

**STATUS OF PROJECTS IN EXECUTION – FY03
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Introduction

The Status of Projects in Execution (SOPE) Report for FY03 provides information on all IBRD/IDA projects that were active on and beyond June 30, 2003. Thus it bridges the gap in information available to the public between the Project Appraisal Document, disclosed after the Bank approves a project, and the Implementation Completion Report, disclosed after the project closes.

The World Bank has issued a SOPE Report every year as an internal communication to the Board of Executive Directors. Now, in accordance with the Bank's revised disclosure policy, the SOPE Report is also available to the public. By publishing this improved report, we have addressed one of the main concerns we heard from the public during disclosure consultations – that the public has very little access to information on projects while they are being implemented. Readers familiar with past reports will note that projects that closed during the fiscal year are no longer included in the SOPE, since their Implementation Completion Reports are now also disclosed.

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Status of Projects in Execution

Region: SOUTH ASIA

Project Name (ID): Fisheries (04) (P009468)

Country: Bangladesh

Board Approval Date: 7/20/1999

Signing Date: 9/5/1999

Effectiveness Date: 12/2/1999

Mid-Term Review Date: 6/4/2002

Closing Date: 12/31/2004

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 32760

Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 12.6

Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 7.4

Sector: Rural Sector

Main Thematic Code: Rural non-farm income generation

Implementing Agency: DOF; BWDB

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The project's development objectives are increased fish and shrimp production for domestic consumption and export as well as strengthening of the Ministry of Fisheries. Implementation performance on the five components of the project (including the companion GEF-funded Aquatic Biodiversity Conservation Project) has varied with some significant problems. However, the chances of achieving the major development objectives (in a reduced scale) by closing date are likely, provided the high risks related to the slow progress under inland open water, shrimp aquaculture and institutional development components can be mitigated and the community based fisheries management approach achieves the intended results.

Project Changes: In line with the reduced project targets noted above the following changes have been made: (i) open water stocking: 20,000 ha (original target 60,000 ha); (ii) fish-structures 6 nos. (original target 13 nos.); (iii) restoration of fish habitat 7 sites (original 10 sites); and (iv) rehabilitation of 4 shrimp polders (original target-rehabilitation 4 polders, new development 1 polder).

Outlook: The sustainability of community based fisheries management approach, particularly the floodplain stocking, is at risk. The project is in the early part of its 5th year and as mentioned above the chances of achieving the development objectives [in a reduced scale] are likely, provided the identified risks can be mitigated and the community based fisheries management approach succeeds.

Project Name (ID): Dhaka Urban Transport (P009524)

Country: Bangladesh

Board Approval Date: 1/19/1999

Signing Date: 2/17/1999

Effectiveness Date: 6/16/1999

Mid-Term Review Date: 2/5/2002

Closing Date: 6/30/2004

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 31630

Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 55.6

Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 55.2

Sector: Transport

Main Thematic Code: Other urban development

Implementing Agency: MIN. OF COMMUNICATIONS

The project was restructured during 2002 (fiscal year): In view of implementation performance issues encountered during the early project period, restructuring was initiated during the Feb 2002 mid-term review and completed by Dec 2002. Its aim was to downsize the project to a more manageable scale, refocus its components to improve development impact, and streamline implementation arrangements to

enhance project performance. A surplus credit amount of SDR 48 million was cancelled. Implementation performance has improved following project restructuring.

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The project has made progress toward achieving its development objectives which are to improve urban transport infrastructure and services and to address long term planning, coordination and institutional issues in the Dhaka Metropolitan Area. (DMA). Key steps taken include: (a) approval by DTCC board of a non-motorized traffic (NMT) free arterial network strategy and multi-year implementation plan for Dhaka (b) successful conversion and operation of the Mirpur Road Corridor as an NMT-free facility since in Dec 2002 with a noticeable increase in travel speeds and a reduction in the number of traffic accidents. (c) phasing out of polluting two-stroke three wheelers from the Dhaka metropolitan area with dramatic improvements in air and noise pollution (d) progress toward making the Road and Traffic Maintenance Fund (RTMF) within DCC, fully operational, to address Dhaka's road network maintenance needs on a sustainable basis (e) establishment of the Traffic Engineering Department within DCC with responsibilities for traffic engineering & maintenance management (f) adoption of a parking policy for DMA (g) completion of the first phase of the Bus Route Franchising Study and acceptance of its recommendations by GOB plus a broad section of stakeholders and (h) transfer of three DCC owned inter-district bus terminals to private sector operators.

Project Name (ID): Primary Education Development (P009550)

Country: Bangladesh

Board Approval Date: 4/9/1998

Signing Date: 4/30/1998

Effectiveness Date: 7/28/1998

Mid-Term Review Date: 5/30/2001

Closing Date: 12/31/2003

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: N0380

Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 23.0

Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 80.6

Sector: Education

Main Thematic Code: Education for all

Implementing Agency: PMED

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The project's overall development objectives to improve school quality and system efficiency will have substantially been achieved at the project's closing. This has been done through work on the following: Certificate-in-Education teacher training, local and overseas training, provision of materials and textbooks, and teaching/learning aids. Capacity strengthening at different levels has also taken place, including in data collection and the provision of access to quality primary schooling through improved physical facilities, learning materials and school kits to some 1.5 million children from the poorest project areas by the end of the project.

Project Name (ID): Education (02) (P009574)

Country: Bhutan

Board Approval Date: 3/3/1998

Signing Date: 3/27/1998

Effectiveness Date: 6/25/1998

Mid-Term Review Date: 11/4/2001

Closing Date: 6/30/2004

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 30440

Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 4.5

Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 9.0

Sector: Education

Main Thematic Code: Education for all

Implementing Agency: MIN. OF HEALTH AND EDUCATION

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The objectives are to: (a) increase the number of graduates from basic education and provide sufficient entrants to existing training programs to fill labor

demands; (b) raise levels of learning in basic education through improved teacher training and teaching-learning activities; and (c) strengthen management quality in the education sector in the context of the government's ongoing decentralization program. Overall progress is on track. Achievement of the objectives is expected.

Project Changes: The closing date was extended to June 30, 2004.

Project Name (ID): ECODEVELOPMENT (P009584)

Country: India

Board Approval Date: 9/5/1996

Signing Date: 9/30/1996

Effectiveness Date: 12/27/1996

Mid-Term Review Date: 4/25/2000

Closing Date: 6/30/2004

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 28479

Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 1.9

Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 14.2

Sector: Rural Sector

Main Thematic Code: Biodiversity

Implementing Agency: MOEF

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The project aims to conserve biodiversity with community participation based on the ecodevelopment approach. Specifically, the main development objectives are : (i) Improved capacity of Protected Area (PA) management to conserve biodiversity and increase opportunities for local participation in PA management activities and decision making; (ii) Reduced negative impacts of local people on biodiversity, reduced negative impacts of PAs on local people, and increased collaboration of local people in conservation efforts; and (iii) More effective and extensive support for conservation and ecodevelopment. Progress toward achieving the above development objectives is outlined below: (i) PA management plans have been prepared in consultation with stakeholders in all the 7 parks. Government Orders have been issued in all States for constitution of regional planning committees and steps have been initiated to operationalise these committees. Most States have also extended the concept to apply beyond project period/project parks. (ii) Monitoring reports continue to indicate improvement with regard to Park-People relationships. Participatory monitoring systems have been introduced. (iii) Evidence indicates improved support for biodiversity conservation. All the States have adopted the approach to cover other Parks outside the project scope. Modules being developed on capacity building and ecotourism will be useful for scaling up application of the concept.

Project Changes: The project was extended by one year for six Parks that satisfactorily met agreed performance criteria. One park (Nagarahole) did not meet these criteria and hence was not given extension.

Significant Issue: To ensure sustainability, capacity building and empowerment of local ecodevelopment committees as well as links with other developmental sectors must be further strengthened.

Project Name (ID): National Highways (03) (P009972)

Country: India

Board Approval Date: 6/8/2000

Signing Date: 8/11/2000

Effectiveness Date: 10/2/2000

Mid-Term Review Date: 11/29/2002

Closing Date: 6/30/2006

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 45590

Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 398.4

Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 117.6

Sector: Transport

Main Thematic Code: Other urban development

Implementing Agency: NATIONAL HIGHWAYS AUTHORITY OF INDIA

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The first development objective of the project is to reduce transport constraints on economic activity and reduce transport costs. Although implementation of the civil works have been delayed, all works are likely to be completed and upgraded highways opened to traffic before the loan closure date. The expected benefits of reducing transport costs and transport constraints, are likely to materialize. The second objective is to improve institutional capabilities to manage road programs, assets and services. National Highways Authority of India (NHAI) officials are, with time, more and more efficiently handling the project preparation and implementation activities. Formulation of NHAI's institutional strategy, corridor management strategy and Road Information system are well advanced. Safeguards are being handled by a newly established dedicated Social and Environmental Unit. The NHAI board is consulting the external stakeholder Advisory group on their overall program. All these are leading to improving NHAI's and India's capabilities to manage large road programs, assets and services.

Safeguards: Implementation of the Resettlement Action Plan has encountered delays, as disbursement of additional assistance and economic rehabilitation grant to the affected landowners has not been completed yet.

Project Name (ID): Andhra Pradesh State Highway (P009995)

Country: India

Board Approval Date: 6/17/1997

Signing Date: 7/30/1997

Effectiveness Date: 10/2/1997

Mid-Term Review Date: 10/29/1999

Closing Date: 1/31/2004

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 41920

Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 59.5

Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 290.5

Sector: Transport

Main Thematic Code: Municipal governance and institution building

Implementing Agency: STATE PWD

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The key objectives are: (a) reduce transport costs on roads and transport constraints on economic activity and (b) improve the institutional capacity of the Roads and Bridges Department. Good progress has been made toward achieving the objectives. The civil work essential to reducing transportation costs is almost 100% complete, and all the consultancy services required to implement the project are in place. Institutional capabilities have been improved through the use of innovative and improved strategic planning and programming techniques, design methods, material specifications, construction standards, quality assurance, contract administration, road safety treatments, and innovative methods of execution of maintenance activity.

Outlook: The state government has requested an extension to June 30, 2004..

Project Name (ID): Madras Water Supply (02) (P010461)

Country: India

Board Approval Date: 6/20/1995

Signing Date: 11/20/1995

Effectiveness Date: 2/14/1996

Mid-Term Review Date: 11/22/1999

Closing Date: 3/31/2004

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 39070

Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 6.6

Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 79.9

Sector: Water Supply and Sanitation

Main Thematic Code: Other urban development

Implementing Agency: METROWATER

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The project's development objective is to assist Chennai Metropolitan Water Supply and Sewerage Board in (i) improving the sources of supply,

treatment, distribution and conservation of water and (ii) expanding and rehabilitating the sewage collection, conveyance, treatment and disposal system. All new works of transmission mains, distribution stations and strengthening of distribution network have been completed and commissioned. The program of water conservation included public awareness, leak detection and repairs, replacements, strengthening, bulk metering and introduction of domestic metering is under implementation. Work on other project components is on going. All physical activities taken up under the restructured project are completed, but could not be effectively used due to recurrent failure of monsoons. It is anticipated that the project's development objectives will be substantially achieved.

Project Name (ID): Tuberculosis Control (P010473)

Country: India

Board Approval Date: 1/30/1997

Signing Date: 3/14/1997

Effectiveness Date: 5/8/1997

Mid-Term Review Date: 9/22/2000

Closing Date: 9/30/2004

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 29360

Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 78.1

Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 56.5

Sector: Health, Nutrition and Population

Main Thematic Code: Fighting communicable diseases

Implementing Agency: TBD

The project was restructured during 2002 (fiscal year): The project was restructured following the mid-term review to improve project management capacity and amplify technical gains by enhancing coverage and improving quality to reach greater numbers of patients.

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The project continues to make significant progress toward meeting its enhanced development objective of implementing a modern tuberculosis treatment program in the country. As a result of the project, India has today the second largest program for Directly Observed Treatment - Short-course in the world. It has provided efficacious treatment to well over 1.75 million patients and saved over 300,000 lives. Good progress is being made toward an important institutional objective, decentralization of program management responsibility to states & districts introduced at mid-term, with many state governments now exercising full ownership of the program.

Project Name (ID): Tamil Nadu Water Resources Consolidation (P010476)

Country: India

Board Approval Date: 6/20/1995

Signing Date: 9/22/1995

Effectiveness Date: 12/14/1995

Mid-Term Review Date: 11/23/1998

Closing Date: 3/31/2004

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 27450

Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 29.1

Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 188.6

Sector: Rural Sector

Main Thematic Code: Water resource management

Implementing Agency: TAMIL NADU PWD

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The project's objectives are to introduce water resources planning in the state of Tamil Nadu by river basins across all uses of water improve agricultural productivity through modernization and completion of irrigation systems upgrade water management and farmer participation, assure sustainability of water infrastructure and the environment, and improve institutional and technical capability for managing the state's water resources. After initial delays and setbacks, there has been considerable progress on policy and strategy matters essential for sustaining

the project outcomes. Development objectives are expected to be achieved. This would create an enabling environment for a follow-on project.

Significant Issue: Specialized Cadre formation and elections to WUAs are being undertaken in an extremely slow manner. The Government has been advised that performance improvement is needed on these two issues.

Project Name (ID): Bombay Sewage Disposal (P010480)

Country: India

Board Approval Date: 7/6/1995

Signing Date: 12/28/1995

Effectiveness Date: 3/22/1996

Mid-Term Review Date: 12/18/1999

Closing Date: 12/31/2003

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 39230

Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 15.7

Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 152.2

Sector: Water Supply and Sanitation

Main Thematic Code: Municipal governance and institution building

Implementing Agency: MUN. CORP OF BOMBAY

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The project development objectives are to strengthen MCGM's capacity in all aspects of the management of the provision of sewerage services, sustain financial viability in the provision of water supply and sewerage services and improve the health and environmental conditions, including slum dwellers. All of these objectives are expected to be substantially achieved. Examples of activities that support this assessment include: treatment and disposal arrangements envisaged under the project have been commissioned. There is substantial improvement in sewerage coverage and sewage collection, treatment and disposal, enhancement of staff skills in sewerage management through training, implementation of a computerized decentralized water and sewerage billing and accounting system plus improved collections, as well as successfully demonstrating demand-led participatory and sustainable development of sanitation schemes in slums.

Outlook: All works identified at appraisal have been completed and put to beneficial use.

Project Name (ID): Hydrology (P010485)

Country: India

Board Approval Date: 8/22/1995

Signing Date: 9/22/1995

Effectiveness Date: 12/20/1995

Mid-Term Review Date: 1/8/1999

Closing Date: 12/31/2003

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 27740

Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 12.7

Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 88.2

Sector: Environment

Main Thematic Code: Water resource management

Implementing Agency: MIN OF WATER RES

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The objectives are to: (a) improve organizational arrangements for the measurement, validation, collation and analysis of hydrological, meteorological and water quality data, (b) strengthen institutional and technical capabilities, (c) improve physical facilities and hydrology services related to the measurement, validation, collation, and analysis of data and (d) make effective use of hydrological and hydro-meteorological data. Some 24 agencies were involved in this project. The achievements related to physical, financial, institutional and use of hydrological data, indicates that the objectives have been substantially met.

Project Name (ID): Orissa Health Systems Development (P010496)

Country: India
Board Approval Date: 6/29/1998
Signing Date: 8/13/1998
Effectiveness Date: 9/8/1998
Mid-Term Review Date: 4/15/2002
Closing Date: 3/31/2004
Loan/Credit/Grant Number: N0410
Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 58.5
Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 20.0
Sector: Health, Nutrition and Population
Main Thematic Code: Health system performance
Implementing Agency: GOVERNMENT OF ORISSA

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The objectives of the project are to assist the Government of Orissa to: (i) improve efficiency in the allocation and use of health resources through policy and institutional development; and (ii) improve the performance of the health care system. The project has encountered difficulties on many counts including implementation progress, project management, procurement, and financial management. Although the project has been able to put in place relatively modest improvements up to this point, the unmet need in the state is so great, that the project has had significant developmental impact. With regard to the objective to improve efficiency in the allocation and use of Health Resources through Policy and Institutional Development specific achievements are outlined below: Health sector allocations within the state budget have increased in nominal terms, however there was a recent decline. The budget share of primary and secondary levels of health care also increased. The Government's policy on user charges continues to be implemented (mainly in district hospitals), with exemption being provided to the poor. Funds are being retained and utilized at the collecting institution. The annual drug budget per in-patient per bed now exceeds the target set for the mid-term review. A decentralized health management information system has been put in place and regular reports are being issued. The quality assurance program is being implemented at all district hospitals and the project team is grading the hospitals and providing feedback to the Directorate of Health. The health care waste management plan has been finalized and waste segregation equipment has been provided to all project facilities.

Project Name (ID): National Drainage Program (P010500)
Country: Pakistan
Board Approval Date: 11/4/1997
Signing Date: 12/16/1997
Effectiveness Date: 2/25/1998
Mid-Term Review Date: 4/7/2000
Closing Date: 12/31/2004
Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 29990
Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 100.3
Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 167.2
Sector: Rural Sector
Main Thematic Code: Environmental policies and institutions
Implementing Agency: WAPDA AND PROVINCES

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): This project has multiple objectives which include: 1. Strengthen the technical foundations of, and knowledge base in, irrigation and drainage; 2. Improve sector policies and planning; 3. Strategic re-orientation, strengthen capacity, and improve efficiency of WAPDA (no longer a core part of the program); 4. Decentralization and management transfer of irrigation and drainage systems in Provinces and strengthen capacity and improve efficiency of decentralized institutions; 5. Improve the irrigation and drainage infrastructure network and minimize drainable surplus and facilitate eventual evaluation of saline drainable surplus from the Indus Basin to the sea. Progress toward achieving the objectives is still uneven, but shows some positive results after active involvement by the Bank and the consolidation of some of the planning, research and community participation components. The NDP has helped in establishing a high level dialogue between the GoP and the Bank in terms of water resources development. High level government commitment for the

development of the hydraulic sector in the county has been adopted which includes joint infrastructure and reform actions.

Project Changes: Sindh Province has formed a large number of farmer organizations (FO) responsible of the O&M of the irrigation systems, NWFP has also started formation of FOs, Punjab has initiated a proxy of Irrigation Management Transfer strategy and Balochistan has rejoined the program.

Project Name (ID): District Poverty Initiatives Project - Rajasthan (P010505)

Country: India

Board Approval Date: 4/25/2000

Signing Date: 5/19/2000

Effectiveness Date: 8/7/2000

Mid-Term Review Date:

Closing Date: 12/31/2005

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 33390

Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 95.6

Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 9.0

Sector: Rural Sector

Main Thematic Code: Other rural development

Implementing Agency: GOVERNMENT OF RAJASTHAN

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The project's development objective is to improve the economic opportunities, living standards and social status of the poor in selected villages of districts within Rajasthan. At this point the project has made limited progress toward achieving its objectives. The quality of institutional support to the community organizations from the Project Management Unit has not been at the level required. As a consequence, at the mid term review of the project it was suggested that many changes be made in the development and business processes, improvements be made to monitoring and overhauling of the response to community proposals. It is expected that implementation progress and disbursements will improve as a result. Many new institutions have been involved to support the communities.

Project Changes: Changes in institutional arrangements and business processes.

Outlook: The project is likely to be restructured with some cancellation of funds.

Project Name (ID): Multimodal Transit and Trade Facilitation (P010509)

Country: Nepal

Board Approval Date: 11/25/1997

Signing Date: 12/18/1997

Effectiveness Date: 2/4/1998

Mid-Term Review Date: 2/7/1999

Closing Date: 9/30/2003

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 30080

Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 4.1

Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 18.9

Sector: Transport

Main Thematic Code: Export development and competitiveness

Implementing Agency: MIN.WORKS& TRANSPORT

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The objective is to enhance the competitiveness of the tradable sectors of the economy through the reduction of transport costs for imports and exports. Achievement of the objective has been only partial. This is because of delays in completing the leasing of the new inland container depot (ICD) that was constructed near Birgunj, close to the Indian border. Achievement of the objectives will depend on successful concessioning of the ICD to a qualified terminal management company.

