

STATUS OF PROJECTS IN EXECUTION – FY07
SOPE
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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 report¹ contains project level comparisons of disbursement estimates and actual disbursements, and a table showing the loan/credit/grant amount and disbursements to date.

¹ 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: Slovak Republic

Project Name (ID): Social Benefit Reform Administration (P038090)

Country: Slovak Republic

Board Approval Date : 02/21/2002

Midterm Review Date : 05/12/2005

Closing Date : 12/31/2007

Loan/Credit/Grant Number : IBRD-P3790, IBRD-70980

Sector(s): Compulsory pension and unemployment insurance(66%), Central government administration(34%)

Theme(s): Tax policy and administration(P), Social risk mitigation(P), Law reform(S)

Project Development Objectives:

The objective is to (a) improve the quality of pension reform design, (b) increase compliance for social contributions, (c) improve effectiveness of administration of social contributions, (d) improve the image of social insurance institutions, and (e) improve quality of employment and social programs.

Progress toward achieving development objective(s):

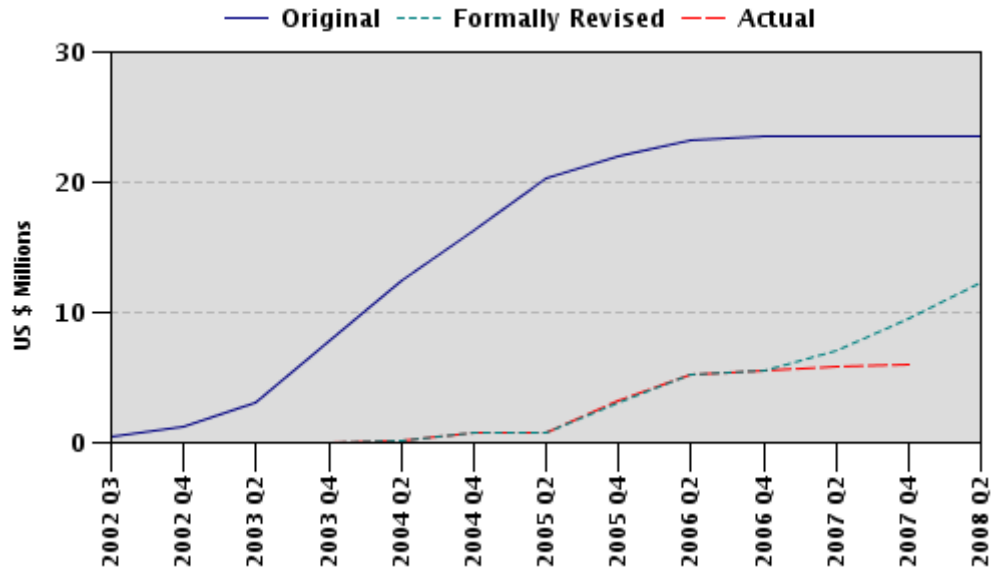
The project supported the introduction of the mandatory second and voluntary third fully funded pension pillars as well as a broad public information and education campaign. The new pension system design achieved a reduction in the implicit pension debt by more than 10 percent and contributed to an improvement in collection rate from 90 percent at the project start to 94 percent. In order to meet its development objective, the project still needs to complete activities in the Ministry of Labor and Labor Offices aimed at improving their administrative capacity and efficiency. The achievement of this goal is not certain and discussions are ongoing with the Government regarding a possible project restructuring and extension. The goal of improving the administration effectiveness in the Social Insurance Agency (SIA) have not been achieved due to the cancellation of the SIA component cancellation.

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

Loan/Credit/ Grant	Status	Amount	Disbursed	Undisbursed	Cancellation
IBRD-P3790	Closed	0.37	0.00	0.37	0.00
IBRD-70980	Effective	35.36	6.01	7.31	19.09



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EUROPE AND CENTRAL ASIA REGION



Project Name (ID): Health TA (P082879)
Country: Slovak Republic
Board Approval Date : 09/11/2003
Midterm Review Date : 05/03/2005
Closing Date : 12/31/2007
Loan/Credit/Grant Number : IBRD-71960, IBRD-P4010
Sector(s): Central government administration(65%), Health(25%), Compulsory health finance(10%)
Theme(s): Health system performance(P), Law reform(S), Administrative and civil service reform(S)

Project Development Objectives:

The objective is to build capacity of the health system to become more efficient in financing and delivering health care services and improving the quality of services while maintaining access to care for the population, especially the vulnerable groups.

