

**STATUS OF PROJECTS IN EXECUTION – FY09
SOPE**

**EUROPE AND CENTRAL ASIA REGION
COUNTRY: AZERBAIJAN**

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Introduction

The Status of Projects in Execution (SOPE) Report for FY09 provides information on all IBRD/IDA projects that were active as of June 30, 2009. The World Bank has issued a SOPE Report every year as an internal communication to the Board of Executive Directors. In accordance with the Bank's revised disclosure policy, since FY02, the SOPE Report is available to the public.

The report is intended to bridge the gap in information available to the public between the Project Appraisal Document or Program Document, disclosed after the Bank approves a project, and the Implementation Completion Report, disclosed after the project closes.

In addition to the project progress description, the FY09 SOPE report¹ contains project level comparisons of disbursement estimates and actual disbursements, and a table showing the loan/credit/grant amount and disbursements to date.

¹ Notes:

- Amounts and Graphs for loans/credits/grants in currencies other than U.S. dollars may not match exactly due to exchange rate fluctuations over the life of the project.
- Disbursement graphs are not included for Development Policy Operations, which provide quick-disbursing financing to support policy and institutional reforms. For these operations, funds are disbursed in one or more stages (tranches), released when the borrower complies with agreed prior actions.
- Projects which are not yet effective may not have a planned disbursement schedule and thus will not include a graph.



Azerbaijan

Project Name(ID): ADCP-II (P090887)
Country: Azerbaijan
Board Approval Date: 27-Jun-2006
Mid-Term Review Date:
Closing Date: 31-May-2011
Sector: Agro-industry (55%); Agricultural marketing and trade (35%);
 Agricultural extension and research (10%)

The project was restructured, or received Additional Financing during FY09: no

Project development objective(s): The objective is to further increase rural productivity and incomes, stimulate investments in rural areas, and enhance the access of farmers and rural enterprises to rural business, and agricultural support services including financial, advisory and veterinary services.

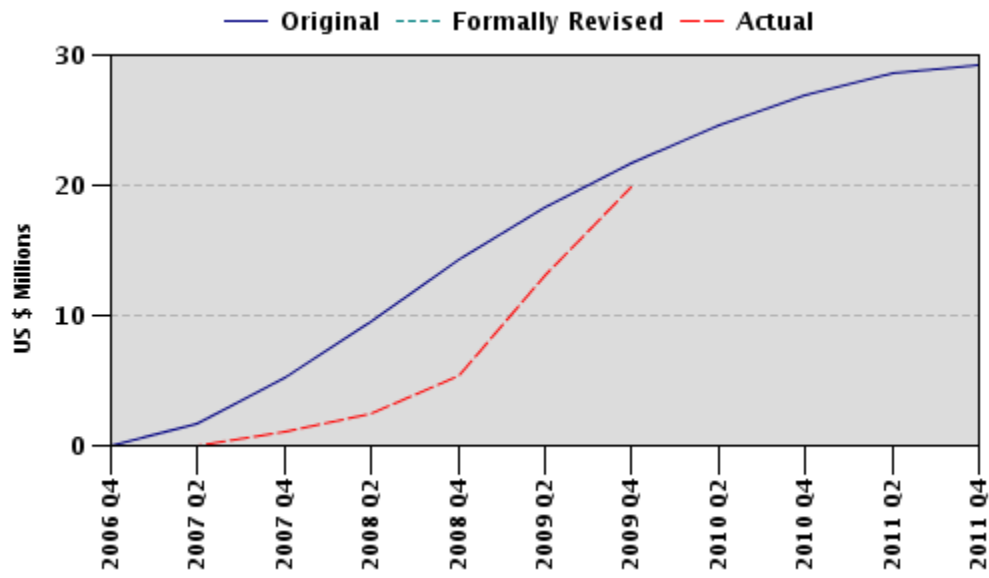
Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The project has made noteworthy progress over the past year and is on track to achieve its objective. Net income of participating farmers increased by nine percent in accordance with estimates. Very good progress has continued to be made in implementing the advisory program. All new regional advisory centers have now been established and farmers are highly satisfied with the services provided. After initial delays good progress has been made with the credit line to medium agribusiness. The credit unions lending activities indicate important quantitative achievements, in terms of breadth and repayment performance. The competitive grant program for testing and transferring of new improved technologies is also performing very well. Establishment of the marketing and commercial hub is behind the schedule but this would not affect the achievement of project objectives. Private veterinary units are operating well and brucellosis control program has commenced successfully. Very high licensing fees for private veterinary practices are currently being reviewed and are expected to be reduced.

Lending Information/Disbursement Summary (amounts in millions, as of Aug 17, 2009)

Loan/Credit/Grant	Status	Currency	Amount	Disbursed	UnDisbursed	Cancellation
IDA-42070	Effective	XDR	9.29	5.57	3.70	0.00
IDA-42080	Effective	XDR	21.87	15.37	6.26	0.00
TF-55806	Closed	USD	0.40	0.39	0.00	0.01
TF-56730	Effective	USD	1.61	0.46	1.15	0.00



Lending Information/Disbursement Summary (in millions USD)



Project Name(ID): AVIAN FLU (formerly IBTA 2) (P066100)
Country: Azerbaijan
Board Approval Date: 18-Jun-2002
Mid-Term Review Date: 01-Jun-2004
Closing Date: 30-Sep-2009
Sector: Law and justice (25%); General public administration sector (25%); Banking (25%); General finance sector (25%)

The project was restructured, or received Additional Financing during FY09: no

Project development objective(s):

The objectives of the project are to improve the transparency and effectiveness of public resources for the provision of goods and services and to minimize the threat posed to humans by highly pathogenic avian influenza infection and prepare for the control and response to an influenza pandemic and other infectious diseases.

Progress toward achieving development objective(s):

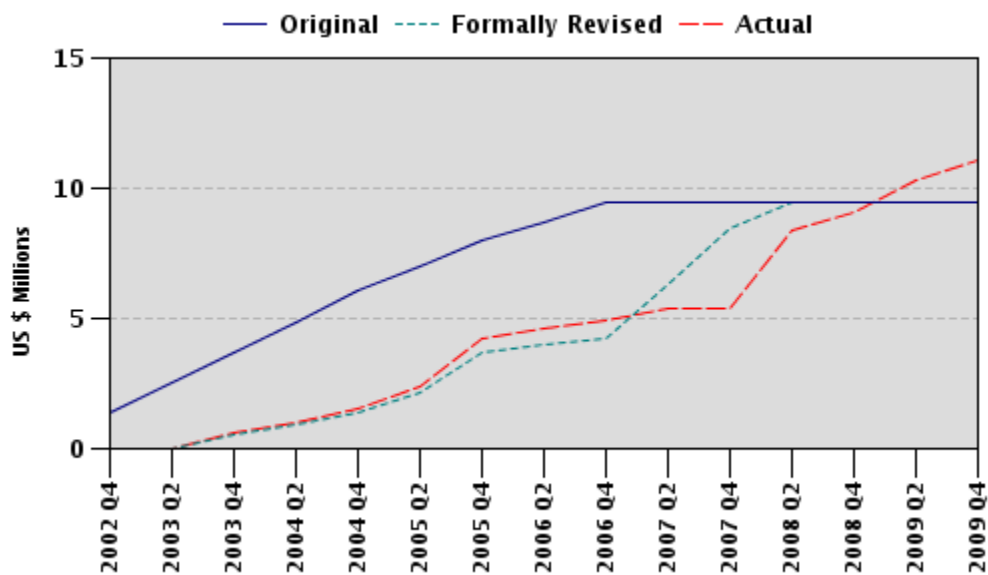
The objective of transparent and effective use of public resources was moderately achieved. The project contributed to finalizing the public procurement framework, strengthening capacity in the Chamber of Accounts, setting up a public investment unit, and installing the information management system in the Treasury. Poverty monitoring was substantially strengthened, and health and education expenditure studies were completed and utilized, but progress on the business environment did not materialize, nor were labor redeployment schemes implemented. Thus during the restructuring in March 2006 the privatization program was dropped, as the government effectively changed strategy and decided to invest in and improve the governance of the state owned enterprises. The avian influenza component is progressing well. Most of activities are completed, and the veterinary and health systems are now better prepared to face an avian flu outbreak and similar zoonotic risks. The comprehensive set of training activities on modern surveillance methods, epidemiology, lab diagnosis and communication techniques have already contributed to capacity building. The diagnostic and surveillance capacity has been substantially improved. Special isolation facilities have been created to strengthen health system response capacity. A national animal disease information system is successfully piloted. A program of scaling up the system throughout the country is being developed. Inter-sectoral coordination and line of command are improved, and a national communication campaign is underway.



