

**STATUS OF PROJECTS IN EXECUTION – FY07**  
**SOPE**  
**SAMOA**

**Operations Policy and Country Services**  
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## **Introduction**

The Status of Projects in Execution (SOPE) Report for FY07 provides information on all IBRD/IDA projects that were active as of June 30, 2007. The World Bank has issued a SOPE Report every year as an internal communication to the Board of Executive Directors. In accordance with the Bank's revised disclosure policy, since FY02, the SOPE Report is available to the public.

The report is intended to bridge the gap in information available to the public between the Project Appraisal Document or Program Document, disclosed after the Bank approves a project, and the Implementation Completion Report, disclosed after the project closes.

In addition to the project progress description, the FY07 SOPE report<sup>1</sup> contains project level comparisons of disbursement estimates and actual disbursements, and a table showing the loan/credit/grant amount and disbursements to date.

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<sup>1</sup> Notes:

- Amounts and Graphs for loans/credits/grants 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 Operations, which provide quick-disbursing financing to support policy and institutional reforms. For these operations, funds are disbursed in one or more stages (tranches), released when the borrower complies with agreed prior actions.
- Projects which are not yet effective may not have a planned disbursement schedule and thus will not include a graph.



**Country: Samoa**

**Project Name (ID):** Infrastructure Management APL 2 ( P075523 )

**Country:** Samoa

**Board Approval Date :** 12/29/2003

**Closing Date :** 06/30/2010

**Loan/Credit/Grant Number :** IDA-38480, IDA-38481, IDA-H3110, JPN-50506

**Sector(s):** Roads and highways(74%), Central government administration(18%), Flood protection(8%)

**Theme(s):** Natural disaster management(P), Rural services and infrastructure(P), Administrative and civil service reform(P), Environmental policies and institutions(S), Land administration and management(S)

**Project Development Objectives:**

Key infrastructure assets are sustainable and managed effectively by a partnership of stakeholders.

**The project was restructured, or received Additional Financing during FY 07**

This project was not restructured, but did receive additional financing totaling US\$8.2 million to bridge a financing gap and to scale up works. The additional financing Credit and Grant are not yet effective.

**Progress toward achieving development objective(s):**

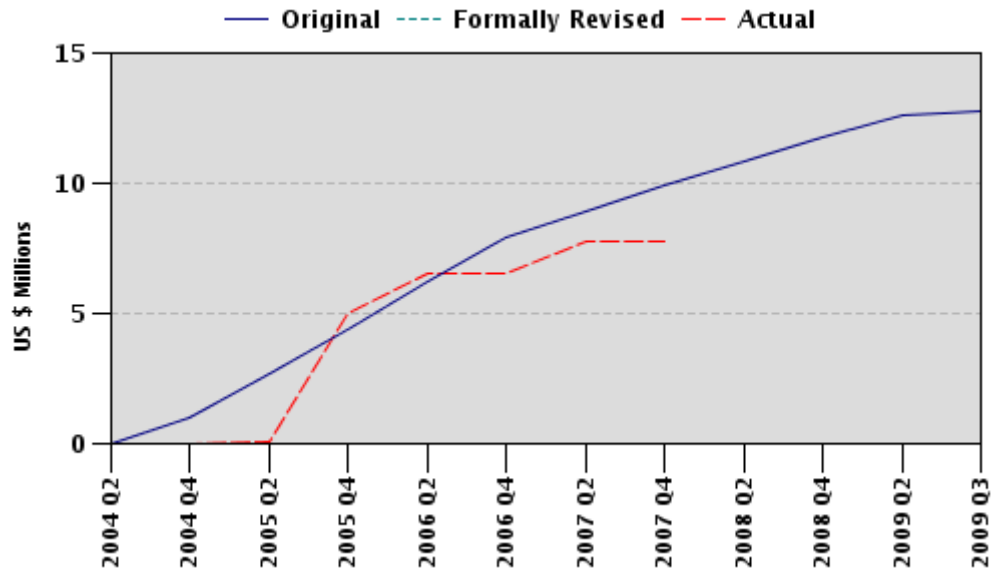
Project progress is reasonable. The Government recently approved some key legislation prepared under the project to give effect to numerous studies, whose results are geared towards sustainable disaster management, land registration systems and management of infrastructure assets. Preparation of Coastal Infrastructure Management Plans, in close consultation with communities, continues to forge ahead with 35 village plans having been prepared since 2000 (under APL1 and APL2). The additional financing will cover the cost of road widening and improving drainage along with associated design and supervision costs. It will further finance technical assistance to support implementation of a computerized asset management system for the Samoa Airport Authority. It will also allow some works to enhance project's impact, such as upgrading a bridge and culvert to improve traffic flow and ease congestion within Apia and the surrounds. Goods and services to monitor and enforce sustainable operations and maintenance practices will also be procured.

