

STATUS OF PROJECTS IN EXECUTION – FY05
SOPE
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COUNTRY: MALI

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Report on the Status of Projects in Execution - FY05
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Introduction

The Status of Projects in Execution (SOPE) Report for FY05 provides information on all IBRD/IDA projects that were active on and beyond June 30, 2005. 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.

The FY05 SOPE introduces a new element: in order to disclose project-by-project comparisons of disbursement estimates and actual disbursements, the SOPE report contains a line chart¹ showing the original estimated disbursement schedule, the latest approved revised schedule (if any) and actual disbursements for investment operations and a table showing the loan/credit/grant amount and disbursements to date.

¹ Notes:

- Amounts for Projects in currencies other than U.S. dollars may not match exactly due to exchange rate fluctuations over the life of the project.
- Disbursement graphs are not included for Development Policy Loans, which provide quick-disbursing external financing to support policy and institutional reforms. For these loans, funds are disbursed in one or more stages (tranches), released when the borrower complies with agreed conditions.
- Projects which are not yet effective may not have a planned disbursement schedule and thus may not include a graph.

Country: Mali

Project Name (ID): Financial Sector Development (P001748)

Country: Mali

Board Approval Date: 06/27/2000

Midterm Review Date: 07/26/2004

Closing Date: 04/30/2006

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: IDA-33940, IDA-Q1680

Sector(s): Central government administration (46%), Capital markets (21%), Banking (13%), Non-compulsory pensions, insurance, and contractual savings (10%), Micro and SME finance (10%)

Theme(s): Small and medium enterprise support (P), Rural markets (P), State enterprise/bank restructuring and privatization (P), Legal institutions for a market economy (S), Regulation and competition policy (S)

Project Development Objectives:

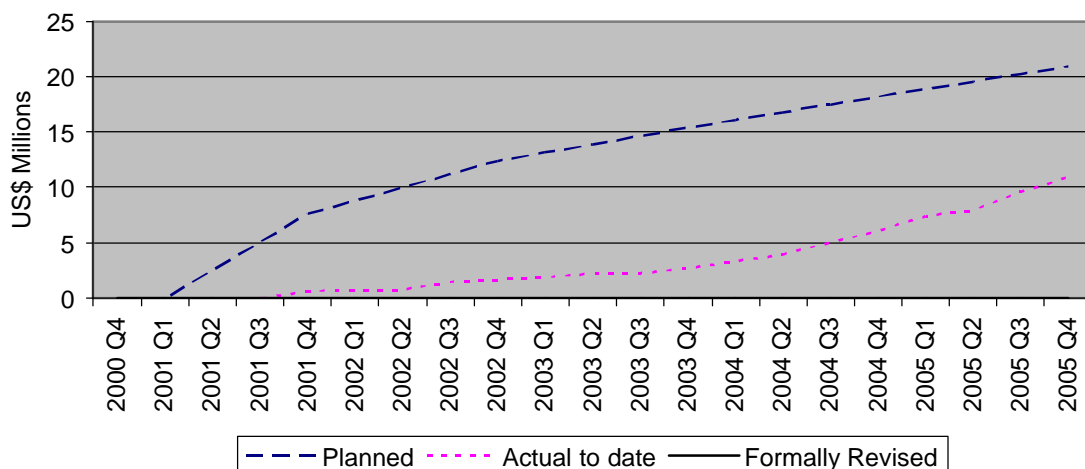
The objective is to improve the soundness, performance and competitiveness of the financial sector and enable it to support broad-based private sector growth

Progress toward achieving development objective(s):

Overall, the impact of the project on the financial sector is limited. Many studies have been completed but very few of their recommendations have been implemented. In addition, a number of components are not achieving their objectives. The privatization process is delayed and the government seems to be re-considering the decision to privatize Banque Internationale du Mali (BIM). Two insurance companies still do not comply with CIMA prudential ratios. No progress has been made within the financial sector regulatory framework due to a ministerial change.

