Mauritania Social Safety Net System (P150430)

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Implementing Agencies: ISLAMIC REPUBLIC OF MAURITANIA, AGENCE TADAMOUN

Key Dates

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Bank Approval Date:14-May-2015
Planned Mid Term Review Date:15-Mar-2018

Original Closing Date:31-Oct-2020

Effectiveness Date:30-Sep-2015
Actual Mid-Term Review Date:-Revised Closing Date:31-Oct-2020

Project Development Objectives

Project Development Objective (from Project Appraisal Document)

The objectives of the proposed Project are to support the establishment of key building blocks of the national social safety net system and to provide targeted cash transfers to extreme poor households.

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

Components

Name

Public Disclosure Authorized

Support to National Social Safety Net System:(Cost \$4.00 M)

Support to Social Transfer Program:(Cost \$23.00 M)

Project Management:(Cost \$2.00 M)

Overall Ratings

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

Implementation Status and Key Decisions

During the first half of 2017, the social transfer program (Tekavoul) carried out the first 3 payment sessions (December/January, March, and June), benefiting to 5.100 households in the Moughataa of Mbout. Moreover, in the same area, the program implemented its first social promotion sessions (conditionality component of the CCT). The sessions are based on an adult learning approach that highlights good practice in Early Childhood Development. These 2 core activities have been successfully implemented: field feedbacks are positive and the lessons learned have been incorporated into the operational manuals. The main challenge is now to scale up the Tekavoul program. Preliminary activities (identification of eligible households, payment service provider contracting, animator's recruitment...) are being finalized in order to integrate 3 additional moughataas (kankossa, Sellibaby and Ould Yenge) during the second half of 2017, increasing the number of beneficiary households (HH) to 18,000, in line with the objectives of the PDO (Target objective for Year 2: 15,000 HH).

The Social Registry has overcome the bulk of the organizational difficulties mentioned in the previous ISR. Roles and responsibilities has been clarified by the government, a specific administrative manual was drafted and adopted, additional consultant hiring and civil servant appointments have been made. A clear and realistic programing has been adopted to scale-up. Up to June 2017, the Social registry is available for the 2 Moughataa of Mbout and Kankossa (about 14.000 HH) and three others moughataa (Sellibabi, Ould Yenge, Barkeol) are under process to register an additional 17.000 households (meaning a cumulative number of 31.000 HH in line with the PDO target objective for year 2: 22.500 HH).

Moreover, as a result of a strong advocacy, 5 leading institutions have already committed to use the social registry as a targeting tool for their programs. However, the social Registry Direction still needs to strengthen its management. Furthermore, the MOU between the social registry and the ANRPTS (civil status registry Direction) is still pending

The development of the Adaptive Social Protection (ASP) component is ongoing:

- 1. The shock-responsive program is facing some institutional issue: All the tasks prior to the operationalization have been finalized (draft of the operational manual, agreement with the Social Register Direction defining household selection settings, agreement with the payment service provider...). The Government has decided that the CSA will implement this program. However, the MOU between the project implementing agency (Tadamoun) and the CSA is still under discussion.
- 2. The productive activities package and the implementing approach have been defined. Operational manuals for each of the 7 productive activities have been drafted with the support of the regional team and will be adapted to the Mauritanian context. The government has decided to work with an NGO to implement the activities (except the cash component which will be done through the Tekavoul payment service provider). NGO selection process is ongoing. The productive activities should be implemented in 2 Moughataas (Barkeol and sellibabi) starting from december 2017 (after data collection for the impact evaluation, see below).

The impact evaluation has been designed with the support of the African Gender Lab. The questionnaire is ready and will be tested in July / August 2017. The impact evaluation will focus on three activities: cash transfers, social promotion and productive activities. The evaluation will also measure the targeting effectiveness (in terms of inclusion and exclusion). The data collection will be done through a sample of 5,800 households in Barkeol and sellibabi moughataas during the second half of 2017 and with the support a qualified firm.

A dialogue is under way with the government to mobilize additional resources to finance the deployment of the social safety net system throughout the country.

Risks

Systematic Operations Risk-rating Tool

Risk Category	Rating at Approval	Previous Rating	Current Rating
Political and Governance	Moderate	Moderate	Moderate
Macroeconomic	Moderate	Moderate	Moderate
Sector Strategies and Policies	Moderate	Moderate	Moderate

Technical Design of Project or Program	Substantial	Substantial	Substantial
Institutional Capacity for Implementation and Sustainability	Substantial	Substantial	Substantial
Fiduciary	Substantial	Substantial	Substantial
Environment and Social	Low	Low	Low
Stakeholders	Low	Low	Low
Other			
Overall	Substantial	Substantial	Substantial

Results

Project Development Objective Indicators

▶ Number of households registered in the Social Registry with support from the Project (Number, Custom)

	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	0.00	13,724.00	30,643.00	100,000.00
Date	14-May-2015	20-Dec-2016	20-Jun-2017	30-Jun-2020

Comments

Community targetting already carried out in Mbout (5.100 HH), Kankossa (6.530 HH), Barkeol (6.232 HH), Ould Yenge (2.867), Sellibabi (7.914).

