Multi-donor Trust Fund
Grant Agreement

(Ninth Poverty Reduction Support Development Policy Financing)

between

SOCIALIST REPUBLIC OF VIETNAM

and

INTERNATIONAL BANK FOR RECONSTRUCTION AND DEVELOPMENT
INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION
acting as administrator of the Multi-donor Trust Fund for Co-financing of the
Sixth, Seventh, Eighth, Ninth and Tenth Poverty Reduction Support
Development Policy Financing

Dated March 06th, 2012
GRANT NUMBER TF 011346
MULTI-DONOR TRUST FUND
GRANT AGREEMENT

AGREEMENT dated 6/26/2012, entered into between:

Socialist Republic of Vietnam ("Recipient"); and

INTERNATIONAL BANK FOR RECONSTRUCTION AND DEVELOPMENT/INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION (collectively "World Bank"),
acting as administrator of the Multi-donor Trust Fund for the purpose of providing financing in support of the Program (as defined in the Appendix to this Agreement) through the co-financing of the ninth poverty reduction support development policy financing provided to the Recipient by the International Development Association ("Association") acting in its own capacity in accordance with the Financing Agreement (as defined in the Appendix to this Agreement).

The Recipient and the World Bank hereby agree as follows:

Article I
Standard Conditions; Definitions

1.01. The Standard Conditions for Grants Made by the World Bank out of Various Funds, dated July 31, 2010 ("Standard Conditions"), with the modifications set forth in Section I of the Appendix to this Agreement, constitute an integral part of this Agreement.

1.02. Unless the context requires otherwise, the capitalized terms used in this Agreement have the meanings ascribed to them in the Standard Conditions or in the Appendix to this Agreement.

Article II
The Program

2.01. The Recipient declares its commitment to the Program and its implementation. To this end:

(a) the Recipient and the World Bank shall from time to time, at the request of either party, exchange views on the progress achieved in carrying out the Program;

(b) prior to each such exchange of views, the Recipient shall furnish to the World Bank for its review and comment a report on the progress
achieved in carrying out the Program, in such detail as the World Bank shall reasonably request; and

(c) without limitation upon the provisions of paragraphs (a) and (b) of this Section, the Recipient shall exchange views with the World Bank on any proposed action to be taken after the disbursement of the Grant which would have the effect of materially reversing the objectives of the Program, or any action taken under the Program.

Article III
The Grant

3.01. The World Bank agrees to extend to the Recipient, on the terms and conditions set forth or referred to in this Agreement, a grant in an amount equal to seven million three hundred thousand four hundred and twenty United States Dollars (US$7,300,420) ("Grant") to assist in financing the Program.

3.02. The Recipient may withdraw the proceeds of the Grant in accordance with Schedule I to this Agreement.

3.03. The Grant is funded out of the abovementioned trust fund for which the World Bank receives periodic contributions from the donors to the trust fund. In accordance with Section 3.02 of the Standard Conditions, the World Bank's payment obligations in connection with this Agreement are limited to the amount of funds made available to it by the donors under the abovementioned trust fund, and the Recipient’s right to withdraw the Grant proceeds is subject to the availability of such funds. Accordingly, in the event that any donor cancels or fails to pay any contributions under the trust fund to the World Bank for any reason, or that as a result of currency exchange variations the amount of funds available in the trust fund is insufficient for the purposes of the Grant, the Recipient shall bear the risk of such funding shortfall and the World Bank shall not have any liability whatsoever to the Recipient or to any third parties in respect of any expenditures or liabilities incurred by the Recipient or any third parties in connection with this Agreement which exceed the amount of funds made available to the World Bank by the donors for the purposes of the Grant.

Article IV
Additional Remedies

4.01. The Additional Event of Suspension referred to in Section 4.02(k) of the Standard Conditions consists of the following: namely that a situation has arisen which shall make it improbable that the Program, or a significant part thereof, will be carried out.
Article V
Recipient's Representative; Addresses

5.01. The Recipient's Representative referred to in Section 7.02 of the Standard Conditions is the Governor, or a Deputy Governor, of State Bank of Vietnam.