Lending Information/Disbursement Summary (USD millions, as of June 30 2005)

Loan/Credit/Grant	Status	Amount	Disbursed	Undisbursed	Cancellation
IDA-33940	Effective	23.05	10.90	11.92	0.00
IDA-Q1680	Closed	0.50	0.00	0.00	0.50



Project Name (ID): Agricultural Services and Producer Organizations (P035630)

Country: Mali

Board Approval Date: 12/11/2001

Midterm Review Date: 01/28/2005

Closing Date: 12/31/2005

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: IDA-35830, IDA-Q2340, IDA-Q2341, JPN-29432

Sector(s): Agricultural extension and research (55%), Central government administration (23%), Crops (15%), Animal production (5%), Health (2%)

Theme(s): Rural policies and institutions (P), Rural services and infrastructure (P), Administrative and civil service reform (P), Decentralization (S), Other financial and private sector development (S)

Project Development Objectives:

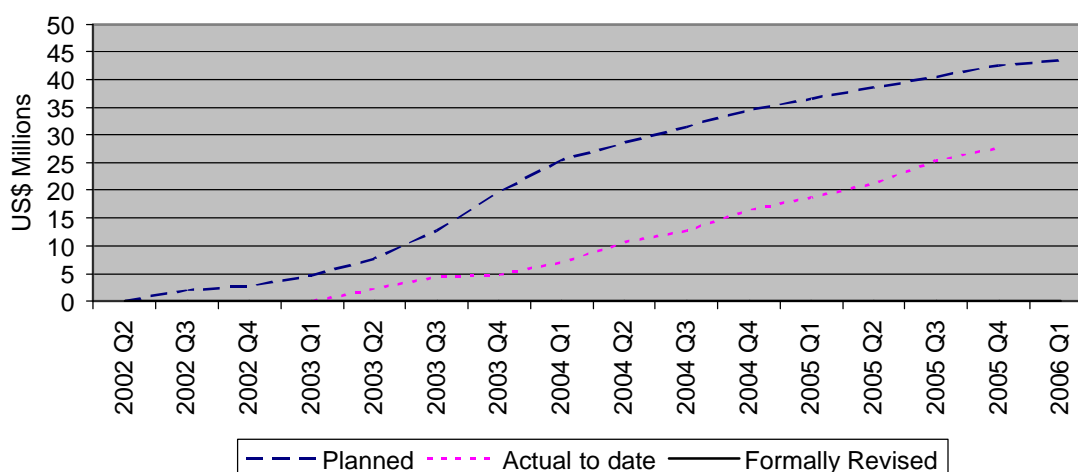
The objective is to establish an institutional framework conducive to the efficient delivery of agricultural services to producers.

Progress toward achieving development objective(s):

The project is progressing well toward achieving its objective. Management of national directorates has improved; they are refocused on their mandatory missions. Policy implementation has been transferred to local level, promoting private providers. Pluralistic, competitive, demand-driven research and extension systems have been established and are operating and extension services have been provided through performance contracts by civil servants and by contracts with private providers to producers. The network of Agricultural Chambers is functional and has gained the trust of its members and the network at national, regional and local levels, has efficiently implemented micro-projects of farmer organizations.

Lending Information/Disbursement Summary (USD millions, as of June 30 2005)

Loan/Credit/Grant	Status	Amount	Disbursed	Undisbursed	Cancellation
IDA-35830	Effective	49.90	27.75	22.00	0.00
IDA-Q2340	Closed	0.60	0.00	0.00	0.60
IDA-Q2341	Closed	1.40	0.00	0.00	1.40
JPN-29432	Closed	0.40	0.27	0.00	0.13



Project Name (ID): National Rural Infrastructure (P041723)

Country: Mali

Board Approval Date: 06/27/2000

Midterm Review Date: 11/15/2003

Closing Date: 12/31/2005

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: IDA-33930, IDA-Q0910, IDA-Q0911, JPN-25446

Sector(s): Irrigation and drainage (46%), General water, sanitation and flood protection (24%), General transportation (20%), General public administration (10%)

Theme(s): Rural services and infrastructure (P), Land administration and management (S), Water resources management (S), Participation and civic engagement (S), Infrastructure services for private sector development (S)

Project Development Objectives:

Phase I of the long-term program has two main objectives:

(1) an institutional objective aiming at assisting the Malian government in establishing the new institutional framework for the provision and management of rural infrastructure, which includes: (a) the redefinition of the role of the central government, local governments, local communities and the private sector; (b) the setting-up of effective mechanisms to plan, finance and manage infrastructure; and (c) improving the capacities of stakeholders at all levels in carrying out these responsibilities.

(2) An investment objective aimed at supporting priority/pilot investments in irrigation development (9,300 ha), feeder road rehabilitation (472 km), water supply development (1,300 water facilities), and sanitation programs.

