ADB Road Loan to Lift Access, Growth in Myanmar’s Ayeyarwaddy Delta

An $80 million Asian Development Bank (ADB) loan will upgrade a road providing a key link in and out of Myanmar’s agriculturally rich but underdeveloped Ayeyarwaddy Delta. (Read More)

Ayeyarwaddy Delta.....

Ayeyarwady Delta lies in the Irrawaddy Division, the lowest expanse of land in Burma. The delta region is densely populated, and plays a dominant role in the cultivation of rice in rich alluvial soil as low as just 3 meters above sea level, although it also includes fishing communities in a vast area full of rivers and streams.
Solomon Islands’ Efforts to Combat Rural Poverty Get US$9 Million Boost from World Bank

The World Bank’s Board of Executive Directors today approved US$9 million to support the second phase of the Solomon Islands Rural Development Program (RDP II), one of the Government’s main instruments to address rural poverty. (Read More)

“New Climate Normal” Poses Severe Risks to Development—World Bank Report

As the planet warms further, heatwaves and other weather extremes that today occur once in hundreds of years, if ever, would become the “new climate normal,” creating a world of increased risks and instability. (Read More)
Myanmar’s High Rice Price Volatility Increases Poverty Risk but Requires Careful Management

A new study by the World Bank finds that rice price volatility in Myanmar is the highest among net rice exporting countries in Asia, preventing Myanmar’s rice farmers from earning high profits and keeping many families at or close to poverty income levels. (Read More)

Global Agriculture and Food Security Program Announces $107 Million in Grants to Fight Hunger and Poverty

Partners in the Global Agriculture and Food Security Program (GAFSP) today announced $107 million in grants to five countries—Benin, Bhutan, Kenya, Laos PDR, and Timor Leste—for country-led initiatives to increase agriculture productivity, reduce poverty, and improve food and nutrition security. (Read More)

Global Agriculture and Food Security Program (GAFSP)

GAFSP was established in the wake of the food price crisis to fund long-term solutions that build resilience, put policies in place to help people cope with food price volatility, and help avert future crises. To date, GASFP has received pledges amounting to $1.3 billion.
AfDB

Building resilience to climate change: World Bank and AfDB partner to improve hydrological and meteorological systems in Africa

The African Development Bank (AfDB) and the World Bank have completed a seminar on improving the hydrological and meteorological systems in Africa. (Read More)

IDB

IDB backs program to give SMEs in Paraguay greater access to credit

The Inter-American Development Bank (IDB) has approved a $30 million loan for a program to help boost productivity in Paraguay, by giving small- and medium-sized companies greater access to credit over the medium and long term, and to improve their business skills. (Read More)
16 Caribbean Countries To Participate In Water Utility Reform Workshops
While Caribbean countries have made consistent progress in expanding the coverage of drinking water services, there are gaps that need to be filled to improve access, delivery and quality. (Read More)

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We have been providing assistance to improve the safety of drinking water in Caribbean countries, completing a water supply project in New Hope Village, Haiti, in April 2014, for example. In addition to providing enough water for the daily needs of more than 200 households and supporting the community’s school, the initiative is also supplying enough irrigation water to support agricultural reclamation work on 50 hectares of nearby land, as described in this short promotional film.

US $ 30.0 million loan to the Government of Nicaragua for clean water and sanitation
The Central American Bank for Economic Integration (CABEI) and the Government of Nicaragua signed a US$ 30.0 million loan to finance the “Sustainability Program of Rural Water and Sanitation Sector". (Read More)