OBJECTIVE:
Improving the anti-corruption and revenue collection efforts of the Philippines’ Department of Finance (DOF), through its Revenue Integrity Protection Service (RIPS) and the related programs, the Run Against the Tax Evaders ( RATE) and Run Against The Smugglers (RATS).

OUTPUTS:
1. Institutionalize leading practices in case handling and management of cases in the anti-corruption programs of the DOF and its attached revenue generating agencies, the Bureau of Internal Revenue (BIR), and the Bureau of Customs (BOC);
2. Identify areas of policy and institutional reforms in the DOF anti-corruption programs and revenue collections.

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Project Laya involves an evaluation of efforts of the revenue generation sector of government, i.e., the Department of Finance (DOF) and the agencies under its supervisory power, with the end view of eliminating corruption in government and improving the capacity in the enforcement of the rule of law.

The second phase of Project Laya is a continuation of the project’s first phase, and will thereby continue to systematically engage in activities aimed at strengthening the capabilities of the Revenue Integrity Protection Service (RIPS), Run After the Smugglers (RATS), and Run After the Tax Evaders (RATE) programs of the Department of Finance (DOF). It has the following objectives: (1) to institutionalize leading practices in case handling and management of cases in the anti-corruption programs of the DOF and its attached revenue generating agencies, the Bureau of Internal Revenue (BIR), and the Bureau of Customs (BOC); and (2) to identify areas of policy and institutional reforms in the DOF anti-corruption programs and revenue collections.

Key Areas of Activities:

In order to achieve the following objectives, Phase 2 of Project Laya will cover activities in the following areas, to wit:

1. Development of internal integrity assessment systems;
2. Personnel training in case handling, build-up and management;
3. Identification of areas for policy and institutional reform within the DOF anti-corruption programs;
4. Institutionalization of leading practices within the DOF both presently existing and developed through Project Laya.

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