▶ Number of Social Transfer Program beneficiaries supported by the Project (households) (Number, Custom)

	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	0.00	5,100.00	5,100.00	25,000.00
Date	14-May-2015	20-Dec-2016	20-Jun-2017	30-Jun-2020

Comments

Program scale-up scheduled for the second half of 2017 calendar year.

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Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
TDB			TDB
14-May-2015	16-Nov-2015	16-Nov-2015	30-Jun-2019
	TDB	Baseline Actual (Previous) TDB	Baseline Actual (Previous) Actual (Current) TDB

The targetting accuracy indicators will be part of the upcoming impact evaluation and should be available early 2018.

Overall Comments

Intermediate Results Indicators

▶ Households with complete information in Social Registry (Percentage, Custom)				
	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	0.00	0.00	46.00	75.00
Date	14-May-2015	16-Nov-2015	20-Jun-2017	30-Jun-2020

Comments

Out of the 30.643 households registred after the community targetting process, 14.230 (46%) have been surveyed by the data collection process (implemented by the National Statistic Office) and have complete information.

▶ Social Registry grievance	e mechanism implemented (T	Fext, Custom)		
	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	0.00		33%	Timely resolution of 40% cases
Date	14-May-2015	20-Dec-2016	31-Dec-2016	30-Jun-2020
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	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	0.00	33,660.00	33,660.00	660,000.00
Date	14-May-2015	20-Dec-2016	20-Dec-2016	30-Jun-2020

of beneficiairies calculated on a basis of 6.6 people per households

92% of the registred main recipients are female.

■ Beneficiaries of Safety Nets programs - Other cash transfers programs (number) (Number, Custom Breakdown)

	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	0.00	33,660.00	33,660.00	660,000.00
Date	14-May-2015	20-Dec-2016	20-Jun-2017	30-Jun-2020

■ Beneficiaries of Safety Nets programs - Female (number) (Number, Custom Breakdown)

Value 0.00 92.00	80.00
Date 14-May-2015 24-Jun-2017	30-Jun-2020

▶ Share of households benefitting from promotion activities on (a) human capital and (b) resilience (Text, Custom)

	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target	
Value	NA		94%	(a) 80 (b)75	
Date	14-May-2015	20-Dec-2016	01-May-2017	30-Jun-2020	

Comments

94% of the Tekavoul program recipient attended to the second social promotion session.

▶ Share of beneficiaries receiving payments on time (Text, Custom)							
	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target			
Value	NA		99%	Base +20p.p.			
Date	14-May-2015	20-Dec-2016	24-Jun-2017	30-Jun-2020			
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The 3 paiements sessions were provided on time and reached 99% of the beneficiairies

▶ Beneficiaries who know their rights & responsibilities (Percentage, Custom)

	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target	
Value	0.00	0.00	41.00	80.00	
Date	14-May-2015		01-May-2017	30-Jun-2020	

Comments

Figure extracted from the process evaluation implemented in may 2017

▶ Social Transfer Program grievance mechanism implemented (Text, Custom)							
Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target				
0.00		Instruments prepared and actors trained	Timely Resolution of 40% cases				
14-May-2015	16-Nov-2015	24-Jun-2017	30-Jun-2020				
	Baseline 0.00	Baseline Actual (Previous) 0.00	Baseline Actual (Previous) Actual (Current) 0.00 Instruments prepared and actors trained				

Procedures for the grievance mechanism are now functionnal and the MIS will compute this indicator in the coming months.

Overall Comments

Data on Financial Performance

Disbursements (by loan)

Project	Loan/Credit/TF	Status	Currency	Original	Revised	Cancelled	Disbursed	Undisbursed	Disbursed
P150430	IDA-D0540	Effective	USD	15.00	15.00	0.00	2.74	12.06	18%
P150430	TF-19374	Effective	USD	4.00	4.00	0.00	0.68	3.32	17%

Key Dates (by Ioan)

Project	Loan/Credit/TF	Status	Approval Date	Signing Date	Effectiveness Date	Orig. Closing Date	Rev. Closing Date
P150430	IDA-D0540	Effective	14-May-2015	07-Sep-2015	30-Sep-2015	31-Oct-2020	31-Oct-2020
P150430	TF-19374	Effective	14-May-2015	07-Sep-2015	30-Sep-2015	31-Dec-2017	31-Dec-2017

Cumulative Disbursements



Restructuring History

There has been no restructuring to date.

Related Project(s)

There are no related projects.