Project Name (ID): Malaria Control (P010511)

Country: India

Board Approval Date: 6/12/1997
Signing Date: 7/30/1997
Effectiveness Date: 9/30/1997
Mid-Term Review Date: 10/22/2001
Closing Date: 3/31/2004
Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 29640
Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 56.0
Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 60.9

Sector: Health, Nutrition and Population

Main Thematic Code: Fighting communicable diseases

Implementing Agency: MOHFW

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The overall objective of the project is to help India create an enhanced and more effective malaria control program. The project management efforts at the state level have improved substantially and contributed to the implementation progress. The focused approach by the implementing agencies, adoption of a judicious mix of control measures and close monitoring of the field level activities have enabled the project to make good progress toward achieving the project's development objectives.

Project Name (ID): Environmental Action (01) (P010513)

Country: Sri Lanka

Board Approval Date: 3/27/1997

Signing Date: 4/22/1997

Effectiveness Date: 7/22/1997

Mid-Term Review Date: 12/10/1998

Closing Date: 12/31/2003

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: N0140

Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 1.5

Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 12.7

Sector: Environment

Main Thematic Code: Environmental policies and institutions

Implementing Agency: MTEWA

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): Steady progress has been made toward achieving the development objectives of supporting the government's strategy of restructuring the Ministry of Environment and Natural Resource's Environment Division and strengthening of the Central Environmental Authority to better carry out its analytical, monitoring and enforcement responsibilities. In addition, the project supports the ongoing efforts to integrate environmental considerations into the overall development planning process and thus helps the Government take immediate remedial measures to reverse the trend of environmental degradation through pilot programs involving participatory approaches to environmental management.

Project Name (ID): Rural Water Supply and Sanitation (P010516)

Country: Nepal

Board Approval Date: 9/3/1996

Signing Date: 1/23/1997

Effectiveness Date: 6/17/1997

Mid-Term Review Date: 11/15/1999

Closing Date: 12/31/2003

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 29120

Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): .8

Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 14.7

Sector: Water Supply and Sanitation

Main Thematic Code: Rural services and infrastructure

Implementing Agency: RURAL WATER SUPPLY AND SANITATION FUND

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The development objective of the project is to raise living standards in rural areas of Nepal by: (i) delivering sustainable health and hygiene benefits to the rural population through improvements in water supply and sanitation; (ii) improving rural real incomes by assisting women identify ways to earn income from time saved in carrying water; and (iii) improving governmental and non-governmental capabilities to undertake and sustain these efforts. The completed schemes are benefiting local communities. It has improved water supply and sanitation services and also has been able to achieve greater social capital mobilization, and greater awareness in health and hygiene aspects. Local communities and women are more empowered and women's incomes have grown. It has also enhanced the capacity of support organizations, service agencies and community groups. In addition, the project has influenced rural water supply and sanitation sector policy as well as legislative reforms for autonomous bodies in Nepal. The project's objective will be substantially achieved.

Project Name (ID): Private Sector Infrastructure Development (P010517)

Country: Sri Lanka

Board Approval Date: 6/13/1996

Signing Date: 7/25/1996

Effectiveness Date: 11/21/1996

Mid-Term Review Date: 10/29/1999

Closing Date: 6/30/2005

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 28800

Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 25.6

Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 30.4

Sector: Private Sector Development

Main Thematic Code: Other financial and private sector development

Implementing Agency: PSIDC

The project was restructured during 2002 (fiscal year): The Project was restructured on November 14, 2002 as part of the Sri Lanka: North East Emergency Reconstruction Program (NEERP) in which Credit Agreements for three projects (including this one, PSIDP) were amended to provide a rapid response to the emergency reconstruction needs in the North East Province of Sri Lanka. (The original PSIDP project components were completed and closed.) The amendments changed the project objectives and components and released US\$31 million in savings from three projects, including PSIDP, that would have otherwise been canceled. Under PSIDP, it was originally estimated that about US\$21 million would be made available for NEERP. However, it now appears that this amount may be closer to \$26 million pushing the NEERP total to US\$ 36 million.

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The two year program of Emergency Reconstruction supported by IDA is intended to: (i) provide income and employment generation opportunities for returning IDPs; (ii) restore urgently needed primary health care and water supply facilities; and (iii) build institutional capacity in the North East to implement long-term reconstruction activities. The objective is to support development in a region which has largely been denied investment over the last two decades. PSIDP/NEERP is now one of the fastest disbursing projects in the portfolio. The North East Provincial Council has now made significant livelihood support payments to returning IDPs (US\$ 10 million).

Project Name (ID): Assam Rural Infrastructure and Agricultural Services (P010522)

Country: India

Board Approval Date: 5/25/1995

Signing Date: 6/6/1995

Effectiveness Date: 8/31/1995

Mid-Term Review Date: 7/22/1998

Closing Date: 12/31/2003

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 27330

Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 22.3

Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 85.4

Sector: Rural Sector

Main Thematic Code: Rural services and infrastructure

Implementing Agency: GOA

The project was restructured during 2002 (fiscal year): The project was restructured in May 2003 to expand the scope of the shallow tube well irrigation component and add a farm mechanization component to address the shortage of farm power that was becoming apparent as cropping intensity increased with extended irrigation coverage.

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The broad objectives of the project are to alleviate poverty, improve equity and nutrition, accelerate agricultural growth, and encourage sustainability of resource use. Progress in achieving these objectives is proceeding as planned. The project has a substantial impact on raising agricultural production and household incomes primarily through an impressive expansion of the shallow tube well irrigation program. It has an important impact on household and state level self sufficiency in food grains (rice) and increased employment opportunities for the landless as well as small and marginal farmers. The project also has a positive impact through improving access to markets (rural roads), diversification to vegetables and fruits (research & extension), increasing milk and fish production at the farm level, and encouraging women's self-help groups. This conclusion is based on the impact assessment report by an external M&E agency, complemented by mission's field visits and discussions with beneficiaries.

Project Changes: Expansion of irrigation led to a significant increase in the demand for farm power to make full use of available land and water resources. In response, the Development Credit Agreement was amended in May 2003 to include a farm mechanization subcomponent.

Outlook: A six month extension has been proposed to consolidate the gains from activities such as formation and strengthening of beneficiary groups (with NGO support) for irrigation and fisheries sectors, and also for the preparation of the follow-on project agreed by the Bank.

Project Name (ID): General Education (02) (P010525)

Country: Sri Lanka

Board Approval Date: 12/9/1997

Signing Date: 12/15/1997

Effectiveness Date: 1/29/1998

Mid-Term Review Date: 6/29/2001

Closing Date: 12/31/2004

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 30140

Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 30.3

Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 37.8

Sector: Education

Main Thematic Code: Education for all

Implementing Agency: MIN. OF EDUCATION

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The project's objective is to improve quality, access, management and financing of the Sri Lanka education system, increase the education system's responsiveness to economic needs, and reduce poverty. More specifically, to improve the quality, equity and efficiency of the education system, particularly for grades 1-9. The Government is making considerable effort to meet the development objectives. However, difficulties in implementation of the restructured components i.e., reconstruction in the conflict-affected areas, English language promotion and IT use in the education system, may jeopardize full achievement of the development objectives.

Project Name (ID): Orissa Water Resources Consolidation (P010529)

Country: India

Board Approval Date: 12/19/1995

Signing Date: 1/5/1996

Effectiveness Date: 1/30/1996

Mid-Term Review Date: 2/20/1999

Closing Date: 3/31/2004

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 28010

Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 57.0

Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 208.4

Sector: Rural Sector

Main Thematic Code: Indigenous peoples

Implementing Agency: STATE DOI (ORISSA)

The project was restructured during 2002 (fiscal year): The project was extended to March 31, 2004 because of force majeure conditions (super cyclone, floods etc.), with a modification to category allocation of the proceeds of the Credit, through a letter agreement.

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The project development objectives are: to improve the planning management and development process for Orissa's water resources increase agricultural productivity through investment to improve existing schemes and complete viable incomplete schemes enhance the Department of Water Resources' (DOWR) institutional capability and support the reconstruction of the cyclone affected areas. Overall progress in achieving these objectives is on track. Significant progress has been made in basin-wide water resources planning, and capacity building within DOWR in environmental impact assessment and management. With the improvement of irrigation systems and transfer of management of tertiary canals to beneficiary groups, the agricultural productivity as well as likelihood of sustainability of investments have increased. Some crop diversification and better water management have been noted in benefited areas. DOWR has been reorganized along functional lines. Irrigation water charges have been revised to have a good basis for full O&M cost recovery. However, implementation of the cyclone reconstruction component is still behind schedule.

Outlook: The progress of the project was again severely affected by unprecedented rainfall and flooding in August-October 2003.

Project Name (ID): Nepal Irrigation Sector (P010530)

Country: Nepal

Board Approval Date: 11/25/1997

Signing Date: 12/18/1997

Effectiveness Date: 9/17/1998

Mid-Term Review Date: 5/4/2000

Closing Date: 6/30/2004

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 30090

Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 6.6

Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 63.1

Sector: Rural Sector

Main Thematic Code: Water resource management

Implementing Agency: DEPT. OF IRRIGATION

The project was restructured during 2002 (fiscal year): Objective 1 was revised at the midterm review. SDR 6.06 million was cancelled at the same time.

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): Both objectives will be achieved by May 2004. Objective 2, to increase productivity and sustainability of irrigation systems on about 59,600 ha in selected districts of the three western and eastern regions, has been achieved. After completion of the national water plan, objective 1, to enable sustainable development and management of water resources by means of a comprehensive and integrated national water resource policy and strategy, will also have been achieved. The project has made significant contributions in areas such as preparing the water resources strategy, helping water users rehabilitate and modernize their irrigation systems in the hills and Terai areas, establishing hydro-meteorological stations and an information system for three western regions, developing irrigation systems in about 12,000 ha in Sunsari Morang Project area in the east and piloting a the On-Farm Water Management program in 20 districts. Irrigation development was carried out in about 68,000 ha, far exceeding the initial target of 59,600 ha.

Significant Issue: After the Maoists ended their ceasefire, the security situation in a number of mid-western and far-western districts has worsened.

Project Name (ID): Reproductive and Child Health (P010531)

Country: India

Board Approval Date: 5/28/1997

Signing Date: 7/30/1997
Effectiveness Date: 10/1/1997
Mid-Term Review Date: 10/29/2000
Closing Date: 3/31/2004
Loan/Credit/Grant Number: N0181
Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 79.7
Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 172.8
Sector: Health, Nutrition and Population
Main Thematic Code: Population and reproductive health
Implementing Agency: TBD

The project was restructured during 2002 (fiscal year): The restructuring in March 2003 provided supplemental funds for completion of project activities.

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The development objectives of the project are to assist the Family Welfare (FW) Program of the Government of India to: (1) Improve management performance; (2) Improve quality, coverage and effectiveness of existing FW services, and expand contents to include more elements of a defined package of reproductive and child health services; and (3) Increase access in selected disadvantaged districts and cities while improving FW quality. Progress toward these objectives is evidenced by the following. A decentralized work planning mechanism based on the client needs is being implemented in 74% of districts in the country, compared to the end of project goal of 60%. There has also been good progress in establishing an effective and transparent procurement process; central level financial management and funds flow to the states through autonomous state level societies. In terms of improved quality, coverage and effectiveness of existing Family Welfare services, data from surveys show, an increase in the age at marriage, plus use of safe delivery services and contraceptives. There is also an increase in the contraceptive prevalence rate but a decline in routine immunization coverage.

Project Name (ID): National Agricultural Technology (P010561)

Country: India

Board Approval Date: 3/17/1998

Signing Date: 6/22/1998

Effectiveness Date: 11/19/1998

Mid-Term Review Date: 6/30/2000

Closing Date: 12/31/2004

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 42960

Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 81.3

Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 110.5

Sector: Rural Sector

Main Thematic Code: Other rural development

Implementing Agency: MOA/ICAR

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The project's development objectives are to increase the availability and adoption of appropriate technologies through (i) improved efficiency of the Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR) Organization and Management systems; (ii) enhanced performance and effectiveness of priority research programs and of scientists in responding to the technological needs of farmers and (iii) developing models that improve the effectiveness of the technology dissemination system with greater accountability to and participation by the farming communities. The project is making steady progress toward achieving the above objectives. Specific achievements include implementation of recommendations for improving the institutional efficiency of ICAR. The project has facilitated a major shift to a farming system approach by focusing on key production systems in major agro-ecosystems of the country. The project is also facilitating pluralism in the National Agricultural Research System, and has begun to develop public-private partnerships for technology development and dissemination. A steady stream of usable technologies is emerging from project funded research.

Project Name (ID): Gujarat State Highway (P010566)

Country: India
Board Approval Date: 9/5/2000
Signing Date: 10/18/2000
Effectiveness Date: 11/28/2000
Mid-Term Review Date: 10/26/2002
Closing Date: 12/31/2005
Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 45770
Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 295.4
Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 85.6
Sector: Transport
Main Thematic Code: Other rural development

Implementing Agency: GOVERNMENT OF GUJARAT ROADS AND BUILDINGS DEPARTMENT
Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The development objectives of the project are to enhance the capacity of the Government of Gujarat (GOG) for the effective and efficient planning and management of road infrastructure while concurrently maximizing existing road infrastructure asset utilization through priority investments and increased maintenance funding. The development objectives are on track to be achieved despite the fact that the start of some of the civil works contracts were postponed in the aftermath of the January 2001 earthquake that hit Gujarat. As a result of the project the GOG is already managing, in a more effective and efficient manner, a much larger road sector budget with fewer staff. Furthermore, with the timely completion of a portion of the civil works contracts, better utilization of key existing state road assets has already occurred.

Project Name (ID): Montreal Protocol Ozone Depleting Substances (02) (P031829)

Country: India
Board Approval Date: 3/2/1995
Signing Date: 5/9/1995
Effectiveness Date: 5/9/1995
Mid-Term Review Date: 11/14/2002
Closing Date: 6/30/2010
Loan/Credit/Grant Number:
Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 19.8
Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 30.2
Sector: Environment

Main Thematic Code: Pollution management and environmental health
Implementing Agency: IDBI WITH MOEF OVERSIGHT
Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The global objective being pursued through this project is to support accelerated recovery of the stratospheric ozone layer through the elimination of the use of substances that contribute to the depletion of the ozone layer. Implementation continues to meet both project and global objectives. The amounts of ozone depleting substances phased out under the project has passed the 5000 metric ton mark, contributing to the country's ability to meet its CFC phase out target requirements under the Montreal Protocol Agreement. Subproject implementation is largely complete and the executing agency is now focusing on measures to bring the project to closure.

Project Name (ID): Mahaweli Restructuring and Rehabilitation (P034212)

Country: Sri Lanka
Board Approval Date: 4/14/1998
Signing Date: 4/30/1998
Effectiveness Date: 6/23/1998
Mid-Term Review Date: 1/31/2000
Closing Date: 6/30/2005
Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 30580
Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 14.3
Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 42.0
Sector: Rural Sector

Main Thematic Code: Administrative and civil service reform

Implementing Agency: MAHA.AUTH.OFSL(MASL)

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The objectives are to (a) transform the Mahaweli Authority into a river basin management agency whose primary mission is to ensure productive and sustainable use of water and land resources of the Mahaweli and adjoining river basins and (b) increase farm production and income by transforming System H into a more productive, commercially oriented agricultural production system. The progress and outcomes of physical rehabilitation and related technical, agricultural and organizational interventions for the second objective have progressed well. System H is a model for improving agricultural diversification and productivity in other major irrigation systems. Sustainability remains an issue. Progress has been slow on the first objective. In spite of high-level political commitment to the reforms, there are risks and uncertainties that implementation of the reforms might get delayed after closure of related components on December 31, 2003.

Project Changes: SDR 3.8 million was reallocated to a new component for the conflict-affected communities of the northeast.

Project Name (ID): Montreal Protocol Ozone Depleting Substances (ODS) Phase Out (P034301)

Country: Pakistan

Board Approval Date: 1/23/1997

Signing Date: 2/7/1997

Effectiveness Date: 8/4/1997

Mid-Term Review Date:

Closing Date: 6/30/2006

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 28200

Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 7.9

Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 5.1

Sector: Environment

Main Thematic Code: Pollution management and environmental health

Implementing Agency: ELGNRD, NDFC

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The objective of the project is to assist Pakistan's transition into non-CFC technology. A key first step in this transition was previously taken i.e., GOP adopted legislation and a licensing system which will help regulate ODS usage in the country. The main conclusions of the recent Stakeholders workshop included agreement on the need for specific actions and the timing necessary to achieve compliance targets for halon and CTC reductions including policy measures on imports needed to bring Pakistan back into compliance for halon and to ensure that the 85% reduction target for CTC can be met. The updated Country Program Update has been submitted to the MLF Executive Committee after receiving the Government's endorsement. The timely completion of ongoing projects by the end of 2004 is critical to Pakistan's ability to meet its 50% CFC reduction target under the Montreal Protocol. Two umbrella projects that aim to gradually phase out all remaining CFC in foam and refrigeration manufacturing by 2006 have recently received the Government's endorsement which is needed for the Secretariat to present the projects for consideration by the Executive Committee at its December 2003 meeting. Overall the outlook is positive as the Government has made policy changes necessary to meet the development objective.

Project Name (ID): Andhra Pradesh Irrigation (03) (P035158)

Country: India

Board Approval Date: 5/20/1997

Signing Date: 6/3/1997

Effectiveness Date: 7/3/1997

Mid-Term Review Date:

Closing Date: 7/31/2004

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 41660

Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 72.9

Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 199.7

Sector: Rural Sector

Main Thematic Code: Environmental policies and institutions

Implementing Agency: STATE DOI (AP)

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): This project has multiple components and therefore multiple development objectives. These include increased agricultural productivity and rural incomes, improved irrigation management, ensuring the safety and sustainability of three project supply reservoirs, implementing a Government of India mandated regional program of environmental safeguards and nature conservation, and improving monitoring and evaluation capacity for large projects. Project implementation is proceeding well and most of the project activities are nearing completion or scheduled to be fully completed before project closing. The project development objectives are likely to be achieved. Specific accomplishments that support achievement of the above objectives include the following. Almost all of the civil works for irrigation development and rehabilitation have been completed and all will be done by project closing. While there have been some delays collection of water charges is expected to be brought to a level of 90%. Identification of project affected people is well along as are the formation of self help groups and income generation schemes. The dam safety component is almost fully completed. The environmental safeguards and nature conservation activities have been completed. Computerization projects are on track and the Project Preparation and Monitoring Unit is pro-active in its monitoring activities thus enhancing coordination and better project implementation.

Project Name (ID): Uttar Pradesh Forestry (P035169)

Country: India

Board Approval Date: 12/9/1997

Signing Date: 12/30/1997

Effectiveness Date: 3/19/1998

Mid-Term Review Date: 11/8/2000

Closing Date: 7/31/2003

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 30180

Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 9.2

Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 42.7

Sector: Rural Sector

Main Thematic Code: Land management

Implementing Agency: U.P FOREST DEPARTMENT

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The development objective of the project is to assist the Governments of Uttar Pradesh and Uttaranchal in developing and testing new processes, systems and skills to improve sector management of the forest department, increase forest cover and productivity, improve biodiversity conservation, and sustain and improve the livelihood of rural poor through sustainable forest management. The above objectives have been substantially achieved as evidenced by the following: There has been substantial improvement in both the states in the approach to forest management, involvement of communities in forest management, use of better technologies and in human resource development. The project impact on environment is positive, with decreased losses due to fire, unmanaged grazing and removals and improved regeneration. The project initiated changes are ongoing and expected to be sustained by the respective states.

Project Name (ID): Orissa Power Sector Restructuring (P035170)

Country: India

Board Approval Date: 5/14/1996

Signing Date: 7/10/1996

Effectiveness Date: 9/24/1996

Mid-Term Review Date: 5/14/1999

Closing Date: 1/31/2004

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 40140

Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 53.8

Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 201.2

Sector: Energy and Mining

Main Thematic Code: Regulation and competition policy

Implementing Agency: GOVT OF ORISSA

The project was restructured during 2002 (fiscal year): Some US\$ 35 million was cancelled as it was unlikely to be used before the closing date.

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The objectives are: (a) implementing a program of regulatory, institutional and tariff reforms in Orissa's power sector, (b) supporting the institutional development of the Orissa Electricity Regulatory Commission, the Grid Corporation of Orissa (GRIDCO) and the Orissa Hydro Power Corporation (OHPC), (c) reinforcing and rehabilitating the power system and its demand-side management to make power supply and consumption more efficient and (d) upgrading the environmental performance of the power sector and strengthening the environmental management capabilities of the power utilities. The majority of the key performance indicators have been met. However, financial performance continues to be disappointing for all four private distribution companies. Progress on financial restructuring has been very slow in the last year and is unlikely to be achieved before the project closes.

