

## Project #1

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# Drafting of Operational Regulation and Procedures of the Marine Development Fund

**Project Duration:** 12 months

**Link to the CTI Timor-Leste National Plan of Action:** Goal 1 Target 4: Support sustainable alternative livelihoods and Food Security programs for communities in Coastal Communities through Poverty Reduction Initiatives that take into account Ecosystem Approach to Fisheries Management (EAFM) and integrated coastal management (ICM).

**Geographic Areas:** National (all 11 districts)

**Overview:** Article 121 of Law No. 6 Year 2006 of Timor-Leste's Fisheries Law mandates the creation of a Marine Development Fund (Fundo de Fomento Marinho e Aquicultura). The Fund shall operate within the Ministry of Planning and Finance, and shall be managed by the Minister. Contributions of to the Fund are from the following sources:

- compensations and tariffs paid for the granting or issuance of fishing permits;
- fines imposed in the fisheries sector;
- and value of catches, fishing gears or fishing vessels confiscated.

The account has been established by the Ministry of Planning and Finance, however, the functions, management and disbursement procedure for the Fund is not yet in place.

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**Project Objectives:** To draft and finalize regulation on the functions, management, and disbursement procedure of the Marine Development Fund.

**The Strategic Approach/**

**Methodology:** Drafting of the regulation must take into account previous experiences in disbursement of micro credit in Timor-Leste, and at least one of the experts involved must have had in-country experience of at least three years. The Ministry of Agriculture and

Fisheries will supervise the process and conduct consultations with the Ministry of Planning and Finance.

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**Project Activities and Cost:**

Activities	Cost in US\$
Salaries	\$10,000
Training, village meetings and travel	\$9,505
Field operations	\$3,300
Education and awareness	\$1,500
Total cost	\$24,305
Government of Timor-Leste contribution	\$5,625
<b>Funding sought</b>	<b>\$18,680</b>



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