

STATUS OF PROJECTS IN EXECUTION–FY08

AFRICA REGION

COUNTRY: GHANA

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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 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.
- 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): GH-Trade Gateway & Inv SIL (FY99) (P000970)

Country: Ghana

Board Approval Date: 07/09/1998

Midterm Review Date: 06/03/2002

Closing Date: 12/31/2009

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: IDA-P9420, IDA-3114A, IDA-31140, IDA-P9421, IDA-P9900

Sector(s): General water, sanitation and flood protection sector (39%), Central government administration (32%), General transportation sector (19%), Power (5%), Other domestic and international trade (5%)

Theme(s): Export development and competitiveness (P), Trade facilitation and market access (P), Other financial and private sector development (P), Infrastructure services for private sector development (P)

Project Development Objectives:

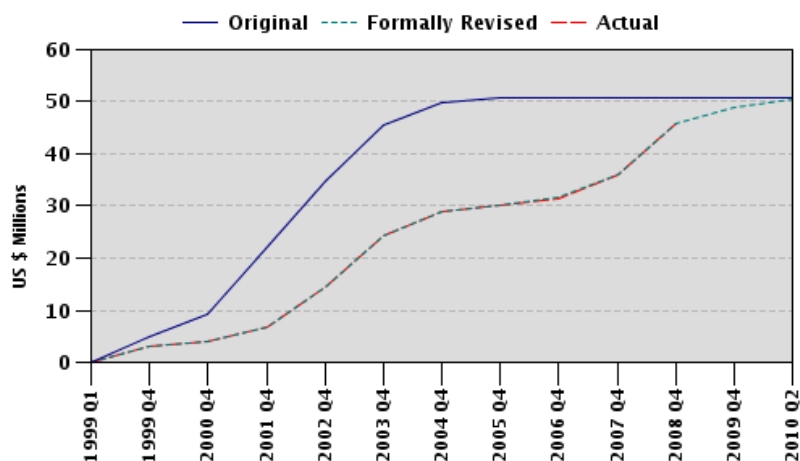
The objectives of the Project are: (a) the development of a multi-purpose industrial park; and (b) the improvement of the quality and standards of services delivered to investors and to exporters by the institutions and agencies responsible for trade and investment aiming to attract a critical mass of export-oriented firms and facilitate trade for accelerated growth.

Progress toward achieving development objective(s):

Achievement toward meeting the development objectives has progressed steadily since the project's restructuring in November 2005. The settlement process in the Tema Multipurpose Industrial Park (MPIP) is in various stages. At the time of the restructuring, only one company was operating in the MPIP. To date, 19 enterprises have been granted settlement in the MPIP out of which 13 are operational and 4,367 new jobs have been created. The other six companies are expected to be shortly in operation in the MPIP with projected additional 1,250 new jobs. A total of 10 other companies have applied to settle in the MPIP with prospective 6,000 new jobs.

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

Loan/Credit/Grant	Status	Amount	Disbursed	Undisbursed	Cancellation
IDA-P9420	Closed	0.75	0.00	0.00	0.75
IDA-3114A	Closed	32.58	27.89	0.00	0.00
IDA-31140	Effective	27.63	17.84	8.34	0.00
IDA-P9421	Closed	1.25	0.00	0.00	1.25
IDA-P9900	Closed	1.00	0.00	0.00	1.00



Project Name (ID): GH-Edu Sec SIL (FY04) (P050620)

Country: Ghana

Board Approval Date: 03/09/2004

Midterm Review Date: 01/22/2007

Closing Date: 10/31/2009

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: TF-57076, TF-54671, TF-25634, IDA-Q3570, IDA-38650

Sector(s): Primary education (41%), Tertiary education (37%), Central government administration (18%), Sub-national government administration (4%)

Theme(s): Education for all (P), Decentralization (S), Other accountability/anti-corruption (S), HIV/AIDS (S)

Project Development Objectives:

The objectives are to: (a) promote equitable access to, and efficient delivery of, quality services in pre-tertiary education; and (b) foster innovation, relevance, quality and efficiency in tertiary education.

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

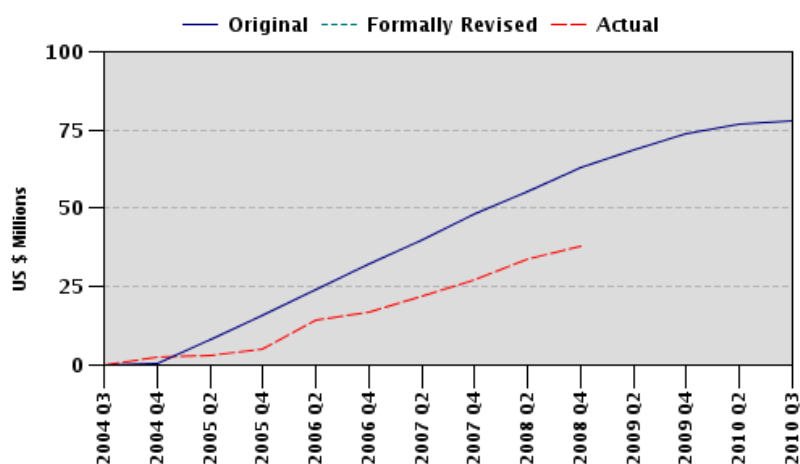
The restructuring underway will make the project better aligned with the Government's priorities, more focused, better targeted, simpler (design and monitoring indicators), and more realistic (as concerns targets and schedule).

Progress toward achieving development objective(s):

Progress in the key performance indicators is significant. The primary gross enrollment rate for the deprived districts has increased from 80% to 93.8% since 2003, specifically, the gender parity index at primary level in the deprived districts improved from .92 to .95. Similarly, the sixth grade completion rate rose to 81.5%, which represents more than a 15 percent increase from 2003. Several ongoing activities in the 53 targeted deprived districts have the potential to improve the quality of education in these districts; these include the completion of work programs in all districts, and the first-time collection of performance reports from all districts.