Lending Information/Disbursement Summary (amounts in millions, as of Aug 17, 2009)

Loan/Credit/Grant	Status	Currency	Amount	Disbursed	UnDisbursed	Cancellation
IDA-36630	Effective	XDR	11.36	11.08	0.24	0.00
IDA-Q1960	Closed	USD	1.00	0.00	0.00	1.00
TF-26109	Closed	USD	0.23	0.21	0.00	0.02

Lending Information/Disbursement Summary (in millions USD)



Project Name(ID): Highway 2 (P094488)
Country: Azerbaijan
Board Approval Date: 17-Jan-2006
Mid-Term Review Date: 06-Oct-2008
Closing Date: 28-Feb-2014
Sector: Roads and highways (99%); Central government administration (1%)

The project was restructured, or received Additional Financing during FY09: no

Project development objective(s): The main project development objective is to reduce road transport costs and improve access, transit and road safety within Azerbaijan's East-West and North-South corridors through upgrading some sections of the Alat-Masalli road of the Baku-Iran high way (M3) and rehabilitating the Baku-Shamakhi road (M4).

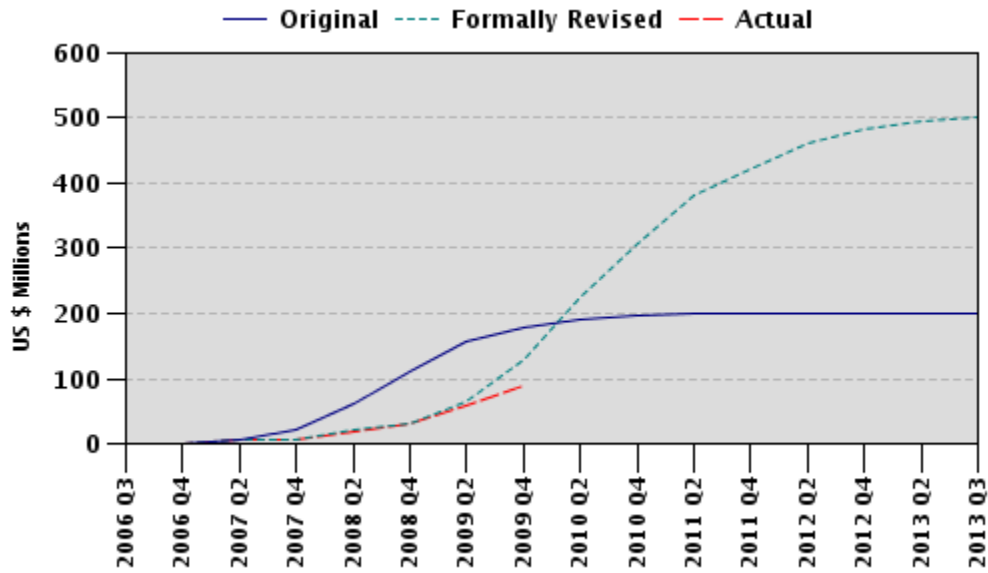
Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The construction of the roads financed under the project (M2, M4, M6, M3 and Baku bypass) is delayed by about six months mainly due to late processing of land acquisition on what will become the new motorway Alat Massali (M3). The Road Department is implementing mitigation measures to put the schedule for those constructions back on track by the end of the calendar year. The project is still expected to achieve its developmental objectives and be completed by its closing date. Many activities under the technical assistance component of the project are already completed, including new land acquisition law and new road law. The Road Department is now focusing its effort on national traffic safety policy and the upgrade of the existing road management system.

Lending Information/Disbursement Summary (amounts in millions, as of Aug 17, 2009)

Loan/Credit/Grant	Status	Currency	Amount	Disbursed	UnDisbursed	Cancellation
IBRD-73560	Effective	USD	200.00	98.68	101.32	0.00
IBRD-75160	Effective	USD	300.00	0.75	299.25	0.00
IBRD-77250	Not Effective	USD	113.00	0.00	113.00	0.00
IDA-46150	Not Effective	XDR	64.77	0.00	64.77	0.00



Lending Information/Disbursement Summary (in millions USD)



Project Name(ID): Health Sector Reform Project (P094220)
Country: Azerbaijan
Board Approval Date: 29-Jun-2006
Mid-Term Review Date:
Closing Date: 31-Dec-2012
Sector: Health (83%); Central government administration (14%);
 Compulsory health finance (3%)

The project was restructured, or received Additional Financing during FY09: no

Project development objective(s): The project's objective is to improve the overall health system stewardship and financing, and enhance equitable access to, and technical and perceived quality of essential healthcare services, in the selected districts in a fiscally responsible and sustainable manner with a view to improving health outcomes.

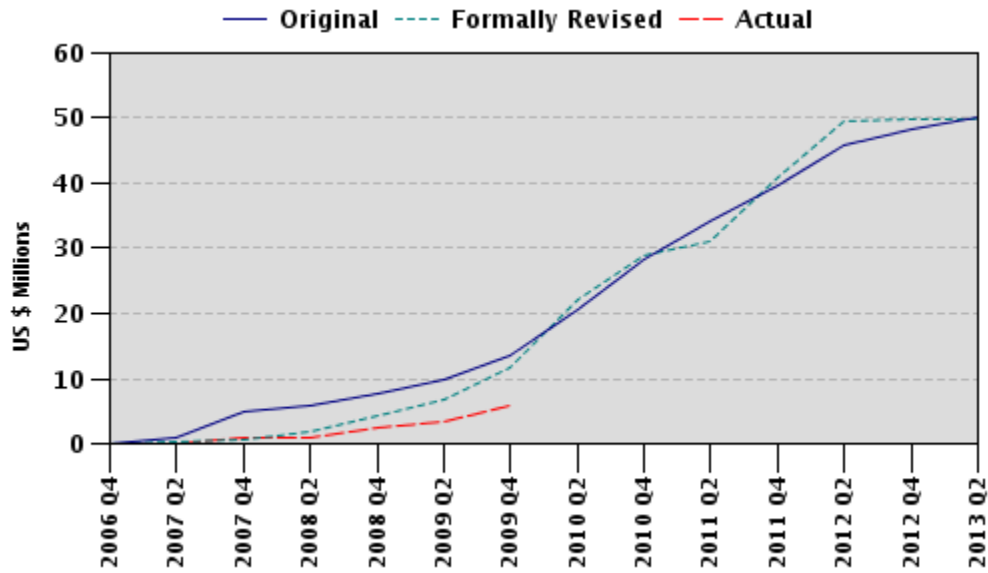
Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The project was affected by some initial delays pending the finalization of the master plan for health facilities and human resources, and the design work on facilities. That plan in the pilot areas was completed in December 2008 and approved by the Ministry of Health; the government is expected to carry out a similar exercise in the rest of regions not targeted by the project. Additionally, detailed designs for the construction of two hospitals and for the renovation of a third hospital, and primary health care facilities in project areas have been completed. The civil works is expected to start in early 2010. Once that starts, the project's implementation pace is expected to accelerate.

Lending Information/Disbursement Summary (amounts in millions, as of Aug 17, 2009)

Loan/Credit/Grant	Status	Currency	Amount	Disbursed	UnDisbursed	Cancellation
IDA-42100	Effective	XDR	53.20	5.82	47.33	0.00
TF-55805	Closed	USD	0.58	0.39	0.00	0.19



Lending Information/Disbursement Summary (in millions USD)



Project Name(ID): PENSION & SOC ASST (P049892)
Country: Azerbaijan
Board Approval Date: 10-Jun-2004
Mid-Term Review Date: 18-Sep-2007
Closing Date: 28-Feb-2010
Sector: Compulsory pension and unemployment insurance (90%);
 Other social services (10%)

The project was restructured, or received Additional Financing during FY09: no

Project development objective(s): The objective is to significantly improve the effectiveness and transparency in the provision of public pensions and social assistance to eligible beneficiaries.

