

- Countries Engaged in Conflict: activities include poverty reduction and maintenance of socioeconomic assets, assessment of the socioeconomic impact of conflict, and preparation for post-conflict stabilization and reconstruction.
- Countries Emerging from Conflict: activities include support for socioeconomic recovery and sustainable development.

To address post-conflict needs before regular development funding becomes possible (ie., to support priority transition needs), the bank maintains a number of mechanisms for mobilizing, coordinating and administering development and transition resources. These are:

### **Sources of Funding**

#### The Post-Conflict Fund (PCF)

The PCF is the Bank's principal mechanism for allocating resources to support countries in transition from conflict. Part of the Bank's umbrella mechanism for grant programmes (the Development Grant Facility), the PCF secretariat within the CPRP screens proposals and administers existing grants. Grants can be made to states, multilateral institutions, transitional authorities, universities and NGOs.

PCF themes include socioeconomic analysis (aimed at reducing conflict through development), watching briefs (damage and needs assessment in conflict situations where normal Bank operations are not possible), developing transitional support strategies (defining reconstruction risks and priorities), and small-scale pilot activities (focused on restarting production and creating employment).

Grants range from US\$25,000 to US\$1 million. These funds cannot be allocated to support large-scale reconstruction activities, emergency relief activities, or proposals duplicating work already being supported by the Bank or other donor institutions. Applications should be made to the World Bank country director of the country that is the subject of the proposal or the CPRP.

Four examples PCF-supported SALW programmes approved the fiscal years 1998-2000 are:

- three separate grants for East Timor, (US\$119,480; US\$486,060; and US\$394,460) for post-conflict reconstruction and reintegration programs; and
- a grant approved for Burundi worth US\$798,000 for an ex-combatants assistance programme.<sup>10</sup>

PCF had US\$7.4 million at its disposal in fiscal 2001.

#### The Japanese Post-Conflict Fund (JPCF)

This is a PCF-administered fund that channels resources provided by the government of Japan in ways consistent with the goals of the PCF. JPCF funds can be used to support Transitional Support Strategies or early reconstruction activities. Grants may be between US\$1 million and US\$2 million.

Proposals must be submitted by Bank country managers and endorsed by relevant governments. NGOs are not eligible for JPCF grants. JPCF had US\$15 million at its disposal in fiscal 1999.

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<sup>10</sup>See "Post Conflict Fund Approved Grants, FY98-FY02." World Bank.