

**STATUS OF PROJECTS IN EXECUTION–FY08**

**AFRICA REGION**

**COUNTRY: ERITREA**

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## Introduction

The Status of Projects in Execution (SOPE) Report for FY08 provides information on all IBRD/IDA projects that were active as of June 30, 2008. For the first time, the SOPE report will include recipient-executed projects (over US\$ 5 million). 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 FY08 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.
- Graphs of original estimates for some recipient-executed projects might not exist since they are not required in the project document.
- 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.

**Project Name (ID):** ER-Ports Rehab SIL (FY98) (P034154)

**Country:** Eritrea

**Board Approval Date:** 11/18/1997

**Midterm Review Date:** 12/07/1999

**Closing Date:** 09/30/2008

**Loan/Credit/Grant Number:** TF-56833, IDA-30050, IDA-P9760, TF-22024

**Sector(s):** Ports, waterways and shipping (97%), Solid waste management (2%), Central government administration (1%)

**Theme(s):** Infrastructure services for private sector development (P), Pollution management and environmental health (S)

### Project Development Objectives:

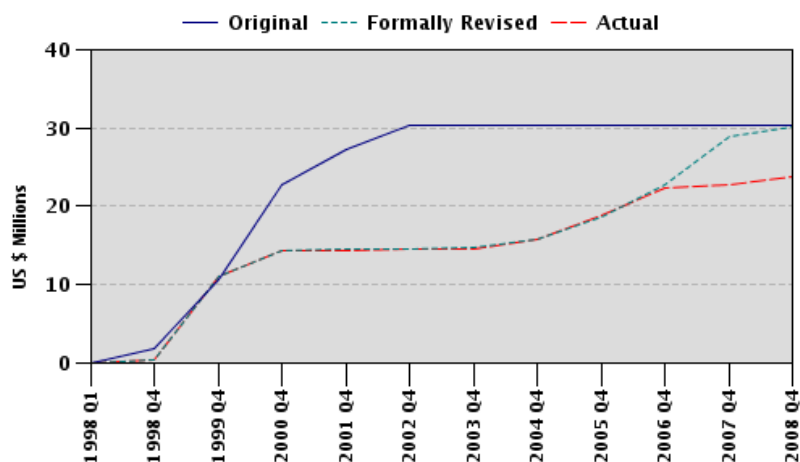
The objectives of the Project are to: (a) address the urgent port capacity requirement; (b) optimize the use of existing facilities by rehabilitating and upgrading the two ports of Massawa and Assab; and (c) increase substantially the productivity and capacity of the two ports to international standards.

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

The project is moving towards achieving its objectives: Most of the original project activities have been successfully completed. The container terminal at Port Massawa has been expanded, port equipment and spare parts procured and delivered. This has resulted in the increase of the capacity and productivity of the port: (a) bulk cargo at Port Massawa has increased from the baseline figure of 850 tons per ship per day to the current 2,720 tons compared to 1,100 end of project target; (b) for break bulk, an increase from 230 tons per ship per day to 500 against end of project target of 260, (c) for containers, an increase from 3 TEU/hr to 8 against end of project target of 12. Berth occupancy has declined due to, increase in the capacity, overall decline in the economic performance of Eritrea and loss of Ethiopian transit traffic due to the conflict situation.

### Lending Information/Disbursement Summary (USD millions, as of June 30, 2008)

Loan/Credit/Grant	Status	Amount	Disbursed	Undisbursed	Cancellation
TF-56833	Effective	12.75	1.21	11.48	0.00
IDA-30050	Effective	35.82	23.73	8.60	0.00
IDA-P9760	Closed	0.40	0.00	0.00	0.40
TF-22024	Closed	21.39	21.18	0.00	0.21



**Project Name (ID):** ER-Power Distribution SIL (FY05) (P057929)

**Country:** Eritrea

**Board Approval Date:** 07/06/2004

**Midterm Review Date:** 03/10/2008

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

**Loan/Credit/Grant Number:** IDA-39490, IDA-H1140, IDA-H4100, IDA-Q2630

**Sector(s):** Power (90%), Central government administration (10%)

**Theme(s):** Infrastructure services for private sector development (P), Rural services and infrastructure (P), Access to urban services and housing (P), Regulation and competition policy (S)

### Project Development Objectives:

The project's restructured objectives are expansion of electricity access in rural areas; improvement of the quality, and adequacy of electricity supply and efficiency of the power sector.