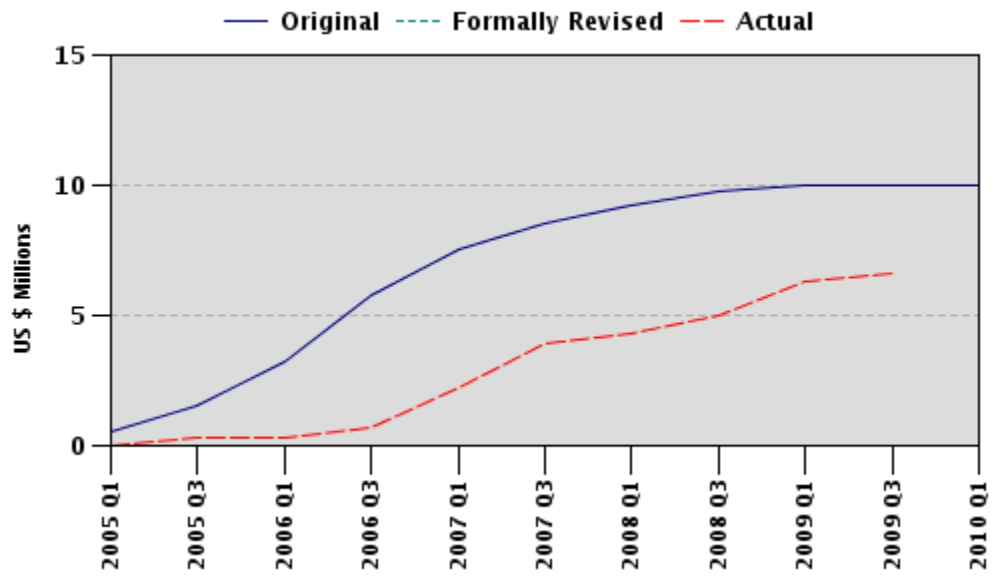
Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The project has made a steady progress towards achieving its development objective. Key activities have been either completed or are in the final stage of implementation. Particularly notable is the introduction of a targeted social assistance program which covers eight percent of the poor population and is empirically found to be very well targeted. Both the pensions and social assistance administrations have been modernized to include the introduction of automated management of business processes, electronic delivery of benefits to clients and transparent, web-based communication systems.

Lending Information/Disbursement Summary (amounts in millions, as of Aug 17, 2009)

Loan/Credit/Grant	Status	Currency	Amount	Disbursed	UnDisbursed	Cancellation
IDA-39230	Effective	XDR	10.60	7.11	3.33	0.00
TF-25796	Closed	USD	0.41	0.27	0.00	0.14



Lending Information/Disbursement Summary (in millions USD)



Project Name(ID): NATIONAL WATER SUPPLY & SANITATION (P096213)
Country: Azerbaijan
Board Approval Date: 14-Jun-2007
Mid-Term Review Date:
Closing Date: 31-Jan-2012
Sector: Water supply (59%); Sewerage (39%); Central government administration (2%)

The project was restructured, or received Additional Financing during FY09: no

Project development objective(s): The project will improve the water supply and sanitation services in twenty two rayons of Azerbaijan, including two in Nakhcivan Autonomous Republic.

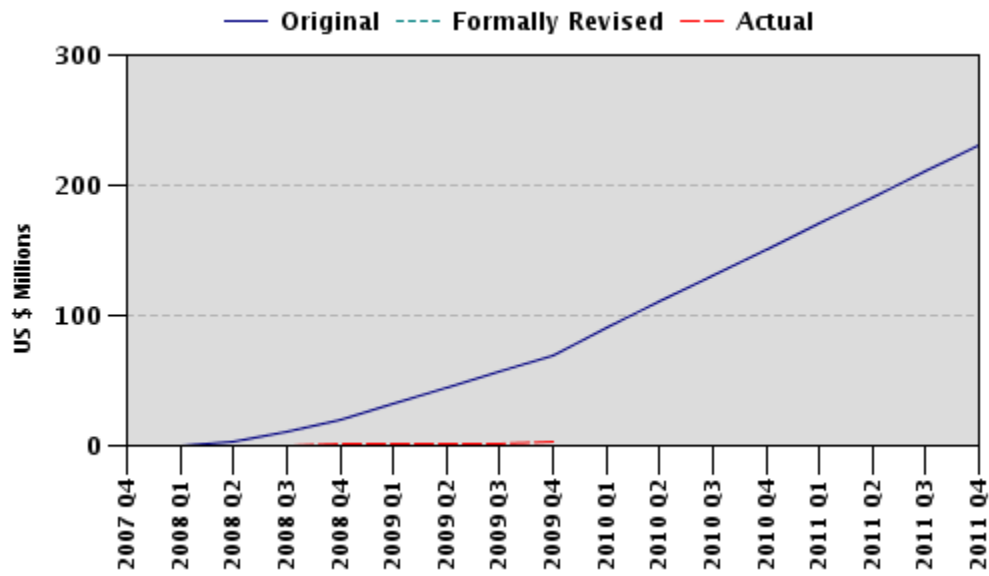
Progress toward achieving development objective(s): Progress towards meeting the development objectives has been very slow. The necessary studies, surveys, and water quality analyses for eight rayons were completed, but the tender documents for design and building of the relevant water and sanitation infrastructure were delayed by several months. A modern financial and accounting system was introduced in AzerSu--the water utility implementing the project. The government approved the use of European Union drinking water quality and effluent standards for the project.

Lending Information/Disbursement Summary (amounts in millions, as of Aug 17, 2009)

Loan/Credit/Grant	Status	Currency	Amount	Disbursed	UnDisbursed	Cancellation
IBRD-74600	Effective	USD	230.00	3.90	226.10	0.00
TF-90657	Effective	USD	1.95	0.00	1.95	0.00



Lending Information/Disbursement Summary (in millions USD)



Project Name(ID): RURAL ENVIRONMENT (P066199)
Country: Azerbaijan
Board Approval Date: 09-Jun-2005
Mid-Term Review Date:
Closing Date: 31-Dec-2009
Sector: General agriculture, fishing and forestry sector (50%);
 Forestry (20%); Animal production (15%); General industry
 and trade sector (10%); Crops (5%)

The project was restructured, or received Additional Financing during FY09: no

Project development objective(s): The objective is to improve biodiversity conservation and introduce more sustainable natural resource management and economic activities in two mountainous areas of Azerbaijan, to restore the ecological health and productivity of their natural forests and pastures.

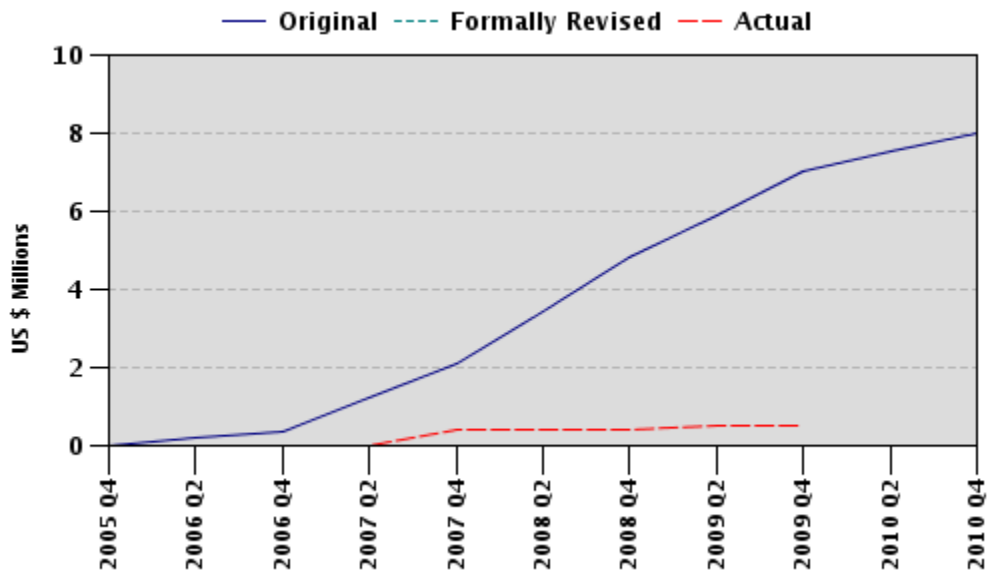
Progress toward achieving development objective(s): Overall, the pace of project implementation has picked up considerably since January 2009. Counterpart support for the project is strong and all three components are well underway. Renewed interest and support for the project significantly increases the likelihood of the project achieving most of its development objectives. However, this will require extension of the project closing date and reducing the scope of activities.