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

Loan/Credit/Grant	Status	Amount	Disbursed	Undisbursed	Cancellation
TF-57076	Closed	11.00	11.00	0.00	0.00
TF-54671	Closed	8.00	8.00	0.00	0.00
TF-25634	Closed	0.30	0.11	0.00	0.18
IDA-Q3570	Closed	0.49	0.00	0.00	0.49
IDA-38650	Effective	86.27	38.20	44.60	0.00



Project Name (ID): GH-Urban Water SIL (FY05) (P056256)

Country: Ghana

Board Approval Date: 07/27/2004

Midterm Review Date: 06/18/2007

Closing Date: 12/31/2010

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: IDA-39620, TF-92093, TF-52412, IDA-Q1423, IDA-Q1422, IDA-Q1421, IDA-Q1420, IDA-H1320

Sector(s): Water supply (85%), Central government administration (15%)

Theme(s): Infrastructure services for private sector development (P), Access to urban services and housing (P), Participation and civic engagement (S), Water resource management (S), Other financial and private sector development (S)

Project Development Objectives:

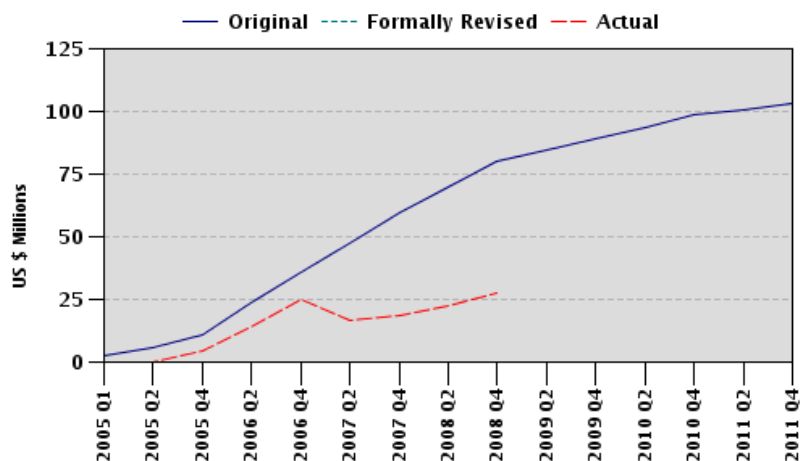
The objectives are to: (a) significantly increase access to the piped water system in Ghana's urban centers, with an emphasis on improving access, affordability and service reliability to the urban poor; and (b) restore long-term financial stability, viability and sustainability of Ghana Water Company Ltd.

Progress toward achieving development objective(s):

Significant progress has been made towards achieving the objective of restoring long-term financial stability, viability and sustainability of the Ghana Water Company Limited by: (a) having already reached the target of recovering 100% of the operation and maintenance costs from the utility revenues; (b) having surpassed the efficiency target of less than 10 employees per 1000 connections; and (c) having promulgated the National Water Policy. The objective of increasing the access to water to 600,000 people by the year 2010 is also expected to be surpassed.

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

Loan/Credit/Grant	Status	Amount	Disbursed	Undisbursed	Cancellation
IDA-39620	Closed	107.61	0.00	0.00	0.00
TF-92093	Effective	13.00	0.00	13.00	0.00
TF-52412	Closed	0.57	0.49	0.00	0.08
IDA-Q1423	Closed	0.29	0.00	0.00	0.29
IDA-Q1422	Closed	0.51	0.00	0.00	0.51
IDA-Q1421	Closed	0.60	0.00	0.00	0.60
IDA-Q1420	Closed	0.60	0.00	0.00	0.60
IDA-H1320	Effective	116.86	27.78	86.37	0.00



Project Name (ID): GH-GEF Northern Savanna (FY02) (P067685)

Country: Ghana

Board Approval Date: 03/12/2002

Midterm Review Date: 10/24/2005

Closing Date: 02/28/2009

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: TF-50723, TF-22266

Sector(s): General agriculture, fishing and forestry sector (43%), Central government administration (33%), Sub-national government administration (12%), Other social services (12%)

Theme(s): Biodiversity (P), Participation and civic engagement (P), Environmental policies and institutions (P), Land administration and management (S)

Project Development Objectives:

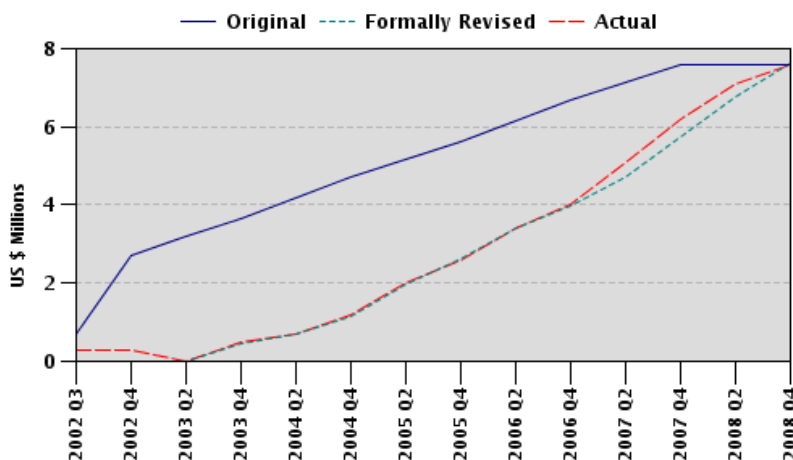
The objective is to improve the livelihood of communities in the northern savanna zone, and the environment through the conservation and sustainable use of natural resources.

