

Sub-Program (Target Priority Area): Component (Development Issues)
<b>4. Strengthening of Governance:</b> <b>4-2. Public Administration Reforms</b>
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Background:
<p>Based on the Master Plan on administrative reforms, efforts including the improvement of the provision of administrative services that meet the needs of users through the introduction of One Stop Shop and complaints filing system, etc., civil service reform and government organizations reform etc. are underway, but the process of reform is greatly delayed in whole against the estimation of the said master plan. As the process of decentralization progresses, it is expected that the regional governments play a major role in areas such as making development plan, making annual budget plan and the planning and implementing ODA projects, and therefore improvement of the administrative skills of the regional governments will become an issue.</p> <p>It is the common perception of foreign companies in Vietnam that corruption is one of the obstruction factors to engaging in economic activities; and according to the 2006 corruption index of Transparency International, Vietnam continues to be ranked a low 111 out of a total of 163 countries. Due to the corruption issue (PMU18 issue) of the Ministry of Transport in 2006 and the PCI incident in 2008, public concern continues to rise and reforms to eradicate corruption such as the establishment of a national anti-corruption committee headed by the prime minister have been pursued, but corruption prevails among the upper to lower classes in administrative bodies. Thus, a medium to long-term approach is required.</p>
Expected Research Topics
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>●The policymaking capacity for public policies (including development plans at the national, local government levels)</li> <li>●Reform the civil service</li> <li>●Reform the training systems for government officials</li> <li>●An external and internal monitoring system of the administrative organization</li> </ul>