Ex-post Monitoring Report

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Project Name: Philippines "Revitalization of Main Line South Project" (L/A No. PH-P98)

Loan Outline

Loan Amount/Disbursed Amount	: 5,054 million yen/ 5,037 million yen
Loan Agreement	: May 1989
Final Disbursement Date	: September 1996
Ex-post Evaluation	: FY1999
Executing Agency	: Philippine National Railways (PNR)

Project Objective

The objective is to improve the operating conditions, convenience and comfort of train service by carrying out procurement and rehabilitation of the concerned tracks, bridges, and rolling stocks on 443 km from San Pedro which lies south of metro Manila to Legaspi on the southern tip of Luzon Island, and thereby contribute to the provision of a safe and inexpensive means of mass transit for users and to the economic development of the region.

Consultant: Pacific Consultants International and others Contractor: JOHN HOLLAND CONSTRUCTION PTV.LTD. (Australia), Mitsui & Co., Ltd., and others

Item	At the Time of Ex-Post Evaluation	At the Time of Ex-Post Monitoring
Item Effectiveness and Impact Effectiveness	At the Time of Ex-Post Evaluation The initial scope of this project covered many areas including (1) track improvement of the 443 km between San Pedro and Legaspi, (2) bridge rehabilitation (10 bridges), (3) procurement of 6 locomotives and rehabilitation of 67 passenger cars and 5 locomotives, (4) rehabilitation of 28 station facilities, (5) procurement of communication equipment (15 sets of VHF transceivers, 378 km of cable circuits), (6) installation of signal devices, and (7) installation of a fence to prevent trespassing on the tracks. After alteration, the actual scope was (1) reduction of 7 bridges, and (3) procurement of 6 diesel-electric locomotives and rehabilitation of 16 passenger cars. (4), (6), and (7) were eliminated. (5) VHF transceivers and SSB transceivers were procured instead of cable circuits.	At the Time of Ex-Post Monitoring From the time of the evaluation until the present, while there were fluctuations year to year, the service record of PNR's Main Line South has declined, and in recent years, it has declined steeply. Furthermore, since September 2006, service has been suspended due to typhoon damage. So, at the time of the monitoring, the project's effectiveness was not being maintained. (1) Railway service
	SSB transceivers were procured instead of cable circuits.	The track and bridges of the Main Line South were damaged between Manila and Naga by a typhoon in September 2006 and became impassable except for the

Overview of Results

Item	At	t the Time of Ex-Po	ost Evaluation	n		At the Tir	ne of Ex-Post N	Monitoring					
	 (1) Railway service a) As shown on Tabl since the time of the not reached the targe to track improvement 	e appraisal. Moreove t of 6 hours; however ent, the time requi	r, the required r, smoother ser red from Ma	traveling time has rvice is possible due	Legaspi (including this project's target segment (Lucena to Naga)). Subseque the track damage was worsened by a typhoon in November making restoration								
	shortened by 4 hours. Table 1: Main Full speed Required traveling time Number of round-trips in	Line South Operatin Actual Figures at the Time of Appraisal(1988) 35~40km/h 15 hours 2		Manila-Naga) At the Time of Ex-post Evaluation (February 2000) 70km/h 11 hours 2	-Reference: There are 6 train (not targeted by (which lies beyo evaluator rode o along the tracks (about 2 km), th 30-40 km/hr. Th 1 hour 40 minute cars shake widel Windows are co	this project), an and Alabang) seg n the Manila-Al and so the trains e trains can trav- e time required es. There are are y from side to s vered with iron	d 1 train/day on gment. During the abang segment. s are forced to tra- el at 60 km/hr, be to travel the 28 le eas where the tra- ide. The inside of bars to prevent of	the 56 km Mani he field observat Illegal settlers of avel slowly. In so ut in other areas km from Manila ck condition is lo of the cars is not lamage from thi	la- Calamba ions, the ccupy the area come areas the speed is to Alabang wa bad and the trai well cleaned. own rocks.				
	 (2) Transport of Pass As stated below, the since the time of the for the decline was not 	amount of passenge appraisal (1988). (A	ers and cargo an analysis of	freight has declined the detailed reasons	prior to suspens transport capac track repair, an 1999 figures. M	Passengers and lines (passenger sion of service in ity due to typho d aged train cars foreover, in term		the Main Line port figures were 06. The reason v occurred annua res are approxin apacity (total se	South in a downtren as the drop in lly, inadequate nately 1/3 of th				
		<u>1988, time of apprais</u> s: 984,885 persons ort volume 230,075 t		on/km	Table 1: Long-	Distance Line (p 1999	bassenger service 2000	e) Figures 2001	2002				
	Revenue: 64,768 <u>Cargo transport (198)</u> Cargo transport		sand tons/km		Number of running trains (trains)	1,432	1,340	1,399	1,450				
	• Revenue: 18,634				Annual distance traveled (km)	669,326	612,293	656,415	685,670				
	Passanger transport (1999, time of ex-post	tevaluation)		Total	323,168	244,581	229,862	222,665				

