

## Summaries of Operations Approved during Fiscal 2008, South Asia

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				SDR <sup>b</sup>	US\$
<b>Afghanistan</b>					
◊ IDA HIV/AIDS Prevention Project Specific Investment Grant aims to maintain a low prevalence rate of HIV/AIDS for the general population and high-risk groups and strengthen prevention programs. Total cost: \$10 million	HDN	07/31/07	n.a.	6.6	10.0
◊ IDA National Emergency Rural Access Project Emergency Recovery Grant will provide year-round access to basic services and facilities in rural areas. Total cost: \$137 million	SDN	12/13/07	n.a.	71.4	112.0
IDA Expanding Microfinance Outreach and Improving Sustainability Project Financial Intermediary Grant will help improve outreach of microfinance facilities to poor people across Afghanistan and increase self-reliance of microfinance service institutions. Total cost: \$30 million	FPD	01/08/08	n.a.	19.2	30.0
IDA Skills Development Project Emergency Recovery Grant will develop a demand-driven vocational education and training system and give training institutions autonomy to customize programs and establish partnerships. Total cost: \$26 million	HDN	01/31/08	n.a.	12.6	20.0
◊ IDA Second Education Quality Improvement Project Emergency Recovery Grant aims to increase equitable access to quality basic education, especially for girls, through school grants, teacher training, and strengthened institutional capacity. Total cost: \$186.7 million	HDN	01/31/08	n.a.	18.9	30.0
◊ IDA Health Sector Emergency Reconstruction and Development Project Second Additional Financing Emergency Recovery Grant will support the expansion of delivery of basic health services throughout the country, including to insecure areas. Total cost: \$20 million	SDN	05/15/08	n.a.	12.2	20.0
◊ IDA Emergency Rehabilitation Irrigation Project Additional Financing Specific Investment Grant aims to restore irrigated agricultural production in rural areas, through improved and reliable water supply to rehabilitated traditional irrigation schemes. Total cost: \$28 million	SDN	06/12/08	n.a.	17.1	28.0
<b>Bangladesh</b>					
◊ IDA Second Public Procurement Reform Project Technical Assistance Credit will support the government's efforts to improve the performance of its public procurement system. Total cost: \$24.9 million	OPCS	07/05/07	2018/2047	15.5	23.6
◊ IDA Water Management Improvement Project Specific Investment Credit will help improve national water resources management and improve institutional performance of the country's principal water institutions. Total cost: \$136.7 million	SDN	09/18/07	2018/2047	67.5	102.3
IDA Fourth Development Support Additional Financing Development Policy Credit will assist the government in bridging the budget gap incurred as a result of the 2007 floods. Total cost: \$75 million	PREM	09/27/07	2018/2047	49.0	75.0
IDA Fourth Development Support Second Additional Financing Development Policy Credit will allow the government to undertake emergency spending to address the impact of the devastating cyclone that struck in November 2007. Total cost: \$100 million	PREM	01/10/08	2018/2047	62.9	100.0
IDA Social Investment Program Project Specific Investment Grant aims to develop institutions, promote community-driven principles, pioneer performance-based social assistance programs, and leverage private financing for basic services. Total cost: \$25 million	SDN	01/10/08	n.a.	15.8	25.0
IDA Rural Transport Improvement Additional Financing Specific Investment Credit aims to provide rural communities with improved access to social services and economic opportunity and better management of rural transport infrastructure. Total cost: \$20 million	SDN	01/10/08	2018/2047	12.6	20.0
IDA Municipal Services Additional Financing Specific Investment Credit will improve the environmental and infrastructure service delivery in urban areas. Total cost: \$25 million	SDN	01/10/08	2018/2047	15.8	25.0

