



## Ethiopia Statistics for Results Project (P147356)

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Implementing Agencies: Central Statistics Agency

## Key Dates

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Bank Approval Date:30-May-2014

Effectiveness Date:13-Jun-2014

Planned Mid Term Review Date:15-Dec-2016

Actual Mid-Term Review Date:--

Original Closing Date:30-Jun-2017

Revised Closing Date:30-Jun-2017

## Project Development Objectives

Project Development Objective (from Project Appraisal Document)

The objective of the Project is to enhance the capacity of the Central Statistical Authority (CSA) at the organizational, human, and physical levels in order to produce and disseminate reliable, accessible, and timely statistics.

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

No

## Components

Name

Component 1: Organizational and Infrastructure Capacity Development in the NSS:(Cost \$4.90 M)

Component 2: Statistical Data Development and Management:(Cost \$1.50 M)

Component 3: Statistical Methodology, Standards and Data Quality Assurance and Information Dissemination:(Cost \$1.90 M)

Component 4: Monitoring and Evaluation:(Cost \$1.70 M)

## Overall Ratings

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



## Implementation Status and Key Decisions

After concerted efforts, project disbursement has improved—from US\$2.3 to US\$4.4 million—over the past few months. Capacity building activities under Component 1 and 3 have been expanded through the launch of statistical awareness training for NSS members using Woreda Net (a video conference-based national learning network), in coordination with the Federal Ministry of Information and Communication's Data Center. During the last course conducted in August 2016, 1,025 participants (of which, 30 percent were women), located across 21 CSA branch offices, benefited. The participants included representatives from CSA and various government agencies, including education, agriculture, and health bureaus at the regional, zonal, and woreda levels; city administrations; vital statistics offices; and the ministries of Inland revenue, Finance and Economic Development, Urban Development and Housing, Civil Service, Trade and Industry, Communication, Labor and Social Affairs, and Children and Women Affairs.

The training course aimed to create awareness among NSS members regarding CSA's major statistical calendar activities, and build capacity in data quality and sampling techniques. The trainers for the course were drawn from the pool of senior statisticians within the CSA from the Household Survey and Price, Agriculture, Business, and National Statistics Data Quality and Standard Coordination Directorates as well as from Addis Ababa University. The project also carried out course evaluations based on participant feedback. Participants observed that the course helped to enhance their understanding of the role CSA plays in the NSS, NSDS, GTP2, and development of data for policy decision making. Based on the positive feedback from participants, CSA is considering conducting another course to further expand its coverage and reach to NSS members. With respect to the mode of training via video conference, participants and organizers recognized that it was a cost-effective and practical method given the large geographic size of the country, and that it should be further expanded. Feedback was also received on what other type of courses should be added to address skills and information gaps, and as a result, CSA is taking these into account to refine its training plan.

After the CSA management's close engagement and follow-up of the contractors responsible for the construction of four branch offices, an up-tick has been observed in the pace of construction. Bi-weekly follow up via cell phone photo messaging and information sharing amongst CSA and contractors has improved. The Hawassa site's progress, which was lagging, is better but still behind schedule. The construction of Mekele and Bahir Dar is progressing well and should be completed by the end of 2016. The processing of payments to contractors is also on schedule, and disbursement will further improve when these are finalized.

Under Component 2, CSA has engaged an international consulting firm for the development of a national business register. The team of experts has started work in August 2016, and the work will be carried out in different steps until April 2017. The main purpose is to improve business statistics through the use administrative data to develop a business register (frame) for the carryout of business surveys, which will help define the scope of Ethiopia's formal business sector and help with policy decision making. Presently CSA uses the lists of businesses generated from the five business surveys that CSA conducts in various survey areas. However, these surveys are not harmonized and their frames have become outdated. CSA's practice of running an economic census using these lists is expensive, and it has potential quality challenges as over time, the frame deteriorates as businesses relocate or shut down their operations. In view of these factors, CSA has opted for the use of administrative data from two primary sources: the Ministry of Trade (MOT, which records commercial registration processes) and the Ethiopian Revenue and Customs Authority (ERCA, which records tax registration and VAT and income tax data).

The business statistics consultants observed that previously, tax registers in Ethiopia were not automated, and were recorded by hand at the woreda-level. But now, most tax data is automated, which makes processing the documents needed for the business registrar easier. The experts have also observed that CSA's IT upgrade needs to be expedited and its LAN system made fully operational to take advantage of these opportunities. CSA's project unit is in the process of a US\$1.5 million ICB bid, which will procure and install a modern IT system at the HQ that will help upgrade business statistics capability, along with the other statistical areas handled by the CSA. A video link was organized with the experts, who were encouraged to expedite the process of diagnostics. They have also been requested to develop a medium-term plan (including cost estimates) for the CSA to conduct business/economic surveys using the new frame that will have been developed by April 2016, which could then be funded under the project if its closing date is extended and additional finance is made available.

