

STATUS OF PROJECTS IN EXECUTION – FY08

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COUNTRY: UZBEKISTAN

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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): DRAINAGE, IRRIG & WETLANDS IMPRVMT (P009127)

Country: Uzbekistan

Board Approval Date: 06/19/2003

Midterm Review Date: 11/05/2007

Closing Date: 06/30/2010

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: IDA-37960, IBRD-47070, IBRD-P3750, IDA-Q3590, TF-57070, TF-29131

Sector(s): Irrigation and drainage (96%), General public administration sector (4%)

Theme(s): Water resource management (P), Rural services and infrastructure (P), Land administration and management (S), Participation and civic engagement (S), Pollution management and environmental health (S)

Project Development Objectives:

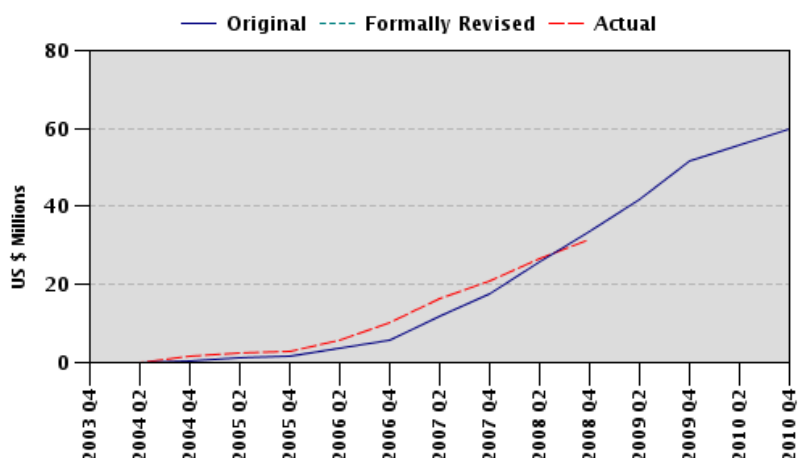
The development objectives of the project are to: (a) increase the productivity of irrigated agriculture, employment and incomes in Karakalpakstan, one of the poorest regions in Central Asia; (b) to improve water quality of the Amu Darya river by safe disposal of the drainage effluent, and enhance quality of wetlands in the Amu Darya delta; and (c) develop the institutions for improving water management, operation and maintenance of the irrigation and drainage systems, and for promoting sustainable irrigated agriculture through participatory irrigation management.

Progress toward achieving development objective(s):

Project implementation is now at its midpoint and the results to date confirm that the project is on target to meet the development objectives. Works on the Main Drain are nearly complete and drainage water is now flowing out of the project area for safe discharge. This impact is combined with reported lowering of the ground water table in most of the project areas. The farmers are enthusiastic with the training and observing impacts of demonstration plots which produce enhancements in unit area yields with modern agronomical practices. Moreover, the environmental works including enhancement of a number of wetlands and lakes and rehabilitation of Badai Tugai forest reserve is nearing completion which will produce the intended environmental benefits.

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

Loan/Credit/Grant	Status	Amount	Disbursed	Undisbursed	Cancellation
IDA-37960	Effective	29.99	16.06	12.61	0.00
IBRD-47070	Effective	35.00	14.55	20.45	0.00
IBRD-P3750	Closed	1.00	0.00	0.00	1.00
IDA-Q3590	Closed	0.30	0.00	0.00	0.30
TF-57070	Effective	1.98	0.10	1.89	0.00
TF-29131	Closed	0.89	0.87	0.00	0.00



Project Name (ID): BUKHARA/SAMARKAND WS (P049621)

Country: Uzbekistan

Board Approval Date: 03/19/2002

Midterm Review Date: 10/20/2006

Closing Date: 06/30/2009

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: TF-54224, TF-25362, IDA-36200, IBRD-46550

Sector(s): Water supply (100%)

Theme(s): Access to urban services and housing (P), Other financial and private sector development (S)

Project Development Objectives:

