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BI-Social Safety Nets (Merankabandi) (P151835)

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Implementing Agencies: Ministry of Finance, Budget and Privatization, Ministry of Human Rights, Social Affairs and Gender

Key Dates

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Bank Approval Date:15-Dec-2016
Effectiveness Date:27-Jul-2017
Planned Mid Term Review Date:04-Sep-2019
Actual Mid-Term Review Date:--
Original Closing Date:30-Jun-2022
Revised Closing Date:30-Jun-2022

Project Development Objectives

Project Development Objective (from Project Appraisal Document)
The objectives of the proposed Project are to provide regular cash transfers to extreme poor and vulnerable households with childrenin selected areas while strengthening the delivery mechanisms for the development of a basic social safety net system.

Has the Project Development Objective been changed since Board Approval of the Project Objective?
No

Components

Name
1. Support to the cash transfer program:(Cost $26.70 M)
2. Support to the key delivery mechanisms of a basic social safety net system:(Cost $7.50 M)
3. Project management:(Cost $5.80 M)

Overall Ratings

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

Implementation Status and Key Decisions

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After effectiveness on July 27 2017, the Project dedicated most of its efforts to (i) build the Project Implementation Unit (PIU); (ii) purchase the basic equipment to run Project activities and (iii) develop the basic delivery systems that would allow to deliver cash transfers to vulnerable households in four selected provinces.

The core members of the PIU (a Project Coordinator, a Financial Management Specialist and a Procurement Specialist) were recruited before effectiveness. Additional support and administrative staff (assistants, drivers, etc.) were hired a few months after effectiveness and additional technical staff (operations officer, communications specialist, safeguards specialist, etc.) are in the process of being recruited and it is expected that they will be onboard beginning of February.

Basic equipment (cars, laptops, printers, office equipment, etc.) has been purchased and the PIU has adequate conditions to implement and supervise the Project.

Finally the development of a proper targeting system (including registration and enrolment protocols), the development of the Project Management Information System (MIS) and the forthcoming contracting of a payment agent for the cash transfers, would in principle allow to start delivering cash transfers in the month of March 2018.

It was decided to use a phased approach for the implementation of the cash transfers, starting by the province of Ruyigi and continuing with the roll out in Gitega, Karuzi and Kirundo provinces.

Risks

Systematic Operations Risk-rating Tool

Risk Category	Rating at Approval	Previous Rating	Current Rating
Political and Governance	High	High	High
Macroeconomic	Substantial	Substantial	Substantial
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	Moderate	Moderate	Moderate
Stakeholders	Substantial	Substantial	Substantial
Other	--	--	Low
Overall	Substantial	Substantial	Substantial

Results

Project Development Objective Indicators

▸ Beneficiaries of social safety net programs (Number, Corporate)

	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target

Value	0.00	0.00	0.00	48,000.00
Date	31-Oct-2016	20-Jun-2017	20-Jun-2017	30-Jun-2022

Comments
Cash transfers are expected to start by March 15, 2018.

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

	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	0.00	0.00	0.00	24,000.00
Date	31-Oct-2016	20-Jun-2017	20-Jun-2017	30-Jun-2022

◢ Beneficiaries of Safety Nets programs - Unconditional cash transfers (number) (Number, Custom Breakdown)

	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	0.00	0.00	0.00	48,000.00
Date	31-Oct-2016	20-Jun-2017	24-Jan-2018	30-Jun-2022

▸ Proportion of households enrolled in the beneficiary database living below the extreme poverty line (Percentage, Custom)

	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	0.00	0.00	0.00	70.00
Date	31-Oct-2016	20-Jun-2017	24-Jan-2018	30-Jun-2022

Comments
The registration of the first round of potential beneficiaries is expected to start by February 2018.

Overall Comments

The first six months of the Project have been dedicated to build the Project PIU, purchase the necessary equipment and develop the basic delivery systems like a targeting system, a payment system or an MIS system.
The Project advances at good pace and the first round of cash transfers is expected by March 15, 2018.

