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### Quick Facts

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| **Countries** | Vietnam |
| **Specific Location** | National-wide |
| **Financial Institutions** | World Bank (WB) |
| **Status** | Active |
| **Bank Risk Rating** | C |
| **Voting Date** | 2017-04-13 |
| **Borrower** | Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development (MARD) of Vietnam |
| **Sectors** | Agriculture and Forestry, Industry and Trade |
| **Investment Type(s)** | Grant |
| **Investment Amount (USD)** | $ 1.80 million |
| **Project Cost (USD)** | $ 1.80 million |

**Project Description**

The recently completed ARP prepared by the MARD shifts the orientation of sectoral goals from physical targets to indicators related to the triple bottom line of sustainable development. It advocates for the sector to become market-led and consumer-driven, with the role of the government shifting from being the primary investor and service provider to being the facilitator of investments and services provided by others. The current M&E system in MARD, however, is not suitable to inform and support this restructuring process.

Decisions regarding farm enterprises, and farm policies and programs are mainly based on output oriented macro-targets (such as acreage planted or quantities produced) or technical indicators that determine adoption by farmers of technical advice and new technologies. Considerations and monitoring of indicators such as labor productivity, profitability, input use intensity and environmental sustainability are largely absent. With the restructuring envisaged sector M&E shifts its focus to sector performance indicators such as contribution to farm incomes, improvement of livelihoods, competitiveness of different crops within but also outside of Vietnam, effectiveness of public policy and investments and the sustainable and effective use of natural resources. This requires a profound understanding of farm enterprises and their economics. New data sources, actors and methodologies of joint analysis will need to be incorporated into the sector M&E to ensure that future policy reforms and decisions on investments are based on sound information and are supported by all actors affected by the policies.

In addition to developing a new set of sector performance and ARP indicators, it is equally important to carry out the following complementary activities: (i) analysis and clarification of roles and services of MARD and DARD government agencies in the ARP; (ii) capacity development to change/adjust work processes (including support to strengthening inter-departmental cooperation mechanisms) to better fulfill MARD functions especially in the context of M&E; (iii) capacity building to MARD departments entailing market oriented planning requirements and processes, project analysis, economic analysis and M&E skills, communication of ARP objectives, roles and functions throughout the entire country; and (iv) sector M&E including sector-wide planning and performance monitoring; technical assistance and capacity building for policy analysis, policy formulation and coordination of policy implementation.

## Investment Description

- World Bank (WB)

Japan Policy and Human Resources Development Fund US$ 1.80 million

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**Bank Documents**

- Integrated Safeguards Data Sheet (Concept Stage) - MARD M&E; Capacity Building - P159760 (English) [Original Source]
- Project Information Document (Concept Stage) - MARD M&E; Capacity Building - P159760 (English) [Original Source]