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◇ IDA <b>National Agricultural Technology Project Adaptable Program Credit</b> will improve agricultural productivity and farm income by revitalizing the national agricultural technology system. Total cost: \$84.6 million	SDN	02/07/08	2018/2047	39.4	62.6
◇ IDA <b>Transitional Support Development Policy Credit</b> will support the government's ongoing policy and institutional reform program and reduce pressure on the country's current budget. Total cost: \$200 million	PREM	06/17/08	2018/2048	121.5	200.0
IDA <b>Power Sector Development Policy Credit</b> aims to enhance governance and accountability, and promote financial stability in the power sector, leading to better service delivery. Total cost: \$120 million	SDN	06/17/08	2018/2048	73.7	120.0
<b>Bhutan</b>					
IDA <b>Education Development Project Additional Financing Specific Investment Grant</b> will expand access to primary and secondary education and improve educational quality at all levels. Total cost: \$1.6 million	HDN	05/13/08	n.a.	1.0	1.6
◇ IDA <b>Institutional Capacity Building for Procurement Technical Assistance Grant</b> will seek to enhance procurement outcomes through an improved national public procurement system and will support capacity building to ensure procurement performance. Total cost: \$1.6 million	PREM	06/10/08	n.a.	1.0	1.5
<b>India</b>					
◇ IDA <b>Andhra Pradesh Rural Poverty Reduction Project Additional Financing Specific Investment Credit</b> will enable rural poor people to improve their livelihoods and quality of life. Total cost: \$1.4 billion	SDN	07/10/07	2017/2042	42.7	65.0
◇ IBRD <b>Rampur Hydropower Project Specific Investment Loan</b> aims to develop a run-of-river hydropower plant on the river Satluj that will provide renewable, low-carbon energy to the Northern Electricity Grid. Total cost: \$670 million	SDN	09/13/07	2013/2027	n.a.	400.0
◇ IBRD/IDA <b>First Himachal Pradesh Development Policy Loan/Credit<sup>c</sup></b> aims to support the implementation of critical structural, fiscal, and administrative reforms for sustainable and rapid economic growth and inclusive development. Total cost: \$200 million	PREM	09/25/07	2013/2027 2018/2042	n.a. 42.5	135.0 l 65.0 c
◇ IBRD/IDA <b>Karnataka Community-based Tank Management Project Specific Investment Additional Financing Loan/Credit<sup>c</sup></b> will improve rural livelihoods and reduce poverty by developing community-based approaches to improving and managing tank systems. Total cost: \$73.1 million	SDN	09/25/07	2013/2027 2018/2042	n.a. 21	32.0 l 32.0 c
◇ IBRD/IDA <b>First Bihar Development Policy Loan/Credit<sup>c</sup></b> will support implementation of critical structural reforms to attain sustainable and inclusive development, while improving the delivery of key public services. Total cost: \$225 million	PREM	12/20/07	2013/2028 2018/2042	n.a. 47.8	150.0 l 75.0 c
◇ IBRD <b>Fourth Power System Development Project Specific Investment Loan</b> aims to further facilitate and strengthen the electricity transmission system to increase reliable power exchanges between the regions and states. Total cost: \$2.1 billion	SDN	03/18/08	2013/2028	n.a.	600.0
IDA <b>Second Elementary Education Project Specific Investment Credit</b> supports a centrally sponsored education program designed to provide all children ages 6 to 14 with education of satisfactory quality. Total cost: \$10.7 billion	HDN	05/15/08	2018/2043	364.4	600.0
<b>Maldives</b>					
IDA <b>Mobile Phone Banking Project Specific Investment Credit</b> aims to significantly increase the use of banking system transactions for effecting or receiving payments for labor, goods, and services nationwide. Total cost: \$10.6 million	FPD	04/17/08	2018/2048	4.9	7.7
◇ IDA <b>Environmental Management Project Specific Investment Credit</b> will assist the government to effectively manage environmental risks to fragile coral reefs and other marine habitats. Total cost: \$13.9 million	SDN	06/10/08	2018/2048	8.0	13.2