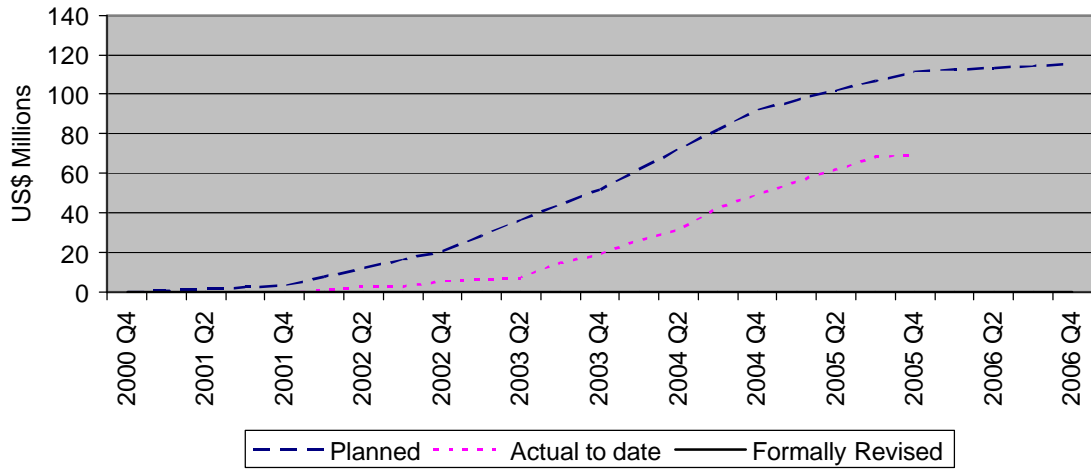
Progress toward achieving development objective(s):

The project remains on track towards achieving its development objectives. It has achieved the main institutional reforms and communities' participation in targeted sector's strategies such as irrigation, transport, water and sanitation increased. The investment program is being implemented with success in a participatory approach: about 6000 ha have been developed for irrigation, 500 drinking water infrastructure built and 272 feeder roads built.

Lending Information/Disbursement Summary (USD millions, as of June 30 2005)

Loan/Credit/Grant	Status	Amount	Disbursed	Undisbursed	Cancellation
IDA-33930	Effective	126.51	69.73	55.44	0.00
IDA-Q0910	Closed	0.50	0.00	0.00	0.50
IDA-Q0911	Closed	0.75	0.00	0.00	0.75
JPN-25446	Closed	0.40	0.40	0.00	0.00

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Project Name (ID): Gourma Biodiversity Conservation (P052402)

Country: Mali

Board Approval Date: 09/02/2004

Closing Date: 06/30/2011

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: MULT-20518, MULT-54199

Sector(s): General agriculture, fishing, and forestry (40%), Central government administration (25%), Other social services (20%), Sub-national government administration (15%)

Theme(s): Biodiversity (P), Participation and civic engagement (S), Rural non-farm income generation (S), Environmental policies and institutions (S)

Project Development Objectives:

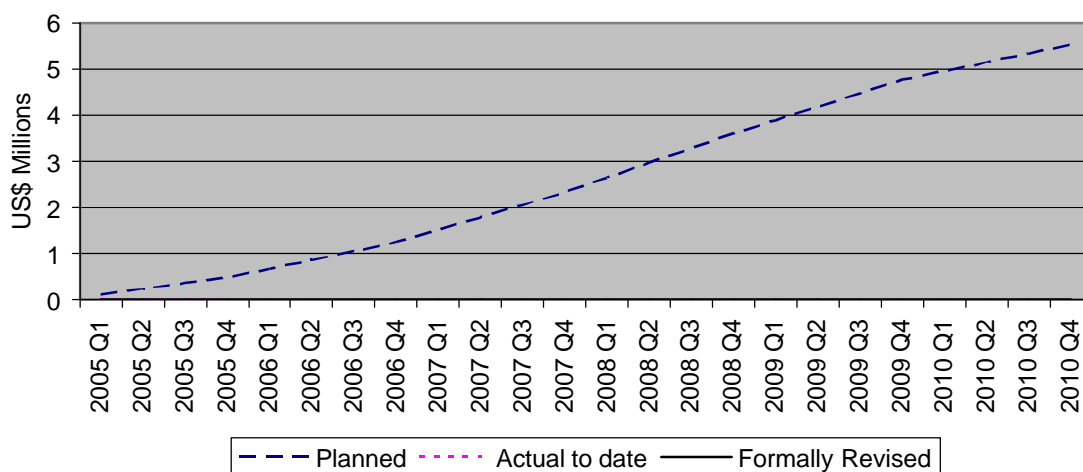
The objective is the reversal of biodiversity and range degradation trends in selected conservation areas and their stabilization elsewhere in the Gourma region.