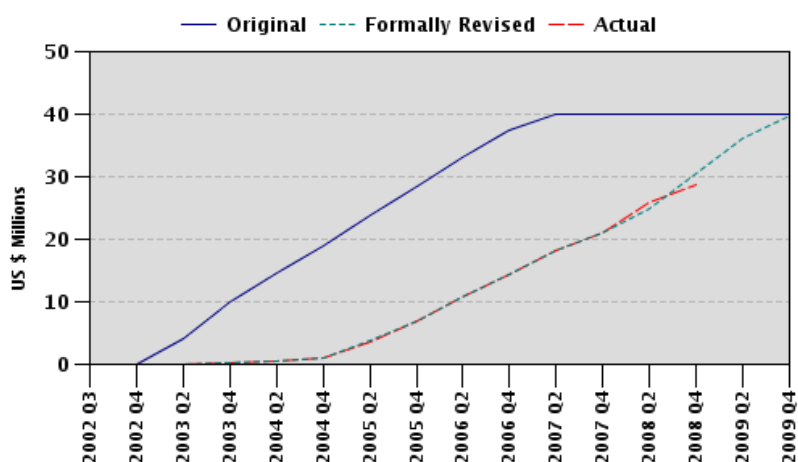
The objective is to improve the safety, quality, reliability, efficiency, financial viability and sustainability of the water supply services in Bukhara and Samarkand.

Progress toward achieving development objective(s):

The two sub-projects (Bukhara and Samarkand) show an improving trend towards meeting the project development objectives. Achievements in this regard include: (a) water safety and quality improvements evidenced through the chlorine residual sample tests being met in both Bukhara and Samarkand; (b) improvements in reliability of service, with 87% of the population in Bukhara and 48% in Samarkand, having 24-hour service throughout the reporting period; (c) energy efficiency improvements in Bukhara which has reduced its energy consumption per cubic meter by 42%, surpassing by far the contractual reduction. In contrast, energy consumption per cubic meter has risen by 12% in Samarkand. In addition; Bukhara has regularized 90% of all illegal or unregistered connections while Samarkand has regularized 70%; and non-revenue water has been reduced to 26% in Bukhara while the corresponding figure for Samarkand is 40%. The financial working ratio has been reduced from 0.95 in 2006 to 0.82 in 2007 for Bukhara and from 1.38 in 2006 to 1.00 in 2007 for Samarkand. Bukhara has incorporated 91% of customers in its new commercial data base while Samarkand has incorporated 68%. However, implementation has been slower than expected due to the slow progress in the detailed design of civil works. Bukhara and Samarkand are working hard to conclude all contracts by the scheduled closing date of June 30, 2009.

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

Loan/Credit/Grant	Status	Amount	Disbursed	Undisbursed	Cancellation
TF-54224	Effective	1.69	1.31	0.38	0.00
TF-25362	Closed	0.60	0.39	0.00	0.21
IDA-36200	Effective	24.96	16.43	7.68	0.17
IBRD-46550	Effective	20.00	12.36	7.64	0.00



Project Name (ID): HEALTH 2 (P051370)

Country: Uzbekistan

Board Approval Date: 09/09/2004

Midterm Review Date: 10/31/2007

Closing Date: 06/30/2010

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: IDA-39790, IDA-H1240, TF-51900, TF-54236, TF-54237

Sector(s): Health (98%), Compulsory health finance (2%)

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

Project Development Objectives:

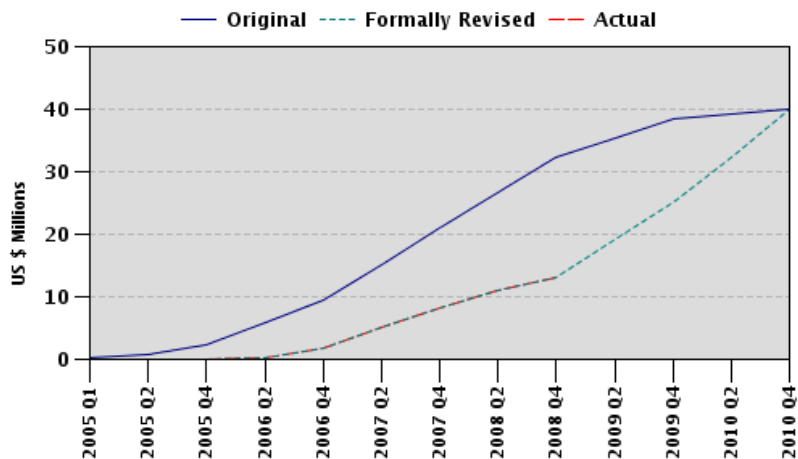
The objective is to improve the quality and overall cost-effectiveness of health care services in Uzbekistan.