Intermediate Results Indicators

▸ Proportion of beneficiary households that increased their food consumption by more than 10% than the control group (Percentage, Custom)

	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	0.00	0.00	0.00	40.00
Date	31-Oct-2016	20-Jun-2017	24-Jan-2018	30-Jun-2022

▸ Proportion of beneficiary households in the beneficiary collines participating in behavior change promotion activities (Percentage, Custom)

	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	0.00	0.00	0.00	80.00
Date	31-Oct-2016	20-Jun-2017	24-Jan-2018	30-Jun-2022

Comments
Behavioral change activities are expected to start on the second semester of 2018.

▸ Proportion of beneficiary mothers of children less than 2 years old who breast-feed according to the recommended protocol (Percentage, Custom)

	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	0.00	0.00	0.00	40.00
Date	31-Oct-2016	20-Jun-2017	24-Jan-2018	30-Jun-2022

Comments
Behavioral change activities are expected to start on the second semester of 2018.

▸ Proportion of beneficiaries who know the dates of their payments and exact amounts (Percentage, Custom)

	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	0.00	0.00	0.00	75.00
Date	31-Oct-2016	20-Jun-2017	24-Jan-2018	30-Jun-2022

Comments
The first round of cash transfers is expected to start in March 2018.

▸ Percentage of community members (of which women) satisfied with the targeting process (Percentage, Custom)

	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	0.00	0.00	0.00	70.00
Date	31-Oct-2016	20-Jun-2017	24-Jan-2018	30-Jun-2022

Comments
The first registration process will start in February 2018.

▸ Households with up-to-date information (less than 3-year old) in the registry (Percentage, Custom)

	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	0.00	0.00	0.00	90.00
Date	31-Oct-2016	20-Jun-2017	24-Jan-2018	30-Jun-2022

Comments
To be measured after 3 years of registration.

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▸ Beneficiaries receiving payments on the schedule set-up in the operational manual (Number, Custom)

	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	0.00	0.00	0.00	70.00
Date	31-Oct-2016	20-Jun-2017	24-Jan-2018	30-Jun-2022

Comments
Payments will start by March 2018.

▸ Social Registry MIS developed (modules) and working (reports) (Number, Custom)

	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	0.00	0.00	0.00	1.00
Date	31-Oct-2016	20-Jun-2017	24-Jan-2018	30-Jun-2022

Comments
The modules of targeting (registration and enrolment) for the MIS have been developed. The payment modules will be developed once the payment agent is contracted.

▸ Public expenditure in social assistance programs tracked and available on a yearly basis at the Permanent Executive Secretariat of the National SP Commission (Number, Custom)

	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	0.00	0.00	0.00	1.00
Date	31-Oct-2016	20-Jun-2017	24-Jan-2018	30-Jun-2022

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▸ Basic knowledge of implementers about SSNs and/or the CT program (concepts and practice) (Text, Custom)

	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	No Knowledge	The Project is not effective yet	The Project is not effective yet	Good knowledge
Date	31-Oct-2016	20-Jun-2017	24-Jan-2018	30-Jun-2022

Comments
A first training on safety nets will be organized by February 2018.

▸ Cash transfer program grievance redress mechanism implemented (Number, Custom)

	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	0.00	0.00	0.00	1.00
Date	31-Oct-2016	20-Jun-2017	24-Jan-2018	30-Jun-2022

▸ Process evaluation implemented (Number, Custom)

	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	0.00	0.00	0.00	1.00
Date	31-Oct-2016	20-Jun-2017	24-Jan-2018	30-Jun-2022

▸ Impact evaluation realized (Number, Custom)

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

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The Project is still at its preparatory phase.
Once cash transfers will start (March 2018), the indicators will be measured. The Government is making good progress in developing the Project MIS which will allow to measure some of the proposed indicators. A M&E specialist is also in the process of being recruited.

