

EAST ASIA AND PACIFIC REGION – LAO PDR
Portfolio

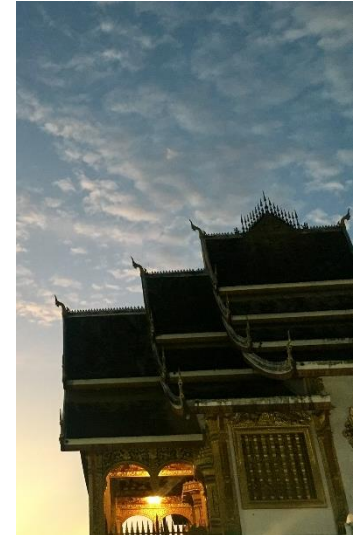
COUNTRY PARTNERSHIP FRAMEWORK

The World Bank Group’s Country Partnership Framework in Lao PDR (2017-2021) focuses on three main focus areas and one crosscutting theme:

- Supporting inclusive growth
- Investing in people
- Protecting the environment

The crosscutting theme is strengthening institutions to establish a rules-based environment.

The World Bank Group’s Country Partnership Framework 2017-2021 supports the Government’s 8th National Socio-Economic Development Plan 2016-2020.



PORTFOLIO IN LAO PDR

The World Bank financed portfolio in Lao PDR includes:

- Studies / Advisory Services and Analytics
- 14 projects (as of April 2018)

Funding for projects

World Bank / IDA funding	USD 362 million
Development partner funding via Trust Funds	USD 53 million
Total project budget commitment	USD 415 million

WORLD BANK PORTFOLIO IN LAO PDR AS OF APRIL 2018

Project Name	Approval Date	Closing Date	Budget (million USD)	% Disbursed	Undisbursed Balance (million USD)	Implementing Agency	Project Development Objective
Focus area 1: Supporting inclusive growth							
Second Trade Development Facility Project	28 Mar 13	30 Sep 18	15.2	85%	2.4	Ministry of Industry and Commerce	Support the implementation of government's trade and integration priorities, in particular to improve competitiveness and diversification outside the natural resource sectors
Small and Medium Enterprise Access to Finance Project	9 Jun 14	30 Jun 19	20.0	79%	4.1	Ministry of Industry and Commerce	Provide long-term funding sources for banks to provide long-term credit to SMEs
Power Grid Improvement Project	23 Jun 15	31 Mar 20	30.0	50%	15.1	<i>Electricite du Laos</i> , Ministry of Energy and Mines	Improve efficiency and reliability of power distribution in the selected load areas served by
Road Sector Project II	13 Dec 16	31 Aug 22	25.0	5%	23.9	Ministry of Public Works and Transport	Strengthen maintenance systems to improve reliable road connectivity and provide immediate and effective response in case of crisis or emergency
Poverty Reduction Fund III	24 May 16	30 Jun 20	30.0	44%	16.8	Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry	Improve access to basic services for the project's targeted poor communities
Focus area 2: Investing in people							
Health Governance and Nutrition Development Project <i>(includes Additional Financing approved in September 2017)</i>	23 Jun 15	31 Dec 20	41.4	40%	25.0	Ministry of Health	Increase coverage of reproductive, maternal and child health, and nutrition services in target areas
Second Global Partnership for Education	14 Apr 15	15 Jul 19	16.8	13%	14.6	Ministry of Education and Sports	Support the government in improving pre-primary and primary education quality
Early Childhood Education Project	2 Apr 14	31 Jul 19	28.0	57%	12.0	Ministry of Education and Sports	Increase coverage and improve the quality of early childhood education services

WORLD BANK PORTFOLIO IN LAO PDR AS OF APRIL 2018 (CONTINUED)

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Focus area 3: Protecting the environment							
Second Lao Environment and Social Project	02 Apr 14	30 Jun 21	38.8	31%	26.6	Environmental Protection Fund	Strengthen the management systems for protected areas conservation and for enforcement of wildlife laws
Scaling-Up Participatory Sustainable Forest Management	31 May 13	31 Aug 18	31.8	85%	4.7	Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry	Execute REDD+ activities through participatory sustainable forest management and pilot forest landscape management
Green Resilient Growth DPF	31 May 17	30 Jun 18	38.6	100%	0.0	Ministry of Finance	Support the Government in achieving fiscal stability and consolidating its pathway towards green growth
Technical Assistance for Capacity Development in Hydropower and Mining Sector	12 Jan 10	30 Sep 18	25.8	84%	4.1	Ministry of Energy and Mines	Increase human capacity and improve the performance of Government oversight institutions for the hydropower and mining sectors
Mekong Integrated Water Resources Management <i>(includes Additional Financing approved in July 2016)</i>	8 Mar 12	31 Mar 21	43.0	44%	24.0	Ministry of Natural Resources and Environment, Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry, Mekong River Commission	Establish key examples of integrated water resources management practices in the lower Mekong Basin
Lao PDR Southeast Asia Disaster Risk Management Project	6 Jul 17	31 Oct 22	31.0	0%	31.0	Ministry of Public Works and Transport, Ministry of Natural Resources and Environment, Ministry of Planning and Investment, Ministry of Finance	Reduce the impacts of flooding in Muang Xay and enhance the Government's capacity to provide hydro-meteorological services and disaster response
Total			415.4	51%	204.1		

STUDIES / ADVISORY SERVICES AND ANALYTICS (ASA)

Sector	Study Title	Status (Fiscal year)
Education	Programmatic Studies on Quality of Education in Lao PDR	
	Early Childhood Education Impact Evaluation and Data Analysis and Dissemination of Results	2019
Energy and Extractives	Renewable Energy Resource Mapping: Lao PDR Nam Theun 2 Lao Development Multimedia Story	2018 2019
Environment and Natural Resources	Capacity Building for Sustainable Natural Resource Management	
	Lao Green Growth Potential	2019
	Developing Nature-Based Tourism Sustainability in Lao PDR Forests	2019 2019
Governance	Public Finance Management Modernization Strategy	2019
	Governance Programmatic ASA for SEA	2019
Health, Nutrition and Population	Programmatic Studies on Health	
	Nutrition Knowledge, Attitude, and Practice Survey Report	2018
Finance and Markets	Financial Sector Development	2019
Macroeconomics and Fiscal Management	Lao Economic Monitor Public Expenditure Analysis	Annual Publication 2018
Poverty	Programmatic Studies on Poverty	
Social Protection and Labor	Addressing Vulnerability Through Social Protection	2019
Trade and Competitiveness	Programmatic Trade Analytical Program	2019
	• <i>Understanding Linkages among Agricultural Input and Output Markets in Lao PDR</i>	2019
	• <i>Lao PDR Special Economic Zones: Performance and Domestic Linkages</i>	2019
	• <i>Improving Business Climate and Ease of Doing Business</i>	2019
	• <i>Poverty Impact of Regulatory Restrictions Affecting Cross-Border Trade in Lao PDR</i>	2019
Land	Land Management ASA	2019
Infrastructure	Railway Assessment ASA	2019
Information Communications Technology	ICT Strategy ASA	2019

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