Project IFR's and update to the procurement plan has been completed. ESMF review for the construction related fiduciary activities has also been completed as planned. With an overall budget of US\$1.7 million, procurement of eCSA specialized vehicle, and ICB bid for IT systems is being advanced on an expedited basis and the process is expected to be completed before end December 2016 after necessary World Bank procurement team approvals. IT bid document includes equipment for CSA data center modernization, data collection tools (e.g. solar panels, cartography tools, tablets for data capture) and upgrade to web and conference management systems at the CSA headquarters and in branch offices.





## Risks

### Systematic Operations Risk-rating Tool

Risk Category	Rating at Approval	Previous Rating	Current Rating
Political and Governance	--	● Moderate	● Substantial
Macroeconomic	--	● Low	● Low
Sector Strategies and Policies	--	● Moderate	● Moderate
Technical Design of Project or Program	--	● Moderate	● Moderate
Institutional Capacity for Implementation and Sustainability	--	● Substantial	● Substantial



Fiduciary	--	● Moderate	● Moderate
Environment and Social	--	● High	● High
Stakeholders	--	● Moderate	● Moderate
Other	--	--	--
Overall	--	● Substantial	● Substantial

## Results

### Project Development Objective Indicators

#### ► Data Quality: % of NSS members who have applied the EDQAF manual (Percentage, Custom)

	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	0.00	--	20.00	50.00
Date	30-May-2014	--	30-Sep-2016	30-Jun-2017

#### ► Data Quality: % of surveys that used ICT data collection tools (Percentage, Custom)

	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	17.00	--	50.00	100.00
Date	30-May-2014	--	30-Sep-2016	30-Jun-2017

#### ► Data Quality: % of users that perceive official statistics methodologies to be appropriateness or sound (Percentage, Custom)

	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	0.00	--	66.00	75.00
Date	30-May-2014	--	30-Sep-2016	30-Jun-2017

#### ► Timeliness: Execution rate of annual statistical release calendar activities (Percentage, Custom)

	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target



Value	0.00	--	70.00	75.00
Date	30-May-2014	--	30-Sep-2016	30-Jun-2017

► Data Access: % of official statistics reports posted online out of official statistics annually published (Percentage, Custom)

	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	0.00	--	70.00	85.00
Date	30-May-2014	--	30-Sep-2016	30-Jun-2017

Overall Comments

**Intermediate Results Indicators**

► Intermediate Result (Component One): Number of trainees from CSA and MDAs staffs, of which female (%) (Percentage, Custom)

	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	0.00	--	15.00	25.00
Date	30-May-2014	31-Dec-2015	30-Sep-2016	30-Jun-2017

▲ Execution rate of Branch office construction measured by budget utilization rate (Percentage, Custom Breakdown)

	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	0.00	0.00	40.00	100.00
Date	30-May-2014	31-Dec-2015	30-Sep-2016	30-Jun-2017



▲ A training center established at Headquarter (Percentage, Custom Supplement)

	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	0.00	0.00	0.00	1.00

▲ Data center upgraded (Text, Custom Supplement)

	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	Existing data center	<p>The CSA data center has moved to its new location in the recently built CSA office building.</p> <p>For an efficient and successful use of this new data center: standard operating software and hardware; backup generator system; video conferencing tools; and other required equipments are currently being identified for purchase.</p> <p>In the meantime the Woreda Net facility is being used to pilot training of CSA branch office staff</p>	Upgraded operational data center in progress.	Upgraded operational data center.

▲ Number of video VC center established (Number, Custom Supplement)

	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	0.00	0.00	0.00	6.00



▲ Number of Tablets used in data collection (Percentage, Custom Breakdown)

	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	0.00	--	0.00	2300.00
Date	30-May-2014	--	30-Sep-2016	30-Jun-2017

▶ Intermediate Result (Component Two): Statistical Data Development and Management: Number of surveys directly supported by the project (Number, Custom)

	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	0.00	--	2.00	4.00
Date	30-May-2014	31-Dec-2015	30-Sep-2016	30-Jun-2017

▲ Intermediate Result Indicator One: Full and timely implementation of surveys and statistical tasks identified in the project work plans for FY13-17, including those related to business statistics; mi (Number, Custom Supplement)

	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	0.00	0.00	2.00	4.00

▶ Intermediate Result (Component Three Sub-Component 3.1): Statistical Methodology, Standards and Data Quality Assurance (Number, Custom)

	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	0.00	--	239.00	1255.00
Date	30-May-2014	31-Dec-2015	30-Sep-2016	30-Jun-2017