Progress toward achieving development objective(s):

The project was not effective before the close of the reporting period.

Lending Information/Disbursement Summary (USD millions, as of June 30 2005)

Loan/Credit/Grant	Status	Amount	Disbursed	Undisbursed	Cancellation
MULT-20518	Closed	0.18	0.17	0.00	0.00
MULT-54199	Not Effective	5.50	0.00	5.50	0.00



Project Name (ID): Education Sector Expenditure Program (P040650)
Country: Mali
Board Approval Date: 12/20/2000
Midterm Review Date: 01/28/2004
Closing Date: 12/31/2005
Loan/Credit/Grant Number: BELG-24748, IDA-34490, IDA-Q0540, IDA-Q0541, JPN-25444, JPN-51548
Sector(s): Primary education (32%), Secondary education (32%), Tertiary education (32%), Central government administration (3%), Sub-national government administration (1%)
Theme(s): Gender (P), Education for all (P), Decentralization (P), HIV/AIDS (S)

Project Development Objectives:

The objective of the first phase of the Education Sector Expenditure Program (ESEP) is to provide increased and equitable access to better quality education.

The Project was restructured during the 2005 Fiscal Year

The goal of the restructuring is: (a) an extension of the closing date of the Credit to December 31, 2005 to enable the Government to complete planned activities and to achieve the Project's development objectives; (b) the addition of a category for grants to eligible schools to support their basic needs in school supplies; (c) a reallocation of funds from the "Unallocated" line item to other disbursement categories; and (d) changes of the prior review thresholds for procurement of civil works and goods.

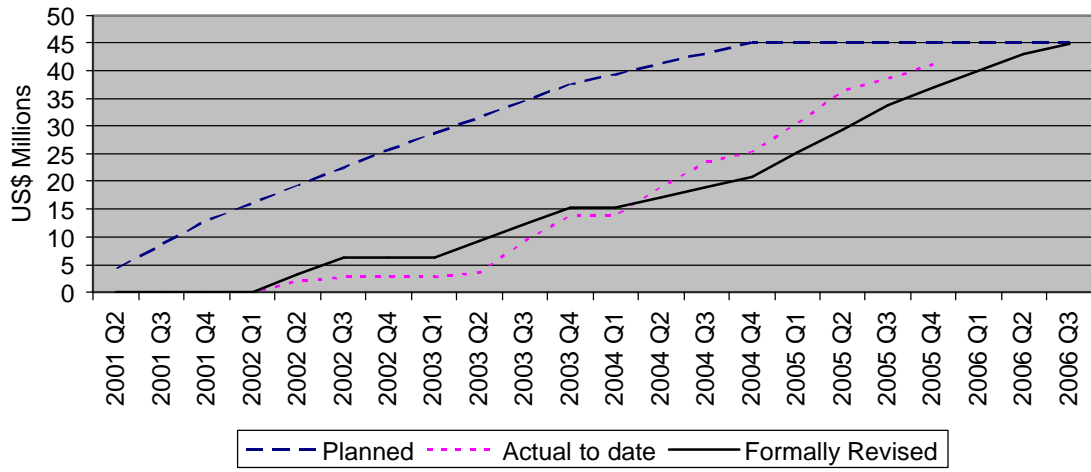
Progress toward achieving development objective(s):

Significant progress has been achieved and the Project met its objectives in terms of access and achievement: Gross enrollment rate (GER) reached 70.5% in school-year 2003-2004 from about 50% in 1999-2000, and the share of girls for the same period increased from 46% to 58% of overall enrollments. The achievement rate in the first cycle of primary progressed from 23.6% in 1997 to 40.2% in 2005. But the gender gap remains important (the achievement rate for the boys progressed from 30.6% to 49.2% versus 16.8% to 31.5% for the girls). The priority for education was strengthened with the share of the education budget in the Government budget increasing from 26.5% in 2001 to 30.06% in 2004 (exceeding the Project's target of 27%), but the share of the education budget dedicated to basic education remains below the objective of the Project (54% compared to the 61% targeted for the Project). Education administration has been decentralized and 40% of the non-salary education budget is now administered by the regional Academies. However, regional and economic disparities in terms of schooling remain significant.