Procurement: Effective use of the funds has been hampered by slow procurement.

Safeguards: GRIDCO's monitoring and reporting of environmental and social issues has been below standard, but company now has an action plan with the Bank to correct this.

Project Name (ID): Uttar Pradesh Power Sector Restructuring (P035172)

Country: India

Board Approval Date: 4/25/2000

Signing Date: 5/19/2000

Effectiveness Date: 8/11/2000

Mid-Term Review Date: 9/16/2002

Closing Date: 12/31/2004

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 45450

Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 45.5

Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 104.5

Sector: Energy and Mining

Main Thematic Code: State enterprise/bank restructuring and privatization

Implementing Agency: UTTAR PRADESH POWER CORPORATION LTD. (UPPCL)

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The development objectives of the Project are: (a) to support the initiation of the power sector reform process through the establishment of the new legal, regulatory and institutional framework, the creation of new power corporations, and the launch of the preparatory work for the privatization of the distribution business; and (b) to reduce the most critical constraints in the power system to help improve the quality of supply and establish the benefits that could be expected from power sector reform and (c) to build and develop support among key stake holders in the state for power sector reform. Progress is now being made toward the above objectives following the August 2003 lifting of the loan suspension initiated in January 2003. This occurred after various measures had been taken by the Government to make progress toward achieving the objectives, including the unbundling of the transmission and four distribution companies, the appointment of independent management, and various financial measures including compliance with fiduciary responsibilities, debt restructuring, and finalization of a Revised Financial Restructuring Plan.

Project Name (ID): Powergrid System Development (02) (P035173)

Country: India

Board Approval Date: 5/3/2001

Signing Date: 6/13/2001

Effectiveness Date: 11/21/2001

Mid-Term Review Date:

Closing Date: 6/30/2006

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 46030

Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 297.4

Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 152.6

Sector: Energy and Mining

Main Thematic Code: Infrastructure services for private sector development

Implementing Agency: POWERGRID

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The objectives of the Project are: (a) to assist India in restructuring the power transmission sub-sector, improve coordination in power system operations, and promote power trading through regulatory, tariff and institutional reforms(b) to support the Borrowers institutional development and promote satisfactory financial and commercial performance and the implementation of the Borrowers investment and commercial policy(c) to assist the Borrower in the development of modern system coordination and control facilities and reinforcement of its transmission system toward a national grid and (d) to support the Borrower in the facilitation of private investment in the power sector and in its possible diversification into telecommunications. The project is on its way to achieving most of the development objectives. As of the mid term review the project performance indicators on institutional development, reforms and commercial performance were fully achieved.

Project Name (ID): Protected Area Management (P035823)

Country: Pakistan

Board Approval Date: 4/24/2001

Signing Date: 8/21/2002

Effectiveness Date: 10/25/2002

Mid-Term Review Date:

Closing Date: 12/31/2007

Loan/Credit/Grant Number:

Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 10.7

Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): .2

Sector: Environment

Main Thematic Code: Biodiversity

Implementing Agency: MELGRD

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The development objective of the project is to achieve the sustainable conservation of globally and nationally significant habitat and species by the active involvement of local communities within three protected areas (Chitral Gol National Park in NWFP, Hingol National Park in Balochistan and Machiara National Park in AJK). The implementation of the project is on track in AJK and NWFP, but little progress has been made in Balochistan and at the Federal MOE level. At this juncture, it seems very likely that project development objectives can be met in AJK and NWFP, although risks still exist, but they are unlikely to be met within the Balochistan component. This could change provided the Balochistan technical assistance contract would be signed immediately. For the Federal Ministry of Environment component, critical actions relating to establishment of the Special Account and the approval of annual work plan and counterpart budget remain outstanding.

Project Name (ID): Uttar Pradesh Diversified Agriculture Support (P035824)

Country: India

Board Approval Date: 6/30/1998

Signing Date: 7/30/1998

Effectiveness Date: 9/23/1998

Mid-Term Review Date: 12/7/2001

Closing Date: 3/31/2004

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 43650

Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 33.9

Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 94.3

Sector: Rural Sector

Main Thematic Code: Other rural development

Implementing Agency: GOVERNMENT OF UP

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The objectives are: (a) increase productivity of the diversified agricultural production systems through improved technology development and dissemination services, (b) promote private investment in agri-businesses, and (c) improve rural infrastructure. Good progress is being made in meeting these objectives. Independent reports show

significantly better progress across a range of agricultural diversification and productivity indicators as compared to areas outside the project, including an increase in cropping intensity, area and productivity of vegetables, proportion of farmers using organic fertilizers, spread of IPM practices, proportion of cross-bred animals and increased milk yields. Access to credit has been facilitated for about 20,000 farmer groups formed under the project, and many of these groups have invested in micro-enterprises. Over 1,350 paravets trained under the project are providing livestock services on a profit basis and 900 private nurseries (compared to end-project target of 200) have emerged. The project has also facilitated formation of 34 farmer federations and 166 farmer-owned and managed field schools which are being seen as important institutions for sustaining project activities after closing. About 2,100 kms of rural roads and 80 village level markets have been improved contributing to better market access for farm goods.

Project Name (ID): State Health Systems Development (02) (P035825)

Country: India

Board Approval Date: 3/21/1996

Signing Date: 4/18/1996

Effectiveness Date: 6/27/1996

Mid-Term Review Date: 10/27/1999

Closing Date: 3/30/2004

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 28330

Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 40.3

Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 273.3

Sector: Health, Nutrition and Population

Main Thematic Code: Health system performance

Implementing Agency: DEPT OF HEALTH & FW, GOVT OF KARNATAKA, WEST BENGAL, PUNJAB

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The objectives of the project are to assist the Government of Karnataka, Punjab and West Bengal to: (i) improve efficiency in the allocation and use of health resources through policy and institutional development and (ii) improve performance of the health care system through enhanced quality, effectiveness and coverage of health services at the first referral level and selective coverage at the primary level to better serve the neediest sections of society. The achievement of these objectives are fully on track across the three states. For the POLICY INDICATORS: Budgetary allocations for the primary and secondary tiers of the health sector, as well as resources for non-salary recurrent costs have increased substantially. Cost Recovery-user charges are being collected and these funds are being used for non-salary recurrent expenditures, and have improved the quality of services at the facilities, besides increasing the ownership and pride of the hospital staff. Contracting out of Non-clinical services is resulting in improved cleanliness and security. With regard to ACCESS AND EFFECTIVENESS INDICATORS: There have been substantial improvements in: availability of appropriate manpower, training of doctors and paramedical staff, availability of drugs and supplies, timely repair of equipment in upgraded facilities etc. These improvements have led to increased credibility of services and greater patient satisfaction.

Project Name (ID): Woman and Child Development (P035827)

Country: India

Board Approval Date: 6/29/1998

Signing Date: 7/6/1999

Effectiveness Date: 10/4/1999

Mid-Term Review Date: 5/10/2003

Closing Date: 9/30/2004

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: N0420

Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 170.4

Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 131.6

Sector: Health, Nutrition and Population

Main Thematic Code: Nutrition and food security

Implementing Agency: DEPT OF WMN & CHILD DEV.

The project was restructured during 2002 (fiscal year): The restructuring of the project at the mid-term review has led to revising key performance/impact indicators in consultation with the borrowers. The main objective of restructuring the project is to bring about the required shift in implementation of the software components particularly to address targeting of the under three year old children, and the intergenerational malnutrition cycle by focusing on reduction of adolescent anemia on a large scale in the project states. Emphasis on implementation of all software components in the project states would be undertaken taking into account the guiding principles laid down for improving the nutrition focus within the Integrated Child Development Services (ICDS) program of India which this project supports.

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The project has three development objectives: (i) Improve the nutrition, health and psycho-social status of children, 0-6 years of age, with particular emphasis on preventing malnutrition in under threes, and improve child care practices at the household level (ii) Improve the nutrition and health of women, particularly pregnant and breast-feeding mothers, and adolescent girls and (iii) Empower adolescent girls, through increased awareness, to take better care of their own health and nutrition needs. Project impact data are not available yet. In the absence of outcome data in the existing ICDS Monitoring Information System the progress on project objectives is judged on the basis of completion of implementation targets in all the project states/components. Overall, implementation progress under the project continues to be slow. Financial management and performance need to be improved if the available IDA funds are to be fully utilized.

Outlook: Based on the analysis of the project baseline survey data, the ICDS program needs to improve some of its structural features if it is to be used as the vehicle to reduce the problem of malnutrition in India. In particular, problems of targeting and service quality were identified even in the areas where the program has succeeded in reaching most, if not all, households.

Project Name (ID): National Biodiversity Strategy and Medicinal Plant Conservation (P035828)

Country: Sri Lanka

Board Approval Date: 12/18/1997

Signing Date: 1/15/1998

Effectiveness Date: 5/8/1998

Mid-Term Review Date: 10/27/2000

Closing Date: 6/30/2004

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 28370

Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): .6

Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 3.9

Sector: Environment

Main Thematic Code: Biodiversity

Implementing Agency: MTEWA

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The main objective of the project is to conserve globally and nationally significant medicinal plants, their habitats, species and genomes and promote their sustainable use. Overall the activities of the project are progressing well and there is strong potential for meeting planned project objectives and outcomes. The project closing date was extended to June 30, 2004 because of progress made with the expectation that the additional year would enable the implementation and consolidation of critical actions relating to sustainability e.g., transfer of responsibilities and ownership of project investment and services to local community institutions, improving marketing and product development, dissemination and documentation of lessons learned and integration of project activities in the functioning of line agencies at the national and provincial levels. However, there has been some delay in the implementation of the actions outlined above due to change in leadership of the project. Attainment of full project objective remains possible.

Project Name (ID): Improvement to Financial Reporting and Auditing (P036015)

Country: Pakistan

Board Approval Date: 9/17/1996

Signing Date: 11/21/1996

Effectiveness Date: 2/18/1997

Mid-Term Review Date: 2/5/2001

Closing Date: 5/31/2004

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 29210

Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 18.3

Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 9.5

Sector: Public Sector Governance

Main Thematic Code: Public expenditure, financial management & procurement

Implementing Agency: PAK AUDIT DEPT

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The first objective is improving public sector accounting and financial systems. This is expected to be achieved on the basis of several signs of progress. The District Accounts Office Abbotabad pilot site is in full production mode, and the legacy systems have been discontinued. Three more sites are currently running in parallel mode and were to be in production by January 2004. There is a clear plan for the remaining sites. With regard to the objective of enhancing public sector accountability, the continuing efforts of the Office of the Auditor General to strengthen the effectiveness of the public audit function and the actions initiated toward strengthening internal control and promoting public financial accountability are expected to be instrumental in achieving this objective.

Procurement: The procurement process has been slow because of cumbersome administrative clearances and delayed decision making.

Project Name (ID): Ecodevelopment (P036062)

Country: India

Board Approval Date: 9/5/1996

Signing Date: 9/30/1996

Effectiveness Date: 12/27/1996

Mid-Term Review Date: 4/25/2000

Closing Date: 6/30/2004

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 29160

Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 4.5

Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 15.6

Sector: Rural Sector

Main Thematic Code: Biodiversity

Implementing Agency: MOEF

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The project aims to conserve biodiversity with community participation based on the eco-development approach. Specifically, the main development objectives are : (i) Improved capacity of Protected Area (PA) management to conserve biodiversity and increase opportunities for local participation in PA management activities and decision making; (ii) Reduced negative impacts of local people on biodiversity, reduced negative impacts of PAs on local people, and increased collaboration of local people in conservation efforts; and (iii) More effective and extensive support for conservation and eco-development. Progress toward achieving development objectives is outlined below: (i) PA management plans have been prepared in consultation with stakeholders in all the 7 parks. Government Orders have been issued in all States for constitution of regional planning committees and steps have been initiated to operationalise these committees. Most States have also extended the concept to apply beyond project period/project parks. (ii) Monitoring reports continue to indicate continued improvements Park-People relationships. Participatory monitoring systems have been introduced. (iii) Evidence indicates improved support for biodiversity conservation. All the States have adopted the approach to cover other Parks outside the project scope. Modules being developed on capacity building and ecotourism will be useful for scaling up application of the concept.

Project Changes: The project was extended by one year for six Parks that satisfactorily met agreed performance criteria. One park (Nagarahole) did not meet the criteria and hence was not given extension.

Significant Issue: To ensure sustainability, capacity building and empowerment of local eco-development committees as well as links with other developmental sectors must be further strengthened.

Outlook: The project is continuing to develop best practice examples. The extension of the credit and grant helped focus attention on capacity building for sustainability. Continued support may be warranted to adequately address sustainability issues. When the project closes in June 30, 2004, continued State Government commitment and support is essential to ensure sustainability of efforts put in so far.

Project Name (ID): Road Rehabilitation and Maintenance (03) (P037294)

Country: Bangladesh

Board Approval Date: 10/1/1998

Signing Date: 10/21/1998

Effectiveness Date: 5/16/1999

Mid-Term Review Date: 11/26/2001

Closing Date: 3/31/2005

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: N0430

Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 129.6

Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 146.1

Sector: Transport

Main Thematic Code: Social risk reduction

Implementing Agency: ROADS & HIGHWAYS DEPT.

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The key development objectives are to reduce the total cost of road transport on key national highways and regional roads, and to improve the institutional capacity of the Roads and Highways Department. Good progress has been made toward achieving these objectives. The project is expected to be successfully implemented. However, due to several prolonged rainy seasons, it was not possible to complete all the civil works contracts before the original Credit Closing date of December 31, 2003. The Bank has agreed to extend the Credit Closing date to March 31, 2005. Civil works are now making good progress due to improved weather conditions. Implementation of the institutional development component is very good.

Procurement: Procurement of axle load equipment and technical assistance for the proposed National Traffic Police Training Center will most likely be cancelled. The main reason for these cancellations have been slow administrative procedures involving several implementation agencies.

Project Name (ID): Northern Education (P037834)

Country: Pakistan

Board Approval Date: 10/30/1997

Signing Date: 11/5/1997

Effectiveness Date: 2/23/1998

Mid-Term Review Date: 6/22/2000

Closing Date: 9/30/2003

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 29920

Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 6.2

Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 11.8

Sector: Education

Main Thematic Code: Education for all

Implementing Agency: TBD

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The project has largely met its development objectives. The objectives and accomplishments against these objectives are outlined below. The project has contributed to increasing girls enrollment and higher overall enrollment at primary level but the increase was not up to the project targets. On raising quality, the number of teachers receiving training exceeded the targets. There was also marginal improvement in student achievement scores. Evaluation studies found increased use of teaching-learning materials and activity-based methodologies in classrooms. Institutional strengthening was evidenced by timely creation of annual plans, development and use of job description and establishment of largely functioning EMIS systems. Community participation was accepted as a norm by the government, especially in Northern Areas, as shown by the fact that construction of school buildings and per-child subsidy was entrusted to the communities, who effectively managed these components.

Project Name (ID): Health and Population Program (P037857)

Country: Bangladesh

Board Approval Date: 6/30/1998

Signing Date: 6/30/1998

Effectiveness Date: 7/27/1998

Mid-Term Review Date: 11/15/2001

Closing Date: 12/31/2003

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 31010

Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 46.7

Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 200.0

Sector: Health, Nutrition and Population

Main Thematic Code: Population and reproductive health

Implementing Agency: MOHFW

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The objectives are to improve the coverage and quality of essential health and family planning services for vulnerable groups, particularly women and children. While these objectives and the means to achieve them were clear, problems were encountered, leading to a partial one-month suspension in May 2003. To lift the partial suspension, a revised reform agenda was prepared and is now being implemented. Based on the readiness of the implementing agency and on what are considered achievable performance goals, it is expected that there will be full compliance with timelines provided in the new reform action plan.

Safeguards: UNICEF has special programs to facilitate improvement of basic services that are supplied to indigenous people in the same way as to the rest of the people in. On health indicators, Chittagong Hill Tracts, which has the largest number of indigenous people, falls below the national average.

Significant Issue: The government has requested an extension of the closing date for one year and is also likely to request supplementary funding.

Outlook: After a difficult year of partial suspension there is now good progress, and a new working partnership has developed.

Project Name (ID): District Primary Education (03) (P038021)

Country: India

Board Approval Date: 12/4/1997

Signing Date: 2/23/1998

Effectiveness Date: 3/30/1998

Mid-Term Review Date: 11/20/2001

Closing Date: 9/30/2003

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 30120

Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 110.1

Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 44.2

Sector: Education

Main Thematic Code: Education for all

Implementing Agency: BSPP

The project was restructured during 2002 (fiscal year): The legal agreements for the project were amended to include the bifurcation of the State of Bihar into two States, Bihar and the new State of Jharkhand. The project now includes 11 districts in Bihar and the 6 districts in Jharkhand. The amendment became effective on August 7, 2003.

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): Over the last year the project has made progress toward achieving its development goals. Specific achievements against these goals are outlined below: (i) Jharkhand has improved access through the construction of new primary schools and the establishment of an Education Guarantee Scheme. Bihar has increased access through the targeted construction of additional classrooms and new schools. (ii) Both Bihar and Jharkhand has improved retention and completion rates by about 30%. (iii) Student achievement has improved substantially more than doubling test scores.

Project Name (ID): Rajasthan Power Sector Restructuring (P038334)

Country: India

Board Approval Date: 1/18/2001

Signing Date: 2/27/2001
Effectiveness Date: 3/12/2001
Mid-Term Review Date:
Closing Date: 6/30/2005
Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 45940
Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 120.8
Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 59.2
Sector: Energy and Mining
Main Thematic Code: State enterprise/bank restructuring and privatization
Implementing Agency: RAJASTHAN DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY
Progress toward achieving development objective(s): Progress continues to go well toward the achievement of the development objectives which are to improve electricity service by implementing regulatory, fiscal and institutional reforms thus removing critical bottlenecks in the power system. These objectives are likely to be achieved by the closing date with the exception of privatization of the distribution business which is no longer considered achievable in the current investment climate. Financial performance remains the greatest challenge for the utilities. To address this, a revised financial restructuring plan was agreed during the year and this is now being implemented. Investments in transmission and distribution are also proceeding well. These system enhancements will result in improved voltage levels, reduced outages and technical losses, plus increased energy availability in the service areas affected by the investments, thus achieving the main objective of the project.
Outlook: During the coming year the privatization action plan will be revised as it now does not appear achievable before the project closing date.

Project Name (ID): Ghazi Barotha Hydropower (P039281)
Country: Pakistan
Board Approval Date: 12/19/1995
Signing Date: 3/7/1996
Effectiveness Date: 6/27/1996
Mid-Term Review Date: 12/16/1998
Closing Date: 10/31/2003
Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 39650
Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 22.3
Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 327.7
Sector: Energy and Mining
Main Thematic Code: Regulation and competition policy
Implementing Agency: WAPDA
Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The project objective is to develop domestic energy resources and reduce load-shedding in a cost effective and environmentally sustainable manner. On completion the project is expected to produce electricity at a very competitive price. The Project development objectives will therefore be fully achieved once all generating units are commissioned.
Safeguards: In recent months, considerable progress was achieved in implementing the environmental/social components of the Project, and the Bank concerns regarding the implementation of the agreed Resettlement Action Plan have been addressed.
Significant Issue: In recent years, WAPDA has not been in compliance with agreed financial covenants. However, WAPDA's financial situation is expected to improve substantially, without further tariff increases, once GBHP is operational. A Financial Recovery Plan (FRP) for WAPDA and the successor companies is being prepared by the Government and WAPDA. The FRP will list the actions required to ensure that, in medium-term, the power sector entities would be able to finance all their expenditures without recourse to the Government's budget.

Project Name (ID): Rajasthan Water Sector Restructuring (P040610)
Country: India
Board Approval Date: 2/19/2002
Signing Date: 3/15/2002

Effectiveness Date: 3/22/2002

Mid-Term Review Date:

Closing Date: 3/31/2008

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 36030

Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 147.9

Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 5.6

Sector: Rural Sector

Main Thematic Code: Water resource management

Implementing Agency: GOR/IRRIGATION DEPARTMENT

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The objectives are to strengthen the capacity for strategic planning and sustainable development, and management of the surface and groundwater resources in Rajasthan and to increase the productivity of irrigated agriculture through improved surface irrigation systems performance and strengthened agricultural support services, involving greater participation of users and the private sector in service delivery. Implementation and planned activities are progressing well. The objectives are likely to be achieved.