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	 No. of passengers: 540,914 persons Passenger transport volume 172,327 thousand person/km 	seats-km (1,000)				
	 Revenue: 87,636 thousand pesos <u>Cargo transport (1999, time of ex-post evaluation)</u> <u>Cargo transport</u> volume: 943 thousand tons/km 	Number of passengers (persons)	606,802	437,720	347,710	281,594
	• Revenue: n.a. (Note: Revenue in 1998 was 5,646 thousand pesos.)	Seats filled (%)	59.14	56.37	47.64	39.83
			2003	2004	2005	2006
		Number of running trains (trains)	671	1,337	439	534
		Annual distance traveled (km)	318,806	634,554	208,780	252,058
		Total seats-km (1,000)	134,734	189,000	63,159	79,358
		Number of passengers (persons)	241,790	257,455	62,710	125,154
		Seats filled (%)	56.53	42.91	31.27	49.67
			Imber of passeng d by a passenger.	ers x315)/total	seats-km. 315 k	m is the average
		number of runni downtrend in the passengers annu past 4 years, the	commuter line are ing trains) are app e number of pass hally and the num decline has leve implement an imp	proximately hal engers; howeve ber has remaine led off.	f of the 1999 fig r, as there are o ed basically unc	ure. There is a ver 2 million hanged for the
		the assistance of tracks, and proc	f South Korea (to ure rolling stocks track improvement	install double t b). Design has a	racks on some l lready begun. T	ines, improve he civil

tem		At the Time	of Ex-Post	Evaluation			At the Tin	ne of Ex-Post I	Monitoring	
						settlers. It is expension assistance of Chi	na for the long-	distance line fro	om Calamba sou	
	(3) Condition o	f locomotives and	l nassenger c	oaches		Table 2: Comm	<i>u</i>	0	0	2002
	The average con high, but as sho coaches. The la	ngestion rate for t wn below, there i ck of passenger c	rains travelir s a shortage oaches is a p	ng on the Main Lin of locomotives an articularly serious	nd passenger s problem.	Number of running trains (trains)	1999 9,798	2000 5,845	2001 7,269	2002 7,362
	to PNR in late	1999 with the init	iative of a JI	ted 21 used passer CA specialist. nd Passenger Coa	0	Annual distance traveled (km)	312,756	199,236	252,803	251,883
		Overall PNI Diesel-electric locomotives		Overall PN Diesel-electric locomotives		Total seats-km (1,000)	117,676	82,181	101,761	99,147
	Under operation	24	41	14	19	Number of passengers	3,902,065	2,307,721	2,893,614	2,674,70
	(Operating ratio)	39%	26%	33%	15%	(persons) Seats filled	46.42	39.31	39.80	37.7
	Under repair	11	22	13	27	(%)	2002	2004	2005	2007
	Waiting to be repaired	27	95	9	24	Number of	2003 6,189	2004 6,925	2005 5,701	2006 4,99
	Cannot be repaired	N.A.	N.A.	6	59	running trains (trains)				
	Total Source: F		158	42	129	Annual distance traveled (km)	216,547	239,941	177,182	173,618
	service in terms shown on the ta	of the required the below. Bus tr	ravel time an ansport has e	in comparison wi d the number of the enjoyed shorter tra	rips as aveling times	Total seats-km (1,000)	78,916	87,126	77,061	62,050
	Both train trans Main Line Sout	port and bus trans h is still the cheap	sport still hav	ation of the nation we high congestion we and offers a mo	n rates. The re	Number of passengers (persons)	2,247,446	2,351,795	2,260,604	2,294,100
	Therefore it is a	ssumed that there	e is a large la	l move about the c tent demand for tr nore trips can be c	rain travel. If	Seats filled (%)	39.87	37.79	41.07	51.7
				rom buses to train		Seats filled= (nu	mber of passeng	gers x14)/total s	eats-km. 14 km	is the avera

