# INTERNATIONAL TROPICAL TIMBER ORGANIZATION I T T O

### PRE-PROJECT DOCUMENT

TITLE TRAINING NEEDS ANALYSIS FOR THE BUILDERS' WOODWORKS

INDUSTRY IN THE PHILIPPINES

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#### **SUMMARY**

The pre-project aims to determine the training needs of the builders' woodworks industry in the Philippines. Specifically, it shall determine the current level of skills in the builders' woodworks industry and compare it against standards required for each job/position. Target beneficiaries of the project are builders' woodworks associations and micro- and small enterprises engaged in the manufacture of builders' woodworks who are not affiliated with any industry association. Industry associations and government agencies engaged in manpower development shall be tapped to provide inputs in the formulation of standards and identification of training needs.

EXECUTING AGENCY	FOREST PRODUCTS RESEARCH AND
	DEVELOPMENT INSTITUTE (FPRDI)

DURATION 12 MONTHS

APPROXIMATE STARTING DATE UPON APPROVAL

PROPOSED BUDGET AND Source Contribution OTHER FUNDING SOURCES in US\$

ITTO 79,199
Gov't of the Philippines 8,050

TOTAL 87,249

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### PART I. CONTEXT

### 1. Origin

The Forest Products Research and Development Institute (FPRDI) is the research and development arm on forest products utilization of the Department of Science and Technology (DOST). Established in 1954, it is mandated to: (a) conduct basic and applied research and development on forest utilization based on the needs of the forest-products using and allied industries and the general public; (b) undertake the transfer of completed research and development results to endusers via linkages; and (c) provide technical service and training to various clientele.

In response to the government's call for science and technology to serve as the foundation for future economic development in the Philippines, FPRDI has intensified the provision of technical assistances and trainings to its intended clientele. To be able to provide these services to a greater number of beneficiaries, FPRDI is seeking ITTO's support in enhancing the capabilities of targeted forest-based industry sectors. This will not only increase the productivity of the identified industry sectors but also serve as a catalyst for economic development.

### 2. Sectoral Policies

The Medium Term Philippine Development Plan defines the following as the Philippine government's visions and goals: macroeconomic stability with equitable growth based on free enterprise; agriculture and fisheries modernization with social equity; comprehensive human development; and good governance. In support of this, the Department of Science and Technology has formulated the National Science and Technology Plan (NSTP), a long-term indicative plan that gives the direction for the development of science and technology for the period 2002-2020.

Part of the NSTP is a medium-term component that specifies the strategic programs to be undertaken that will serve as starting points in its implementation, namely: technology transfer; human resource development; and S & T promotion, information dissemination, advocacy and linkages.

One of the three major technology transfer programs in the NSTP is the Small and Medium Enterprises Technology Upgrading Program (SET-UP) which aims to: (a) improve the viability of micro, small and medium enterprises; and (b) enhance their competitiveness through the infusion of technologies, technical assistance and manpower development.

The Department of Environment and Natural Resources, in its PFP 2001 Policy Statements, identified strategic interventions that the Philippine government can implement in areas of poverty reduction, research and development and good governance. It is the responsibility of the government to promote efficient and environment friendly forest harvesting and utilization, development of competitive

forest-based industries, ensure sustainable raw material supply and encourage value-added processing and manufacturing to boost rural employment and economy while satisfying the local and export markets for forest products. This can be achieved through research, development and information dissemination.

The proposed pre-project, which aims to determine the training needs of the builders' woodworks industry sector in the Philippines, is a tool needed for the implementation of manpower development programs that will help the selected industry sector improve its productivity and enhance product quality. This is in line with the objectives of the DOST's SET-UP and the DENR's policy statement stated above.

### 3. Programmes and Operational Activities

Part of FPRDI's development agenda for CY 2005 – 2010 is the enhancement of the competitiveness of the builders' woodworks industry in the Philippines. This is being done thru its program on Housing Technologies. The program focuses on the development of composite products and innovative designs on prefabricated shelters, builders' woodworks, housing components and utilities made from wood and other non-wood forest products, and the performance evaluation of these designs through destructive and non-destructive tests.

### PART II. THE PRE-PROJECT

### Pre-Project Objectives

### 1.1 Development Objectives

The pre-project aims to determine the training needs of the builders' woodworks industry in the Philippines.

### 1.2 Specific Objectives

Specific Objective 1. To determine the current level of skills and identify

required standards for each position/level in the

builders' woodworks industry.

