

STATUS OF PROJECTS IN EXECUTION–FY08

AFRICA REGION

COUNTRY: MALAWI

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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): MW-Infrastr Srvcs SIM (P057761)

Country: Malawi

Board Approval Date: 06/27/2006

Closing Date: 11/30/2011

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: IDA-H2420, IDA-Q4590, IDA-Q4591, TF-52611

Sector(s): Roads and highways (45%), General water, sanitation and flood protection sector (28%), Power (13%), General public administration sector (9%), Telecommunications (5%)

Theme(s): Infrastructure services for private sector development (P), Rural services and infrastructure (P), Other urban development (S), Decentralization (S), Other financial and private sector development (S)

Project Development Objectives:

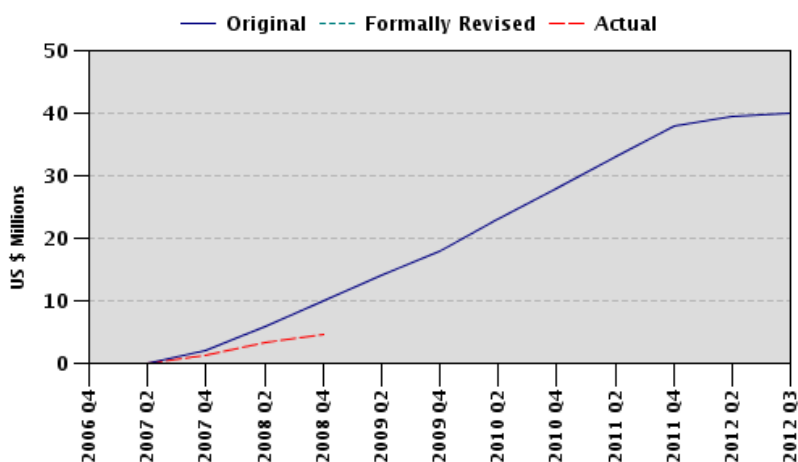
The objectives are to improve household welfare and strengthen economic growth in market centers and surrounding rural areas through the provision of core infrastructure services.

Progress toward achieving development objective(s):

Progress towards achieving the development objectives has been slow due to delays in the works contracts for the electricity, roads and water sectors, however, the pace of project implementation has begun to pick up. Further efforts to improve coordination and project management are required to ensure sustained progress and achieve the intended development objectives.

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

Loan/Credit/Grant	Status	Amount	Disbursed	Undisbursed	Cancellation
IDA-H2420	Effective	43.29	4.47	38.78	0.00
IDA-Q4590	Closed	0.60	0.00	0.00	0.60
IDA-Q4591	Closed	1.00	0.00	0.00	1.00
TF-52611	Closed	0.09	0.00	0.00	0.09



Project Name (ID): MW-Edu Sec Supt SIL 1 (FY05) (P070823)

Country: Malawi

Board Approval Date: 05/03/2005

Midterm Review Date: 11/19/2007

Closing Date: 09/15/2010

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: TF-26408, IDA-H1590

Sector(s): General public administration sector (45%), Tertiary education (38%), Secondary education (13%), Primary education (2%), Health (2%)

Theme(s): Education for all (P), Child health (S), Nutrition and food security (S), Decentralization (S)

Project Development Objectives:

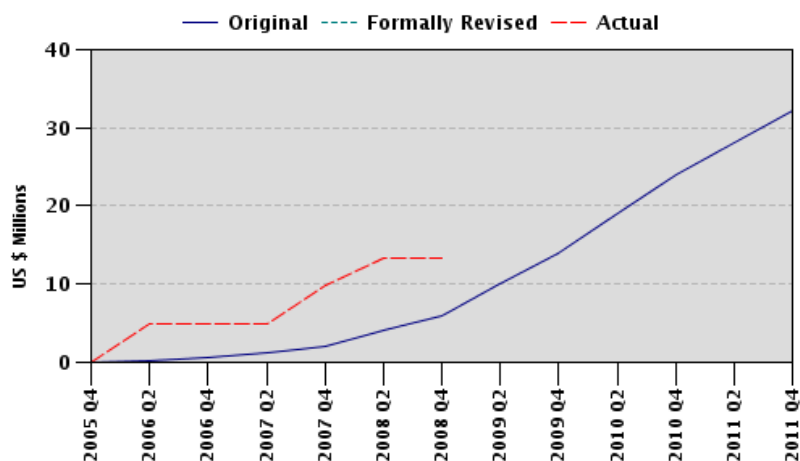
The objective is to improve the education quality by improving the conditions and processes of teaching and learning at the school level, and the capacity for education service delivery across the education system.