Lending Information/Disbursement Summary (USD millions, as of June 30 2005)

Loan/Credit/Grant	Status	Amount	Disbursed	Undisbursed	Cancellation
BELG-24748	Effective	8.37	4.88	3.60	0.00
IDA-34490	Effective	51.51	41.07	9.77	0.00
IDA-Q0540	Closed	0.75	0.00	0.00	0.75
IDA-Q0541	Closed	0.30	0.00	0.30	0.00
JPN-25444	Closed	0.28	0.18	0.00	0.09
JPN-51548	Effective	0.46	0.17	0.29	0.00

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Project Name (ID): Health Sector Development Program (P040652)
Country: Mali
Board Approval Date: 12/17/1998
Midterm Review Date: 11/14/2002
Closing Date: 12/31/2005
Loan/Credit/Grant Number: IDA-31550, JPN-25445, JPN-29583
Sector(s): Health (97%), Compulsory health finance (3%)
Theme(s): Health system performance (P), Population and reproductive health (P), Nutrition and food security (S)

Project Development Objectives:

The objective is to improve the health of the population with a focus on the underserved segments, as well as accelerating the country's transition toward slower population growth.

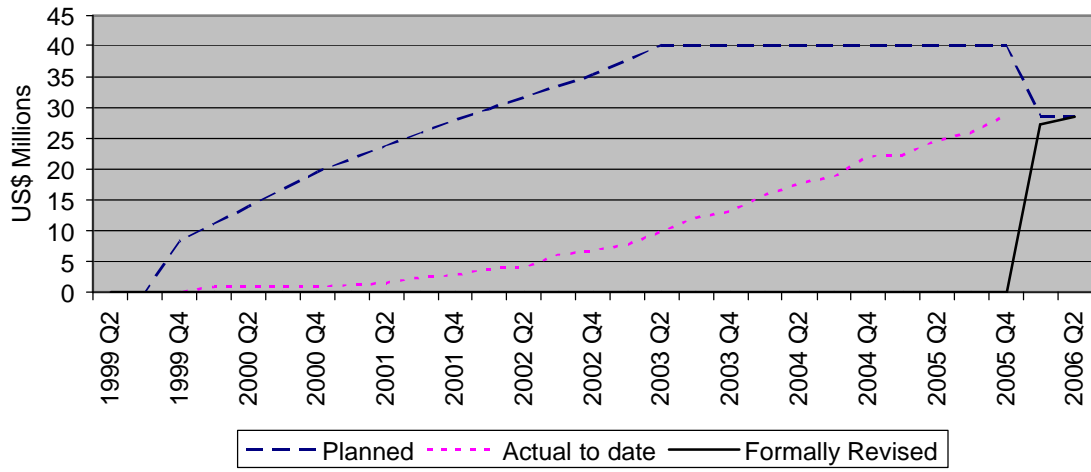
Progress toward achieving development objective(s):

All construction, extension and/or renovation of facilities and acquisition of equipment, furniture and supplies have been completed for community, secondary and tertiary referral health care facilities, and community development centers. All institutional reforms planned under this Program have been implemented. Consequently, the majority of intermediate indicators show a very positive trend compared to the 1998 baseline data. Three of these indicators are higher than the end-of-project target: (a) percent of population having access to health services within a 5 km radius (46% versus a 45% target); (b) percent of population having access to health services within a 15 km radius (69% versus a target of 65%); and (c) number of operational community health centers (682 versus a target of 647). Two other important indicators have improved: (a) full immunization coverage (79% versus a target of 80%); and (b) prenatal care coverage (69% versus 80%). Both infant and child mortality rates (one of the three project development objectives indicators) decreased respectively from 123 to 113, and from 258 to 229. In addition, Credit disbursement increased significantly in the past months and currently stands at 71%. Finally, there is no outstanding audit report and the 2004 audit is not qualified. A special action plan has been put in place for the three coming months to ensure a close follow-up by Government and Bank of activity implementation for increased disbursements. A request for a 12-month extension of the project closing date has been finalized, which should be finalized shortly.

