

The Challenge

The Asia and Near East region faces obstacles to greater economic and social development including: terrorism, narco/human-trafficking, high population growth, weak education and health systems, poor governance, corruption, unemployment, and environmental degradation. USAID's regional programs support U.S. foreign policy objectives and strategic priorities by combating political instability and terrorism, promoting cross-border dialogues, developing public-private partnerships, and facilitating the exchange of ideas and information. Resources are devoted to four areas: launching a "Blue Revolution" to promote sustainable use of and access to water resources; making national governments work by increasing transparency and government effectiveness; creating jobs for the 21st century by developing a skilled workforce and reducing barriers to trade and investment; and offering higher education opportunities for potential leaders in countries of strategic importance to the United States.

Objectives, Sectors and Workforce

Office Director: Susan Fine

Program Budget (Appropriations by Objective)	FY 2004	FY 2005	FY 2006	FY 2007	Percent	2005 SO		Direct SO
	(\$000)	(\$000)	(\$000)	(\$000)	Change	Performance	Admin.	Cost Ratio
					FY 04-07	Score	Score	
498-007 Program Development and Learning	12,714	31,740	19,631	16,827	32.4%			0.02
498-016 East Asia Regional Democracy Fund	1,988	0	0	0	N/A	N/A		N/A
498-023 South Asia Regional Initiative for Energy	6,700	0	0	0	N/A	N/A		N/A
498-024 East Asia and Pacific Environmental Initiative	1,740	0	0	0	N/A	N/A		N/A
498-031 South Asia Regional Energy	0	1,500	0	0	N/A	N/A		0.00
498-037 South Asia Regional Democracy	4,558	992	0	0	N/A	1.58	Exceeded	0.00
498-xxx Department of State Programs	119,291	108,376	124,344	147,400	23.6%			0.00
Country Total	146,991	142,608	143,975	164,227	11.7%			

Program Budget (Appropriations by Account)	FY 2004	FY 2005	FY 2006	FY 2007	Percent
	(\$000)	(\$000)	(\$000)	(\$000)	Change
					FY 04-07
Child Survival and Health Programs Fund	2,317	4,458	6,386	3,287	41.9%
Development Assistance	19,667	28,782	13,245	13,540	-31.2%
Economic Support Fund	125,007	109,368	124,344	147,400	17.9%
Total	146,991	142,608	143,975	164,227	11.7%

Program Budget by Sector and Account	FY 2004	FY 2005	FY 2006	FY 2007	Percent
	(\$000)	(\$000)	(\$000)	(\$000)	Change
					FY 04-07
Basic Education DA	5,850	4,210	4,168	1,700	-70.9%
ESF	24,622	0	0	0	N/A
Agriculture and Environment DA	6,850	7,082	2,980	3,750	-45.3%
ESF	1,740	0	0	0	N/A
Higher Education & Training DA	267	600	1,000	1,500	461.8%
Economic Growth DA	4,888	16,686	3,069	3,365	-31.2%
ESF	91,180	107,384	124,344	147,400	61.7%
Human Rights DA	1,570	0	0	0	N/A
Democracy and Governance DA	242	204	2,028	3,225	1,232.6%
ESF	7,465	1,984	0	0	N/A
Family Planning / Reproductive Health CSH	800	2,050	1,139	1,000	25.0%
HIV / AIDS CSH	220	1,400	1,079	1,089	395.0%
Child Survival and Maternal Health CSH	1,000	568	752	752	-24.8%
Vulnerable Children CSH	0	0	2,970	0	N/A
Other Infectious Diseases CSH	297	440	446	446	50.2%
Total	146,991	142,608	143,975	164,227	11.7%

Other Major Donors:

Bilateral: The United States is the largest bilateral donor to the Asia and the Near East region, accounting for approximately a quarter of all assistance to the region. The United States is followed by Japan, the European Community, the United Kingdom, Germany, France, and the Netherlands.

Multilateral: The Asia and the Near East region receives substantial assistance from the World Bank, the Asian Development Bank, the International Monetary Fund, and a number of United Nations agencies.