Specific Objective 2. To determine training needs of the builders'

woodworks industry by identifying gaps between

required standards and current skills level.

### 2. Justification

### 2.1 <u>Problems to be addressed</u>

Builders' woodworks, or in trade, builders' joinery and carpentry of wood, include doors and windows/and their frames, jambs or thresholds, parquet or tiles, and joiner and carpentry, such as balusters and mouldings. These wood products have two purposes: as essential components of the house and as creative designs or works of art for residential and contract applications (PCARRD, 1999). Builders' woodwork is one of the categories under which secondary processed wood products (SPWP) are classified, aside from wooden furniture and parts; mouldings; cane and bamboo furniture and parts; and other SPWP (packing, boxes and the like; casks, barrels, vats and other cooper's products; picture frames; table/kitchenware and other tools, handles, brooms and other manufactured products) (ITTO, 2004). In 2004, the Philippines' export of builders' woodworks amounted to US \$ 92,358,389 (FOB), with Japan, the United States of America, Belgium and Taiwan as the top 4 markets.

In 2001, a survey was conducted by the Furniture and Handicraft Industries Research and Development Program (FHIRDP) of FPRDI to examine the current condition, trends and performance of a builders' woodworks association located in the island of Luzon. One of the issues identified was the lack of woodworking technologies needed to improve the industry's productivity. New woodworking technologies have not yet been fully accessed by the industry despite the existence of government and non-government institutions that offer the needed trainings and manpower development activities (Moredo, 2002). The same study stated that among the government assistance needed by the association was the provision of technical assistance/services. Technical assistance/services may be in the form of consultancy or advisory services, technology installation or manpower training.

While results of the survey were based on information gathered from one association alone, the results may be considered as reflective of the Philippine builders' woodworks industry as a whole. More than 90% of the firms engaged in the production of builders' woodworks are micro- and small enterprises and more often than not, are not part of any organized association.

### 2.2 Reasons for a Pre-Project

Before any technical assistance program for the builders' woodworks industry can be implemented, an analysis of the industry's needs should be done first. The pre-project shall assess the viability of implementing a capacity building program for the industry, with emphasis on determining the training needs of the target sector through a gap analysis of the current situation. The pre-project would also identify the manpower skills that have to be developed and how they would benefit the builders' woodworks industry. Based on these information, a full project proposal shall be prepared and submitted.

### 2.3 Target Beneficiaries

Main target beneficiary of the project is the builders' woodworks industry in the Philippines and the micro- and small enterprises engaged in the manufacture of builders' woodworks that are not affiliated with any industry organization. The Department of Trade and Industry (DTI), in its website, stated that there are 35 registered exporters of builders' woodworks, majority of which are located in Metro Manila and the provinces of Bulacan, Cavite and Laguna. However, these are only the registered exporters, which are mostly medium to large scale enterprises. In the province of Rizal alone, there are 106 small and medium enterprises (SMEs) engaged in the production of builders' woodworks. A listing obtained from DTI shows that there are 31 and 27 registered builders' woodworks manufacturers in Regions V and VI, respectively. Assuming a sample size of 50% of the total builders' woodworks manufacturers, the project aims to gather information from at least 100 SMEs engaged in the manufacture of builders' woodworks.

### 2.4 Other Relevant Aspects

FPRDI maintains close linkages with the Department of Trade and Industry and the national and local regional chapters of the Chamber of Furniture Industries of the Philippines. It is thru these linkages that the project aims to reach the intended project beneficiaries.

The Department of Trade and Industry, through its One-Town, One-Product Program, has identified several municipalities in the Philippines with builders' woodworks as their main product. In areas where the firms engaged in builders' woodworks manufacture are not organized into associations, the assistance of the Department of Trade and industry shall be solicited.

Many firms engaged in the manufacture of builders' woodworks are also engaged in the production of furniture and are members of the Chamber of Furniture Industries of the Philippines (CFIP). FPRDI has had several collaborative projects with the CFIP, both on the national and regional levels, so requesting their assistance in the implementation of this project will not be a problem.