Lending Information/Disbursement Summary (USD millions, as of June 30 2005)

Loan/Credit/Grant	Status	Amount	Disbursed	Undisbursed	Cancellation
IDA-31550	Effective	41.59	28.71	11.44	0.00
JPN-25445	Closed	0.40	0.34	0.00	0.06
JPN-29583	Closed	0.40	0.39	0.00	0.01

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Project Name (ID): Household Energy and Universal Access (P073036)

Country: Mali

Board Approval Date: 11/04/2003

Closing Date: 06/30/2009

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: IDA-38280, IDA-Q3790

Sector(s): General energy (50%), Renewable energy (50%)

Theme(s): Rural services and infrastructure (P), Infrastructure services for private sector development (P), Climate change (P), Land administration and management (P), Regulation and competition policy (P)

Project Development Objectives:

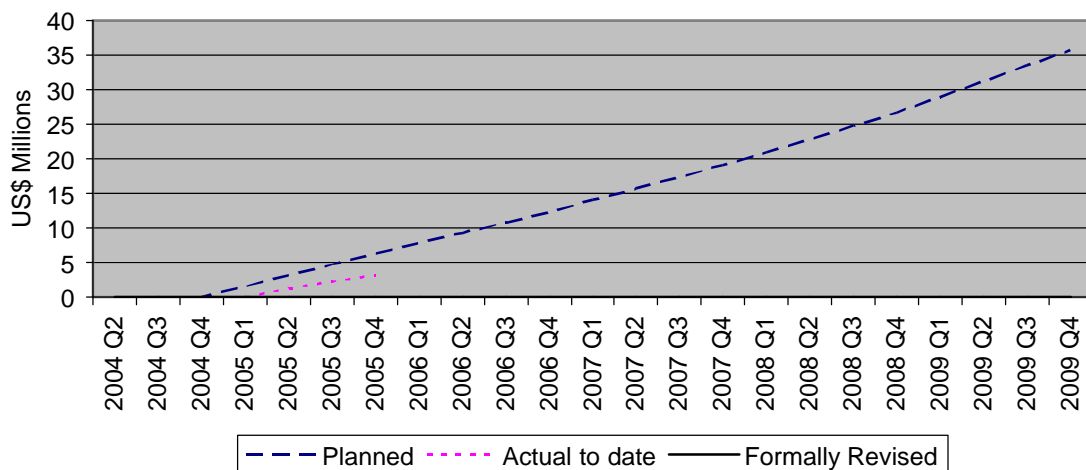
The development objectives are: (i) accelerating the use of modern energy in rural and peri-urban areas; (ii) promoting community-based woodland management; and, (iii) strengthening energy sector reform processes and institutions.

Progress toward achieving development objective(s):

The newly created Rural Energy Agency is now operational and working towards the achievement of the project development objectives. Regarding rural electrification (first development objective), important preliminary work was completed and the rural electrification fund was established. Similarly, regarding household energy management (second development objective) preliminary works are now completed and actual field implementation of activities is starting. This momentum is encouraging and indicates a good likelihood of achieving the development objectives. There have been a lot of efforts to strengthened capacity (third development objective) in DNE (Direction Nationale de L 'Energie), AMADER (Agence Malienne pour le Developpement de l'Energie Domestique et d'Electrification Rurale), and CREE (Commission de Regulation d'Eau et d 'Electricite). DNCN (Direction Nationale de la Conservation de la Nature) however needs to accelerate its training program.

Lending Information/Disbursement Summary (USD millions, as of June 30 2005)

Loan/Credit/Grant	Status	Amount	Disbursed	Undisbursed	Cancellation
IDA-38280	Effective	36.77	3.17	33.69	0.00
IDA-Q3790	Closed	0.90	0.00	0.00	0.90



Project Name (ID): Transport Corridors Improvement (P079351)

Country: Mali

Board Approval Date: 03/11/2004

Closing Date: 12/31/2008

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: IDA-38690, IDA-H0750

Sector(s): Roads and highways (66%), Other social services (21%), Railways (10%), Sub-national government administration (3%)

Theme(s): Trade facilitation and market access (P), State enterprise/bank restructuring and privatization (S), Improving labor markets (S), Pollution management and environmental health (S), Non-communicable diseases and injury (S)

Project Development Objectives:

