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PROJECTS IN EXECUTION
MIDDLE EAST AND NORTH AFRICA REGION**

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I. INTRODUCTION

The Status of Projects in Execution (SOPE) Report for FY02 provides information on all IBRD/IDA projects that were active on and beyond June 30, 2002. Thus it bridges the gap in information available to the public between the Project Appraisal Document, disclosed after the Bank approves a project, and the Implementation Completion Report, disclosed after the project closes.

The World Bank has issued a SOPE Report every year as an internal communication to the Board of Executive Directors. Now, in accordance with the Bank's revised disclosure policy, the SOPE Report is also available to the public. By publishing this improved report, we have addressed one of the main concerns we heard from the public during disclosure consultations – that the public has very little access to information on projects while they are being implemented. Readers familiar with past reports will note that projects that closed during the fiscal year are no longer included in the SOPE, since their Implementation Completion Reports are now also disclosed.

The transition from a one-dimensional, nonsearchable document to a more flexible, interactive, online one required extra development time and delayed issuance of the FY02 report beyond its normal timetable. After this inaugural issue, however, we expect to issue the report soon after the close of the fiscal year.

Data from the SOPE Report are being integrated into the comprehensive project database posted on the Bank's external website. When this work is finished, in the near future, users will be able to obtain more complete information than ever about ongoing projects.

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Region: MNA

Project Name (ID): Highways VI (P004907)

Country: Algeria

Board Approval Date: 01/31/1995

Signing Date: 03/07/1995

Effectiveness Date: 06/15/1995

Mid-Term Review Date: 07/22/1998

Closing Date: 12/31/2002

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 38390

Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 17.6

Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 112.4

Sector: Transport

Main Thematic Code: Infrastructure services for private sector develop

Implementing Agency: MIN. INFRASTRUCTURE

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): Security issues and severe economic crisis plagued the implementation of this project from 1995 through 1999. Since 2000, significant progress has been made, in particular as regards to physical components for which the work program was executed nearly in full, with the exception of the bridge rehabilitation component. Uncertainty remains for the institutional component, for which some objectives have been achieved while others only partially and, in some cases, outside the project. On the positive side, increased private competition for periodic maintenance of roads and higher awareness of road maintenance issues at the municipal level constitute significant project achievements. On the other side, project actions designed to regenerate the construction industry through liquidation and privatization still are to be implemented, as well as a most ambitious modernization program in all sectors of public administration at the ministry of public work

Project Name (ID): Industrial Pollution Control (P004960)

Country: Algeria

Board Approval Date: 06/11/1996

Signing Date: 06/19/1996

Effectiveness Date: 03/19/1997

Mid-Term Review Date: 10/22/2001

Closing Date: 06/30/2005

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 40340

Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 60.2

Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 17.8

Sector: Environment

Main Thematic Code: Pollution management and environmental health

Implementing Agency: MINISTRY OF INTERIOR & ENVIRONMENT

The project was restructured during 2002 (fiscal year): The environmental investments initially identified for the Iron and Steel Co. (SIDER) and the Fertilizer Co. (ASMIDAL) and partially achieved for the latter have been discontinued due to a change of status and the financial situation of these companies (privatization for the former and economic viability for the latter). The project is focusing now on the institutional and regulatory strengthening component to achieve the project's goals.

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): Progress has been good toward achieving the objectives. The major challenges are to complete deployment of and then properly manage the laboratory equipment purchased for environmental monitoring.

Project Changes: After restructuring a component was included to assist the Ministry of Environment in setting up a pilot Hazardous Waste Treatment Facility.

Project Name (ID): Water Supply And Sewerage (P004974)

Country: Algeria

Board Approval Date: 06/02/1994

Signing Date: 06/16/1994

Effectiveness Date: 01/10/1995

Mid-Term Review Date: 07/23/1998

Closing Date: 12/31/2003

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 37430

Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 50.6

Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 31.3

Sector: Water Supply and Sanitation

Main Thematic Code: Other urban development

Implementing Agency: MIN.OF EQUIPMENT

The project was restructured during 2002 (fiscal year): The revised objective of the project is to assist the borrower in improving water supply and sewerage services through a) rehabilitation of its urban water systems in Oran and in a pilot area of Algiers, b) preparation of studies for the rehabilitation of sewage treatment plants and c) rationalization of institutional arrangements and the improvement of cost recovery in the water sector by strengthening the operational and financial efficiency of the water authorities of Oran and Algiers.

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): Project implementation is lagging. It will be difficult to reach the objectives given the slow pace of the project and recently introduced institutional changes. Accumulated lags will not allow full implementation before scheduled closing.

Project Name (ID): Schistosomiasis Control (P005152)

Country: Egypt, Arab Republic of

Board Approval Date: 06/25/1992

Signing Date: 07/29/1992

Effectiveness Date: 06/15/1993

Mid-Term Review Date: 03/24/1997

Closing Date: 09/30/2002

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 24030

Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 8.3

Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 18.0

Sector: Health, Nutrition and Population

Main Thematic Code: Fighting communicable diseases

Implementing Agency: MINISTRY OF HEALTH

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The project is closed. The main operational objectives, extension of the National Schistosomiasis Control Program (NSCP) to the Delta and consolidation of the NSCP over the entire territory, were achieved. The number of people covered has increased to 35 million. Modifications have been introduced to ensure more sensitive and less costly screening, more efficient treatment, and more cost-effective control of transmission

through targeted (focal) snail control and environmental intervention. There are concerns related to the sustainability of these objectives, partly because of the fear that, as morbidity of the disease declines, political commitment for the program will decrease. The third objective, strengthening the capacity of the ECDC was achieved in terms of improved strategies, planning and decision making. The main aspect of this component was not achieved, however. Planned activities that were not carried out included management training courses, recruitment of a consultant to develop decision support systems to analyze the data collected from health facilities that would enable timely decisions and a decrease in time used for analyzing the data manually, purchase of computer hardware, software, communication networks and other office equipment in order to modernize the management systems for middle management including the use of emails. The technical capacity building has been limited due to the ministry's reluctance to use the project for technical assistance.

Project Name (ID): Matruh Resource Management (P005153)

Country: Egypt, Arab Republic of

Board Approval Date: 05/27/1993

Signing Date: 08/13/1993

Effectiveness Date: 02/02/1994

Mid-Term Review Date: 10/01/1997

Closing Date: 12/31/2002

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 25040

Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): .4

Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 21.0

Sector: Rural Sector

Main Thematic Code: Other environment and natural resources management

Implementing Agency: MIN. OF AG. & LAND

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The project is on track for achieving its development objectives

Procurement: Procurement is finished.

Project Name (ID): Basic Education Improvement (P005161)

Country: Egypt, Arab Republic of

Board Approval Date: 03/25/1993

Signing Date: 08/13/1993

Effectiveness Date: 03/18/1994

Mid-Term Review Date: 12/07/1997

Closing Date: 12/31/2003

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 24760

Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 7.5

Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 47.7

Sector: Education

Main Thematic Code: Education for all

Implementing Agency: MIN. OF EDUCATION

Project Description: The project aims at: (i) improving access through a program of school construction and maintenance

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): Nationwide enrollment has improved, the gender gap has shrunk, teacher training programs (both face-to-face and through distance learning) have improved and expanded to cover tens of thousands of teachers. EMIS upgrading and automation is near completion.

Project Name (ID): Population (P005163)
Country: Egypt, Arab Republic of
Board Approval Date: 03/21/1996
Signing Date: 07/01/1996
Effectiveness Date: 06/24/1998
Mid-Term Review Date: 06/01/2002
Closing Date: 12/31/2003
Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 28300
Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 12.2
Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 3.6
Sector: Health, Nutrition and Population
Main Thematic Code: Population and reproductive health
Implementing Agency: MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND POPULATION
Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The project has implemented activities in compliance with objectives. There were problems related to slow disbursement of funds, but these have been overcome.

Project Name (ID): Private Sector Tourism Infrastructure and Environmental Management (P005168)
Country: Egypt, Arab Republic of
Board Approval Date: 05/18/1993
Signing Date: 01/26/1993
Effectiveness Date: 04/30/1993
Mid-Term Review Date: 04/22/1998
Closing Date: 10/17/2002
Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 36050
Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 8.0
Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 62.5
Sector: Urban Development
Main Thematic Code: Infrastructure services for private sector develop
Implementing Agency: MINISTRY OF TOURISM
Project Description: The project consisted of implementing measures to: (a) improve policies in tourism
Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The project had two objectives: (1) promote private sector investment in tourism
Procurement: All procurement activities are complete.
Safeguards: The project fully conformed with the Bank's environmental safeguard requirements. There were no social safeguard issues.
Project Changes: Procurement of the Nile Cruise Information and Safety System, which amounted to US\$ 8.0 million, was cancelled.

Project Name (ID): Education Enhancement (P005169)
Country: Egypt, Arab Republic of
Board Approval Date: 12/24/1996
Signing Date: 05/09/1997
Effectiveness Date: 07/03/1997
Mid-Term Review Date: 02/08/2002
Closing Date: 12/31/2004
Loan/Credit/Grant Number: N0080
Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 37.0

Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 31.0
Sector: Education
Main Thematic Code: Education for all
Implementing Agency: MINISTRY OF EDUCATION
Project Description: The project aims at improving access to education and equity.
Progress toward achieving development objective(s): This project has made great strides, particularly in teacher training and in education management information system (EMIS). The project has also made advances in community mobilization and awareness campaigns.
Significant Issue: Teacher training programs are having an impact.

Project Name (ID): Irrigation Improvement (P005173)
Country: Egypt, Arab Republic of
Board Approval Date: 12/22/1994
Signing Date: 11/27/1995
Effectiveness Date: 08/02/1996
Mid-Term Review Date: 05/03/2000
Closing Date: 12/31/2004
Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 38320
Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 42.1
Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 31.6
Sector: Rural Sector
Main Thematic Code: Rural services and infrastructure
Implementing Agency: MPWR
Progress toward achieving development objective(s): Progress is on schedule.

Project Name (ID): Human Resources Development Sector Investment II (P005307)
Country: Jordan
Board Approval Date: 03/30/1995
Signing Date: 06/02/1995
Effectiveness Date: 07/03/1995
Mid-Term Review Date: 11/21/1998
Closing Date: 12/31/2002
Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 38640
Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 5.7
Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 54.3
Sector: Education
Main Thematic Code: Education for all
Implementing Agency: Government of Jordan
Progress toward achieving development objective(s): All procurement activities have finished, and no further commitments are anticipated. Remaining activities and recommended actions to expedite their completion have been expressed to the government.

Project Name (ID): Technical Assistance For Revenue Enhancement (P005340)
Country: Lebanon
Board Approval Date: 06/29/1994
Signing Date: 10/21/1994
Effectiveness Date: 04/13/1995

Mid-Term Review Date: 03/28/1997
Closing Date: 12/31/2003
Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 37700
Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 5.5
Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 14.4
Sector: Public Sector Governance
Main Thematic Code: Tax policy and administration
Implementing Agency: MINISTRY OF FINANCE
Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The project has been extended until Dec 31 2003, in order to meet its objectives.

Project Name (ID): Irrigation (P005344)
Country: Lebanon
Board Approval Date: 06/29/1994
Signing Date: 08/10/1994
Effectiveness Date: 02/03/1995
Mid-Term Review Date: 06/25/1999
Closing Date: 06/30/2003
Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 37690
Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 16.9
Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 40.4
Sector: Rural Sector
Main Thematic Code: Water resource management
Progress toward achieving development objective(s): Progress has been good toward achieving the objective.

Project Name (ID): Solid Waste/Environment (P005345)
Country: Lebanon
Board Approval Date: 06/06/1995
Signing Date: 09/06/1995
Effectiveness Date: 08/12/1996
Closing Date: 12/31/2003
Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 38990
Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 18.9
Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 6.1
Sector: Environment
Main Thematic Code: Other financial and private sector development
Implementing Agency: CDR & MMRA
The project was restructured during 2002 (fiscal year): The amendment a) refocuses the project objectives, b) reduces the amount of the loan and c) restructures project activities accordingly. The rationale is to achieve objectives in solid waste management at a few locations but not on a national scale. The amendment reflects the reduction of the project's scope from 15 landfill locations to 2-4 locations, with the investments at each location to include the closure of old dumps, construction of modern engineered sanitary landfills at each site and the procurement of collection equipment and mobile landfill equipment.
Progress toward achieving development objective(s): Progress is on schedule.

Project Name (ID): Social Priorities Program (Education) (P005501)
Country: Morocco

Board Approval Date: 05/30/1996
Signing Date: 09/27/1996
Effectiveness Date: 12/24/1996
Mid-Term Review Date: 04/12/1999
Closing Date: 12/31/2003
Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 40240
Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 25.8
Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 28.2
Sector: Education
Main Thematic Code: Education for all
Implementing Agency: MINISTÈRE DE L'ÉDUCATION NATIONALE ET DE LA JEUNESSE

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): Many of the key indicators have been met or surpassed. Gross enrollment rates have increased from 55% in 1995/96 to 91.6% (project target: 86.1%). Girls gross enrollment rates have risen from 34.8% in 1995/96 to 82.5% (project target: 72.8%). Finally, literacy rates increased from 45% to 53% between 1994 and 1998. Based on this data, the project is on track to meet its goals. In contrast, the project has made less progress than originally targeted in terms of the quality of instruction and institutional capacity. The first years principally focused on the construction and rehabilitation of schools in the poorest provinces. However, more emphasis has progressively been placed on teaching conditions and the quality of instruction, through the distribution of school and classroom furniture and textbooks, as well as through in-service teacher training. The project successfully introduced important institutional innovations, such as the decentralization of the implementation of certain actions to the provincial level. Thus, although access eclipsed other goals during the first phases of the project, there has been relatively more balanced progress during recent periods, particularly in quality.

