



Higher Education Project (P148291)

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Implementing Agencies: Ministry of Education and Science

Key Dates

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Bank Approval Date:30-Jun-2015

Effectiveness Date:29-Feb-2016

Planned Mid Term Review Date:15-Jan-2019

Actual Mid-Term Review Date:--

Original Closing Date:31-Oct-2021

Revised Closing Date:31-Oct-2021

Project Development Objectives

Project Development Objective (from Project Appraisal Document)

The objective of the project is to develop mechanisms that improve and monitor the quality and labor-market relevance of higher education

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

No

Components

Name

Institutional-Level Improvements:(Cost \$12.70 M)

System-Level Interventions:(Cost \$1.75 M)

Project Management, Monitoring and Evaluation:(Cost \$0.55 M)

Overall Ratings

Name	Previous Rating	Current Rating
Progress towards achievement of PDO	● Satisfactory	● Satisfactory
Overall Implementation Progress (IP)	● Satisfactory	● Moderately Unsatisfactory
Overall Risk Rating	● Substantial	● Substantial

Implementation Status and Key Decisions



With the Higher Education Project (HEP) launched, the Ministry of Education and Science (MoES) is making progress in filling several key project roles, including the Project Coordinator and Consultant for Financial Management. The Bank encourages the MoES to move swiftly with its selection and hiring process.

The Bank team received a complaint from civil society regarding the selection process for the Project Coordinator. Noting that the selection process for the Project Coordinator is ongoing, the MoES responded to the concerns expressed in the complaint, and the matter is considered closed.

The MoES still needs to establish an Inter-Ministerial Steering Committee, as stipulated in the financing agreements, to launch the Just-in-Time grants program detailed in Sub-Component 1.1. This was to be established on or about May 29, 2016.

The MoES still needs to finalize and adopt a Grievance Redress Mechanism acceptable to the Bank. According to the financial agreements, this was to be done by the end of April.

The MoES has not established a Designated Account (DA) for the HEP.

Risks

Systematic Operations Risk-rating Tool

Risk Category	Rating at Approval	Previous Rating	Current Rating
Political and Governance	● Substantial	● Substantial	● Substantial
Macroeconomic	● High	● High	● High
Sector Strategies and Policies	● Substantial	● Substantial	● Substantial
Technical Design of Project or Program	● Moderate	● Moderate	● Moderate
Institutional Capacity for Implementation and Sustainability	● Substantial	● Substantial	● Substantial
Fiduciary	● Substantial	● Substantial	● Substantial
Environment and Social	● Moderate	● Moderate	● Moderate
Stakeholders	● Moderate	● Moderate	● Moderate
Other	--	--	--
Overall	● Substantial	● Substantial	● Substantial

Results

Project Development Objective Indicators



► Number of clusters of academic specialties with standards revised utilizing a process that incorporates employer feedback (Number, Custom)

	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	0.00	0.00	0.00	5.00
Date	13-May-2015	05-Oct-2015	05-Oct-2015	31-Oct-2021

► New quality assurance standards and guidelines, aligned with Bologna Process, for institutional accreditation are developed, piloted , and approved by the government (Text, Custom)

	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	Standards and guidelines not aligned with Bologna Process.	--	Not yet started.	Standards and guidelines approved.
Date	13-May-2015	--	05-Oct-2015	31-Oct-2021

Comments

The MoES has advertised Terms of Reference for capacity building of quality assurance agency

► Percentage of peer reviewed CGP sub-grants that are assessed to have improved the quality and relevance of the targeted program (Percentage, Custom)

	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	0.00	--	0.00	65.00
Date	13-May-2015	--	05-Oct-2015	31-Oct-2021

► Percentage of HEIs conducting graduate tracing surveys to monitor employment outcomes of alumni (Percentage, Custom)

	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	0.00	0.00	0.00	40.00
Date	13-May-2015	05-Oct-2015	05-Oct-2015	31-Oct-2021

Overall Comments



Intermediate Results Indicators

▶ Number of students enrolled in short-term offerings (courses or programs) developed in response to labor market demand (Number, Custom)

	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	0.00	--	0.00	1200.00
Date	13-May-2015	--	05-Oct-2015	31-Oct-2021

▲ Sub-indicator: Number of female students enrolled (Number, Custom Breakdown)

	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	0.00	0.00	0.00	300.00
Date	13-May-2015	05-Oct-2015	05-Oct-2015	31-Oct-2021

▶ Number of CGP sub-projects that engage employers to implement at least one strategic initiative focused on improving relevance (Number, Custom)

	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	0.00	--	0.00	30.00
Date	13-May-2015	--	05-Oct-2015	31-Oct-2021

▶ Number of female students receiving custom academic and student support services (Number, Custom)

	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	0.00	0.00	0.00	2000.00
Date	13-May-2015	05-Oct-2015	05-Oct-2015	31-Oct-2021



▶ Number of HEIs that complete a pilot institutional accreditation process in accordance with the newly developed accreditation standards and guidelines (Number, Custom)

	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	0.00	--	0.00	3.00
Date	13-May-2015	--	05-Oct-2015	31-Oct-2021

▶ Number of working groups established to revise curriculum for selected clusters of academic specialties (Number, Custom)

	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	0.00	0.00	0.00	5.00
Date	13-May-2015	05-Oct-2015	05-Oct-2015	31-Oct-2021

▶ Draft legislative amendments to improve the performance-orientation of the higher education financing system are submitted to the government and an action plan is proposed by the MoES/MOF/MOEDT (Text, Custom)