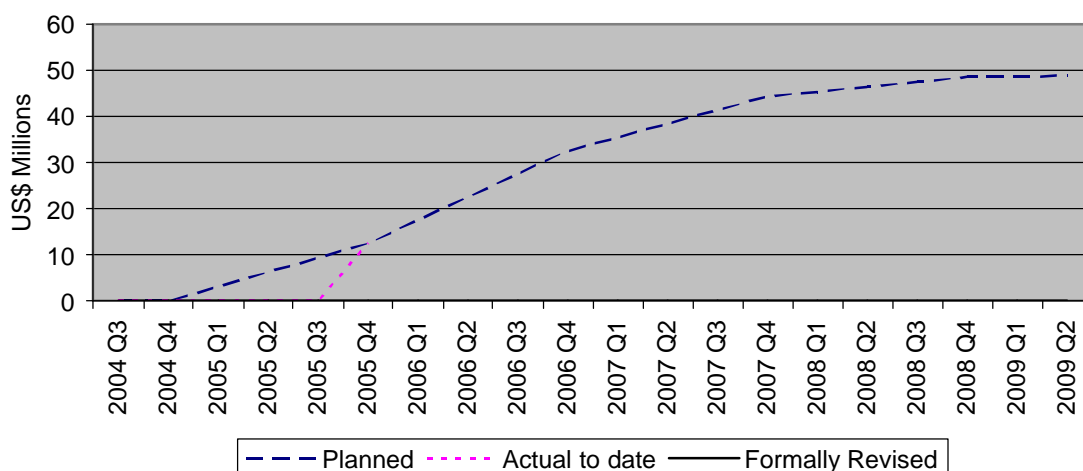
The objectives of the project are: (a) enhance international transport through improvement of transport corridors linking Mali to the coastal countries of West Africa by rail and road, respectively, and (b) sustain accessibility of the northern regions of the borrower's territories.

Progress toward achieving development objective(s):

Some progress has been made with respect to meeting the disbursement conditions, but progress on the project is still slower than expected.

Lending Information/Disbursement Summary (USD millions, as of June 30 2005)

Loan/Credit/Grant	Status	Amount	Disbursed	Undisbursed	Cancellation
IDA-38690	Effective	32.39	11.46	21.01	0.00
IDA-H0750	Effective	15.76	1.10	14.66	0.00



Project Name (ID): Growth Support (P080935)

Country: Mali

Board Approval Date: 02/15/2005

Closing Date: 09/30/2011

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: IDA-40330, IDA-H1450, IDA-Q4180

Sector(s): General industry and trade (40%), Central government administration (33%), Aviation (13%), Mining and other extractive (7%), Micro and SME finance (7%)

Theme(s): Regulation and competition policy (P), Infrastructure services for private sector development (S), Trade facilitation and market access (S), Small and medium enterprise support (S), Other financial and private sector development (S)

Project Development Objectives:

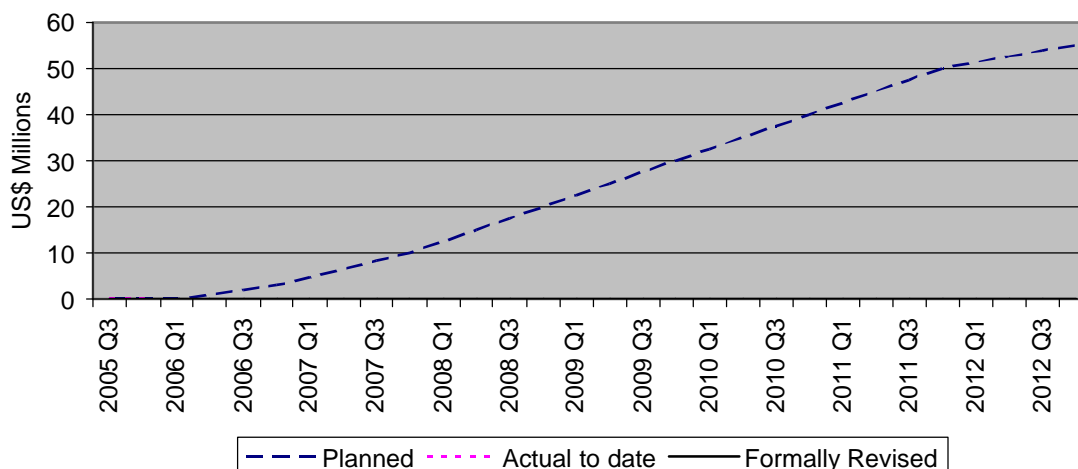
The objective of the project is to stimulate private sector investment and performance stemming from increased total factor productivity and from targeted sectoral sources of growth.

Progress toward achieving development objective(s):

The project was not effective before the close of the reporting period.

Lending Information/Disbursement Summary (USD millions, as of June 30 2005)

Loan/Credit/Grant	Status	Amount	Disbursed	Undisbursed	Cancellation
IDA-40330	Effective	18.39	0.00	18.39	0.00
IDA-H1450	Effective	33.56	0.00	33.56	0.00
IDA-Q4180	Closed	1.50	0.65	0.85	0.00



Project Name (ID): Development Learning Center LIL (P082187)

Country: Mali

Board Approval Date: 05/21/2004

Closing Date: 06/30/2009

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: IDA-H0900, IDA-Q4000

Sector(s): Vocational training (100%)

Theme(s): Education for the knowledge economy (P)

Project Development Objectives:

The objective is to test the effectiveness and sustainability of a

Development Learning Center (DLC) as part of a global knowledge-sharing network. The aim is to strengthen the capacity of public, private and civil society decision makers to design, plan, and manage social and economic development programs.