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	Table 3	: Comparison	with Buses	s (Manila-Nag	ga)	distance traveled by Source: PNR	a passenger.							
		At the t			ry 2002									
		Appr	aisal			Furthermore, it has been confirmed that approximately 360 people rode the 8: train from Manila to Alabang (15 stations) (based on a visual estimate while t train was stopped at the station).								
		Main Line South	Bus	Main Line South	Bus									
	Required traveling time	15 Hours	9 Hours	11Hours	8 Hours	(3) Condition of loc All of the current pa			Japan Railway. It	can be				
	Fare (economy)	93.9 pesos	115.5 pesos	169 pesos	266 pesos	All of the current passenger coaches were donated by Japan Railway. I seen that the number of locomotives and passenger coaches under oper decreased compared to the time of the evaluation and that the decline is								
	Fare (air-conditioned)	140 pesos	147.6 pesos	234 pesos	342 pesos	capacity is striking.	to the time of the	evaluation and t		unsp				
	Number of round trips in operation	2	35	2	n.a. (multiple)	Table 3: Condition 2007)	of Locomotives,	Passenger Coach	es, and Freight Ca	ars (Ju				
	Congestion rate	N.A.	N.A.	Economy 75% Air-condit	Seats nearly full		Locomotive	Passenger Coaches	Freight Cars					
				ioned 100%		Under operation	11	10	147					
	Source: PNR materi	als and interv	views	10070	<u> </u>	(Operating ratio)	64.7	41.7%	99.3					
						Under repair	6	3	1					
						Waiting to be repaired	0	11	0					
						Cannot be repaired	0	3	0					
						(4) Comparison with There is no change i with bus service. Table 3 shows a con the Manila-Naga rou terminals. The numb	n the fact that train parison with bus ite. Both Lucena a	service on the M nd Naga have la	lanila-Lucena rout rge, well-equippe	te and d bus				

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		morning until late	at night. Each c	operator has bu	ses bound for I	Manila departing
		every 20 minutes.	The number of	trains in opera	tion on the Ma	in South Line
		shown on the table	is the number	prior to Septen	nber 2006; curi	ently service is
		suspended.				
		Prior to September	2006, the num	ber of trains in	operation on t	he railway
		targeted by this pro	oject was overw	whelmingly few	compared to t	he number of
		buses in operation	and so trains w	ere inconvenie	nt. The speed v	was slow and
		inferior to buses in	terms of travel	l time. Howeve	r, because the	fare is cheap,
		school and work c	ommuters who	ride daily and	long-distance t	ravelers use trains
		because they seem	relatively less	expensive. Bec	ause service of	n the
		long-distance line	is suspended, n	o judgment car	n be made conc	erning comfort at
		the current point in	n time.	-		-
		As stated above, u	nder the current	t situation, raily	way fares are a	ttractive, but the
		railway is far behin	nd buses when i	it comes to con	venience and t	ravel time. The
		situation is that pe	ople "ride the ra	ailway because	it's cheap" bu	t "would not be
		bothered if there w	ere no railway.	"While it's no	t the case that	there is no
		demand, demand i	s not high.			
				Comparison wi		
			Manila-		Manila	<u> </u>
			Main Line	Bus	Main Line	Bus
		D 1	South 3 hours 30	2 hours 30	South	8 hours
		Required	minutes	2 hours 30 minutes	11 hours	8 nours
		traveling time Fare	79	137	223	350
			19	157	223	330
		(economy) Fare	103	191	291	540
		(air-conditione	105	191	291	540
		d				
		Number of	1	200+	1	200+
		round trips in	1	2001	1	2001
		operation				
		Source: PNR (for a	ailway figures)	. Interviews at	Lucena and N	aga bus terminals
		(for bus figures).		., i =		
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		(5) Internal rate of	raturn			

