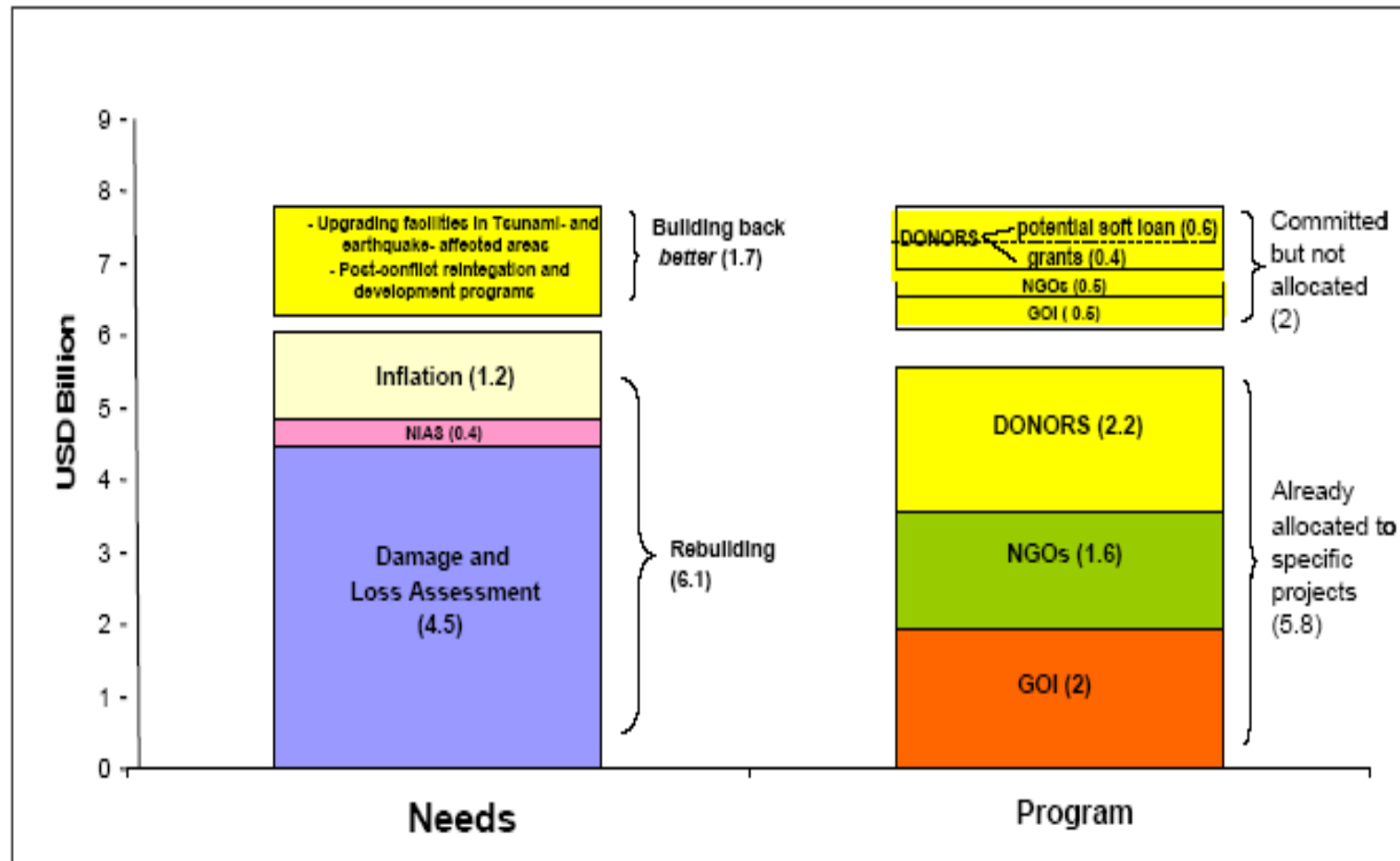




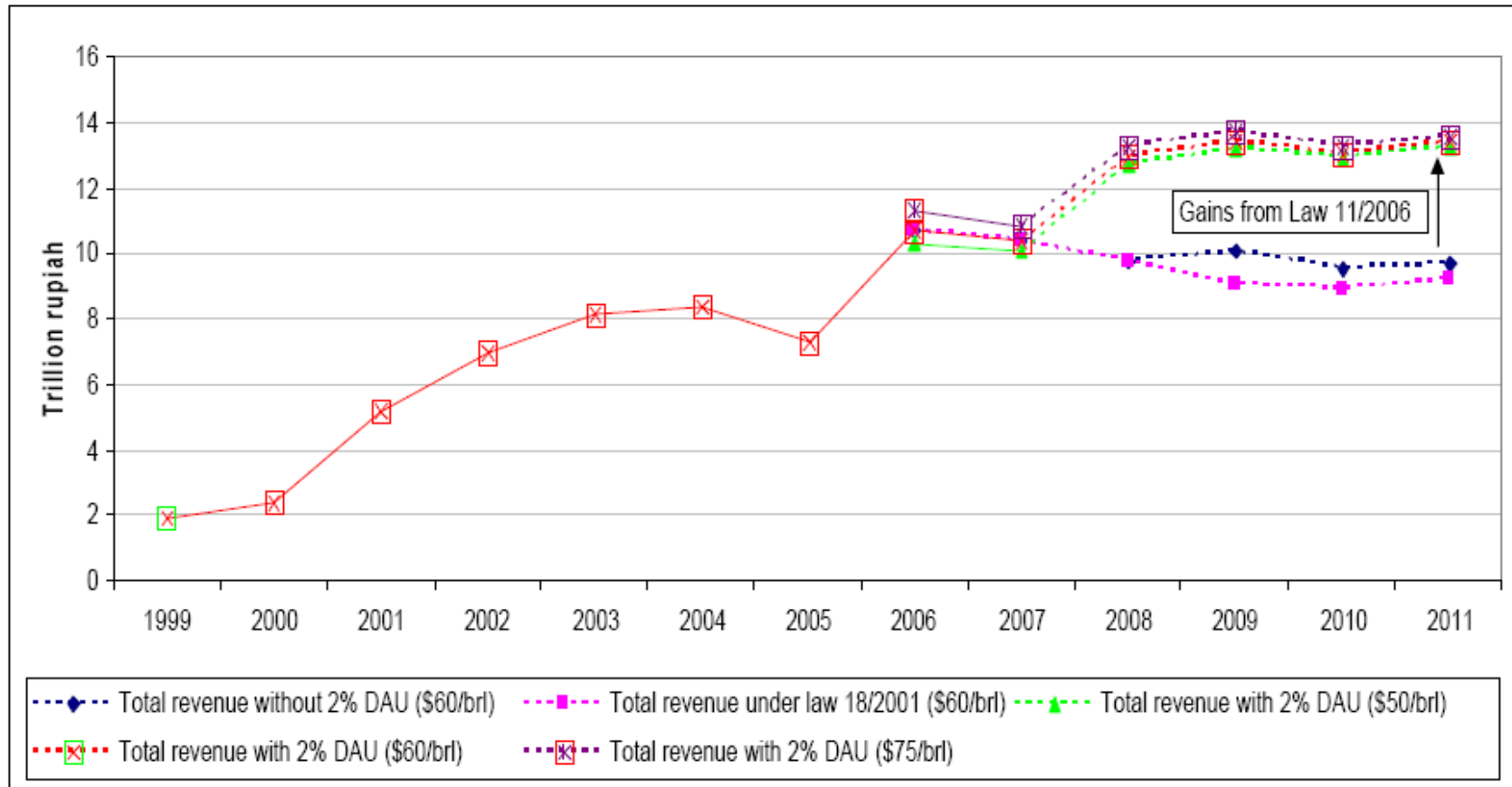
**Relief effort in Aceh, TI Indonesia
activities as model of Civil Society
Engagement**

