

Malaysia

Malaysia Anti-Corruption Academy (MACA)

1 Project Summary

Project Title:

Malaysia Anti-Corruption Academy (MACA)

Priority Area for Reform:

Pillar I ... Developing Effective and Transparent Systems for Public Service

Implementing Institution:

Anti Corruption Agency (ACA). Malaysia

Contact Person:

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Beginning and End of the Project:

Beginning: 2004

End: 2006

2 Project Context

Which deficiencies and/or problems that allow corruption to proliferate does the project address and aim to resolve? Please outline the related current legal or institutional framework and its weaknesses or the exact circumstances that require improvement:

Corruption is a threat to Malaysia in achieving her planned national development towards becoming a developed nation. Despite all and every efforts taken by the government to curb corruption in this country, the evil is still an obstacle in the aspiration to achieve the above said objective. Legislature alone is not sufficient to tackle this problem if the personnel enforcing it not equipped with up to date knowledge and skill. Realizing this, Malaysia needs to have anti corruption officers that are knowledgeable, skillful, motivated and committed.

3 Expected Outcome of the Project

in relation to the above mentioned deficiencies and/or problems, which concrete improvements are expected to be achieved through the project? In which way does the project help to curb corruption?

1. MACA with its advanced facilities may produce anti corruption officers with the required skill and knowledge.
2. Experts engaged by MACA are able to deliver up to date techniques and tactics of investigation, intelligence, prosecution and prevention to the anti corruption officers.
3. The establishment of MACA allows ACA to train its officers frequently in large number of participants.

4. Trainings conducted at MACA are expected to be able to produce knowledgeable, skillful, motivated and committed ACA officers.

4 Components – Main Activities – Method

What are the project's components, implementation steps, main activities and/or methods to achieve the above mentioned outcome and objectives?

1. Building up an academy complex.
2. Setting up various schools in the academy.
3. Furnishing the academy with sufficient facilities.
4. Employing sufficient and experienced staffing.
5. Outlining up to date training courses.
6. Identifying appropriate experts.

5 Involvement of non-governmental actors

In which way does the project involve civil society actors or other stakeholders and have they been consulted during the project development phase?

Not applicable.

6 Related Projects under the 1st Implementation Cycle

Is the project linked to reforms accomplished under the Action Plan's 1st Implementation Cycle? In which way does this project follow up previous activities?

Not applicable.

7 Project Financing and Budget

Approved or estimated overall project budget:

RM25,000,000.00

Is external funding required?

There are enquiries from countries to use our facilities, both the manpower and physical amenities and we are receptive to these requests if they are backed by institutional funding.

If external funding is required, have donor organisations been approached yet, and have any commitments been made?

Discussion is being carried out to finalize.

If external funding is required, what percentage of the total project costs requires external funding?

Not applicable.

8 Technical Assistance

Is external technical assistance required? Have relevant agencies been approached and have they made any commitments?

Discussion has been held with UNDP for assistance to look into the possibilities of capability and capacity building projects.

Implementation Assessment

9 Output Evaluation

Has the impact of the project on the identified deficiency (cf. item 2 above) been measured or evaluated? Please describe the evaluation method and the outcome.

No. MACA starts its operation in December 2005. The impact of this project can't be carried out because it is still new to be evaluated.

10 Overall Project Assessment

Did the project meet the defined goal (cf. item 3 above)? Did the project remedy the deficiency identified (cf. item 2 above)? Has the project been fully implemented in the foreseen timeframe (cf. item 1 above)?

Not applicable. The project (establishing the first phase of MACA) has been fully implemented.

11 Project Design Changes (if any)

Have any modifications to the project been made in the course of its implementation compared to the initial design of the project (cf. item 4 above)? What circumstances made these changes advisable or necessary?

No modifications.

12 Major Lessons Learned

Given the assessment of the project above, what experience can be drawn from the implementation of this project for future reform projects under the Anti-Corruption Action Plan?

Not applicable

13 Follow-Up

Is it planned to continue or extend this project or to continue a linked reform project? Which measures have been taken to ensure the sustainability of the outcome and the future assessment of the project's impact?

The establishment of MACA is in two phases. The first phase is completed. The second phase will take place in the 9th Malaysia Plan with allocation of RM80,000,000.00. Under the second phase of establishment, the complex of MACA will be built with hostel, staff quarters, auditorium and multi purpose hall. Number of training courses to be increased with more participation from foreign participants and experts.