Progress toward achieving development objective(s):

The project is progressing well towards achieving the development objectives as evidenced by: a) policy makers' increased awareness of critical biodiversity issues of the Savanna, b) local and national institutions' improved knowledge regarding Natural Resource Management issues of the Savanna, c) local actors' enhanced ability to manage key protected areas/forest reserves, d) communities' increased revenue due to alternative/additional livelihood subprojects and e) farmers' easier access to indigenous crops and medicinal plants which are more drought resistance and higher in nutritional value.

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

Loan/Credit/Grant	Status	Amount	Disbursed	Undisbursed	Cancellation
TF-50723	Effective	7.60	7.59	0.01	0.00
TF-22266	Closed	0.33	0.29	0.00	0.04



Project Name (ID): GH Land Administration (FY04) (P071157)

Country: Ghana

Board Approval Date: 07/31/2003

Midterm Review Date: 09/15/2006

Closing Date: 12/31/2008

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: TF-26393, TF-55576, IDA-Q3380, IDA-3817A, IDA-38170

Sector(s): Central government administration (40%), Sub-national government administration (33%), General agriculture, fishing and forestry sector (18%), Tertiary education (7%), Law and justice (2%)

Theme(s): Land administration and management (P), Personal and property rights (P), Decentralization (S), Other accountability/anti-corruption (S), Administrative and civil service reform (S)

Project Development Objectives:

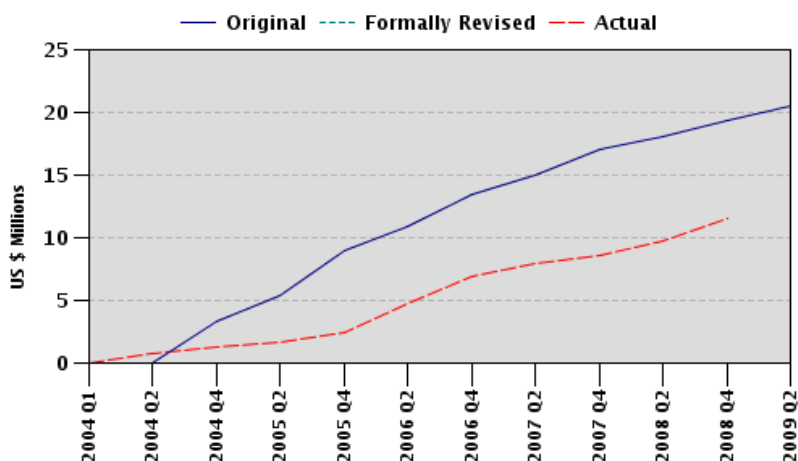
The objective is to develop a sustainable land administration system that is fair, efficient, cost effective, decentralized and that enhances land tenure security.

Progress toward achieving development objective(s):

The project is progressing well towards meeting its development objective. Institutional reform process has progressed satisfactorily with the passages of the Lands Commission Bill by Cabinet, and the draft Land Bill is being discussed by stakeholders. The number of days required to register deeds has reduced from 36 months to 20 months. Land administration and registration reforms have been decentralized to the 10 regions leading to efficiency gains.

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

Loan/Credit/Grant	Status	Amount	Disbursed	Undisbursed	Cancellation
TF-26393	Closed	0.44	0.43	0.00	0.01
TF-55576	Effective	0.99	0.10	0.89	0.00
IDA-Q3380	Closed	0.87	0.00	0.00	0.87
IDA-3817A	Effective	0.80	0.74	0.00	0.00
IDA-38170	Effective	23.76	10.45	12.33	0.00



Project Name (ID): GH-Energy Dev & Access SIL (FY08) (P074191)

Country: Ghana

Board Approval Date: 07/26/2007

Closing Date: 11/30/2012

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: TF-90450, IDA-Q5170, IDA-43560

Sector(s): Power (86%), Renewable energy (7%), Central government administration (7%)

Theme(s): Infrastructure services for private sector development (P), Rural services and infrastructure (P), Climate change (S), Regulation and competition policy (S), Other public sector governance (S)

Project Development Objectives:

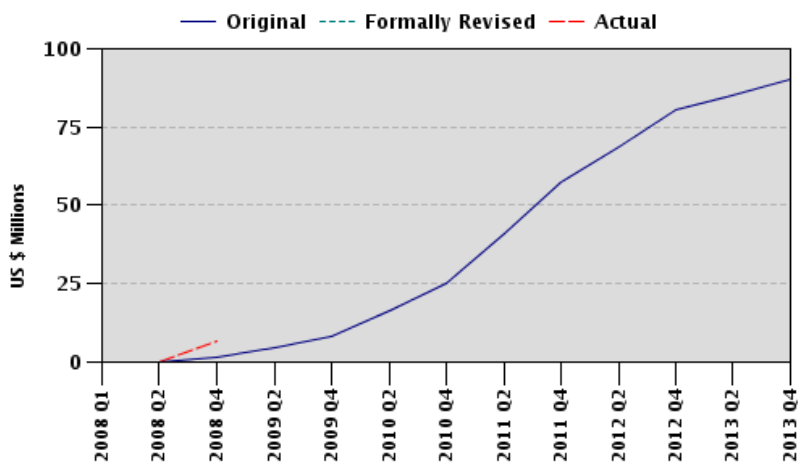
Improve the operational efficiency of the electricity distribution system and increase the population's access to electricity.

Progress toward achieving development objective(s):

The project only became effective mid-way through the fiscal year and implementation is proceeding smoothly; however, it is too early to assess the project's impact as physical works have yet to begin.