Project Changes: Entering the final year, the focus will be on ensuring that all ongoing activities are completed before the closing date. Thus a limited number of new activities will be implemented, and total project expenditures will be approximately US\$ 8 million less than planned. The authorities have requested that the extra funds be cancelled.

Project Name (ID): Second Sewerage and Water Reuse (P005503)
Country: Morocco
Board Approval Date: 04/30/1996
Signing Date: 05/30/1996
Effectiveness Date: 08/30/1996
Mid-Term Review Date: 11/03/1999
Closing Date: 12/31/2003
Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 40100
Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 28.5
Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 11.5
Sector: Water Supply and Sanitation
Main Thematic Code: Pollution management and environmental health
Implementing Agency: REGIES, ONEP

Project Description: The objectives of the project are 1) to assist in protecting the environment, improving hygiene and public health and preserving water resources through appropriate collection, treatment and disposal of waste water

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The project development objectives as originally defined were overly ambitious

Project Name (ID): Lakhdar Watershed Management Pilot (P005519)
Country: Morocco
Board Approval Date: 12/22/1998
Signing Date: 09/29/1999
Effectiveness Date: 11/29/1999
Mid-Term Review Date: 09/30/2002
Closing Date: 12/31/2003
Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 44260
Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 3.4
Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): .6
Sector: Rural Sector
Main Thematic Code: Civic engagement, participation and community driv
Project Description: A decentralized and participatory project in a poor region of the High Atlas.
Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The project is on target to achieve its development goals and will provide valuable lessons for the design of future participatory projects.
Procurement: Slow procurement is attributed to lack of experience by the project unit and difficulty in designing procurement packages.
Project Changes: The project is being implemented as designed except: (1) there were delays in start up because of the innovative CDD approach
Outlook: The project will achieve its objectives and provide a rich source of lessons.

Project Name (ID): Water Resource Management (P005521)
Country: Morocco
Board Approval Date: 02/26/1998
Signing Date: 10/05/1998
Effectiveness Date: 01/05/1999
Mid-Term Review Date: 05/04/2001
Closing Date: 06/30/2003
Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 42890
Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 12.6
Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 4.4
Sector: Rural Sector
Main Thematic Code: Rural services and infrastructure
Implementing Agency: MINISTRIES OF PUBLIC WORKS & AGRICULTURE
Progress toward achieving development objective(s): Progress toward achieving the objective has been good.

Project Name (ID): Municipal Finance II (P005523)
Country: Morocco
Board Approval Date: 09/11/1997
Signing Date: 10/07/1997
Effectiveness Date: 02/24/1998
Mid-Term Review Date: 11/08/1999
Closing Date: 12/31/2002
Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 42310
Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 2.4
Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 60.9

Sector: Urban Development

Main Thematic Code: Municipal finance

Implementing Agency: FEC

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): Commercial credit activity has increased significantly in 2002 and management estimates that the volume of regular loans may reach the highest level in the past 5 years. Such results are very encouraging. FEC as a financial institution has been strengthened as government officials reaffirmed that it would be transformed into a stock company by the end of the year. Related statutes and piece of legislation have been prepared and should be examined by the newly-elected Parliament. Although arrears remain a source of concern, a plan has been prepared to clear them. Other financial indicators meet project objectives.

Project Name (ID): Fes-Medina Rehabilitation (P005524)

Country: Morocco

Board Approval Date: 10/29/1998

Signing Date: 12/10/1998

Effectiveness Date: 09/01/1999

Mid-Term Review Date: 01/22/2003

Closing Date: 12/31/2003

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 44020

Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 11.6

Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): .7

Sector: Urban Development

Main Thematic Code: Municipal governance and institution building

Implementing Agency: ADER-FES

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): On track, although substantial delays are consistent with project effectiveness.

Safeguards: There are no major issues concerning the environment related to the project. However, the safeguards review pointed out the need to establish an environmental management plan. Although not foreseen at the time of project design, this will be done in the context of the mid term review. Detailed engineering studies and emergency rehabilitation works are underway, although with considerable delays.

Project Name (ID): Health Management (P005525)

Country: Morocco

Board Approval Date: 12/17/1998

Signing Date: 09/29/1999

Effectiveness Date: 11/29/1999

Closing Date: 12/31/2003

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 44240

Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 56.3

Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 4.1

Sector: Health, Nutrition and Population

Main Thematic Code: Health system performance

Implementing Agency: MINISTRY OF HEALTH

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): Reform will take time. Consultants were recruited in 2002 to undertake analysis and implementation. Analysis is under way and will need to be fused with hospital reform, primarily

payments and billing procedures. A human resource strategy to begin in 2003 will make recommendations to address weaknesses which impact the health sector.

Procurement: Procurement plans have been prepared and will be updated to take account of delays in ministerial changes. Several large equipment packages have been cleared, and despite delays, the procurement assessment is positive.

Safeguards: Safeguards are in place. A more detailed assessment by hospitals needs to be carried out on the effectiveness of eliminating medical waste.

Outlook: Given delays mentioned above, the project has launched key technical assistance contracts. Prospects are positive though much work needs to be done to achieve the first set of objectives before moving forward with the remainder.

Project Name (ID): Solar Water Heating (P005589)

Country: Tunisia

Board Approval Date: 11/02/1994

Signing Date: 04/07/1995

Effectiveness Date: 05/19/1995

Mid-Term Review Date: 06/06/1999

Closing Date: 06/30/2004

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 28666

Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): .5

Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 5.8

Sector: Energy and Mining

Main Thematic Code: Climate change

Project Description: The objectives of the project are to encourage the substitution of renewable solar energy for fossil fuels in public and commercial private institutions and to demonstrate the potential of solar water heating (SWH) in the reduction of global warming.

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): About 50,000 m² of solar panels, which represent 100% of the physical objectives of the project, have been installed. It is expected to be completed one year ahead of the closing date. To ensure the sustainability of the project, the government has introduced financial and fiscal incentives for the development of solar water heating.

Project Name (ID): Ozone Depleting Substances Consumption Phaseout (P005591)

Country: Tunisia

Board Approval Date: 06/14/1994

Signing Date: 06/14/1994

Effectiveness Date: 06/14/1994

Closing Date: 12/31/2003

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 21936

Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): .9

Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 2.8

Sector: Transport

Main Thematic Code: Pollution management and environmental health

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The project is expected to complete all refrigeration, aerosol and foam subprojects in accordance with the guidelines of the Multilateral Fund for the Implementation of the Montreal Protocol. About 600 technicians received refrigeration training

Procurement: Procurement has been implemented.

Project Name (ID): Water Supply and Sewerage (P005680)
Country: Tunisia
Board Approval Date: 07/28/1994
Signing Date: 09/21/1994
Effectiveness Date: 01/18/1995
Mid-Term Review Date: 11/08/1998
Closing Date: 06/30/2003
Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 37820
Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 9.2
Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 47.7

Sector: Water Supply and Sanitation

Main Thematic Code: Pollution management and environmental health

Implementing Agency: SONEDE/ONAS

Project Description: The main objectives are to: (a) implement a demand management and institution building program to enhance water resources management and strengthen SONEDE and ONAS operations and finances

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): All project development objectives will be fully achieved or exceeded by the current closing date of June 30, 2003 except for the goal of strengthening ONAS' (the sewerage utility) finances. SONEDE, the water utility, has strengthened both its operations and finances. Its unaccounted for water (UFW) ratio of 21% not only remains the best performance in the region but also exceeds appraisal expectations. The objective of increasing adequate and safe water supply and sanitation services in urban and rural areas will be fully achieved. However, although ONAS' operational performance has exceeded initial targets in terms of sewerage coverage levels and percentage of wastewater treated at the national level, its self-financing ratio has substantially declined in recent years due to the absence of tariff increases for four years.

Project Name (ID): Greater Tunis Sewerage (P005731)

Country: Tunisia

Board Approval Date: 05/29/1997

Signing Date: 12/19/1997

Effectiveness Date: 04/30/1998

Closing Date: 12/31/2004

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 41740

Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 28.8

Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 13.6

Sector: Water Supply and Sanitation

Main Thematic Code: Other urban development

Implementing Agency: ONAS/MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE

Project Description: 1. Improve urban sewer service

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): ONAS, the national sewer utility, is likely to achieve or even surpass improvements in urban sewer service and to reduce urban pollution. However, efficient reuse of effluent from sewage treatment plants for agricultural purposes and reduction of coastal pollution will not be achieved by project closing on December 31, 2004 due to delays incurred by ONAS. ONAS's financial position has been gradually deteriorating. As a result, ONAS is increasingly dependent on government subsidies

Project Name (ID): Natural Resources Management (P005736)

Country: Tunisia

Board Approval Date: 05/13/1997
Signing Date: 12/19/1997
Effectiveness Date: 04/15/1998
Mid-Term Review Date: 07/09/2001
Closing Date: 06/30/2004
Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 41620
Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 11.7
Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 10.1
Sector: Rural Sector
Main Thematic Code: Other rural development
Implementing Agency: MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE
Project Description: The objective of the project is to manage natural resources, particularly crops and range land in severely degraded zones, and to improve agricultural productivity.
The project was restructured during 2002 (fiscal year): Reallocation of loan proceeds to supply Euros 2.2 million in bridge financing to a similar Bank-financed project in the Northwest and to adjust amounts between loan categories.
Progress toward achieving development objective(s): Progress is on schedule.
Significant Issue: Lack of monitoring and evaluation system currently being addressed by project management.

Project Name (ID): Higher Education Reform Support (P005741)
Country: Tunisia
Board Approval Date: 03/17/1998
Signing Date: 04/20/1998
Effectiveness Date: 07/01/1998
Mid-Term Review Date: 04/08/2002
Closing Date: 12/31/2003
Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 42970
Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 55.0
Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 15.7
Sector: Education
Main Thematic Code: Education for the knowledge economy
Implementing Agency: MINISTRY OF HIGHER EDUCATION, RESEARCH & TECHNOLOGY
Progress toward achieving development objective(s): Progress is in line with objectives.

Project Name (ID): Second Employment and Training (P005745)
Country: Tunisia
Board Approval Date: 06/13/1996
Signing Date: 07/02/1996
Effectiveness Date: 10/01/1996
Mid-Term Review Date: 02/14/2000
Closing Date: 06/30/2003
Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 40360
Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 16.1
Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 35.6
Sector: Education
Main Thematic Code: Social risk reduction

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): There is increasing participation by the private sector in the delivery of training, including the elaboration of training programs. Enterprises are more aware of the benefits of in-service training to enhance productivity and competitiveness of the labor force.

Procurement: Overall, the implementation agencies are knowledgeable of Bank procedures. Procurement has been carried out with no major issues.

Project Name (ID): Health Sector (P005746)

Country: Tunisia

Board Approval Date: 03/10/1998

Signing Date: 04/20/1998

Effectiveness Date: 06/26/1998

Mid-Term Review Date: 07/06/2002

Closing Date: 12/31/2003

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 42940

Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 21.5

Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 21.5

Sector: Health, Nutrition and Population

Main Thematic Code: Health system performance

Implementing Agency: MINISTRY OF HEALTH

Project Description: The objectives are to a) improve the macroefficiency of public investments, b) improve the microefficiency of operations through management reforms, c) enhance the financial sustainability of publicly supported operations through introduction of cost controls and d) reinforce the quality of services.

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): After some initial delays, the project is progressing toward achieving the project development goals. Some activities remain delayed, but should be completed before the end of the project

Significant Issue: The financial management system needs improvement.

Outlook: The project is making progress on all fronts.

Project Name (ID): Agricultural Support Services (P005750)

Country: Tunisia

Board Approval Date: 06/26/2001

Signing Date: 10/02/2001

Effectiveness Date: 02/02/2002

Closing Date: 06/30/2007

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 70630

Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 23.4

Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): .2

Sector: Rural Sector

Main Thematic Code: Rural markets

Implementing Agency: MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): It is too early to assess. The project was launched a year ago to a slow start.

Procurement: Implementation has been delayed. The Ministry staff has had difficulty developing terms of reference and preparing bid documentation to recruit consulting firms.

Significant Issue: The extension has been delayed because of difficulties in recruiting resource personnel to form an advisory team in 8 governorates and the women extensionists in 6 governorates.

Project Name (ID): Southern Governorates Rural Development (P005902)
Country: Yemen, Republic of
Board Approval Date: 11/04/1997
Signing Date: 11/05/1997
Effectiveness Date: 06/29/1998
Mid-Term Review Date: 10/27/2000
Closing Date: 06/30/2004
Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 29980
Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 11.7
Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 7.3
Sector: Rural Sector
Main Thematic Code: Land management
Implementing Agency: MAWR
The project was restructured during 2002 (fiscal year): The land development component was reduced and a community development component added.
Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The land development sites kept in the project (Heinen, Barwaj, Sweiry, Ba-Ateer) are progressing. Beneficiaries in Heinen, Barwaj and Sweiry have started cultivation on about 50 percent of the land.

Project Name (ID): Rural Water Supply and Sanitation (P005906)
Country: Yemen, Republic of
Board Approval Date: 12/21/2000
Signing Date: 12/22/2000
Effectiveness Date: 10/23/2001
Closing Date: 06/30/2006
Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 34500
Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 20.1
Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): .7
Sector: Water Supply and Sanitation
Main Thematic Code: Pollution management and environmental health
Implementing Agency: MLA & GOVERNORATE LEVEL PROJECT IMPLEMENTATION UNITS
Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The project is making good progress toward its development objectives.

Project Name (ID): Sana's Water Supply and Sanitation (P005907)
Country: Yemen, Republic of
Board Approval Date: 05/13/1999
Signing Date: 06/03/1999
Effectiveness Date: 06/30/1999
Mid-Term Review Date: 07/25/2001
Closing Date: 06/30/2003
Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 32090
Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 5.9
Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 18.2
Sector: Water Supply and Sanitation
Main Thematic Code: Other urban development
Implementing Agency: NWSA

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The government issued Cabinet Resolution No. 237 in 1997 to restructure the water sector and form autonomous local corporations. Implementation of physical works is complete. All activities related to sector reforms and private sector participation are in progress and expected to be completed before the current credit closing date.

