

Implementation Status & Results
Yemen, Republic of
Agro-biodiversity and Adaptation (P103922)

Operation Name: Agro-biodiversity and Adaptation (P103922)	Project Stage: Implementation	Seq.No: 6	Status: ARCHIVED	Archive Date: 30-Jul-2013
Country: Yemen, Republic of	Approval FY: 2010			
Product Line: Global Environment Project	Region: MIDDLE EAST AND NORTH AFRICA	Lending Instrument: Specific Investment Loan		
Implementing Agency(ies):				

Key Dates

Board Approval Date	27-May-2010	Original Closing Date	31-Aug-2014	Planned Mid Term Review Date	31-Aug-2012	Last Archived ISR Date	10-Feb-2013
Effectiveness Date	31-Aug-2010	Revised Closing Date	31-Aug-2014	Actual Mid Term Review Date			

Global Environmental Objectives

Global Environmental Objective (from Project Appraisal Document)

The Project development objectives are: (a) to enhance capacity and awareness at key national agencies and at local levels, to respond to climate variability and change; and (b) to better equip local communities to cope with climate change through the conservation and use of agro-biodiversity.

Has the Project Development Objective been changed since Board Approval of the Project?

Yes No

Component(s)

Component Name	Component Cost
Agro-biodiversity and Local Knowledge Utilization and Assessment	0.37
Climate Modeling and Capacity Building	0.60
Integrating Climate Change into Rainfed Agriculture	2.80
Project Management, Coordination, Monitoring and Evaluation	0.23

Overall Ratings

	Previous Rating	Current Rating
Progress towards achievement of GEO	Moderately Satisfactory	Moderately Satisfactory
Overall Implementation Progress (IP)	Moderately Satisfactory	Moderately Unsatisfactory
Overall Risk Rating		

Implementation Status Overview

1. This ISR records progress status of the following two associated projects sharing the same identification "P" number 103922: (a) GEF grant TF96330-RY for the Agro-biodiversity and Climate Adaptation Project (ACAP) and (b) the JSDF grant TF098754 for the Piloting Coping Strategies for Rainfed Farmers.

2. This ISR update is based on the outcome of the supervision mission conducted in Sana'a from April 4 - 11, 2013, and updates on progress with key next-steps agreed upon. Since

the previous ISR of January 2013, the project has experienced further implementation delays due in large part to changes in personnel in the new unit coordinating the implementation of both grants and which is the Project Support Unit (PSU) of the Rainfed Agriculture and Livestock Project (RALP) at the Ministry of Agriculture (MAI). As a result, overall implementation progress in recent months has much slower and much more limited than planned. Most recent progress has been with activities related to community investments for water harvesting and storage facilities, rehabilitation of terraces and soil conservation, and the advancement of procurement processes to purchase equipment in support of the development of climate-resilient profiles of selected landraces with AREA (Agricultural Research and Extension Authority) and of improved climate database with CAMA (Civil Aviation and Meteorology Authority).

3. With various new recruitments of needed replacement or additional staff well underway since April 2013, to strengthen its capacity, the MAI/PSU is confident that the pace of implementation will increase significantly in the coming months and should allow to make up for most of the delays accumulated.

Locations

Country	First Administrative Division	Location	Planned	Actual
Yemen	Muhafazat Ta`izz	Sabir Al Mawadim	✓	
Yemen	Muhafazat Ibb	As Saddah	✓	
Yemen	Muhafazat Ibb	Ba'dan	✓	
Yemen	Muhafazat Ta`izz	Al Mawasit	✓	
Yemen	Sanaa	Bani Matar	✓	
Yemen	Sanaa	Bilad Ar Rus	✓	
Yemen	Muhafazat al Mahwit	Al Mahwait	✓	
Yemen	Muhafazat al Mahwit	Ar Rujum	✓	

Results

Global Environmental Objective Indicators

Indicator Name	Core	Unit of Measure		Baseline	Current	End Target
Lessons from community pilots are documented and scaled up	<input type="checkbox"/>	Text	Value	0	0	Scaling up begins
			Date	31-Aug-2010	11-Apr-2013	31-Aug-2014
			Comments		After additional delays, the process is on-going to select a consultant for this activity	Scaling up begins after lessons learned captured and documented in year 3
Strategy for climate resilient agriculture for rainfed highlands adopted and applied by key national agencies	<input type="checkbox"/>	Yes/No	Value	No	No	Yes
			Date	31-Aug-2010	11-Apr-2013	31-Aug-2014
			Comments	Limited and fragmented understanding and capacity to deal with climate change	After additional delays, the process is on-going to select a consultant for this activity	Strategy is being adopted and implemented

