

STATUS OF PROJECTS IN EXECUTION – FY07
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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: Ecuador

Project Name (ID): Rural Roads (P007077)

Country: Ecuador

Board Approval Date : 07/25/2006

Closing Date : 06/30/2011

Loan/Credit/Grant Number : JPN-25833, IBRD-74030

Sector(s): Roads and highways(68%), Sub-national government administration(21%), Central government administration(11%)

Theme(s): Rural services and infrastructure(P), Decentralization(S), Rural non-farm income generation(S), Participation and civic engagement(S), Small and medium enterprise support(S)

Project Development Objectives:

The main objectives are to strengthen the capacity of participating provinces to manage the rural road network, and to provide improved access to markets and social services for residents of poor rural areas.

Progress toward achieving development objective(s):

The project was not effective before the close of the reporting period.

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

Loan/Credit/ Grant	Status	Amount	Disbursed	Undisbursed	Cancellation
JPN-25833	Closed	0.69	0.18	0.00	0.51
IBRD-74030	Not Effective	20.00	0.00	20.00	0.00



Project Name (ID): Ozone Protection II (P056390)

Country: Ecuador

Board Approval Date : 10/17/2000

Midterm Review Date : 05/20/2003

Closing Date : 09/30/2009

Loan/Credit/Grant Number : WBTF-24359

Sector(s): Other industry(96%), Central government administration(4%)

Theme(s): Pollution management and environmental health(P), Environmental policies and institutions(P)

Project Development Objectives:

The objective is to protect stratospheric ozone layer by reducing consumption of Ozone Depleting Substances in key sectors like refrigeration, foams, sterilization, and chillers.

Progress toward achieving development objective(s):

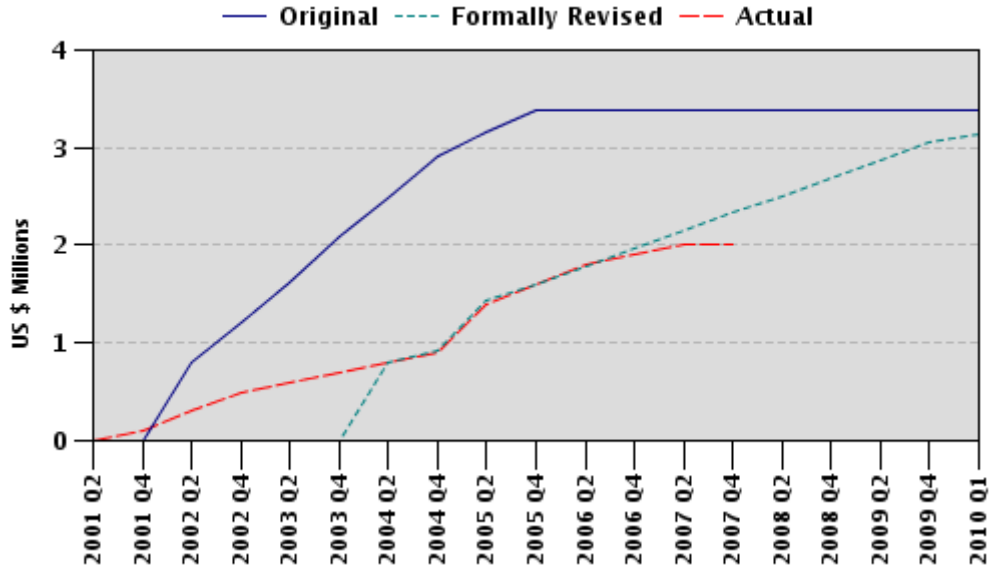
The project continues to support actions to reduce Ozone Depleting Substances (ODS) consumption levels in key sectors. Regarding the National Chlorofluoro Carbons (CFC) phase-out plan, the project has trained, to date, 250 individuals from workshops in Best Practices of Refrigerant Management. The target is to train 1,008 individuals by mid-2008. By the end of the project approximately 130 refrigeration workshops around the country will receive recovery and recycling equipment. Delivery of this equipment is expected to start in October 2007. In the chillers subsector, only six of the 11 chiller owners identified have expressed interest in participating in the equipment substitution program (the program will cover approximately 40 percent of the cost of a new CFC-free chiller). The program will be carried out during 2007-2008. Finally, the Corporacion Aduanera del Ecuador is in the process of procuring a gas chromatographer that will allow them to test for the composition of gases imported into the country and therefore better control for the illegal import of CFCs. Delivery of the equipment is expected in November 2007. Regarding the Methyl Bromide (MeBr) sector, an Action Plan was developed to enforce existing regulations and to develop a strategy to eliminate MeBr from the flower sector by 2015. An international seminar was carried out in May 2007 to discuss the Action Plan and to identify economically and technically acceptable substitutes for MeBr. Testing on new products such as agrocelone (one of the potential substitutes) is scheduled to start in September 2007 and extend until the first half of 2008. The revised Action Plan (including comments from the international seminar) will be presented during the next Meeting of the Parties.