Progress toward achieving development objective(s):

Implementation of activities is progressing well towards achieving the project's development objective. Progress has been made on all components. The Direct Support to School Program has surpassed its initial targets. As a result of the successful implementation of this activity, the Department for International Development has decided to continue the financing of this component at the national level. The school construction/rehabilitation program is in full implementation. Four selected secondary schools and four colleges are in the process of being contracted or are already advanced with their construction/rehabilitation activities. Three colleges have received resource materials to improve their teaching and graduating personnel from a college of education will soon begin to receive reference books. Four selected secondary schools received laboratory equipment and supplies to support teaching activities.

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

Loan/Credit/Grant	Status	Amount	Disbursed	Undisbursed	Cancellation
TF-26408	Closed	0.60	0.19	0.00	0.41
IDA-H1590	Effective	35.47	13.40	20.97	0.00



Project Name (ID): MW-Multi-sectoral AIDS - MAP (FY04) (P073821)

Country: Malawi

Board Approval Date: 07/29/2003

Midterm Review Date: 10/03/2006

Closing Date: 12/31/2008

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: IDA-H0620, TF-51636

Sector(s): Central government administration (47%), Other social services (38%), Health (10%), Sub-national government administration (5%)

Theme(s): HIV/AIDS (P), Social risk mitigation (P), Population and reproductive health (S), Participation and civic engagement (S), Poverty strategy, analysis and monitoring (S)

Project Development Objectives:

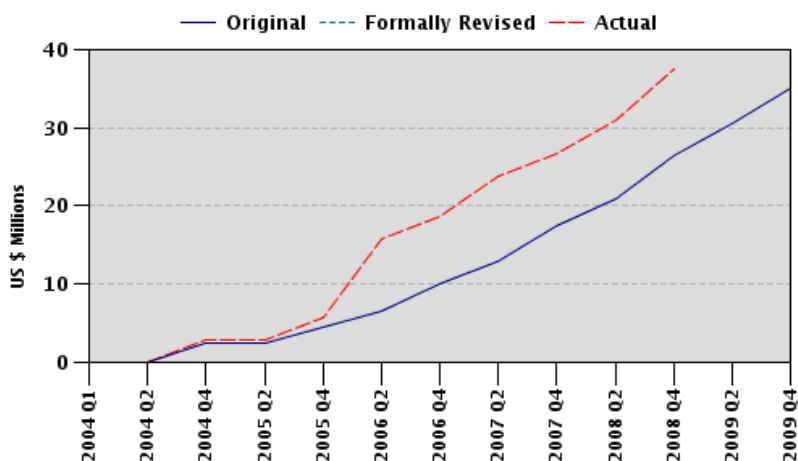
The objectives are to: (i) reduce the transmission of HIV; (ii) improve the quality of life of those infected and affected by AIDS; and (iii) mitigate the impact of HIV/AIDS in society.

Progress toward achieving development objective(s):

The performance of the project, as measured by flow of funds towards key activities and proportion of agreed work program completed, continues to improve. The National AIDS Treatment program is performing particularly well, both in terms of coverage and awareness. As of end-2007, 146,856 individuals have received ARV treatment. With respect to testing, 738,438 individuals were tested as of end-2007. However, limited progress has been made with respect to plans regarding decentralization, so far the emphasis has been on central-level activities; the effectiveness of umbrella organizations for district-level capacity enhancement remains uneven. As a result, a new decentralization strategy for districts, focusing on the role of District Assemblies, has been developed. The Ministry of Health remains the strongest implementation partner in the national response. The Pooled financing partners have developed an M&E technical assistance plan to strengthen monitoring and evaluation.

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

Loan/Credit/Grant	Status	Amount	Disbursed	Undisbursed	Cancellation
IDA-H0620	Effective	41.52	37.46	0.74	0.00
TF-51636	Closed	0.07	0.01	0.00	0.06



Project Name (ID): MW-Com Based Rural Land Dev (FY04) (P075247)

Country: Malawi

Board Approval Date: 04/13/2004

Midterm Review Date: 03/28/2005

Closing Date: 06/30/2009

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: IDA-Q3180, IDA-H0810, IDA-Q3181

Sector(s): General agriculture, fishing and forestry sector (89%), Sub-national government administration (6%), Central government administration (5%)

Theme(s): Land administration and management (P), Rural markets (P), Participation and civic engagement (S), Decentralization (S)