### The project was restructured, or received Additional Financing during FY 08

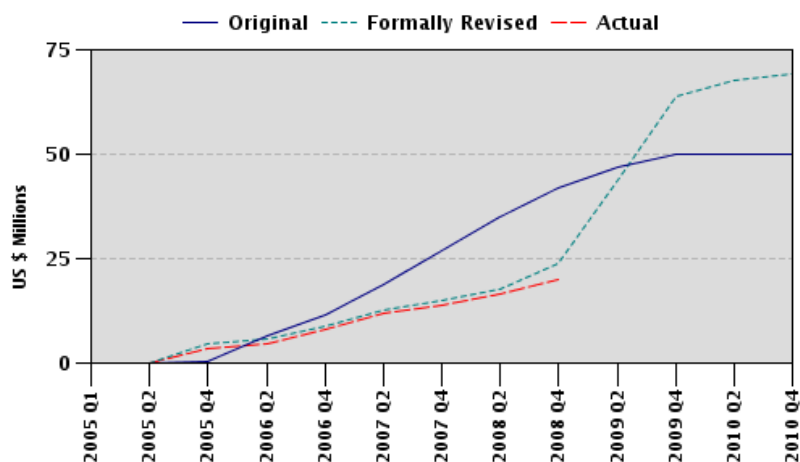
Additional grant financing of US\$17.5 million equivalent was approved on June 26, 2008 to meet a financing gap in the project's component for rehabilitation of the distribution network in Asmara and to carry out rehabilitation of key power generation plants. Concurrently, the project was restructured, projects objectives revised and closing date was extended to June 30, 2010. The restructured project and additional financing will thus enable the Borrower to achieve the objectives of improving the quality and adequacy of the electricity supply, increasing efficiency and extending electricity access.

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

Extension of MV (medium voltage) and LV (low voltage) lines (distribution network) to 59 towns and villages in four rural areas has been completed. Asmara network rehabilitation is delayed with 100 percent of MV design and 30 percent of LV design complete construction having commenced on a new substation. Appraisal of the rehabilitation work to be carried out at the generation plants has been completed. Electricity tariffs were increased by 10% in May '08. Personnel in MEM are occasionally assigned regulatory tasks and have issued written opinions addressed to the Minister of Energy and Mines on specific regulatory issues such as tariffs.

### Lending Information/Disbursement Summary (USD millions, as of June 30, 2008)

Loan/Credit/Grant	Status	Amount	Disbursed	Undisbursed	Cancellation
IDA-39490	Effective	31.39	6.66	24.72	0.00
IDA-H1140	Effective	22.91	13.38	8.96	0.00
IDA-H4100	Not Effective	17.56	0.00	17.56	0.00
IDA-Q2630	Closed	1.00	0.00	0.00	1.00



**Project Name (ID):** ER-Education Sec SIL (FY03) (P070272)

**Country:** Eritrea

**Board Approval Date:** 06/19/2003

**Midterm Review Date:** 04/19/2006

**Closing Date:** 02/28/2011

**Loan/Credit/Grant Number:** TF-91092, TF-26711, IDA-37940

**Sector(s):** Primary education (62%), Secondary education (30%), General education sector (8%)

**Theme(s):** Education for all (P)

### Project Development Objectives:

The objective is to increase and arrive at a more equitable enrollment in basic education, and to enhance the quality of basic and secondary education.

### The project was restructured, or received Additional Financing during FY 08

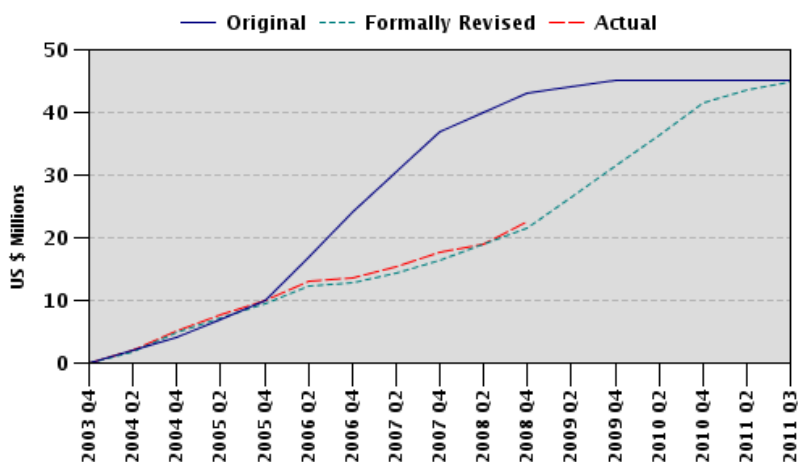
The Board approved the restructuring package on July 20, 2007. After restructuring, the project development objectives remain the same, but the expected outcome indicators have been refined to be more precise and better focused. The changes of the project under the restructuring also include reallocating funds between eligible expenditure categories; decentralizing the implementation arrangements, especially for construction to be managed at the community level; and extending the project closing date by two years, from February 28, 2009 to February 28, 2011.