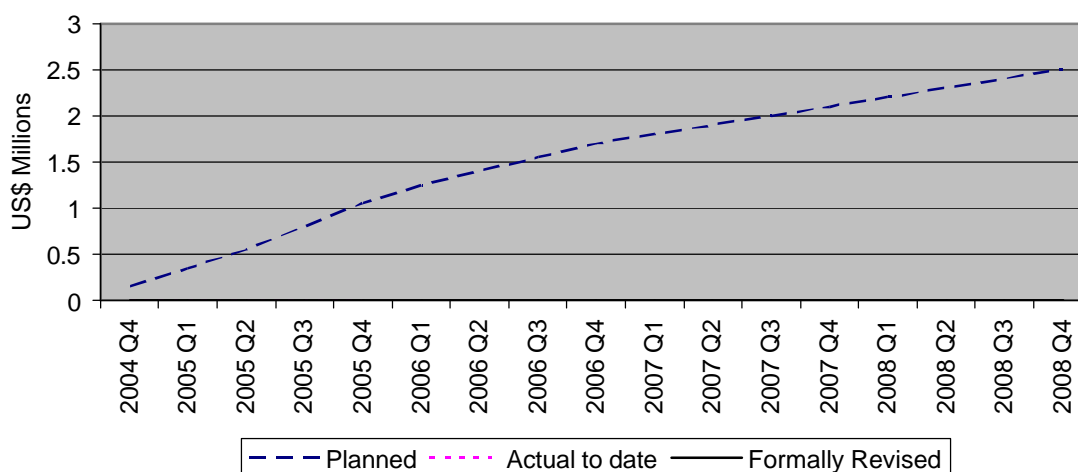
Progress toward achieving development objective(s):

The project will accomplish these objectives

by providing access to high-quality training and information through distance learning using state-of-the-art communications technology. The architectural studies have started and the first draft has been shared with the Bank for its review. The Government of Mali has already allocated a plot of land for the future site of the DLC in a newly renovated area in the center of Bamako. The Project Coordination will soon launch a market study (November 2005). Given the preparation work already done, and the quality of the facilities being installed, the project appears to be on-track to attain its development objectives.

Lending Information/Disbursement Summary (USD millions, as of June 30 2005)

Loan/Credit/Grant	Status	Amount	Disbursed	Undisbursed	Cancellation
IDA-H0900	Effective	2.48	0.00	2.48	0.00
IDA-Q4000	Closed	0.18	0.04	0.14	0.00



Project Name (ID): Multisectoral HIV/AIDS (P082957)

Country: Mali

Board Approval Date: 06/17/2004

Closing Date: 07/31/2009

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: IDA-H0990, IDA-Q4150

Sector(s): Health (35%), Central government administration (35%), Other social services (30%)

Theme(s): HIV/AIDS (P), Other communicable diseases (S), Population and reproductive health (S)

Project Development Objectives:

The objective is to support the multi-sector efforts to control the spread of the HIV/AIDS epidemic and provide sustainable access to treatment and care to those infected with or affected by HIV/AIDS. This objective will be achieved by: (a) strengthening the Recipient's national response to the HIV/AIDS epidemic; (b) raising the level of awareness on HIV/AIDS through the implementation of a comprehensive sensitization plan targeting high risk groups, such as the youth, sex workers and truck drivers; (c) providing sustainable access to testing and counseling facilities; (d) providing access to treatment, care and psychosocial support to persons infected with or affected by HIV/AIDS; and (e) strengthening the Recipient's capacity to address the HIV/AIDS epidemic and to maintain an effective monitoring and evaluation system.

Progress toward achieving development objective(s):

The project is supporting a systematic effort to increase awareness about HIV/AIDS in various sections of the population. Capacity is also being built within the administration, private sector and the civil society to address issues pertaining to HIV/AIDS.

Lending Information/Disbursement Summary (USD millions, as of June 30 2005)

Loan/Credit/Grant	Status	Amount	Disbursed	Undisbursed	Cancellation
IDA-H0990	Effective	25.68	2.16	23.61	0.00
IDA-Q4150	Closed	0.50	0.00	0.00	0.50