Progress toward achieving development objective(s):

There is substantial progress on meeting the project development objective. In terms of the completion of the primary care program in designated regions and institutionalization of general practitioners nationally, progress is as follows. The proportion of women receiving antenatal care has been maintained at 99 percent; completion rates for immunization have increased from 85 to 96.8 percent; the number of urban polyclinics transitioned to general practice has increased from zero to 28, 18 more than planned; and the proportion of rural clinics staffed with fully-trained General Practitioners has increased from 23.7 to 32.3 percent. Primary health care visits per capita per year has increased from 8.5 to 8.7 between 2005 and 2006, up from only 6.7 in 1998. Self-reporting by facilities suggests that stocks of basic pharmaceuticals are adequate. Per capita financing is being rolled out and is expected to be completed by end 2008. Hospital financing reforms are being initiated while awaiting Cabinet of Ministers' approval of the new system. These interventions have improved accountability and financial management, but resources for primary care and especially for non-salary expenditures still remain low.

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

Loan/Credit/Grant	Status	Amount	Disbursed	Undisbursed	Cancellation
IDA-39790	Effective	42.54	12.82	29.20	0.00
IDA-H1240	Effective	0.64	0.13	0.50	0.00
TF-51900	Closed	0.49	0.45	0.00	0.05
TF-54236	Effective	0.57	0.57	0.00	0.00
TF-54237	Effective	2.25	2.17	0.08	0.00



Project Name (ID): BASIC EDUC (P094042)

Country: Uzbekistan

Board Approval Date: 10/26/2006

Closing Date: 12/31/2009

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: IDA-42400

Sector(s): Primary education (35%), Secondary education (35%), Pre-primary education (25%), General public administration sector (5%)

Theme(s): Education for all (P), Decentralization (S), Participation and civic engagement (S), Rural services and infrastructure (S)

Project Development Objectives:

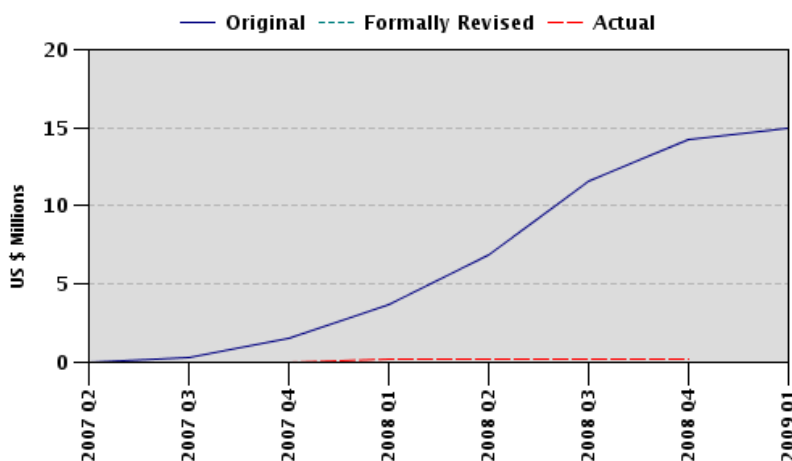
The objective is to improve learning conditions in pre-school and the first four grades of general secondary education.

Progress toward achieving development objective(s):

Due to delays in the project, it is not possible to report on concrete achievements towards the development objective. However, commitment to the goals of the project remain high and the project is expected to speed up implementation significantly in 2008 based on ongoing work in the Ministry of Education, thereby helping to achieve the development objectives of improved learning conditions in preschools and grades 1 to 4. The project was extended for 18 months in order for the implementation of planned activities to be completed.

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

Loan/Credit/Grant	Status	Amount	Disbursed	Undisbursed	Cancellation
IDA-42400	Effective	16.39	0.20	16.18	0.00



Project Name (ID): RURAL ENTERPRISE SUPPORT PROJECT II (P109126)

Country: Uzbekistan

Board Approval Date: 06/12/2008

Closing Date: 03/31/2015

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: IDA-44330

Sector(s): Irrigation and drainage (42%), Agro-industry (25%), General agriculture, fishing and forestry sector (25%), Central government administration (6%), Agricultural extension and research (2%)

Theme(s): Rural services and infrastructure (P), Rural markets (P), Rural policies and institutions (S), Small and medium enterprise support (S)

Project Development Objectives:

The project development objective is to increase the productivity and financial and environmental sustainability of agriculture and the profitability of agribusiness in the project area.

Progress toward achieving development objective(s):

The project was not yet 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-44330	Not Effective	66.62	0.00	66.62	0.00