Progress toward achieving development objective(s):

The project has provided technical support to the Ministry of Health and health insurance companies and enabled them to implement systemic reforms in the health sector. The project affected all areas of the health system, including financing, delivery, and management and significantly contributed to strengthening the capacity of the Ministry of Health. In addition, it has provided support to the ministry for the development of an information system to enable it to better conduct its policy-making and regulatory function. The project has guided the design and implementation of measures to improve financial sustainability and equity, revise the scope of services covered under compulsory health insurance, ensure coverage for vulnerable groups, and develop appropriate legal and regulatory framework governing the roles, functions and responsibilities of the health insurance companies.

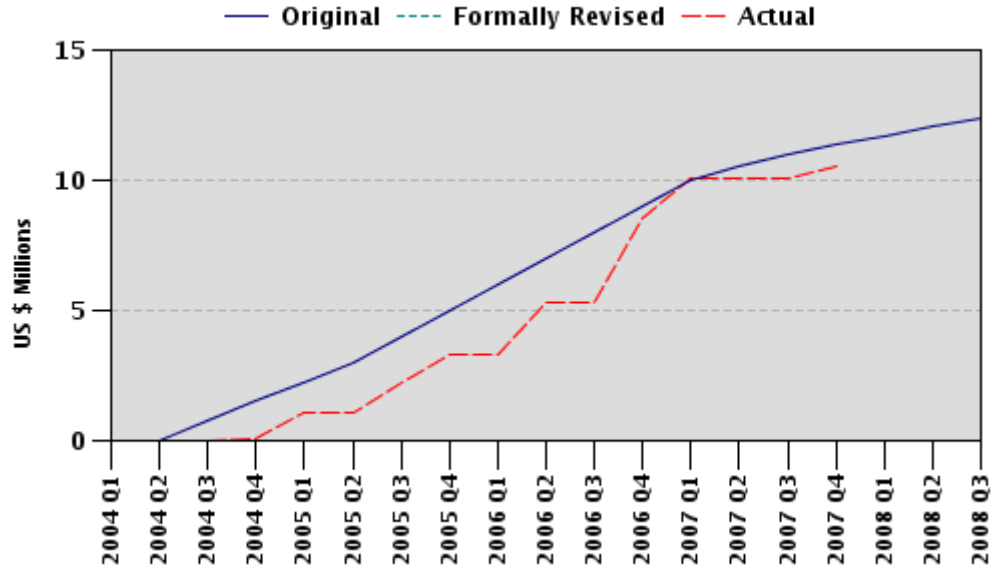
On delivery of health services, the project supported the design and implementation of hospital autonomy, and provided technical assistance for strengthening the institutional and organizational capacity of hospitals to operate in this new system. On quality of health services, the project provided technical assistance for design and implementation of modern clinical protocols for selected high burden diseases, and has helped in establishing an accreditation system for health facilities.

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

Loan/Credit/ Grant	Status	Amount	Disbursed	Undisbursed	Cancellation
IBRD-71960	Effective	14.28	11.01	2.42	0.00
IBRD-P4010	Closed	0.75	0.00	0.00	0.75



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EUROPE AND CENTRAL ASIA REGION



Project Name (ID): Human Capital TA (SIDEM APL #1) (P092786)

Country: Slovak Republic

Board Approval Date : 01/25/2005

Closing Date : 06/30/2008

Loan/Credit/Grant Number : IBRD-72710

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

Theme(s): Administrative and civil service reform(P), Education for all(S), Social analysis and monitoring(S), Poverty strategy, analysis and monitoring(S), Improving labor markets(S)

Project Development Objectives:

The objective is to develop institutional capacity for evidence-based policy making in the Ministry of Education and the Ministry of Labor and Social Affairs and to improve the management, monitoring and evaluation of employment and education systems.

Progress toward achieving development objective(s):

Project implementation is not on track, and there has been little progress made towards the achievement of project objectives. The project is suffering from leadership and management problems despite the fact that some improvements have been made in this area recently.

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

Loan/Credit/Grant	Status	Amount	Disbursed	Undisbursed	Cancellation
IBRD-72710	Effective	6.75	1.21	5.45	0.00