Lending Information/Disbursement Summary (amounts in millions, as of Aug 17, 2009)

Loan/Credit/Grant	Status	Currency	Amount	Disbursed	UnDisbursed	Cancellation
IDA-40750	Effective	XDR	8.08	0.46	7.89	0.00
TF-26811	Closed	USD	0.50	0.44	0.00	0.06
TF-54739	Effective	USD	2.72	1.67	1.05	0.00



Lending Information/Disbursement Summary (in millions USD)



Project Name(ID): IRRIG DIST SYS & MGMT IMPROVMT (P008286)
Country: Azerbaijan
Board Approval Date: 17-Jun-2003
Mid-Term Review Date: 17-Nov-2007
Closing Date: 31-Mar-2010
Sector: Irrigation and drainage (80%); General public administration sector (20%)

The project was restructured, or received Additional Financing during FY09: no

Project development objective(s): The objective is to improve the effectiveness and financial viability of irrigation water distribution and management on 56,000 hectare (ha) managed by water users associations.

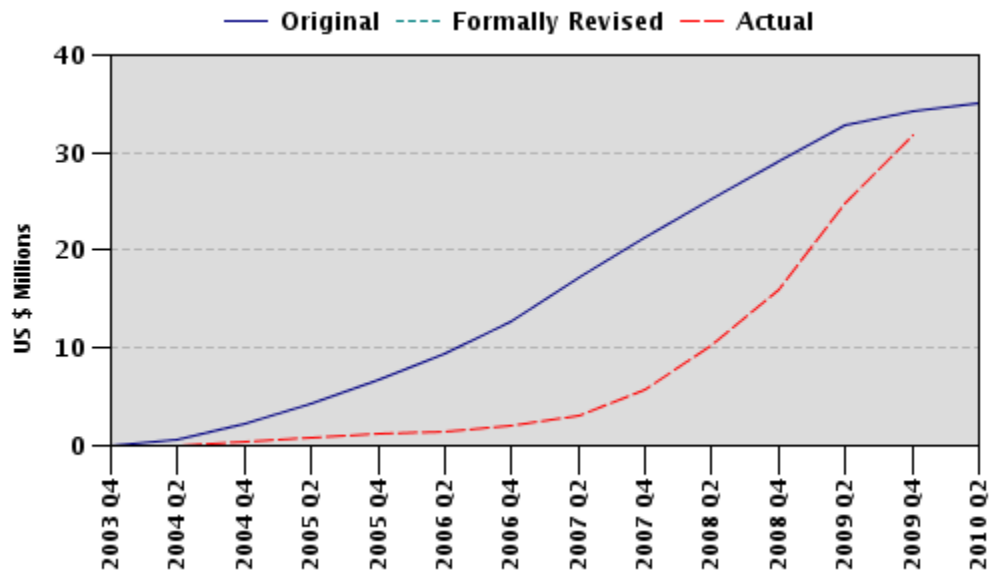
Progress toward achieving development objective(s): An irrigation area of about 22,000 ha has been rehabilitated to date under the project. Staff of water user associations that manage this area have received training and support, which has resulted in improvements in the management of the irrigation and drainage systems that have been transferred to the associations. The water user associations are starting to make efficiency gains with water; and its availability has increased, allowing the associations to deliver more water to the members and generate more irrigation service fees for operation and maintenance of the association-managed systems. Farmers are willing to pay higher fees as they expect yield levels to increase for the 2009 harvest.

Lending Information/Disbursement Summary (amounts in millions, as of Aug 17, 2009)

Loan/Credit/Grant	Status	Currency	Amount	Disbursed	UnDisbursed	Cancellation
IDA-37890	Effective	XDR	39.75	32.13	7.50	0.00
TF-26258	Closed	USD	0.46	0.42	0.00	0.04



Lending Information/Disbursement Summary (in millions USD)



Project Name(ID): IDP ECON DEVT SUPPORT (P089751)
Country: Azerbaijan
Board Approval Date: 15-Feb-2005
Mid-Term Review Date: 16-Apr-2007
Closing Date: 31-Dec-2011

Sector: Other social services (20%); General water, sanitation and flood protection sector (20%); Roads and highways (20%); Primary education (20%); Housing construction (20%)

The project was restructured, or received Additional Financing during FY09: An additional \$15 million in financing provided extra resources for the micro-project and project management components. The development objective was revised to focus on measurable project outcomes instead of higher level objectives.

Project development objective(s): The project's objective is to improve living conditions for internally displaced persons (IDPs), through demand-driven community based infrastructure and service micro-projects.
The living standards of internally displaced persons in Azerbaijan have been improved through the completion of 168 small-scale infrastructure and service micro-projects, reaching 109,609 beneficiaries. Economic opportunities for internally displaced persons have been enhanced through the extension of 2,461 micro-credit loans through two partner lending institutions.

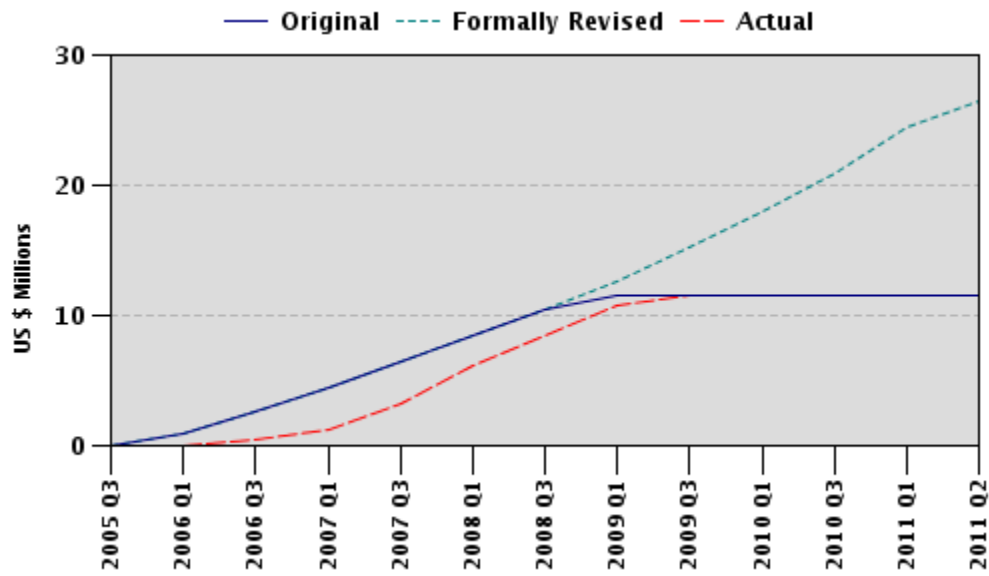
Progress toward achieving development objective(s):

Lending Information/Disbursement Summary (amounts in millions, as of Aug 17, 2009)

Loan/Credit/Grant	Status	Currency	Amount	Disbursed	UnDisbursed	Cancellation
IDA-40340	Closed	XDR	11.06	11.55	0.00	0.01
IDA-43950	Effective	XDR	14.42	2.00	12.85	0.00
TF-90489	Effective	USD	1.95	0.26	1.68	0.00



Lending Information/Disbursement Summary (in millions USD)



Project Name(ID): FIN SERVS DEVT (P081616)
Country: Azerbaijan
Board Approval Date: 06-Jan-2005
Mid-Term Review Date:
Closing Date: 30-Jun-2010
Sector: Postal services (89%); Payment systems, securities clearance and settlement (8%); Banking (3%)
The project was restructured, or received Additional Financing during FY09: no

Project development objective(s): The objective is to increase efficient access to financial services in targeted cities and rural and small urban areas and improve the national payment system infrastructure.

There has been substantial progress. Six out of all 70 regional offices and 106 of the targeted 1,029 post offices (whereby 1,029 is 70 percent of all post offices) have access to automated financial services that include now postal money orders and utility payments. The Central Bank approved an updated state program that will further develop and modernize electronic payment services over the period 2009-2013, based on the work financed by the project. Additionally, the Central Bank implemented a connectivity of the bulk clearing and settlement system to the new utility payment system to improve efficiency of small value utility payments. To complement the development of retail payment services, the Central Bank also implemented an electronic bill presentment and payment system. Currently three main utilities (gas, energy, water) are connected to the utility payment system and there are currently 1.8 million subscribers in the system. The utility system is currently used by 60 percent of the commercial banks, as well as 106 post offices of 6 regional offices of the Azeripost, which are connected to the headquarter automated systems. The number of transactions processed through the utility payment system increased from 172,000 in December 2008 to 1.4 million in May 2009.

