



Location:
Soroako, South Sulawesi

Value:
US\$30 Million

Client:
PT INCO
(International Nickel Indonesia)

Contract Type:
Civil, Structural, Mechanical and
Electrical Installation

Duration:
June 1996 to October 1999

Description of Works:

Early 1997 Thiess Indonesia was contracted by PT INCO Indonesia for the INCO expansion project, located at Soroako, Fluor Daniel Indonesia as the main contractor. This expansion project aimed to increase the nickel production from the existing plant by 50%.

Thiess Indonesia was awarded the structural steel package and mechanical and electrical package following the concrete/civil package contract. A daywork contract was awarded outstanding performance, as well as the additional work on the truck dump and screening station sites under a separate contract.

In March 1998 this project scored a 100% rating on the safety audit. This was a tremendous effort considering the environmental and safety conditions. Quality Assurance was also one of the key points to the success. ISO 9002 and Thiess Management System were concurrently implemented on this project.

Furthermore, for the Equipment Maintenance (MEM) Workshop stage I and II a total of 2,500,000 Manhours were expended without an LTI (Lost Time Injury).

The project was completed in early 1999. A total of US\$30 Million contract value was expended including minor works and variations. Following the completion of this job, Thiess Indonesia had become "The Most Favoured Contractors" of PT INCO. Several long-term contracts had been awarded to PT TCI subsequently, such as Balambano RCC Dam project (Joint operation with Astaldi Spa-US\$60M) and its maintenance contracts (US\$12M). The key to success for this project was maintaining good communications and relationships within the project team as well as to the client, while focusing on project quality, budget and time.