Project Name (ID): Education Sector (P005911)

Country: Yemen, Republic of

Board Approval Date: 02/17/1994

Signing Date: 03/23/1994

Effectiveness Date: 03/23/1995

Mid-Term Review Date: 02/08/1998

Closing Date: 09/30/2004

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 25700

Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 13.9

Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 17.9

Sector: Education

Main Thematic Code: Education for all

Implementing Agency: MINISTRY OF EDUC.

Project Description: The objective is improved education quality, better access for women to secondary schools and expansion of nondegree higher education in accord with labor market needs.

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): New curricula have been developed for mathematics and science, 313 teachers trained, textbooks produced for all schools for grades 7-9. Production of textbooks for grades 10-12 is under way. The 331 additional classrooms built and operating are significantly reducing overcrowding in urban areas and expanding girls' enrollment, with more than 16,500 additional girl students. An additional 50 secondary schools for girls are being built in rural areas, with construction progressing very well. They will open in school year 2003-4. A governance framework and training for trainers are completed. Aden Community College is operating. Construction of Sana'a Community College has been delayed.

Project Name (ID): Vocational Training (P005912)

Country: Yemen, Republic of

Board Approval Date: 12/12/1995

Signing Date: 01/17/1996

Effectiveness Date: 08/07/1996

Mid-Term Review Date: 06/30/2000

Closing Date: 06/30/2003

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 27930

Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 3.7

Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 16.8

Sector: Social Protection

Main Thematic Code: Education for the knowledge economy

Implementing Agency: MIN.SOCIAL SEC, SOCIAL SVCS, & LABOR / MIN. OF EDUCATION

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): Project has achieved most of its output objectives, especially those related to the physical infrastructure of the VT sector. Although the institutional output indicators were met, the skills development fund is not functioning as hoped.

Procurement: A post review was conducted and no major issues were raised.

Project Name (ID): Health (P034004)

Country: Lebanon

Board Approval Date: 12/20/1994

Signing Date: 03/07/1995

Effectiveness Date: 10/04/1995

Mid-Term Review Date: 01/25/1999

Closing Date: 06/30/2003

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 38290

Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 22.6

Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 13.1

Sector: Health, Nutrition and Population

Main Thematic Code: Health system performance

Implementing Agency: MINISTRY OF HEALTH

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): Significant progress continues in several areas of health reform leading to improvements in the quality, equity and efficiency of the sector. The project has financed the development of basic and accreditation standards for hospitals, the expansion of the flat rate provider payment system to include medical cases in hospitals, and the development of the Carte Sanitaire.

Project Name (ID): Administrative Rehabilitation (P034035)

Country: Lebanon

Board Approval Date: 08/03/1995

Signing Date: 09/06/1995

Effectiveness Date: 01/04/1996

Mid-Term Review Date: 06/22/1997

Closing Date: 06/30/2003

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 39300

Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 3.1

Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 16.9

Sector: Public Sector Governance

Main Thematic Code: Administrative and civil service reform

Implementing Agency: GOVERNMENT

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The project has been extended until June 30, 2003, and is expected to meet its Development Objectives.

Project Name (ID): Agricultural Infrastructure Development (P034037)

Country: Lebanon

Board Approval Date: 09/12/1996

Signing Date: 12/05/1996

Effectiveness Date: 05/27/1997

Mid-Term Review Date: 01/28/2000

Closing Date: 12/31/2004

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 40920

Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 14.6

Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 9.4

Sector: Rural Sector

Main Thematic Code: Administrative and civil service reform

Implementing Agency: GOV
Progress toward achieving development objective(s): Good
Project Changes: None
Significant Issue: No
Outlook: Good

Project Name (ID): Urban Transport Development (P034038)
Country: Lebanon
Board Approval Date: 06/13/2002
Signing Date: 09/26/2002
Closing Date: 06/30/2009
Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 71230
Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 65.0
Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002):
Sector: Transport
Main Thematic Code: Municipal governance and institution building
Implementing Agency: COUNCIL FOR DEVELOPMENT AND RECONSTRUCTION (CDR)
Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The project is expected to meet its objectives.

Project Name (ID): Water Sector Investment (P035707)
Country: Tunisia
Board Approval Date: 06/22/2000
Signing Date: 09/15/2000
Effectiveness Date: 01/23/2001
Closing Date: 06/30/2006
Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 70250
Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 103.0
Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 7.5
Sector: Rural Sector
Main Thematic Code: Water resource management
Implementing Agency: MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE
Project Description: The project is designed to: (i) promote effective integrated water resources management
Progress toward achieving development objective(s): Implementation has started on all main components and the prospects are good for achieving the project's development objectives.
Significant Issue: There is no system to measure the extent to which project development objectives are being met.

Project Name (ID): Second Tourism Development (P035997)
Country: Jordan
Board Approval Date: 07/31/1997
Signing Date: 08/06/1997
Effectiveness Date: 10/17/1997
Mid-Term Review Date: 10/24/1999
Closing Date: 06/30/2004
Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 42140
Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 18.0

Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 14.0
Sector: Urban Development
Main Thematic Code: Civic engagement, participation and community driv
Implementing Agency: MIN. OF TOURISM
Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The project is expected to meet its development objectives

Project Name (ID): National Roads (P038674)
Country: Lebanon
Board Approval Date: 07/11/1996
Signing Date: 07/15/1996
Effectiveness Date: 04/02/1997
Mid-Term Review Date: 06/11/2000
Closing Date: 03/30/2004
Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 40650
Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 28.6
Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 13.4
Sector: Transport
Main Thematic Code: Public expenditure, financial mngmt & procurement
Implementing Agency: MINISTRY OF PUBLIC WORKS
Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The main deliverables include: (a) implementing a pilot road rehabilitation program (about 310 km) in support of the National Road Rehabilitation Program (RRP)
Procurement: Procurement is on schedule.
Safeguards: Safeguards are in place.

Project Name (ID): Vocational and Technical Education (P038687)
Country: Lebanon
Board Approval Date: 03/19/1998
Signing Date: 04/27/1998
Effectiveness Date: 06/03/1999
Mid-Term Review Date: 10/14/2002
Closing Date: 12/31/2003
Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 42980
Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 28.1
Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): .9
Sector: Education
Main Thematic Code: Education for the knowledge economy
Implementing Agency: MINISTRY OF TECHNICAL AND VOCATIONAL EDUCATION.
Progress toward achieving development objective(s): Progress continues on various project components, such as the VTE strategy, needs assessment and tracer studies, an equipment survey, the establishment of an information system at the DGVTE, etc.

Project Name (ID): Public Sector Development – Vocational Training (P038978)
Country: Morocco
Board Approval Date: 09/12/1996
Signing Date: 09/27/1996
Effectiveness Date: 12/24/1996
Mid-Term Review Date: 01/23/2001

Closing Date: 12/31/2002
Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 40910
Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 10.4
Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 10.3
Sector: Social Protection
Main Thematic Code: Education for the knowledge economy
Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The project was expected to meet its objectives, and when it closed at the end of CY2002, it had done so.

Project Name (ID): Seeds and Agricultural Services (P039171)
Country: Yemen, Republic of
Board Approval Date: 08/21/1997
Signing Date: 09/12/1997
Effectiveness Date: 02/09/1998
Mid-Term Review Date: 12/06/2000
Closing Date: 06/30/2004
Loan/Credit/Grant Number: N0340
Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 2.8
Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 9.3
Sector: Rural Sector
Main Thematic Code: Rural services and infrastructure
Implementing Agency: PROJECT SUPPORT UNIT, MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND IRRIGATION
Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The project surveyed farmers on their opinions of seeds and fertilizer available from the government. Among the findings were: 86% of wheat growers interviewed preferred government varieties because of their productivity, but they were concerned about high irrigation needs. Sorghum, millet and maize growers indicated productivity increased by 100%, but they were not sure why. At all locations, almost all farmers considered the seed sold by the government to be pure, uniform and with good germination. Productivity and quality of cereal seeds, potato and vegetable have improved. Management of seed executing agencies has improved and four agencies out of six supported by the project became administratively and financially autonomous. The project contributed to privatization of the Agricultural Services Corporation, Potato Seed Company and Vegetable Seed Company, which is expected to be final during the current year.

Project Name (ID): Health Sector Reform (P039749)
Country: Jordan
Board Approval Date: 03/25/1999
Signing Date: 07/08/1999
Effectiveness Date: 07/14/1999
Mid-Term Review Date: 06/04/2002
Closing Date: 12/31/2003
Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 44490
Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 22.7
Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 12.3
Sector: Health, Nutrition and Population
Main Thematic Code: Health system performance
Implementing Agency: MINISTRY OF HEALTH/ROYAL MEDICAL SERVICE

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): Some of the project's reform objectives are not being achieved. The hospital financing and management and pharmaceutical sector components are not progressing well. The health delivery system and HIS components are doing well, however. Components involving infrastructure development are progressing relatively well.

Procurement: Implementation of procurement aspects has been slow.**Project Changes:** Monitoring and evaluation indicators were revised following a midterm review in June 2002.

Project Name (ID): Industry Support Institutions Upgrading (P040208)

Country: Tunisia

Board Approval Date: 06/13/1996

Signing Date: 07/02/1996

Effectiveness Date: 12/24/1996

Mid-Term Review Date: 01/24/2000

Closing Date: 12/31/2003

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 40370

Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 16.3

Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 6.5

Sector: Private Sector Development

Main Thematic Code: Small and medium enterprise support

Implementing Agency: MI (DGI)

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): Policies and instruments exist to strengthen the institutional development of the technical support centers.

Significant Issue: The project's closing date has been extended to 12/31/2003

Project Name (ID): Industrial Estate(P040503)

Country: West Bank and Gaza

Board Approval Date: 01/20/1998

Signing Date: 06/25/1997

Effectiveness Date: 4/27/1998

Mid-Term Review Date: 02/15/2001

Closing Date: 06/30/2004

Loan/Credit/Grant Number:

Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 5.6

Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 4.4

Sector: Private Sector Development

Main Thematic Code: Infrastructure services for private sector develop

Implementing Agency: MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY

Project Description: The Project's original objectives were to increase direct and indirect employment and contribute to GDP by creating conditions conducive to private sector industrial investment.

The project was restructured during 2002 (fiscal year): The project was restructured along with seven others in the area on August 6, 2002. At that time \$1 million in credit was reallocated to a new emergency objective of "financing infrastructure and rehabilitation work needed to repair housing, public and private facilities and to reinstate essential electricity, water, wastewater and solid waste services to their pre-conflict level."

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): Progress continues in providing key infrastructure services to enterprises based at the Gaza Industrial

Estate. However, employment creation has leveled off and is not expected to increase again until hostilities diminish.

Procurement: Some delays have been experienced due to difficulties in accessing areas where ongoing violence places contractors at risk. Otherwise, activities are proceeding.

Safeguards: Environmental safeguards are a paramount concern -- the project is an Environmental Category "A". Efforts are ongoing to provide technical assistance in environmental monitoring and in ensuring adequate infrastructure is in place to enable environmentally sound solutions.

Project Changes: The project was restructured in August 2002.

Outlook: The development objectives are at risk, due to the ongoing conflict. However, implementation of civil works is likely to be completed by the project's closing date of June 2004.

Project Name (ID): Water and Sanitation Services - Gaza (P040505)

Country: West Bank and Gaza

Board Approval Date: 07/02/1996

Signing Date: 07/05/1996

Effectiveness Date: 07/08/1996

Mid-Term Review Date: 12/02/1998

Closing Date: 12/31/2002

Loan/Credit/Grant Number:

Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 1.9

Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 29.1

Sector: Water Supply and Sanitation

Main Thematic Code: Other urban development

Implementing Agency: PALESTINIAN WATER AUTHORITY

Project Description: The objectives are to improve the quality, to increase the supply and strengthen the management of water and wastewater services with a Service Improvement Program.

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The project is scheduled to close on December 31, 2002 and achieve its objectives. It is considered a good practice model for private sector entry into urban water supply.

Outlook: A follow up project is under preparation to ensure that gains achieved under this project are sustainable.

Project Name (ID): Electricity Sector Investment and Management (P040506)

Country: West Bank and Gaza

Board Approval Date: 08/31/1999

Signing Date: 09/29/1999

Effectiveness Date: 03/30/2000

Closing Date: 06/30/2004

Loan/Credit/Grant Number:

Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 6.5

Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 8.5

Sector: Energy and Mining

Main Thematic Code: State enterprise/bank restructuring and privatizat

Implementing Agency: PEA/MUNICIPALITIES/JDECO

Project Description: The objective is to benefit consumers of electricity, predominantly households, through sustainable improvements in the quality of the supply of electricity. This objective will be achieved through fundamental power

sector institutional reforms, implemented in parallel with reinforcement of the power system.

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): All of the project components are experiencing some delays due to the unrest in the country. For the most part, the closure policy has restricted movement of Bank staff, project staff and government officials and the import/export of materials. Despite these obstacles, implementation is progressing.

Project Name (ID): Rural Water Supply and Sanitation (P040566)

Country: Morocco

Board Approval Date: 11/25/1997

Signing Date: 10/05/1998

Effectiveness Date: 01/05/1999

Mid-Term Review Date: 06/11/2001

Closing Date: 12/31/2002

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 42540

Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): .2

Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 8.7

Sector: Water Supply and Sanitation

Main Thematic Code: Gender

Implementing Agency: MTP/ONEP

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): Project is making progress.