▲ Intermediate Result Indicator One: Number of CSA and NSS staff trained in specialized quality assurance topics including EDQAF, survey methods, poverty mapping techniques, gender analysis of household (Text, Custom Supplement)

	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	To be determined based on the on-going Needs Assessment Study in CSA and MDAs	CSA hired a statistical training expert and conducted two video link sessions, where about 188 government officials (about 20 from each region, of which about 85 percent were male and 15 percent female) were trained on survey design and statistical systems. The NSS participants included staff from regional offices in Finance, Health, Agriculture, Education, and Water sectors. Since the pilot course was successful--according to both participant feedback and CSA's internal evaluation--the course will now be replicated/expanded in 2016 after necessary refinements.	CSA hired a statistical training expert and conducted two video link sessions, where about 188 government officials (about 20 from each region, of which about 85 percent were male and 15 percent female) were trained on survey design and statistical systems. The NSS participants included staff from regional offices in Finance, Health, Agriculture, Education, and Water sectors. Since the pilot course was successful--according to both participant feedback and CSA's internal evaluation--the course will now be replicated/expanded in 2016 after necessary refinements.	70% of recommendations for 2015 implemented

▲ Intermediate Result Indicator Two: CSA Training Center set up for NSS (Text, Custom Supplement)

	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	Specialized training program designed	The design for the rehabilitation of the existing HQ to create a modern training and video conferencing facility has been drafted for management review. Once this design is approved general contractors will bid for the construction which is expected to start by the end of March, 2016. Audio and visual equipments for the newly renovated	The design for the rehabilitation of the existing HQ to create a modern training and video conferencing facility has been drafted for management review. Once this design is approved general contractors will bid for the construction which is expected to start by the end of March, 2016. Audio and visual equipments for the newly renovated buildings will be identified once the	Training program implemented regularly



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► Intermediate Result (Component Three Sub-component 3.2): Information Dissemination and User Services (Number, Custom)

	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	0.00	--	1.00	1.00
Date	30-May-2014	31-Dec-2015	30-Sep-2016	30-Jun-2017

▲ Intermediate Result Indicator One: Level of users satisfied with statistical products and services of the CSA (Text, Custom Supplement)

	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	Baseline User Satisfaction Index	Consultants hired to work on the Baseline User Satisfaction Survey have already submitted the final version of the document.	Consultants hired to work on the Baseline User Satisfaction Survey have already submitted the final version of the document.	Improvement based on User Satisfaction Index in 2013/14

▲ Intermediate Result Indicator Two: Launch of eCSA mobile education unit on wheels for user outreach (Number, Custom Supplement)

	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	0.00	0.00	0.00	2.00



▲ Intermediate Result indicator Three: Releasing major statistical publications as per CSA release calendar (Text, Custom Supplement)

	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	Target to be agreed with CSA	Statistical publications are currently only published online. Other modes including external publishers have yet to be agreed.	Statistical publications are currently only published online. Other modes including external publishers have yet to be agreed.	User friendly CSA android and iphone application established.

▷ Statistical Information and Microdata Access Policy and Dissemination Framework in place for CSA headquarter and branch offices. (Text, Custom Supplement)

	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	NA	Data Access Policy and Dissemination Framework is uploaded on the CSA website. The 'Citizens Charter' has been published in booklets and will be uploaded in the upcoming CSA website.	Data Access Policy and Dissemination Framework is uploaded on the CSA website. The 'Citizens Charter' has been published in booklets and will be uploaded in the upcoming CSA website.	Final Data Access Policy and Dissemination Framework available and implemented -

▷ Data center with adequate server capacity established in headquarters (Text, Custom Supplement)

	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	User friendly website in place	The CSA data center has moved to its new location in the new building of the HQ. For an efficient and successful use of this new data center: standard operating software and hardware; backup generator system; video conferencing tools; and other required equipments are currently being identified for purchase.	The CSA data center has moved to its new location in the new building of the HQ. For an efficient and successful use of this new data center: standard operating software and hardware; backup generator system; video conferencing tools; and other required equipments are currently being identified for purchase.	70% of assessment recommendations fully Implemented



▷ Open Data Portal in use (Text, Custom Supplement)

	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	User friendly website in place	The Ministry of Communication and Technology (MCIT) has agreed to set up the Open Data Portal on CSA's website.  Procurement of equipment and TA is being planned.	The Ministry of Communication and Technology (MCIT) has agreed to set up the Open Data Portal on CSA's website.  Procurement of equipment and TA is being planned.	increase in no of CSA website users

▶ Intermediate Result (Component Four): Monitoring and Evaluation (Number, Custom)

	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	0.00	--	1.00	1.00
Date	30-May-2014	31-Dec-2015	30-Sep-2016	30-Jun-2017

▲ Intermediate Result Indicator One: IDA approved Audit Report submitted six months after the end of every FY (Number, Custom Supplement)