Project Development Objectives:

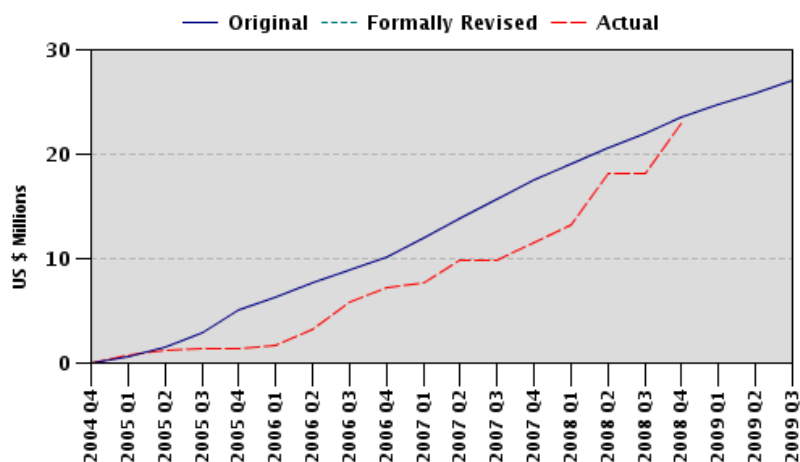
The objective is to increase the incomes of about 15,000 poor rural families by implementing a decentralized community-based approach to land acquisition and farm development in four districts.

Progress toward achieving development objective(s):

About 8,266 households have been resettled on 18,661 ha by April 2008, with an additional 4,000 households expected to be relocated by the end of 2008. Households have recorded significant improvements in their livelihoods by growing and harvesting more crops than previously - most of them harvested 2 tons each compared to an annual average of 0.02 tons before project. Many are able to sell their surplus crops and realize increased incomes. Surrounding communities have also benefited by supplying casual labor and sale of various goods and services to the new settlers, while new or expanded social infrastructure, such as schools, health facilities and water points, have been established to serve both the new settlers and the existing communities. However, the target of increasing incomes of 15,000 beneficiaries is unlikely to be achieved unless the project is scaled up to two additional districts of Ntcheu and Balaka and additional resources allocated.

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

Loan/Credit/Grant	Status	Amount	Disbursed	Undisbursed	Cancellation
IDA-Q3180	Closed	0.58	0.00	0.00	0.58
IDA-H0810	Effective	29.35	22.89	4.95	0.00
IDA-Q3181	Closed	0.28	0.00	0.28	0.00



Project Name (ID): MW-Fin Mgmt, Transpar & Account (FY03) (P078408)

Country: Malawi

Board Approval Date: 03/06/2003

Midterm Review Date: 03/31/2008

Closing Date: 09/01/2009

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: TF-90947, IDA-37340, IDA-3734A, IDA-Q2960

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

Theme(s): Public expenditure, financial management and procurement (P), Administrative and civil service reform (S), Other public sector governance (S), Poverty strategy, analysis and monitoring (S)

Project Development Objectives:

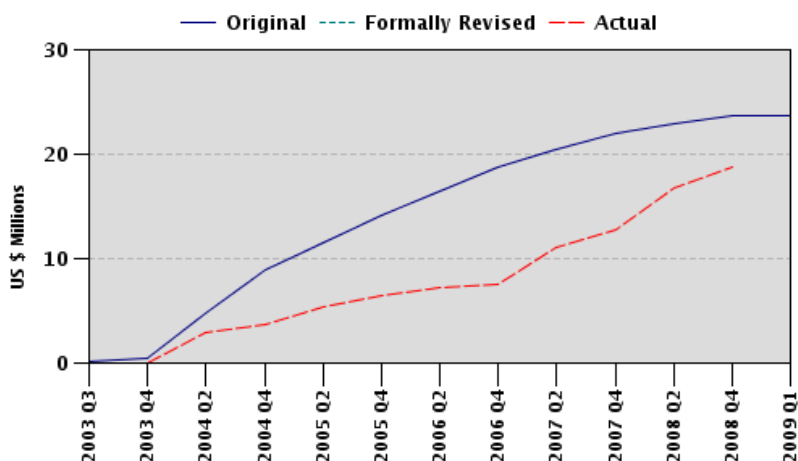
The objective of the project is to: improve civil service and public expenditure management for better allocation and utilization of public resources.