Project Name (ID): Basic and Primary Education (02) (P040612)

Country: Nepal

Board Approval Date: 3/30/1999

Signing Date: 4/23/1999

Effectiveness Date: 10/19/1999

Mid-Term Review Date: 3/17/2002

Closing Date: 7/15/2004

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 31850

Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 5.4

Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 6.7

Sector: Education

Main Thematic Code: Education for all

Implementing Agency: MINISTRY OF EDUCATION

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The development objectives for the project are to strengthen institutional capacity at national, district and school levels to plan and deliver more efficient and better quality education services. There has been substantial improvement in the net enrollment ratio (from 69% to 81%), and completion rates have improved moderately (from 41% to 59%). In addition, the capacity at central and district levels has improved considerably. Schools are now being transferred to community management. This transfer is helping capacity development at the school level and improving public service delivery by schools. Based on the above, progress toward achieving the development objectives is assessed as positive.

Project Name (ID): Integrated Watershed Development - Hills (02) (P041264)

Country: India

Board Approval Date: 6/15/1999

Signing Date: 7/14/1999

Effectiveness Date: 9/15/1999

Mid-Term Review Date: 4/23/2002

Closing Date: 3/31/2005

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 44920

Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 49.4

Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 83.0

Sector: Rural Sector

Main Thematic Code: Water resource management

Implementing Agency: MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The main development objective of the project is to improve the productive potential of the project area in five states (Punjab, Haryana, Himachal Pradesh, Jammu & Kashmir and Uttaranchal), using evolving watershed treatment technologies and

community participatory approaches. The project would contribute significantly to decreasing soil erosion, increasing water availability and alleviating poverty in the contiguous areas of the Shivalik hills. An associated objective is to assist the states with institutional development and consolidate progress already made in harmonizing approaches to watershed development management among various programs operating in the Shivalik Hills. Implementation progress is on track and developments continue to indicate that the project objectives are likely to be achieved. All states are following participatory approaches for planning and implementation of watershed management plans (village plans) although full implementation and management of funds by the village development committees (VDCs) needs to be expanded to ensure genuine empowerment of the VDCs.

Project Name (ID): Municipal Services (P041887)

Country: Bangladesh

Board Approval Date: 3/16/1999

Signing Date: 4/26/1999

Effectiveness Date: 10/25/1999

Mid-Term Review Date: 3/3/2002

Closing Date: 6/30/2005

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 31770

Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 89.1

Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 47.5

Sector: Environment

Main Thematic Code: Municipal governance and institution building

Implementing Agency: LGED

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The development objectives of the project are to: (a) strengthen the institutional capacity of selected municipal corporations and secondary towns to plan, finance, implement and operate urban infrastructure services in an efficient and sustainable manner (b) improve resource mobilization and allocation, and fiscal discipline through the creation of an improved financing mechanism for urban infrastructure investment and (c) support Government of Bangladesh and municipalities to reduce urban poverty and improve environmental conditions of urban communities through the financing of critical urban infrastructure and services. Progress on the first objective is being made through six regional offices which are implementing a program of capacity development measures, and this work is going well. The second objective calls for the creation of a Municipal Development Fund. Even though this has been delayed, the Fund is now staffed and has agreed on operational policies. It is about to start functioning. The Government has clearly made considerable efforts recently to overcome the delay in setting up the fund, and already 120 local authorities have applied for funding, despite the knowledge that a portion of costs will have to be self-funded, in advance. Accordingly, given this level of interest, it is anticipated that the fund can establish itself within the remaining period of the project. The selected basic infrastructure investments have mostly been completed and are operational. Hence overall, despite the delays to date, it is expected the project will deliver its development objectives.

Project Name (ID): Teacher Education and Teacher Deployment (P042266)

Country: Sri Lanka

Board Approval Date: 6/13/1996

Signing Date: 7/3/1996

Effectiveness Date: 8/27/1996

Mid-Term Review Date: 11/1/1999

Closing Date: 12/31/2004

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 28810

Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 9.6

Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 49.6

Sector: Education

Main Thematic Code: Education for all

Implementing Agency: MINISTRY OF EDUCATION

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The project's development objective is to improve the quality, cost-effectiveness and coverage of education in Sri Lanka. This will be achieved by: a) improving education attainment and equity, by having better-trained teachers widely available in schools, particularly disadvantaged schools, to have improved teaching/learning; b) making the system more efficient by rationalizing teacher recruitment, deployment and training policies; c) making more effective use of education expenditure through rationalizing teacher numbers and their deployment, enabling savings on salary costs to be used for quality expenditures; d) improving the quality of teacher education; and e) making the teacher training system more cost-effective. Most of the activities required to achieve these development objectives have been successfully completed. Curricula for pre-service and in-service teacher programs have been revised, and teacher employment and deployment rationalized. The number of untrained teachers has been reduced from about 40,000 to less than 1,000. However, plans to establish a national coordinating and accrediting body for teacher education have lagged and could adversely impact some of the development objectives if not resolved soon.

Project Name (ID): Power Development (P043311)

Country: Nepal

Board Approval Date: 5/22/2003

Signing Date: 7/9/2003

Effectiveness Date:

Mid-Term Review Date:

Closing Date: 6/30/2009

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 37660

Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 77.4

Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 0.0

Sector: Energy and Mining

Main Thematic Code: Climate change

Implementing Agency: MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The objectives are to: (a) develop hydropower potential in an environmentally and socially sustainable manner so as to help meet electricity demand; (b) improve access of rural areas to electricity services; and (c) promote private participation in the power sector as a way to improve sector efficiency and to mobilize financing for the sector's investment requirements. The project is not yet effective.

Project Name (ID): Environmental Management Capacity Building Technical Assistance (P043728)

Country: India

Board Approval Date: 12/23/1996

Signing Date: 3/14/1997

Effectiveness Date: 5/13/1997

Mid-Term Review Date: 5/27/1999

Closing Date: 6/30/2004

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 29300

Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 8.3

Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 36.1

Sector: Environment

Main Thematic Code: Environmental policies and institutions

Implementing Agency: MINISTRY OF ENV. & FORESTS

The project was restructured during 2002 (fiscal year): The project closing date was extended to 30 June 2004 and provision was made for some activities related to strengthening State Pollution Control Boards.

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The project's development objective is to enhance the borrower's environmental management capacity by strengthening: environment policy planning and administration, legal infrastructure for environmental law, monitoring and compliance of environmental laws and standards in specific high priority environmental problem areas, plus decentralization of selected environmental activities to local communities and non-governmental

organizations. Good progress continues toward these objectives and several activities have already achieved their intended outcomes e.g., development of new and improved environmental standards and the fact that environmental law, a topic barely recognized in India five years ago, is now a mandatory component of any graduate law degree.

Project Name (ID): Rural Women's Development and Empowerment (P044449)

Country: India

Board Approval Date: 3/27/1997

Signing Date: 9/14/1998

Effectiveness Date: 4/26/1999

Mid-Term Review Date: 10/30/1999

Closing Date: 6/30/2004

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 29420

Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 6.5

Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 5.0

Sector: Social Development

Main Thematic Code: Gender

The project was restructured during 2002 (fiscal year): The project was restructured and the closing date extended to accommodate the inclusion of three new states. At the same time there was a GOI request for partial cancellation of funds (USD 7 million).

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): This project seeks to strengthen the processes that promote the economic and social development of women. The project's overall progress toward the achievement of its development objectives is on track. There has been a significant increase in direct benefits to the participating women especially in the realm of social and political empowerment. The progress on economic empowerment of women, and the sensitization and strengthening of support agencies is mixed, varying across the nine project states. In addition, the pace of project implementation has come under stress by the inclusion at the Mid Term Review of three new states - Jharkhand Chattisgarh and Uttaranchal.

Project Name (ID): Private Sector Infrastructure Development (P044789)

Country: Bangladesh

Board Approval Date: 10/28/1997

Signing Date: 11/14/1997

Effectiveness Date: 4/29/1998

Mid-Term Review Date: 3/31/2003

Closing Date: 12/31/2003

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 29950

Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 144.4

Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 85.3

Sector: Energy and Mining

Main Thematic Code: Other financial and private sector development

Implementing Agency: BPDB

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The objective of the project is to promote the development of a modern and efficient infrastructure system in Bangladesh, with the significant participation of the private sector in the financing, construction and operation of infrastructure facilities. The last year has seen an improvement in the pipeline of potential infrastructure projects and there is an improving legal and regulatory environment. Further extension of the project is possible.

Project Name (ID): Legal & Judicial Reform (P044809)

Country: Sri Lanka

Board Approval Date: 6/20/2000

Signing Date: 6/22/2000

Effectiveness Date: 8/11/2000

Mid-Term Review Date: 4/28/2003

Closing Date: 6/30/2005

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 33840

Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 13.8

Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 4.9

Sector: Public Sector Governance

Main Thematic Code: Legal institutions for a market economy

Implementing Agency: MINISTRY OF JUSTICE AND THE JUDICIAL SERVICES COMMISSION

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The objective is to improve upon the existing legal and judicial framework of the borrower by making it more efficient, transparent and responsive to the public at large and particularly to the private sector. Although significant progress in components involving commercial law reform, commercial mediation, legal information, professional development, law school curricula development, advanced degree training in commercial law and work for model courts have either met or exceeded their midterm indicators, progress in other key components that address the core administrative and procedural reforms for the judiciary continue to be delayed due to limited implementation capacity and key stakeholders not taking a crucial leadership role on core reform areas.

Outlook: While the project has successfully implemented many key activities, some stakeholders have not exercised leadership to implement crucial reforms. As a result, the project risks falling short of achieving an intended objective of supporting crucial legal and judicial reforms in favor of easy to implement and high disbursing infrastructure improvements.

Project Name (ID): Legal and Judicial Capacity Building (P044810)

Country: Bangladesh

Board Approval Date: 3/29/2001

Signing Date: 4/30/2001

Effectiveness Date: 10/23/2001

Mid-Term Review Date:

Closing Date: 6/30/2007

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 34850

Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 28.1

Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 4.6

Sector: Public Sector Governance

Main Thematic Code: Access to law and justice

Implementing Agency: MIN. OF LAW & JUSTICE

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The project development objectives are (a) to improve the efficiency, effectiveness, and accountability of the civil justice delivery system, and (b) increase access to justice, particularly for women and the poor. While there have been hiccups, the reforms envisaged for case management and court administration have been progressing in the right direction, and so there is high probability of achieving the project's development objectives.

Project Name (ID): Financial Institutions Development (P044811)

Country: Bangladesh

Board Approval Date: 9/16/1999

Signing Date: 9/29/1999

Effectiveness Date: 1/27/2000

Mid-Term Review Date:

Closing Date: 6/30/2005

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 32850

Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 13.2

Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 32.6

Sector: Financial Sector

Main Thematic Code: Other financial and private sector development

Implementing Agency: NON-BANKS

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The objective of the project is to promote the development of non-bank financial institutions, in particular, and investment financing, in general, on a sustainable basis contributing to improvements in the quality of intermediation, and the speed and efficiency of industrial growth in Bangladesh. Progress toward achieving the above objective has been good as the five PFIs have issued bonds and debentures worth US\$ 12.86 million, which together with US\$ 26.13 million drawn down from the credit and bridge facility have financed more than 94 development projects.

Project Name (ID): Female Secondary School Assistance (02) (P044876)

Country: Bangladesh

Board Approval Date: 3/12/2002

Signing Date: 3/28/2002

Effectiveness Date: 5/1/2002

Mid-Term Review Date:

Closing Date: 12/31/2006

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 36140

Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 100.1

Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 33.1

Sector: Education

Main Thematic Code: Gender

Implementing Agency: DIRECTORATE OF SECONDARY & HIGHER EDUCATION OF THE MOE

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): Steady progress is being made toward achieving the project's development objectives which are: (1) Improving the quality of female secondary education; (2) increasing access and retention of girls; and (3) strengthening management, accountability and monitoring. The project is on its way to achieving its development objectives, as demonstrated by performance to date (a little over one year after effectiveness) against mid term review indicators, such as: gross enrollment rate, grade 10 pass rate, number of teachers and head teachers trained, number of performance awards to schools and to students, number of stipends to disadvantaged students, school construction, filling of positions in the implementation unit, and training of staff in that unit.

Project Name (ID): Andhra Pradesh District Poverty Initiatives (P045049)

Country: India

Board Approval Date: 4/11/2000

Signing Date: 5/12/2000

Effectiveness Date: 8/7/2000

Mid-Term Review Date:

Closing Date: 12/31/2005

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 33320

Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 88.1

Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 26.8

Sector: Rural Sector

Main Thematic Code: Participation and Civic Engagement

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The project is on track to achieve its development objectives which are to improve opportunities for the rural poor to meet priority social and economic needs in six of the poorest districts in AP. Most institutional strengthening deliverables and financial activities i.e., community investment funding are on schedule and disbursements have picked up. In addition, the project has taken many steps to scale up through federations of village organizations and more focused work on livelihood enhancement. Work is also being done on exploring the possibility of initiating a women's bank.

Project Name (ID): Rajasthan District Primary Education (01) (P045050)

Country: India

Board Approval Date: 6/8/1999

Signing Date: 7/6/1999
Effectiveness Date: 9/30/1999
Mid-Term Review Date: 4/4/2003
Closing Date: 12/31/2004
Loan/Credit/Grant Number: N0440
Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 50.7
Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 35.2
Sector: Education

Main Thematic Code: Education for all

Implementing Agency: MINISTRY OF HR DEV., & GOV. OF RAJASTHAN

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The objectives are to increase access to and the quality of primary education, particularly for disadvantaged girls, scheduled castes and scheduled tribes, and children with mild to moderate disabilities. Progress is slow following start-up delays and understaffing, but is adequate. Enrollments have increased significantly. There is virtually no gap between girls and boys learning achievement. Parents and communities are involved more in school management. The quality/presence of teaching and learning materials have improved. More emphasis is now being given to improving teachers' capacity in the classroom and to addressing the gaps between the general population and SC/ST children. Rajasthan is also attempting to address issues via monitoring attendance and completion of grades 1 to 5 to ensure greater impact of primary education on alleviating poverty and improving the quality of life for the poorest segments of the population. The project will likely achieve its objectives, although Rajasthan will not be as strong a performer as other states in the District Primary Education Program.

Project Name (ID): National HIV/AIDS Control (02) (P045051)

Country: India

Board Approval Date: 6/15/1999

Signing Date: 9/14/1999

Effectiveness Date: 11/9/1999

Mid-Term Review Date:

Closing Date: 7/31/2004

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 32420

Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 89.2

Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 100.2

Sector: Health, Nutrition and Population

Main Thematic Code: Fighting communicable diseases

Implementing Agency: GOI

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The two key project objectives are to: (a) reduce the rate of growth of HIV infection in India and (b) strengthen India's capacity to respond to HIV/AIDS. With respect to the first objective, prevalence among the adult population appears to be stabilizing at around 0.8%, although total national figures mask some important regional variations, with some states showing increased prevalence over time. Progress with respect to the first objective is on track. With respect to the second objective achievement is less clear. While all states have established their respective State AIDS Control Societies (SACS), and their capacity has been strengthened, not all are functioning well, with most in need of strengthened management and technical capacity. Evaluation has improved, as shown by the expansion of the HIV sentinel surveillance system, and carrying out of a nationwide behavioral surveillance survey. The same can be said about targeted interventions. Although the number of NGO projects has increased six-fold since 1999, their coverage continues to be limited, and the quality of services variable. Overall progress toward achieving this second development objective continues to move in the right direction but at a slower pace.

Project Name (ID): Road Maintenance and Development (P045052)

Country: Nepal

Board Approval Date: 11/23/1999

Signing Date: 12/22/1999

Effectiveness Date: 2/21/2000
Mid-Term Review Date: 11/11/2002
Closing Date: 12/31/2004
Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 32930
Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 34.8
Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 19.9

Sector: Transport

Main Thematic Code: Rural services and infrastructure

Implementing Agency: DEPARTMENT OF ROADS

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The Project Development Objective are to: (a) Achieve sustainable maintenance, rehabilitation and construction of economically justifiable roads in the strategic road network within the Priority Investment Plan framework; (b) Improve access to district headquarters not currently served by road transport and reduce transport costs and travel time in project areas; (c) Promote sustainable funding and efficient public sector management of road maintenance; (d) Adopt and disseminate environmentally sustainable road construction and maintenance practices; and (e) Generate rural-employment through adoption of labor-based technologies. While progress has been made in a number of areas, the new road construction (which is a major component of the project) faces severe difficulties due to insurgency activities in project areas. Under the current circumstances, the objective to connect district headquarters with motorable roads will not be achieved, although the other development objectives are well on track to being achieved. Discussions are ongoing with the government on a possible second restructuring including some modification of the development objectives bringing them into line with what is possible in the current environment.

Safeguards: Compliance with safeguard policy is lagging, particularly implementation of the resettlement action and environmental management plans. Corrective measures are being taken.

Project Name (ID): Rural Infrastructure (P045053)

Country: Nepal

Board Approval Date: 5/14/1999

Signing Date: 9/8/1999

Effectiveness Date: 12/1/1999

Mid-Term Review Date: 4/23/2001

Closing Date: 7/31/2003

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 32150

Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): .8

Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 4.1

Sector: Transport

Main Thematic Code: Rural policies and institutions

Implementing Agency: MINISTRY OF LOCAL DEVELOPMENT

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): A key objective of the project is to support the government's decentralization program and strengthen the capacities of the DDCs and DOLIDAR in planning, managing and implementing rural road maintenance and improvement programs. With regard to the Civil Works objective the eight participating DDCs have successfully carried out almost all of the planned routine maintenance works and slightly more of the rehabilitation and periodic maintenance work than planned during the four-year implementation period. In addition, all of the eight project districts have updated the District Transport Master Plans. The project's development objective has been fulfilled.

Project Name (ID): Andhra Pradesh Hazard Mitigation and Emergency Cyclone Recovery (P049301)

Country: India

Board Approval Date: 5/6/1997

Signing Date: 6/3/1997

Effectiveness Date: 7/9/1997

Mid-Term Review Date: 2/15/1999

Closing Date: 7/31/2003

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 41560

Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 10.1
Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 116.2

Sector: Private Sector Development

Main Thematic Code: Natural disaster management

Implementing Agency: GOV. OF AP

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The objectives are to: (a) prepare and implement a long-term hazard management program in high risk areas with enhanced community participation, (b) restore public infrastructure lost during the 1996 cyclone, according to the hazard resistant criteria for infrastructure siting, construction and quality control, so that such infrastructure can withstand future disasters and (c) enhance cyclone early warning capacity. The project closed on July 31, 2003, after six years of implementation. The second and third objectives were substantially achieved. The first objective, which is key, was not fully achieved. With regard to the first objective, there were significant achievements in terms of completion of cyclone and flood management studies, installation of meteorological equipment, setting up of a vulnerability reduction fund and establishment of a disaster mitigation society. However, all the activities aimed at preparing and implementing the hazard management program were not completed. Thus this the program is not ready to implement as the project closes. On the second objective, infrastructure was restored to higher design standards. To ensure this restored infrastructure can perform as intended, maintenance needs increased focus. With regard to the third objective, 100 digital cyclone warning dissemination systems were installed with a central hub at Chennai. Ten high wind speed recorders were installed along the east coast. However, the three Doppler weather radars planned were not installed before the project closed but are to be procured with other funds.