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

Loan/Credit/ Grant	Status	Amount	Disbursed	Undisbursed	Cancellation
WBTF-24359	Effective	3.41	2.01	1.39	0.00



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Project Name (ID): Power and Comm. Sector Modern. and Rural Services (P063644)

Country: Ecuador

Board Approval Date : 11/20/2001

Midterm Review Date : 09/27/2004

Closing Date : 12/31/2007

Loan/Credit/Grant Number : IBRD-70820, IBRD-P3600, JPN-25959

Sector(s): Central government administration(66%), Telecommunications(11%), Information technology(11%), Power(10%), District heating and energy efficiency services(2%)

Theme(s): Regulation and competition policy(P), Other financial and private sector development(P), Pollution management and environmental health(P), Climate change(P)

Project Development Objectives:

The objective is to deepen reforms in the telecommunications and electricity sectors by strengthening regulatory institutions and improving environmental management, fostering competition and private participation, promoting efficient use of energy, and extending coverage in underserved areas.

Progress toward achieving development objective(s):

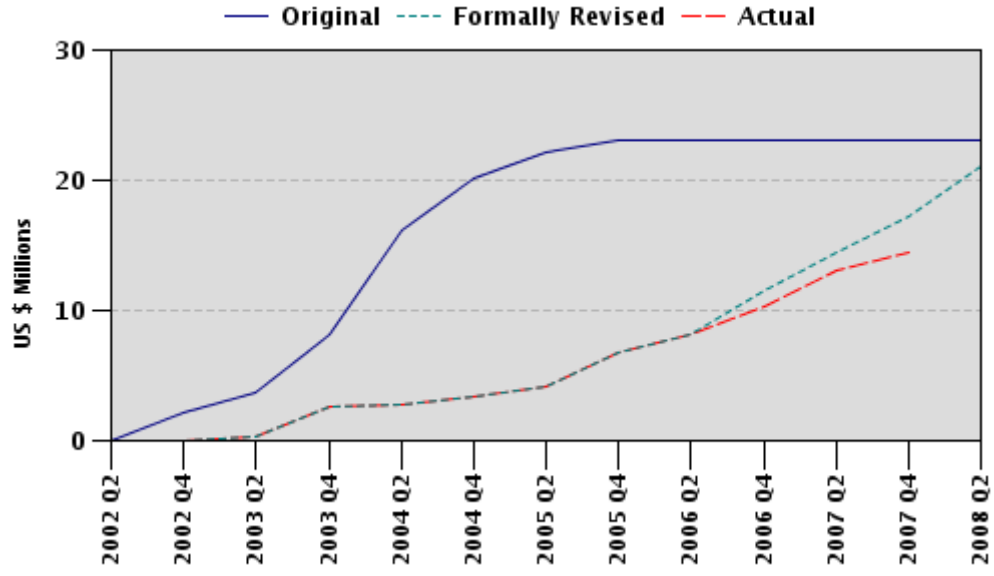
Strengthening regulatory institutions in the power and telecommunications sectors is nearing completion. The National Council of Electricity (CONELEC) has virtually completed the program of technical assistance on tariff setting, rural electrification planning, information systems and monitoring. The third and final energy management system has been installed and tested at the National Center for Energy Control (CENACE). The Superintendence of Telecommunications (SUPTTEL) completed installation of key equipment to monitor the radio spectrum and a staff training program. Environmental evaluation and monitoring in the electricity sector was transferred successfully to the Environmental Unit in CONELEC established under the project. Rural electrification activities to meet the goal of 2,600 household renewable energy systems have been contracted, accompanied by technical assistance activities in the Ministry of Energy and Mines and CONELEC to enhance reliability. A private contractor has installed the hub and 400 of 1,100 planned rural telecenters. Implementation of pilot projects in utilities, commercial building and industry has been completed. Communication and participation activities are nearing completion. The only component to suffer a setback is the Micronet where mobilization of private sector funds for the mixed company established under the component was inadequate to fund the planned establishment of the centers. The Government is actively seeking additional financing.

