

STATUS OF PROJECTS IN EXECUTION – FY05
SOPE
REGION: AFRICA
COUNTRY: SAO TOME AND PRINCIPE

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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: Sao Tome and Principe

Project Name (ID): Social Sector Support (P075979)

Country: Sao Tome and Principe

Board Approval Date: 05/18/2004

Closing Date: 06/30/2009

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: IDA-39020, IDA-H0880, IDA-Q3800, JPN-51124, JPN-52058

Sector(s): General education (47%), Health (26%), Other social services (14%), Central government administration (13%)

Theme(s): Education for all (P), Population and reproductive health (S), HIV/AIDS (S), Participation and civic engagement (S), Administrative and civil service reform (S)

Project Development Objectives:

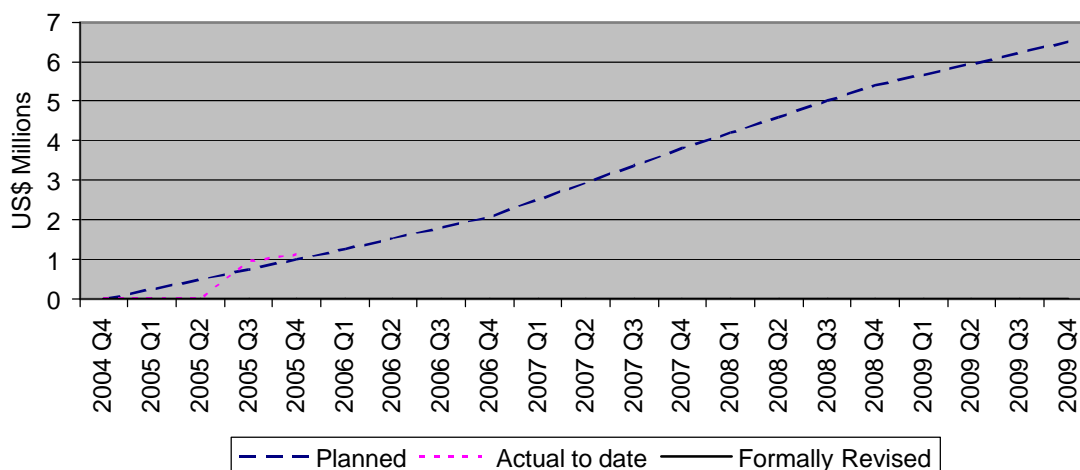
The objective is to contribute to improving the delivery of basic health and education services.

Progress toward achieving development objective(s):

Since effectiveness on December 15, 2004, there has been some progress. The Annual Work Plans for the Ministry of Health (MOH) and the Ministry of Education (MOE), as well as for the Project's Fiduciary and Administrative Agency (Agencia Fiduciaria e Administrativa do Projecto - AFAP) and the Federation of Non-Governmental Organizations (Fédération des organisations non gouvernementales - FONG), have been revised and finalized. Teams were formed in each of the ministries for the implementation of their respective activities. Textbooks were reprinted and distributed to all primary schools, and each child now has a textbook for the three major subjects. The FONG has evaluated 10 subprojects under the Japanese Social Development Fund financing; five were disbursed and five are pending disbursement. There is good interaction between the AFAP, the MOH, the MOE, and the FONG.

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

Loan/Credit/Grant	Status	Amount	Disbursed	Undisbursed	Cancellation
IDA-39020	Effective	4.96	0.93	4.07	0.00
IDA-H0880	Effective	1.61	0.20	1.41	0.00
IDA-Q3800	Closed	0.40	0.00	0.00	0.40
JPN-51124	Closed	0.35	0.15	0.19	0.00
JPN-52058	Effective	0.65	0.19	0.46	0.00



Project Name (ID): Capacity Building and Technical Assistance (P083400)

Country: Sao Tome and Principe

Board Approval Date: 10/14/2004

Closing Date: 04/30/2008

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: IDA-39930, IDA-Q4370

Sector(s): Central government administration (100%)

Theme(s): Administrative and civil service reform (P), Public expenditure, financial management, and procurement (P), Tax policy and administration (S), Law reform (S), Poverty strategy, analysis, and monitoring (S)

Project Development Objectives:

The objectives of the credit are to: (i) modernize and strengthen capacity in economic (financial and budgetary) management and supervision, and (ii) to build up basic institutional and legal infrastructure in the finance and national resources ministries.

Progress toward achieving development objective(s):

The project became effective on February 3, 2005 and is in its initial launch stage. It is still at too early a stage for meaningful progress to be reported.

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

Loan/Credit/Grant	Status	Amount	Disbursed	Undisbursed	Cancellation
IDA-39930	Effective	5.11	0.65	4.48	0.00
IDA-Q4370	Closed	0.54	0.00	0.00	0.54