Project Name (ID): Andhra Pradesh Economic Restructuring (P049385)

Country: India

Board Approval Date: 6/25/1998

Signing Date: 2/4/1999

Effectiveness Date: 2/26/1999

Mid-Term Review Date: 11/15/2000

Closing Date: 3/31/2004

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 43600

Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 195.6

Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 346.4

Sector: Health, Nutrition and Population

Main Thematic Code: Nutrition and food security

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): This multi-sector project has five sector investment components and a fiscal and public enterprise reform component hence there are six development objectives. All of these components are on track to meet their objectives. Details by component are provided below. 1. Primary Education: the objective is to ensure more children complete a five year primary education. Progress toward this objective is being achieved through increased participation, a slow reduction in the dropout rate, and better education management. 2. Primary Health: the goal is to improve the performance of primary health care system. Enhanced staffing levels plus both increased and improved infrastructure have led to primary health centers providing better service. 3. Nutrition: the objective is to improve the nutrition and health of pre-school children, women and adolescent girls. Progress will be measured by the mid-term nutrition survey which has recently been completed. 4. Roads: the objective is to improve the quality of life in the rural population through the provision of basic all-weather roads. All maintenance works and upgradation activities have either been completed or are at an advanced stage of completion. Most of the core network roads have improved or are being maintained at a level to provide all-weather road access to the rural population. This has led to an improvement in quality of life. 5. Irrigation: the objective is to reverse the decline in irrigated areas by improving maintenance and management of irrigation schemes and increasing farmers' involvement in management. Progress toward this goal is ongoing with about 80% of the minimum rehabilitation work on the irrigation scheme under this project having been completed. This has resulted in providing better irrigation service, arresting the decline in the irrigated area and improved agricultural productivity. 6. Fiscal and PE: the objective is to ensure sustainable government. finances while restructuring public

expenditures, reducing poverty, improving social development outcomes and strengthening growth performance and reducing the fiscal burden of PEs by privatization. Government finances are now on a sustainable path. This can be measured through adherence to the medium term fiscal framework targets for 2001/02 and 2002/03. In addition, a number of enterprises have been restructured/privatized/closed thereby reducing the fiscal burden on state finances.

Significant Issue: A one year extension is likely.

Project Name (ID): Kerala Forestry (P049477)

Country: India

Board Approval Date: 3/24/1998

Signing Date: 8/13/1998

Effectiveness Date: 12/10/1998

Mid-Term Review Date: 2/3/2001

Closing Date: 12/31/2003

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 30530

Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 13.1

Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 26.0

Sector: Rural Sector

Main Thematic Code: Biodiversity

Implementing Agency: KERALA FOREST DEPARTMENT

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The project's development objective is to arrest the retrograde trend in forest cover development and improve productivity in project areas within Kerala in an environmentally and socially sustainable manner. Overall progress toward this objective is on track and is expected to be achieved. The physical achievements have exceeded appraisal and Mid-term Review projections. The key state forest sector policy and institutional reforms have already been introduced and more are continuing. The policy and institutional reforms coupled with a capacity building program have enabled the Kerala Forest Department and other stakeholders to reverse the trend of degradation. State of the Forest Report 2002, published by the Forest Survey of India, shows an increase in the forest cover in Kerala. Biodiversity conservation has been enhanced. In addition, the project has generated employment opportunities that have contributed to increased incomes of the local people including poorer sections and tribes.

Project Name (ID): Andhra Pradesh Power Sector Restructuring (P049537)

Country: India

Board Approval Date: 2/18/1999

Signing Date: 3/5/1999

Effectiveness Date: 3/22/1999

Mid-Term Review Date:

Closing Date: 8/31/2003

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 44410

Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 17.7

Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 172.0

Sector: Energy and Mining

Main Thematic Code: Public expenditure, financial management & procurement

Implementing Agency: TBD

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The Project has met its development objectives to a large extent. There has been progress in unbundling of the vertically integrated power utility into six corporate companies (government owned), and establishment of an independent regulator which has been functioning for the last four years. The project has yielded positive outcomes with regard to improvements in availability, reliability and quality of power supply in Andhra Pradesh. Progress has been made toward improving operational efficiency, reduction of transmission & distribution losses and electricity theft. However, the financial condition of the power utilities, though improving, continues to remain highly vulnerable, and a large subsidy support from the government is required.

Project Name (ID): Aquatic Biodiversity Conservation Project - GEF (P049587)

Country: Bangladesh

Board Approval Date: 7/20/1999

Signing Date: 9/5/1999

Effectiveness Date: 12/2/1999

Mid-Term Review Date: 6/4/2002

Closing Date: 12/31/2004

Loan/Credit/Grant Number:

Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 2.6

Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 1.2

Sector: Environment

Main Thematic Code: Biodiversity

Implementing Agency: MINISTRY OF FISHERIES AND LIVESTOCK/DOF

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The project is a companion for the Fourth Fisheries Project funded by IDA and DFID. The project is expected to achieve its objective of conserving globally important wetlands and aquatic biodiversity provided the risks related to slow progress under the institutional development program supported under the FFP are addressed in line with the actions recently agreed with the government. The draft national biodiversity strategy is expected by March 2004.

Project Name (ID): Renewable Energy (02) (P049770)

Country: India

Board Approval Date: 6/27/2000

Signing Date: 8/11/2000

Effectiveness Date: 1/31/2001

Mid-Term Review Date: 7/14/2003

Closing Date: 3/31/2006

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 45710

Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 112.7

Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 18.4

Sector: Energy and Mining

Main Thematic Code: Climate change

Implementing Agency: IREDA

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The development objectives are (a) to increase power supply through development of environmentally sustainable small hydro schemes and (b) to promote energy efficiency and demand side management (DSM) investments. Although the project got off to a relatively slow start, the pace and direction of activities toward achieving its objectives is gaining momentum. The pipeline is fully committed with over 40 small hydro projects approved and 10 energy efficient projects. The implementing agency has built a good track record in identifying and developing renewable energy projects as commercially viable project transactions for financing, in states where renewable policy is favorable.

Project Name (ID): Export Diversification (P049790)

Country: Bangladesh

Board Approval Date: 6/1/1999

Signing Date: 6/1/1999

Effectiveness Date: 6/21/1999

Mid-Term Review Date: 1/25/2001

Closing Date: 12/31/2003

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 32290

Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 5.0

Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 26.5

Sector: Private Sector Development

Main Thematic Code: Export development and competitiveness

Implementing Agency: MIN.COMMERCE/NATNL BOARD OF REVENUE

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The project's development objectives include expanding net export production value through product and market diversification, including increased value added. The primary approach to this is promotion of private market solutions to exporters' skills and information needs. Although there were some difficulties in the customs component over the last year, most of these obstacles have now been overcome. Overall, the project made slow but steady progress toward achieving the development objectives.

Project Name (ID): Poverty Alleviation Fund (P049791)

Country: Pakistan

Board Approval Date: 6/17/1999

Signing Date: 7/7/1999

Effectiveness Date: 8/26/1999

Mid-Term Review Date: 10/15/2002

Closing Date: 12/31/2004

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 32480

Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 28.4

Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 61.2

Sector: Financial Sector

Main Thematic Code: Gender

Implementing Agency: PAKISTAN POVERTY ALLEVIATION FUND

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The project's development objectives are: (1) increasing incomes of poor households by providing loans and technical support; (2) empowering the poor, especially women; (3) is increasing access of the poor to infrastructure to improve their livelihood opportunities; and (4) involves enhancing the institutional capacity and financial sustainability of NGOs through which project resources will reach the poor. Overall progress to date indicates that the project will be completed on time and will most likely achieve its objectives. Households borrowing from PPAF are better off today than they would have been if they had not borrowed: their incomes and consumption have increased, as well as personal and business assets, their housing facilities are better and their social status especially that of women borrowers has undergone a positive change. PPAF has also targeted women and has preferred partnering with NGOs with women clientele. PPAF has significantly increased access to infrastructure by completing nearly 3,500 schemes, most of which are for productive purposes, and they have contributed to improving livelihood opportunities of communities. PPAF is currently working with 38 NGOs and all have greatly enhanced their capacity with especially good success in graduating small/emerging NGOs and taking them to scale. Incremental disbursements and borrowers of such institutions have, with PPAF's support, increased exponentially demonstrating the capability of these institutions to increase outreach to the poor.

Project Name (ID): Tamil Nadu Urban Development (02) (P050637)

Country: India

Board Approval Date: 5/27/1999

Signing Date: 7/14/1999

Effectiveness Date: 10/13/1999

Mid-Term Review Date: 11/1/2001

Closing Date: 11/30/2004

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 44780

Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 28.6

Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 76.4

Sector: Urban Development

Main Thematic Code: Other urban development

Implementing Agency: TNUDF/IDC

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The project's development objective is to improve urban infrastructure services in Tamil Nadu in a sustainable manner. This objective will be achieved through: (i) strengthening the managerial, financial and technical capacities of Urban Local

Bodies, through an institutional development program, in line with the urban sector reforms which the GOTN is implementing. (ii) mobilizing resources for basic urban infrastructure investments in water supply, sewerage and sanitation, solid waste management, roads, transports, storm water drains and street lighting, etc. and (iii) securing sustainable funding sources for urban infrastructure investments. There has been considerable progress in achieving the development objectives. Firstly, the local bodies have enhanced the quality of accounting by shifting to accrual systems of accounting Statewide. They have also improved revenue realizations and state devolution, made use of improved management systems and upgraded skills through various capacity building programs. TNUDF, the intermediary and Thirteen of the Local Bodies have successfully accessed the capital market, is a first step toward sustainable financing of urban infrastructure in the State.

Project Name (ID): Uttar Pradesh Sodic Lands Reclamation (02) (P050646)

Country: India

Board Approval Date: 12/15/1998

Signing Date: 2/4/1999

Effectiveness Date: 3/29/1999

Mid-Term Review Date: 4/29/2002

Closing Date: 9/30/2005

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 31520

Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 101.7

Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 90.9

Sector: Rural Sector

Main Thematic Code: Land management

Implementing Agency: UTTAR PRADESH BHUMI SUDHOR NIGAM

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The objective is sustainable reclamation of sodic lands and the prevention of further increases in sodicity in selected districts with the highest concentration of sodic areas. Progress toward meeting this objective has been very good. All the physical targets have been met. The impact outcomes are also being met. Incomes of target beneficiaries have risen 55% and 47% in two cohorts. There are strong indications that the remaining cohorts of beneficiaries will have comparable income growth. The number of off-farm wage days has decreased by nearly half as the level of demand for family labor has risen on the reclaimed lands. Values of reclaimed lands have increased fourfold. Self-help groups have savings deposits of close to Rs47 million and are providing more than twice that amount in loans. The positioning of the next two cohorts is sound and it is expected that they will meet or surpass the performance of the first two groups.

Project Name (ID): Uttar Pradesh Water Sector Restructuring (P050647)

Country: India

Board Approval Date: 2/19/2002

Signing Date: 3/8/2002

Effectiveness Date: 3/27/2002

Mid-Term Review Date:

Closing Date: 10/31/2007

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 36020

Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 157.9

Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 5.5

Sector: Rural Sector

Main Thematic Code: Other rural development

Implementing Agency: GOVERNMENT OF UTTAR PRADESH, IRRIGATION DEPARTMENT

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The project's development objectives are: (i) to set up an enabling institutional and policy framework for water sector reform for integrated water resources management and (ii) to initiate irrigation and drainage sub-sector reforms to increase and sustain water and agricultural productivity. With regard to Water Sector Reforms initial progress has been slow but the achievement of this development objective by the end of the project is likely if (i) an enhanced focus is maintained on activities contributing to the creation of an enabling institutional

environment for integrated water resources management and (ii) the recruitment of key multi-disciplinary staff and consultants takes place. With regard to Irrigation and Drainage Sub-sector reforms initial progress was also slow but activities contributing to this objective have picked up in recent months. Key staff are in place and the procurement of essential consultancies and goods and equipment is underway.

Project Name (ID): Tamil Nadu Road Sector (P050649)

Country: India

Board Approval Date: 6/17/2003

Signing Date: 8/28/2003

Effectiveness Date:

Mid-Term Review Date:

Closing Date: 3/31/2009

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 47060

Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 348.0

Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 0.0

Sector: Transport

Main Thematic Code: Infrastructure services for private sector development

Implementing Agency: HIGHWAYS DEPARTMENT OF THE STATE GOVERNMENT OF TAMIL NADU

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The project's development objective is to improve the quality and sustainability of the state's core road network. The project is not yet effective.

Project Name (ID): Maharashtra Health Systems Development (P050651)

Country: India

Board Approval Date: 12/8/1998

Signing Date: 1/14/1999

Effectiveness Date: 2/24/1999

Mid-Term Review Date: 11/6/2002

Closing Date: 3/31/2005

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 31490

Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 99.8

Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 35.5

Sector: Health, Nutrition and Population

Main Thematic Code: Health system performance

Implementing Agency: GOVERNMENT OF MAHARASHTRA

The project was restructured during 2002 (fiscal year): A slow moving privatization of the GT super-specialty hospital was dropped at the request of the Government. This coupled with savings from operations expenditures resulted in a cancellation of some USD 19.1 million.

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The development objectives of the project are to assist the Government of Maharashtra to: (i) improve efficiency in the allocation and use of health resources and (ii) improve the performance of the health care system. The project targets the neediest sections of society, especially women and tribal populations. The project is well on its way to achieving these objectives. The overall budget for the health sector in the state has increased 95% between FY97-98 and 03-04. The share of resources directed to primary and secondary health has increased as well. HMIS indicators show a large increase in in-patient attendance and bed occupancy rates are up for both district and sub-district hospitals. There has also been an increase in per annum out-patient visits; the percentage of women using outpatient services have substantially exceeded the target 5 percentage point increase. The number of institutions staffed according to norms are currently over double the MTR target. There is also an increase in the number of trained medical staff and the number of patients who are receiving diagnostic tests. Eco-friendly waste management and plans to provide health care to the tribal population in the state are being well implemented. Patient surveys show that satisfaction among in-patients and out-patients has increased.

Project Name (ID): Karnataka Rural Water Supply and Sanitation (02) (P050653)

Country: India
Board Approval Date: 12/18/2001
Signing Date: 3/8/2002
Effectiveness Date: 4/19/2002
Mid-Term Review Date:
Closing Date: 12/31/2007
Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 35900
Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 161.9
Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 4.5
Sector: Water Supply and Sanitation
Main Thematic Code: Pollution management and environmental health
Implementing Agency: GOVERNMENT OF KARNATAKA, KRWSSA
Progress toward achieving development objective(s): This project assists the Government of Karnataka (GOK) in: (i) increasing rural communities' access to improved and sustainable drinking water and sanitation services; and (ii) institutionalizing decentralization of Rural Water Supply and Sanitation (RWSS) service delivery to Gram Panchayats (village governments) and user groups. Work toward achieving the first objective is progressing although behind schedule. It is expected that all construction activities will be completed in a span of 3 to 4 years. In addition, following a GOK's directive, efforts at revising the water tariff to help meet O&M expense through user charges, are gaining momentum in all the project GPs. On the second objective of institutionalizing decentralization of RWSS service delivery to the GPs, the KRWSSA has responded appropriately in gearing up to the challenge for the Batches 1 and 2 respectively, but further efforts are required to fully achieve this second objective.

Project Name (ID): Uttar Pradesh Health Systems Development (P050657)
Country: India
Board Approval Date: 4/25/2000
Signing Date: 5/19/2000
Effectiveness Date: 7/26/2000
Mid-Term Review Date:
Closing Date: 12/31/2005
Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 33380
Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 99.5
Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 14.8
Sector: Health, Nutrition and Population
Main Thematic Code: Health system performance
Implementing Agency: DEPARTMENT OF MEDICAL, HEALTH & FAMILY WELFARE, GOUP
Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The objectives are to establish well managed health systems in Uttar Pradesh and Uttaranchal that deliver more effective services through policy reform, institutional and human resource development, and investment in health services. Achievement of the objectives is within reach if the current focus on implementation is sustained and strengthened and priority is given to monitoring the impact of project activities on the ground to ensure their convergence to a common objective. The analysis of the health service performance indicators and patient satisfaction results show that overall the project is generally on track to either fully meeting targets or demonstrating an acceptable degree of change in key outcomes. However, for the project to achieve its development objectives it is now crucial that the PMUs and government authorities shift their focus from simple execution of activities to a more proactive, quality-oriented working mode that addresses the many structural problems of the health care delivery system in both states.

Project Name (ID): Technician Education (03) (P050658)
Country: India
Board Approval Date: 9/7/2000
Signing Date: 10/18/2000
Effectiveness Date: 1/17/2001
Mid-Term Review Date:

Closing Date: 6/30/2006
Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 34130
Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 55.0
Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 13.0
Sector: Education

Main Thematic Code: Education for the knowledge economy
Implementing Agency: MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT & PROJECT STATES
Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The objective of the project is to assist the states of the northeastern region (Arunachal Pradesh, Meghalaya, Mizoram, Nagaland, Sikkim, Tripura), Jammu & Kashmir, and the union territory (UT) of Andaman & Nicobar Islands to expand capacity and improve the quality and efficiency of technician (polytechnic) education to meet their specific economic needs. The project also aims at increasing access to technician education and training for women, scheduled tribes and rural youth. After a slow start, the project is now making good progress in most states. All six new polytechnics are now functional (from temporary locations)36 of 45 new programs have commenced most of the existing programs are revised. Staff training is on track. Most polytechnics are also linked to more advanced polytechnics in the country. The development objectives are expected to realized.

Project Name (ID): Uttar Pradesh District Primary Education (03) (P050667)

Country: India

Board Approval Date: 12/16/1999

Signing Date: 2/23/2000

Effectiveness Date: 4/15/2000

Mid-Term Review Date:

Closing Date: 9/30/2005

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 33070

Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 73.7

Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 103.2

Sector: Education

Main Thematic Code: Education for all

Implementing Agency: UTTAR PRADESH SABHEE KE LIYE SHIKSHA PARIYOJANA PARISHAD

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The project's development objective is to assist the Governments of Uttar Pradesh and Uttaranchal in their efforts toward building capacity for ensuring that all 6-10 year old children, especially from socially disadvantaged groups, in 32 districts in UP and six districts in Uttaranchal, complete a five-year primary education cycle of appropriate quality. According to preliminary findings from the updated data , both project states are making steady progress in providing universal access to primary schooling. The other development objectives of retention, completion and quality are improving but the rate of progress is slower.

Outlook: The project is disbursing at an accelerated pace and may be left with inadequate resources in some districts to meet expenditures for the remaining years of the project. Advanced planning is being undertaken to address this issue .

Project Name (ID): Mumbai Urban Transport (P050668)

Country: India

Board Approval Date: 6/18/2002

Signing Date: 8/5/2002

Effectiveness Date: 11/6/2002

Mid-Term Review Date:

Closing Date: 6/30/2008

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 46650

Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 509.2

Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 40.8

Sector: Transport

Main Thematic Code: Other urban development

Implementing Agency: MUMBAI METROPOLITAN REGION DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The development objective of the project is to facilitate urban economic growth and improve quality of life by fostering the development of an efficient and sustainable urban transport system including effective institutions in the Mumbai Metropolitan Region. There has been reasonably good progress on the Resettlement and Rehabilitation component with the resettling of about 4000 project affected families into permanent housing including providing required amenities; procurement of builders for construction of houses/shops is in process for the remaining affected families. On the Road Transport component work is proceeding on finalizing contracts and hiring supervision consultants for the two road sub-components. When completed journey times on the two roads (SCLR and JVLR) will be reduced. On the Rail Transport component, the bidding process has been reinitiated for the suburban railway rolling stock,

Project Name (ID): Telecommunications Sector Reform (P050671)

Country: Nepal

Board Approval Date: 12/11/2001

Signing Date: 2/5/2002

Effectiveness Date: 5/1/2002

Mid-Term Review Date:

Closing Date: 9/1/2007

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 35810

Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 24.0

Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): .5

Sector: Global Information/Communications Technology

Main Thematic Code: Regulation and competition policy

Implementing Agency: MOIC/NTA

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The objective is to strengthen the policy and regulatory environment in the telecommunications sector, to facilitate competition and private sector participation, and increase rural access to services by facilitating private investments and operations. The project is on track to achieve its objective. There is good progress on procurement and strong stakeholder interest and involvement with the drafting of the revised Telecommunications Policy. Several technical assistance packages are in implementation and progressing as planned. The public online access subcomponent is behind schedule, but MOIC is commissioning a study on developing business models for public ICT access centers in CY 2004. This will be implemented by NTA in the second half of the project in close consultation with the Ministries of Science and Technology and Local Development.