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Direct project beneficiaries	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Number	Value	0.00		
			Date	31-Aug-2010	11-Apr-2013	31-Aug-2014
			Comments		8 pilot communities have benefited from direct community investment sub-projects. Estimates of beneficiaries will be determined by time of next ISR	20 pilot communities have benefited from direct community investment sub-projects. Estimates of beneficiaries will be determined by time of next ISR
Female beneficiaries	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Percentage Sub Type Supplemental	Value	0.00		
Client days of training provided (number)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Number	Value	0.00	0.00	
			Date		11-Apr-2013	31-Aug-2014
			Comments		After additional delays, the process is on-going to select a consultant for this activity	Target for this core indicator to be established by the counterparts by the time of the next ISR
Client days of training provided - Female (number)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Number Sub Type Breakdown	Value	0.00	0.00	
			Date	31-Aug-2010	11-Apr-2013	31-Aug-2014
			Comments		The process is on-going to select a consultant to implement this activity	Target for this core indicator to be established by the counterparts by the next supervision mission

Intermediate Results Indicators

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Indicator Name	Core	Unit of Measure		Baseline	Current	End Target
Comp 1- By YR2, inventory of agro-biodiversity resources completed and documented	<input type="checkbox"/>	Percentage	Value	0.00	0.00	100.00
			Date	31-Aug-2010	11-Apr-2013	31-Dec-2013
			Comments	Inventory does not exist	Inventory will be completed by December 2013	100 percent completion by year 2
Comp 1- By YR2, Climate resilience profiles of at least 5 landraces developed, and these landraces piloted	<input type="checkbox"/>	Number	Value	0.00	0.00	5.00
			Date	31-Aug-2010	11-Apr-2013	31-Mar-2014
			Comments		Activities with AREA will start soon and plans are underway to develop the profiles of the landraces by February 2014.	

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Comp 2- By YR1, existing MOU on sharing and harmonization of climate data strengthened and institutionalized in relevant climate related agencies	<input type="checkbox"/>	Percentage	Value	0.00	0.00	100.00
			Date		11-Apr-2013	30-Apr-2013
			Comments	Existing MOU not operational	Completed	100 percent completion by year 2
Comp 2- By YR4, number of trained technical specialist in climate related agencies to undertake climate modeling	<input type="checkbox"/>	Number	Value	0.00	0.00	8.00
			Date	31-Aug-2010	11-Apr-2013	31-Dec-2013
			Comments		Hiring of trainers is ongoing. Training to take place in July-August 2013.	
Comp 2 - Improved local data sets developed and local capacity to predict regional climate change based on global circulation modeloutput enhanced on a pilot basis	<input type="checkbox"/>	Percentage	Value	0.00	5.00	
			Date	31-Aug-2010	11-May-2013	31-Oct-2013
			Comments	Minimal local data sets available	Hiring of consultants underway	Target for this core indicator to be established by the counterparts by the next supervision mission
By end of YR 2 number of community coping strategies developed	<input type="checkbox"/>	Percentage	Value	0.00	5.00	100.00
			Date	31-Aug-2010	11-Apr-2013	31-Dec-2013
			Comments		5 community coping strategies have been developed	
Comp. 3- By end of YR3, at least 20 coping strategies are tested and piloted in local landscape units	<input type="checkbox"/>	Number	Value	0.00	5.00	20.00
			Date	31-Aug-2010	11-Apr-2013	31-Aug-2014
			Comments			5 by YR2 and 20 by YR3
Comp. 3- By end of YR3, draft strategy for climate resilient agriculture for rain-fed highlands endorsed by MAI	<input type="checkbox"/>	Text	Value	Climate considerations not included in Strategy	0	Strategy drafted and endorsed
			Date	31-Aug-2010	11-Apr-2013	31-Aug-2014
			Comments	Climate considerations not included in Strategy	In the process of hiring a consultant to prepare the draft strategy	By 08/30/2013, draft strategy endorsed by MAI
Comp. 4- By end of YR1, monitoring and evaluation system in place	<input type="checkbox"/>	Text	Value	0	0	M&E system in place and in use by end of YR1
			Date	31-Aug-2010	11-Apr-2013	31-Aug-2014
			Comments	No M&E in place	After delays, the process is ongoing to hire a consultant to prepare the M&E system	M&E system in place and in use by end of YR1