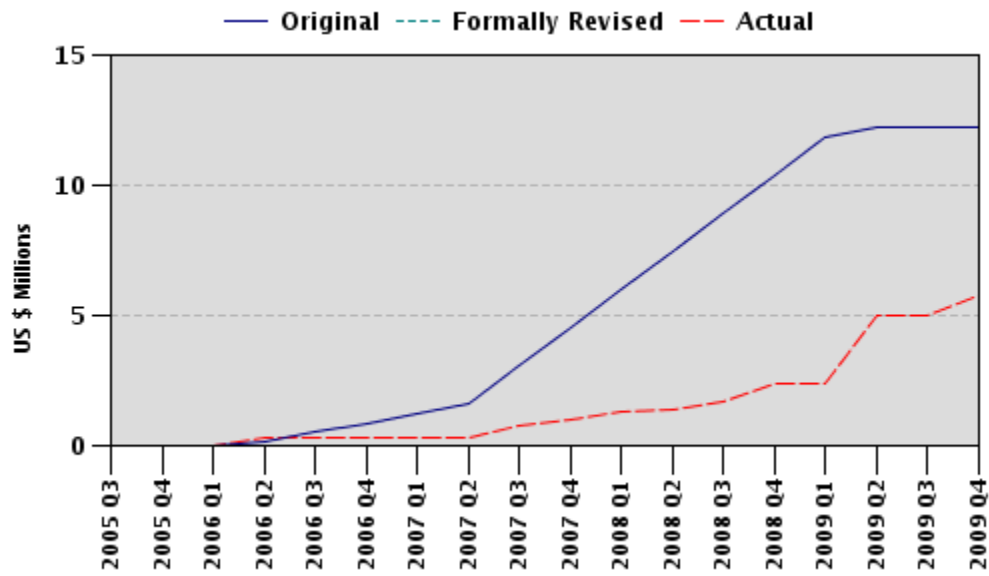
Progress toward achieving development objective(s):

Lending Information/Disbursement Summary (amounts in millions, as of Aug 17, 2009)

Loan/Credit/Grant	Status	Currency	Amount	Disbursed	UnDisbursed	Cancellation
IDA-40300	Effective	XDR	12.99	6.30	6.58	0.00
TF-91639	Effective	USD	0.61	0.41	0.20	0.00



Lending Information/Disbursement Summary (in millions USD)



Project Name(ID): SOCIAL PROTECTION DEVELOPMENT (P105116)
Country: Azerbaijan
Board Approval Date: 27-May-2008
Mid-Term Review Date:
Closing Date: 30-Sep-2013
Sector: Central government administration (50%); Compulsory pension and unemployment insurance (30%); Other social services (20%)

The project was restructured, or received Additional Financing during FY09: no

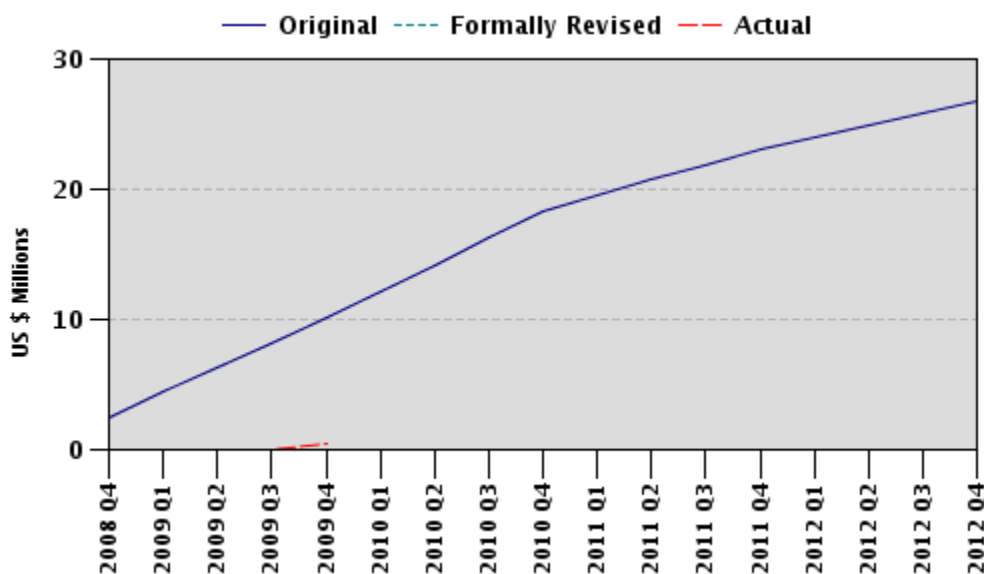
Project development objective(s): The objective is to improve delivery of labor market and social protection interventions through strengthened institutions, enhanced institutional and human resources capacity, and improved targeting of social safety net programs.

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The project implementation was launched in late April 2009, and it has progressed as per agreed implementation plan. The project is off to a good start which heralds its successful implementation.

Lending Information/Disbursement Summary (amounts in millions, as of Aug 17, 2009)

Loan/Credit/Grant	Status	Currency	Amount	Disbursed	UnDisbursed	Cancellation
IDA-44180	Effective	XDR	24.41	0.50	24.69	0.00
TF-90314	Closed	USD	0.97	0.91	0.00	0.06

Lending Information/Disbursement Summary (in millions USD)



Project Name(ID): ED SECT DEV (APL 1) (P070989)
Country: Azerbaijan
Board Approval Date: 27-May-2003
Mid-Term Review Date: 09-Jun-2006
Closing Date: 30-Sep-2009
Sector: Primary education (40%); Central government administration (25%); Secondary education (20%); Tertiary education (10%); Sub-national government administration (5%)

The project was restructured, or received Additional Financing during FY09: no

Project development objective(s): The objective is to increase learning achievements for all students to meet the needs of a market economy and improve the efficiency of general education.

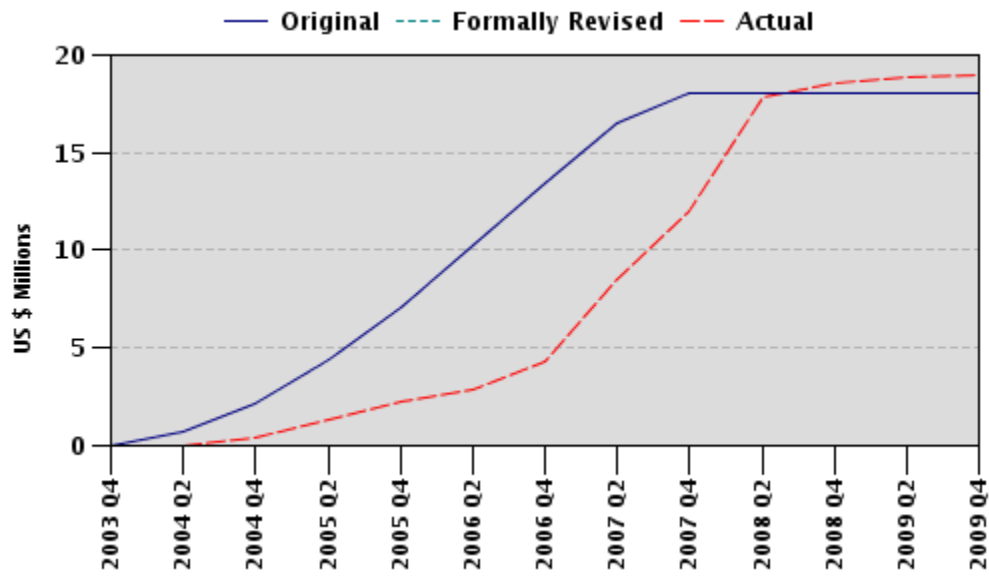
Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The first Education Sector Development Project has fully accomplished its development objectives. A new national curriculum was designed and approved, and has already been rolled out until the second grade. Primary school teachers will be trained to implement the national curriculum by the end of project implementation. A national student assessment system is in place and a new secondary graduation examination has been introduced. Finally, a fully-working education management information system is available to the general public via the Ministry's website and the pilots to introduce per capita funding in three districts have been completed.

