

About AIPD

AIPD helps make decentralisation work. AIPD supports Indonesia's efforts to improve health, education and infrastructure services, especially in poor and remote areas. We do this by strengthening the machinery of government at district and provincial levels, thus giving local governments the capacity to plan, budget and evaluate priority programs. AIPD also contributes toward decentralisation policy development at the national and sub-national levels. The program aims to make deliberate impact on governance to improve basic service delivery in health and education in Indonesia.

AIPD operates in five provinces, namely, East Java, West Nusa Tenggara, East Nusa Tenggara, West Papua and Papua, and in 20 districts in these provinces. At the national level, AIPD supports the Ministry of Finance (MOF), the Ministry of Home Affairs (MOHA), and Bappenas.

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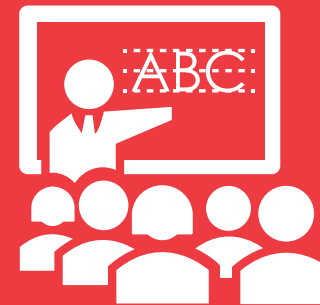
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Technical Support Facility

A one-stop shop for technical support, quality assurance, capacity building and strategic oversight on decentralisation and basic service provision



What is the TSF?

The TSF is a team of specialists that functions as a one-stop shop for technical support in sub-national governance. It is a way for all DFAT staff and programs to access AIPD's technical expertise. The TSF helps ensure that AIPD functions as a governance platform for sub-national sector programs and provides a governance perspective in tackling sector bottlenecks. The TSF also assists DFAT to engage meaningfully in the broader policy debate and dialogue on decentralisation and basic service provision in Indonesia.

What do we do?

The TSF provides technical support, quality assurance, capacity building and strategic oversight across four thematic areas in which gender considerations are fully integrated: (1) Resource allocation and management; (2) sectoral governance; (3) community-based services; and (4) open government. These services are available to all DFAT staff and program personnel, including through the provision of on-the-job training.

The TSF provides technical input to facilitate policy dialogue between the Government of Indonesia, DFAT and other international development programs.

The TSF disseminates development lessons/smart practices on decentralisation and basic service provision, and helps pilot new development models for possible replication, institutionalisation and scale-up.

The TSF is also positioned to provide technical backstopping for cross-program requirements such as fiduciary risk assessments, and user-friendly access to the key sub-national database known as DAPOER.

Our areas of technical expertise

• Resource allocation and management

Decentralisation has allowed the transfer of significant fiscal resources to the regions. Unfortunately, these resources are not being optimally allocated or managed due to systemic bottlenecks. Local governments demonstrate a clear capacity building need and appetite for assistance. Providing that assistance is a key governance intervention that supports both the aid effectiveness agenda and enables systemic improvements in basic service provision, including for health and education.

Main responsibilities

- a) Technical support, quality assurance, capacity building and strategic oversight to support program implementation at the national and sub-national levels.
- b) Technical support in planning and budgeting (including gender responsive budgeting), budget execution, and monitoring and evaluation.
- c) Strategic engagement in policy dialogue with relevant Government of Indonesia ministries and agencies, including the Ministry of Home Affairs (MOHA), the Ministry of Finance Directorate General of Fiscal Balance (DJPK), and the National Agency for Planning Development (Bappenas). Current priority areas are fiscal transfers (including village fiscal transfers), local government monitoring and evaluation and service standards.

• Sectoral governance

AIPD's support for the machinery of government (resource allocation and management) is designed to result in improved basic service delivery, especially in health and education. The TSF provides technical assistance and capacity building to bring about better and more targeted services, strengthen the capacity of civil society to monitor basic service provision and improve the management performance of basic service units.

Main responsibilities

- a) Policy dialogue and technical support to accelerate the achievement of minimum service standards.
- b) Technical support for service delivery units in planning, implementation, developing standard operating procedures, increasing access, servicing public information requests and financial, asset and data management.
- c) Support DFAT units in policy dialogue on education and health governance.

• Community-based services

Law 6/2014 on Villages intends to accelerate basic service delivery by allocating substantial resources at the village level. In anticipation of the implementation of this law, efforts are underway to strengthen capacity at the village and sub-district levels. Community participation at all stages of village development is crucial to ensure transparent use of village funds. Innovative approaches are especially encouraged to improve basic service provision in remote areas, including supporting the codification of relevant indigenous *adat* law.

Main responsibilities

- a) Strategic and technical support for village-level institutions and sub-district level institutions in coordination, planning, budgeting, implementation and monitoring for basic services.
- b) Technical support for the "one village, one plan" concept for each village, in which village-level stakeholders agree on one village budget.
- c) Facilitation for communities to demand better quantity, quality and accountability of basic service provision.
- d) Support for community participation through capacity building for village champions, village informal leaders and civil society.
- e) Support DFAT units in policy dialogue on community-based services.

• Open government

Contributing to open government initiatives is in line with Indonesia's commitment as current chair of the Open Government Partnership, a multilateral initiative to promote transparency, increase civic participation, fight corruption, and harness new technologies to make government more open, effective, and accountable. Concretely, technical and policy advice is provided to support an "active community" approach. Civil society organisations and local parliaments are empowered to perform effective oversight of planning and budgetary processes, in the view of enabling a more open government and better provision of basic services.

Main responsibilities

- a) Strategic technical guidance and support on rights to access to basic services.
- b) Support for strategic engagements with relevant GOI ministries and agencies at the national level, such as, MOHA's Directorate for Regional Heads, Local Parliaments and Inter-agency Facilitation (FKDHAL) and Bappenas.
- c) Complement DFAT units in policy dialogue on "active community" issues.