

Project:	PD035/99 Rev.4 (I)	Status:	COMPLETED
Title:	PERFORMANCE EVALUATION OF EXPORT WOOD FURNITURE IN RELATION TO STRENGTH AND END-USE APPLICATIONS USING ESTABLISHED TEST STANDARD		
Country:	PHILIPPINES	Region:	ASIA-PACIFIC
Agency(ies):	FPRDI - FOREST PRODUCTS RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT INSTITUTE	Division:	Forest Industry

Summary:

This project aimed at evaluating the strength and performance of export wood furniture such as chairs, tables, stools, cabinet doors and drawers by the application of loads, or forces simulating normal functional use, as well as acceptable misuse, according to a graded scale of severity following established standards. The main lessons learned from the project are as follows:

- Constant contact between the project and furniture producers and exporters, and the participation of the project in furniture shows and trade fairs are essential for a successful furniture testing programme.
- The continued interest of furniture makers to have their products tested needs to be maintained during the project as to guarantee the sustainability of furniture testing after project completion.
- Appropriate benchmark data on markets, timber supply scenarios and information on social, economic and institutional aspects need to be thoroughly assessed jointly with representatives from furniture manufacturers, exporters and users.

Session Approved:	XXVIII	Government Signature:	14/01/02
Session Funded:	XXX of 2001	Agency Signature:	27/07/01
		ITTO Signature:	22/02/02
Duration (months):	35	Starting:	02/05/02
Completion Doc:	CEM-CFI(XXXVII)/2	Ending:	05/03/30
Total Budget:	\$367,899.00	Ex-Post Evaluation (E)	
ITTO Budget (A):	\$139,999.00	Pre-project reimbursement (F):	\$0.00
Programme Support (B):	\$7,299.00	Available funds (A-B-C-D-E-F-G):	
Contingencies (C):	\$6,000.00		
ME funds (D):	\$4,500.00		

Remarks:

Donors	Donor	Pledge
	JAPAN	\$139,999
	Total	\$139,999

Disbursements (G)

Disbursement	No.	Amount	Date
installment	1	80,000	10/04/02
installment	2	42,200	13/12/02
installment	3	6,000	10/03/04
Total disbursed (F)		\$128,200	

Actions Concerning the Project

Activity	No.	Date	Manager
Agreement sent	1	25/02/02	D. Pattie
Completion Report	1	30/03/05	
Final Audit	1	27/05/05	
Mission Report	1	21/01/04	E. Ze Meka
Monitoring Trip	1	22/10/02	D. Pattie
Progress Report	1	27/08/02	D. Pattie
Progress Report	2	28/02/03	D. Pattie
Progress Report	3	04/08/03	H. Ma
Progress Report	4	27/08/03	E. Ze Meka
Progress Report	5	19/01/04	E. Ze Meka
Progress Report	6	11/03/04	E. Ze Meka
Progress Report	7	30/09/04	
Progress Report	8	24/02/05	
Publication	1	30/03/05	
Steering Committee	2	21/01/04	E. Ze Meka
Steering Committee	3	13/09/04	E. Ze Meka
YPO	1	05/04/02	D. Pattie

Professionals

Name	Assignment	From	To	Duration (months)	Salary	Type	Concurred?
Arnaldo Mosteiro	National Expert	01/05/02	30/04/04	22	\$500	monthly	04/09/02

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