PRIMEX EXPERIENCE IN COASTAL AND MARINE RESOURCE MANAGEMENT

Coastal and marine resource management (CMRM) is PRIMEX's core sector, with the Company's completed projects in this sector comprising more than half of its engagements in the last 32 years. PRIMEX takes pride in being the <u>only</u> developing country consulting firm with distinct specialization and a solid track record in the planning and management of CMRM (including fisheries) projects in the Asia-Pacific region. PRIMEX has worked with multilateral and bilateral financing institutions (such as the Asian Development Bank [ADB], the World Bank [WB], and USAID), government agencies (like the Department of Agriculture – Bureau of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources [DA-BFAR]), and the private sector) in the planning and execution of their CMRM and fisheries projects utilizing multisectoral and participatory approaches and techniques. PRIMEX's assignments in this sector range from project preparation to implementation, midterm or end-of-project assessment, as well as impact evaluation, in several of the 37 countries, where its services have been engaged by various clients. The Company also has an excellent pool of international and national technical specialists in various fields and disciplines related to CMRM and fisheries.

PRIMEX designed most of ADB's projects in the marine and coastal resources sector in the region between 1991 and 2006. These include the *Fisheries Resource Management Project (FRMP)* in the Philippines in 1996, the Coastal Community Development and Fisheries Resource Management (COFISH) Project in Indonesia in 1996-1997, the Coastal Resource Management Project (CRMP) in Sri Lanka in 1998-1999, the Coral Reef Rehabilitation and Management Project, Phase II (COREMAP-II) in Indonesia in 2002, the Integrated Coastal Resource Management Project (ICRMP) in the Philippines in 2002-2003, the Integrated Coastal Fisheries Resource Management Project (ICFRMP) in Indonesia in 2005-2006, and the CRM-based Livelihood Improvement in the Central Coastal Provinces (LICCP) in Viet Nam, also in 2005-2006. **PRIMEX** also subsequently provided project management consulting services to the government executing agencies during the implementation of *FRMP* (1998-2006) and *COFISH* (1998-2005). From 2012–2017, PRIMEX led the implementation of the ADB Regional Technical Assistance for Strengthening Coastal and Marine Resource Management - Southeast Asia (TA 7813-REG), which covered Indonesia, Malaysia, and the Philippines. In November 2020, PRIMEX was engaged by DA-BFAR to conduct the Feasibility Study of the Philippine Fisheries and Coastal Resiliency (FishCORE) Project, which has been recently approved by the Philippine Government for funding by the World Bank through a US\$200-million loan. In the last 10 years, PRIMEX's engagements in this sector include the following:

- Supporting Water Security Investments Facility (TA-9951 INO): Subproject 4—Preparation of the Infrastructure Improvement for Shrimp Aquaculture Project, Indonesia, September 2021—April 2022 (for ADB);
- Feasibility Study of the Philippine Fisheries and Coastal Resiliency (FishCORE) Project, November 2020–November 2021 (for DA-BFAR);
- Midterm Performance Evaluation of the USAID Sustainable Ecosystems Advanced (SEA) Project, September 2019–July 2020 (for USAID/Indonesia);
- Feasibility Study of the Expansion and Improvement of the General Santos Fish Port Complex, Philippines, August 2018–August 2020 (for the National Economic and Development Authority [NEDA] and the DA-Philippine Fisheries Development Authority [PFDA]);
- Strengthening Coastal and Marine Resources Management in the Coral Triangle of the Pacific (Phase 2) (ADB TA 7753-REG)—Evaluation Specialist, October—December 2018 (for ADB);
- Formulation of the 10-year Maritime Industry Development Program (MIDP), Philippines, June–December 2018 (for the Maritime Industry Authority [MARINA]);
- Coastal and Marine Resources Management in the Coral Triangle: Southeast Asia (Indonesia, Malaysia, and the Philippines) (ADB TA 7813-REG), August 2012–December 2017 (for ADB);
- USAID Ecosystems Improved for Sustainable Fisheries (ECOFISH) Program, Philippines, October 2012–November 2017 (for USAID/Philippines); and
- Sustainable Aquaculture Development for Food Security and Poverty Reduction: Study of Project Impact on Project Outcome and Preparation of the Second Phase Project, Indonesia (ADB LOAN 2285-INO [SF]), October 2012–January 2013 (for the Ministry of Marine Affairs and Fisheries [MMAF]).

