Rehabilitation of Radio and Television Networks (II)

Maintenance Center in the Suburb of Jakarta

Outline of Loan Agreement

Loan Amount/ Loan Disbursed Amount	¥708 million / ¥708 million
Loan Agreement	October 1993 / November 1993
Terms and Conditions	Interest rate: 2.6%, Repayment period: 30 years (grace period: 10 years)
Final Disbursement Date	December 1998

Project Profile

Broadcasting facilities in Jakarta and two other cities were functioning poorly due to dilapidation and inadequate maintenance. The project was to enhance the functions of the maintenance centers which serve them (the centers were built under phase I of the project) to improve the broadcasting facilities and establish a viable maintenance scheme.

Results and Evaluation

It is very difficult to evaluate the degree to which the project attained its objective, partly due to the nature of the project. However, the results of interviews with related agencies for this study indicate that the maintenance centers equiped and improved under the project were able to provide effective maintenance for the broadcasting facilities and equipment of TVRI (the state TV broadcasting station) and RRI (the state radio broadcasting station). In doing so, it succeeded in improving the quality of program content and the reception of broadcasts. The project also carried out an advisory service on preventive maintenance, which is observed to have assisted in improving maintenance schemes in the broadcasting sector.

The abolition of the Ministry of Information, which was the executing agency for the project, was decided in October 1999, and TVRI and RRI were made independent agencies from July 2000. They are now under the jurisdiction of the Ministry of Finance State-owned Enterprise Supervisory Department. Staff from TVRI and RRI are seconded to the Maintenance Center to work on operation and maintenance there. The Center receives the bare minimum maintenance costs from the Ministry of Finance via TVRI and RRI, but budgetary measures will have to be taken in future when equipment has to be replaced.