Lending Information/Disbursement Summary (amounts in millions, as of Aug 17, 2009)

Loan/Credit/Grant	Status	Currency	Amount	Disbursed	UnDisbursed	Cancellation
IDA-37690	Effective	XDR	20.50	19.52	0.46	0.00
TF-26438	Closed	USD	0.48	0.46	0.00	0.02



Lending Information/Disbursement Summary (in millions USD)



Project Name(ID): ARP /I-CONTAMINATED SITES REHABILITATION (P104985)
Country: Azerbaijan
Board Approval Date: 17-Jun-2008
Mid-Term Review Date:
Closing Date: 30-Sep-2014
Sector: Solid waste management (48%); Oil and gas (36%); Central government administration (16%)
The project was restructured, or received Additional Financing during FY09: no

Project development objective(s): The objective is to assist in the decontamination of former iodine production sites and the development of a strategy for remediation and containment of sites contaminated by Naturally Occurring Radioactive Material (NORM). The project would also support in developing institutional capacity for the cleanup of former oil production sites and in developing rehabilitation and redevelopment plans for a specific oil production site.

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The project loan did not become effective in fiscal year 2009. This is currently a topic of discussion with the government.

Lending Information/Disbursement Summary (amounts in millions, as of Aug 17, 2009)

Loan/Credit/Grant	Status	Currency	Amount	Disbursed	UnDisbursed	Cancellation
IBRD-75480	Not Effective	USD	74.50	0.00	74.50	0.00



Project Name(ID): Second National Water Supply & San. (P109961)
Country: Azerbaijan
Board Approval Date: 27-May-2008
Mid-Term Review Date:
Closing Date: 28-Feb-2013
Sector: Water supply (60%); Sewerage (39%); Central government administration (1%)
The project was restructured, or received Additional Financing during FY09: no
Project development objective(s): The objective of the project is to improve water supply and sanitation services in twenty-one rayons of Azerbaijan, including five rayons in Nakchivan Autonomous Republic.
Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The project loan was not effective before the close of the reporting period.

Lending Information/Disbursement Summary (amounts in millions, as of Aug 17, 2009)

Loan/Credit/Grant	Status	Currency	Amount	Disbursed	UnDisbursed	Cancellation
IBRD-75180	Not Effective	USD	230.00	0.00	230.00	0.00
IDA-43970	Not Effective	XDR	29.07	0.00	29.07	0.00



Project Name(ID): JUDICIAL MOD (P099201)

Country: Azerbaijan

Board Approval Date: 29-Jun-2006

Mid-Term Review Date:

Closing Date: 31-Dec-2011

Sector: Law and justice (100%)

The project was restructured, or received Additional Financing during FY09: no

Project development objective(s): The objective is to develop and initiate a long-term judicial modernization program.

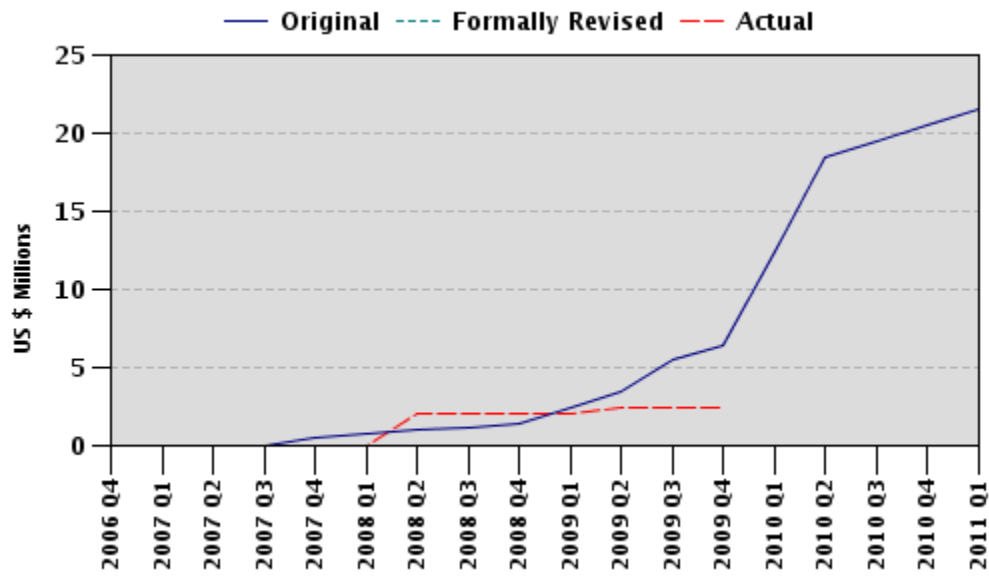
Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The project experienced a lag of over one year before implementation began. During the past fiscal year, the Justice Ministry put an implementation team in place and progress towards achieving the development objectives began in earnest under a reformulated procurement plan. Initial steps were taken to prepare baseline studies and programs for the automation of justice institutions and the improvement in court infrastructure, including the development of initial, modern designs for expanded access courthouses. However, it is unlikely that the project will be able to complete as many courthouses as originally planned due to rising construction costs, implementation delay and the global financial crisis. Initial steps have been taken in expanding public access to legal information and improving judicial training and professionalism, however, progress has lagged behind targets.

Lending Information/Disbursement Summary (amounts in millions, as of Aug 17, 2009)

Loan/Credit/Grant	Status	Currency	Amount	Disbursed	UnDisbursed	Cancellation
IDA-42090	Effective	XDR	23.05	2.42	20.52	0.00
TF-56731	Effective	USD	3.00	0.35	2.65	0.00



Lending Information/Disbursement Summary (in millions USD)



Project Name(ID): RURAL INVSMT (AZRIP) (P076234)

Country: Azerbaijan

Board Approval Date: 03-Jun-2004

Mid-Term Review Date: 15-Jun-2007

Closing Date: 31-Mar-2012

Sector: Power (20%); Roads and highways (20%); Sanitation (20%); Water supply (20%); Sub-national government administration (20%)

The project was restructured, or received Additional Financing during FY09: Additional financing in the amount of \$15 million was added to rehabilitate infrastructure in 250 rural communities.

Project development objective(s): Households in rural communities completing micro-project investments will achieve improved living standards.
The project has successfully completed the rehabilitation of rural infrastructure, such as roads, portable water supply systems and schools in 340 communities. All rehabilitated infrastructure is operational. The project is successful in achieving its objective of improving living standards. For example, farmers received 20 percent higher prices after road rehabilitation when they sell agricultural produce to external agents. School attendance increased by 25 percent after school rehabilitation.

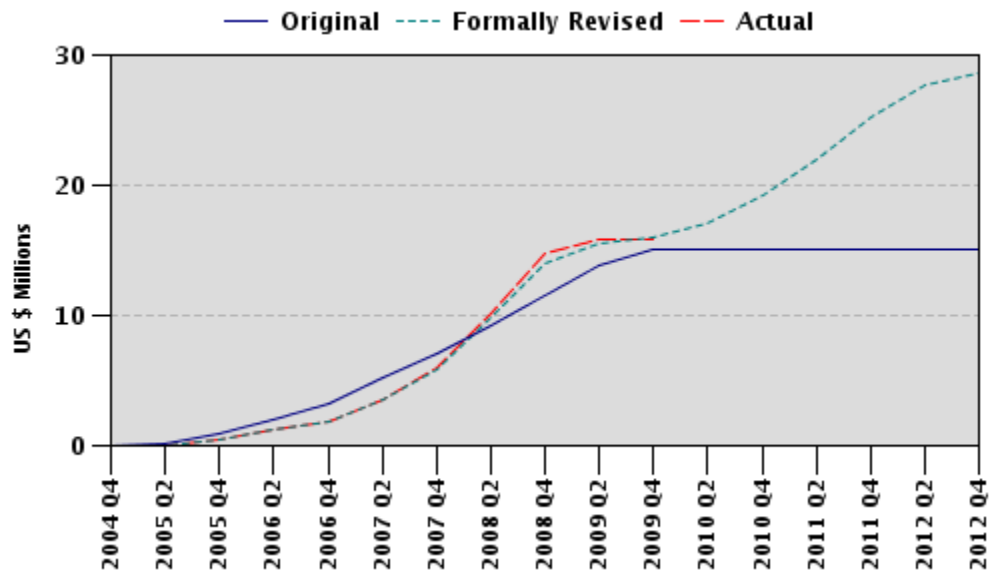
Progress toward achieving development objective(s):

Lending Information/Disbursement Summary (amounts in millions, as of Aug 17, 2009)

Loan/Credit/Grant	Status	Currency	Amount	Disbursed	UnDisbursed	Cancellation
IDA-39120	Effective	XDR	15.73	15.78	0.00	0.00
IDA-44040	Effective	XDR	14.80	1.00	13.80	0.00
TF-51649	Closed	USD	0.38	0.32	0.00	0.06
TF-53553	Closed	USD	3.30	3.30	0.00	0.00



Lending Information/Disbursement Summary (in millions USD)



Project Name(ID): POWER TRANSMISSION (P083341)
Country: Azerbaijan
Board Approval Date: 17-May-2005
Mid-Term Review Date: 14-Apr-2008
Closing Date: 31-Dec-2010
Sector: Power (100%)

The project was restructured, or received Additional Financing during FY09: no

Project development objective(s):

The objective is to improve the efficiency of power transmission through technical and institutional strengthening of the generation/transmission utility.

