final Input Delivery FY 82		From (month/yr.) September 1979	To (month/yr.) September 1981

B. ACTION DECISIONS APPROVED BY MISSION OR AID/W OFFICE DIRECTOR

A. List decisions and/or unresolved issues; cite those items needing further study. (NOTE: Mission decisions which anticipate AID/W or regional office action should specify type of document, e.g., airgram, SPAR, PIO, which will present detailed request.)	B. NAME OF OFFICER RESPONSIBLE FOR ACTION	C. DATE ACTION TO BE COMPLETED
1. Prepare a "modus operandi" statement on USAID-TAF sub-project relations.	USAID: Conly TAF: Wallen	Oct. 1981
2. Submit Second Annual Report incorporating more statistical data on family planning acceptors and continuation rates in sub-project programs.	TAF: Wallen	Oct.-Nov. 1981

8. INVENTORY OF DOCUMENTS TO BE REVISED PER ABOVE DECISIONS

<input type="checkbox"/> Project Paper	<input type="checkbox"/> Implementation Plan e.g., CPI Network	<input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Financial Plan	<input type="checkbox"/> PIO/T	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Logical Framework	<input type="checkbox"/> PIO/C	<input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Project Agreement	<input type="checkbox"/> PIO/P	_____

10. ALTERNATIVE DECISIONS ON FUTURE OF PROJECT

A. Continue Project Without Change

B. Change Project Design and/or Change Implementation Plan

C. Discontinue Project

11. PROJECT OFFICER AND HOST COUNTRY OR OTHER RANKING PARTICIPANTS AS APPROPRIATE (Names and Titles)

PRO: ITBuxell [Signature] PRO: LKCrاندall [Signature]
 PHAW: SConly [Signature] TAF: SWallen [Signature]
 PHAW: CGurney [Signature]

12. Mission/AID/W Office Director Approval

Signature [Signature]
 Typed Name Frank B. Kimball
 Date _____

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13. **SUMMARY:** The evaluation review focused on the past two years of project implementation. The overall results of the evaluation are that although the project had a slow start in the first year of operation the programming of sub-activities has picked up and the sub-grants have become more diverse. Sub-project implementation is generally satisfactory. The following is a summary of the evaluation's specific conclusions/recommendations.

GRANT MANAGEMENT

Implementation of subgrant activities under the Grant got off to a slow start. Only three projects have been operating for a significant period of time. Another three subgrants were recently made, and one proposal approved by USAID has been pending BDG approval for over a year. Delays in obtaining BDG approvals for subgrant activities and vacancies in TAF's Dacca office have been the major factors in slow start-up of Grant activities. However, if third year allocations are included, all funds provided under the Grant have now been programmed, if not actually obligated by TAF. TAF is presently identifying new projects for these third-year funds in anticipation of follow-on funding from AID.

PROJECT DESIGN

The review of TAF's present portfolio of subgrants indicates an increasing emphasis on funding integrated projects with rural organizations. TAF has been willing to innovate and to utilize the flexibility in the Grant Agreement. At the same time, it is important for TAF to bear in mind that the primary purpose of the Grant, i.e., family planning service delivery, should not be de-emphasized. TAF was encouraged to attempt to involve local BDG officials more closely in the planning process of rural projects, so as to ensure coordination of service activities as well as BDG cooperation in contraceptive supply. It was noted that TAF had incorporated into recent proposals AID's previous recommendation that more attention be given to establishment of quantitative service delivery targets.

For those projects with income generation components, it was agreed that the design of such components encourage establishment of economic activities on a profit-oriented basis as soon as feasible, and that ways be sought to minimize subsidies for such activities.

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IMPLEMENTATION AND MONITORING

TAF has monitored ongoing subgrants closely and satisfactorily.

EVALUATION

The discussion of sub-grants revealed the need to incorporate in the annual assessments whatever quantitative data are available on subgrant accomplishments. The second annual report, presently under preparation, should also attempt to incorporate quantitative measures of how subgrants that do not actually provide family planning services contribute to acceptability of family planning and to contraceptive prevalence (for example, the CWFP Mothers' Clubs and MCH Centers Project).

The evaluation concluded that since income generation components were being introduced largely on an experimental basis, projects such as Dedicated Women for Family Planning, Comilla, should be closely examined at the end of the Grant period to assess whether this concept is appropriate to social service projects and if self-sufficiency is indeed a realistic objective for most subgrantees.

NEW PROJECT DEVELOPMENT

AID requested and TAF agreed that prior to AID's site visits to proposed TAF-subgrantees, TAF would provide some documentation on planned project activities to AID; AID felt this was necessary to assess the capability of the proposed subgrantee as well as the viability of the proposed activity. However, AID agreed with TAF that site visits could be made prior to formal submission of a proposal, in order to expedite the approval process.

14. METHODOLOGY

USAID and TAF held a joint evaluation meeting to assess progress during the first two years of funding under this Grant for family planning activities. The methodology used for the evaluation was a review of the present portfolio of approved subgrants, and identification of broad areas of strength and weakness through mutual discussion. The detailed description of project and subgrant performance is to be found in the second annual progress report, considered a part of this PES.