Needs and Commitments

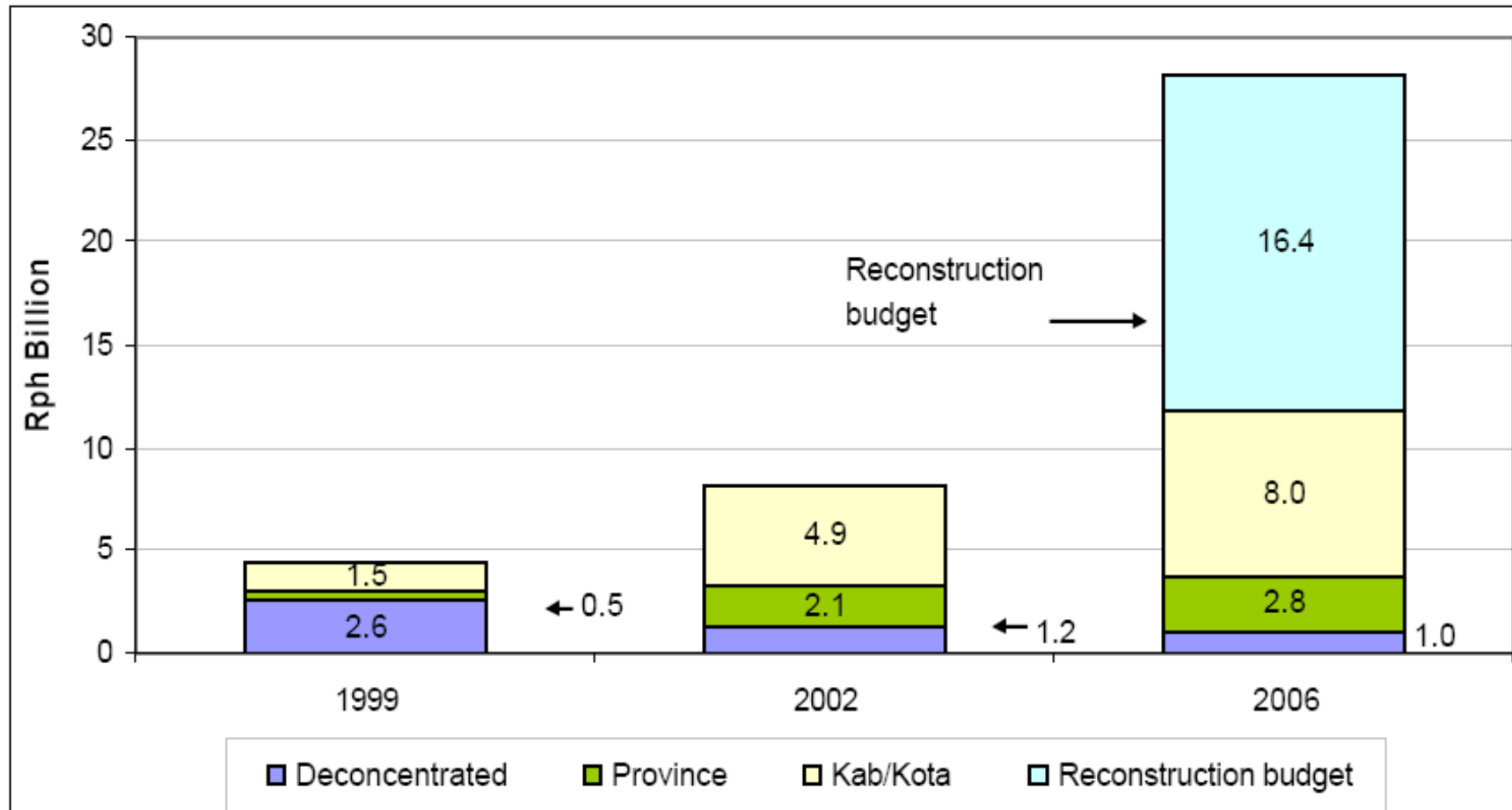
Figure 1 Reconstruction needs and commitments



