

Peru

Health Service Strengthening Project



Medical supplies provided to health posts

Outline of Loan Agreement

Loan Amount / Disbursed Amount	2,240 million yen / 2,221 million yen
Loan Agreement	April 1994
Terms & Conditions	Interest rate 3.0%p.a. Repayment period 30 years (Grace period 10 years)
Final Disbursement Date	July 1999

Project Outline

Medical equipment and medical supplies were to be provided to hospitals and health posts in Peru with the aim of improving healthcare services for the poorest strata of society.

Results and Evaluation

The project was a sector program covering improvements to public healthcare establishments, decisions on investment plans, and organizational strengthening of the Ministry of Health (MINSAs), and was co-financed by the Inter-American Development Bank (IDB) and a yen loan. On the equipment/medical supplies provided to healthcare institutions, the project covered 3,516 healthcare establishments nationwide, of which 1,684 came under the yen loan (62 hospitals, 365 health centers, 1,257 health posts), and equipment, etc., was procured through 1998 based on the results of a needs survey conducted in 1994.

Project implementation resulted in the percentage of patients using public healthcare establishments increasing from 39% in 1994 to 53% in 2000. Meanwhile, the percentage of patients transferred from health posts in rural communities to healthcare establishments in urban areas decreased from 40-50% in 1994, to 12% in 2000, thus the project is recognized to have been effective in improving rural healthcare establishments.

The deterioration of national finances in recent years has brought budgetary measures for the future maintenance of project facilities into focus.