Project Name (ID): Sohag Rural Development (P040858)

Country: Egypt, Arab Republic of

Board Approval Date: 08/27/1998

Signing Date: 11/04/1998

Effectiveness Date: 10/17/2000

Closing Date: 06/30/2005

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 31270

Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 21.9

Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 2.6

Sector: Rural Sector

Main Thematic Code: Civic engagement, participation and community driv

Project Description: The project aims at supporting the sustainable development of Sohag Rural Vilales through the participatory approach initiated by the National Program for Integrated Rural Development (Shrouk) to: a) improve income and quality of life among hte rural communities

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The project has successfully completed its second year since effectiveness, with some 80 village infrastructure subprojects implemented. The continued good performance of the main village infrastructure component is having a positive impact on the well being of the rural population. The project is making good progress towards attaining its objectives.

Procurement: The procurement plan is prepared and regularly updated. Procurement capacity within the governorate project implementation unit is adequate.

Safeguards: Village infrastructure subprojects undergo regular screening and review by the Environmental Affairs Agency. Environment-related training is planned for staff at various levels within the governorate.

Project Name (ID): Social Fund Development (P041199)
Country: Yemen, Republic of
Board Approval Date: 05/22/1997
Signing Date: 09/12/1997
Effectiveness Date: 09/24/1997
Mid-Term Review Date: 11/15/1999
Closing Date: 06/30/2003
Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 29530
Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): .1
Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 29.3
Sector: Social Protection
Main Thematic Code: Civic engagement, participation and community driv
Progress toward achieving development objective(s): Project achieved its objectives and exceeded most of its targets.
Procurement: Complies with Bank's rules. No procurement is remaining.
Safeguards: Complies with rules. No major issues.
Project Changes: Small enterprise development sub-component was dropped.
Significant Issue: No.

Project Name (ID): Pumping Stations Rehabilitation III (P041410)
Country: Egypt, Arab Republic of
Board Approval Date: 08/06/1998
Signing Date: 11/04/1998
Effectiveness Date: 06/29/2000
Closing Date: 02/28/2005
Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 43860
Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 107.8
Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 12.2
Sector: Rural Sector
Main Thematic Code: Rural services and infrastructure
Implementing Agency: MECHANICAL ELECTRICAL DEPARTMENT (MED)OF MPWWR
Progress toward achieving development objective(s): See general comments below.
Procurement: Procurement meets Bank requirements.
Safeguards: Safeguards are in place.
Project Changes: None at this stage of the project.
Significant Issue: None.
Outlook: Project implementation will be discussed during the March 2003 Mid-Tem Review.

Project Name (ID): Social Priorities Program – Coordination and Monitoring of Social Programs and Labor Promotion (P042414)
Country: Morocco
Board Approval Date: 05/30/1996
Signing Date: 09/27/1996
Effectiveness Date: 12/24/1996
Mid-Term Review Date: 07/09/1999
Closing Date: 12/31/2003
Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 40260

Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 2.0
Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 22.2

Sector: Social Protection

Main Thematic Code: Social analysis and monitoring

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): Project activities are helping create temporary employment and improve basic infrastructure in the BAJ provinces. An Observatory for monitoring living conditions has been established and is functioning. The coordination and monitoring of the BAJ program, under the responsibility of the Secrétariat, has not been as effective as it should be.

Procurement: The majority of procurement under the project has been for public works carried out by the Promotion Nationale. Two technical audits of Promotion Nationale's operations have been conducted with no major issues being raised.

Project Name (ID): –Social Priorities Program – Basic Health (P042415)

Country: Morocco

Board Approval Date: 05/30/1996

Signing Date: 09/27/1996

Effectiveness Date: 12/24/1996

Mid-Term Review Date: 06/21/1999

Closing Date: 12/31/2003

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 40250

Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 1.2

Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 59.5

Sector: Health, Nutrition and Population

Main Thematic Code: Health system performance

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The objectives were met.

Procurement: The project is fully disbursed.

Safeguards: Safeguards are in place.

Project Changes: The project has kept its original objectives.

Outlook: Results were reached. Very positive assessment from the Bank and the government.

Project Name (ID): Low Income Housing (P042940)

Country: Algeria

Board Approval Date: 06/25/1998

Signing Date: 07/09/1998

Effectiveness Date: 01/27/1999

Mid-Term Review Date: 02/21/2002

Closing Date: 06/30/2003

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 43610

Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 125.2

Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 24.8

Sector: Urban Development

Main Thematic Code: Access to urban services for the poor

Implementing Agency: MIN OF HOUSING

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The project has been affected by a lack of political support, triggered by macroeconomic changes (increased revenue from petrol). The concept of participation and cost recovery has had a negative impact due to housing policies that are focused on increased subsidies and weak collaboration with local governments.

Project Name (ID): Health Reform Support (P043254)
Country: Yemen, Republic of
Board Approval Date: 03/28/2002
Signing Date: 04/23/2002
Effectiveness Date: 01/22/2003
Closing Date: 12/31/2007
Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 36250
Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 29.4
Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002):
Sector: Health, Nutrition and Population
Main Thematic Code: Health system performance
Implementing Agency: MINISTRY OF PUBLIC HEALTH AND POPULATION
Project Description: The objectives are to: a) increase access for women and children to a package of integrated maternal and child health services provided in certain district hospitals and health centers and b) improve the effectiveness of national public health programs and resource allocation in the public health sector.
Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The project was expected to be effective January 22, 2003.

Project Name (ID): Basic Education Expansion (P043255)
Country: Yemen, Republic of
Board Approval Date: 10/17/2000
Signing Date: 11/29/2000
Effectiveness Date: 01/16/2001
Closing Date: 06/30/2006
Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 34220
Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 52.4
Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 3.6
Sector: Education
Main Thematic Code: Education for all
Implementing Agency: MINISTRY OF EDUCATION
Project Description: The project aims at improving the efficiency and effectiveness of the central and governorate education systems so that they can better plan, finance, implement and monitor basic and secondary education services.
Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The project is being implemented quite competently and is expected to meet its objectives. It financed construction of 37 schools in Sana'a Governorate with 156 classrooms. All are completed, furnished and operational, providing places for 6,360 additional students. The schools operate year-round, with an impressive participation of girls. The project is expanding to the underserved governorates of Amran, Almahweet and Al-Dhale. This will provide places for another 33,000 students. All schools built or rehabilitated have boundary walls and sanitary facilities, features that have succeeded in attracting more girls from underserved communities. Preparation and updating of training modules are done, the training program is implemented for 20,000 teachers and supervisors and the schools supervision program is under way. A community participation unit is established within the ministry. The ministry is implementing the routine annual schools survey in a timely manner and sharing results in a participatory way. The annual educational plan and the monitoring program have been prepared and shared on schedule.
Procurement: Procurement is being implemented well.

Significant Issue: The implementation schedule of the teacher deployment plan is unknown. The community participation unit's recurrent expenditures are not in the ministry's budget. The ministry will need to update the organizational decree so as to institutionalize the unit's functions and include them in its 2003 budget.

Project Name (ID): Housing Finance (P043338)

Country: West Bank and Gaza

Board Approval Date: 04/08/1997

Signing Date: 04/14/1997

Effectiveness Date: 03/27/1998

Closing Date: 03/31/2004

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 26052

Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 22.4

Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 2.6

Sector: Urban Development

Main Thematic Code: Other urban development

The project was restructured during 2002 (fiscal year): Although the Project has not been formally restructured, the Borrower and the Bank have agreed on the cancellation of \$7.6 million of the Trust Fund proceeds in respect of the components for Institutional and Policy Development and Housing Development. The Housing Finance component remains the centerpiece of the Project.

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The Palestinian Mortgage and Housing Corporation (PMHC) has been created as a sound institution that is likely to grow and become commercially viable in the long run as a secondary mortgage market institution and liquidity facility. However, progress has been adversely affected by the recent unrest in the West Bank and Gaza.

Project Name (ID): Municipal Development (P043339)

Country: West Bank and Gaza

Board Approval Date: 05/30/1996

Signing Date: 06/12/1996

Effectiveness Date: 07/24/1996

Mid-Term Review Date: 05/28/1999

Closing Date: 06/30/2003

Loan/Credit/Grant Number:

Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 3.0

Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 37.0

Sector: Urban Development

Main Thematic Code: Infrastructure services for private sector develop

Implementing Agency: PECDAR/MOT/MOW/MLG/MUNICIPALITIES

The project was restructured during 2002 (fiscal year): Due to the turbulent political conditions, unemployment, damage to infrastructure, loss of income by municipalities and their inability to deliver services, funds were reallocated to reflect changing needs and priorities.

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The project is expected to meet its objectives.

Significant Issue: The project has successfully adapted to changing conditions and priorities.

Project Name (ID): Transport Sector Investment (P043700)

Country: Tunisia
Board Approval Date: 06/23/1998
Signing Date: 06/29/1998
Effectiveness Date: 12/22/1998
Mid-Term Review Date: 07/10/2001
Closing Date: 12/31/2004
Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 43570
Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 16.8
Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 28.4
Sector: Transport
Main Thematic Code: Infrastructure services for private sector develop
Implementing Agency: MINISTRY OF TRANSPORT
Progress toward achieving development objective(s): Progress is in line with objectives.

Project Name (ID): Rural Employment (P043724)
Country: Algeria
Board Approval Date: 03/25/1997
Signing Date: 04/17/1997
Effectiveness Date: 07/30/1997
Mid-Term Review Date: 10/16/1998
Closing Date: 03/31/2005
Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 41430
Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 41.8
Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 47.2
Sector: Rural Sector
Main Thematic Code: Other environment and natural resources management
Implementing Agency: MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE
Project Description: The project seeks to generate and stimulate sustainable rural employment in poor rural northwest areas. The instruments to be used emphasize asset creation, mainly through natural resource management and protection of the environment, with the purpose of increasing labor productivity in a sustainable manner. Asset creation is defined broadly as the enhanced availability of resources that can be used directly or indirectly in productive activities. Examples are rural infrastructure with important externalities, maintenance of the natural resource base by reducing soil erosion and enhanced availability of water for irrigation and household uses.
The project was restructured during 2002 (fiscal year): Adjustment to allow use of project savings for a supplementary program in Tlemcen and Oran. Objective and project activities remain the same.
Progress toward achieving development objective(s): Over 90 percent of end-of-project targets have been achieved. Overall progress in works and the main activities of reforestation, fruit trees and flood control structures have largely been completed at rates of 80 - 99 percent. Overall, persistent drought has had some adverse impact on reforestation activities, and there are efforts to replant in some areas. On the other hand, fruit trees on private land have clearly been managed well by private farmers (88 percent of small producer beneficiaries surveyed indicate that their income has increased between 10 and 50 percent, with 46 percent of respondents saying it increased 40 to 50 percent).
Procurement: Procurement has been designed to encourage private sector development, and over two-thirds of the financial volume of work has been implemented.

Safeguards: Preliminary field observations indicate that project activities have had a significant impact in reducing soil erosion.

Project Name (ID): Railway Restructuring and Privatization (P043725)

Country: Morocco

Board Approval Date: 12/19/1996

Signing Date: 04/30/1997

Effectiveness Date: 07/22/1997

Mid-Term Review Date: 06/22/1999

Closing Date: 11/30/2004

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 41280

Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 63.7

Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 11.3

Sector: Private Sector Development

Main Thematic Code: State enterprise/bank restructuring and privatizat

Implementing Agency: ONCF

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): Progress is favorable. Discussions with government officials have focused on passing the railway law. Although the exact date of its promulgation is unknown, there is no serious obstacle to passage and railway reform is expected.

Project Name (ID): Technical Assistance (PATARE) (P044174)

Country: Djibouti

Board Approval Date: 01/23/1997

Signing Date: 03/27/1997

Effectiveness Date: 08/22/1997

Closing Date: 12/31/2003

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 29340

Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 2.4

Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 3.7

Sector: Public Sector Governance

Main Thematic Code: Other economic management

Implementing Agency: MINISTRY OF FINANCE

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): With a better understanding and consensus around the government's reform program, this project has made substantial improvements over the past 2 years and is expected to meet its objectives.

Outlook: The overall project outlook is favorable.

Project Name (ID): Public Works and Social Development (P044584)

Country: Djibouti

Board Approval Date: 05/25/1999

Signing Date: 06/10/1999

Effectiveness Date: 03/09/2000

Mid-Term Review Date: 11/03/2001

Closing Date: 12/31/2003

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 32250

Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 6.9

Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 7.5

Sector: Social Protection

Main Thematic Code: Civic engagement, participation and community driv
Implementing Agency: MIN. OF ECONOMY, FINANCE & PLANNING (ADETIP)
Project Description: 1) To enhance the living conditions of the poor in Djibouti City by increasing the quality of and access to basic infrastructure and services and 2) to create employment.
Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The project is expected to meet its objectives.

Project Name (ID): School Access and Improvement Program (P044585)

Country: Djibouti

Board Approval Date: 12/19/2000

Signing Date: 01/22/2001

Effectiveness Date: 04/20/2001

Closing Date: 06/30/2005

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 34450

Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 7.3

Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 2.8

Sector: Education

Main Thematic Code: Education for all

Implementing Agency: MINISTRY OF NATIONAL EDUCATION

Project Description: The Project aims at expanding access to basic education.

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The project is expected to meet its objectives. Since the start of the project, 5000 new student places were added. However, not all schools are fully functional due to equipment delays. School Directors have been trained in management, parent participation, and cost recoveries. Contractual teachers have received continuing education courses to bring them up to par with their peers. The newly adapted curricula is being tested and taught. Based on the 2000/01 statistical yearbook, the gross enrollment rate went from 38% in 1999 to 42.7% in 2001, an increase of 4.7% in 3 years. The net enrollment rate went from 31.5% to 34.7%.