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

Loan/Credit/Grant	Status	Amount	Disbursed	Undisbursed	Cancellation
TF-90450	Effective	50.00	7.00	43.00	0.00
IDA-Q5170	Closed	1.00	0.00	0.00	1.00
IDA-43560	Effective	95.79	6.65	89.11	0.00



Project Name (ID): GH-Com Based Rural Dev (FY05) (P081482)

Country: Ghana

Board Approval Date: 07/29/2004

Midterm Review Date: 06/15/2007

Closing Date: 06/30/2010

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: IDA-39640, IDA-44850, TF-52103

Sector(s): Irrigation and drainage (20%), Roads and highways (20%), Health (20%), Water supply (20%), Agro-industry (20%)

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

Project Development Objectives:

The objective is to improve the beneficiary rural communities' productive assets, rural infrastructure and access to key support services from private and public sources.

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

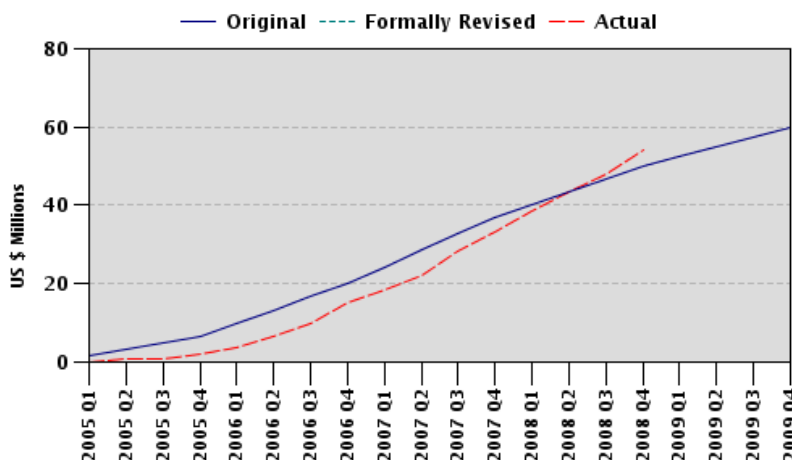
Additional financing of SDR 13.5 million was approved in June 2008 that will further strengthen rural communities to enhance their quality of life by improving their productive assets, rural infrastructure and access to key support services.

Progress toward achieving development objective(s):

Progress under the project continues to be strong with positive outcomes in terms of capacity building of key national and local level government institutions; significant increases in investments, particularly in water, education and roads; and in relation improved access to water, increased enrollment in primary schools and fewer lost school-days due to weather, and reduced transportation times on repaired roads. An impact assessment carried out in Nov/Dec 2007 indicated that the project has strengthened the countries' strategic and institutional capacity, improved rural populations' livelihood and contributed to growth and poverty reduction. For example, all 138 District Assemblies (100%) and all 454 targeted ACs (100%) are now implementing projects based on their plans; 45.6% of trainees (732 out of the 1606 trainees) have now been trained; 17 targeted DAs and 223 targeted communities have prepared their NRM plans; 338,771 people (187.7%) have been provided with access to safe water compared to baseline of 117,711 people for 453 sampled completed boreholes.

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

Loan/Credit/Grant	Status	Amount	Disbursed	Undisbursed	Cancellation
IDA-39640	Effective	66.29	53.81	8.89	0.00
IDA-44850	Not Effective	21.95	0.00	21.95	0.00
TF-52103	Closed	0.35	0.27	0.00	0.08



Project Name (ID): GH-Urban Env Sanitation 2 (FY04) (P082373)

Country: Ghana

Board Approval Date: 04/29/2004

Midterm Review Date: 12/03/2007

Closing Date: 06/30/2010

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: IDA-38890, IDA-Q3840

Sector(s): General water, sanitation and flood protection sector (85%), Sub-national government administration (8%), Roads and highways (5%), General education sector (2%)

Theme(s): Access to urban services and housing (P), Pollution management and environmental health (S), Other urban development (S), Other human development (S), Natural disaster management (S)

Project Development Objectives:

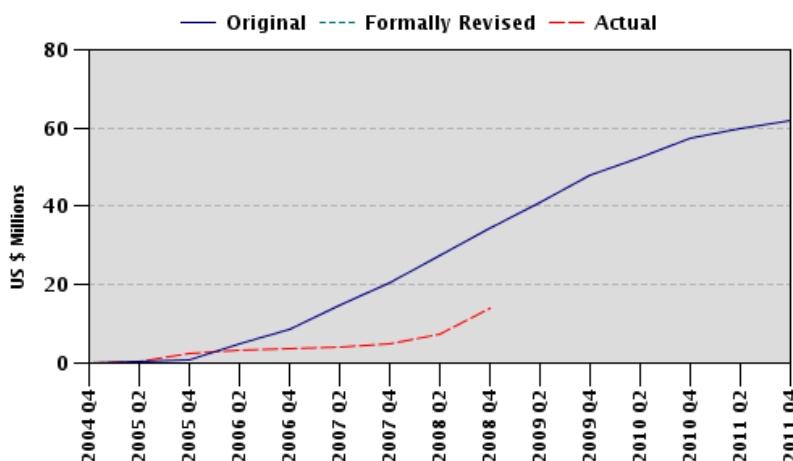
The objective is to improve urban living conditions in Accra, Kumasi, Sekondi-Takoradi, Tamale, and Tema in regard to environmental health, sanitation, drainage, vehicular access, and solid waste management in a sustainable fashion, with special emphasis on the poor.

Progress toward achieving development objective(s):

Although drainage and solid waste objectives are lagging behind targets, progress has been made on sanitation and urban upgrading and the corresponding development objectives will likely be met. Efforts continue on strengthening local government units to ensure the sustainability of the investments.

