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 report\(^1\) contains project level comparisons of disbursement estimates and actual disbursements, and a table showing the loan/credit/grant amount and disbursements to date.

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\(^1\) 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.
Congo, Republic of

**Project Name(ID):** CG-Agr Rehab SIL (FY07) (P095251)

**Country:** Congo, Republic of

**Board Approval Date:** 05-Jun-2007

**Mid-Term Review Date:**

**Closing Date:** 31-Dec-2012

**Sector:** Roads and highways (40%); Crops (27%); Central government administration (17%); Animal production (8%); General industry and trade sector (8%)

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

**Project development objective(s):** The objective is to increase (a) the efficiency of public expenditures in agriculture and (b) bolster the ability of the rural poor to raise their income.

Since becoming effective, progress toward achieving the development objectives has been slower than expected. The weak capacity of the project implementing unit and in-country administrative procedures delayed start-up activities. And although the implementation pace picked up at the end of the reporting period, the project was still in a too early stage to show meaningful progress towards its development objectives.

**Lending Information/Disbursement Summary**

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(amounts in millions, as of Aug 17, 2009)
Status of Projects in Execution - FY09
AFRICA REGION

Project Name(ID): CG-Basic Education Support (FY05) (P084317)
Country: Congo, Republic of
Board Approval Date: 23-Sep-2004
Mid-Term Review Date: 14-Feb-2007
Closing Date: 30-Jun-2012

Sector:
Primary education (40%); Secondary education (35%); Central government administration (10%); Sub-national government administration (10%); Vocational training (5%)

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

Project development objective(s):
The objectives are to improve efficiency in the allocation and management of resources, improve the quality of education services and reduce the inequities in the provision of these services.

Additional Financing of US$30 million (US$15 million IDA Grant and US$15 million Government contribution) was approved by the Board on June 9, 2009. The original project closed on June 30, 2009 after being nearly fully disbursed. The additional financing will scale-up ongoing activities and support some new additional activities.

Most of the outcome indicators have been met or surpassed, including: (i) increase in the completion rates for primary education from 50% to 77% in 2007 (beyond the 70% targeted outcome) and (ii) primary school repetition rates decrease from 30% to 21% in 2007 (with 20% being the targeted outcome). The revised development objectives of the project to improve efficiency quality and equity in provision of basic education in the Republic of Congo.

In order to achieve these objectives, the proposed Additional Financing would pursue a five-fold agenda of action: (a) support the Government in preparing and implementing a sustainable, long-term EFA/FTI education sector plan covering all educational levels; (b) build the capacity of the education sector Ministries, in particular, in planning, human resources, fiduciary and budget management, and strengthen the capacity of the Regional Departments of Education (DDEPSA) to provide support to the school system; (c) provide support to increase equity in the provision of services, by providing free textbooks and focusing on infrastructure expansion efforts in underserved areas; (d) improve the quality of education, through training teachers, school directors and inspectors, improving curricula and introducing standardized tests; and (e) provide support to out-of-school youth and excluded populations, such as pygmies.

The financing agreement for the additional financing was signed 21 July 2009 but the project was not effective before the close of the reporting period.
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### Lending Information/Disbursement Summary (in millions USD)

![Graph showing USD millions from 2005 to 2012]
Project Name(ID):
CG-HIV/AIDS & Health SIL (FY04) (P077513)

Country:
Congo, Republic of

Board Approval Date:
20-Apr-2004

Mid-Term Review Date:
04-May-2007

Closing Date:
30-Jun-2012

Sector:
Other social services (46%); Health (24%); Central government administration (20%); Sub-national government administration (10%)

The project was restructured, or received Additional Financing during FY09:
The additional financing is to: (i) consolidate HIV/AIDS responses in the education and health sectors including linkages between prevention and treatment; (ii) leverage additional funds (Global, Fund, EU, and others) and rationalize use of Government’s own increasing resources allocated for HIV/AIDS; (iii) provide effective technical transition from health sector HIV/AIDS activities managed by the National HIV/AIDS Commission to responsible restructured units in the Ministry of Health under the new IDA supported project; (iv) expand ongoing community and private sector HIV/AIDS activities through strengthening local ownership of services targeting OVC, widows, youth, indigenous people and other vulnerable groups; (v) streamline and roll out M&E activities to ensure full integration of HIV/AIDS M&E with the health sector SNIS and other related sector monitoring activities for documenting and evaluating results on the ground; (vi) provide additional support on the ongoing actions agreed in the MTR, particularly in light of the focus on learning-by-doing embedded in the project.

Project development objective(s):
The objective is to slow the spread of HIV/AIDS and strengthen support and care for people infected or affected by HIV/AIDS.

Progress toward achieving development objective(s):
Good progress continues on the project with many of the targets already met. Among the main achievement are: (a) 72% pregnant women screened for HIV at 54 Voluntary Counseling and Testing Centers (VCT), (b) patients among are on Antiretroviral Therapy (ART) in 35 hospitals nationwide, (c) 11,000 Orphan and other Vulnerable Children (OVC) received services from 27 NGOs in 5 major cities and towns, (d) the percent of population reached through HIV/AIDS Information Education Communication/Behavior Change Communication radio/television programs increased from 54% to 80%.

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Country: Congo, Republic of
Board Approval Date: 07-Feb-2002
Mid-Term Review Date: 17-Oct-2005
Closing Date: 30-Jun-2010
Sector: Central government administration (80%); Oil and gas (20%)
The project was restructured, or received Additional Financing during FY09: no

Project development objective(s):
The objectives are to improve governance and enhance transparency and effectiveness in public financial management. The project has achieved further results on enhancing levels of transparency in the oil sector through the adoption and implementation of the Oil Marketing Reform Action Plan, while continuing efforts to improve corporate governance practices. Significant progress has also been made in reforming public investment management practices through the creation of a new selection and monitoring system and in procurement reform, as a result of the adoption of a modern procurement code. Steady progress on implementing the Public Financial Management action plan was also noted. Capacity building support for the new oversight institutions monitoring the government's anti-corruption efforts has continued, including the adoption of a Government anti-corruption Action Plan and a new Anti-Corruption law.

Progress toward achieving development objective(s):

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Country: Congo, Republic of
Board Approval Date: 29-May-2008
Mid-Term Review Date:
Closing Date: 29-May-2012
Sector:
Health (55%); Central government administration (38%); Sub-national government administration (7%)
The project was restructured, or received Additional Financing during FY09: no

Project development objective(s):
The development objective of the project is to support the strengthening of the health system in order to effectively combat the major communicable diseases and improve access to quality services for women, children and other vulnerable groups.

Progress toward achieving development objective(s):
The project became effective on February 2, 2009. Implementation is off to a good start. A special focus has been on pharmaceutical logistics and supply chain. The last mission in April 2009 agreed with the Government on an immediate action to ensure availability of basic drugs in facilities. Finance, Human Resources, Disease Control and Planning units in the Ministry of Health are being restructured in line with the Project design.

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