Implementation Status & Results

Engaging the Poor for Good Governance and Fighting Corruption in South Asia (P121388)

Operation Name: Engaging the Poor for Good Governance and Fighting Corruption in South Asia (P121388)

Project Stage: Implementation

Seq.No: 2

Status: ARCHIVED

Archive Date: 26-Nov-2014

Country: South Asia

Approval FY: 2012

Product Line: Recipient Executed Activities

Region: SOUTH ASIA

Lending Instrument: Specific Investment Loan

Implementing Agency(ies): Manusher Jonno Foundation, HELVETAS NEPAL

Key Dates

Board Approval Date: 20-Jul-2011

Original Closing Date: 30-Jun-2014

Planned Mid Term Review Date: 

Last Archived ISR Date: 21-Oct-2013

Effectiveness Date: 20-Jul-2011

Revised Closing Date: 30-Jun-2015

Actual Mid Term Review Date:

Project Development Objectives

Project Development Objective (from Project Appraisal Document)

The PDO is to enhance the development impact, sustainability and client ownership of pro poor projects in Bangladesh and Nepal financed by the World bank, by promoting civil society operational engagement, experience and capacity to demand better governance. CSO engagement in project design ad implementation will enhance project transparency and accountability and long term citizen commitment.

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

☐ Yes  ☐ No

Component(s)

Component Name | Component Cost
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Good Governance Sub Grant Facility | 1390000.00
On-the-job-Capacity Building | 130500.00
Learning and Knowledge Sharing | 129500.00
Program Management | 250000.00

Overall Ratings

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

Implementation Status Overview

The Partnership for Transparency Fund (PTF) has entered into a Grant Agreement with the World Bank worth US $ 1.9 million, dated June 27, 2011, to carry out a program, called “Engaging the Poor for Good Governance and Fighting Corruption in South Asia” (the Program). The Government of Japan’s Japanese Social Development Fund has funded this
Program, with the World Bank serving as Trust Fund manager. Under the terms of the Grant Agreement PTF is responsible for managing the Program. For outreach purposes, the program has been renamed to “Citizen Action for Results, Transparency and Accountability (CARTA) Program.”

The collaborative design process required that a consensus needed to be reached between the implementing agencies of World Bank projects in Nepal and Bangladesh, Project Implementing Agency (PIA) for each project, World Bank staff in Washington, , PTF and their local partners on the projects to be supported by the CARTA program and the scope of work to introduce independent citizen monitoring to be undertaken by CSOs. This process proved to be more time consuming than anticipated at the signing of the grant agreement. In addition to the intensive process of stakeholder familiarization, the first six months focused on creating the operating capacity of the program within PTF and in Bangladesh and Nepal. Thus all of it resulted in program implementation delays the first year.

All 12 sub projects (6 in Bangladesh and 6 in Nepal) are well underway and should be completed by February/March 2015 (except CAN Project in Nepal because of the alignment with the implementation schedule of the WB financed project.). The completion report of the RAIDP has been finalized. Three other sub-projects (EVENT, EPSP, and PAF2) have completed their activities and are now finishing their completion reports. The remaining projects are being implemented; however three projects have experienced implementation delays during this period, including ROSC, BRWSSP and SIPP (all in Bangladesh).

The status reports of the CSOs show encouraging preliminary results and reportedly the cooperation and working relationships with the project implementing agencies are generally fruitful. CSO field work is proceeding as per schedule. After the elections in Nepal and Bangladesh, the political situation seems to have stabilized, which allowed the CSOs to proceed with their work. Reporting results and outcomes in a clear manner remains a challenge for most of the CSOs. Workshops to train and build capacity within CSOs have already been taken place, but additional on the job mentoring and technical assistance is needed. The final concluding workshop is scheduled in May 2015. During the workshop a comprehensive overview of lessons learned will be presented by PTF in addition to the outcomes and results of each of the sub projects.

Locations
No Location data has been entered

Results

Project Development Objective Indicators
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<tr>
<th>Indicator Name</th>
<th>Core</th>
<th>Unit of Measure</th>
<th>Baseline</th>
<th>Current</th>
<th>End Target</th>
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<td>Beneficiaries of pro poor projects financed by the Bank will be empowered to demand greater transparency and accountability in resource use, delivery of services and grievance resolution</td>
<td></td>
<td>Percentage</td>
<td>70.00</td>
<td>17-Oct-2014</td>
<td>30-Jun-2014</td>
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<td><strong>Comments</strong></td>
<td></td>
<td>The baseline values for these indicators will be collected as part of M&amp;E arrangements for each JSDF-funded sub-grant.</td>
<td>Nepal: RAIDP Sub-Project: After the project ended in December 2013, the completion survey in January 2014 showed that 97% of CBO members had knowledge of ESMF, (compared to the baseline: 28%); 92% of CBO members had knowledge on quality of civil work and community monitoring methods, (baseline: 26%); 100% of CBOs had received contract documents, (baseline: 27%); (i) at least 70% of the target projects are disclosing the reqd info in a timely manner; (ii) % of project benef who found the disclosed info relevant/useful , (iii) no. of grievances mediated</td>
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<td>Beneficiaries will report increased satisfaction levels in the quality of service delivery and the transparency and accountability exhibited by public agencies and development programs</td>
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<td>Percentage</td>
<td>40% increase in the number of poor who report increased satisfaction with delivery of project services and resolution of their grievances as a result of JSDF-funded sub-grant</td>
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<td>Nepal RAIDP Sub-Project: Information boards were displayed for 96% of roads (baseline: 60%); and, the responsibility for monitoring civil works was assigned to members in 84% of CBOs (baseline: 0%). 89% of registered grievances were now being addressed. Prior to the RAIDP sub-project the only verbal grievances and no records were kept of any grievances.</td>
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<td>Lessons of experience and learning from action oriented programs will further enhance the evidence base on interventions in the demand side of good governance and demonstrate how DFGG reduces corruption</td>
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<td>10.00</td>
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<td>The baseline values for these indicators will be collected as part of M&amp;E arrangements for each JSDF-funded sub-grant.</td>
<td>Nepal: RAIDP Sub-Project: The sub-project was mainly a capacity building project, but there is evidence that training of CBOs have led to knowledge transfer which will</td>
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help local communities to monitor road projects outside the CARTA areas. The lessons from this sub-project were incorporated into the design of the follow up road project now being implemented.

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### Intermediate Results Indicators

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<td>Number of projects monitored by CARTA</td>
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<td>Number</td>
<td>Value</td>
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<td>30-Aug-2012</td>
<td>31-Oct-2013</td>
<td>30-Jun-2014</td>
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### Data on Financial Performance (as of 27-Aug-2014)

#### Financial Agreement(s) Key Dates

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<th>Ln/Cr/Tf</th>
<th>Status</th>
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<th>Signing Date</th>
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#### Disbursements (in Millions)

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<td>P121388</td>
<td>TF-99826</td>
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### Disbursement Graph
Key Decisions Regarding Implementation

Agreement between PTF and the WB regarding dissemination of results and final reports from each subprojects.

Restructuring History

There has been no restructuring to date.

Related Projects

There are no related projects.