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Quick Facts

Countries	Lesotho
Financial Institutions	World Bank (WB)
Status	Proposed
Bank Risk Rating	B
Voting Date	2019-11-14
Borrower	Kingdom of Lesotho
Sectors	Education and Health
Investment Type(s)	Loan
Investment Amount (USD)	$ 60.00 million
Project Cost (USD)	$ 60.00 million

Project Description

According to bank documents, the project objective is to increase utilization and quality of key nutrition and health services and strengthen institutional capacity to implement key policy reforms in the health sector.

The proposed Project will have four main components:

1. Providing Multisectoral Services to Address Chronic Malnutrition (US$25 million)
    I. Sub-component 1.1. National Nutrition Communication Strategy.
    II. Sub-component 1.2. Community-based initiatives to address multisectoral determinants of chronic malnutrition.
    III. Sub-component 1.3 Nutrition sensitive services in Early Childhood Care and Development (ECCD) centers and Child Care Centers.
    IV. Sub-component 1.4. Adolescent school health.
2. Strengthening Health Systems (US$29.5 million). This component proposes to finance interventions to increase the focus on results, particularly in enhancing the quality and efficiency of health service delivery. It will finance activities to strengthen health sector governance and capacity building for the health workforce. It will be composed of three main sub-components:
    I. Sub-Component 2.1. Focus on Results
        i. Sub-component 2.1.1. Second-Generation Performance Based Financing.
        ii. Sub-Component 2.1.2: Disbursement-Linked Indicators (DLI) for health system reforms.
    II. Sub-component 2.2. Quality of Care. This sub-component will enhance quality of care through better health management, medical equipment and stock management.
    III. Sub-component 2.3. Technical Support and Capacity Building on Health Policy, Health Financing, Performance-Based Financing Institutionalization, and Public Private Partnerships
3. Project Management, Multi-stakeholder Coordination, Program Monitoring, Evaluation and Learning ($5 million). The primary objectives of this component are to enhance national capacities for coordination and governance on nutrition and to strengthen project management. It will have three main sub-components:
    I. Sub-component 3. 1. Overall Nutrition Advocacy, Co-ordination, Monitoring and reporting to Prime Minister’s office.
    II. Sub-component 3.2. Project Management.
    III. Sub-component 3.3. Assessments, Knowledge Sharing and Learning.
4. Component 4. Contingency Emergency Response Component/CERC (US$0.5 million). In the event of an Eligible Crisis or Emergency, the project will contribute to providing immediate and effective response to said Eligible Crisis or Emergency. To help speed up the response, the project proposes to allocate an amount to reduce time spent on assessing which activities to cut and reallocate funds from. Any unused amount would be reallocated to other components if the CERC component is not triggered a year prior to project closing.

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- World Bank (WB)

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