

Aid partnership with Philippines

New Zealand supports the Philippines to grow its agriculture sector, develop a more highly skilled and educated workforce, and build resilience to disasters.

Our development investments in the Philippines focus on areas that the Philippines has prioritised and where New Zealand's expertise is most valued, such as agriculture, knowledge and skills, and disaster risk management.

Total aid to the Philippines comprises country-specific activities, as well as scholarships, regional initiatives, Partnerships Fund activities, and when requested, humanitarian response.

What we're supporting

We're working closely with the Government of Philippines and local partners on several development activities.

Priority	Activities and outcomes
Agriculture Increase economic and food security benefits from agriculture	<p>Improving cow nutrition and milk production through a dairy partnership with the Philippines National Dairy Authority. The five-year \$5.3 million project has recently completed and aimed to increase incomes and employment for dairy farmers.</p> <p>Providing farm inputs and training to assist 10,425 rural households in conflict-affected areas of Mindanao to restore agriculture livelihoods. We are working in partnership with the United Nations Food and Agriculture Organisation (FAO) on this three-year \$4.5 million project.</p> <p>Strengthening horticulture and livestock income opportunities for 600 rural households in Western Samar through Tear Fund New Zealand's five-year \$3.8 million activity to improve post-harvest infrastructure, technical advice and market access.</p>
Resilience Strengthen resilience	<p>Developing a disability-inclusive approach to disaster risk reduction in urban communities of Manila through a four-year \$0.8 million project with Christian Blind Mission.</p>
Education Improve workforce skills and capabilities	<p>Providing 24 post-graduate and 16 short-term training scholarships in agriculture, renewable energy, disaster risk management, public sector leadership and private sector development each year. Forty two post-graduate scholars are currently studying in New Zealand.</p>

Find out more about [New Zealand Aid Programme activities in other ASEAN countries](#).

Recent achievements

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Agriculture Increase economic and food security benefits from agriculture	<p>In 2019, our Philippines-NZ Dairy Project trained 147 government advisors and dairy farmers in animal nutrition and farm management. 73 hectares of livestock feed crop has been planted which reduced livestock production costs.</p>