Project Name (ID): General Education (P045174)

Country: Lebanon

Board Approval Date: 03/30/2000

Signing Date: 04/07/2000

Effectiveness Date: 10/06/2000

Closing Date: 12/31/2005

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 70100

Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 55.3

Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 1.3

Sector: Education

Main Thematic Code: Administrative and civil service reform

Implementing Agency: MINISTRY OF EDUCATION/CERD

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The project is being supervised intensively. A mid-term review is scheduled for June 2003. Although recent institutional changes have resulted in some progress in key components that impact quality, the project is at risk of not meeting its objectives. A Bank conclusion in June 2002 about slow progress was attributed to lack of coordination by the executing entities. The Bank and project counterparts agreed to a detailed action plan to be closely monitored between June and October 2002, with the Bank recommending downsizing if no progress was achieved by October.

Project Name (ID): Health Sector Reform (P045175)
Country: Egypt, Arab Republic of
Board Approval Date: 05/21/1998
Signing Date: 05/22/1998
Effectiveness Date: 06/24/1998
Mid-Term Review Date: 12/13/2001
Closing Date: 06/30/2004
Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 30760
Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 82.7
Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 6.0
Sector: Health, Nutrition and Population
Main Thematic Code: Health system performance
Implementing Agency: MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND POPULATION
Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The project has had problems with implementation but has recently overcome them. Results are expected within the next six months.

Project Name (ID): Second National Drainage (P045499)
Country: Egypt, Arab Republic of
Board Approval Date: 06/15/2000
Signing Date: 11/26/2000
Effectiveness Date: 06/05/2001
Closing Date: 06/30/2007
Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 45620
Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 45.4
Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 4.6
Sector: Rural Sector
Main Thematic Code: Water resource management
Implementing Agency: EPADP
Progress toward achieving development objective(s): Progress is on schedule, and the project is on track.

Project Name (ID): Municipal Development II (P046832)
Country: Tunisia
Board Approval Date: 06/24/1997
Signing Date: 09/24/1997
Effectiveness Date: 01/22/1998
Mid-Term Review Date: 07/15/2000
Closing Date: 06/30/2003
Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 42020
Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 1.3
Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 67.7
Sector: Urban Development
Main Thematic Code: Access to urban services for the poor
Implementing Agency: CPSCL/MINISTRY OF INTERIOR
Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The project development objective is likely to be achieved. The investment program of local governments has been implemented on time, resulting in major improvements in local living conditions.

Project Name (ID): Microenterprise (P047065)
Country: West Bank and Gaza
Board Approval Date: 10/10/1996
Signing Date: 04/14/1997
Effectiveness Date: 11/19/1997
Mid-Term Review Date: 06/08/2000
Closing Date: 07/31/2002
Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 24100
Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 2.7
Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 2.3
Sector: Financial Sector
Main Thematic Code: Small and medium enterprise support
Project Description: The objective was to promote employment through private sector development achieve commercial viability and sustainability of microenterprise lending and build capacity at both commercial banks and microenterprises.
Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The project closed on July 31, 2002. Due to political instability and violence dating to September of 2000, the development objectives were only partially achieved.

Project Name (ID): Legal Development (P047111)
Country: West Bank and Gaza
Board Approval Date: 06/05/1997
Signing Date: 06/24/1997
Effectiveness Date: 11/25/1997
Mid-Term Review Date: 07/03/1999
Closing Date: 12/31/2003
Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 23757
Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): .5
Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 2.3
Sector: Public Sector Governance
Main Thematic Code: Judicial and other dispute resolution mechanisms
Implementing Agency: MINISTRY OF JUSTICE
Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The project is expected to meets its objectives. Among the indicators of improvements in the legal and judicial process are increases in the number of bills drafted

Project Name (ID): Protected Areas Management (P048314)
Country: Morocco
Board Approval Date: 01/27/2000
Signing Date: 02/17/2000
Effectiveness Date: 11/14/2000
Closing Date: 06/30/2006
Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 23494
Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 9.7
Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): .5
Sector: Environment
Main Thematic Code: Biodiversity
Implementing Agency: MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE, FOREST ADMINISTRATION

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The project is making progress toward achieving its objectives..

Procurement: Procurement meets Bank requirements.

Safeguards: Safeguards are in place.

Project Name (ID): Protected Areas Management (P048315)

Country: Tunisia

Board Approval Date: 6/27/2002

Effectiveness Date: 7/18/2002

Closing Date: 8/31/2008

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 51308

Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 5.5

Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002):

Sector: Environment

Main Thematic Code: Biodiversity

Project Description: The project seeks to improve the management of three national parks: Ichkeul, Bouhedma, and Jbil to contribute to the well being of people living in and around the parks, and

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The project is scheduled to be launched in December 2002. It is expected that with the merger of the Ministry of Environment with the Ministry of Agriculture, the institutional environment for achieving the development objectives will be enhanced.

Significant Issue: Since the project's approval by the Board, the Ministry of Environment was merged with the Ministry of Agriculture. It is expected that this will bode well for coordination between the two.

Project Name (ID): Amman Water and Sanitation (P048521)

Country: Jordan

Board Approval Date: 03/16/1999

Signing Date: 03/18/1999

Effectiveness Date: 04/12/1999

Mid-Term Review Date: 04/16/2002

Closing Date: 01/31/2004

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 44450

Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 27.4

Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 27.6

Sector: Water Supply and Sanitation

Main Thematic Code: Water resource management

Implementing Agency: WATER AUTHORITY OF JORDAN

Project Description: The objectives of the Project are: (i) to improve the efficiency, management, operation and delivery of water and wastewater services in the Amman service area

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The project is expected to meet its development objectives.

Procurement: Procurement under this project is going well.

Safeguards: The Project Implementation Unit is supervising the implementation of environmental mitigation measures needed in accordance with the environmental mitigation plan (EMP) for the capital investment component. The private operator is also implementing an approved EMP with respect to its utility operations.

Project Name (ID): Cultural Heritage (P048825)
Country: Tunisia
Board Approval Date: 06/12/2001
Signing Date: 10/16/2001
Effectiveness Date: 02/12/2002
Closing Date: 06/30/2007
Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 70590
Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 18.9
Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): .2
Sector: Urban Development
Main Thematic Code: Infrastructure services for private sector develop
Implementing Agency: AGENCE DU PATRIMOINE ET DE PROMOTION CULTURELLE
Project Description: The project is designed to assist the government to manage the country's cultural heritage assets, to develop cultural tourism and, in time, to generate additional revenues.
Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The successful first steps of project implementation indicate that its development objective is likely to be met. The project unit follows a strict implementation plan and collaborates with key institutions responsible for managing cultural assets. In addition, the project unit initiated bidding for a number of important studies, including a national museum policy.

Project Name (ID): East Delta Agricultural Services (P049166)
Country: Egypt, Arab Republic of
Board Approval Date: 11/04/1997
Signing Date: 02/12/1998
Effectiveness Date: 01/25/1999
Mid-Term Review Date: 02/21/2002
Closing Date: 06/30/2004
Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 30020
Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 13.3
Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 1.4
Sector: Rural Sector
Main Thematic Code: Rural services and infrastructure
Implementing Agency: MALR
The project was restructured during 2002 (fiscal year): The project was restructured according to the wishes of the beneficiaries. The new project makes additional allocations for removing bottlenecks to agricultural infrastructure.
Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The prospects of meeting objectives have improved with project restructuring.

Project Name (ID): Community Infrastructure Development (P049581)
Country: Jordan
Board Approval Date: 08/21/1997
Signing Date: 08/27/1997
Effectiveness Date: 03/16/1998
Mid-Term Review Date: 10/28/1999
Closing Date: 06/30/2004
Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 42150
Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 13.6
Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 16.4

Sector: Urban Development

Main Thematic Code: Access to urban services for the poor

Implementing Agency: HUDC & CVDB

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): Very good progress. To make use of cost savings, additional camps and municipalities were provided with rehabilitated facilities. All project objectives would be achieved by the closing date.

Project Name (ID): Ozone Depleting Substances Phaseout II (P049706)

Country: Jordan

Board Approval Date: 10/06/1995

Signing Date: 10/06/1995

Effectiveness Date: 10/06/1995

Closing Date: 06/30/2003

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 22004

Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 1.4

Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 2.4

Sector: Environment

Main Thematic Code: Environmental policies and institutions

Project Description: The project has two components, which will support ODS phaseout activities in the private sector. Investment projects for phaseout of ODS in the aerosol, foam and refrigeration sectors would be undertaken through identified subprojects.

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): Jordan has reached most of its project objectives with a total of 699 tons of Ozone Depleting Substance phased out to date. The project has been extended once to support the continuation of ODS Phaseout efforts under the Montreal Protocol, which sets 2010 as the closing date to achieve complete phaseout.

Procurement: Procurement is proceeding well.

Project Name (ID): Palestinian Expatriate Professional Program (P049708)

Country: West Bank and Gaza

Board Approval Date: 06/05/1997

Signing Date: 10/08/1997

Effectiveness Date: 10/24/1997

Closing Date: 12/31/2004

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 27041

Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 1.5

Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 1.5

Sector: Public Sector Governance

Main Thematic Code: Other public sector governance

Project Description: This project supports the recruitment of expatriate Palestinians to key management and senior technical positions as an institution-building measure.

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): Progress has been slow over the past two years

Project Name (ID): Agriculture Sector Investment 2 (P050418)

Country: Tunisia

Board Approval Date: 01/29/1998

Signing Date: 03/16/1998

Effectiveness Date: 06/18/1998
Mid-Term Review Date: 06/28/2000
Closing Date: 12/31/2002
Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 42780
Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 2.0
Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 34.4
Sector: Rural Sector
Main Thematic Code: Water resource management
Project Description: This national project aims to increase rural incomes derived from sustainable use of water resources and the effective development and adoption of improved farming practices. It also aims to make institutions more responsive to user demands for agricultural research, extension and training.
Progress toward achieving development objective(s): Disbursements are almost at 100%
Outlook: Very positive. Results are likely to be sustainable.

Project Name (ID): Child Development (P050483)
Country: Yemen, Republic of
Board Approval Date: 03/21/2000
Signing Date: 04/03/2000
Effectiveness Date: 12/19/2000
Closing Date: 12/31/2005
Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 33260
Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 20.7
Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 7.2
Sector: Education
Main Thematic Code: Civic engagement, participation and community driv
Implementing Agency: YEMENI COUNCIL FOR MOTHERHOOD AND CHILDHOOD
Project Description: The objectives are: 1) to assist the borrower in implementing policies and strategies whose objectives are to improve the health and nutrition of children under five years of age and 2) to improve the education of primary school girls in economically disadvantaged parts of the country.
Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The project is on schedule. The government's commitment is assured, especially the Minister of Planning and the Minister of Social Affairs in following up progress and implementation. In addition to the general baseline survey conducted last year, specific surveys are under way for Community Readiness and Health (IMCI). Measuring performance is not feasible because the project has been in place less than two years. Nevertheless, a comprehensive monitoring system is being refined and should start providing details.

Project Name (ID): Secondary Education Enhancement (P050484)
Country: Egypt, Arab Republic of
Board Approval Date: 04/15/1999
Signing Date: 04/19/1999
Effectiveness Date: 06/29/2000
Closing Date: 06/30/2006
Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 31940
Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 43.8
Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 3.5
Sector: Education

Main Thematic Code: Education for all

Implementing Agency: MINISTRY OF EDUCATION

Project Description: The project aims to improve quality and opportunity in secondary education by increasing access to general secondary education, by upgrading commercial schools to technological general schools and providing flexible options for study within and between branches of the system i.e. between general and technical (industrial, commercial and agricultural).

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): 121 commercial schools have been converted to general secondary schools.

Project Name (ID): Sana'a Emergency Power (P050530)

Country: Yemen, Republic of

Board Approval Date: 09/24/1998

Signing Date: 10/05/1998

Effectiveness Date: 01/14/1999

Mid-Term Review Date: 06/27/2001

Closing Date: 06/30/2003

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 31320

Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 30.2

Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 24.0

Sector: Energy and Mining

Main Thematic Code: Infrastructure services for private sector develop

Implementing Agency: PUBLIC ELECTRICITY CORPORATION (PEC)/MEW

The project was restructured during 2002 (fiscal year): Project was restructured in order to set more realistic financial targets.

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): There have been overall improvements in operational efficiency and financial performance of PEC. Tariff increases last year and other efficiencies this year have resulted in sharp reductions in systems losses and accounts receivables as well as improvements in collections. Sector reforms and PEC's capacity building are on track.

Project Name (ID): First Municipal Infrastructure (P050544)

Country: Lebanon

Board Approval Date: 06/22/2000

Signing Date: 06/27/2000

Effectiveness Date: 11/28/2000

Closing Date: 12/31/2005

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 70260

Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 72.6

Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 7.4

Sector: Urban Development

Main Thematic Code: Access to urban services for the poor

Implementing Agency: MINISTRY OF INTERIOR AND MUNICIPAL AFFAIRS

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): After an initial slow start, the project is now contributing to the rehabilitation of key municipal infrastructures.

Outlook: Implemented with a solid foundation for preparing a follow up operation.

Project Name (ID): Civil Service Modernization (P050706)

Country: Yemen, Republic of

Board Approval Date: 04/20/2000
Signing Date: 05/12/2000
Effectiveness Date: 11/29/2000
Closing Date: 12/31/2005
Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 33350
Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 27.9
Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 1.7
Sector: Public Sector Governance
Main Thematic Code: 0
Project Description: To create a sustainable and efficient use of the human and financial resources of the civil service.
Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The project is expected to meet its development objectives.
Procurement: Procurement is progressing at a slower than anticipated pace.
Outlook: Civil service reform is an inherently difficult and time consuming process. Although political will in support of it exists in Yemen, implementation capacity is modest.

Project Name (ID): Education Quality Improvement Program (EQIP) (P050945)
Country: Tunisia
Board Approval Date: 06/27/2000
Signing Date: 09/15/2000
Effectiveness Date: 12/22/2000
Closing Date: 06/30/2005
Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 70280
Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 94.4
Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 4.6
Sector: Education
Main Thematic Code: Education for the knowledge economy
Implementing Agency: MINISTRY OF EDUCATION & TRAINING
Progress toward achieving development objective(s): Progress is on schedule.