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	(4) Internal rate of FIRR: Not calcu		n				Not calculated							
Impact	(1) Improvemen The track improv in the number of cases of derailme project. Table 4	 (1) Improvement of railway safety The number of accidents is decreasing, but the main reason for this is that the number of trains in operation is decreasing. The accident rate, which is fluctuating around 2% per each train in operation, remains unchanged. There many collisions at railway crossings, and steps are being taken to install was signs. Table 4: Accidents 												
		Year No. of Year No. of derailments							2001	2002	2002	2004	2005	2006
		1990	44	1995	16		Derailment	2000 84	2001 60	2002 97	2003 51	2004 65	2005 30	2006 31
		1991	37	1996	16		Crossing accident	51	62	49	36	58	27	20
		1992	58	1997	6		Collision (with	50	45	53	31	45	27	20
		1993	47	1998	10		cars)							
		1994	21	1999	20		Thrown rocks	59	52	39	24	18	24	31
		Source:		1999	20		Other	30	23	13	3	15	0	18
		source.	1100				Accidents/trains in operation	0.038	0.028	0.028	0.021	0.024	0.018	0.022
							Service suspended	1914	446	796	1243	914	451	527
							Service suspension rate (%)	26.6	5.1	9.0	18.1	11.0	6.8	9.5
							Locomotive failure	111	100	139	75	114	34	81
							Part/rolling stock failure Source: PNR	0	71	75	43	67	21	71
	(2) Developmen No information o	(2) Development of According to PNR transportation, and Main Line South. would not feel inco permanent.	l, users a l PNR is Howeve	ppreciat hearing r since it	e the rail requests is possi	for resuble to us	mption of e buses,	of service it seems	that people					

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	(3) Environmental impact No negative impact on the environment has been reported.	(3) Environmental impact There is no negative impact on the environment.
Sustainability	 (1) Technical capacity In this project and the "Railcar Maintenance Depot Construction Project",¹ have promoted preventative maintenance (thorough inspections and maintenance to prevent faults from occurring) through expert instruction by consultants and through the creation of manuals. There have been great expectations for this type of transfer of technology, but this preventative maintenance has not always been carried out by PNR. At the time of the appraisal JBIC was aware of the necessity of improving PNR's maintenance scheme and several measures were taken. However, these did not last over the long term. (2) O&M system The executing agency's management system is fragile. The Philippine government is studying plans for improving PNR management by bringing in the private sector and taking other measures. In this manner it hopes to drastically reform PNR management and services.	 The Philippine government does not have the budget to restore national railway service which is stopped, and the stoppage has been continuing for one year. However, even if service is restored, it appears that improvement of service will be difficult due to lack of technicians, aged facilities and equipment, and insufficient operation and maintenance budget. The sustainability of this project has not been secured. (1) Technical capacity PNR is not implementing preventative maintenance of service facilities and rolling stock. There is PNR staff to secure the current operating level, but since their age is becoming advanced, the quality of operation and maintenance is beginning to drop. (2) O&M system There has been no change in PNR's O&M system since the time of evaluation. Although PNR is endeavoring to maintain service, it has been unable to do so, and in that sense, the O&M system may be called fragile. Under one General Manager (GM), there are three Assistant GMs (AGM). They are in charge of administration and finance, service, real estate management and use, respectively. When there is a special project (such as this yen loan project and the South Korea assistance project), an AGM Special Project is appointed. At the end of 2005, there were 1,429 regular employees and 1,700 total when temporary employees were included. The current number is approximately 200 fewer employees. As stated below under "O&M status," there are departments where there is clearly a shortage of personnel, and in that sense, it may be said that PNR's O&M system is inadequate. During the ex-post monitoring, material to make a judgment on whether or not the overall system is unsatisfactory could not be obtained.