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MTR findings and lessons learned are being incorporated into PIM	<input type="checkbox"/>	Text	Value	MTR findings and lessons learned not incorporated in PIM	0	PIM is revised incorporating MTR findings and lessons learned
			Date	31-Aug-2010	11-Apr-2013	01-Apr-2014
			Comments		MTR to be rescheduled from August 31, 2012 to March 31, 2014	

Data on Financial Performance (as of 08-Jul-2013)

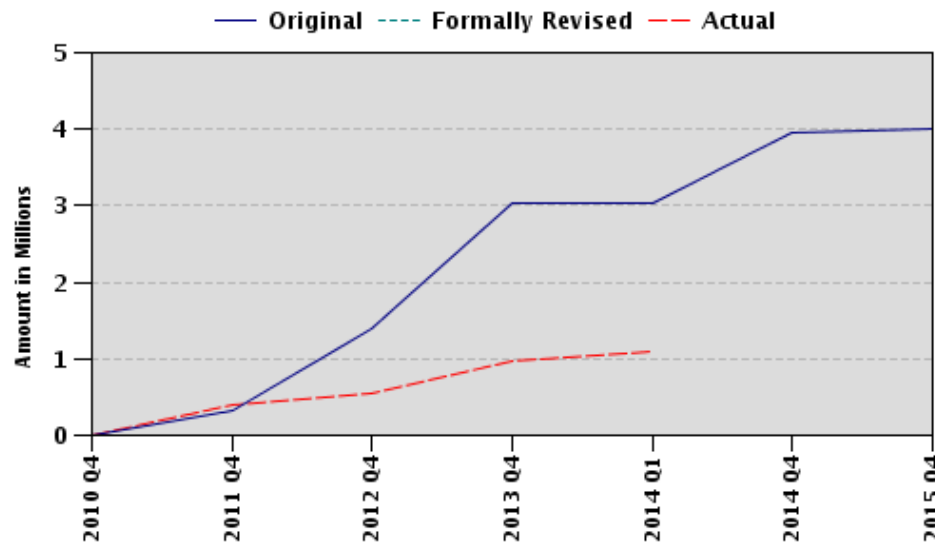
Financial Agreement(s) Key Dates

Project	Ln/Cr/Tf	Status	Approval Date	Signing Date	Effectiveness Date	Original Closing Date	Revised Closing Date
P103922	TF-96330	Effective	28-Jun-2010	28-Jun-2010	31-Aug-2010	31-Aug-2014	31-Aug-2014
P103922	TF-98754	Effective	23-Feb-2011	05-Mar-2011	31-May-2012	05-Mar-2015	05-Mar-2015

Disbursements (in Millions)

Project	Ln/Cr/Tf	Status	Currency	Original	Revised	Cancelled	Disbursed	Undisbursed	% Disbursed
P103922	TF-96330	Effective	USD	4.00	4.00	0.00	0.70	3.30	18.00
P103922	TF-98754	Effective	USD	2.78	2.78	0.00	0.40	2.38	14.00

Disbursement Graph



Key Decisions Regarding Implementation

1. The process of amending the Grant agreements to formalize the new implementation arrangement through the MAI/PSU is well underway (see level two restructuring packages attached). The final approval of these amendments by the Yemeni Government is expected before the end of July 2013. The amendment of the GEF agreement for ACAP will also include the following: (a) adjustment of its financing plan to take into account the closing of the PHRD/CCIG Grant; (b) rescheduling of its midterm review (MTR) date from August 31, 2012 to March 31, 2014, (since the MTR did not take place as originally scheduled in the grant because of the relatively incipient stage of implementation due to severe start-up delays associated with the socio-political events of late 2010 and 2011); and (c) introduction of the modality of "individual Consultant" as a procurement method to access consultant services needed to strengthen the capacity of MAI/PSU to handle effectively the additional implementation responsibility of ACAP.
2. Nevertheless, completing these amendment processes is not preventing the MAI-PSU from moving forward with the implementation of key activities of these two projects.

Restructuring History

There has been no restructuring to date.

Related Projects

There are no related projects.