

PRIMEX EXPERIENCE IN THE PORT DEVELOPMENT

PRIMEX has extensive experience in the study and development of various types of ports from its inception in 1989, as an offshoot of its expertise in the agriculture and fisheries sectors. A decade or so later, **PRIMEX** started in its involvement in the transport sector and developed expertise in the study of cargo and passenger ports throughout the Philippines and Southeast Asia.

In 1989, soon after its establishment, **PRIMEX** served as the Philippine associate of the Singaporean Lead Firm that prepared the detailed feasibility study and preliminary engineering design for the proposed *General Santos Agricultural Processing Center (GSAPC)* with funding from the Singapore Trade Development Board (TDB). From 2009–2010, **PRIMEX** fielded an economist and financial analyst in the *JICA-funded Preparatory Survey (Stage 2) for the Nationwide Fishing Ports Project (Package III)*, which aimed at rehabilitating and establishing fish port complexes in strategic fish landing centers nationwide equipped with facilities, such as breakwater, landing quay, market halls, refrigeration and processing facilities, slipways, and others. During the same period, **PRIMEX** participated in the conduct of a *Fish Landing and Marketing Survey (FLMS)* and a *Problem and Needs Assessment of Stakeholders* in 15 municipal fish ports/traditional landing sites, five regional fish ports, and one satellite port, also funded by JICA.

PRIMEX provided various experts for the design of seaports and airports in the Pacific and Southeast Asia. At present, **PRIMEX** is providing transaction advisory services for the ADB-funded *San Ramon Newport Project* in Zamboanga City, Philippines.

Other examples of PRIMEX's sector experience in the last 10 years include the following projects:

- *Project Preparation Services for the Manila Bay-Pasig River-Laguna Lake Ferry Project, Philippines, August 2023–February 2024 (for PPPC);*
- *San Ramon New Port Project, Philippines, November 2022–December 2023 (for PPPC);*
- *Consulting Services for the Conduct of Feasibility Study of the Philippine Fisheries and Coastal Resiliency (FishCoRe) Project, Philippines, November 2020–February 2022 (for the Department of Agriculture-Bureau of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources [DA-BFAR]);*
- *Infrastructure Preparation and Innovation Facility (IPIF): Additional Financing–02: Detailed Engineering Design Consultant for the Laguna Lakeshore Road Network (LLRN), Philippines (ADB Loan 3886-PHI), January 2022–April 2023 (for the Department of Public Works and Highways [DPWH]);*
- *Sustainable and Climate-Resilient Connectivity Project (formerly Port Development Project) (Grant 0564-NAU), Nauru, January 2019–February 2024 (for ADB);*
- *Feasibility Study on the Proposed Expansion and Improvement of the General Santos Fish Port Complex (GSFPC), Philippines, August 2018–July 2020 (for the National Economic and Development Authority [NEDA]);*
- *Formulation of the 10-year Maritime Industry Development Program (MIDP), Philippines, May 2018 – January 2019 (for the Maritime Industry Authority [MARINA]);*
- *Strengthening Public-Private Partnerships in the Philippines (TA 7796-PHI): San Ramon Newport Project, Philippines, September 2017–August 2020 (for PPPC and ADB);*
- *Tuvalu Outer Island Infrastructure Project – Project Design Advance (ADB Grant 6003-TUV): Detailed Engineering Design Consultant, Tuvalu, March–September 2016 (for the Ministry of Communication and Transport);*
- *Maritime and Safety Waterways (ADB Loan 2978-PNG), Papua New Guinea, February 2015–April 2019 (for National Maritime Safety Authority [NMSA]);*
- *Ecosystems Improved for Sustainable Fisheries (ECOFISH) Program, Philippines, October 2012–June 2017 (for USAID and DA/BFAR); and*
- *Regional Technical Assistance for Coastal and Marine Resource Management in the Coral Triangle: Southeast Asia (TA 7813-REG), Indonesia, Malaysia, and the Philippines, August 2012–December 2017 (for ADB).*