

**Project Title: “Public Monitoring of Corruption in Mongolian Mining Sector”**

**Funding Agency: ADB -Partnership For Transparency Fund**

**Effective Date: December 2006,**

**Project period: 1 year**

**Project Goal:**

- To monitor the implementation status of the recently revised Mongolian legislative acts, such as Law on Mineral Resources and Law on Anti-corruption;
- To inform public and advocate for further improvements for mining sector legislation
- To contribute to implementation of WWF Toxics Global Thematic Programme.

For undertaking the project activities, WWF Mongolia enters into partnership with *Alliance of the River Movements* (including 15 local grass-roots organizations) and the *Center of Human Rights and Development (CHRD)*. Jointly, the group advocates for practices and basic principles of *responsible mining*.

For this proposed project indeed, it is very important and necessary to work together with some government agencies, especially with the *Ministry for Nature and Environment (MNE)* and *State Professional Inspection Agency (SPIA)*. The *MNE* is responsible for the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) which is a pre-requisite for all the development activities planned. The *SPIA* is responsible for the monitoring and inspection of all the relevant law enforcement.

Ensuring transparency in exploration industry and public participation in decision-making process involves license issuance for prospecting and exploration of mineral resources, increasing public access to information and responsibilities of mining companies for minimizing environmental damages.

Immediate outputs of recent activities of WWF Mongolia have been visible in terms of revised legislative acts and laws, i.e., Law of Mongolia on Mineral Resources and Law of Mongolia on Toxic Chemicals. The parliament endorsed new Law on Anti-Corruption in line with the UN Convention on Anti-Corruption.

**Objectives:**

**Objective 1:** Knowledge of the public on the revised mineral resource and anti-corruption laws is increased and public monitoring strategy developed.

**Objective 2:** Implementation status of both mineral resource and anti-corruption laws are actively monitored through the public.

**Objective 3:** Recommendation for improved implementation of legislations on mineral resources and anti-corruption is developed and disseminated.