Project Name (ID): Southern Area Water (P051564)
Country: West Bank and Gaza
Board Approval Date: 05/27/1999
Signing Date: 06/05/1999
Effectiveness Date: 08/23/1999
Closing Date: 06/30/2003
Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 22443
Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 12.7
Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 8.3
Sector: Water Supply and Sanitation
Main Thematic Code: Access to urban services for the poor
Implementing Agency: PALESTINIAN WATER AUTHORITY
Project Description: The objectives are: (i) to improve the efficiency, management, operation and delivery of water and wastewater services in the southern West Bank and (ii) to prepare and implement an appropriate institutional framework for these services, including strengthening the regulatory and institutional capacity of PWA.
The project was restructured during 2002 (fiscal year): In view of the termination of the management contract and the continued constraints on

implementation because of security problems, the project was restructured in August 2002. The objective remains the provision of water and wastewater services in the southern West Bank. This objective requires an action plan to address the following: (i) restrictions on movement of the operational staff (ii) limited ability to import goods and equipment (iii) suspension of revenue collection. Priorities are as follows: (i) accelerate procurement to cope with repair/rehabilitation needs (ii) maintain and develop management of the WSSA, maintain and/or improve technical assistance with the municipalities of Hebron and Bethlehem, and (iii) reassess the steps necessary for a "southern utility" as an interim measure for a new one.

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): Progress is reasonable despite difficult working conditions.

Procurement: The pace of procurement has been negatively impacted by security concerns.

Project Changes: Because of security pressures since October 2000 and related delays, the project was restructured in August 2002. The objective remains efficient delivery of water and wastewater services to the southern West Bank. An action plan replaces the management contract. Moreover, given the restriction on movement of people and goods, the restructured project suggests the formation of joint service councils within the same security zone as an interim step prior to the creation of a new utility.

Project Name (ID): Pilot Fisheries Development (P052247)

Country: Morocco

Board Approval Date: 05/06/1999

Signing Date: 09/29/1999

Effectiveness Date: 12/08/1999

Mid-Term Review Date: 11/02/2001

Closing Date: 12/31/2003

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 44640

Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 3.9

Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): .6

Sector: Rural Sector

Main Thematic Code: Other rural development

Project Description: A pilot to develop planning and strategy for fisheries and to test modernization of production.

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): After a very slow start, the project has achieved its pilot goals and has begun the development of capacity for planning and strategy.

Procurement: Slow but very sound, as confirmed by a recent independent procurement review.

Project Changes: Some components were scaled back to reflect changed needs and to take account of cost overruns, particularly on the improved landing sites.

Outlook: The project has captured the enthusiasm of the sector and been seminal in improving government/industry relations. The next step may be a "programmatic AAA" relationship.

Project Name (ID): Training and Employment (P052297)

Country: Jordan

Board Approval Date: 05/19/1998

Signing Date: 05/22/1998

Effectiveness Date: 07/07/1998

Mid-Term Review Date: 09/22/2001
Closing Date: 09/30/2002
Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 43230
Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 3.1
Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 1.9
Sector: Social Protection
Main Thematic Code: Civic engagement, participation and community driv
Implementing Agency: MINISTRY OF LABOR
Progress toward achieving development objective(s): An Implementation Completion Report will be finalized by March 31, 2003.

Project Name (ID): Social Fund III (P052705)
Country: Egypt, Arab Republic of
Board Approval Date: 06/01/1999
Signing Date: 08/09/1999
Effectiveness Date: 12/09/2000
Closing Date: 12/31/2004
Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 32300
Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 48.9
Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002):
Sector: Social Protection
Main Thematic Code: Civic engagement, participation and community driv
Implementing Agency: SOCIAL FUND FOR DEVT.
Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The project did not disburse until the original closing date however, activities began under SFD's own financing. Reimbursement will take place as appropriate for eligible expenditures. The project is progressing slowly but in line with objectives. These remain valid, which is why we did not restructure.
Procurement: The Bank had no objection to the first nine subcontracts per the credit agreement. A procurement plan for the two years of extension is in place, but progress has been slow. The next supervision mission will review and agree on milestones.
Safeguards: An environmental management plan is scheduled.

Project Name (ID): Private Sector and Agricultural Development (P053832)
Country: Egypt, Arab Republic of
Board Approval Date: 06/22/1999
Signing Date: 06/04/2000
Effectiveness Date: 03/22/2001
Closing Date: 12/31/2006
Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 45000
Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 169.3
Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 4.2
Sector: Rural Sector
Main Thematic Code: Rural services and infrastructure
Implementing Agency: PRINCIPAL BANK OF DEVELOPMENT AND AGRICULTURAL CREDIT (PBDAC)
The project was restructured during 2002 (fiscal year): Although the project has not been restructured, discussions are under way to that effect.
Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The current status does not assure achieving the original objectives, hence the need for restructuring.

Outlook: The proposed project restructuring is to limit activities to institutional capacity building and focusing on strengthening PBDAC's financial intermediation.

Project Name (ID): Health System Development (TF023455) (P053892)

Country: West Bank and Gaza

Board Approval Date: 12/09/1999

Signing Date: 01/31/2000

Effectiveness Date: 04/27/2000

Mid-Term Review Date: 10/03/2002

Closing Date: 06/30/2003

Loan/Credit/Grant Number:

Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 4.7

Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 3.2

Sector: Health, Nutrition and Population

Main Thematic Code: Health system performance

Implementing Agency: MINISTRY OF HEALTH

Project Description: The objectives are to enhance the management capacity of the Ministry of Health and to improve access to high quality and affordable primary health care services, especially in the rural and underserved areas.

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The project has been facing difficult implementation challenges since September 2000 due to the security situation, border closures, and breakdown of the economy. Despite these difficulties, the project is making progress, particularly in the following key areas: (1) establishing standards and protocols to ensure better clinical quality, including the preparation of an Essential Drug List and Formularies

Procurement: Delayed because of security concerns

Project Name (ID): Bethlehem 2000 (P053985)

Country: West Bank and Gaza

Board Approval Date: 09/22/1998

Signing Date: 11/02/1998

Effectiveness Date: 12/18/1998

Mid-Term Review Date: 06/05/2000

Closing Date: 06/30/2003

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 26046

Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 2.2

Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 22.8

Sector: Urban Development

Main Thematic Code: Municipal governance and institution building

Implementing Agency: BETHLEHEM 2000 PROJ.AUTHOR., MLG, MOTA/MOC

The project was restructured during 2002 (fiscal year): US\$1.74 million was reallocated(7% of the credit) to repair and create jobs.

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): Bearing in mind the political instability in the area over the past two years, the objective was substantially achieved.

Project Name (ID): Solid Waste and Environmental Management (P054051)

Country: West Bank and Gaza

Board Approval Date: 10/10/2000

Signing Date: 11/14/2000

Effectiveness Date: 12/11/2000
Closing Date: 12/31/2005
Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 24696
Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 8.1
Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 1.4
Sector: Environment
Main Thematic Code: Pollution management and environmental health
Implementing Agency: MINISTRY OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT (MOLG)
Project Description: The project aims at providing solid waste management services to the population in the district of Jenin.
Progress toward achieving development objective(s): While the current sociopolitical situation has severely delayed the construction of the new landfill, the project team has adapted by upgrading regional dumpsites to serve as controlled landfills till the new landfill can be built.
Procurement: The presence of a procurement accredited staff in the Country Office has helped meet Bank guidelines.
Safeguards: Due to the construction of a landfill, a very detailed environmental management plan was developed.
Project Changes: The continuing political crisis and the lack of access to labor and goods has required modifications to the original plan. Construction of the landfill has been delayed
Significant Issue: The commitment of the client - the Jenin Solid Waste Management Council and the Project Implementation Team has been phenomenal. They have continued to move forward with project activities - adapting to change but keeping the overall goal of providing better SWM services to the beneficiaries.

Project Name (ID): Financial System Infrastructure Modernization (P054217)
Country: Algeria
Board Approval Date: 07/26/2001
Signing Date: 01/04/2002
Effectiveness Date: 09/03/2002
Closing Date: 06/30/2005
Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 70690
Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 16.5
Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002):
Sector: Financial Sector
Main Thematic Code: Other financial and private sector development
Implementing Agency: BANK OF ALGERIA
Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The government and the Bank of Algeria are fully committed to the project objectives and are actively taking steps to accelerate the start-up of the project.

Project Name (ID): Pollution Abatement (P054958)
Country: Egypt, Arab Republic of
Board Approval Date: 12/16/1997
Signing Date: 02/12/1998
Effectiveness Date: 01/20/1999
Mid-Term Review Date: 03/31/2001
Closing Date: 09/30/2003
Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 42630
Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 17.5

Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 16.7

Sector: Environment

Main Thematic Code: Pollution management and environmental health

Implementing Agency: EGYPT ENVIRONMENT AGENCY

Project Description: The objective is to reduce industrial pollution by financing pollution abatement measures with a mix of commercial loans and environmental grants. In parallel the project is conducting institutional strengthening activities with the technical and financial collaboration of the Finnish government

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): It is expected that the objective will be met.. The government is considering expanding the model used here, and the German foreign development agency is considering relying on this project for its own future operations in pollution abatement.

Project Name (ID): Export Development (P055814)

Country: Tunisia

Board Approval Date: 05/20/1999

Signing Date: 06/03/1999

Effectiveness Date: 02/18/2000

Mid-Term Review Date: 03/14/2002

Closing Date: 03/31/2004

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 44750

Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 20.2

Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 14.8

Sector: Private Sector Development

Main Thematic Code: Export development and competitiveness

Implementing Agency: M/COMMERCE;COTUNACE,CEPEX,TUNISIAN CUSTOMS

Project Description: The objective is to enhance the ability of private exporters to go global. The project tries to mitigate some of the disadvantages they encounter, namely export-related transaction costs, insufficient export market information and financing problems faced by small and medium exporters.

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The project is expected to meet its development objectives. Progress on pre-shipment export finance guarantees is relatively slow because of recent management changes in the executive agency in charge. Efforts are underway to accelerate the agency's getting up to speed.

Project Name (ID): Third Economic Competitiveness Adjustment (P055815)

Country: Tunisia

Board Approval Date: 12/20/2001

Signing Date: 12/20/2001

Effectiveness Date: 12/27/2001

Closing Date: 06/30/2003

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 70940

Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 132.5

Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 129.9

Sector: Financial Sector

Main Thematic Code: Regulation and competition policy

Implementing Agency: MINISTRY OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Project Description: The third in a series of policy reform operations, this project supports the government's program to enhance its international economic competitiveness. The goal is to promote private investment, strengthen the financial

sector, and liberalize the information and communication technology sector while maintaining a stable macroeconomic framework. The loan builds on reforms in the real sector initiated under ECAL I and expands on performance and efficiency in the financial sector supported under ECAL II.

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The government's reform program is under way to meet project objectives.

Procurement: The borrower is carrying out procurement in line with Bank requirements.

Significant Issue: Progress is slow in implementation of two components

Project Name (ID): Higher Education Enhancement (P056236)

Country: Egypt, Arab Republic of

Board Approval Date: 04/16/2002

Signing Date: 04/23/2002

Effectiveness Date: 07/29/2002

Closing Date: 12/31/2007

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 46580

Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 50.0

Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002):

Sector: Education

Main Thematic Code: Education for the knowledge economy

Implementing Agency: MINISTRY OF HIGHER EDUCATION

Project Description: The project will create conditions fundamental to improving the quality and efficiency of the higher education system through legislative reform, institutional restructuring, and establishment of independent quality assurance mechanisms and monitoring systems.

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): Project did not become effective until after the close of the fiscal year, and there was no opportunity to judge the project's prospects for success.

Procurement: No procurement has taken place yet.

Outlook: Implementation will proceed once the various project steering committees (8) are in place.

Project Name (ID): Irrigation Based Community Development (P056978)

Country: Morocco

Board Approval Date: 05/31/2001

Signing Date: 04/12/2002

Effectiveness Date: 07/24/2002

Closing Date: 06/30/2006

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 46070

Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 31.7

Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002):

Sector: Rural Sector

Main Thematic Code: Rural services and infrastructure

Implementing Agency: MIN. OF AGRICULTURE, RURAL DEVELOPMENT, AND WATER & FORESTS

Project Description: The first phase seeks to improve the income and quality of life of rural communities of small and medium irrigation in the provinces of Azilal, Khenifra and Al Haouz.

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): Progress is being made.

Project Name (ID): Conservation of Biodiversity and Protected Areas Management (P057109)

Country: Syria

Board Approval Date: 10/26/1998

Effectiveness Date: 4/22/1999

Closing Date: 9/30/2004

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 23118

Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): -0.7

Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 0.1

Sector: Environment

Main Thematic Code: Biodiversity

Project Description: The objective is to strengthen the government's capacity for conservation of biodiversity with a management plan for a pilot protected area (Slenfe) in the north. This area has global and national importance. The project focuses on institutional strengthening of the Ministries of Environment and Agriculture.

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): Progress has been slow due to institutional bottlenecks that surfaced in the last few months. A one-time extension to September 30, 2004, will be necessary.

Procurement: Procurement has been slow due to the country's lack of familiarity with Bank procedures and its 13-year hiatus from dealing with the Bank. However, there has been progress in procurement of equipment and consulting services.

Project Changes: The project underwent some changes because cofinancing from the Food and Agricultural Organization and the United Nations Development Program did not materialize as planned. One component of the legal framework had to be dropped and two others - public awareness and alternative livelihoods - had to be cut back. The portfolio management unit is still actively seeking support from bilateral donors to make up the shortfall, but reports no positive results thus far. However, project objectives are achievable.

Outlook: The outlook is moderately positive due to the recent action plan by the Ministry of Environment and progress in the main technical assistance contract. Further, the Ministry of Agriculture has appointed a representative to the portfolio management unit which should facilitate coordination.