	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	No assessment conducted.	--	Not yet started.	Draft legislative amendments are developed and proposed by MOES/MOF/MOEDT.
Date	13-May-2015	--	05-Oct-2015	31-Oct-2021

▶ Number of NGOs involved in planning and implementation of project-related activities (Number, Custom)

	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	0.00	--	0.00	3.00
Date	13-May-2015	--	05-Oct-2015	31-Oct-2021



► MoES responds and/or resolves the grievance received within the stipulated service standard for response times (Percentage, Custom)

	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	0.00	--	0.00	90.00
Date	13-May-2015	--	05-Oct-2015	31-Oct-2021

► Direct project beneficiaries (Number, Core)

	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	0.00	0.00	0.00	15250.00
Date	13-May-2015	05-Oct-2015	05-Oct-2015	31-Oct-2021

▲ Female beneficiaries (Percentage, Core Supplement)

	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	0.00	0.00	0.00	40.00

Overall Comments

Data on Financial Performance

Disbursements (by loan)

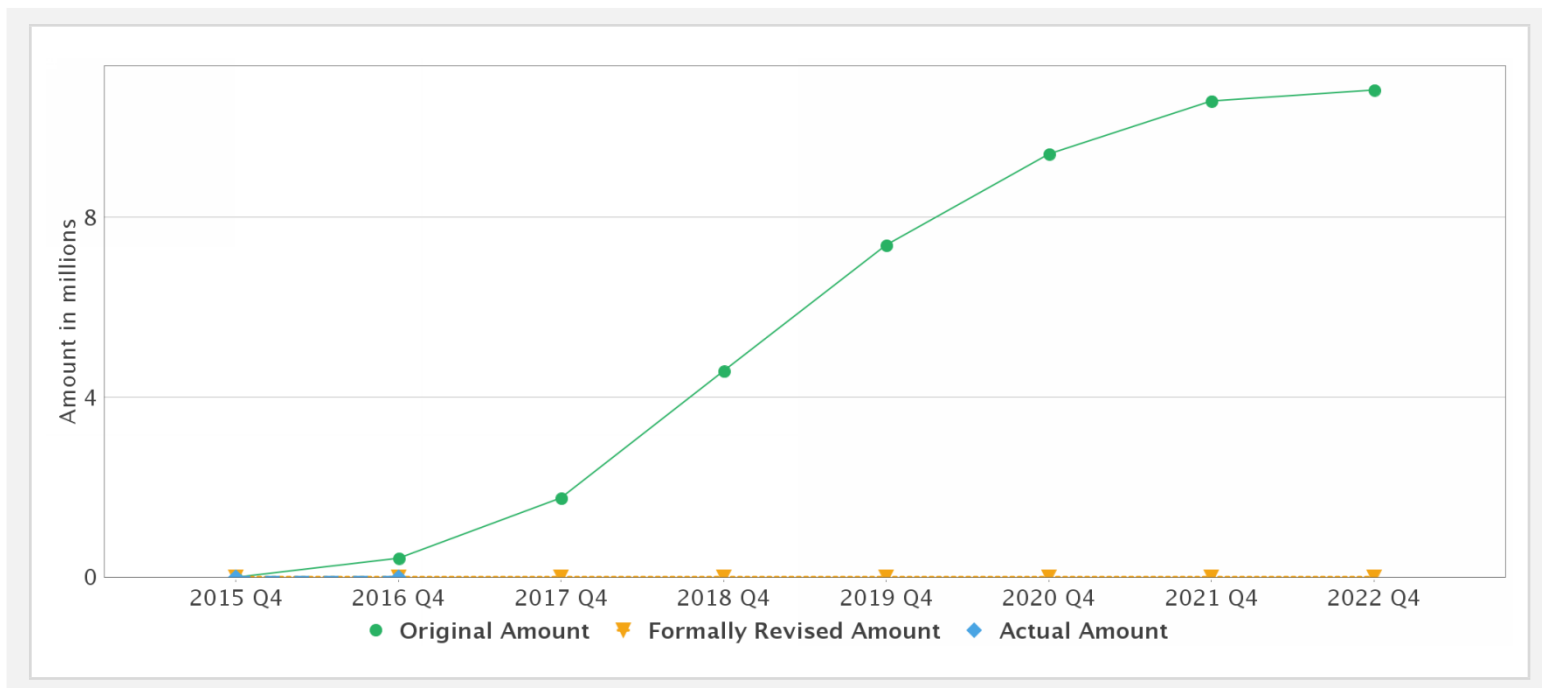
Project	Loan/Credit/TF	Status	Currency	Original	Revised	Cancelled	Disbursed	Undisbursed	Disbursed
P148291	IDA-57020	Effective	XDR	6.00	6.00	0.00	0.00	6.00	0%
P148291	IDA-D0820	Effective	XDR	4.90	4.90	0.00	0.00	4.90	0%

Key Dates (by loan)



Project	Loan/Credit/TF	Status	Approval Date	Signing Date	Effectiveness Date	Orig. Closing Date	Rev. Closing Date
P148291	IDA-57020	Effective	30-Jun-2015	07-Aug-2015	29-Feb-2016	31-Oct-2021	31-Oct-2021
P148291	IDA-D0820	Effective	30-Jun-2015	07-Aug-2015	29-Feb-2016	31-Oct-2021	31-Oct-2021

Cumulative Disbursements



Restructuring History

There has been no restructuring to date.

Related Project(s)

There are no related projects.