Project Name (ID): Land Titling and Related Services (P050738)

Country: Sri Lanka

Board Approval Date: 3/27/2001

Signing Date: 4/18/2001

Effectiveness Date: 7/13/2001

Mid-Term Review Date:

Closing Date: 12/31/2004

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 34960

Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 4.2

Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 1.2

Sector: Rural Sector

Main Thematic Code: Land management

Implementing Agency: MINISTRY OF LAND DEVELOPMENT AND MINOR EXPORT AGRICULTURE

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The project's objectives are to assess and build the methods, framework and capacity for making sustainable and comprehensive improvements in the land administration system particularly land titling and title registration as well as development of an institutional framework including legal, policy, communications, organizational, management and planning aspects. The project continues to make progress toward the achievement of its objectives, especially with regard to the learning process as well as the regulatory and operational framework. There has also been

project involvement in correcting the mistakes of the Government's earlier land titling program (e.g., re-issuance of 20,000 titles).

Significant Issue: The legal framework includes the drafting, discussion and approval of the Land Ownership Bill and the Land Titling Registration Act. These two pieces of legislation are key for the overall land policy framework in the country related to access and secure land tenure. It is essential to reach consensus around them and ensure that their implementation is done in a coordinated and complementary fashion.

Outlook: The Government has expressed interest in transforming this pilot into a long term national program.

Project Name (ID): Improving Relevance and Quality of Undergraduate Education (P050741)

Country: Sri Lanka

Board Approval Date: 6/10/2003

Signing Date: 7/24/2003

Effectiveness Date: 8/25/2003

Mid-Term Review Date:

Closing Date: 12/31/2009

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 37810

Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 41.5

Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 0.0

Sector: Education

Main Thematic Code: Education for the knowledge economy

Implementing Agency: MINISTRY OF TERTIARY EDUCATION AND TRAINING

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The project's objective is to support the Government's tertiary education reform program by enhancing institutional capacities conducive to greater relevance and quality in undergraduate education. The project has just become effective.

Project Name (ID): Arsenic Mitigation - Water Supply (P050745)

Country: Bangladesh

Board Approval Date: 8/27/1998

Signing Date: 9/21/1998

Effectiveness Date: 2/20/1999

Mid-Term Review Date: 3/27/2001

Closing Date: 6/30/2004

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 31240

Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 19.5

Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 9.2

Sector: Water Supply and Sanitation

Main Thematic Code: Pollution management and environmental health

Implementing Agency: MIN OF LOCAL GOV, RURAL DEV & COOP.

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): Progress toward achieving the development objective of alleviating arsenic water contamination is improving. With the accumulation of more knowledge about arsenic issues and arsenic mitigation options, the project is now able to provide increased support in this regard e.g., in costal areas, piped water supply pilots etc.

Project Name (ID): National Nutrition (P050751)

Country: Bangladesh

Board Approval Date: 5/25/2000

Signing Date: 6/14/2000

Effectiveness Date: 6/29/2000

Mid-Term Review Date: 2/12/2003

Closing Date: 12/31/2004

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 33560

Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 62.4
Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 9.2
Sector: Health, Nutrition and Population
Main Thematic Code: Nutrition and food security
Implementing Agency: MOHFW

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): Implementation was slow during the first two and a half years of the project. Therefore, while the Development Objectives of sustainable improvement in birth-weights and in the nutrition status of vulnerable groups have been kept unchanged, the relevant indicators and targets have been revised to make them more measurable and more realistic. Most nutrition impact will only be achieved and measurable in the long-term and will be difficult to attribute to any one intervention in any case. Therefore, the achievement of development objectives will be measured in terms of coverage of interventions and behavior change, which are proxy measures for nutrition impact. It is expected that the revised targets will be achieved. The development objectives, however, should be seen in the context of a continuing nutrition program, rather than this project in isolation. The project, which followed the successful Bangladesh Integrated Nutrition Project, will be followed by continuing interventions through the upcoming Health, Nutrition and Population Sector Program.

Project Changes: At the mid-term review, the project scope was reduced in terms of geographical coverage and an effort to prioritize attention to the core activities of community-based nutrition interventions. In view of the reduced remaining life of the project, it was evident that the project would not spend all the allocated funds and hence a partial cancellation of the IDA Credit and a prorated cancellation of the Dutch co-financing was also effected in June 2003.

Project Name (ID): Post-Literacy and Continuing Education for Human Development (P050752)
Country: Bangladesh
Board Approval Date: 2/27/2001
Signing Date: 3/14/2001
Effectiveness Date: 6/11/2001
Mid-Term Review Date:
Closing Date: 12/31/2005
Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 34670
Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 49.5
Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 8.8
Sector: Education

Main Thematic Code: Education for all
Implementing Agency: DNFE
Progress toward achieving development objective(s): Implementation of this project was delayed because of the change of government and its re-evaluation of priorities. Subsequently implementation improved. However, the project faces a new problem as the Directorate of Non-Formal Education was abolished. Because of this, the achievement of the objectives is uncertain and will be at risk until this issue is resolved.

Project Name (ID): Social Investment Program (P053578)
Country: Bangladesh
Board Approval Date: 3/18/2003
Signing Date: 4/7/2003
Effectiveness Date: 4/20/2003
Mid-Term Review Date:
Closing Date: 6/30/2007
Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 37400
Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 17.8
Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 1.1
Sector: Rural Sector
Main Thematic Code: Rural services and infrastructure

Implementing Agency: SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT FOUNDATION

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The objective of the project is to develop effective and efficient financing and institutional arrangements for improving the access to local infrastructure and basic services through the implementation of community-driven small-scale infrastructure works and social assistance programs. The project recently became effective.

Project Name (ID): Banking Sector Restructuring and Privatization (P055292)

Country: Pakistan

Board Approval Date: 10/23/2001

Signing Date: 10/24/2001

Effectiveness Date: 10/24/2001

Mid-Term Review Date: 8/31/2002

Closing Date: 12/31/2004

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 35710

Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 114.0

Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 204.3

Sector: Financial Sector

Main Thematic Code: State enterprise/bank restructuring and privatization

Implementing Agency: MOF, SBP, PC

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The objective of the project is to help Pakistan continue implementation of its banking reform program aimed at achieving a competitive private banking system that operates under a strong regulatory framework, is supported by an effective banking court system, and intermediates resources independently of vested interests and in response to price signals. Considerable progress has been made in achieving a competitive banking system. Reforms in the financial sector have proceeded despite a change in government and policy reversal is highly unlikely. Habib Bank Limited (HBL) is in the final stage of being privatized with the recent announcement that the Agha Khan Fund for Economic Development has won the competitive bidding for a 51% equity stake in the bank. Although there has been some delay in the privatization of Allied Bank Limited (ABL), this is expected to be brought to successful conclusion soon. Following privatization of HBL and ABL, only 15% of the banking sector would be state-owned.

Project Name (ID): Kerala Rural Water Supply and Environmental Sanitation (P055454)

Country: India

Board Approval Date: 11/7/2000

Signing Date: 1/4/2001

Effectiveness Date: 2/12/2001

Mid-Term Review Date:

Closing Date: 12/31/2006

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 34310

Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 62.6

Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 7.1

Sector: Water Supply and Sanitation

Main Thematic Code: Rural services and infrastructure

Implementing Agency: GOVERNMENT OF KERALA

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The overall project development objective is to assist GOK in improving the quality of rural water supply and environmental sanitation service delivery. This will be done through two components: (a) developing, testing and implementing the new decentralized service delivery model on a pilot basis to demonstrate its viability and (b) build the state's capacity in improved sector management and scale up the new decentralized service delivery mode, statewide. The first component objective is likely to be achieved based on successful results to date. The progress in implementing environmental sanitation schemes has been slow, but is now picking up. The results from the schemes completed so far confirm the viability of the project's approach i.e., community groups make decisions, procure materials, carry out construction, manage funds, share the capital cost and manage the system operations with their own resources. If the statewide scaling up of the new

approach - as is intended by the Government of Kerala - is successfully launched during the remaining three years of the project, the second component objective is also likely to be achieved at the end of the project.

Project Name (ID): Rajasthan District Primary Education (02) (P055455)

Country: India

Board Approval Date: 6/21/2001

Signing Date: 7/27/2001

Effectiveness Date: 9/5/2001

Mid-Term Review Date:

Closing Date: 12/31/2006

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 35290

Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 61.6

Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 19.6

Sector: Education

Main Thematic Code: Education for all

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The objectives are to ensure that all 6- to 11-year-olds in nine districts, especially from socially and economically disadvantaged groups, have access to a five-year primary education of appropriate quality. It is expected to result in increased enrollments and community involvement in primary education, improved teacher performance, better capacity to manage the education system, greater learning and higher completion rates of the primary cohort. Progress is evident on key outcome indicators such as enrollment, especially of girls, scheduled castes/scheduled tribes children, working children and children with mild disabilities, and student achievement. Data on the progress will be available when the midterm review surveys and studies are completed in March 2004. Reducing drop-out rates and increasing transition remain challenges.

Project Name (ID): Telecommunications Sector Reform Technical Assistance (P055456)

Country: India

Board Approval Date: 6/6/2000

Signing Date: 8/11/2000

Effectiveness Date: 8/29/2000

Mid-Term Review Date: 12/6/2002

Closing Date: 12/31/2004

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 45550

Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 56.4

Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 5.6

Sector: Global Information/Communications Technology

Main Thematic Code: Infrastructure services for private sector development

Implementing Agency: DOT

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The development objective is to strengthen elements of the telecommunications policy and regulatory environment in India in order to promote private investment and competition in the telecommunications sector. Progress is indicated by the fact that the Indian telecommunications sector has been transformed - state-owned monopoly to competition - in almost all market segments with large scale private investment. For example, with liberalized licensing rules and regulatory decisions taken by the Telecom Regulatory Authority of India, there have been very large increases in the number of fixed and mobile telephone subscribers. The number of cellular mobile subscribers has increased from 1.2 million in 1999 to 17.0 million and is currently growing at the rate of about 70% per year.

Project Name (ID): Energy Efficiency (P055906)

Country: India

Board Approval Date: 6/27/2000

Signing Date:

Effectiveness Date:

Mid-Term Review Date: 7/14/2003

Closing Date:

Loan/Credit/Grant Number:

Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 0.0

Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 0.0

Sector: Energy and Mining

Main Thematic Code: Climate change

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The development objectives of the technical assistance project are to remove market barriers to the delivery of energy efficient services and products. Although in the initial years progress was slow the implementing agency has recently considerably strengthened its team and the development objectives are expected to be met. The recent positive changes in the policy and business environment have also lent support to the relevance and implementation of this timely activity.

Project Name (ID): Education and Training (03) (P055944)

Country: Maldives

Board Approval Date: 3/16/2000

Signing Date: 4/25/2000

Effectiveness Date: 6/21/2000

Mid-Term Review Date: 2/28/2003

Closing Date: 3/31/2005

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 33250

Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 10.8

Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 6.8

Sector: Education

Main Thematic Code: Education for all

Implementing Agency: MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCES, EMPLOYMENT AND LABOR

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The project's development objectives are to improve education quality and efficiency, increase equitable access, strengthen institutional capacity, and develop professional skills in the national labor force. The project has made considerable progress toward achieving these objectives.

Project Name (ID): Trade and Transport Facilitation (P056213)

Country: Pakistan

Board Approval Date: 4/24/2001

Signing Date: 5/1/2001

Effectiveness Date: 6/20/2001

Mid-Term Review Date: 6/6/2003

Closing Date: 10/31/2004

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 35000

Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 1.2

Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 1.8

Sector: Transport

Main Thematic Code: Export development and competitiveness

Implementing Agency: MINISTRY OF COMMERCE

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The project's objective is to establish a public/private sector collaborative institutional framework, and to develop Pakistan's medium term trade and transport facilitation program -- aimed at modernizing Pakistan's traditional trade and transport facilitation practices and procedures, including information flows, documentation and related legislation. Work being carried out under the Project has resulted in key improvements in the information flows and documentation related to trade and transport facilitation. The Pakistan Shippers Council (PSC) is funding the National Trade and Transport Facilitation Committee's (NTTFC) logistics costs as well as financing the staff salaries on an incremental basis. Work on modernizing facilitation related to legal instruments for

road, air, sea, and multi-modal carriage is also progressing well, except with Pakistan Railways which is not possible during the current project primarily because of the nature of the present institution. Other important achievements include dissemination of information on international trade and transport procedures and banking/financial provisions through workshops and extensive training.

Outlook: Overall, substantial work is still required, but given the evolutionary nature of the facilitation agenda and the fact that facilitation is a moving target in the evolving world trade environment, the present project outputs are a first substantial step in this direction for Pakistan.

Project Name (ID): Urban Development (P057570)

Country: Bhutan

Board Approval Date: 12/21/1999

Signing Date: 2/16/2000

Effectiveness Date: 5/24/2000

Mid-Term Review Date: 3/15/2003

Closing Date: 12/31/2005

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 33100

Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 8.0

Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 2.9

Sector: Urban Development

Main Thematic Code: Municipal governance and institution building

Implementing Agency: MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The objective is to improve the quality of life through the enhancement of the level and coverage of basic urban services in selected secondary towns. The project is making good progress toward achieving the objective. Implementation of the water supply component (over 40% of the project) is going well in all participating towns with one treatment plant already completed. All other infrastructure schemes are scheduled to be completed before closing. In addition, work is focused on strengthening the capacities of district administrations, which are responsible for operations and maintenance of urban services.

Project Name (ID): Air Quality Management (P057833)

Country: Bangladesh

Board Approval Date: 7/25/2000

Signing Date: 8/9/2000

Effectiveness Date: 9/26/2000

Mid-Term Review Date: 4/20/2003

Closing Date: 12/31/2004

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 34040

Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 3.7

Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 1.3

Sector: Urban Development

Main Thematic Code: Pollution management and environmental health

Implementing Agency: MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT & FORESTS

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The objective is to learn about options and develop components of urban air quality management by means of pilot activities and institutional support, with the ultimate goal of reducing human exposure to vehicular air pollution cost-effectively. Progress toward achieving the objective was good until mid-2003, after which it slowed down primarily because of changes in project management and poor oversight.

Outlook: The project outlook is positive, given that in Dhaka air pollution was reduced drastically in 2002-03 by taking the politically difficult step of phasing out two-stroke baby taxis. However, the project team needs good management and strong oversight. The gains in air quality can quickly be eroded if emissions from diesel vehicles is not addressed.

Project Name (ID): Community Water Supply and Sanitation (02) (P058067)

Country: Sri Lanka
Board Approval Date: 5/6/2003
Signing Date: 6/24/2003
Effectiveness Date: 8/25/2003
Mid-Term Review Date:
Closing Date: 6/30/2009
Loan/Credit/Grant Number: H0350
Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 40.5
Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 0.0
Sector: Water Supply and Sanitation
Main Thematic Code: Pollution management and environmental health
Implementing Agency: MINISTRY OF HOUSING AND PLANTATION INFRASTRUCTURE
Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The project's objective is to increase service coverage and achieve effective and sustained use of water and sanitation services in rural communities in Sri Lanka. The project has just become effective.

Project Name (ID): Northeast Irrigated Agriculture (P058070)
Country: Sri Lanka
Board Approval Date: 12/2/1999
Signing Date: 12/21/1999
Effectiveness Date: 3/16/2000
Mid-Term Review Date: 6/25/2001
Closing Date: 6/30/2005
Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 33010
Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 14.2
Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 12.4
Sector: Rural Sector
Main Thematic Code: Conflict prevention & post-conflict reconstruction
Implementing Agency: NORTH-EAST PROVINCIAL COUNCIL
Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The project development objective is to help conflict affected communities in the North-East province and adjoining areas to re-establish at least a subsistence level of production and basic community services, through assistance with jump starting agricultural and small-scale reconstruction activities, and to build their capacity for sustainable social and economic re-integration. Achievement of these objectives is on track. Through its community-based village level social and economic infrastructure rehabilitation the project has helped the targeted project beneficiaries (Conflict-affected people) to jump start their agriculture production, employment and reintegrate with the social and economic main stream.
Outlook: Because of its visible and felt impact on conflict affected people and the ability of the project design and implementation strategy to reach vulnerable people and remote villages in the conflict-affected areas, the Government and the Liberation Tigers of Tamil Eelam (LTTE) have requested the Bank to consider extending similar assistance to more people in a larger geographical area, through a follow up operation. The Bank in principle has agreed for a repeater operation which is now under preparation.

Project Name (ID): Poverty Alleviation Microfinance (02) (P059143)
Country: Bangladesh
Board Approval Date: 1/18/2001
Signing Date: 1/30/2001
Effectiveness Date: 3/5/2001
Mid-Term Review Date:
Closing Date: 6/30/2005
Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 34570
Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 55.1
Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 103.0

Sector: Financial Sector

Main Thematic Code: Other financial and private sector development

Implementing Agency: PALLI KARMA-SAHAYAK FOUNDATION (PKSF)

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The project's objective is to provide support for poverty alleviation through microcredit. This involves outreach to a greater number of the poor plus institutional strengthening measures. Progress toward achieving the objectives has been good as the implementing agency has now reached 4.3 million poor borrowers with outstanding loans of Taka 14.8 billion. The majority of these borrowers continue to be women and average loan size has remained constant. Enhancement of institutional capacity in the apex microcredit wholesaler (PKSF) continues to progress well and it has maintained a recovery rate of 98.57 percent.

Project Name (ID): Madhya Pradesh District Poverty Initiatives (P059242)

Country: India

Board Approval Date: 11/7/2000

Signing Date: 12/5/2000

Effectiveness Date: 2/27/2001

Mid-Term Review Date:

Closing Date: 6/30/2006

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 34300

Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 106.2

Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 11.3

Sector: Rural Sector

Main Thematic Code: Gender

Implementing Agency: GOVERNMENT OF MADHYA PRADESH

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The objective is to improve opportunities for the poor and vulnerable, especially women, to meet their social and economic development objectives in the poorest villages of fourteen districts. The project is creating economic opportunities by creating and implementing 8,115 subprojects, chosen and implemented by the communities. An agreement has been reached with the Bhopal dairy cooperative for support to dairy community investment groups. Downstream market links have also been created for poultry, agricultural organic produce, and crafts. A midterm impact evaluation indicated positive outcomes in increasing incomes and assets, improving expenditures and savings and reducing migration for the rural poor. A new government is being appointed, and progress on links with local governments will be resumed after the new government strategy is clearer. The project is likely to achieve its objective.

Project Name (ID): Rural Access (P059481)

Country: Bhutan

Board Approval Date: 12/21/1999

Signing Date: 2/16/2000

Effectiveness Date: 5/24/2000

Mid-Term Review Date: 6/17/2003

Closing Date: 4/30/2005

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 33090

Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 7.6

Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 4.1

Sector: Transport

Main Thematic Code: Rural services and infrastructure

Implementing Agency: DIVISION OF ROADS

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The project's development objective is to improve access of rural communities to markets, schools, health centers and other economic and social infrastructure resulting in improved quality of life and productivity of rural communities. The project will also help strengthen institutional capacity for implementing environmentally friendly approaches to improve rural access. The project is well under way and is expected to achieve the above objectives.

Access improvements have already lead to significant savings in travel time and costs, and access to education, health and markets have improved as well.

Project Name (ID): Economic Reform Technical Assistance (P059501)

Country: India

Board Approval Date: 5/12/2000

Signing Date: 5/19/2000

Effectiveness Date: 10/16/2000

Mid-Term Review Date:

Closing Date: 12/31/2005

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: N0450

Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 41.2

Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 5.5

Sector: Economic Policy

Main Thematic Code: Public expenditure, financial management & procurement

Implementing Agency: DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC AFFAIRS, MINISTRY OF FINANCE

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The objective of the project is to improve access to technical and advisory services that will assist governments to design and possibly implement selected reforms. This project is on track to meet its development objectives as evidenced by the fact that it continues to attract proposals from several states and central departments. Many of the sub-projects relate to critical areas of state level reforms e.g., in the power sector, introduction of Value Added Tax, improved governance, public-private partnerships in the infrastructure sector etc. Money available under this facility has been fully committed (it was on a first come first serve basis) and there are still a number of projects in the pipeline.

Project Name (ID): Central Bank Strengthening (P062916)

Country: Bangladesh

Board Approval Date: 6/19/2003

Signing Date: 6/30/2003

Effectiveness Date:

Mid-Term Review Date:

Closing Date: 12/31/2007

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 37920

Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 38.1

Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 0.0

Sector: Financial Sector

Main Thematic Code: Standards and financial reporting

Implementing Agency: BANGLADESH BANK

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The development objective of this project is to achieve a strong and effective regulatory and supervisory system for Bangladesh's banking sector. The progress toward achieving the objectives has been good. The Bangladesh Bank is already in the process of strengthening its regulatory and supervisory roles e.g., BB has taken different measures to enhance the soundness of the banking sector. In addition, BB has also signed MOUs with four NCBs restricting their lending to no more than 5 percent growth over last year, and requiring them to lower their operating costs.