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

Loan/Credit/ Grant	Status	Amount	Disbursed	Undisbursed	Cancellation
IBRD-70820	Effective	23.00	14.38	6.62	2.00
IBRD-P3600	Closed	2.00	0.00	0.00	2.00
JPN-25959	Closed	0.70	0.61	0.00	0.09



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Project Name (ID): National Parks / Biodiversity (P066752)

Country: Ecuador

Board Approval Date : 11/26/2002

Midterm Review Date : 05/02/2006

Closing Date : 12/31/2007

Loan/Credit/Grant Number : WBTF-23418, WBTF-51486, WBTF-51537

Sector(s): General agriculture, fishing and forestry sector(73%), Central government administration(27%)

Theme(s): Biodiversity(P), Environmental policies and institutions(P), Other rural development(P), Participation and civic engagement(S)

Project Development Objectives:

The objective is to ensure the conservation and management of Ecuador's biodiversity for socially sustainable development by strengthening the National System of Protected Areas by improving the legal, institutional and financial foundations and capacities for the integrated participatory management of protected areas.

Progress toward achieving development objective(s):

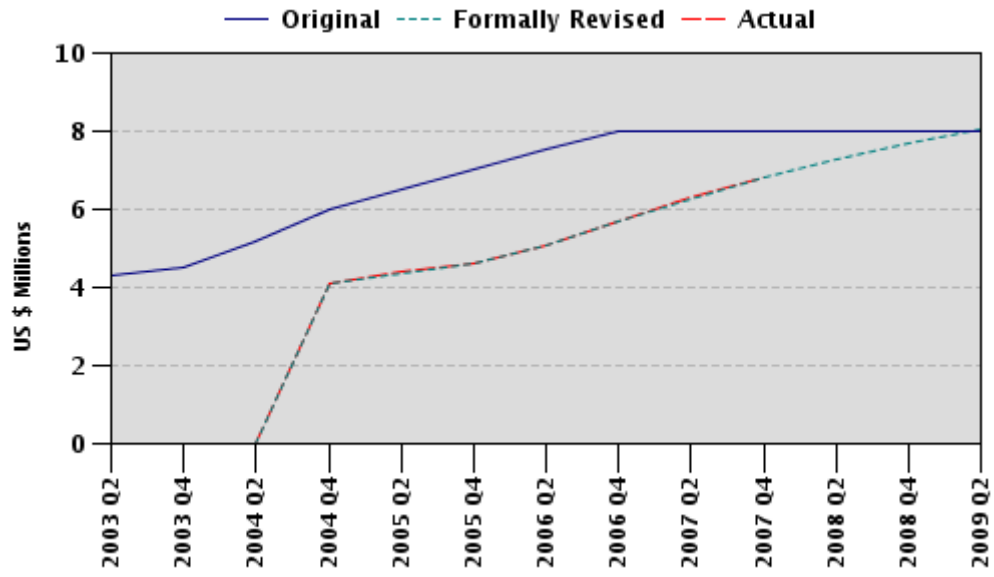
Progress towards achieving the development objective has been substantial. Progress at this stage is measured as follows: (a) The Protected Areas Strategic Plan has been updated according to the new management tools and has included crucial aspects such as strengthening of the administration of the National System of Protected Areas; implementing new regulations and programs that increase the capacity for protected areas management by the private and public sectors in Ecuador; increasing public support for protected areas by strengthening government and non-government communication/environmental education programs at the local, regional and national level; and implementing protected areas management plans. (b) The National Environmental Fund (FAN) has built capabilities for fund raising and administration and for the transfer of financial resources to support the activities of the protected areas. The Fund has met its capitalization goal (\$12 million) and is currently financing the recurrent costs of eleven protected areas. (c) The Directorate of Biodiversity, through the operation of the Financial-Managerial System, is capable of resource allocation, regulating, monitoring and supervising the protected areas. (d) The project has developed adequate spaces, mechanisms and institutional arrangements to facilitate the participation of local stakeholders in protected areas in planning, funding and execution of protected area management projects, thus contributing to enforce the Government's new policies on biodiversity conservation. (e) Concessions for services are regulated and will become operational before the end of the project.