Project Name (ID): Protected Areas Management (P057346)

Country: Yemen

Board Approval Date: 8/31/1999

Signing Date: 2/29/2000

Effectiveness Date: 2/29/2000

Closing Date: 12/31/2004

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 23491

Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 0.6

Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 0.1

Sector: Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry

Main Thematic Code: Biodiversity

Implementing Agency:

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): Contract with selected consulting consortium for Jebel Bura'a was signed on June 19, 2002. Recruitment of an international consulting consortium for PAM 1 Hawf is in negotiations.

Project Name (ID): Legal and Judicial Development (P057915)

Country: Yemen, Republic of
Board Approval Date: 06/29/1999
Signing Date: 08/04/1999
Effectiveness Date: 01/24/2000
Mid-Term Review Date: 02/14/2001
Closing Date: 06/30/2003
Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 32740
Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 1.2
Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 1.1
Sector: Public Sector Governance
Main Thematic Code: Judicial and other dispute resolution mechanisms
Implementing Agency: MINISTRY OF JUSTICE & MINISTRY OF LEGAL & PARLIAMENTARY AFF
Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The objective of reform through judicial training (and of learning the effectiveness of judicial training) is likely to be met.

Project Name (ID): Second Municipal Infrastructure Development (P058683)
Country: West Bank and Gaza
Board Approval Date: 06/20/2000
Signing Date: 09/02/2000
Effectiveness Date: 12/19/2000
Closing Date: 12/31/2004
Loan/Credit/Grant Number:
Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 6.3
Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 1.2
Sector: Urban Development
Main Thematic Code: Other urban development
Implementing Agency: MINISTRIES OF PUBLIC WORKS (MPW) AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT (MLG)
The project was restructured during 2002 (fiscal year): Due to the current political instability, including rising unemployment, deteriorating access to essential services, a drop in municipal income to provide services, the project was restructured. US\$3.1m was allocated from uncommitted funds for the repair of physical and social infrastructure and to create jobs for the many unemployed.
Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The project is expected to achieve its objectives.
Project Changes: The restructuring has not affected the achievement of the general objectives of the project.
Significant Issue: The project is responding to emerging new priorities and meeting its original objectives.

Project Name (ID): Public Works II (P060132)
Country: Yemen, Republic of
Board Approval Date: 01/28/1999
Signing Date: 02/12/1999
Effectiveness Date: 03/03/1999
Mid-Term Review Date: 02/19/2002
Closing Date: 06/30/2003
Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 31680
Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 14.6

Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 31.8

Sector: Urban Development

Main Thematic Code: Rural services and infrastructure

Implementing Agency: MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): Development objectives have exceeded expectations. However, due to a reduction in US\$ (occasioned by the adverse exchange rate between SDR vs. US\$), the original targets were revised. Despite this reduction, progress toward the objectives is on track.

Project Name (ID): Irrigation Improvement (P062714)

Country: Yemen, Republic of

Board Approval Date: 09/07/2000

Signing Date: 10/23/2000

Effectiveness Date: 01/18/2001

Closing Date: 06/30/2006

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 34120

Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 20.7

Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): .7

Sector: Rural Sector

Main Thematic Code: Rural policies and institutions

Implementing Agency: MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND IRRIGATION

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): There has been a delay in implementation. This will be discussed during the supervision missions and the Mid-Term Review scheduled for December 31, 2003 and identify if there is a need to extend the closing date or restructure the project.

Project Name (ID): Implementation of the Strategic Action Program for the Red Sea and Gulf of Aden (P063717)

Country: Multicountry

Board Approval Date: 02/23/1999

Signing Date: 03/21/1999

Effectiveness Date: 09/21/1999

Mid-Term Review Date: 07/03/2002

Closing Date: 06/30/2005

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 21707

Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 1.3

Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 3.8

Sector: Environment

Main Thematic Code: Pollution management and environmental health

Implementing Agency: PERSGA-REG'L ORG.FOR CONSERV. OF MARINE ENV. OF GULF OF ADE

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The project is likely to achieve its objectives. For component 6, progress was slow for the first two years of implementation, however, significant improvements have been made by PERSGA. The closing date will be extended in order to allow PERSGA the time necessary to complete project objectives for Component 6.

Project Changes: The closing date will be extended in order to allow PERSGA to complete the planned activities under Component 6.

Significant Issue: The project team, as well as those of our partners, UNDP and UNEP, remain concerned that the counterpart funding has yet to materialize. The PERSGA member countries have not yet met their commitments to funding the

implementation of the strategic action program for the Red Sea and Gulf of Aden. The sustainability of many of the activities remain in question because of this lack of commitment by the member countries.

Project Name (ID): Legal And Judicial Development (P063918)
Country: Morocco
Board Approval Date: 06/15/2000
Signing Date: 04/30/2001
Effectiveness Date: 07/16/2001
Closing Date: 06/30/2004
Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 45630
Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 5.2
Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): .3
Sector: Public Sector Governance
Main Thematic Code: Judicial and other dispute resolution mechanisms
Implementing Agency: MINISTRY OF JUSTICE
Progress toward achieving development objective(s): Development objectives are being achieved despite initial delays. The project is mostly on track. Several activities -- the reorganization of the judicial system, improvements in case load management, training of human resources, information and communication are well underway.
Procurement: Most of the procurement activities have been launched and are underway.
Project Changes: A new minister is on board
Significant Issue: Issues surrounding the lack of disbursements have been resolved.

Project Name (ID): Transport Sector Investment (P064082)
Country: Tunisia
Board Approval Date: 04/19/2001
Signing Date: 05/25/2001
Effectiveness Date: 03/27/2002
Closing Date: 06/30/2006
Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 70510
Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 40.3
Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): .4
Sector: Transport
Main Thematic Code: Municipal governance and institution building
Implementing Agency: MINISTRY OF TRANSPORT
Progress toward achieving development objective(s): Six months into effectiveness, the project met its targets under the severance program for bus companies. Officials began tackling issues associated with urban transport reform and obstacles to creation of an adequately-funded urban transport authority. Contracting out some bus services to the private sector began. However, it is uncertain whether implementation of urban transport reform will occur within its original timeframe.

Project Name (ID): Budget System Modernization (P064921)
Country: Algeria
Board Approval Date: 02/06/2001

Signing Date: 04/18/2001
Effectiveness Date: 07/17/2001
Closing Date: 02/28/2006
Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 70470
Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 22.5
Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 1.2
Sector: Public Sector Governance
Main Thematic Code: Economic statistics, modeling and forecasting
Progress toward achieving development objective(s): While there have been problems in the initial stages of the project, significant progress has been made in recent months in order to achieve the objectives.

Project Name (ID): Mortgage Finance Technical Assistance (P064983)
Country: Algeria
Board Approval Date: 06/27/2002
Signing Date: 10/29/2002
Effectiveness Date: 03/17/2003
Closing Date: 12/31/2005
Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 71310
Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 5.5
Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002):
Sector: Financial Sector
Main Thematic Code: Other economic management
Implementing Agency: MINISTRY OF FINANCE/SGCI/SRH
Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The project is in the start-up phase.

Project Name (ID): Education Action (P065593)
Country: West Bank and Gaza
Board Approval Date: 05/31/2001
Signing Date: 07/18/2001
Effectiveness Date: 11/21/2001
Closing Date: 09/30/2004
Loan/Credit/Grant Number:
Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 6.7
Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): .3
Sector: Education
Main Thematic Code: Education for all
Implementing Agency: MINISTRY OF EDUCATION OF THE PALESTINIAN AUTHORITY
Project Description: The project aims to strengthen the capacity of the Ministry of Education to manage the education system more effectively through improved policy-making, planning, and budgeting at central and district levels.
Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The current context of uncertainty has affected project implementation and progress towards attaining the development objectives.
Procurement: Planned procurements not affected by the current uncertain context are largely on track.

Project Name (ID): Information Infrastructure Sector Development (P065736)

Country: Morocco
Board Approval Date: 05/31/2001
Signing Date: 04/12/2002
Effectiveness Date: Not yet effective
Closing Date: 06/30/2003
Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 70550
Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 65.0
Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002):
Sector: Global Information/Communications Technology
Main Thematic Code: Regulation and competition policy
Implementing Agency: SEPTI, BAM, ANRT
Project Description: The information infrastructure sector development loan has three objectives: (i) to support the government's program to further market liberalization, increase private sector participation, extend services and strengthen the regulatory environment of the telecommunications sector
Progress toward achieving development objective(s): Although there was a general slowdown in the reform program in 2001-2002, the project is expected to achieve its objectives. A consensus has emerged over the past few months to put the reforms back on track, which promises to accelerate under the new government. The government has also made further progress on the postal and IT components: (i) it remains committed to further liberalization of the sector despite the recent failure of the tender for a second fixed-line license, inter alia, to develop an enabling environment for e-commerce
Significant Issue: The effectiveness condition has not been fulfilled. This consists of adoption by the Council of Government of several amendments to the Telecommunications Law to: (a) expand the definition of universal service

Project Name (ID): Sustainable Coastal Tourism Development (P065757)
Country: Morocco
Board Approval Date: 06/30/2000
Signing Date: 01/17/2001
Effectiveness Date: 04/17/2001
Mid-Term Review Date: 10/18/2002
Closing Date: 06/30/2003
Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 45730
Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 2.0
Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): .4
Sector: Urban Development
Main Thematic Code: Other financial and private sector development
Implementing Agency: MINISTRY OF TOURISM
Project Description: The objective is to propose, test, and evaluate the institutional framework and contractual procedures for managing public-private partnerships best suited for integrated and sustainable development of coastal sites.
Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The development objective will likely be achieved. The invitation of private investors to tender has been successful.

Project Name (ID): Fiscal Consolidation (P065790)
Country: Djibouti
Board Approval Date: 12/20/2001
Signing Date: 12/27/2001

Effectiveness Date: 03/01/2002
Closing Date: 06/30/2003
Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 35930
Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 5.2
Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 4.9
Sector: Economic Policy
Main Thematic Code: Administrative and civil service reform
Project Description: The project supports the government's efforts to achieve fiscal sustainability and focuses on a few key reforms.
Progress toward achieving development objective(s): Although important efforts are being made, it will be difficult for the government to meet all the second tranche conditions in the original time frame. A six month extension has been requested.

Project Name (ID): Social Protection Initiatives (P066336)
Country: Egypt, Arab Republic of
Board Approval Date: 06/29/1999
Signing Date: 09/09/1999
Effectiveness Date: 05/23/2001
Closing Date: 12/31/2004
Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 32730
Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 4.5
Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): .3
Sector: Social Protection
Main Thematic Code: Social risk coping
Implementing Agency: MINISTRY OF INSURANCE AND SOCIAL AFFAIRS
Project Description: The objective is to develop and test integrated programs for children with disabilities and youths at risk with a range of providers and to develop a new strategy for improving services.
Progress toward achieving development objective(s): Progress is on track because the Ministry of Social Affairs (MISA) and the Project Management Unit (PMU) are fully committed.
Procurement: Procurement of specialized services through local providers has begun and is ongoing.
Safeguards: The project funds small-scale programs for children with disabilities and youth at risk. Safeguard policies will be complied with when applicable.
Project Changes: The use of intermediate NGOs to act as "umbrella" providers (to support smaller NGOs and local groups) has begun.

Project Name (ID): Energy and Mining Technical Assistance (P067567)
Country: Algeria
Board Approval Date: 02/27/2001
Signing Date: 05/03/2001
Effectiveness Date: 08/18/2001
Closing Date: 06/30/2005
Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 70480
Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 16.3
Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 1.7
Sector: Energy and Mining
Main Thematic Code: Legal institutions for a market economy
Implementing Agency: MINISTRY OF ENERGY AND MINES

Project Description: The project assists implementation of the government's market-oriented reform program in the energy and mining sectors.

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): New mining and electricity laws have been promulgated in 2001 and 2002, creating the legal basis for the reforms. Technical assistance to implement the reforms is underway. A new hydrocarbon law has been drafted and is awaiting parliamentary approval.

Procurement: Most technical assistance contracts have been awarded, except for those related to setting up databanks for the mining and hydrocarbon sectors.

Outlook: It is unclear when the new hydrocarbon law will be presented to Parliament as internal discussions on the new draft law are still ongoing.

Project Name (ID): Second Social Fund for Development (P068830)

Country: Yemen, Republic of

Board Approval Date: 05/23/2000

Signing Date: 06/09/2000

Effectiveness Date: 01/09/2001

Closing Date: 06/30/2006

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 33530

Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 51.2

Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 22.0

Sector: Social Protection

Main Thematic Code: Rural services and infrastructure

Implementing Agency: SOCIAL FUND FOR DEVELOPMENT

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The project has mostly achieved all of its targets and outputs. The SFD has committed resources for the second phase and is expected to disburse the funds one year earlier than originally planned.

Project Name (ID): Higher Education Development (P069326)

Country: Jordan

Board Approval Date: 02/29/2000

Signing Date: 06/08/2000

Effectiveness Date: 10/07/2000

Closing Date: 12/31/2005

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 45390

Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 30.0

Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 4.7

Sector: Education

Main Thematic Code: Education for the knowledge economy

Implementing Agency: NCHRD (NATIONAL CENTER FOR HUMAN RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT)

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The project continues to perform well as evidenced by the high level of commitment of the Minister, the National Steering Committee and the Project Implementation Unit. There is steady progress in all components, although some initial delays were encountered.

Project Name (ID): International Road Corridor Rehabilitation (P069930)

Country: Djibouti

Board Approval Date: 06/22/2000

Signing Date: 06/30/2000

Effectiveness Date: 12/28/2000
Closing Date: 12/31/2004
Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 33910
Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 11.0
Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 3.9
Sector: Transport
Main Thematic Code: Infrastructure services for private sector develop
Implementing Agency: MINISTRY OF EQUIPMENT AND TRANSPORT
Progress toward achieving development objective(s): After a slow start and relatively little activity during the first year because of procurement problems, implementation is progressing well. Physical works needed to achieve objectives are more than originally envisaged and a supplemental credit of US\$ 6.0 million is in place to finance additional works.
Procurement: Roughly 70 percent of all procurement has been completed.
Safeguards: Safeguards are in place and the environmental management plan is being implemented.
Project Changes: Increase in scope of physical works.
Outlook: Most physical works are expected to be completed in 2003. Transport sector strategy will be prepared during 2003.

