

# TECHNICAL COOPERATION PROJECT SUMMARY

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<b>PROJECT TITLE</b>	<b>PHILIPPINES: PREPARATORY ACTIVITIES FOR A TIMEBOUND PROGRAM (TBP)</b>
<b>REGION/COUNTRY</b>	ASIA/Philippines
<b>PROJECT DURATION</b>	July 2001 – March 2003
<b>FISCAL YEAR &amp; FUNDING LEVEL</b>	FY2001 (FY1999 funds): USD 66,506
<b>PROBLEM TO BE ADDRESSED</b>	The Government of the Philippines, the National Child Labor Committee, and other committed partners have made combating child labor a priority concern in the Philippines. An estimated 4 million children aged 5-17, or 16.2 percent of that age group, were working in 2001. About 60 percent, or 2.4 million, were engaged in hazardous work. Many of those children are working in the worst forms of child labor (WFCL).
<b>RESULTS</b>	Conducted research on the incidence of child labor in the sugar cane plantations, mining and quarrying, pyrotechnics production, deep-sea fishing, domestic work, and the commercial sexual exploitation of children, including regions where such child labor is prevalent. Targeted decision makers for awareness raising as well as involvement in the consultative process of creating a TBP for the Philippines, utilizing the existing National Program Against Child Labor (NPACL).
<b>PROJECT OBJECTIVES</b>	Development Objective: Contribute to the elimination of worst forms of child labor (WFCL) in the Philippines.
<b>SUMMARY OF ACTIVITIES</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Initiated a highly consultative process of involving partners from government, workers and employers groups, NGOs, and civil society in the formulation of a strategy/action plan against child labor through a TBP;</li><li>• Conducted cursory assessments of the six priority groups of children in WFCL and mapped existing activities to assist those groups; and</li><li>• Mobilized a technical working group of major stakeholders to develop a TBP, including holding a national workshop to discuss possible interventions.</li></ul>
<b>GRANTEE</b>	International Labor Organization's International Program on the Elimination of Child Labor (ILO-IPEC)
<b>IMPLEMENTING PARTNERS</b>	ILO Convention 182 Implementation team (comprised of representatives of: Department of Labor and Employment (DOLE) Bureau of Women and Young Workers; DOLE Institute for Labor Studies;

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Department of Education – Bureau of Elementary  
Education; DOE Bureau of Non-Formal Education;  
Visayan Forum; Kamalayan Development Foundation,  
Educational Research and Development Assistance  
Foundation Inc (ERDA); CO-Multiversity, Employers’  
Confederation of the Philippines; Federation of Free  
Workers, Trade Union Congress of the Philippines;  
NPACL network.

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