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

Loan/Credit/ Grant	Status	Amount	Disbursed	Undisbursed	Cancellation
WBTF-23418	Closed	0.35	0.35	0.00	0.00
WBTF-51486	Closed	4.33	4.32	0.01	0.00
WBTF-51537	Effective	3.67	2.52	1.15	0.00



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Project Name (ID): Public Sector Financial Management (P074218)

Country: Ecuador

Board Approval Date : 03/26/2002

Closing Date : 07/31/2008

Loan/Credit/Grant Number : IBRD-P3820, IBRD-71100

Sector(s): Central government administration(80%), Information technology(20%)

Theme(s): Public expenditure, financial management and procurement(P)

Project Development Objectives:

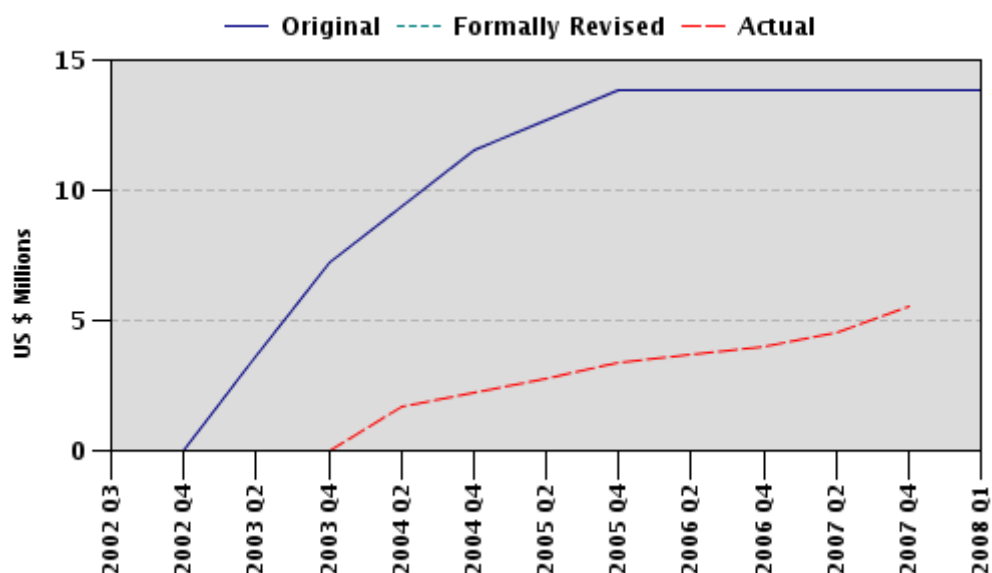
The objectives are to: (a) improve the effectiveness and transparency in public sector financial management; and (b) contribute to enhanced governance.

Progress toward achieving development objective(s):

Since July 2006 the project has been developing the new system, on the basis of the new operational plan prepared with Guatemalan technical support. In March 2007 a first version of the system (budget programming module) was completed and ready for implementation. The plan was that the remaining modules (treasury, accounting and budget execution) were going to be ready by the end of 2007. Based on these important advances, in February 2007 the Minister of Economy requested the extension of the closing date, however in June 2007 the GOE sent a letter to the Bank canceling the loan.