Project Name (ID): Karnataka Watershed Development (P067216)

Country: India

Board Approval Date: 6/21/2001

Signing Date: 7/26/2001

Effectiveness Date: 9/10/2001

Mid-Term Review Date: 5/14/2003

Closing Date: 3/31/2007

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 35280

Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 107.0

Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 3.4

Sector: Rural Sector

Main Thematic Code: Water resource management

Implementing Agency: GOVERNMENT OF KARNATAKA, DEPARTMENT OF WATERSHED DEVELOPMEN

The project was restructured during 2002 (fiscal year): Initial progress was less than anticipated because the time needed to build capacity in the implementing agency, and establish new institutions at the field level and in communities was under estimated in the original project design. The project was restructured during a mid-term review in May 2003 to accelerate implementation, based on lessons learned. Implementation progress is now meeting annual targets.

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The key development objective is to improve the productive potential of selected watersheds and their associated natural resource base, and strengthen community and institutional arrangements for natural resource management. Following restructuring the project is making good progress toward its development objectives.

Project Name (ID): Immunization Strengthening (P067330)

Country: India

Board Approval Date: 4/25/2000

Signing Date: 5/19/2000

Effectiveness Date: 8/18/2000

Mid-Term Review Date:

Closing Date: 6/30/2004

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 33400

Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 56.1

Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 86.2

Sector: Health, Nutrition and Population

Main Thematic Code: Child health

Implementing Agency: DEPARTMENT OF FAMILY WELFARE

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The project objectives are to assist the Government of India to: 1. Eradicate poliomyelitis and 2. Reduce vaccine-preventable diseases. Polio cases declined to 197 from 1600 cases between 2002 and 2003. Steady progress has been achieved in strengthening Union and State immunization programs.

Project Name (ID): National Leprosy Elimination (02) (P067543)

Country: India

Board Approval Date: 3/27/2001

Signing Date: 7/19/2001

Effectiveness Date: 8/28/2001

Mid-Term Review Date: 11/22/2002

Closing Date: 12/31/2004

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 34820

Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 13.1

Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 18.5

Sector: Health, Nutrition and Population

Main Thematic Code: Fighting communicable diseases

Implementing Agency: GOVERNMENT OF INDIA

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): Significant progress has been achieved in reaching the objectives of decentralizing leprosy program management to states and districts and integrating treatment services into the general health care system. Prevalence of leprosy has declined to 4.2 per 10,000 people, and rates of deformity from the disease have fallen to levels expected at the end of the project. It is expected that the country will achieve the international target of eliminating leprosy by the end of 2005.

Project Name (ID): Uttar Pradesh State Roads (P067606)
Country: India
Board Approval Date: 12/19/2002
Signing Date: 2/19/2003
Effectiveness Date: 4/2/2003
Mid-Term Review Date:
Closing Date: 12/31/2008
Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 46840
Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 473.1
Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 14.9
Sector: Transport
Main Thematic Code: Infrastructure services for private sector development
Implementing Agency: UTTAR PRADESH STATE GOVERNMENT, PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT
Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The project development objective is to improve the performance of the core road system. The project has just recently become effective.

Project Name (ID): CFC Production Sector Gradual Phase - Out (P069376)
Country: India
Board Approval Date: 6/9/2000
Signing Date: 6/30/2000
Effectiveness Date: 6/30/2000
Mid-Term Review Date:
Closing Date: 6/30/2011
Loan/Credit/Grant Number:
Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 45.3
Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 40.0
Sector: Environment
Main Thematic Code: Pollution management and environmental health
Implementing Agency: MOEF/IDBI
Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The project provides for compensation to India's producers of chlorofluorocarbons (CFCs) and Halons (a fire-fighting agent) as they reduce their production in accordance with India's obligations under the Montreal Protocol. Implementation of the project continues to meet overall project development and global environmental objectives. Since implementation began in 2000, production of CFCs has dropped by 40%, in accordance with the agreed framework for CFC production reduction. Halon production facilities have been dismantled and production of Halon is nil.

Project Name (ID): Distance Learning Project - LIL (P069784)
Country: Sri Lanka
Board Approval Date: 3/5/2001
Signing Date: 3/28/2001
Effectiveness Date: 5/11/2001
Mid-Term Review Date:
Closing Date: 6/30/2005
Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 34690
Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 1.0
Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 1.1
Sector: Private Sector Development
Main Thematic Code: Education for the knowledge economy
Implementing Agency: DISTANCE LEARNING CENTER LTD.
Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The Distance Learning Project is intended to pilot an initiative to (a) strengthen the environment for policy reforms and (b) build capacity in the public

and private sectors. The Distance Learning Center (DLC) commenced operations in 2002. Despite initial concerns of sustainability, it has since offered several courses relayed by international institutes to build technical capacity within the public and private sectors. The capacity utilization in the DLC Company had improved in CY 2002 and 2003. Government and private sector officials have used the videoconference facilities for policy dialogue with counterparts overseas. The internet facilities are used for training purposes as well. The financial position of the DLC Company has improved with increased revenue and reduced losses since March, 2002. The Company is projected to break even by December, 2004. The Distance Learning Project is therefore on its way to meeting its development objectives.

Project Name (ID): Mizoram State Roads (P069889)

Country: India

Board Approval Date: 3/14/2002

Signing Date: 5/6/2002

Effectiveness Date: 6/3/2002

Mid-Term Review Date:

Closing Date: 12/31/2007

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 36180

Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 60.6

Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 5.7

Sector: Transport

Main Thematic Code: Infrastructure services for private sector development

Implementing Agency: GOVERNMENT OF MIZORAM (GOM)

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The development objectives of the project are to improve the management and carrying capacity of the Mizoram core State road network. The project is on track to achieve these objectives. Through the implementation of part of an institutional strengthening action plan, the Public Works Department the Government of Mizoram has already improved its effectiveness in managing the core state road network. In addition, with the start of a substantial portion of the civil works, the carrying capacity of the core state road network is on track to be enhanced.

Project Name (ID): HIV/AIDS Prevention (P069933)

Country: Bangladesh

Board Approval Date: 12/12/2000

Signing Date: 12/26/2000

Effectiveness Date: 2/1/2001

Mid-Term Review Date: 6/1/2003

Closing Date: 6/30/2005

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 34410

Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 18.2

Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 3.1

Sector: Health, Nutrition and Population

Main Thematic Code: Fighting communicable diseases

Implementing Agency: MINISTRY OF HEALTH & FAMILY WELFARE

The project was restructured during 2002 (fiscal year): The restructuring (May 2003) was to reduce the volume of activities to be implemented and simplify project implementation, including procurement. The Credit was partially cancelled (50%), but the development objective was retained as originally stated

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The project's development objectives are to control the spread of HIV infection within high risk groups and to limit its spread to the general population, without stigmatizing the high risk groups. Fortunately, Bangladesh continues to have a low HIV rate even among vulnerable groups such as commercial sex workers. However, the rate is going up among injecting drug users and this is a cause for concern. For a variety of reasons implementation progress during the first two years of the projects was limited. A major success of the project has been a substantial improvement in surveillance data on HIV/AIDS. With the restructuring noted above and a reduction in scope of activities, now there is hope for modest success on prevention and care activities.

Project Name (ID): Karnataka State Highways Improvement (P070421)

Country: India

Board Approval Date: 5/24/2001

Signing Date: 7/26/2001

Effectiveness Date: 8/28/2001

Mid-Term Review Date:

Closing Date: 12/31/2006

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 46060

Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 319.4

Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 40.6

Sector: Transport

Main Thematic Code: Small and medium enterprise support

Implementing Agency: THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT, GOVERNMENT OF KARNATAKA STATE

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The objective is to improve the core road network in Karnataka. Progress toward achieving this is on track when measured against agreed performance indicators. The portion of state highways in bad condition has been reduced, although more remains to be done. The number of fatal road accidents per 10,000 vehicles has been reduced from 18 to 16 deaths. The target is 14. The pace of execution of civil works and other institutional components is delayed 6-12 months but is expected to pick up as the implementing agency completes procurement. It is too early to quantify and comment on other key performance indicators.

Project Name (ID): Karnataka Community Based Tank Management (P071033)

Country: India

Board Approval Date: 4/25/2002

Signing Date: 6/4/2002

Effectiveness Date: 7/8/2002

Mid-Term Review Date:

Closing Date: 1/31/2009

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 36350

Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 108.0

Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 4.0

Sector: Rural Sector

Main Thematic Code: Rural services and infrastructure

Implementing Agency: JALA SAMVARDHANE YOJANA SANGHA

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The project's development objective is to improve rural livelihoods and reduce poverty by developing and strengthening community-based approaches to improving and managing selected tank systems. Outputs generated so far indicate that the project is on course to meet its development objectives. Significant among these are:(i) physical activities in 51 tanks are in full swing and in another 80 tanks Tank User Groups (TUGs) have been formed; (ii) evidence suggests that Cluster Facilitation Teams (CFTs) working directly with communities has resulted in the preparation of good quality Integrated Tank Development Plans; (iii) the capacity of District Project Units and CFTs have improved; (iv) the TUGs have demonstrated the capacity to implement the project with a reasonable level of quality; (v) University of Agricultural Sciences have conducted training for: implementing agency staff, farm men and women plus conducted farm field schools in 44 tanks; and (vi) catchment treatment activities, pest management, check dams, gully plugs, boulder checks, silt traps etc. have been carried out in 28 tanks undergoing rehabilitation.

Project Name (ID): NWFP On-Farm Water Management (P071092)

Country: Pakistan

Board Approval Date: 6/12/2001

Signing Date: 8/28/2001

Effectiveness Date: 11/14/2001

Mid-Term Review Date:
Closing Date: 6/30/2006
Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 35160
Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 22.1
Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 1.1
Sector: Rural Sector

Main Thematic Code: Rural services and infrastructure
Implementing Agency: NWFP OFWM DIRECTORATE AND FATADC
Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The overall goal of the project is to increase agricultural growth and productivity and expand farm incomes. This objective would be achieved by: (a) improving the reliability, efficiency and equity of distribution of available irrigation water; (b) increasing on-farm water use efficiency; and (c) enhancing long-term financial sustainability of the irrigation system by supporting the government's effort to foster self sustaining farmer organizations. Progress is much slower than expected earlier. The project is closely linked to the institutional reform under the National Drainage Program, another Bank-supported project, which is making uneven progress. As a result, the progress toward achieving the development objective of this project has been slow. Activities that are not linked to the reform, on the other hand, are making good progress and moving in the right direction e.g., on-farm improvement works outside the canal command areas.

Project Name (ID): Sri Lanka Central Bank Strengthening (P071131)

Country: Sri Lanka
Board Approval Date: 6/19/2001
Signing Date: 7/11/2001
Effectiveness Date: 8/24/2001
Mid-Term Review Date:
Closing Date: 7/31/2005
Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 35250
Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 15.7
Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 16.3
Sector: Financial Sector

Main Thematic Code: State enterprise/bank restructuring and privatization
Implementing Agency: CENTRAL BANK OF SRI LANKA (CBSL)
The project was restructured during 2002 (fiscal year): At the request of the government, funds were reallocated for Northeast emergency work (December 4, 2002).
Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The objective is fundamental restructuring of the Central Bank to transform it into a modern, strong and efficient central bank. Steady progress is being made toward this objective. Recent activities include launching the automated payment and settlement system. Action has also been initiated to strengthen the financial legal framework. The required institutional changes are being implemented as planned.

Project Name (ID): Grand Trunk Road Improvement (P071244)

Country: India
Board Approval Date: 6/21/2001
Signing Date: 7/27/2001
Effectiveness Date: 11/21/2001
Mid-Term Review Date:
Closing Date: 12/31/2006
Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 46220
Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 505.5
Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 83.5
Sector: Transport
Main Thematic Code: Technology diffusion
Implementing Agency: NATIONAL HIGHWAYS AUTHORITY OF INDIA

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The project's overall objective is to reduce transport constraints on national economic activity and improve institutional capacity to manage road programs, assets, and services on a more commercial basis. Specific components include highway upgrading, institutional strengthening, road safety and corridor management works plus private-public partnership in road concession. Implementation progress is slower than expected at appraisal. While the project is moving toward the eventual achievement of its objectives some of the key performance indicators expected at mid-term (such as percentage reduction of road transport costs) have not yet been achieved.

Significant Issue: The implementing agency has been facing unusual implementation difficulties, including law and order problems along project stretches in Bihar and Jharkhand, and the unexpected poor performance of foreign contractors on large civil works contracts.

Project Name (ID): Andhra Pradesh Rural Poverty Reduction (P071272)

Country: India

Board Approval Date: 2/20/2003

Signing Date: 4/3/2003

Effectiveness Date: 5/13/2003

Mid-Term Review Date:

Closing Date: 9/30/2008

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 37320

Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 159.1

Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 0.0

Sector: Rural Sector

Main Thematic Code: Poverty strategy, analysis and monitoring

Implementing Agency: GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH (GOAP)

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The project development objective is to enable the rural poor, particularly the poorest of the poor, in Andhra Pradesh to improve their livelihoods and quality of life. The project has just become effective.

Project Name (ID): Financial Sector Technical Assistance (P071291)

Country: Nepal

Board Approval Date: 12/19/2002

Signing Date: 4/30/2003

Effectiveness Date: 7/1/2003

Mid-Term Review Date:

Closing Date: 6/30/2007

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 37270

Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 17.3

Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 0.0

Sector: Financial Sector

Main Thematic Code: State enterprise/bank restructuring and privatization

Implementing Agency: NEPAL RASTRA BANK

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The overall development objective of this project is to strengthen the financial sector in order to bring about macroeconomic stability and promote private-sector-led economic growth. Specifically, the Project focuses on : re-engineering/strengthening the Central Bank, re-structuring two large banks, and building capacity in the financial sector. On-going technical assistance in restructuring and re-engineering of the Central Bank has produced positive results but more assistance is required in enhancing supervision capability, accounting standard and MIS, which are being addressed by our second phase operation. Significant progress has been made in working with the large banks, specially improvements in debt recovery and right sizing of staff, although there is room for further improvement. The development objective of this component is expected to be achieved by the end of the Project. With regard to capacity building some progress has been made in relation to enhancing credit information. Issues relating to financial journalism and training for staff in financial

institutions are in the process of being addressed and the stated objective is expected to be achieved by the end of Project term.

Project Name (ID): Rural Transport Improvement (P071435)

Country: Bangladesh

Board Approval Date: 6/19/2003

Signing Date: 6/30/2003

Effectiveness Date: 7/30/2003

Mid-Term Review Date:

Closing Date: 6/30/2009

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 37910

Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 193.5

Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 0.0

Sector: Transport

Main Thematic Code: Rural services and infrastructure

Implementing Agency: LOCAL GOVERNMENT ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The development objectives of the project are to provide rural communities with improved access to social services and economic opportunity, and to enhance the capacity of relevant government institutions to better manage rural transport infrastructure. The project has just become effective.

Project Name (ID): AJK Community Infrastructure and Services (P071454)

Country: Pakistan

Board Approval Date: 7/9/2002

Signing Date: 8/24/2002

Effectiveness Date: 9/18/2002

Mid-Term Review Date:

Closing Date: 12/31/2006

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 36890

Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 21.0

Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 1.5

Sector: Social Development

Main Thematic Code: Decentralization

Implementing Agency: LOCAL GOVERNMENT RURAL DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT (LGRDD)

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The objective is to deliver cost-effective and sustainable community development programs and basic infrastructure services to under-served rural, urban and peri-urban communities, using participatory community-based approaches. The project is working successfully toward achieving its objectives. In addition to water supply and sanitation, it is providing other basic infrastructure and services.

Procurement:

Project Name (ID): Rural Electrification and Renewable Energy Development (P071794)

Country: Bangladesh

Board Approval Date: 6/25/2002

Signing Date: 7/16/2002

Effectiveness Date: 12/31/2002

Mid-Term Review Date:

Closing Date: 6/30/2008

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 36790

Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 205.9

Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 9.0

Sector: Energy and Mining

Main Thematic Code: Climate change

Implementing Agency: RURAL ELECTRIFICATION BOARD AND INFRASTRUCTURE DEV. CO. LTD
Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The project's key development objective is to increasing access to electricity in rural areas. The project has three packages of line transfers. The first transfer of lines is completed and the second phase of transfer is progressing as anticipated. Taken over lines are also being renovated as planned. The implementation progress of renewable energy component of the project is also on track.

Project Name (ID): Technical/Engineering Education Quality Improvement Program (P072123)

Country: India

Board Approval Date: 11/14/2002

Signing Date: 2/4/2003

Effectiveness Date: 3/12/2003

Mid-Term Review Date:

Closing Date: 6/30/2008

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 37180

Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 258.8

Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 6.0

Sector: Education

Main Thematic Code: Education for the knowledge economy

Implementing Agency: MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The project's development objective is to support production of high quality technical professionals through reforms in the technical/engineering education system in order to raise productivity and competitiveness of the Indian economy. The project has recently become effective.

Project Name (ID): Kerala State Transport (P072539)

Country: India

Board Approval Date: 3/14/2002

Signing Date: 5/6/2002

Effectiveness Date: 6/6/2002

Mid-Term Review Date:

Closing Date: 12/31/2007

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 46530

Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 236.1

Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 18.9

Sector: Transport

Main Thematic Code: Other urban development

Implementing Agency: KERALA STATE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The key objectives are the following: (i) improve traffic flow and road safety on the main road network in Kerala and (ii) to strengthen the institutional and financial capacity of key transport sector agencies in the State. Some progress has been made toward achieving the objectives. The progress with the Phase I road rehabilitation works has been slow due to land acquisition problems, but the road periodic maintenance works have been very successful. Capacity building of PWD staff has commenced. It is expected that Development Objectives will be achieved.

Safeguards: There have been major delays in land acquisition, which has delayed the implementation of the RAP for Phase I rehabilitation of key State Highways. The Government is working hard to resolve the LA problems and the situation has already improved

Project Name (ID): Andhra Pradesh Community Forest Management (P073094)

Country: India

Board Approval Date: 7/16/2002

Signing Date: 10/8/2002

Effectiveness Date: 11/26/2002

Mid-Term Review Date:
Closing Date: 3/31/2008
Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 36920
Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 116.9
Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 2.9
Sector: Rural Sector
Main Thematic Code: Other rural development
Implementing Agency: GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH, FOREST DEPARTMENT
Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The project development objective is to reduce rural poverty through improved forest management with community participation. Progress is being made on all project components. The project was launched in November 2002 and a good beginning has been made with overall implementation progress on track.

Project Name (ID): Gujarat Emergency Earthquake Reconstruction Program (P074018)
Country: India
Board Approval Date: 5/2/2002
Signing Date: 6/4/2002
Effectiveness Date: 7/15/2002
Mid-Term Review Date:
Closing Date: 10/31/2005
Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 36370
Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 389.8
Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 105.2
Sector: Urban Development
Main Thematic Code: Other urban development
Implementing Agency: GUJARAT STATE DISASTER MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY
Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The objective of the Project is to assist Gujarat in carrying out the second phase of a program of rehabilitation and reconstruction in the areas affected by the earthquake of January 26, 2001, including: restoration of housing and public buildings, basic infrastructure in the roads and irrigation sectors, and development of an institutional framework to allow better disaster mitigation and risk management for future natural disasters. Implementation progress is being made in all of the above areas. In addition, a strong partnership between the government and civil society groups has been established. It is expected that the project will establish a sound disaster management capacity in Gujarat and that the project's development objectives will be achieved.

Project Name (ID): Renewable Energy Development (P074040)
Country: Bangladesh
Board Approval Date: 6/5/2002
Signing Date: 7/16/2002
Effectiveness Date: 12/31/2002
Mid-Term Review Date:
Closing Date: 6/30/2008
Loan/Credit/Grant Number:
Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 8.9
Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): .3
Sector: Energy and Mining
Main Thematic Code: Climate change
Implementing Agency: RURAL ELECTRIFICATION BOARD AND IDCOL
Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The objective is to reduce atmospheric carbon emissions by overcoming market barriers for renewable energy development, including high implementation costs. Implementation progress is on track with 4,500 Solar Home Systems (SHS) installed by the end of FY 2003 just 6 months after effectiveness.