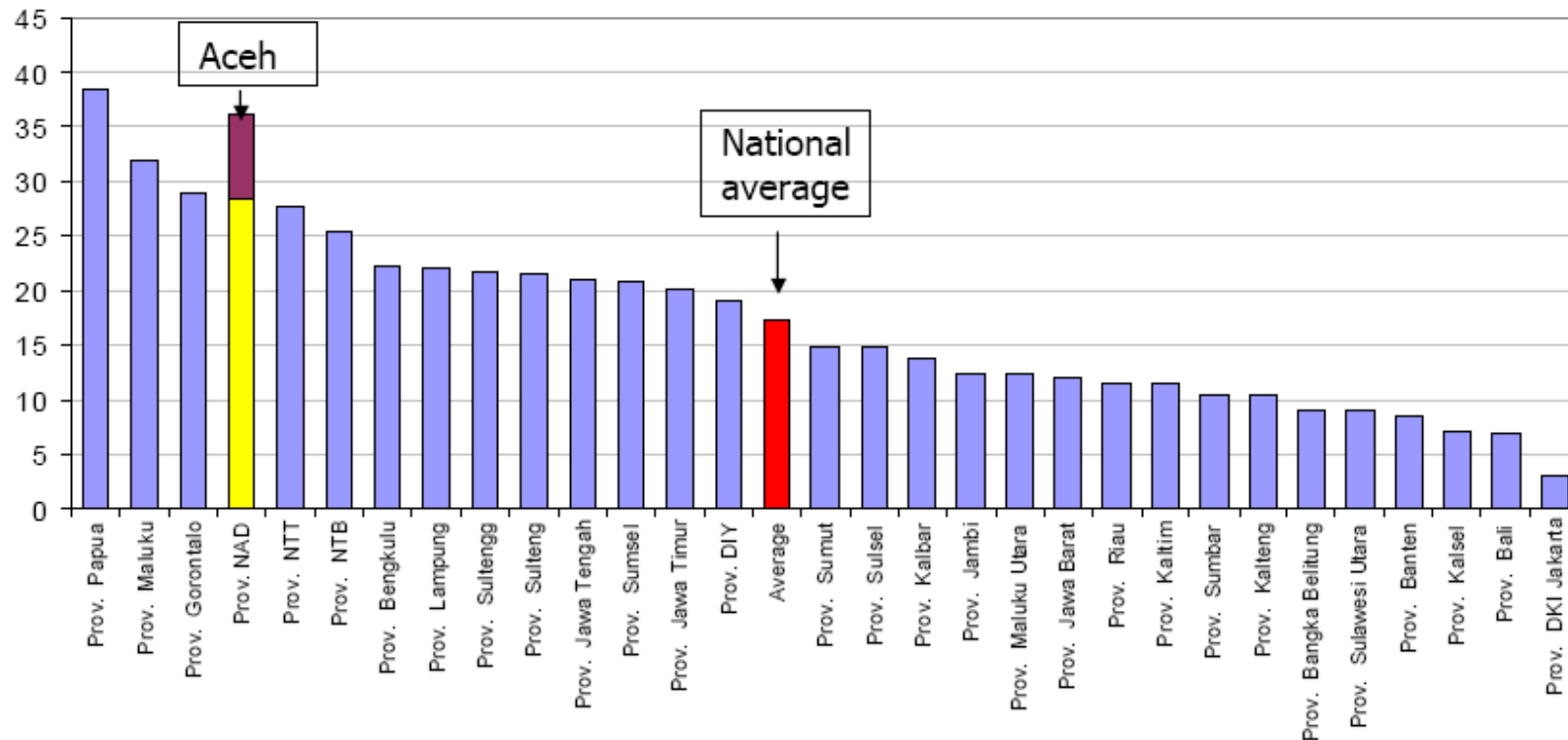
Surge in revenue since the application of the law on special autonomy (law 11/2006)



In 2006, Aceh received 6 times the amount of its 1999 budget



No clear correlation between revenue and poverty



Note : Blue columns indicate poverty levels

For Aceh, the yellow color indicates the poverty level

before the tsunami, with the purple color indicating the additional impact of the tsunami on poverty

Problematic in Aceh surrounding Tsunami Relief

- Data suggest that funds received not geared towards Aceh improvement. Tsunami hurt poor Aceh people in most while their development portion might be extorted somewhere.
- Strong tendency that relief effort and its process undermine transparency and accountability principles.
- Corruption, particularly in Procurement Process in Public sectors
- Lack of capacity of society dealing with corruption issue
- Historical background (repressive regime under Soeharto ruling authority), underline a delicate effort dealing with sensitive community
- Insufficient coordination in, and access to information on reconstruction and development program by government, donors or other implementing agencies
- Poor coherence between community needs and reconstruction program

TI Indonesia engagement

- To strengthen the community organizations to enable public monitoring and reporting of indications of corruption reconstruction and development projects.
- To encourage donors to strengthen transparency, access to information, and harmonize complaint handling procedures.
- To widely disseminate information about reconstruction projects in Aceh in order to increase local communities' access to information and encourage greater participation in public monitoring.
- To reform the public procurement systems, strengthened regulatory framework and community oversight.
- Strengthen coordination in development planning and information management, promote community participation in needs assessment and planning

Activities

- Numerous community committees have been established and trained to conduct community based monitoring
- 2409 [community complaints](#) collected by March 2007, where 204 cases investigated and 71 cases mediated
- Cooperation with International NGO/Donor established in several districts [complain handling mechanism](#)
- Integrity Pact to prevent corruption in procurement are implemented in several tsunami affected districts in Aceh
- PCMs between aid beneficiaries and implementing agencies being a regular basis activities as a mediation forum
- Support sub-district coordination and capacity building in the district/city and provincial [Joint Secretariat](#), strengthen participatory needs assessment, and centralization of information

Impact

- Increasing awareness among stakeholder upon the issue and impact of corruption for Aceh society
- Participatory Channel are created for public particularly beneficiaries of the relief project
- Changing Behaviour. As the oppressed society, people in Aceh began to have confidence for engagement
- Donors and implementing agency elaborate corruption, transparency and accountability in their operation while gaining more confidence from community
- Coordination and Synergy between implementing agency and institution are created allow more systemic method to minimize corruption

Thank You