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

Loan/Credit/Grant	Status	Amount	Disbursed	Undisbursed	Cancellation
IDA-38890	Effective	67.65	13.90	53.22	0.00
IDA-Q3840	Closed	0.60	0.00	0.00	0.60



Project Name (ID): GH-Small Towns Water Sply & Sanit (FY05) (P084015)

Country: Ghana

Board Approval Date: 07/27/2004

Midterm Review Date: 07/10/2007

Closing Date: 04/30/2009

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: IDA-39711, IDA-39710

Sector(s): Water supply (70%), Sanitation (20%), Sub-national government administration (5%), Other social services (5%)

Theme(s): Rural services and infrastructure (P), Other human development (P), Small and medium enterprise support (S), Decentralization (S)

Project Development Objectives:

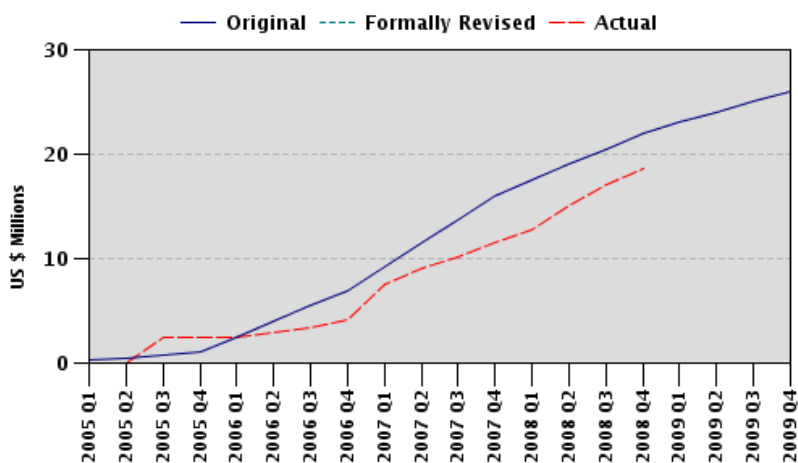
The objective of the project is to increase access to water supply and sanitation services in small towns in six regions over the next 4 years, providing 500,000 people with water supply facilities, and 50,000 people with sanitary facilities.

Progress toward achieving development objective(s):

Progress in implementation and achievement of the development objectives has been consistent during the past three years of implementation. At the end of September 2008, a total of 40 small-towns water supply systems would be completed to provide about 360,000 people in four regions access to potable drinking water. This figure represents 75% of the end-of-project target.

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

Loan/Credit/Grant	Status	Amount	Disbursed	Undisbursed	Cancellation
IDA-39711	Effective	10.13	0.00	10.13	0.00
IDA-39710	Effective	28.76	17.56	10.03	0.00



Project Name (ID): MSME Initiative (P085006)

Country: Ghana

Board Approval Date: 01/05/2006

Closing Date: 12/31/2011

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: IDA-41390

Sector(s): Micro- and SME finance (70%), Banking (11%), Central government administration (10%), General industry and trade sector (9%)

Theme(s): Small and medium enterprise support (P), Regulation and competition policy (P), Trade facilitation and market access (S), Export development and competitiveness (S), Other financial and private sector development (S)

Project Development Objectives:

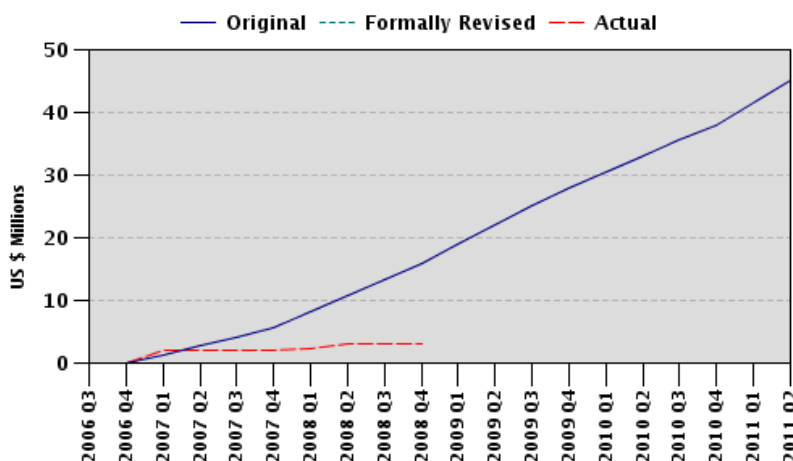
The project aims to enhance the competitive and employment levels of Medium and Small Enterprises (MSMEs).

Progress toward achieving development objective(s):

The project is making progress towards achieving the developmental objectives. Improvement has been reached in Ghana’s business environment which has led to reductions in days to register a business; and time to export and import. The Small and Medium Enterprise Portfolio Credit Guarantee is now operational in one commercial bank. In May 2008 the Matching Grant facility started operating and 151 private firms have sought assistance out of which 37 have received non-financial business development services totaling just over US\$0.5 Million.

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

Loan/Credit/Grant	Status	Amount	Disbursed	Undisbursed	Cancellation
IDA-41390	Effective	50.48	3.21	47.05	0.00



Project Name (ID): GH-Multi-Sector HIV/AIDS - M-SHAP (FY06) (P088797)

Country: Ghana

Board Approval Date: 11/15/2005

Closing Date: 06/30/2011

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: IDA-41250

Sector(s): Central government administration (47%), Health (31%), Other social services (12%), Sub-national government administration (10%)

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

Project Development Objectives:

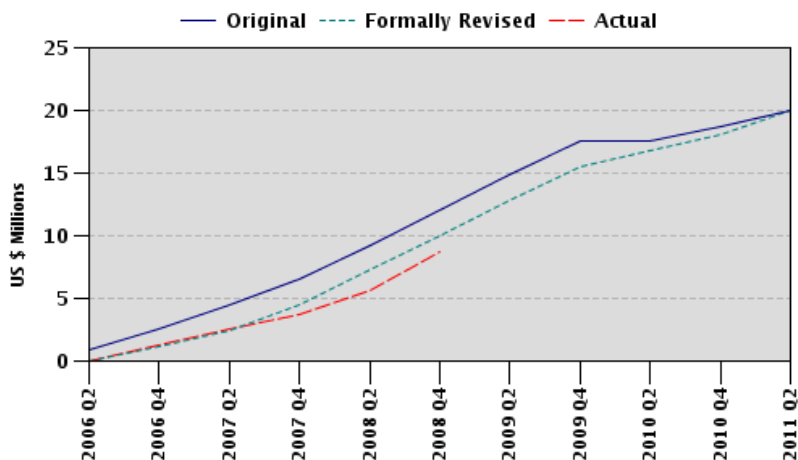
To increase access to HIV care, prevention and impact mitigation services for high risk groups, vulnerable populations and the general population.

Progress toward achieving development objective(s):

According to the data available, it is unlikely that the project will meet its development objective as all three indicators: (% of infants born to HIV-infected mothers who are infected has remained unchanged at 30%; Median age at first sex - is reducing other than increasing; and % of women and men who have had higher risk sex in the past 12 months - increased) are off track and only the three programmatic indicators are on track or have met their targets (Ratio of current school attendance among orphans to that among non-orphans, aged 10-14; Execution rate of total HIV/AIDS allocation of key ministries, departments and agencies increased from 70% to 92.2%; and % of people with advanced HIV infection receiving antiretroviral combination therapy - progressing slowly from 3.2% to 16.1%), while the only impact indicator is not being measured i.e. % of total national HIV/AIDS funds spent on preventive activities for selected vulnerable groups. In view of this conclusion it was agreed that major changes in the project are required in order to achieve more significant and measurable results in its contributions to the national response to HIV/AIDS. A mid-term review mission in June 2008 proposed a more satisfactory arrangement to fund civil society prevention activities in much more targeted ways. It was decided to address the following issues in order to improve project implementation and to ensure that the project objectives are met by project closing: a) the criteria for allocating resources, and, related, targeting issues; b) sub-project processing and management; c) the role of Ghana AIDS Commission (GAC) as a grant-making agency; d) the funding of District Assemblies and the criteria for resource allocation for same; and f) the strengthening of M&E at central and sub-national levels.

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

Loan/Credit/Grant	Status	Amount	Disbursed	Undisbursed	Cancellation
IDA-41250	Effective	22.42	8.69	13.32	0.00



Project Name (ID): GH-Economic Management CB (P092986)

Country: Ghana

Board Approval Date: 11/15/2005

Closing Date: 06/30/2011

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: IDA-41241, IDA-Q4880, IDA-Q4910, IDA-41240, TF-90745

Sector(s): General finance sector (75%), General public administration sector (25%)

Theme(s): Other financial and private sector development (P), Administrative and civil service reform (S)

Project Development Objectives:

To support the Borrower to perform its role as a facilitator for economic development through: (i) implementation by MDAs of a reform initiative for improved public sector management and service delivery; and (ii) strengthening the governance and competitiveness of the financial sector.

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

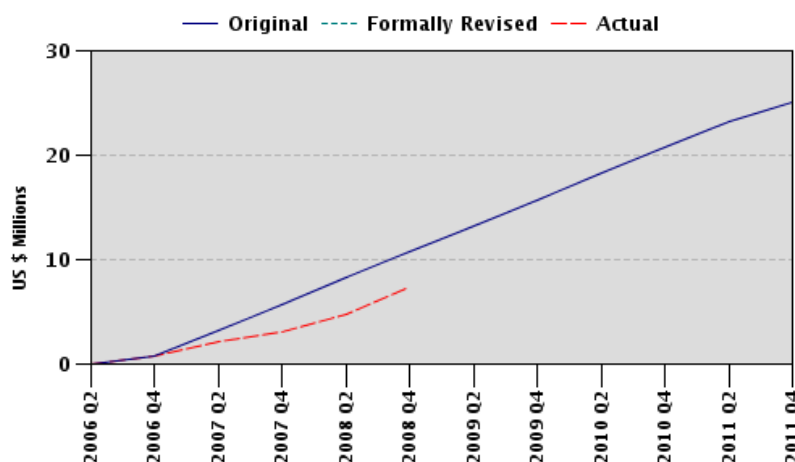
An additional financing of US\$10 million equivalent was approved by the Association’s Board of Directors on December 18, 2007, to support expanding Public Sector Reform activities of the project with a focus on (i) increasing the capacity of the public service for accountable, transparent, timely, and efficient service delivery through reform of Ministries, Departments and Agencies; (ii) establishment of a sustainable pay policy and effective Human Resources management framework in the public service; and (iii) a pilot program for financing of severance payments to support restructuring of select Subvented Agencies. No major changes are proposed to the design or implementation arrangements of the ongoing project; however, the additional financing is supported by a revision of the results framework to capture the expansion of project activities in the Public Sector Reform area and to improve the measurability of results in the Financial Sector Reform area. The Project Development Objective is modestly revised to reflect the progress achieved on public sector reform.

Progress toward achieving development objective(s):

Implementation is progressing well and activities of the project have contributed to substantive development of the financial sector through additional capacity and provision of an enabling environment for competitive private sector participation. Public Sector Reform has commenced implementation of reforms in pay, Human Resource Management and restructuring of subvented agencies.