5.02. The Recipient's Address referred to in Section 7.01 of the Standard Conditions is:

State Bank of Vietnam
49 Lý Thái Tổ
Hà Nội
Socialist Republic of Vietnam

Cable: 
Telex:  
Facsimile:

VIETBANK 412248 (84-4) 3825 0612
Hanoi NHTWVT

5.03. The World Bank's Address referred to in Section 7.01 of the Standard Conditions is:

International Bank for Reconstruction and Development
International Development Association
1818 H Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20433
United States of America

Cable:  
Telex:  
Facsimile:

INDEVAS 248423 (MCI) or 1-202-477-6391
Washington, D.C. 64145 (MCI)
AGREED at Hanoi, Vietnam, as of the day and year first above written.

Socialist Republic of Vietnam

By

Authorized Representative

INTERNATIONAL BANK FOR RECONSTRUCTION AND DEVELOPMENT
INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION
acting as administrator of the Multi-donor Trust Fund for Co-financing of the Sixth, Seventh, Eighth, Ninth and Tenth Poverty Reduction Support Development Policy Financing

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SCHEDULE

Availability of Grant Proceeds

A. **General.** The Recipient may withdraw the proceeds of the Grant in accordance with the provisions of this Section and such additional instructions as the World Bank may specify by notice to the Recipient.

B. **Allocation of Grant Amounts.** The Grant shall be withdrawn in a single tranche. The allocation of the amounts of the Grant to this end is set out in the table below:

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<tr>
<th>Allocations</th>
<th>Amount of the Grant Allocated (expressed in U.S. Dollar)</th>
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<tr>
<td>Single Tranche</td>
<td>7,300,420</td>
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<td><strong>TOTAL AMOUNT</strong></td>
<td>7,300,420</td>
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C. **Deposits of Grant Amounts.** Except as the World Bank may otherwise agree:

1. The Recipient shall open, prior to presenting to the World Bank the first request for withdrawal from the Grant Account, and thereafter maintain a deposit account in a foreign currency ("Foreign Currency Deposit Account") on terms and conditions satisfactory to the World Bank. All withdrawals from the Grant Account shall be deposited by the World Bank into said Foreign Currency Deposit Account.

2. The Recipient shall ensure that upon each deposit of an amount of the Grant into the Foreign Currency Deposit Account, an equivalent amount is accounted for in the Recipient’s budget management system, in a manner acceptable to the World Bank.

D. **Audit.** Upon the World Bank’s request, the Recipient shall:

1. have the Foreign Currency Deposit Account audited by independent auditors acceptable to the World Bank, in accordance with consistently applied auditing standards acceptable to the World Bank;

2. furnish to the World Bank as soon as available, but in any case not later than four (4) months after the date of the World Bank’s request for such audit, a certified copy of the report of such audit, of such scope and in such detail as the World Bank shall reasonably request; and
3. furnish to the World Bank such other information concerning the Foreign Currency Deposit Account and its audit as the World Bank shall reasonably request.

E. **Excluded Expenditures.** The Recipient undertakes that the proceeds of the Grant shall not be used to finance Excluded Expenditures. If the World Bank determines at any time that an amount of the Grant was used to make a payment for an Excluded Expenditure, the Recipient shall, promptly upon notice from the World Bank, refund an amount equal to the amount of such payment to the World Bank. Amounts refunded to the World Bank upon such request shall be cancelled.

F. **Closing Date.** The Closing Date is May 30, 2012.
APPENDIX

Section I. Definitions

1. "Excluded Expenditure" means any expenditure:

   (a) for goods or services supplied under a contract which any national or international financing institution or agency other than the International Development Association ("IDA") or the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development ("IBRD") has financed or agreed to finance, or which IDA or IBRD has financed or agreed to finance under another credit, grant or loan;

   (b) for goods included in the following groups or sub-groups of the Standard International Trade Classification, Revision 3 (SITC, Rev.3), published by the United Nations in Statistical Papers, Series M, No. 34/Rev.3 (1986) (the SITC), or any successor groups or subgroups under future revisions to the SITC, as designated by the World Bank by notice to the Recipient:

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<td>112</td>
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<td>Alcoholic beverages</td>
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<td>121</td>
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<td>Tobacco, un-manufactured, tobacco refuse</td>
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<td>122</td>
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<td>Tobacco, manufactured (whether or not containing tobacco substitutes)</td>
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<td>525</td>
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<td>Radioactive and associated materials</td>
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<td>667</td>
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<td>Pearls, precious and semiprecious stones, unworked or worked</td>
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<tr>
<td>718</td>
<td>718.7</td>
<td>Nuclear reactors, and parts thereof; fuel elements (cartridges), non-irradiated, for nuclear reactors</td>
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<td>728</td>
<td>728.43</td>
<td>Tobacco processing machinery</td>
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<td>897</td>
<td>897.3</td>
<td>Jewelry of gold, silver or platinum group metals (except watches and watch cases) and goldsmiths' or silversmiths' wares (including set gems)</td>
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<td>971</td>
<td></td>
<td>Gold, non-monetary (excluding gold ores and concentrates)</td>
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   (c) for goods intended for a military or paramilitary purpose or for luxury consumption;

   (d) for environmentally hazardous goods, the manufacture, use or import of which is prohibited under the laws of the Recipient or international agreements to which the Recipient is a party;
(e) on account of any payment prohibited by a decision of the United Nations Security Council taken under Chapter VII of the Charter of the United Nations; and

(f) with respect to which the World Bank determines that corrupt, fraudulent, collusive or coercive practices were engaged in by representatives of the Recipient or other recipient of the Grant proceeds, without the Recipient (or other such recipient) having taken timely and appropriate action satisfactory to the World Bank to address such practices when they occur.

2. "Financing Agreement" means the agreement dated July 29, 2010 entered into between the Recipient and the International Development Association whereby the Association has agreed to provide financing on the basis of: (a) the actions which the Recipient has already taken under the Program and which are described in Section I of Schedule I to said Agreement; and (b) the Recipient's maintenance of an appropriate macroeconomic policy framework.

3. "Foreign Currency Deposit Account" means the account referred to in paragraph C of the Schedule to this Agreement.


5. "Single Tranche" means the amount of the Grant allocated to the category entitled "Single Tranche" in the table set forth in Part B of the Schedule to this Agreement.

Section II. Modifications to the Standard Conditions

The Standard Conditions are modified as follows:

1. Sections 2.01 (Project Execution Generally) and 2.07 (Financial Management; Financial Statements; Audits) are deleted in their entirety, and the remaining Sections in Article II are renumbered accordingly.

2. Paragraph (a) of Section 2.03 (renumbered as such pursuant to paragraph 1 above and relating to Use of Goods, Works and Services) is deleted in its entirety.
3. Paragraph (c) of Section 2.04 (renumbered as such pursuant to paragraph 1 above) is modified to read as follows:

"Section 2.04. Documents; Records. The Recipient shall ensure that:

... (c) all records evidencing expenditures under the Grant are retained until two years after the Closing date;"

4. Section 2.05 (renumbered as such pursuant to paragraph 1 above) is modified to read as follows:

"Section 2.05. Program Monitoring, Reporting and Evaluation. The Recipient shall:

... (b)(ii) ensure the preparation and delivery to the World Bank, not later than six months after the Closing Date, a completion report of such scope and in such detail as the World Bank shall reasonably request, on the execution of the Program, the performance by the Recipient and the World Bank of their respective obligations under the Agreement and the accomplishment of the purposes of the Grant."

5. Sections 3.05 (Designated Accounts) and 3.06 (Eligible Expenditures) are deleted in their entirety, and the remaining Sections in Article III are renumbered accordingly.

6. The following terms and definitions set forth in the Appendix are modified or deleted as follows, and the following new terms and definitions are added in alphabetical order to the Appendix as follows, with the terms being renumbered accordingly:

(a) The definition of the term "Eligible Expenditure" is modified to read as follows:

"'Eligible Expenditure' means any use to which the Grant is put in support of the Program, other than to finance expenditures excluded pursuant to the Agreement."

(b) The term "Financial Statements" and its definition as set forth in the Appendix are deleted in their entirety.

(c) The term "Project" is modified to read "Program" and its definition is modified to read as shown in paragraph 4 of Section I of this Appendix. All references to "Project" throughout these Standard Conditions are deemed to be references to "Program".