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Quick Facts

Countries	Somalia
Financial Institutions	World Bank (WB)
Status	Proposed
Bank Risk Rating	B
Voting Date	2019-12-18
Borrower	Government of Somalia
Sectors	Law and Government
Investment Type(s)	Grant
Investment Amount (USD)	$ 25.00 million
Project Cost (USD)	$ 25.00 million

Project Description

According to bank documents, the project objective is to strengthen the governance and capacity of the National Planning, Statistical and M&E Systems to fill statistical data gaps; design and implement the NDP/IPRSP; and regularly assess, analyze and improve their public policies performance and results.

The project has four components:

1. Building Economic Policy Planning, Analysis Capacity (US$5.0 million). This component seeks to support the Somali authorities in developing economic policies, rebuilding institutions of economic management, and enhancing institutional capacity necessary for policy formulation and implementation. The component aims to promote evidence-based planning and strengthen core government institutions and functions for enhanced service delivery, economic growth, and poverty reduction. The Component activities will constitute: (i) Supporting NEC and Economic Policy Analysis Unit (EPAU) operations; (ii) supporting the preparation of Medium-term National Development Plan 2020-24 (NDP9) and Long-term Vision 2040; (iii) TA on macroeconomic-fiscal analysis, forecasting & reporting particularly in the macroeconomics and revenue departments of the MoF and MOPIED.
2. Strengthening the National Statistical System (US$15 million). This component provides TA to DNS as well as relevant offices in FMS in strengthening the National Statistical System (NSS) to collect data for poverty and macroeconomic monitoring (national accounts/GDP/sector growth, inflation, poverty, employment, etc.). This component provides statistical capacity building to the DNS through specific trainings, learning by doing processes, as well as a rapid assessment of the DNS' organizational and managerial model to produce and disseminate statistics, providing practical recommendation for the improvement of its performance.
3. Strengthening Monitoring and Evaluation Capacity (US$2.5 million). This activity aims to strengthen the National Monitoring & Evaluation Department at MOPIED. Although there is a national M&E policy, and a specialized unit aimed to coordinate the national M&E system (M&E Directorate at MOPIED), the national M&E system has weaknesses and challenges that impedes the system complies its role on learning on assessing if progress is made in achieving expected results, to spot bottlenecks in implementation, and to highlight whether there are any unintended effects (positive or negative) from the implementation of FGS's public policies. From the monitoring perspective better indicators and targets at programs level should be improved, as well as an improvement of the quality of administrative data from line ministries that fed those indicators. Related to the evaluation side, beyond the yearly report for the president's office, there are not regular
national and/or sectoral evaluation reports of main public interventions. Additionally, there is not an evaluation agenda to coordinate and fund the evaluation activities for public programs. A better coordination for the M&E policy implementation at federal state level should be developed and
4. Project Management (US$2.5 million). Successful implementation of the project requires a dedicated Project Implementation Unit (PIU) within MOPIED to manage the financial resources. The PIU will be staffed with a project coordinator as well as specialists in financial management (FM), procurement, information and communication technology (ICT), human resources (HR), and monitoring and evaluation (M&E). This project component will provide funding for those functions and
their implementation. The unit could be supported by international consultants, if needed, with a focus on building the capacity of the unit over the initial phase of the project.

Investment Description

- World Bank (WB)

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Bank Documents

- Concept Project Information Document (PID) - Somali Integrated Statistics and Economic Planning Capa [Original Source]