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

Progress towards achieving the development objective targets continues to be uneven. The enrollment at elementary level seems to have declined between 2004/05 and 2005/06. Gender parity indicators have also been stagnant. The learning outcome indicators cannot be updated due to the delay of the implementation of MLA. The dropout rate at middle and secondary level has increased significantly from 7% and 9% to 17% and 18% per grade respectively.

### Lending Information/Disbursement Summary (USD millions, as of June 30, 2008)

Loan/Credit/Grant	Status	Amount	Disbursed	Undisbursed	Cancellation
TF-91092	Effective	46.18	0.00	46.18	0.00
TF-26711	Closed	0.14	0.00	0.00	0.14
IDA-37940	Effective	53.26	21.82	29.51	0.00



**Project Name (ID):** ER-Emerg Demob & Reint ERL (FY02) (P073604)

**Country:** Eritrea

**Board Approval Date:** 05/16/2002

**Midterm Review Date:** 07/16/2005

**Closing Date:** 12/31/2008

**Loan/Credit/Grant Number:** IDA-36410, TF-50023

**Sector(s):** Other social services (73%), Micro- and SME finance (12%), General public administration sector (8%), Vocational training (5%), General agriculture, fishing and forestry sector (2%)

**Theme(s):** Conflict prevention and post-conflict reconstruction (P), Vulnerability assessment and monitoring (P), Improving labor markets (P), HIV/AIDS (S), Gender (S)

**Project Development Objectives:**

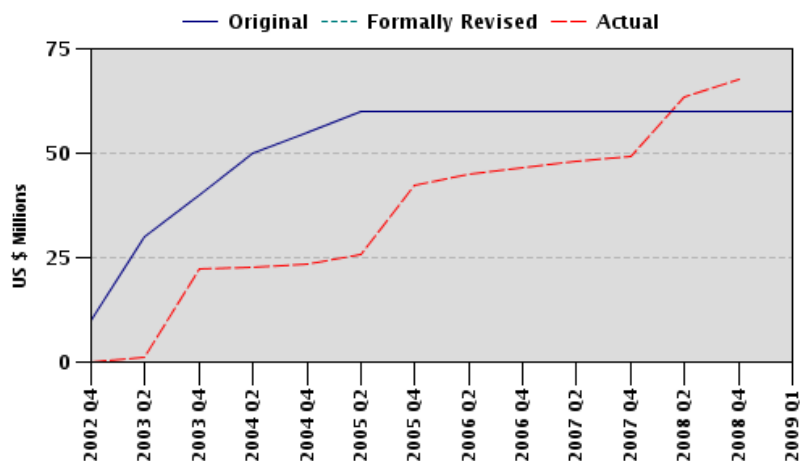
The objectives are to: (a) demobilize and provide reinsertion support to about 200,000 soldiers in three phases; (b) support the social and economic reintegration of demobilized soldiers, including strengthening of institutional capacities of relevant government and local implementing partners; and (c) support macro-economic stability.

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

The project has largely achieved its targets on demobilization and reinsertion by demobilizing 65,000 soldiers and paying each demobilized soldier a reinsertion benefit equivalent to US\$330. The focus of the project's implementation has, since 2006, focused on the reintegration of demobilized soldiers to their communities through psychosocial counseling, training and income generating activities. As of March 2008, over 160,000 reintegration opportunities have been provided through the project for demobilized soldiers (DS) and community members as compared to 44,432 opportunities created by the end of FY07. Compared to the agreed beneficiary targets in the Results Based Action Frame work (RBAF) of 83,868 DS and community members, the number of reintegration opportunities created illustrates that the project has far exceeded its beneficiary targets. The improved implementation performance has started to yield the expected impact. For example, 56.3% of DS are in formal employment while 39.7% are self employed. In addition, over 26,000 DS have benefited from cash for work programs, earning income and smoothening their consumption in the short term.

