

Development Assistance Co-operation

- The Canadian International Development Agency launched its official development assistance program with China in 1981. Since 1990, annual bilateral (government-to-government) funding has been in the range of \$30-32 million. Bilateral projections for 1995-96 are \$36 million.
- The current Country Development Policy Framework for China was launched by both governments in July 1994. All new CIDA programs in China now focus on economic co-operation, environmental sustainability, human rights and democratic development, and good governance. Women in development and poverty reduction also figure prominently in the new policy framework. Letters of intent have been signed for 17 new initiatives in the areas of environmental sustainability, economic co-operation, good governance and women in development.
- Major ongoing projects include the Canada–China Enterprise Management Training Centre, Assistance to Open Cities, the China Council for International Co-operation on Environment and Development, Lean Swine Production, South China Power Studies, the Oil and Gas Technology Transfer Program, and comprehensive Transport Management Training.
- CIDA's Industrial Co-operation Program provides financial contributions to Canadian firms wanting to participate in sustainable development through long-term co-operation with local partners in developing countries. In 1995-96, the program disbursed \$7.8 million to support projects in China.
- In November 1994, Prime Minister Chrétien and Chinese Premier Li Peng signed letters of intent for six development co-operation projects that support Chinese administrative, legal and economic reforms. These include: Statistical Information Management Project, Public Policy Options Program, Xinjiang Women's Income Generation Project, Women's Law Program, Special University Linkage Consolidation Program, and Senior Judges Training Centre Project.