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

Loan/Credit/Grant	Status	Amount	Disbursed	Undisbursed	Cancellation
IBRD-P3820	Closed	1.00	0.00	0.00	1.00
IBRD-71100	Effective	13.86	5.47	8.39	0.00



Project Name (ID): Inclusion and Quality Education (P087831)

Country: Ecuador

Board Approval Date : 07/25/2006

Closing Date : 12/31/2010

Loan/Credit/Grant Number : IBRD-74020, JPN-53764

Sector(s): Primary education(50%), Pre-primary education(24%), Secondary education(15%), Central government administration(9%), Sub-national government administration(2%)

Theme(s): Education for all(P), Administrative and civil service reform(S)

Project Development Objectives:

The project will contribute towards the achievement of the universal primary completion Millennium Development Goal (MDG) by: (a) strengthening human resource management capacity to enhance system efficiency; (b) increasing the number and improved distribution of teachers; and (c) increasing coverage at the basic education level in the most disadvantaged areas, particularly in first grade of basic education.

Progress toward achieving development objective(s):

The project was not effective before the close of the reporting period.

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

Loan/Credit/ Grant	Status	Amount	Disbursed	Undisbursed	Cancellation
IBRD-74020	Not Effective	43.00	0.00	43.00	0.00
JPN-53764	Closed	0.31	0.14	0.16	0.00



Project Name (ID): APL1 Health Insurance Strategy (P088575)

Country: Ecuador

Board Approval Date : 02/16/2006

Closing Date : 06/30/2010

Loan/Credit/Grant Number : JPN-53763, IBRD-73610

Sector(s): Compulsory health finance(55%), Health(45%)

Theme(s): Health system performance(P), Other social protection and risk management(P), Decentralization(S), Child health(S), Population and reproductive health(S)

Project Development Objectives:

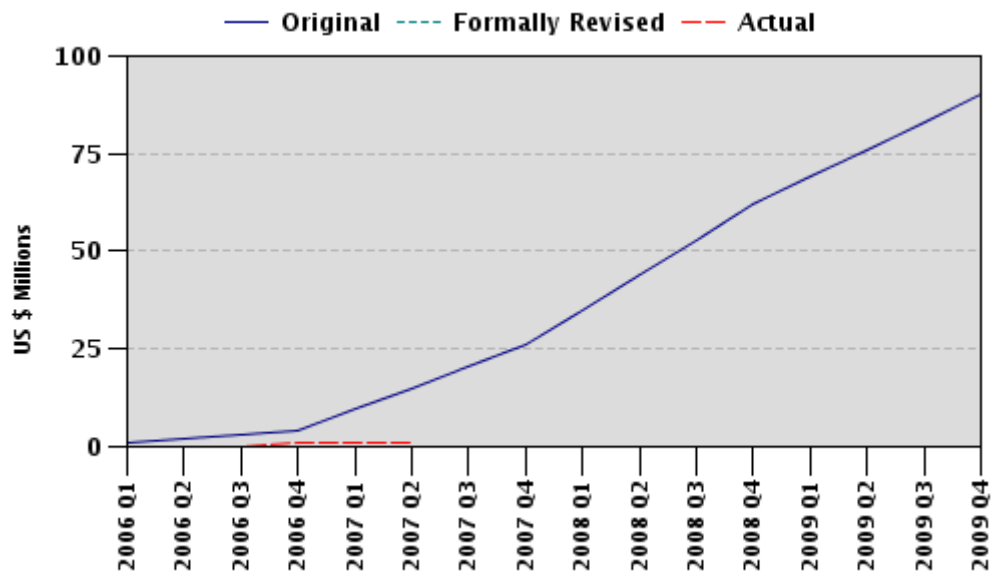
The objectives are to extend health coverage to targeted low-income groups, reduce infant, child and maternal mortality, and reduce the level of health inequalities between provinces and income quintiles.

Progress toward achieving development objective(s):

The project was declared effective but soon after the new Government requested cancellation of the project.

