

STATUS OF PROJECTS IN EXECUTION – FY08

EAST ASIA AND PACIFIC REGION

COUNTRY: SAMOA

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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): WS-INFRA ASSET MGMT APL2 (P075523)

Country: Samoa

Board Approval Date: 12/29/2003

Midterm Review Date: 11/17/2007

Closing Date: 06/30/2010

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: TF-50506, IDA-38480, IDA-38481, IDA-H3110

Sector(s): Roads and highways (74%), Central government administration (18%), Flood protection (8%)

Theme(s): Natural disaster management (P), Rural services and infrastructure (P), Administrative and civil service reform (P), Environmental policies and institutions (S), Land administration and management (S)

Project Development Objectives:

Key infrastructure assets are sustainable and managed effectively by a partnership of stakeholders.

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

The additional financing in the amount of SDR 5.424 million (US\$ 8.27 million equivalent) was approved on June 19, 2007 to cover the scaled-up activities to enhance the impact of project works.

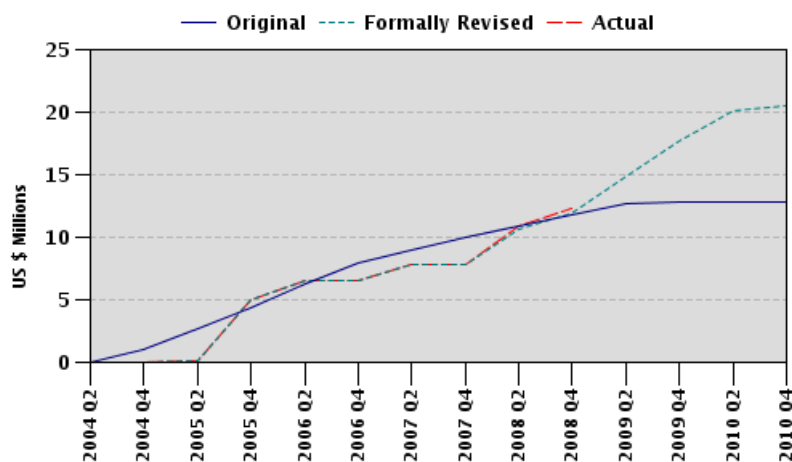
Progress toward achieving development objective(s):

Progress in original project is satisfactory but there are some start-up delays in the additional financing. These are being addressed and the pace of implementation is expected to improve over the next semester.

The original project component is progressing satisfactorily toward its development objectives. For the additional financing component, the Government has addressed the issues which caused some delays and the pace of implementation is expected to improve over the next semester.

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

Loan/Credit/Grant	Status	Amount	Disbursed	Undisbursed	Cancellation
TF-50506	Closed	0.48	0.45	0.00	0.02
IDA-38480	Effective	14.55	12.35	1.37	0.00
IDA-38481	Effective	4.40	0.00	4.40	0.00
IDA-H3110	Effective	4.28	0.00	4.28	0.00



Project Name (ID): Samoa - Telecommunications & Post Reform (P075739)

Country: Samoa

Board Approval Date: 12/17/2002

Midterm Review Date: 10/24/2005

Closing Date: 10/15/2009

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: IDA-37240

Sector(s): Telecommunications (50%), Postal services (40%), Law and justice (10%)

Theme(s): Regulation and competition policy (P), Rural services and infrastructure (S), Other financial and private sector development (S)

Project Development Objectives:

The Project Development Objective is to assist the Government of Samoa (GOES) in implementing a comprehensive reform of the telecommunications and postal sectors. This reform focuses on: (a) introducing competition and private participation in telecommunications and postal sectors; (b) advancing regulatory reform, and developing sector institutional capacity; and (c) extending access to basic communications, postal services, and information technologies.

Progress toward achieving development objective(s):

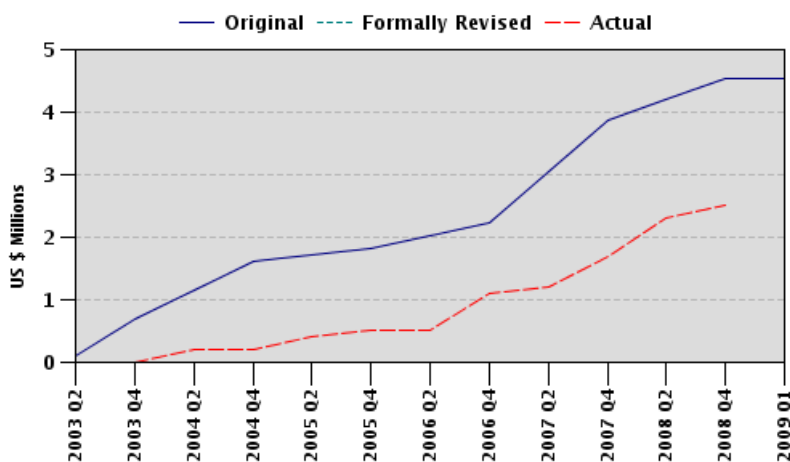
Overall project implementation has been extremely slow, but the Cabinet's recent decision to proceed with the privatization of SamoaTel and hire Transaction Advisors has commenced.

The telecommunications market is maturing and the demand for basic telephony is being satisfactorily addressed in most parts of the country. The demand for data services remains under-served for several reasons.

The Telecommunications/ICT policy is also evolving and key issues are currently under discussion which include the universal access policy/approaches; the extent of the Government's future operational role in the sector; the upcoming full liberalization of the international gateway; and international/regional connectivity options.

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

Loan/Credit/Grant	Status	Amount	Disbursed	Undisbursed	Cancellation
IDA-37240	Effective	5.56	2.54	2.80	0.00



Project Name (ID): WS-2ND HEALTH SECTOR MANAGEMENT (P086313)

Country: Samoa

Board Approval Date: 06/19/2008

Closing Date: 12/31/2013

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: TF-90307, IDA-44320

Sector(s): Health (75%), Central government administration (25%)

Theme(s): Health system performance (P), Injuries and non-communicable diseases (S), Child health (S), Population and reproductive health (S), Other communicable diseases (S)

Project Development Objectives:

The development objective of the Project is to improve the effectiveness of the Government of Samoa in managing and implementing the Program based on the results from sector performance monitoring.

Progress toward achieving development objective(s):

The Project was not declared 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
TF-90307	Effective	0.50	0.26	0.24	0.00
IDA-44320	Not Effective	3.08	0.00	3.08	0.00