Project Name (ID): National AIDS Prevention (P074730)
Country: Sri Lanka
Board Approval Date: 12/17/2002
Signing Date: 2/13/2003
Effectiveness Date: 3/24/2003
Mid-Term Review Date:
Closing Date: 6/30/2008
Loan/Credit/Grant Number: H0130
Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 13.0
Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): .5
Sector: Health, Nutrition and Population
Main Thematic Code: Fighting communicable diseases
Implementing Agency: MINISTRY OF HEALTH, NUTRITION, AND WELFARE
Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The project's objective is to reduce the spread of HIV/AIDS among highly vulnerable subpopulations and the public at large. The project only recently became effective.

Project Name (ID): Financial Services for the Poorest (P074731)
Country: Bangladesh
Board Approval Date: 6/19/2002
Signing Date: 7/16/2002
Effectiveness Date: 8/21/2002
Mid-Term Review Date:
Closing Date: 12/31/2005
Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 36810
Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 4.9
Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): .6
Sector: Financial Sector
Main Thematic Code: Other financial and private sector development
Implementing Agency: PALLI KARMA-SAHAYAK FOUNDATION (PKSF)
Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The objective of this project is to find models of sustainable interventions for reducing the number of the poorest through use of microcredit and other financial services to enhance their incomes and livelihood. Progress in achieving the objectives of the program has been proceeding according to plan. The Partner Organizations are progressing in the identification of borrowers. Almost 28,000 borrowers were identified and Taka 22.31 million have been disbursed among about half of these borrowers. The awareness program and savings mobilization activities are also underway as new borrowers are identified. The Partner Organizations are to undertake the Training Needs Assessments of the borrowers for Income Generating Activities and procedures for contracting are in process.

Project Name (ID): Banking Sector Technical Assistance (P074797)
Country: Pakistan
Board Approval Date: 7/9/2002
Signing Date: 7/11/2002
Effectiveness Date: 8/12/2002
Mid-Term Review Date:
Closing Date: 12/31/2007
Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 36880
Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 26.2
Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 3.4
Sector: Financial Sector
Main Thematic Code: Other financial and private sector development
Implementing Agency: STATE BANK OF PAKISTAN

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): This project is a follow-on to the Financial Sector Deepening and Intermediation Project and it aims to transform the State Bank of Pakistan (SBP) into a highly professional, efficient and modern institution. This involves work in a number of areas including: improving the standards and quality of personnel, modernizing and automating processes through use of technology and networking, streamlining and strengthening the national payments system and supporting privatization of nationalized commercial banks etc. Overall the project is on track toward achieving its objectives. The reforms are well advanced and showing positive results in all project areas. Feedback from financial market players, staff of the central bank and other stakeholders on impact of reforms and on SBP's performance is highly encouraging. The State Bank is transforming itself into a leading institution amongst the regional central banks and is being recognized for its achievements. Based on requests, it has started to assist other central banks with design and implementation of their restructuring programs. The project is likely to achieve all objectives and improve financial sector performance.

Project Name (ID): HIV/AIDS Prevention (P074856)

Country: Pakistan

Board Approval Date: 6/5/2003

Signing Date:

Effectiveness Date:

Mid-Term Review Date:

Closing Date: 12/31/2008

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 37760

Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 37.8

Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 0.0

Sector: Health, Nutrition and Population

Main Thematic Code: Fighting communicable diseases

Implementing Agency: NATIONAL AIDS CONTROL PROGRAM

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The project development objective is to prevent HIV from becoming established in vulnerable populations and spreading to the general adult population, while avoiding stigmatization of the vulnerable populations. The project is not yet effective.

Project Name (ID): Public Procurement Reform (P075016)

Country: Bangladesh

Board Approval Date: 5/2/2002

Signing Date: 6/13/2002

Effectiveness Date: 8/8/2002

Mid-Term Review Date:

Closing Date: 11/30/2005

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 36390

Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 3.6

Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 1.4

Sector: Public Sector Governance

Main Thematic Code: Public expenditure, financial management & procurement

Implementing Agency: IMPLEMENTATION MONITORING AND EVALUATION DIVISION

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The objective is to improve governance in public procurement, thereby increasing efficiency, transparency, and accountability in public procurement. Progress toward achieving this objective is commendable, given that the project has just completed its first year of implementation. The government established a Central Procurement Policy Unit with staffing from its own resources, and issued new procurement regulations, the most pivotal action required. Actual outcome will be more noticeable in the next few months when it is fully implemented. Other reforms and activities for improving procurement management capacity through nationwide training of about 1,600 staff are going on in phases.

Project Name (ID): Food and Drugs Capacity Building (P075056)
Country: India
Board Approval Date: 6/5/2003
Signing Date:
Effectiveness Date:
Mid-Term Review Date:
Closing Date: 6/30/2008
Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 37770
Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 55.6
Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 0.0
Sector: Health, Nutrition and Population
Main Thematic Code: Health system performance
Implementing Agency: MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The project's development objective is to improve the quality and safety of foods and drugs in India by strengthening the regulatory framework and incorporating components of consumer education and public-private partnerships. The project is not yet effective.

Project Name (ID): Chhattisgarh District Rural Poverty (P076467)
Country: India
Board Approval Date: 4/24/2003
Signing Date: 8/18/2003
Effectiveness Date:
Mid-Term Review Date:
Closing Date: 3/31/2009
Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 37490
Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 115.2
Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 0.0
Sector: Rural Sector
Main Thematic Code: Rural policies and institutions
Implementing Agency: GOVERNMENT OF CHHATTISGARH
Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The project's objectives are to improve opportunities for the poor and vulnerable, especially women and tribes, to meet their own social and economic development objectives. To achieve this objective, the project would: (i) create infrastructure and income opportunities for the rural poor; (ii) empower active groups of disadvantaged people; and (iii) support village governments in becoming more responsive and effective in assisting them. The project is not yet effective.

Project Name (ID): Renewable Energy for Rural Economic Development (P076702)
Country: Sri Lanka
Board Approval Date: 6/20/2002
Signing Date: 7/12/2002
Effectiveness Date: 10/7/2002
Mid-Term Review Date:
Closing Date: 6/30/2008
Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 36730
Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 67.0
Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 15.0
Sector: Energy and Mining
Main Thematic Code: Infrastructure services for private sector development
Implementing Agency: GOVERNMENT OF SRI LANKA
Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The project's development objectives are to (i) improve the quality of rural life by utilizing off-grid renewable energy technologies to bring electricity to remote communities and (ii) promote private sector power generation from renewable energy resources

for the main grid. The Project's global objective is to reduce atmospheric carbon emissions by removing barriers and reducing implementation costs for renewable energy, and removing barriers to energy efficiency. While the project is in the early stages of implementation, there is good evidence that these objectives are being achieved. Initial monitoring suggests strong positive impacts on rural incomes and social indicators from the installation of photovoltaic home systems. Credit institutions have also approved a number of community mini-grids as well as re-financing of mini hydroelectric projects. Small scale biomass and wind power generation project are also being developed by private sponsors. There is strong evidence of a vibrant and competitive small scale private sector renewable energy industry in Sri Lanka, as average costs for renewable generation continue to reduce and renewable energy becomes competitively priced in relation to conventional generation.

Project Name (ID): National Education Assessment System (P077288)

Country: Pakistan

Board Approval Date: 6/3/2003

Signing Date:

Effectiveness Date:

Mid-Term Review Date:

Closing Date: 6/30/2008

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 37750

Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 3.8

Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 0.0

Sector: Education

Main Thematic Code: Education for all

Implementing Agency: CURRICULUM WING, MINISTRY OF EDU., ISLAMABAD AND PROV. DEPTS

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The objective of this project is to establish administrative infrastructure and capacity for education assessment administration including the design of assessment mechanisms and instruments, plus analysis and report writing with appropriate federal-provincial linkages resulting in increased stakeholder knowledge and acceptance of assessment objectives and procedures. The project is not yet effective.

Outlook: This is a high risk - high reward project and the outlook is reasonable because the Borrower and its implementing agencies want to try to establish an assessment system in the country.

Project Name (ID): Emergency Public Administration (P077417)

Country: Afghanistan

Board Approval Date: 4/4/2002

Signing Date: 4/9/2002

Effectiveness Date: 6/7/2002

Mid-Term Review Date:

Closing Date: 9/30/2005

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: H0060

Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 6.6

Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 4.6

Sector: Public Sector Governance

Main Thematic Code: Conflict prevention & post-conflict reconstruction

Implementing Agency: AACA, MOF, AGO

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The objective of this project is to assist the Afghanistan Interim Authority (and its successor) in putting in place, on an emergency basis, capacity in key public administration areas to facilitate better use of public resources, including donor funds, for urgent reconstruction and development efforts. Considerable progress has been made toward putting in place capacity in key public administration areas. Procurement agent is in place and carrying out procurement work according to plan. A computerized accounting system is in place and an Audit Agent is also in place undertaking pilot audits including of IDA projects. It is expected that the project will achieve its objectives and that capacity in government will have been established although it will continue to need strengthening.

Project Name (ID): Emergency Community Empowerment and Public Works (P077533)

Country: Afghanistan

Board Approval Date: 6/6/2002

Signing Date: 6/8/2002

Effectiveness Date: 6/11/2002

Mid-Term Review Date:

Closing Date: 12/31/2004

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: H0090

Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 28.7

Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 17.8

Sector: Social Development

Main Thematic Code: Poverty strategy, analysis and monitoring

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The objective is to: (a) provide employment in rural areas at a minimum wage, as a safety net, to as many people and in as short a time as feasible; and (b) start helping villages rebuild their capital bases through subgrants, and empower villagers to plan for and decide on the investments to be made with these funds. Despite a difficult security environment in parts of the country and initial delays in establishing the required implementation arrangements, progress toward achieving the objective has been good. The outreach of both components matches or surpasses original targets. The community empowerment component (called the National Solidarity Program) is facilitating inclusive participatory planning at the village level of reconstruction and development projects together with their funding.

Project Changes: The project was reoriented during 2003 to scale up the National Solidarity Program across the country.

Project Name (ID): Economic Reform Technical Assistance (P077586)

Country: Sri Lanka

Board Approval Date: 12/10/2002

Signing Date: 1/29/2003

Effectiveness Date: 3/10/2003

Mid-Term Review Date:

Closing Date: 6/30/2008

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 37220

Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 14.9

Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 1.0

Sector: Private Sector Development

Main Thematic Code: Regulation and competition policy

Implementing Agency: MINISTRY OF ECONOMIC REFORMS, SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The project development objective is to strengthen government's capacity to implement its economic reform agenda. This will be achieved by funding priority technical assistance that will provide government with the executive capacity required to implement its reform agenda. The implementation of government's economic reforms will in turn expand the role of the private sector in the economy and put the country on the path of higher economic growth and faster poverty reduction. The project has just recently become effective.

Project Name (ID): Supplemental Project to the Renewable Energy for Rural Economic Development Project - GEF (P077761)

Country: Sri Lanka

Board Approval Date: 6/20/2002

Signing Date: 7/12/2002

Effectiveness Date: 10/7/2002

Mid-Term Review Date:

Closing Date: 6/30/2008

Loan/Credit/Grant Number:**Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003):** 7.3**Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003):** 1.6**Sector:** Energy and Mining**Main Thematic Code:** Infrastructure services for private sector development**Implementing Agency:** GOVERNMENT OF SRI LANKA

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The project's development objectives are to (i) improve the quality of rural life by utilizing off-grid renewable energy technologies to bring electricity to remote communities and (ii) promote private sector power generation from renewable energy resources for the main grid. The Project's global objective is to reduce atmospheric carbon emissions by removing barriers and reducing implementation costs for renewable energy, and removing barriers to energy efficiency. While the project is in the early stages of implementation, there is good evidence that these objectives are being achieved. Initial monitoring suggests strong positive impacts on rural incomes and social indicators from the installation of photovoltaic home systems. Credit institutions have also approved a number of community mini-grids as well as re-financing of mini hydroelectric projects. Small scale biomass and wind power generation project are also being developed by private sponsors. There is strong evidence of a vibrant and competitive small scale private sector renewable energy industry in Sri Lanka, as average costs for renewable generation continue to reduce and renewable energy becomes competitively priced in relation to conventional generation.

Project Name (ID): Emergency Infrastructure Reconstruction (P077779)**Country:** Afghanistan**Board Approval Date:** 6/6/2002**Signing Date:** 6/8/2002**Effectiveness Date:** 6/11/2002**Mid-Term Review Date:****Closing Date:** 12/31/2004**Loan/Credit/Grant Number:** H0070**Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003):** 30.1**Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003):** 6.7**Sector:** Water Supply and Sanitation**Main Thematic Code:** Participation and Civic Engagement**Implementing Agency:** AFGHANISTAN ASSISTANCE COORDINATION AUTHORITY

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): Results on the ground are slower to emerge than initially expected because of high security risks, lack of a functioning banking system and limited capacity to implement projects. However, the project should meet its development objectives, to improve selected infrastructure delivery/facilities including water & power and support the economic recovery process, although a six month extension may be required.

Project Name (ID): Emergency Education Rehabilitation and Development (P077896)**Country:** Afghanistan**Board Approval Date:** 6/6/2002**Signing Date:** 6/8/2002**Effectiveness Date:** 6/11/2002**Mid-Term Review Date:****Closing Date:** 12/31/2004**Loan/Credit/Grant Number:** H0080**Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003):** 11.6**Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003):** 5.1**Sector:** Education**Main Thematic Code:** Gender**Implementing Agency:** AFGHANISTAN INTERIM ADMINISTRATION

The project was restructured during 2002 (fiscal year): The project components were restructured in order to meet the needs of the reconstruction and government priorities. The components on adult

literacy and early childhood development were cancelled, and the basic primary education component was added.

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The objective of this component is to address emergency needs of primary education (school rehabilitation, teacher training, teaching-learning materials, etc.) through community participation in some provinces. Given the emergency nature of the project, the development objective is modest. With the project restructuring, the implementation period for the new component is short. The capacity of government to implement the project continues to be weak. However, the project as a whole is making slow but steady progress, and the development objective is likely to be achieved.

Project Name (ID): Reconstruction Trust Fund (P078069)

Country: Afghanistan

Board Approval Date: 4/2/2002

Signing Date: 5/13/2002

Effectiveness Date: 5/13/2002

Mid-Term Review Date:

Closing Date: 6/30/2006

Loan/Credit/Grant Number:

Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 49.8

Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 180.4

Sector: Financial Sector

Main Thematic Code: Conflict prevention & post-conflict reconstruction

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The objective is to provide coordinated financing for the government's budget and priority sector and investment projects and programs. While assisting in a vital function of covering recurrent costs, the project is also proving valuable as a mechanism to fund priority investments in the reconstruction program.

Project Name (ID): Emergency Transport Rehabilitation (P078284)

Country: Afghanistan

Board Approval Date: 3/11/2003

Signing Date: 3/17/2003

Effectiveness Date: 7/14/2003

Mid-Term Review Date:

Closing Date: 12/31/2005

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 37350

Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 111.6

Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 0.0

Sector: Transport

Main Thematic Code: Regional integration

Implementing Agency: MIN. OF PUBLIC WORKS, MIN. OF CIVIL AVIATION & TOURISM

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The development objectives of the project are to facilitate the country's economic and social recovery through improved physical access to goods, markets, and administrative and social services. This will be achieved by: (i) removing key transport bottlenecks that seriously hamper recovery, (ii) building capacity in management, implementation, and maintenance of transport services and works through the provision of equipment and technical assistance, and (iii) assisting in the establishment of an institutional and policy framework for the transport sector for sustainable service delivery. The project has just become effective.

Project Name (ID): Health Sector Emergency Reconstruction and Development (P078324)

Country: Afghanistan

Board Approval Date: 6/5/2003

Signing Date: 6/29/2003

Effectiveness Date: 7/17/2003

Mid-Term Review Date:
Closing Date: 3/31/2007
Loan/Credit/Grant Number: H0430
Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 61.3
Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 0.0
Sector: Health, Nutrition and Population
Main Thematic Code: Health system performance
Implementing Agency: MINISTRY OF PUBLIC HEALTH
Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The project aims at helping the Ministry of Health (MOH) of Afghanistan to decrease child and maternal mortality by expanding the delivery of a package of basic services. The project also is intended to strengthen MOH's stewardship over the sector and to build the capacity of Afghans to provide and manage health services. So far the project has made very good progress and three NGOs have already begun expanding basic services in three under-served provinces and more will begin such work soon. The project has just become effective.

Project Name (ID): Telecommunications Technical Assistance (P081849)
Country: Bangladesh
Board Approval Date: 6/19/2003
Signing Date: 6/30/2003
Effectiveness Date:
Mid-Term Review Date:
Closing Date: 6/30/2008
Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 37900
Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 9.4
Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 0.0
Sector: Global Information/Communications Technology
Main Thematic Code: Regulation and competition policy
Implementing Agency: MOPT AND BTRC
Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The project development objective is to improve the performance of the telecommunications sector through establishment of an institutional and regulatory framework favorable to the competitive provision of telecommunications infrastructure and services. The project is not yet effective.

Project Name (ID): Partnership for Polio Eradication (P081909)
Country: Pakistan
Board Approval Date: 5/15/2003
Signing Date: 6/11/2003
Effectiveness Date: 8/7/2003
Mid-Term Review Date:
Closing Date: 6/30/2006
Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 37610
Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 20.6
Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 0.0
Sector: Health, Nutrition and Population
Main Thematic Code: Fighting communicable diseases
Implementing Agency: MINISTRY OF HEALTH
Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The project objective is to support Pakistan's Polio Eradication Initiative by the supply of 50% of the additional Oral Polio Vaccine (OPV) needed for Supplemental Immunization Activities (SIA) during 2003-2005. The project has just become effective.

Project Name (ID): National Emergency Employment Program for Rural Access (P082472)
Country: Afghanistan
Board Approval Date: 6/24/2003

Signing Date: 6/30/2003
Effectiveness Date: 7/22/2003
Mid-Term Review Date:
Closing Date: 9/30/2006
Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 37990
Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 39.8
Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 0.0
Sector: Social Protection
Main Thematic Code: Other social protection and risk management
Implementing Agency: MRRD/MPW
Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The objective is to provide targeted social protection, and improve key rural access infrastructure, for improving livelihoods of the rural poor. A secondary objective is to repair key rural access infrastructure and mobilize donor support for the National Emergency Employment Program. The project has just become effective.

Project Name (ID): IBTF for North East Reconstruction Fund (P082474)
Country: Sri Lanka
Board Approval Date: 3/20/2003
Signing Date:
Effectiveness Date:
Mid-Term Review Date:
Closing Date:
Loan/Credit/Grant Number:
Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 0.0
Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 0.0
Sector: Poverty Reduction
Main Thematic Code: Conflict prevention & post-conflict reconstruction
Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The North East Reconstruction Fund (NERF), a multi-donor trust fund, is intended to restore basic services in the conflict-affected North East region through improved access to health, education, water supply and governance. The project is not yet effective.

Project Name (ID): Emergency Public Administration (02) (P082610)
Country: Afghanistan
Board Approval Date: 6/24/2003
Signing Date: 6/30/2003
Effectiveness Date: 7/15/2003
Mid-Term Review Date:
Closing Date: 3/31/2006
Loan/Credit/Grant Number: H0550
Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 8.6
Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 0.0
Sector: Public Sector Governance
Main Thematic Code: Administrative and civil service reform
Implementing Agency: MOF, AACA, CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION, PRESIDENT'S OFFICE
Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The objectives of this project are similar to the first Emergency Public Administration Project namely to assist the Afghanistan Interim Administration (and its successor) in putting in place, on an emergency basis, capacity in key public administration areas to facilitate better use of public resources, including donor funds, for urgent reconstruction and development efforts. The project has just become effective.

Project Name (ID): Community School Support (P082646)
Country: Nepal

Board Approval Date: 6/30/2003

Signing Date: 7/25/2003

Effectiveness Date: 8/28/2003

Mid-Term Review Date:

Closing Date: 9/30/2006

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 38080

Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 5.0

Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2003): 0.0

Sector: Education

Main Thematic Code: Education for all

Implementing Agency: MINISTRY OF EDUCATION AND SPORTS

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The objective of this project is to test whether community management of schools can better contribute to enhancement of: a) participation rates, (b) quality and efficiency and (c) accountability of schools. The project has just become effective.

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