Data on Financial Performance

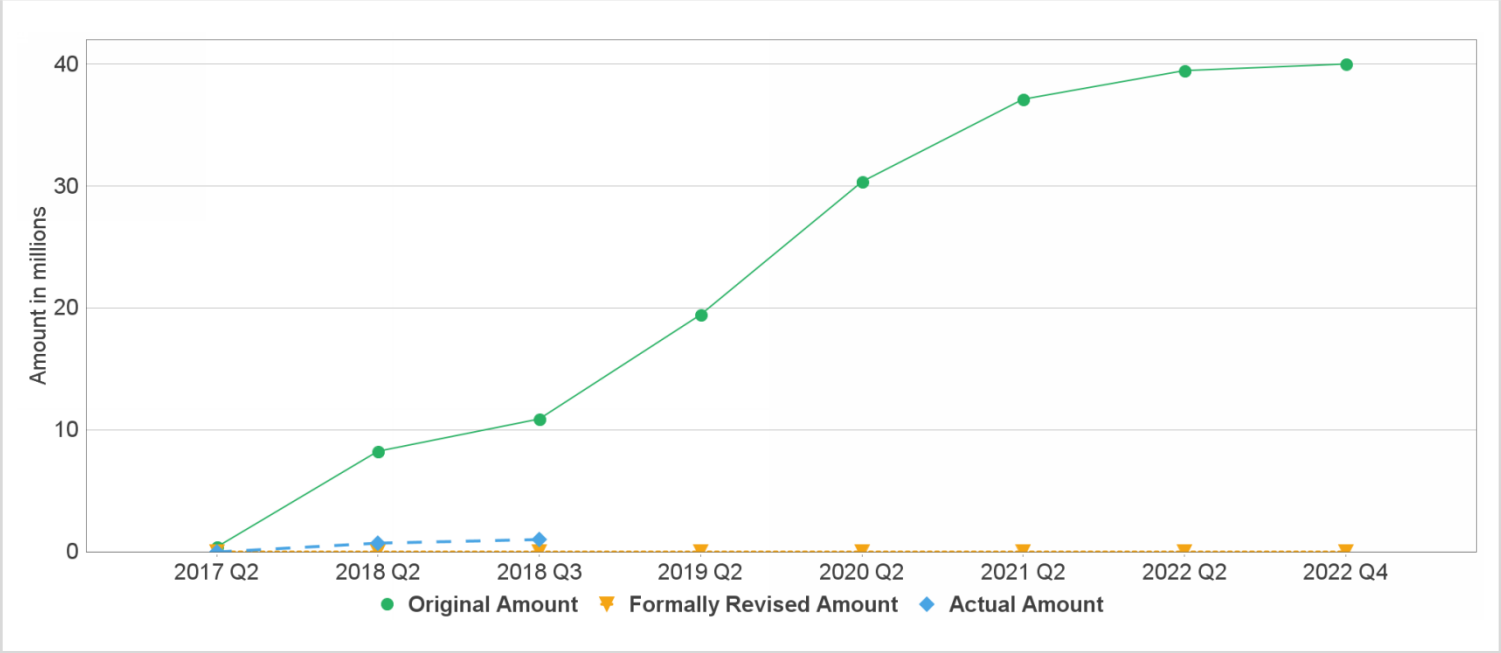
Disbursements (by loan)

Project	Loan/Credit/TF	Status	Currency	Original	Revised	Cancelled	Disbursed	Undisbursed	Disbursed
P151835	IDA-D1540	Effective	USD	40.00	40.00	0.00	1.02	41.44	2.4%

Key Dates (by loan)

Project	Loan/Credit/TF	Status	Approval Date	Signing Date	Effectiveness Date	Orig. Closing Date	Rev. Closing Date
P151835	IDA-D1540	Effective	15-Dec-2016	12-Jan-2017	27-Jul-2017	30-Jun-2022	30-Jun-2022

Cumulative Disbursements



Restructuring History

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There has been no restructuring to date.

Related Project(s)

There are no related projects.