

**STATUS OF PROJECTS IN EXECUTION–FY08**

**AFRICA REGION**

**COUNTRY: GABON**

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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):** GA-Natl Res Mgmt DPL (FY06) (P070196)

**Country:** Gabon

**Board Approval Date:** 11/15/2005

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

**Loan/Credit/Grant Number:** IBRD-73550, IBRD-P3930, IBRD-P3931, TF-26389

**Sector(s):** Forestry (50%), General agriculture, fishing and forestry sector (25%), Mining and other extractive (20%), Oil and gas (5%)

**Theme(s):** Environmental policies and institutions (P), Biodiversity (S)

**Project Development Objectives:**

The objective is to improve transparency, governance and law enforcement for natural resource management and help improve the investment climate.

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

Progress has been made towards the objectives in the areas of transparency, law enforcement, governance and investment climate, as evidenced by the following policy actions and reforms: (a) the updated lists of logging permits have been disclosed to the public (internet); (b) the Government has cancelled 116 fiscally non-compliant logging permits; (c) the draft law on the National Forest Fund has been revised in line with the single-budget principle and with the regulatory functions of the forest department; and (d) the export monopoly of the National Timber Marketing Board has been removed.

**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>
IBRD-73550	Effective	15.00	7.40	9.04	0.00
IBRD-P3930	Closed	0.60	0.00	0.00	0.00
IBRD-P3931	Closed	0.60	0.00	0.00	0.60
TF-26389	Closed	0.40	0.28	0.08	0.04



**Project Name (ID):** GA-Loc Infrastructure Dev SIL (FY06) (P082812)

**Country:** Gabon

**Board Approval Date:** 03/14/2006

**Closing Date:** 12/31/2011

**Loan/Credit/Grant Number:** IBRD-P4110, IBRD-73730

**Sector(s):** General public administration sector (35%), General water, sanitation and flood protection sector (26%), General transportation sector (26%), Other social services (8%), Other industry (5%)

**Theme(s):** Access to urban services and housing (P), Municipal governance and institution building (P), Small and medium enterprise support (S), Participation and civic engagement (S), Public expenditure, financial management and procurement (S)

**Project Development Objectives:**

The main objectives of the project are: (i) increased access of the population living in low-income settlements to basic services; and (ii) sustained access of Small and Medium Enterprises to civil works and construction contracts with the public sector.

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

After a slow start-up and despite some progress made on the civil works program, the project is still facing implementation delays. Even though some major civil works and some micro-projects have started (completion of which would lead to increased access of the population living in low-income settlements to basic services), results for achievement of specific indicators are not measurable at this stage.

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

Loan/Credit/Grant	Status	Amount	Disbursed	Undisbursed	Cancellation
IBRD-P4110	Closed	0.72	0.00	0.00	0.72
IBRD-73730	Effective	25.00	2.96	22.54	0.00