¹ Loan agreement signed in September 1983. Loan amount: 4,500 million yen. This project included the construction of the rolling stock maintenance depot, the procurement of locomotives and spare parts, and the provision of consulting services (including management assistance).

Item		At the T	Time of E	Ex-Post Ev	valuation	n			A	t the Ti	me of Ex	-Post M	onitoring			
							 and the deficit is chronic. For each of the past three years an operating loss of over 300 million pesos and a pre-tax loss of 7 to 10 million pesos have been posted. Since the budget shortfall is such that there is even a shortage of fuel, it is not short and the budget shortfall is such that there is even a short and the s									
	 (3) Financial state PNR's Statement of the ex-post evalua been operating los so deficits continue the subsidies are in other than from rate land. Table 5: Statement 	of Income tion is she ses and n e on a ne n a downt ilway ope	own on th et losses. t basis and trend, and eration, su	e table bel Subsidies d operatior PNR is en ich as renta	ow. Ever are suppl as are stag adeavorin al and sale	y year, th emented, gnant. Fun g to obtai e of asset										
		1987	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	Table 5: Statements of Income for PNR (Unit: 1,000 peso)								
	Operating revenues								2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	
	Railway business	86,762	64,369	85,487	38,052	105,553	117,713	Operating	95684	108859	96537	90279	83496	43300	57825	
	revenue							revenues								
	Others (hospital	4,405	5,022	8,953	11,344	13,579	11,561	Passenger	67758	66039	55583	55555	51755	11113	27610	
	management, etc.)							Freight	4964	4973	5189	3735	3287	1324	2141	
	Subtotal	91,167	69,391	94,440	49,396	119,132	129,274	Commuter	18160	31810	30079	26997	25570	28597	26374	
	Operating							line								
	Expenses	118,224	186,020	229,826	258,951	319,132	377,847	Hospital	4802	6037	5686	3992	2884	2266	1700	
	Personnel	26,220	18,428	19,285	14,632	20,410	22,716	service								
	Fuel and lubricants	27,920	27,962	43,012	51,428	58,584	60,769	<u>Operating</u>	436245	483281	529512	419838	416988	376880	388475	
	Maintenance &							Expenses								
	other operating	172,364	232,410	292,123	325,011	398,126	461,332	Personnel	359685	389954	367252	346539	311539	274410	289909	
	expenses							Fuel	26564	37879	37190	37069	35299	36084	48360	
	Subtotal							Operation	40335	53284	109007	28830	51817	42376	49708	

Item		At the 7	Fime of E	Ex-Post E	valuatio	n			A	t the Ti	me of Ex	k-Post M	onitoring		
	Operating profit	-81,197	-163,019	-197,683	-275,615	-278,994	-332,058	and							
	Non-operating							maintenance							
	revenue	52,060	72,651	57,424	74,653	72,612	83,480	Other	9661	2164	16063	7400	18333	23710	498
	Real estate rentals	1,088	11,006	15,749	4,680	7,381	3,981	Operating	-340561	-374422	-432975	-329559	-333492	-333580	-330650
	Others	53,148	83,657	73,173	79,333	79,993	87,461	profit							
	Subtotal							Non-operati	79233	127032	127471	91719	98014	142572	109968
	Non-operating							ng revenue							
	expenses	89,717	99,519	100,775	98,766	99,344	99,461	Non-operati	584998	664016	623434	620060	1087938	104728	542338
	Interest expenses,	-	63,225	375,708	265,987	329,914	651,243	ng expenses							
	etc.	89,717	162,530	479,311	358,476	445,050	756,307	Pre-tax	-846336	-911406	-928938	-857900	-1323416	-295736	-763020
	Depreciation							profit							
	Subtotal							Source: PNR							
	Net income	-117,766	-241,892	-603,821	-554,758	-644,051	-1,000,904								
	(without subsidy)														
	Subsidies	108,700	307,102	439,570	262,977	236,608	135,580								
	Net Income (with	-9,066	65,210	-164,251	-291,781	-407,443	865,324								
	subsidy)							(4) O&M sta	tus						
	Source: PNR							a) Maintenan	ce of loco	omotives	and passe	enger coa	ches		