The Technical Education and Skills Development Authority (TESDA), a government agency tasked with establishing a quality-assured Technical Vocational Education and Training system, is in the process of developing a TESDA Occupational Qualification and Certification System (TOQCS) to ensure that vocational education and training graduates have the desired skills and knowledge competencies required by the industry. TESDA has started formulating the TOQCS for the furniture industry. Since the furniture industry has similar if not the same competency requirements as in the builders' woodworks industry, TESDA shall also be tapped to provide inputs in determining the standards to be used

### 3. Outputs

- 3.1 Specific Objective 1. To determine the current level of skills and identify required standards for each position/level in the builders' woodworks industry.
  - Output 1.1 Inventory of existing positions/jobs in the builders' woodworks industry, including actual work performed by each position
  - Output 1.2 Formulate standards for each position/level in the builders' woodworks industry thru a job and task analysis
- 3.2 Specific Objective 2. To determine training needs of the builders' woodworks industry by identifying gaps between required standards and current skills level.
  - Output 2.1 Identified training needs
  - Output 2.2 Project proposal on capacity building for the builders' woodworks industry

### 4. Activities

- Output 1.1 Inventory of existing positions/jobs in the builders' woodworks industry, including actual work performed by each position
  - Activity 1.1.1 Identify target firms/industry associations

	Activity 1.1.2	Preparation of questionnaire
	Activity 1.1.3	Conduct of survey
	Activity 1.1.4	Data collation and interpretation
	Activity 1.1.5	Prepare report on inventory of positions/jobs and actual work performed by each position
Output 1.2		ards for each position/level in the builders' try thru a job and task analysis
	Activity 1.2.1	Collate and review available materials on job analysis (duties and tasks required for each position)
	Activity 1.2.2	Collate and review available materials on task analysis (breakdown of each task into component steps – safety elements, standards in knowledge, attitudes, skills and habits)
	Activity 1.2.3	Formulate job and task analysis in consultation with National Experts and Consultants
	Activity 1.2.4	Prepare report on job and task analysis
Output 2.1	Identified training r	needs
	Activity 2.1.1	Identify gaps between required standards and current skills level
	Activity 2.1.2	Determine training needs based on identified gaps
	Activity 2.1.3	Prepare report on identified training needs
Output 2.2	Project proposa woodworks indus	on capacity building for the builders'
	Activity 2.2.1	Conduct a seminar-workshop involving stakeholders to present and validate findings of TNA
	Activity 2.2.2	Prepare project proposal on capacity building for the builders' woodworks industry to address training needs identified

## 5. Work Plan

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6. Budget

6.1 Overall Project Budget by Specific Objective and Outputs

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associations		_						
Activity 1.1.2 Preparation of questionnaire	3,364	,	,		200	,	Q1, Y1	3,864
Activity 1.1.3 Conduct of survey	6,246	ı	10,000	•	1,000	200	<u>6</u>	17,746
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Activity 1.1.4 Data collation and	3,082	,	,	2,000	200	,	<b>Q</b> 2,	5,582
interpretation							Q3, Y1	
Activity 1.1.5 Prepare report on inventory	3,082	1	,	,	200	,	Q3, Y1	3,582
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Activity 1.2.4 Prepare report on job and 2,082	•	•	ı		Q3, Y1	2,082
task analysis						
SPECIFIC OBJECTIVE 1 TOTAL 31,994 - 12,300 2,000		2,000	3,000	1,000		50,294

OUTPUTS/ACTIVITIES +			BN	DGET CC	<b>BUDGET COMPONENTS</b>	S		
Non-Activity Based Expenses	10.	20. Sub-	30.	40.	50. Con-	.09	Quarter	GRAND
	Project	contracts	Duty	Capital	sumable	Miscel-	Year	TOTAL
	Personnel		Travel	Items	Items	laneous		
Output 2.1 Identified training needs								
Activity 2.1.1 Identify gaps between	1,464	1			200	•	Q3,	1,664
required standards and							Q4, Y1	
current skills level								
Activity 2.1.2 Determine training needs	1,682	1	1		200		Q3,	1,882
based on identified gaps							Q4, Y1	
Activity 2.1.3 Prepare report on identified	1,064	ı			200	,	Q4, Y1	1,564
training needs								
Output 2.2 Project proposal on capacity								
building for the builders'							-	
woodworks industry								
Activity 2.2.1 Conduct a seminar-	2,364	,	10,000		1,000	1,000	Q4, Y1	14,364
workshop involving				•				
stakeholders to present and	_			•				
validate findings of TNA								
Activity 2.2.2 Prepare project proposal on	3,364	ı	,	,	200		Q4, Y1	3,564
capacity building for the								
builders' woodworks industry								
to address training needs								
identified								
SPECIFIC OBJECTIVE 2 TOTAL	9,938	1	10,000		2,100	1,000		23,038

