

About Us



The Asia Foundation

Improving Lives, Expanding Opportunities



The Asia Foundation is a nonprofit international development organization committed to improving lives across a dynamic and developing Asia-Pacific. Our work across the region is focused on good governance, women's empowerment and gender equality, inclusive economic growth, environment and climate action, and regional and international relations.

WHO WE ARE

- Informed by **decades of experience and deep local expertise**, we are addressing Asia-Pacific's most critical issues—rapid urbanization, rising inequality, pervasive subnational conflicts, violence against women, and a closing space for civil society.
- We are **nonpartisan** and bring together **diverse perspectives** to tackle multi-dimensional challenges that move across borders.
- We create global impact through cost-effective grantmaking and direct program operations through our **network of offices in 18 Asia-Pacific countries**.
- With a long view of Asia-Pacific's development needs, we emphasize a **political economy approach**, putting local communities at the center.
- We partner with a diverse group of donors including bilateral and multilateral development agencies, foundations, corporations, and individuals. In 2021, we provided **\$82.7 million in direct program support** and distributed textbooks and other educational materials valued at \$1.8 million.

WHAT WE DO

-  **GOOD GOVERNANCE**
Foster open, effective, and accountable government
-  **WOMEN'S EMPOWERMENT AND GENDER EQUALITY**
Advance rights and opportunities of women and girls; promote gender equality
-  **INCLUSIVE ECONOMIC GROWTH**
Contribute to more inclusive economic growth
-  **ENVIRONMENT & CLIMATE ACTION**
Increase resilience to threats of natural and environmental disasters, improve management of natural resources
-  **REGIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION**
Strengthen cooperation to address nontraditional security challenges that move across borders

WHERE WE WORK

Afghanistan | Bangladesh | Cambodia | China | India | Indonesia | Japan | Korea | Laos | Malaysia | Mongolia | Myanmar | Nepal | Pacific Islands | Pakistan | Philippines | Singapore | Sri Lanka | Thailand | Timor-Leste | Vietnam

86%
of budget allocated
to programs

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