(4) O&M status

a) Maintenance of locomotives and passenger coaches

Maintenance of locomotives and passenger coaches is carried out by the Locomotive Maintenance Unit, the Long-Distance Passenger Car Maintenance Unit, and the Commuter Passenger Coaches Maintenance Unit within the Rolling Stock Maintenance Department (240 employees). At the time of the ex-post evaluation, there have been difficulties in procuring spare parts due to the financial restraints and repairs to broken rolling stocks have had to be postponed.

b) Track maintenance

Track maintenance (including bridges) is implemented by a total of 200 employees belonging to the four regions of Manila, Lucena, Hondagua, and Naga. Work is assigned on a daily and weekly basis, and operation and maintenance is carried out. However, maintenance of drainage ditches and cleaning of the track itself (cutting grass, etc.) is inadequate. There are concerns that the condition of the tracks will continue to worsen if this maintenance situation continues.

There has been no change in PNR's O&M status since the time of evaluation, and repairs of rolling stocks tend to be delayed due to lack of spare parts.

Currently the Main Line South is not in operation, but operation and maintenance is being conducted, such as running the engines of the locomotives for engine maintenance. However, starting and running of the engines is not being done as many times as specified in the maintenance rules to save money due to soaring fuel prices

b) Track maintenance

Track maintenance should be performed by one maintenance team for each 2.5 km of the commuter line and each 5 km of the Main Line South. Since each team should consist of 5 members and there are 99 segments between Manila and Legaspi, 495 maintenance staff members are required. The actual number assigned is 217, with 1 to 3 members on each maintenance team. On lines that are actually in operation, it seems that 5 maintenance staff members for each team are too many, however on the railway targeted by this project which is over 400 km, even through operations are stopped, the current 1 to 3 members per team is not too many considering that patrols should be conducted to prevent entry by illegal settlers and theft of equipment and materials and considering that

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		maintenance should be conducted to prepare for operation. Moreover, it cannot
		be said the operation and maintenance condition is satisfactory given the lack of
		rolling stocks for operation and maintenance purposes.
		-Condition of equipment and materials purchased with loan On the Main Line South, operation of the long-distance line is currently suspended. The still relatively usable rails, ballast, and ties have been removed and are being used for operation and maintenance of the commuter line. Communications equipment at Legaspi Station has been removed, and the existence of communications equipment at Lucena and Naga could not be confirmed.
Lessons	None	
Learned,		The Philippine government has no visible strong intention to maintain the
Recommendat		national railway. Considering that the people do not rely on PNR as a
ions,		means of transportation, PNR's financial status, and its operation and
Information		maintenance capacity, no need is felt to maintain and continue the existing
Resources,		framework.
and		
Monitoring		
Methods		(1) There were no lessons learned or recommendations at the time of the project
(1) Follow-up on lessons		evaluation.
learned and		
recommenda		
tions made		
in ex-post		
evaluation		
report or in		
later		
evaluations		(2) Lessons learned and recommendations at the point seven years following
(2) Proposals		project completion
for securing		project completion
sustainability		Lessons Learned:
and		When similar projects are implemented in the future, it would be desirable to
instructions		restudy the project plan at the point when it becomes clear that there is occurring
given at the		a decline in economic viability and deterioration in management conditions

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time of ex-post		accompanying major changes in the project scope.
monitoring		
		Recommendation: It is desirable to conduct a fundamental review of the project and to restudy the project plan.