Progress toward achieving development objective(s):

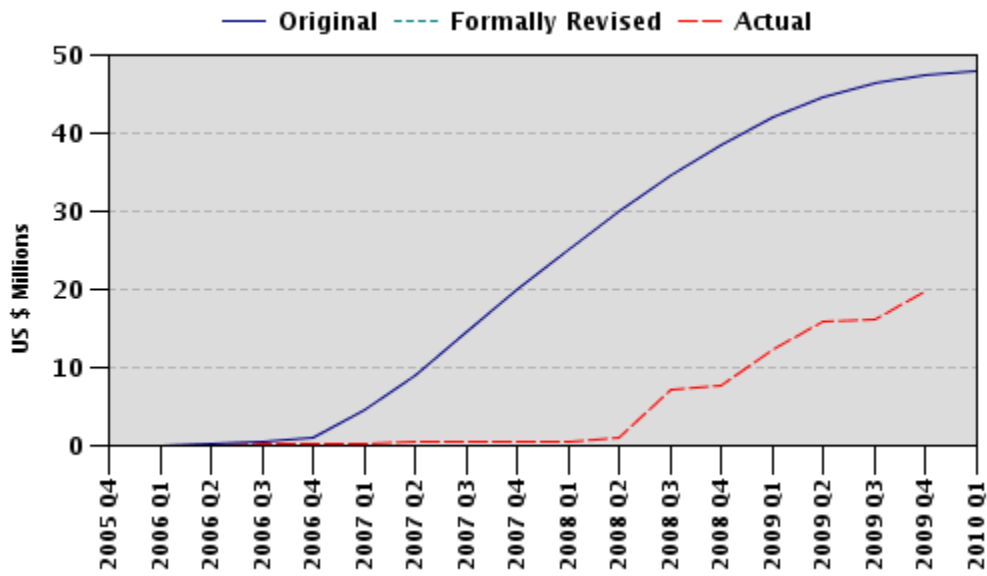
After initial delays, the project is making progress towards meeting its development objective. Implementation of a supervisory control and data acquisition (SCADA) system and energy management system that will allow Azerenerji, the state-owned power generation and transmission company, to better control and operate the power system in Azerbaijan is well underway. Other equipment to rehabilitate power substations has been delivered in fiscal year 2009. A re-evaluation of power sector assets to be financed under the project in fiscal year 2009 has been delayed, but is progressing. The re-evaluation is important for the state power generation and transmission utility (Azerenerji) in its transition to financial management based on internationally recognized practices. Large tariff increases in 2007 significantly improved the financial situation in the sector in 2008, and a roll-out of new consumer meters and better payment enforcement has lifted collections (as reported on wholesale level) to more than 80 percent in 2008. State subsidies for investments in the power sector are still large but continued to decline in 2008.

Lending Information/Disbursement Summary (amounts in millions, as of Aug 17, 2009)

Loan/Credit/Grant	Status	Currency	Amount	Disbursed	UnDisbursed	Cancellation
IBRD-72940	Effective	USD	48.00	20.06	27.94	0.00
TF-52680	Closed	USD	0.60	0.60	0.00	0.00



Lending Information/Disbursement Summary (in millions USD)



Project Name(ID): CORP & PUB SEC ACCT - CAPSAP (P099924)
Country: Azerbaijan
Board Approval Date: 27-Mar-2008
Mid-Term Review Date:
Closing Date: 31-Dec-2012
Sector: General finance sector (74%); Central government administration (19%); General industry and trade sector (7%)

The project was restructured, or received Additional Financing during FY09: no

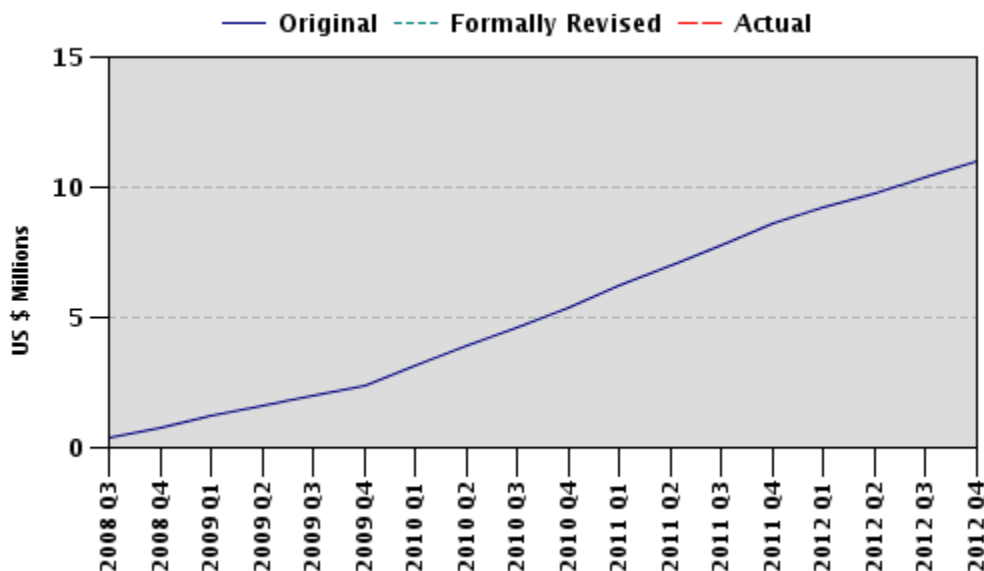
Project development objective(s): The objective is to strengthen accountability and transparency in financial reporting for public and corporate sectors in line with international best practices.

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The project experienced some delays due to its complexity; as a result, no significant progress was achieved by the end of fiscal 2009. However, it is expected that the objective still be accomplished as the project has been receiving increased attention from the stakeholders.

Lending Information/Disbursement Summary (amounts in millions, as of Aug 17, 2009)

Loan/Credit/Grant	Status	Currency	Amount	Disbursed	UnDisbursed	Cancellation
IDA-44050	Effective	XDR	10.82	0.00	10.82	0.00
TF-56724	Closed	USD	0.90	0.88	0.00	0.01
TF-57849	Effective	USD	3.00	0.30	2.70	0.00

Lending Information/Disbursement Summary (in millions USD)



Project Name(ID): REAL ESTATE REG. (P100582)
Country: Azerbaijan
Board Approval Date: 21-Mar-2007
Mid-Term Review Date:
Closing Date: 28-Feb-2013
Sector: Central government administration (87%); Sub-national government administration (8%); General agriculture, fishing and forestry sector (4%); Tertiary education (1%)

The project was restructured, or received Additional Financing during FY09: no

Project development objective(s): The objective is to ensure that there is a reliable, transparent and efficient real estate registration system supporting the real property markets and suitable systems for the management and use of state-owned immovable property.

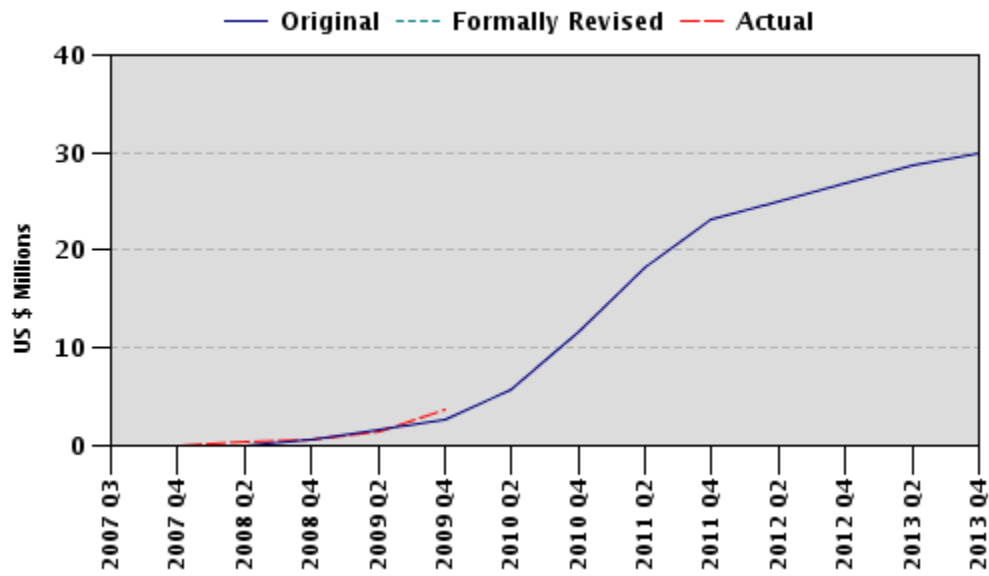
Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The project is progressing according to plan. Mapping for most of the country is completed, and the first stages of developing the continuously operating reference system for survey work and the information system strategy and bidding documents for a unified cadastre and registration system are progressing. A well-equipped, functioning training center and a law review center have been established. Pilot work to demonstrate methods and learn how to amend procedures for systematic cadastral survey work has been completed successfully. There has been a major institutional restructuring that will have long term benefits but which has delayed some aspects of project implementation.

