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Quick Facts

Countries	Angola
Financial Institutions	World Bank (WB)
Status	Proposed
Bank Risk Rating	U
Voting Date	2019-06-25
Borrower	Government of Angola
Sectors	Law and Government
Investment Type(s)	Loan
Investment Amount (USD)	$ 320.00 million
Project Cost (USD)	$ 330.00 million

Project Description

According to bank documents, the objectives of the proposed Project are to provide temporary income support to poor and vulnerable households in selected areas while strengthening the delivery mechanisms for the development of a basic social safety net system.

The project has three components:

1. Cash transfer program to mitigate the impact of the subsidy reform on poor households (US$ 245 million and US10 million counterpart funding). The objective of this component is to design and implement a temporary cash transfer program that aims to mitigate the impact of the subsidy reform on poor and near poor populations with a goal of reaching one million households.
2. Development of an effective basic safety nets system (US$ 65 million). The specific objective of this component is to strengthen the capacity of MASFAMU, FAS and partner institutions responsible for activities in social safety nets at the central, provincial and municipal levels to implement short term measures and build the key blocks of a proper safety nets system. This component includes three sub-components that aim to build key permanent delivery systems, strengthen communication, and develop complementary programs to support productive and human capital investments at the municipal level.
    i. Key permanent delivery systems to implement social protection programs (US$ 15 million). This subcomponent is expected to increase the effectiveness of the social protection system by developing delivery systems that enhance the effectiveness and efficiency of the social protection sector and allow MASFAMU, especially the National Directorate for Social Assistance, and FAS to better manage their programs.
    ii. Communication strategy for the subsidy reform and the safety net programs (US$ 5 million). This sub-component is expected to increase the support for the subsidy reform and help enlarge the political space for its implementation. The project would support the Ministry of Finance, the Ministry of Social Communication and MASFAMU to set up a communication strategy and system for the sector and specifically for the subsidy reform.
    iii. Establishment of a basic social safety nets system, supporting investments in productive and human capital (US$ 45 million). This sub-component is expected to increase the poverty impacts of the safety net systems by helping address more structural characteristics of poverty.
3. Project management (US$ 10 million). This component would support the establishment of a dedicated project implementation unit to support FAS and MASFAMU in implementing activities. It is anticipated that FAS will lead the implementation of the cash transfer program and the overall implementation of the project activities while MASFAMU will focus on coordination, overall communication strategy for the reform, and coordination with human development service providers. As organized for project preparation, the project will support the establishment of a multi-sectoral steering committee lead by the Presidency and including MinFin, MASFAMU, MAT and others to guide the project team and contribute to a whole of government approach for the subsidy reform.

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