



Project Title:	Human Rights Advocacy & Monitoring Project (AdvocProject)
Duration:	April 1 2005 – December 31 2005
Implementing Agent: Cooperating/Associated Agencies:	United Nations Development Programme (DEX) Ombudsman Commission
CCF Sectoral Theme:	Human Rights/Governance
Funding:	UNDP (DGTTF): US\$ 125,000 UNDP (TRAC): US\$ 25,000 Total Project Cost: US\$ 150,000

1. Brief Background/Description:

The Human Rights Advocacy & Monitoring Project (AdvocProject) is funded from the UNDP Democratic Governance Trust Fund. UNDP supports the Government of Papua New Guinea's efforts in observing international human rights commitments in setting up a human rights protection mechanism with the Ombudsman Commission as the main element of this structure. This proposal was crafted after UNDP learned from the Ombudsman Commission (OC) that they require assistance to strengthen and enhance their current Human Rights Unit.

2. Project Objectives:

The Project supports the Ombudsman Commission (OC) Human Rights Unit by enhancing their capacity to undertake advocacy and monitoring activities. There are two expected outputs; the first one has a split focus, as follows:

- Strengthening the capacity of the Ombudsman Commission Human Rights Unit through technical inputs, and producing an assessment of human rights needs in PNG and;
- Increased public awareness of human rights through a mass media campaign.

3. Accomplishments/Planned Activities

- a. The strengthening of the capacity of the Human Rights Unit of the Ombudsman Commission has been firmly initiated through bottom to top human rights awareness and strategic human rights investigations.
- b. Three mainstream training of trainers human rights workshops targeted at NGOs, CBOs and the Police have been conducted with maximum publicity in both the electronic and print media. The workshop participants equally developed a Plan of Action for the promotion and protection of human rights in Papua New Guinea through their daily functions and responsibilities.
- c. Production of comic book to raise awareness of human rights amongst general public
- d. Completion of human rights needs assessment in PNG

4. Current Status:

The project concluded on December 31 2005.