Lending Information/Disbursement Summary (amounts in millions, as of Aug 17, 2009)

Loan/Credit/Grant	Status	Currency	Amount	Disbursed	UnDisbursed	Cancellation
IBRD-74350	Effective	USD	30.00	3.72	26.28	0.00
TF-57512	Closed	USD	0.31	0.31	0.00	0.00



Lending Information/Disbursement Summary (in millions USD)



Project Name(ID): Second Education Sector Development Proj (P102117)
Country: Azerbaijan
Board Approval Date: 21-Apr-2008
Mid-Term Review Date:
Closing Date: 31-Mar-2014
Sector: Primary education (45%); Secondary education (40%);
Tertiary education (15%)

The project was restructured, or received Additional Financing during FY09: no

Project development objective(s): The project seeks to achieve more effective teaching and improved learning results in general secondary schools which receive new school libraries and where teachers adopt improved teaching practices as a result of in-service training; and the improved efficiency of spending in education.

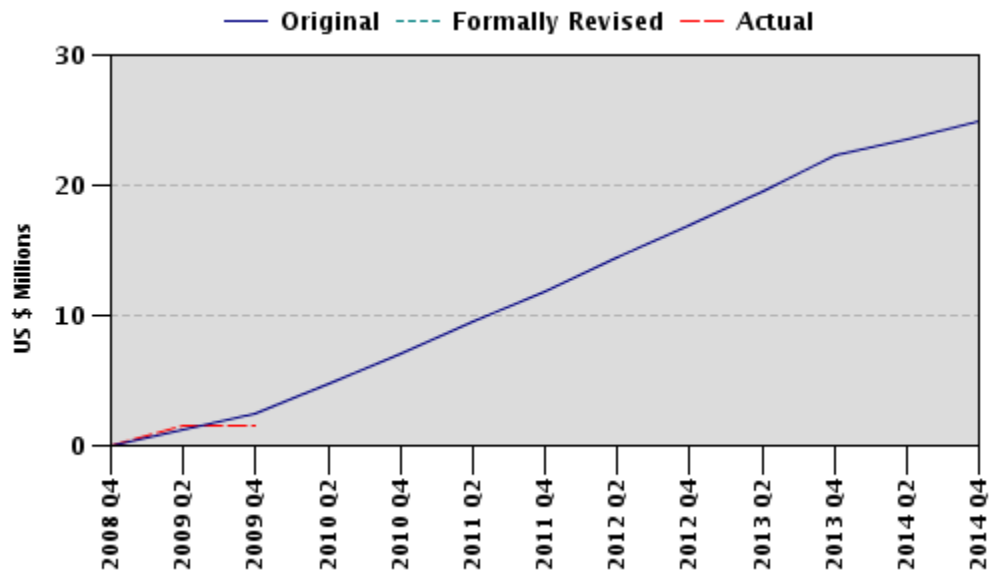
Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The project loan became effective in early December 2008 as the second phase on an adaptable loan program whose first phase was extended. This has ensured a seamless transition between both projects. These first months of implementation have been devoted to three key issues: a) establishing baseline values, particularly a 4th grade national assessment of reading and math; b) producing a regulatory framework for the in-service training of primary and secondary teachers; and c) setting up a school library task force and producing a school library concept document, a basic library catalog for school's use and the training materials for school principals and librarians.

Lending Information/Disbursement Summary (amounts in millions, as of Aug 17, 2009)

Loan/Credit/Grant	Status	Currency	Amount	Disbursed	UnDisbursed	Cancellation
IDA-43940	Effective	XDR	23.41	1.50	22.72	0.00



Lending Information/Disbursement Summary (in millions USD)



Project Name(ID): ARP/ II-INTEGRAT. SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT (P110679)
Country: Azerbaijan
Board Approval Date: 17-Jun-2008
Mid-Term Review Date:
Closing Date: 30-Sep-2013
Sector: Solid waste management (100%)
The project was restructured, or received Additional Financing during FY09: no
Project development objective(s): The objective is to support the reform of the Greater Baku solid waste collection and disposal operations.
Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The project loan became effective only after the close of this reporting period.

Lending Information/Disbursement Summary (amounts in millions, as of Aug 17, 2009)

Loan/Credit/Grant	Status	Currency	Amount	Disbursed	UnDisbursed	Cancellation
IBRD-75490	Not Effective	USD	29.50	0.00	29.50	0.00



Project Name(ID): RAIL TRADE AND TRANSPORT FACILITATION (P083108)
Country: Azerbaijan
Board Approval Date: 27-Mar-2008
Mid-Term Review Date:
Closing Date: 30-Jun-2012
Sector: Railways (90%); Other domestic and international trade (10%)

The project was restructured, or received Additional Financing during FY09: no

Project development objective(s): The objective of the project is to improve railway services in Azerbaijan, as well as the competitiveness, financial sustainability, operating and cost efficiency, and capacity of the Azerbaijan Railways.

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): Project implementation has not yet started, pending the effectiveness of the loan agreement. An official Presidential order has been issued to restructure the Azerbaijan Railways as a joint stock company within a specified timeframe.

Lending Information/Disbursement Summary (amounts in millions, as of Aug 17, 2009)

Loan/Credit/Grant	Status	Currency	Amount	Disbursed	UnDisbursed	Cancellation
IBRD-75090	Not Effective	USD	450.00	0.00	450.00	0.00
TF-55132	Closed	USD	0.90	0.87	0.00	0.03



Project Name(ID): ARP/III-LARGE SCALE OIL POLLUTED LAND CL (P110682)
Country: Azerbaijan
Board Approval Date: 17-Jun-2008
Mid-Term Review Date:
Closing Date: 30-Sep-2013
Sector: Oil and gas (100%)
The project was restructured, or received Additional Financing during FY09: no

Project development objective(s): The objective is to support the State Oil Company of Azerbaijan Republic to improve its capacity and efficiency in environmental management and cleanup of oil polluted land in the Absheron Peninsula.

Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The project loan had not yet become effective before the closing of the reporting period.

Lending Information/Disbursement Summary (amounts in millions, as of Aug 17, 2009)

Loan/Credit/Grant	Status	Currency	Amount	Disbursed	UnDisbursed	Cancellation
IBRD-75500	Not Effective	USD	60.00	0.00	60.00	0.00



Project Name(ID): Public Investment Capacity Building (P115396)
Country: Azerbaijan
Board Approval Date: 24-Jun-2009
Mid-Term Review Date:
Closing Date: 31-Mar-2014
Sector: Public administration- Transportation (30%); Public administration- Water, sanitation and flood protection (30%); Public administration- Education (20%); Central government administration (10%); Public administration- Energy and mining (10%)
Project development objective(s): The project aims to support improvement of quality and efficiency of preparation and implementation of investment projects in key priority sectors in Azerbaijan, with a focus on infrastructure. The project will provide training to develop project management capacity among government ministries and agencies, develop their technical knowledge and skills, particularly in the roads and water supply and sanitation sectors. To achieve this, training centers will be established in partnership with local educational institutions.
Progress toward achieving development objective(s): The project loan is not yet effective.

Lending Information/Disbursement Summary (amounts in millions, as of Aug 17, 2009)

Loan/Credit/Grant	Status	Currency	Amount	Disbursed	UnDisbursed	Cancellation
IDA-45950	Not Effective	XDR	8.38	0.00	8.38	0.00