	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	0.00	0.00	1.00	1.00

▷ IDA approved Project M&E Report (complete with ESMF implementation status and related DP and NSS tasks) submitted two months after the end of every 6 month period (Number, Custom Supplement)

	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	0.00	0.00	1.00	1.00



▷ CSA project coordination team and PIU established (Number, Custom Supplement)

	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	0.00	0.00	1.00	1.00


▷ Support for NSDS2 development (Number, Custom Supplement)

	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	0.00	0.00	1.00	1.00

Overall Comments

## Data on Financial Performance

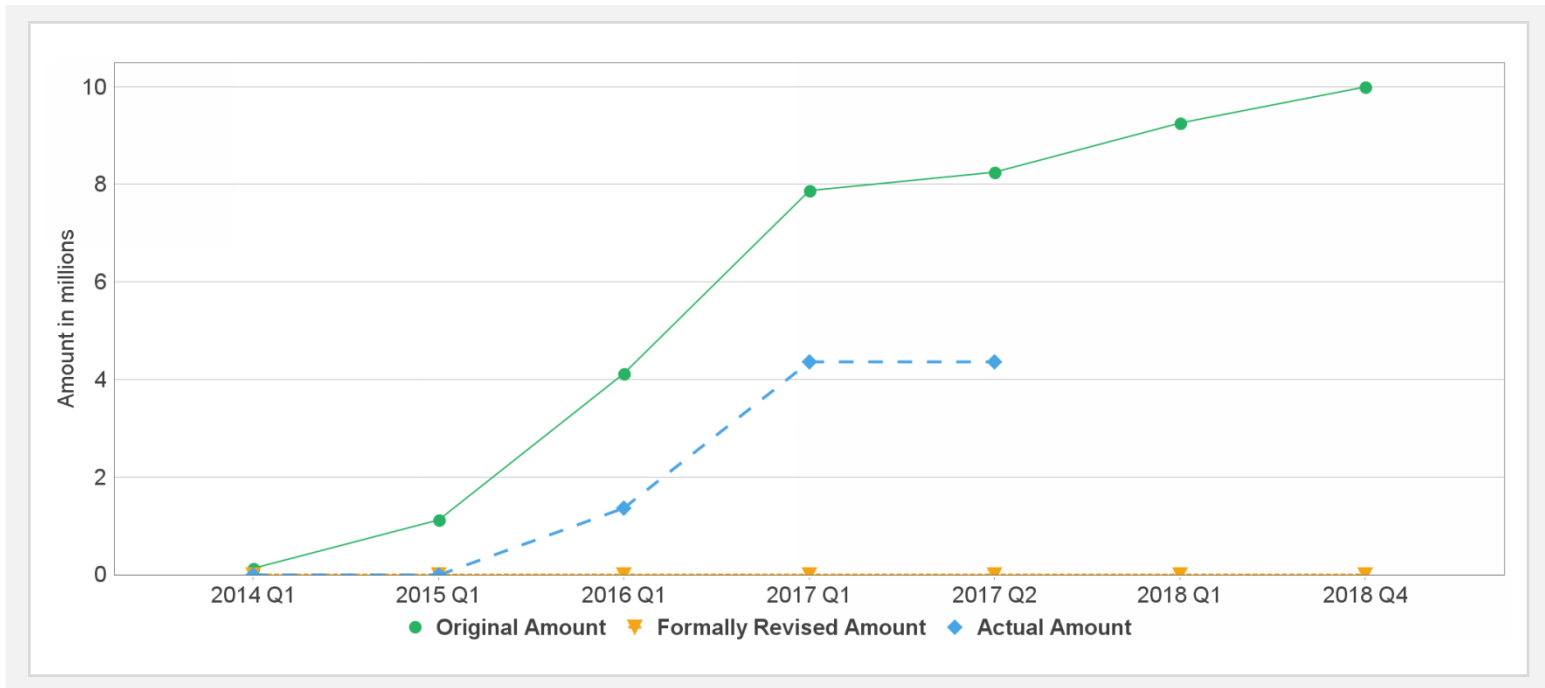
### Disbursements (by loan)

Project	Loan/Credit/TF	Status	Currency	Original	Revised	Cancelled	Disbursed	Undisbursed	Disbursed
P147356	TF-17115	Effective	USD	10.00	10.00	0.00	4.36	5.64	 44%

### Key Dates (by loan)

Project	Loan/Credit/TF	Status	Approval Date	Signing Date	Effectiveness Date	Orig. Closing Date	Rev. Closing Date
P147356	TF-17115	Effective	30-May-2014	13-Jun-2014	13-Jun-2014	30-Jun-2017	30-Jun-2017

### Cumulative Disbursements



## Restructuring History

There has been no restructuring to date.

## Related Project(s)

There are no related projects.