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

Loan/Credit/Grant	Status	Amount	Disbursed	Undisbursed	Cancellation
IDA-41241	Not Effective	10.51	0.00	10.51	0.00
IDA-Q4880	Closed	0.34	0.00	0.00	0.34
IDA-Q4910	Closed	0.53	0.00	0.00	0.53
IDA-41240	Effective	28.04	7.39	20.29	0.00
TF-90745	Effective	5.16	0.77	4.40	0.00



Project Name (ID): YGH-eGhana SIL (FY07) (P093610)

Country: Ghana

Board Approval Date: 08/01/2006

Closing Date: 03/31/2012

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: IDA-42260, IDA-Q4970

Sector(s): General public administration sector (54%), Central government administration (18%), General information and communications sector (11%), General industry and trade sector (9%), Vocational training (8%)

Theme(s): Other accountability/anti-corruption (P), Technology diffusion (P), Other financial and private sector development (P), Trade facilitation and market access (S), Regulation and competition policy (S)

Project Development Objectives:

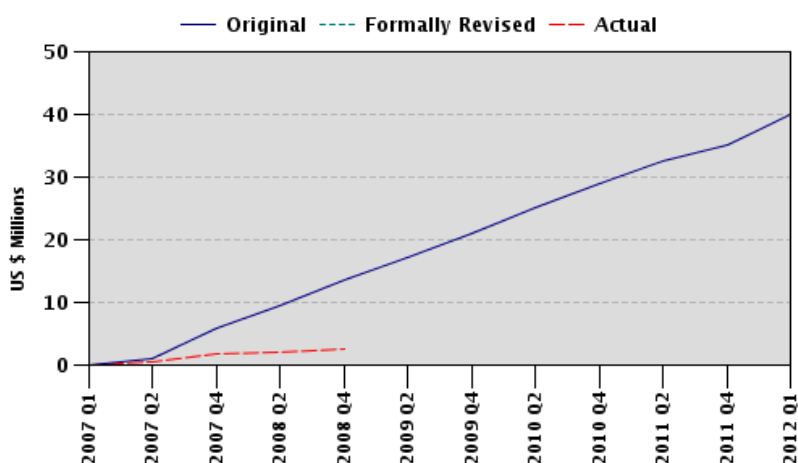
The project aims at generating growth and employment by leveraging ICT and public-private partnerships to i) develop the IT Enabled Services industry, and ii) contribute to improved efficiency and transparency of selected government functions through e-government applications.

Progress toward achieving development objective(s):

The project is progressing well toward the achievement of its development objectives. Consensus has been achieved among various stakeholders for modernizing the Internal Revenue Service along with some of the other revenue generating agencies through a public private partnership. The bidding process has accordingly been launched. With respect to IT/IT Enabled Services, a key accomplishment has been the lowering of the bandwidth price from USD 10,000 to USD 6,500 for Industry Association members. In addition, the incubation strategy is nearing completion allowing for a launch of incubation grants in the next 6 months.

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

Loan/Credit/Grant	Status	Amount	Disbursed	Undisbursed	Cancellation
IDA-42260	Effective	44.28	2.63	41.46	0.00
IDA-Q4970	Closed	1.19	0.00	0.00	1.19



Project Name (ID): GH-Urban Transport Project SIL (FY07) (P100619)

Country: Ghana

Board Approval Date: 06/21/2007

Closing Date: 12/31/2012

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: IDA-43340

Sector(s): General transportation sector (74%), Central government administration (16%), Sub-national government administration (10%)

Theme(s): Infrastructure services for private sector development (P), Other urban development (P), Regulation and competition policy (S), Environmental policies and institutions (S), Decentralization (S)

Project Development Objectives:

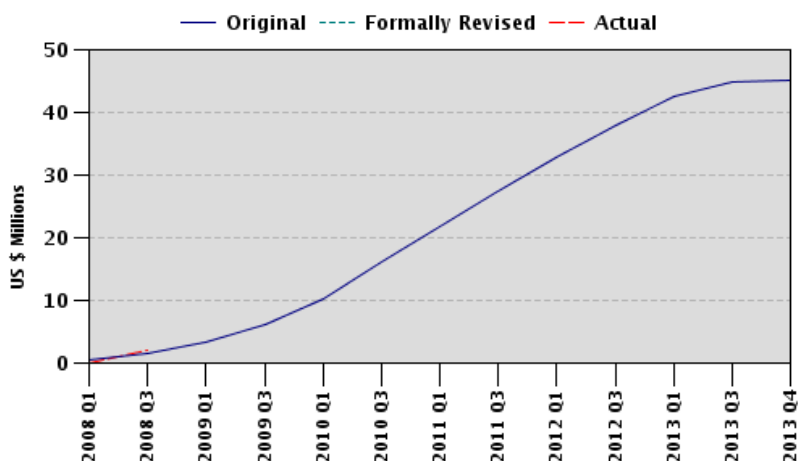
The project objectives are to improve mobility in areas of participating Metropolitan, Municipal and District Assembly through a combination of traffic engineering measures, management improvements, regulation of the public transport industry, and implementation of a Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) system, and to promote a shift to more environmentally-sustainable urban transport modes and encourage lower transport-related Green House Gas (GHG) emissions along the pilot BRT corridor in Accra.

Progress toward achieving development objective(s):

Both credits from IDA and French Development Agency (co-financier) became effective on October 19, 2007 and March 28, 2008 respectively. Therefore, the project is still in too early a stage for meaningful progress.