Progress toward achieving development objective(s):

Progress towards meeting the development objective is good. Annual performance reviews are now carried out for all public servants under contract. Personnel audits of all ministries have been completed and an associated review of the payroll system has commenced. Almost 1700 staff have been trained in financial and public management skills to date. A Debt and Aid Report is compiled and published every 6 months. Procurement has commenced for regional IT network links to Lilongwe. 12 ministries now have effective internal audit committees overseeing about 60% of public expenditures. Over 900 staff have received procurement training. The small retrenchment exercise is not completed and may be dropped.

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

Loan/Credit/Grant	Status	Amount	Disbursed	Undisbursed	Cancellation
TF-90947	Effective	1.59	0.30	1.29	0.00
IDA-37340	Effective	25.13	15.81	8.17	0.00
IDA-3734A	Closed	3.29	3.03	0.00	0.00
IDA-Q2960	Closed	0.60	0.00	0.00	0.60



Project Name (ID): MW-Health Sec Supt SIM (FY05) (P083401)

Country: Malawi

Board Approval Date: 12/14/2004

Midterm Review Date: 08/13/2007

Closing Date: 09/15/2008

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: IDA-H1380, IDA-H2480

Sector(s): Health (80%), Central government administration (10%), Sub-national government administration (10%)

Theme(s): Health system performance (P), Rural services and infrastructure (S), Decentralization (S)

Project Development Objectives:

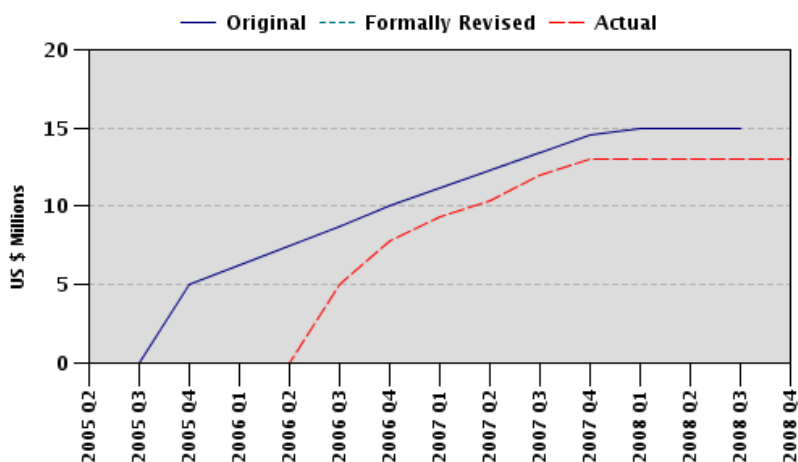
The objective is to improve the effectiveness, efficiency and equity of the essential health care delivery system.

Progress toward achieving development objective(s):

The Health SWAp made only limited progress during the past year mainly due to visible weakening in implementation progress - particularly on fiduciary oversight and planning. Major joint sector reviews by all development partners in the middle of the year identified a range of potential solutions to a number of challenges. These concerned issues surrounding procurement including: (a) the functioning of the Central Medical Stores and recurrent health facility level drug stock-outs; (b) limited progress on health human resources despite substantial earmarked donor funding; and (c) challenges on monitoring and evaluation. The Bank will provide technical support to a crucial upcoming health facility assessment, which will enable greater focus on the quality of, and reporting pathway for district-level data. Bank support has enabled a stronger focus on program management and strengthened the fiduciary controls in the SWAp. There has been modest progress in terms of human resource management and very modest progress with respect to maternal and neonatal health over the past year. Conversely, significant progress continued in selected specific areas including AIDS treatment, malaria control, and infrastructure rehabilitation.

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

Loan/Credit/Grant	Status	Amount	Disbursed	Undisbursed	Cancellation
IDA-H1380	Effective	16.53	12.09	3.10	0.00
IDA-H2480	Effective	5.76	0.87	4.82	0.00



Project Name (ID): MW-Irrig, Rural Lvlhds & Agr SIL (FY06) (P084148)

Country: Malawi

Board Approval Date: 11/29/2005

Closing Date: 06/30/2012

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: IDA-Q4440, IDA-H1900, COFN-4560

Sector(s): General agriculture, fishing and forestry sector (35%), Irrigation and drainage (30%), Agricultural extension and research (20%), Sub-national government administration (10%), Central government administration (5%)

Theme(s): Rural policies and institutions (P), Rural services and infrastructure (P), Water resource management (S), Other rural development (S)

Project Development Objectives:

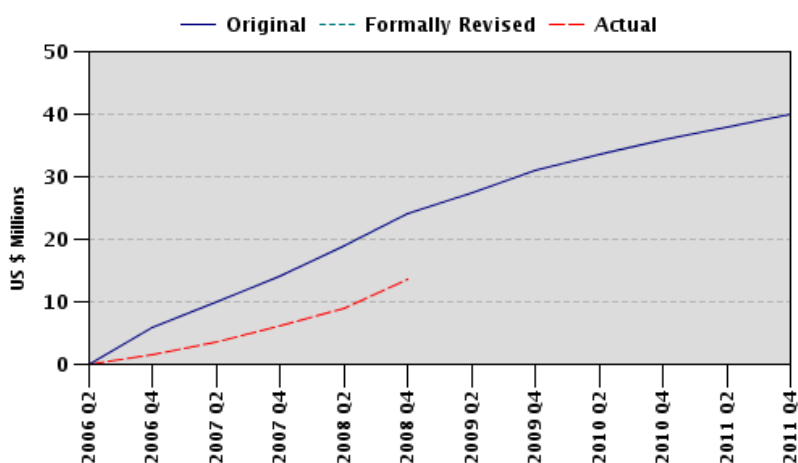
The project development objectives are to: (i) raise agricultural productivity and net incomes of about 0.19 million poor rural households in 11 target districts of Malawi in a sustainable manner by providing an integrated package of support covering irrigation, agricultural/irrigation advisory services, marketing and post-harvest support; and (ii) strengthen recipient institutional capacity for long-term irrigation development.

Progress toward achieving development objective(s):

The project continues to make satisfactory progress towards its development objectives. To date, about 118,800 farm households have benefited, about 60% of the project target of 196,550 households. Much of the benefits have been in rural asset creation (water harvesting structures and other small irrigation works, soil conservation, farm inputs, etc.) as well as strengthened farmer and district technical and organizational capacity.

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

Loan/Credit/Grant	Status	Amount	Disbursed	Undisbursed	Cancellation
IDA-Q4440	Closed	0.60	0.00	0.00	0.60
IDA-H1900	Effective	43.85	13.54	29.97	0.00
COFN-4560	Effective	8.74	2.96	5.71	0.00



Project Name (ID): MW-Sec Natl Water Dev Project SIL (FY07) (P096336)

Country: Malawi

Board Approval Date: 05/24/2007

Closing Date: 10/31/2012

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: IDA-43070, IDA-H2940, IDA-Q5410, IDA-Q5411, TF-56566

Sector(s): Water supply (37%), Central government administration (37%), Sanitation (24%), Other social services (1%), Sub-national government administration (1%)

Theme(s): Rural services and infrastructure (P), Water resource management (P), Access to urban services and housing (P), Other human development (S)

Project Development Objectives:

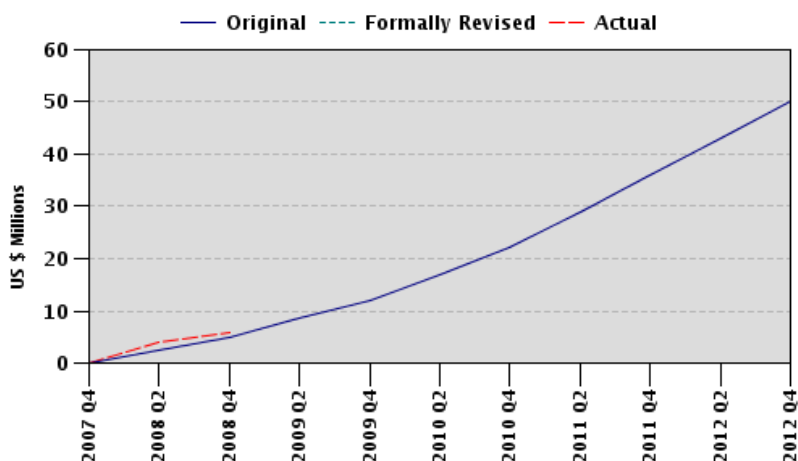
The objectives are to increase access to sustainable water supply and sanitation services to people living in cities, towns, market centers and villages, and to improve water resources management at the national level.