**Lending Information/Disbursement Summary (USD millions, as of June 30, 2008)**

Loan/Credit/Grant	Status	Amount	Disbursed	Undisbursed	Cancellation
IDA-36410	Effective	77.91	67.52	3.30	0.00
TF-50023	Closed	36.78	19.40	0.00	19.50



**Project Name (ID):** ER-HIV/AIDS/STI/TB/Malaria/RH SIL (FY05) (P094694)

**Country:** Eritrea

**Board Approval Date:** 06/30/2005

**Midterm Review Date:** 11/27/2007

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

**Loan/Credit/Grant Number:** IDA-H1750

**Sector(s):** Health (50%), Central government administration (30%), Other social services (13%), Sub-national government administration (6%), General education sector (1%)

**Theme(s):** HIV/AIDS (P), Other communicable diseases (P), Population and reproductive health (P), Health system performance (S), Participation and civic engagement (S)

### Project Development Objectives:

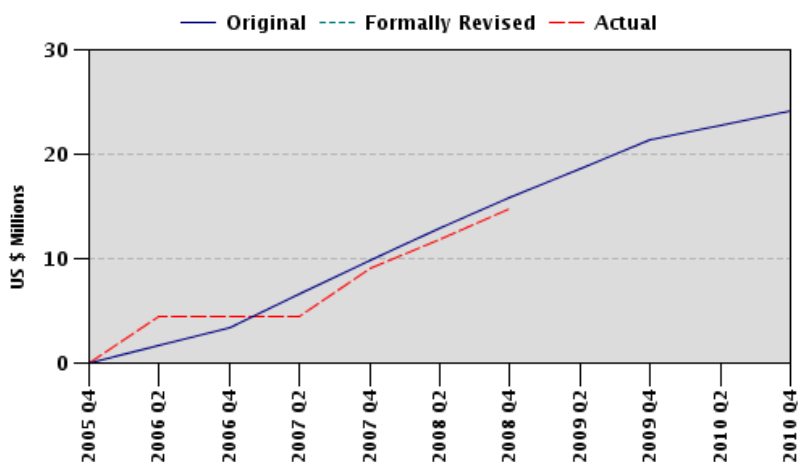
The objectives are to: (i) contain the spread of HIV/AIDS/STI; (ii) expand the coverage of Directly Observed Treatment for tuberculosis; (iii) reduce malaria mortality and morbidity; (iv) improve the coverage of reproductive health interventions; and (v) strengthen the overall health system.

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

Progress toward achieving project development objectives remains on track and continues. Despite significant rainfall in 2007, there was no major malaria outbreak and malaria mortality and morbidity remained relatively low (19,568 malaria cases and 35 deaths). Regarding HIV/AIDS, prevention, treatment, care and support continued to be scaled up. In 2007, 84,893 persons received voluntary testing and counseling; and the number of people on anti-retroviral therapy increased to 3,546. The tuberculosis control program maintained good treatment outcomes (89.1% treatment success rate and 79.9% cure rate), and actions are being taken to address the modest case detection rate. Reproductive health has made good progress in programmatic efforts (e.g., capacity building for health workers, implementing new treatment protocols, conducting maternal and neonatal death audits) but these have not yet translated into better reproductive health outcomes. Human Resources for Health have already met some of the end-of-project targets for pre-service training.

### Lending Information/Disbursement Summary (USD millions, as of June 30, 2008)

Loan/Credit/Grant	Status	Amount	Disbursed	Undisbursed	Cancellation
IDA-H1750	Effective	25.33	14.66	9.81	0.00



**Project Name (ID):** ER-Integrated ECD II SIL (FY08) (P107254)

**Country:** Eritrea

**Board Approval Date:** 06/26/2008

**Closing Date:** 08/17/2012

**Loan/Credit/Grant Number:** IDA-H4120

**Sector(s):** Pre-primary education (35%), Health (34%), Other social services (17%), Central government administration (14%)

**Theme(s):** Nutrition and food security (P), Child health (P), Education for all (P), Social safety nets (S)

**Project Development Objectives:**

As a repeater and more focused operation, project development objective (PDO) for Integrated Early Childhood Development II is a simplified version of Early Childhood Development's PDO. The (PDO) is to improve the health, nutrition, and access to pre-school education of Eritrean children aged six and under in the project villages. A particular effort will be made across components/activities to ensure that all Orphans and Vulnerable Children (OVC) in the target villages are benefiting equally from the project.

**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, 2008)**

<b>Loan/Credit/Grant</b>	<b>Status</b>	<b>Amount</b>	<b>Disbursed</b>	<b>Undisbursed</b>	<b>Cancellation</b>
IDA-H4120	Not Effective	12.06	0.00	12.06	0.00