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

Loan/Credit/Grant	Status	Amount	Disbursed	Undisbursed	Cancellation
IDA-43340	Effective	48.45	2.00	46.38	0.00



Project Name (ID): GH-Health Insurance Project (FY08) (P101852)

Country: Ghana

Board Approval Date: 07/03/2007

Closing Date: 12/31/2012

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: IDA-43450

Sector(s): Compulsory health finance (82%), Central government administration (9%), Health (6%), Sub-national government administration (3%)

Theme(s): Health system performance (P), Administrative and civil service reform (S)

Project Development Objectives:

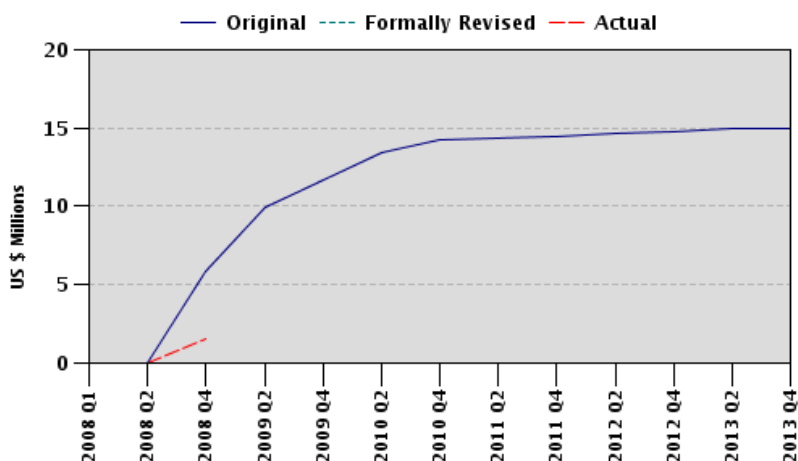
The objective is to strengthen the financial and operational management of the National Health Insurance Scheme.

Progress toward achieving development objective(s):

The project has made progress primarily through policy activities to promote the Scheme's financial management. Examples of progress are as follows: The NHIS has introduced a uniform tariff structure including a Disease-Related Groups (DRG) case mix provider payment mechanism. The uniform tariff structure will ease some of the administrative problems resulting from the multiple fee structures faced during the early implementation phase. The introductions of the DRGs are part of an effort to control costs from unnecessary utilization while paying providers for performance. The NHIS has also developed a research team with an internal actuary to better monitor and analyze the financial sustainability of the NHIS, particularly in the face of policy pressure to introduce reforms that are potentially destabilizing for the NHIS's actuarial balance. Also, the NHIS is in the process of piloting their ICT Network to improve claims administration. Needs assessments for training activities and the technical tools for the provider-scheme interface are being developed. The training activities are planned to start over the next year.

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

Loan/Credit/Grant	Status	Amount	Disbursed	Undisbursed	Cancellation
IDA-43450	Effective	15.82	1.50	14.32	0.00



Project Name (ID): GH-Agriculture DPL (P102675)

Country: Ghana

Board Approval Date: 06/03/2008

Closing Date: 06/30/2009

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: IDA-44250, TF-57877

Sector(s): General agriculture, fishing and forestry sector (29%), Agricultural marketing and trade (29%), Agricultural extension and research (14%), Irrigation and drainage (14%), Animal production (14%)

Theme(s): Rural services and infrastructure (P), Rural policies and institutions (S), Other rural development (S), Nutrition and food security (S), Participation and civic engagement (S)

Project Development Objectives:

The development objectives of the proposed operation are to increase the contribution of agriculture to growth and poverty reduction while improving the management of soil and water resources.

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)

Loan/Credit/Grant	Status	Amount	Disbursed	Undisbursed	Cancellation
IDA-44250	Effective	24.96	0.00	24.96	0.00
TF-57877	Closed	0.52	0.40	0.12	0.00

Project Name (ID): GH-Environmental Governance (FY07) (P102971)

Country: Ghana

Board Approval Date: 06/03/2008

Closing Date: 06/30/2009

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: TF-90632, IDA-44260

Sector(s): Forestry (29%), Mining and other extractive (29%), Other social services (14%), General transportation sector (14%), General energy sector (14%)

Theme(s): Environmental policies and institutions (P), Other environment and natural resources management (S)

Project Development Objectives:

The objectives of the Development Policy Operation (DPO) are to: (a) ensure predictable and sustainable financing of the forest and wildlife sectors and effective forest law enforcement, (b) improve mining sector revenue collection, management and transparency, (c) address social issues in forest and mining communities, and d) integrate environmental considerations into the country's growth strategies.

Progress toward achieving development objective(s):

The project became effective in the latter part of the reporting period and was still too early a stage for meaningful progress.

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

Loan/Credit/Grant	Status	Amount	Disbursed	Undisbursed	Cancellation
TF-90632	Effective	0.60	0.21	0.39	0.00
IDA-44260	Effective	19.75	0.00	19.75	0.00



Project Name (ID): GH-Nut. & Malaria Ctrl Child Surv (FY08) (P105092)

Country: Ghana

Board Approval Date: 07/03/2007

Closing Date: 03/31/2012

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: IDA-43460

Sector(s): Health (75%), Sub-national government administration (15%), Central government administration (10%)

Theme(s): Nutrition and food security (P), Child health (P), Other communicable diseases (P), Health system performance (S)

Project Development Objectives:

The objective is to improve the utilization of selected community-based health and nutrition services for children under the age of two and pregnant women in the selected districts.

Progress toward achieving development objective(s):

The project is still in too early a stage to measure meaningful progress toward achieving the objective. The implementation strategy changed to begin interventions in 19 districts in the Northern, Upper East and Upper West regions, which were severely affected by floods in September 2007 which resulted in communities being cut off from service delivery points. The goal of this intervention was to avoid deterioration in the health status of the most vulnerable populations e.g. children and pregnant women. This proved challenging, in part due to delays in getting the target communities ready for community based services. The distribution of 700,000 bed nets is ongoing and the Ministry of Health and Ghana Health Service are preparing to start selected community-based health and nutrition services in target communities.

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

Loan/Credit/Grant	Status	Amount	Disbursed	Undisbursed	Cancellation
IDA-43460	Effective	26.44	5.32	21.06	0.00

