

Port-Louis City Landslide Protection Project



Project site (La Butte area)

Outline of Loan Agreement

Loan Amount / Disbursed Amount	2,922 million yen / 1,240 million yen
Loan Agreement	August 1994
Terms & Conditions	Interest rate 3.0%p.a. Repayment period 25 years (Grace period 7 years)
Final Disbursement Date	December 1999

Project Outline

In consideration of landslide damage to the La Butte area in the west of the capital of Port Louis triggered by the rainy season in 1986-87, ground reinforcement work based on the construction of drainage canals and steel piling was undertaken, with the aim of preventing landslides, stabilizing the livelihoods of residents and improving the living environment.

Results and Evaluation

This project was implemented in line with the International Decade for Natural Disaster Reduction (IDNDR: 1990~99) and utilized Japanese disaster prevention technologies. The landslides of 1986-87 caused major damage to houses, roads, and public facilities in the project area, however, no conspicuous landslides have been observed since the project was complete in June 1998. This has resulted in the lifting of a ban on new construction of houses, etc., that was imposed in 1989 before the implementation of the project, and it is anticipated that plans for the redevelopment of the area will be formulated and implemented.

Some of the residents in the project area have requested assistance to cover repairs to houses destroyed during previous landslides. In addition, it is also necessary to improve analysis skills among the staff of the executing agency for the data analysis measured by the extensometers which were introduced under this project, and to procure spare parts.

Accordingly, it is considered necessary to monitor the situation of the project site continuously, including a thorough investigation of their condition by a geologist, and to examine the need for additional technical assistance based on the findings.