

 Early Warning System

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CABO VERDE SECOND STATE-OWNED ENTERPRISES FISCAL
MANAGEMENT DEVELOPMENT POLICY FINANCING



Quick Facts

Countries	Cape Verde
Financial Institutions	World Bank (WB)
Status	Proposed
Bank Risk Rating	U
Voting Date	2020-03-19
Borrower	Government of Cabo Verde
Sectors	Finance, Industry and Trade
Investment Type(s)	Loan
Investment Amount (USD)	\$ 15.00 million
Project Cost (USD)	\$ 15.00 million



Project Description

The program objectives in this operation are (i) reducing fiscal risks from state-owned enterprises (SOEs) while improving service delivery in infrastructures and (ii) strengthening accountability and effectiveness in fiscal management.

The series is structured around two interrelated policy areas:

- Pillar A aims to reduce fiscal risks from SOEs and improve the management of public assets in the transport, energy, housing and ICT sectors while promoting private sector involvement in the delivery of these key services for enhanced performance. Capitalization and direct subsidies and transfers to the TACV, IFH and ELECTRA fluctuate from year to year but averaged over 2 percent of GDP per year between 2014-2018. Concurrently, explicit guarantees to the same entities average 7 percent of GDP. There is also significant on-lending by the central government to ELECTRA and IFH, which is a source of contingent liabilities. The reforms supported by the series are expected to minimize fiscal exposure to these entities while improving the quality of air and maritime transportation and energy services. Overall, the program includes: (i) repositioning the role of the State in the provision of international air and maritime interisland transportation; (ii) reducing ELECTRA's commercial losses and revisiting tariffs to improve the financial position of the utility while supporting affordability of services for low-income households; (iii) restructuring the Casa Para Todos(CPT) social housing program to increase its performance and reduce related debt service risks; and (iv) adopting regional directives opening access to ICT wholesale broadband infrastructure, so as to boost sound competition and reduce cost of service.
- Pillar B support reforms which aim at strengthening accountability and effectiveness in budget and debt management. Building on the first operation on the series, key policy actions focus on: (i) implementing new budget and debt legislation for more effective and transparent management, clearly linking the medium-term fiscal framework with fiscal and debt targets; (ii) implementing legislation which strengthens the powers of the Court of Accounts - which is the supreme audit institution (SAI) responsible for the supervision of the legality of public expenditures and the audit of public accounts; (iii) enhancing tax transparency, streamlining tax exemptions and revoking undue exemptions ; and (iv) rationalizing public investment selection



Investment Description

- World Bank (WB)



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