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<b>Nepal</b>					
◇ IDA <b>Irrigation and Water Resources Management Project Specific Investment Grant</b> aims to improve irrigated agriculture productivity and management of irrigation schemes and to enhance institutional capacity for integrated water resources management. Total cost: \$65 million	SDN	12/06/07	n.a.	32.2	50.0
◇ IDA <b>Education for All Project Additional Financing Specific Investment Grant</b> aims to improve access to and benefits from primary education for children, especially girls and disadvantaged groups, as well as literacy programs for poor adults. Total cost: \$365 million	HDN	12/06/07	n.a.	38.7	60.0
◇ IDA <b>Poverty Alleviation Fund Project Second Specific Investment Grant</b> will improve living conditions, livelihoods, and empowerment of rural poor people, especially groups that have been excluded because of gender, ethnicity, caste, and location. Total cost: \$109 million	SDN	12/06/07	n.a.	65.2	100.0
◇ IDA <b>Road Sector Development Project Specific Investment Grant</b> will upgrade roads in the five hill districts lacking all-season road access, improving access to economic centers and social services. Total cost: \$50.6 million	SDN	12/06/07	n.a.	27.8	42.6
◇ IDA <b>Emergency Peace Support Project Emergency Recovery Grant</b> will finance the costs associated with commitments to postconflict recovery interventions related to the peace process for identified groups. Total cost: \$50 million	HDN	05/06/08	n.a.	31.3	50.0
◇ IDA <b>Health Sector Program Additional Financing Sector Investment and Maintenance Grant</b> will expand the geographic coverage of essential services and systematically implement policies aimed at increasing access by the poor. Total cost: \$400 million	HDN	05/06/08	n.a.	31.3	50.0
◇ IDA <b>Second Rural Water Supply and Sanitation Project Additional Financing Specific Investment Grant</b> will improve institutional performance of the rural water supply and sanitation sector. Total cost: \$31.2 million	SDN	05/06/08	n.a.	16.4	27.0
<b>Pakistan</b>					
◇ IDA <b>Sindh Water Sector Improvement Project Specific Investment Credit</b> will improve the efficiency and effectiveness of irrigation in Sindh Province. Total cost: \$17 million	SDN	09/18/07	2018/2042	100.1	150.2
◇ IDA <b>Second Poverty Alleviation Fund Project Additional Financing Intermediary Credit</b> aims to finance the mobilization of 5 million people to access public and private development resources and improve poverty reduction programs. Total cost: \$75 million	SDN	10/11/07	2018/2042	49.1	75.0
◇ IDA <b>Balochistan Small-scale Irrigation Project Specific Investment Credit</b> will boost agriculture production and improve the use of water in irrigation by increasing surface water availability and reducing groundwater depletion. Total cost: \$25 million	SDN	02/26/08	2018/2042	15.8	25.0
◇ IBRD/IDA <b>Electricity Distribution and Transmission Improvement Project Adaptable Program Loan/Credit<sup>c</sup></b> aims to improve distribution and transmission networks to meet increasing electricity demand and to strengthen institutional capacity of electricity distribution companies. Total cost: \$309.9 million	SDN	06/17/08	2013/2038 2018/2043	n.a. 51	173.6 l 83.1 c
IDA <b>Water Sector Capacity Building and Advisory Services Project Specific Investment Credit</b> aims to improve the management of water resources and strengthen federal institutions involved in water resource planning, management, and development. Total cost: \$38 million	SDN	06/26/08	2018/2043	23.4	38.0
<b>Sri Lanka</b>					
◇ IDA <b>Dam Safety and Water Resources Planning Project Specific Investment Credit</b> will support efforts to protect the public from risks associated with aging dams and to better manage water resources. Total cost: \$71.7 million	SDN	03/27/08	2018/2028	41.1	65.3
◇ IDA <b>North East Housing Reconstruction Additional Financing Specific Investment Credit</b> will increase the number of poor, conflict-affected families with improved and affordable housing units by providing housing support cash grants to help reconstruct homes. Total cost: \$43.7 million	SDN	06/05/08	2018/2028	26.2	43.0

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◇ IDA <b>Public Sector Capacity Building Project Specific Investment Credit</b> aims to strengthen and modernize key public sector institutions and build technical capacity to improve public administration and public financial management. Total cost: \$26.1 million	PREM	06/05/08	2018/2028	13.8	22.6
IDA <b>Education Sector Development Project Additional Financing Specific Investment Credit</b> will expand activities that enhance the impact and effectiveness of the original project, with emphasis on the improvement of educational opportunities for children living in poor regions. Total cost: \$10 million	HDN	06/05/08	2018/2028	6.1	10.0
<b>Total</b>				<b>1,734.5</b>	<b>4,246.8</b>

**Note:** Numbers may not add to totals because of rounding. ◇ denotes projects with actual involvement of civil society organizations in identification, preparation, and/or appraisal, and with intended civil society participation in the implementation, monitoring, and evaluation phases.; n.a. = not applicable; c = IDA credit; g = IDA grant; I = IBRD loan.

a. SDN = Sustainable Development Network; FPD = Financial and Private Sector Development; HDN = Human Development; OPCS = Operations Policy and Country Services; PREM = Poverty Reduction and Economic Management.

b. IDA funds are denominated in Special Drawing Rights (SDRs), which are valued on the basis of a "basket" of currencies. The U.S. dollar equivalent of the SDR amount reflects the exchange rates in effect at the time of the negotiations of the credit or grant.

c. "Blend" loan/credit.