

Australia Indonesia Partnership for Decentralisation (AIPD)



Client

AusAID

Location

Indonesia

Sector

Governance, Education, Health and Infrastructure

Program Value

AUS\$61 million

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Overview

The Australia Indonesia Partnership for Decentralisation (AIPD) builds on the experience and established systems and mechanisms of the Australia Nusa Tenggara Assistance for Regional Autonomy (ANTARA) program which ended on 31 December 2010.

AIPD is designed as a flexible and responsive program to allow the Government of Australia (GoA) to support the Government of Indonesia (GoI) to effectively implement its decentralisation policies, with a particular focus on improving essential service delivery.

One issue stands out as being of particular strategic importance, namely improved resource allocation and management, at the heart of which is Public Finance Management (PFM) leading to better allocation of financial resources. By improved allocation of resources AIPD aims to contribute to improved delivery of essential health, education and infrastructure services by Provincial and Local Governments (P / LG) in some of Indonesia's poorest provinces.

AIPD will work not only with targeted provincial and district administrations, but also with provincial and district parliaments, civil society stakeholders, media and with selected government central agencies. It will thus support both 'supply' and 'demand' side stakeholders.

Approach and Cardno's Role

Cardno will provide analytical, technical and administrative support for the effective and efficient development, implementation and monitoring of AIPD.

AIPD support will be provided in three main areas:

- Building the capacity of 'supply-side' stakeholders to more effectively allocate and manage available resources, particularly through developing improved PFM (Public Financial Management) systems and skills;
- Support the generation, analysis, sharing and use of knowledge about what works and what does not in the context of decentralisation and improved service delivery, promote peer to peer learning opportunities, and evidence based policy responses; and
- Support 'demand-side' stakeholders to more actively and effectively engage in and influence resource allocation and management decision making by local authorities (both executive and legislature). Enhancing the 'voice' of traditionally marginalised groups, including women and the poor, will be given specific priority.