

STATUS OF PROJECTS IN EXECUTION – FY05
SOPE
REGION: EAST ASIA AND PACIFIC
COUNTRY: THAILAND

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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: Thailand

Project Name (ID): Ozone Depleting Substances Phaseout (P004649)

Country: Thailand

Board Approval Date: 08/02/1994

Closing Date: 06/30/2010

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: WBTF-21926

Sector(s): Other industry (100%)

Theme(s): Pollution management and environmental health (P)

Project Development Objectives:

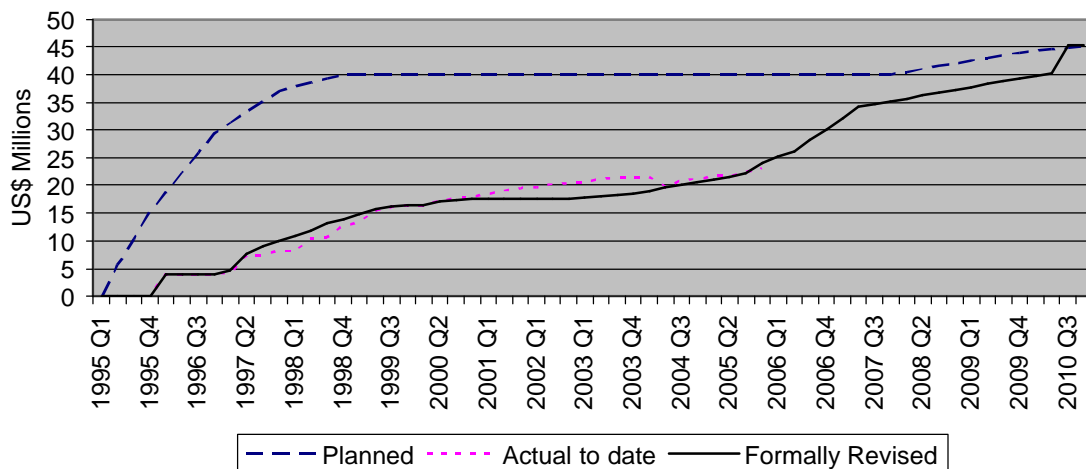
The development objective is the phaseout of Ozone Depleting Substances (ODS) by provision of sub-grant to the enterprises and other beneficiaries in the execution of ODS phase-out activities, strengthening capacity of the program management unit of a sector plan, and strengthening capacity of the Department of Industrial Works (DIW) to perform the role of the National Ozone Unit and coordinate the implementation of the ODS-phaseout programs.

Progress toward achieving development objective(s):

There has been overall progress in the implementation of most of the subprojects, but some activities have experienced delays. A plan to revise the halon management and banking project proposal to assist Thailand with the future management of its excess halon stocks is in place. The terminal halon conversion project is being revised. All the individual foam and commercial refrigeration projects overseen by the National Ozone Unit have been completed. Under the National CFC Phaseout Plan, conversion of the solvent sector is halfway, as the CFC-113 and aerosol sectors will be closed shortly. The Motor vehicle Air Condition servicing sector program is on schedule.

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

Loan/Credit/Grant	Status	Amount	Disbursed	Undisbursed	Cancellation
WBTF-21926	Effective	45.00	23.04	21.96	0.00



Project Name (ID): Highways Management (P075173)

Country: Thailand

Board Approval Date: 12/09/2003

Closing Date: 06/30/2008

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: IBRD-47210

Sector(s): Roads and highways (95%), Sub-national government administration (5%)

Theme(s): Infrastructure services for private sector development (P), Trade facilitation and market access (P), Non-communicable diseases and injury (P), Small and medium enterprise support (S), Public expenditure, financial management, and procurement (S)

Project Development Objectives:

To enhance the efficiency, productive use, and management of the road network.

Progress toward achieving development objective(s):

The Highway Upgrading and Intersection Improvement component is proceeding, and works will enhance the efficiency and productivity of the road network. The Highway Rehabilitation component has had a slow start but is expected to progress well after the rainy season. Compliance with safeguards on the ground is good. Baseline data to monitor key indicators are being compiled to enable monitoring of the project's achievements. The institutional strengthening packages have been slow to start but the procurement is almost complete so it is expected that they will be underway by the end of 2005.

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

Loan/Credit/Grant	Status	Amount	Disbursed	Undisbursed	Cancellation
IBRD-47210	Effective	84.29	11.44	72.85	0.00