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

Loan/Credit/Grant	Status	Amount	Disbursed	Undisbursed	Cancellation
JPN-53763	Closed	0.63	0.00	0.00	0.63
IBRD-73610	Effective	90.00	1.00	89.00	0.00



Project Name (ID): APL2 PRAGUAS II (P095555)

Country: Ecuador

Board Approval Date : 07/25/2006

Closing Date : 02/28/2011

Loan/Credit/Grant Number : IBRD-74010

Sector(s): Water supply(44%), Sanitation(26%), Central government administration(13%), Sub-national government administration(9%), Solid waste management(8%)

Theme(s): Rural services and infrastructure(P), Municipal governance and institution building(P), Small and medium enterprise support(S), Access to urban services and housing(S), Other human development(S)

Project Development Objectives:

The development objectives are to provide sustainable access to water, sanitation and solid waste services in rural areas and small towns, and to improve the overall water and sanitation sector performance by promoting performance-based investment financing.

Progress toward achieving development objective(s):

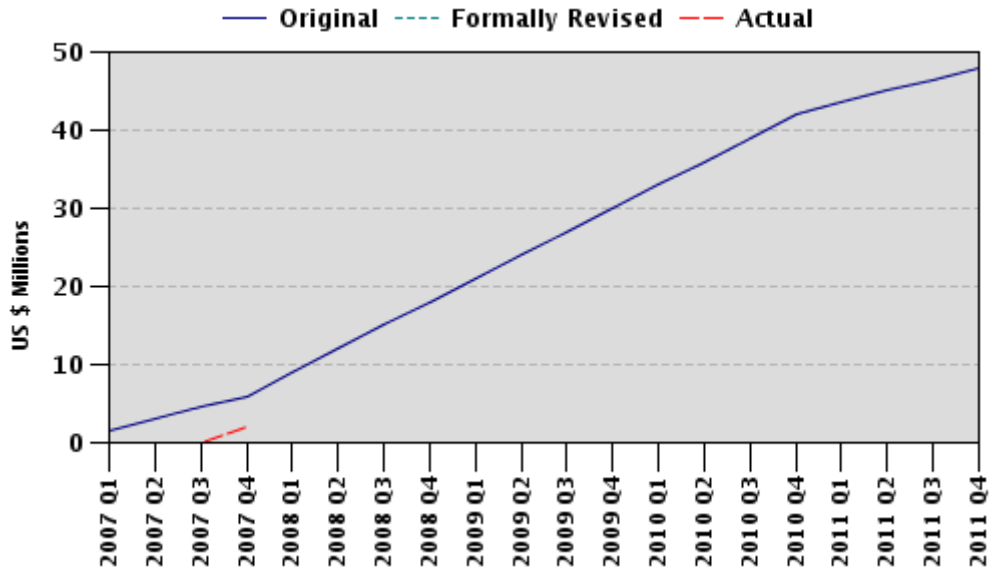
The project was approved by the Bank's board, signed and declared effective during the first half of the FY07. In parallel, contracting for most major consultancies has been started and is well underway. In late FY07, the Ministry of Urban Development and Housing conducted a nation-wide series of workshops to inform professionals and local administrations about the upcoming project. As a consequence, more than 100 agreements have been signed with municipalities all over the country, committing to participate and abide by the financing rules of the project.

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

Loan/Credit/ Grant	Status	Amount	Disbursed	Undisbursed	Cancellation
IBRD-74010	Effective	48.00	2.00	46.00	0.00



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Project Name (ID): APL1 Bono de Desarrollo Humano (P098167)

Country: Ecuador

Board Approval Date : 06/01/2006

Closing Date : 12/31/2010

Loan/Credit/Grant Number : IBRD-73810

Sector(s): Other social services(93%), Central government administration(6%), Sub-national government administration(1%)

Theme(s): Social safety nets(P), Vulnerability assessment and monitoring(P), Child health(P), Education for all(P), Managing for development results(S)

Project Development Objectives:

The objective is to transform the Bono de Desarrollo Humano into an effective cash transfer program that protects the vulnerable and fosters investment in human capital by poor families.

Progress toward achieving development objective(s):

The project was not effective before the close of the reporting period.

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

Loan/Credit/ Grant	Status	Amount	Disbursed	Undisbursed	Cancellation
IBRD-73810	Not Effective	60.00	0.00	60.00	0.00