Progress toward achieving development objective(s):

The project became effective in the latter part of the reporting period and was 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-43070	Effective	29.09	0.00	29.09	0.00
IDA-H2940	Effective	24.16	5.69	18.33	0.00
IDA-Q5410	Closed	0.90	0.00	0.00	0.90
IDA-Q5411	Closed	0.45	0.00	0.00	0.45
TF-56566	Closed	1.00	0.00	0.00	1.00



Project Name (ID): MW-Bus. Env. Strengthening SIL (FY07) (P103773)

Country: Malawi

Board Approval Date: 05/24/2007

Closing Date: 12/31/2012

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: IDA-H2930

Sector(s): Central government administration (58%), General industry and trade sector (25%), Law and justice (8%), Banking (5%), Micro- and SME finance (4%)

Theme(s): Regulation and competition policy (P), Small and medium enterprise support (P), Other financial and private sector development (P), Export development and competitiveness (S), Legal institutions for a market economy (S)

Project Development Objectives:

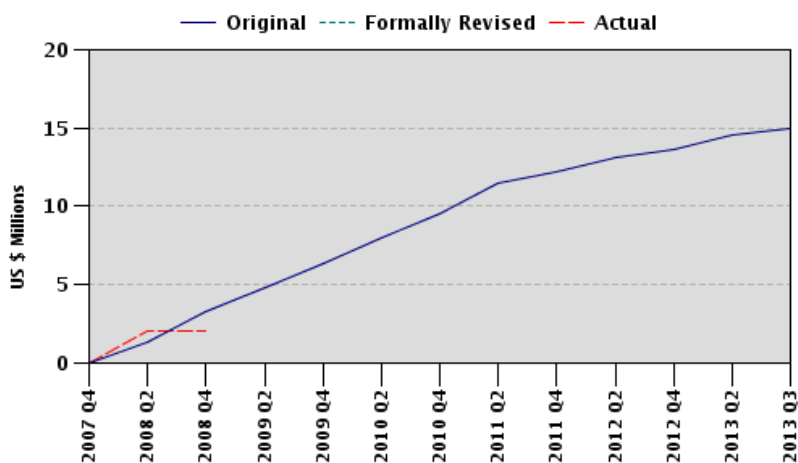
The project's objective is to support capacity development and investment climate reforms in order to accelerate economic growth.

Progress toward achieving development objective(s):

Implementation of activities is progressing well towards achieving the development objectives. The new commercial courts continue to make progress in registering and hearing cases. Training of judges and other court officers is also progressing well. Refurbishment of the courts is complete. The Business Growth Scheme is attracting much interest from small businesses and has started disbursing to eligible clients. The Government and the Project Implementation Unit staff are working together in the fiduciary functions with the hope of transferring skills by the end of two years.

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

Loan/Credit/Grant	Status	Amount	Disbursed	Undisbursed	Cancellation
IDA-H2930	Effective	15.80	1.88	13.93	0.00



Project Name (ID): MW-Ag Sector Development SIL (FY08) (P105256)

Country: Malawi

Board Approval Date: 06/24/2008

Closing Date: 09/15/2013

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: TF-90305, IDA-44760

Sector(s): Crops (48%), Central government administration (28%), General agriculture, fishing and forestry sector (10%), Agricultural extension and research (10%), Sub-national government administration (4%)

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

Project Development Objectives:

The development objective of the Agriculture Development Program Support Project is to improve the effectiveness of investments aimed at food security and sustainable agricultural growth.

Progress toward achieving development objective(s):

The project is not yet effective.

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

Loan/Credit/Grant	Status	Amount	Disbursed	Undisbursed	Cancellation
TF-90305	Closed	0.68	0.56	0.12	0.00
IDA-44760	Not Effective	31.58	0.00	31.58	0.00

Project Name (ID): MW-3rd Social Action Fund APL II (FY08) (P110446)

Country: Malawi

Board Approval Date: 06/20/2008

Closing Date: 09/30/2013

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: IDA-44830

Sector(s): Other social services (46%), General education sector (30%), Central government administration (11%), General agriculture, fishing and forestry sector (10%), Sub-national government administration (3%)

Theme(s): Social safety nets (P), Participation and civic engagement (P), Other public sector governance (S), Decentralization (S)

Project Development Objectives:

The long-term objective of the sectoral program (which is being supported by the World Bank, among others), as stated in the Program of Work (PoW), is to establish - through a health sector-wide approach - a health delivery system responsive to the needs of the people of Malawi, by improving the effectiveness and efficiency of health services, and providing a minimum package of essential health services - the EHP - targeted at the poor, women and children. The GOM's program does not envisage a radical reform of the sector (although it has elements of reform). Instead, the focus of the EHP will be on increasing the efficiency, quality and equity of health services in Malawi.

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-44830	Not Effective	49.66	0.00	49.66	0.00