10. Project Personnel	20. Sub-	-					
Project Personnel		30.	40.	50. Con-	.09	Quarter	GRAND
	contracts	Duty	Capital	sumable	Miscel-	Year	TOTAL
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NON-ACTIVITY BASED EXPENSES							
1. Fuel and Utilities	1	ı	3	2,000 (E)		7	2,000 (E)
2. Auditing	•	•	ı		1,000	Σ	1,000 (E)
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Sub-total (ITTO) 41,932	•	22,300	2,000	5,100	2,000		73,332
Programme Support Costs							5,867
Sub-total (E. Agency) 4,000	•	•	•	2,000	1,000		7,000
Executing Agency Management Costs							1,050
TOTAL 45,932	•	22,300	2,000	7,100	3,000		87,249

(I) - contribution of the ITTO(E) - contribution of the Executing Agency/Host Government

### PROJECT BUDGET BY SOURCE - ITTO

Pudget Components	TOTAL
Budget Components	
10. Project personnel	41,932
20. Sub-contracts	-
30. Duty travel	22,300
40. Capital items	2,000
50. Consumable items	5,100
60. Miscellaneous	2,000
Sub-total 1	
80. ITTO Monitoring, Evaluation and Administrative Costs	
81. Monitoring and Review Costs (effective estimation)	-
82. Evaluation Costs (effective estimation)	•
Sub-total 2	-
83. Programme Support Costs (8% of ITTO total contribution)	5,867
ITTO TOTAL	79,199

### PROJECT BUDGET BY SOURCE - E. AGENCY/HOST GOVERNMENT

Budget Components	TOTAL
10. Project personnel	4,000
20. Sub-contracts	-
30. Duty travel	•
40. Capital items	-
50. Consumable items	2,000
60. Miscellaneous	1,000
<ol> <li>Executing Agency Management Costs (15% of Total of Overall Project Budget by Activity)</li> </ol>	1,050
EXECUTING AGENCY/HOST GOVERNMENT TOTAL	8,050

# CONSOLIDATED PROJECT BUDGET (To be completed in detail by source of finance)

	Components	TOTAL
0.	Project Personnel	
	11. National Experts	24,600
	40 Nietienel Consultant	4,000 (E)
	12. National Consultants	10,000
	13. Other labour	7,332
	14. Fellowships and Training	
	15. International Experts	
	16. International Consultants	<u>-</u>
	19. Component Total	45,932
0.	Sub-Contracts	
	21. Sub-contract (with A)	
	22. Sub-contract (with B)	
	29. Component Total	
0.	Duty Travel	
J.	31. Daily Subsistence Allowance	10,000
	32. International Travel	10,000
	33. Transport Costs	12,300
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0	39. Component Total	22,300
0.	Capital Items 41. Premises	
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	42. Land	
	43. Vehicles	
	44. Capital Equipment	2,000
	49. Component Total	2,000
50.	Consumable Items	
	51. Raw materials	-
	52. Spares	-
	53. Fuel and Utilities	1,500 2,000 (E)
	54. Office Supplies	3,600
	59. Component Total	7,100
<b>50</b> .	Miscellaneous	
	61. Sundry	2,000
	62. Auditing	1,000 (E)
	63. Contingencies	-
	69. Component Total	3,000
70.	Executing Agency Management Cost	1,050 (E)
	79. Component Total	1,050
	SUB-TOTAL	81,382
30.	ITTO Monitoring, Evaluation and Administration	
	81. Monitoring and Review Costs	
	82. Evaluation Costs	
	83. Programme Support Costs	5,867
	89. Component Total	5,867
	OU. SOMPOMENT TOTAL	9,007
100	GRAND TOTAL	87,249

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### PART III. TROPICAL TIMBER FRAMEWORK

### 1. Compliance with ITTO Objectives

This project addresses the following objectives of ITTO:

- c. To contribute to the process of sustainable development;
- f. To promote and support research and development with a view to improving forest management and efficiency of wood utilization as well as increasing the capacity to conserve and enhance other forest values in timber producing tropical forests
- To promote increased and further processing of tropical timber from sustainable sources in producing member countries with a view to promoting their industrialization and thereby increasing their employment opportunities and export earnings.

### 2. Relationship to ITTO Yokohama Action Plan and priorities

The project also addresses the following goals established by the Committee on Forest Industry.

