

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: Mauritius

Project Name (ID): Environmental Sewerage and Sanitation (P001921)

Country: Mauritius

Board Approval Date: 02/12/1998

Midterm Review Date: 11/08/2001

Closing Date: 12/31/2006

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: IBRD-42830, IBRD-P2980, JPN-29420

Sector(s): Sewerage (60%), Central government administration (25%), Water supply (15%)

Theme(s): Water resources management (P), Other urban development (P), Pollution management and environmental health (S), Other communicable diseases (S), Biodiversity (S)

Project Development Objectives:

The objectives are to: (a) improve the health and sanitary conditions of the population of the heavily urbanized areas of Port Louis and affected coastal zones, (b) reverse the current trend of environmental pollution and (c) implement priority institutional and technical measures identified in the sewerage master plan.

Progress toward achieving development objective(s):

Significant delays in implementation of the physical works have been overcome and the project development objectives are likely to be achieved. Construction of the rising main has been completed, the sea outfall has also been completed within schedule and budget and construction of the treatment plant and pumping stations has started. The pilot house connection program is on-going, generating additional revenue which is contributing to financial sustainability. Institutional and sector reforms have been completed, a cost recovery system is in place (joint billing system with water through central water authority) and tariffs are progressing according to the letter of sector policy.

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

Loan/Credit/Grant	Status	Amount	Disbursed	Undisbursed	Cancellation
IBRD-42830	Effective	12.40	7.10	5.30	0.00
IBRD-P2980	Closed	0.75	0.00	0.00	0.75
JPN-29420	Closed	0.96	0.95	0.00	0.01