Project Name (ID): Second Primary Health Care and Nutrition (P069943)
Country: Iran, Islamic Republic of
Board Approval Date: 05/18/2000
Signing Date: 06/26/2000
Effectiveness Date: 02/22/2001
Closing Date: 12/31/2005
Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 45500
Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 86.1
Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): .9
Sector: Health, Nutrition and Population
Main Thematic Code: Nutrition and food security
Implementing Agency: MOHME
Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The project has not progressed well. Discussions on significant restructuring are ongoing.
Significant Issue: Financial management audits have not been implemented.

Project Name (ID): Tehran Sewerage (P069946)
Country: Iran, Islamic Republic of
Board Approval Date: 05/18/2000
Signing Date: 06/26/2000
Effectiveness Date: 11/28/2000
Closing Date: 06/30/2006
Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 45510
Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 119.9
Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 25.1
Sector: Water Supply and Sanitation
Main Thematic Code: Water resource management
Implementing Agency: TEHRAN SEWERAGE COMPANY
Progress toward achieving development objective(s): Progress continues.
Procurement: Delays have occurred in the procurement of treatment works and tunneling.

Significant Issue: Completion of feasibility and other studies were on time.
Outlook: Project will improve access to water and sanitation for about 3.5 million people.

Project Name (ID): Ain Temouchent Emergency Earthquake Recovery (P069947)

Country: Algeria

Board Approval Date: 06/22/2000

Signing Date: 09/24/2000

Effectiveness Date: 01/17/2001

Mid-Term Review Date: 02/12/2002

Closing Date: 12/31/2003

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 70230

Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 60.9

Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 22.6

Sector: Private Sector Development

Main Thematic Code: Natural disaster management

Implementing Agency: MINISTRY OF INTERIOR AND LOCAL GOVERNMENTS

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The project is expected to achieve its objectives. Among inhabitants of communities damaged by the earthquake, all affected persons have been relocated to new apartments or have received government assistance to rehabilitate their homes. In addition, schools and health centers have been rebuilt and are fully operational

Project Name (ID): Integrated Community Development (P069986)

Country: West Bank and Gaza

Board Approval Date: 05/23/2002

Signing Date: 08/06/2002

Effectiveness Date: 08/23/2002

Closing Date: 06/30/2006

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 50591

Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002):

Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002):

Sector: Social Protection

Main Thematic Code: Civic engagement, participation and community driv

Implementing Agency: MINISTRY OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT

Project Description: The project seeks to improve the quality and availability of basic services in poor and marginalized areas through financing the rehabilitation of local infrastructure.

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The first batch of projects are being implemented. The project is expected to meet all its objectives.

Safeguards: The projects are minor and do not trigger safeguards except for OD 4.01. A limited environmental assessment and management plan was prepared.

These micro projects are subject to screening

Significant Issue: The project is one of the few which can be implemented despite the political constraints.

Project Name (ID): Taiz Municipal Development and Flood Protection (P070092)

Country: Yemen, Republic of

Board Approval Date: 11/01/2001

Signing Date: 11/26/2001

Effectiveness Date: 02/26/2002
Closing Date: 12/31/2005
Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 35750
Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 45.4
Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 1.7
Sector: Urban Development
Main Thematic Code: Natural disaster management
Implementing Agency: MINISTRY OF PUBLIC WORKS AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT
Project Description: The project aims to support city residents, businesses, and infrastructure from seasonal, destructive flash flooding in the City of Taiz. It also lends support to the new Local Authorities Law by providing assistance to local councils and authorities in conjunction with Yemen's decentralization program.
Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The Project has been effective for a year and thus it is premature to judge progress toward achieving PDO. However, indications thus far are that the Project is likely to meet its PDO.
Procurement: The flood protection structures are progressing quite well. However, building the capacity of local councils is behind schedule.
Outlook: The overall project outlook is good. However, greater focus on the capacity building component is needed. The counterpart agency will be provided with technical assistance shortly to assist in programming the capacity building activities.

Project Name (ID): Privatization Assistance (LIL) (P070123)
Country: Algeria
Board Approval Date: 06/26/2000
Signing Date: 10/23/2000
Effectiveness Date: 02/06/2001
Mid-Term Review Date: 07/10/2002
Closing Date: 12/31/2003
Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 70290
Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 3.6
Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 1.4
Sector: Private Sector Development
Main Thematic Code: State enterprise/bank restructuring and privatizat
Implementing Agency: MINISTRY OF PARTICIPATION & COORDINATION OF REFORMS (MPCR)
Project Description: To create the basis for an accelerated implementation of a credible privatization program under a new institutional set-up. To this end, the project provides capacity-building support to Ministère de la Participation et de la Coordination des Réformes, under whose authority the privatization process is being streamlined and centralized, and will include transaction. The assistance provided under the project should help elaborate the country's privatization strategy and complete a set of pilot transactions following a competitive and transparent process. It will thus provide an important learning experience and demonstration effect for future scaling-up of the privatization program.
Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The objectives are likely to be achieved.

Project Name (ID): Coastal Zone Management along the Gulf of Aden (P070219)
Country: Yemen
Board Approval Date: 8/31/1999

Signing Date:
Effectiveness Date:
Mid-Term Review Date:
Closing Date: 12/31/2004
Loan/Credit/Grant Number:
Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002):
Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002):
Sector:
Main Thematic Code:
Implementing Agency:

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The project is working with a local NGO for the protection of turtles on the Sharma and Jeithun beaches. In addition, recruitment of an international consulting firm is under way. EPA is completing the financial evaluation of the proposals.

Project Name (ID): Telecommunications and Postal Sector Reform (P070308)

Country: Algeria

Board Approval Date: 06/27/2000

Signing Date: 10/23/2000

Effectiveness Date: 01/29/2001

Mid-Term Review Date: 05/08/2002

Closing Date: 06/30/2004

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 70270

Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 6.2

Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 2.8

Sector: Global Information/Communications Technology

Main Thematic Code: State enterprise/bank restructuring and privatizat

Implementing Agency: MINISTRY OF POST AND TELECOMMUNICATIONS

Project Description: The objective is to establish an enabling environment to develop increased private sector participation.

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): Objectives are expected to be met: The number of mobile users was expected to increase from 72,000 in 1999 to 400,000 by December 2002. The market is partially liberalized. One private operator was granted a license for mobile phone operation. An independent regulator was established and became operational. Two public corporations (Algerie Telecom and Algerie Poste) were created and became operational.

Procurement: All major procurement contracts have been launched.

Safeguards: The reform has led to employment growth in the sector and no lay-offs have been observed so far.

Project Name (ID): Rural Access Improvement Program (P070391)

Country: Yemen, Republic of

Board Approval Date: 06/07/2001

Signing Date: 08/02/2001

Effectiveness Date: 03/18/2002

Closing Date: 12/31/2004

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 35140

Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 45.4

Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 1.5

Sector: Transport

Main Thematic Code: Rural services and infrastructure

Implementing Agency: MINISTRY OF PUBLIC WORKS AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

Project Description: The long-term objective of the Rural Access Improvement Program (RAP) is to reduce the isolation of rural populations in areas severely affected by poverty and with good prospects for development. The RAP will be implemented in three phases: 1) institutional strengthening and definition of appropriate standards

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): Overall, the project's implementation continues to progress well. The implementing agency, the Central Management Office (CMO) is off to an excellent start.

Safeguards: As part of the final design of each pilot road in phase I, measures are in place to monitor implementation.

Significant Issue: The project's impact on gender as well as rural access will be monitored by establishing base-line indicators for evaluation purposes.

Outlook: It is expected: 1) to achieve its objectives on time and within budget and 2) to assist the government in building its institutional capacity with roads and to support its decentralization efforts.

Project Name (ID): The Palestinian NGO (II) (P071040)

Country: West Bank and Gaza

Board Approval Date: 06/21/2001

Signing Date: 07/12/2001

Effectiveness Date: 11/14/2001

Closing Date: 02/15/2005

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 29798

Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 6.4

Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 1.6

Sector: Social Protection

Main Thematic Code: Social risk reduction

Implementing Agency: WELFARE ASSOCIATION CONSORTIUM

Project Description: The project is aimed at strengthening the capacity of Non-Governmental Organizations to deliver sustainable services to poor and marginalized Palestinians while supporting the overall professional and strategic development of the Palestinian NGO Sector.

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): Although the project is moving forward, due to conditions on the ground, there has been a six month delay in implementation. By the end of 2002, however, the majority of grants were approved, which should mean quicker disbursements in the remaining two years.

Outlook: Assuming that conditions will not deteriorate further, it is expected that the project will proceed successfully, albeit with some delays.

Project Name (ID): Health Sector Development (P071062)

Country: Djibouti

Board Approval Date: 06/04/2002

Signing Date: 08/12/2002

Effectiveness Date: 11/11/2002

Closing Date: 06/30/2008

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 36500

Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 15.9

Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002):

Sector: Health, Nutrition and Population

Main Thematic Code: Child health

Implementing Agency: MINISTRY OF HEALTH

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): After a slow start, the project is procuring technical assistance for the establishment of the CAMME and launching surveys to feed into the baseline data. The outlook for success is positive.

Procurement: At least a 6-month delay has occurred in launching activities.

Safeguards: The project was to assess the functioning of the hospital incinerator, purchased through Spanish financing.

Project Name (ID): LB - Community Development (P071113)

Country: Lebanon

Board Approval Date: 06/26/2001

Signing Date: 09/10/2001

Effectiveness Date: 12/20/2002

Closing Date: 12/31/2006

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 70640

Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 20.0

Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002):

Sector: Social Protection

Main Thematic Code: Rural services and infrastructure

Implementing Agency: COUNCIL FOR DEVELOPMENT AND RECONSTRUCTION

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The project is currently being launched.

Project Name (ID): Transport Technical Assistance (P072458)

Country: Algeria

Board Approval Date: 08/23/2001

Signing Date: 02/12/2002

Effectiveness Date: 08/27/2002

Closing Date: 12/31/2005

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 70730

Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 8.7

Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002):

Sector: Transport

Main Thematic Code: Infrastructure services for private sector develop

Implementing Agency: MINISTRY OF TRANSPORT

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): As the project has not become effective, it is too early to assess progress.

Project Name (ID): Support for the Social Development Agency (P073531)

Country: Morocco

Board Approval Date: 06/04/2002

Signing Date: 02/07/2003

Closing Date: 06/30/2008

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 46610

Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 5.8

Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002):

Sector: Social Protection

Main Thematic Code: Civic engagement, participation and community driv

Implementing Agency: SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): Although approved during the fiscal year, the project was not effective before the end of the fiscal year, so that no judgment could be made about its prospects for success.

Project Name (ID): Ba'albeck Water And Wastewater (P074042)

Country: Lebanon

Board Approval Date: 06/04/2002

Signing Date: 09/26/2002

Effectiveness Date: Not yet effective

Closing Date: 12/31/2007

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 71170

Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 43.5

Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002):

Sector: Water Supply and Sanitation

Main Thematic Code: Pollution management and environmental health

Implementing Agency: CDR / BHWIA

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): Although approved during the fiscal year, the project was not effective before the end of the fiscal year, so that no judgment could be made about its prospects for success.

Project Name (ID): Emergency Services Support (P075984)

Country: West Bank and Gaza

Board Approval Date: 02/28/2002

Signing Date: 03/01/2002

Effectiveness Date: 03/01/2002

Closing Date: 06/30/2004

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 50473

Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 16.7

Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 3.3

Sector: Social Protection

Main Thematic Code: Other urban development

Implementing Agency: MINISTRY OF FINANCE, SECTOR MINISTRIES AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The project is financing the continuation of basic social and municipal services in a conflict situation. It is achieving its objective.

Procurement: Procurement on IDA and donor financed grants administered by the Bank is more than 80% complete.

Outlook: Project will be completed by December 31, 2003.

Project Name (ID): Higher Education (P076183)

Country: Yemen, Republic of

Board Approval Date: 06/18/2002

Signing Date: 07/17/2002

Effectiveness Date: 09/19/2002

Closing Date: 12/31/2006

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 36740

Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 5.4

Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002):

Sector: Education

Main Thematic Code: Education for the knowledge economy

Implementing Agency: MINISTRY OF HIGHER EDUCATION & SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH

Project Description: The proposed LIC supports innovative pilot measures for system-wide reform of governance and finance and for improvements in the quality of instruction.

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): Credit effectiveness is September 19, 2002. The Coordination and Management Team (CMT) has been established. The Steering Committee responsible for oversight and policy matters has too.

Procurement: The project advertised expressions of interest in business and local newspapers for consultants in higher education governance, enhancement of quality improvement and reform of the financial management of postsecondary institutions.

Project Name (ID): Horticultural Exports Promotion and Technology Transfer (P076961)

Country: Jordan

Board Approval Date: 06/26/2002

Signing Date: 08/02/2002

Effectiveness Date: 01/15/2003

Closing Date: 12/31/2006

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: 46680

Undisbursed Amount (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002): 5.0

Cumulative Disbursements (in US\$ millions-as of June 30, 2002):

Sector: Rural Sector

Main Thematic Code: Export development and competitiveness

Implementing Agency: MINISTRY OF PLANNING

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The project is to pilot a system of outgrower farming between large and small/medium scale growers to achieve critical mass and to build the technological capacity of farmers, especially the outgrowers. The project just got launched in late January 2003

Procurement: The project procurement specialist just got recently hired. The first year's procurements are being initiated.