- Goal 1. Promote increased and further processing of tropical timber from sustainable sources
  - (5) Encourage members and assist them, where appropriate to:
    - Organize workshops/seminars on the use of new and/or improved techniques and technology, including increased further processing
    - Undertake sector-wide training needs analyses; development of training strategies, training facilities and course curricula; preparation of training manuals and delivery of training courses
    - Improve institutional efficiency and effectiveness through sector-wide training needs analyses; develop training strategies, training facilities and course curricula; prepare training materials; and deliver training courses.
- Goal 2. Improve industry's efficiency of processing and utilization of tropical timber from sustainable sources
  - (1) Develop, publish and disseminate information on increasing utilization efficiency and the reduction of losses and waste through the production chain



### ANNEX A - PROFILE OF THE EXECUTING AGENCY

### 3.1 The Expertise of the Executing Agency

The Forest Products Research and Development Institute (FPRDI) is the research and development arm on forest products utilization of the Department of Science and Technology (DOST), the body that coordinates and manages the Philippines' science and technology system.

### **MANDATE**

- Conduct basic and applied research and development on forest products utilization based on the needs of the forest product-using and allied industries and the general public.
- Undertake the transfer of completed research and development results to end users via linkages.
- Provide technical services and training to various clientele.

### MISSION

To generate, improve and transfer appropriate technologies and information on efficient utilization of forest-based products to make local industries more competitive in the domestic and global markets and to benefit the general public.

### VISION

A sustainable forest-based industry that is able to produce economically competitive and environment-friendly commodities that contribute to socio-economic development and support the disadvantaged sectors of society.

### **OBJECTIVES**

- To generate scientific knowledge on forest-based materials critical to the development of production technologies.
- To ensure the global competitiveness of ecologically friendly forest-based products.
- To enhance efficiency and effectiveness of existing forest-based industries and assist in the establishment of new enterprises.

### 3.2 The Infrastructure of the Executing Agency

The FPRDI has research facilities and laboratories for various areas of wood research such as materials testing; quality control; calibration; wood identification and analysis; minor forest products identification and analysis; chemical analysis; drying/seasoning; preservative treatment; pulping; bleaching; charcoal production; packaging; fire resistance; furniture testing and sawmilling. A four-story Training

and Demonstration Center houses the Institute's training rooms, conference hall and hostel for training participants.

### 3.3 Budget (in Philippine peso)

Source; Philippine Government

	ITEM	·	2006	2005	2004
l.	General administration support services	and	20,280,000	19,967.000	20,041,000
II.	Operations		45,288,000	42,700,000	42,781,000
	TOTAL		65,568,000	62,667,000	62,822,000

### 3.4 Personnel

Experts with graduation degrees 164 (109 BS, 42 MS, 13 PhD)

Middle level technicians 20Administrative personnel 69

Number of personnel in forestry related fields 96

### ANNEX B - CURRICULA VITAE OF KEY STAFF

# CURRICULUM VITAE FLORENCE PASCUA – SORIANO

Director

Forest Products Research and Development Institute College, Laguna Philippines 4031

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Dr. Soriano was a lecturer in the College of Engineering and Architecture at the SLU from 1980 to 1985, and in the Board Examinations Review School for Professional Civil Engineers in SLU. Simultaneously, she also served as a technical consultant for a private engineering firm involved in the construction of public roads and buildings.

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# ANNEX C - TABLE SHOWING HOW COMMENTS BY THE THIRTY-THIRD EXPERT PANEL HAVE BEEN ADDRESSED

COMMENTS/RECOMMENDATIONS	PAGE NO. IN PROPOSAL
Integrate Specific Objectives 1 and 2 to create a new Specific Objective, since the same level of research is required to achieve both objectives	Pages 5, 7
Provide further information on the sample size of the research project, in light of previous research on a builders' woodworks association conducted by the Executing Agency	Page 6
Clarify how the project will mobilize a currently unorganized group of wood workers, which are not affiliated with any industry organization	Page 6 - 7
Provide a list of literature used to support the facts in the proposal	Page 16
Adjust the ITTO's Programme Support Costs to 8% of the ITTO total contribution	Pages 13,14,15
Create a new pre-project output to account for the preparation of a project proposal	Page 7
Provide an Annex which show the recommendations of the 33 <sup>rd</sup> Expert Panel and the respective modifications in a tabular form. Modifications should be highlighted (bold and underlined) in the text.	Page 23