

**BANTUAN UNITED STATES AGENCY FOR INTERNATIONAL  
DEVELOPMENT (USAID) DALAM MENANGANI  
PANDEMI COVID-19 DI FILIPINA**

**ABSTRAK**

Pandemi COVID-19 telah memasuki kehidupan di Filipina semenjak Januari 2020, merugikan manusia maupun sektor-sektor penting secara signifikan. Di tengah tantangan ini, Filipina memiliki hubungan strategis dengan Amerika Serikat (AS) sebagai mitra terkuat di Asia Tenggara. Kehadiran USAID sebagai agen pemerintahan AS telah memainkan peran sentral terhadap kemitraan kedua negara tersebut, termasuk dengan bantuan internasional yang diberikan dalam menangani dampak pandemi COVID-19 di Filipina. Penelitian ini bertujuan untuk mengetahui bagaimana bantuan USAID dalam menangani pandemi COVID-19 di Filipina. Dengan menggunakan teori bantuan luar negeri milik Hans Morgenthau, penelitian ini menemukan bahwa USAID memberikan bantuan luar negeri kemanusiaan dan pembanguana ekonomi. Penelitian ini menggunakan metode deskriptif analitik dengan pendekatan penelitian kualitatif. Penelitian ini menemukan bahwa USAID memberikan bantuan berupa logistik, finansial, fasilitas, dan teknis. Sektor-sektor penting yang mendapatkan bantuan mencakup sektor kesehatan, kemanusiaan, pendidikan, dan perekonomian. Bantuan yang telah diberikan tidak hanya sebagai respon terhadap pandemi COVID-19 di Filipina, namun juga membangun kemitraan berkelanjutan antara Filipina dan AS melalui USAID, serta membangun ketahanan masyarakat Filipina untuk masa depan. Melalui bantuan ini, AS juga mendapatkan manfaat untuk rencana stategis AS di Filipina pada masa mendatang.

**Kata Kunci:** COVID-19, Filipina, AS, USAID, bantuan luar negeri.

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**(USAID) ASSISTANCE IN HANDLING COVID-19**  
**PANDEMIC IN THE PHILIPPINES**

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*The COVID-19 pandemic has entered life in the Philippines since January 2020, significantly harming people and important sectors. In the midst of these challenges, the Philippines has a strategic relationship with the United States (US) as the strongest partner in Southeast Asia. USAID's presence as a US government agency has played a central role in the partnership between the two countries, including with the international assistance provided in dealing with the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic in the Philippines. This research aims to find out how USAID assisted in dealing with the COVID-19 pandemic in the Philippines. Using Hans Morgenthau's theory of foreign aid, this research finds that USAID provides welfare and economic development foreign aid. This research uses descriptive analytical methods with a qualitative research approach. This research found that USAID provided assistance in the form of logistics, finance, facilities and technical assistance. Important sectors that receive assistance include the health, humanitarian, education and economic sectors. The assistance provided is not only a response to the COVID-19 pandemic in the Philippines, but also builds a sustainable partnership between the Philippines and the US through USAID, and builds the resilience of the Filipino people for the future. Through this assistance, the US also gets benefits for US strategic plans in the Philippines in the future.*

**Keywords:** COVID-19, Philippines, US, USAID, foreign aid.