**Lending Information/Disbursement Summary ( USD millions, as of June 30 2007 )**

Loan/Credit/ Grant	Status	Amount	Disbursed	Undisbursed	Cancellation
IDA-38480	Effective	13.64	7.77	5.71	0.00
IDA-38481	Not Effective	4.11	0.00	4.11	0.00
IDA-H3110	Not Effective	4.11	0.00	4.11	0.00
JPN-50506	Closed	0.48	0.45	0.00	0.02



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**Project Name (ID):** Telecommunications and Post Reform ( P075739 )

**Country:** Samoa

**Board Approval Date :** 12/17/2002

**Midterm Review Date :** 10/24/2005

**Closing Date :** 04/15/2008

**Loan/Credit/Grant Number :** IDA-37240

**Sector(s):** Telecommunications(50%), Postal services(40%), Law and justice(10%)

**Theme(s):** Regulation and competition policy(P), Rural services and infrastructure(S),  
Other financial and private sector development(S)

**Project Development Objectives:**

The Project Development Objective is to assist the Government of Samoa (GOES) in implementing a comprehensive reform of the telecommunications and postal sectors. This reform focuses on: (a) introducing competition and private participation in telecommunications and postal sectors; (b) advancing regulatory reform, and developing sector institutional capacity; and (c) extending access to basic communications, postal services, and information technologies.

**Progress toward achieving development objective(s):**

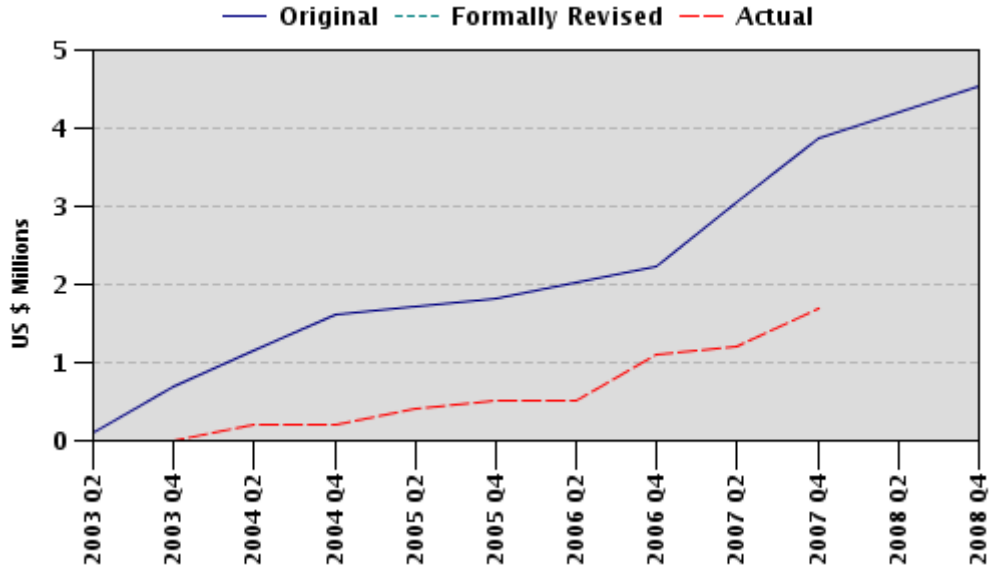
The introduction of competition in the cellular market, made possible by the tender award process funded through the project, caused Samoa's cellular market to grow to over 60,000 users. This is more than double the customer base of the previous year. This has considerably improved access to basic communications services by the population. The Government has also matured the decision to proceed to the privatization of SamoaTel, a State-owned company. This decision is key to restructure and improve the performance of Samoa's telecommunications sector. The project has also provided assistance to the establishment and strengthening of the Office of the Telecommunications Regulator. The progress towards achievement of the Project Development Objectives has been substantial, especially considering the growth of services, improvement of access, and progress towards the establishment of an adequate institutional and regulatory framework for the sector.

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<b>Loan/Credit/ Grant</b>	<b>Status</b>	<b>Amount</b>	<b>Disbursed</b>	<b>Undisbursed</b>	<b>Cancellation</b>
IDA-37240	Effective	5.15	1.83	3.28	0.00



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**Project Name (ID):** Cyclone ERP ( P088246 )

**Country:** Samoa

**Board Approval Date :** 04/29/2004

**Closing Date :** 12/31/2007

**Loan/Credit/Grant Number :** IDA-38850, IDA-H0830

**Sector(s):** Flood protection(75%), Roads and highways(20%), Central government administration(5%)

**Theme(s):** Natural disaster management(P), Other environment and natural resources management(S), Rural services and infrastructure(S)

**Project Development Objectives:**

To assist the Borrower to recover from the damage caused by Cyclone Heta and reduce the vulnerability of its people to prevailing natural hazards

**Progress toward achieving development objective(s):**

After some delays in commencing key works, all are now underway and should be completed by the current closing date. Once completed, these works should make the target villages more resilient to future natural hazards. The small grants scheme continues to perform well with 45 small-scale grants approved by the Project Steering Committee and being implemented. These include sub-projects aimed at replanting coastal areas and establishing nurseries, protection of communal freshwater pools and mangrove and marine protection areas. The small works are being coordinated and maintained by existing village-based committees to help ensure sustainability. The planning of coastal ecosystem recovery services in all eight planned villages has been completed, and the project will support the necessary works under the small grants program. Overall, the project is on track to meet its objectives.

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IDA-38850	Effective	2.12	0.05	2.07	0.00
IDA-H0830	Effective	2.42	2.29	0.09	0.00



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