

Implementation Status & Results
Moldova
Quality Education in the Rural Areas of Moldova (P090340)

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| Operation Name: Quality Education in the Rural Areas of Moldova (P090340) | Project Stage: Implementation | Seq.No: 14 | Status: ARCHIVED | Archive Date: |
| Country: Moldova | Approval FY: 2006 | | | |
| Product Line: IBRD/IDA | Region: EUROPE AND CENTRAL ASIA | Lending Instrument: Specific Investment Loan | | |
| Implementing Agency(ies): Ministry of Education and Youth (MEY) | | | | |

Key Dates

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|---------------------|-------------|-----------------------|-------------|------------------------------|------------------------|-------------|
| Board Approval Date | 14-Mar-2006 | Original Closing Date | 31-May-2010 | Planned Mid Term Review Date | Last Archived ISR Date | 28-May-2011 |
| Effectiveness Date | 07-Aug-2006 | Revised Closing Date | 30-May-2012 | Actual Mid Term Review Date | 18-Nov-2009 | |

Project Development Objectives

Project Development Objective (from Project Appraisal Document)

The main objective of the project will be to increase quality of education in rural areas in Moldova.

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

Yes No

Component(s)

| Component Name | Component Cost |
|--|----------------|
| Improving Teaching and Learning in Rural Schools | 2.68 |
| Increasing Access and Equity in Rural Schools | 5.15 |
| Increasing Efficiency in the Use of Resources | 1.96 |
| Strengthening Education Planning and Monitoring | 0.40 |

Overall Ratings

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

Implementation Status Overview

Project activities are close to being completed. All remaining activities are being implemented satisfactorily and in specific areas such as education financing, surpassed its original objectives. The project's activities in school optimization and per capita financing have jump started nationwide education financing reform and led to the preparation for a follow up IDA operation.

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Locations

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|---------|-------------------------------|---------------------|---------|--------|
| Country | First Administrative Division | Location | Planned | Actual |
| Moldova | Not Entered | Republic of Moldova | | |

Results

Project Development Objective Indicators

| Indicator Name | Core | Unit of Measure | | Baseline | Current | End Target |
|---|--------------------------|-----------------|----------|--|---|---|
| Improved learning in rural schools (as measured by average achievement scores in Baccalaureate examinations). | <input type="checkbox"/> | Text | Value | Average Bac. Exam Results: 7,13. Average Exam Result per Subject: Romanian 6,80; Russian 6,48; Math 6,87; Geography 7.10; ForeignLanguages 7,39; Physics 7,29. (Scale from 5 to 10 with 10 best) | Average BAC* exams # 7.04, and average per disciplines: Romanian 6.73 Russian 7.60 Mathematics 7.49 Geography 7.05 Languages 8.45 Physics 7.23 | Increasing the overall average and subjects' examinations averages by 5%vs. baseline. |
| | | | Date | 09-Oct-2006 | 09-Nov-2011 | 30-May-2012 |
| | | | Comments | | The slight decrease in some subject scores can be explained by the change in the way test scores are collected. This will likely stabilize by the next time scores are collected. | |
| The difference in achievement between secondary school students in rural and urban schools, on average, is decreased. | <input type="checkbox"/> | Text | Value | Average Bac. Exam Results: rural (7,26) vs. urban students (7,68). Subjects exams results for rural & urban students: Romanian 7,12/7,55; Math 7.02/7.58; Geography 7,36/7,82; Physics 7,15/7.5 | Gap reduced by 2% from 2009/2010 school year. | Reducing the gap in average exam results for rural and urban studentsby at least 6% vs. baseline. |
| | | | Date | 09-Oct-2006 | 09-Nov-2011 | 30-May-2012 |
| | | | Comments | | | |

Intermediate Results Indicators

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| Indicator Name | Core | Unit of Measure | | Baseline | Current | End Target |
|--|--------------------------|-----------------|----------|---|---|---------------------------------|
| Number of subject/grade level curriculum programs completed and disseminated | <input type="checkbox"/> | Text | Value | No curriculum programs completed and disseminated | | 17 |
| | | | Date | 09-Oct-2006 | 18-Feb-2010 | 31-May-2010 |
| | | | Comments | | End of Project Target achieved. | |
| Number of new curricular guides for existent textbooks | <input type="checkbox"/> | Text | Value | No curriculum guides for existent textbooks | 17 | 17 |
| | | | Date | 09-Oct-2006 | 18-Feb-2010 | 31-May-2010 |
| | | | Comments | | End of Project Target achieved. | |
| Number of new curricular guides for new textbooks | <input type="checkbox"/> | Text | Value | No curriculum guides for new textbooks | 17 | 17 |
| | | | Date | 09-Oct-2006 | 18-Feb-2010 | 31-May-2010 |
| | | | Comments | | End of Project Target achieved. | |
| Number of teachers trained in the use of the new curriculum | <input type="checkbox"/> | Text | Value | No teachers trained in use of the new curriculum | 8284 | 9000 (cumulative) |
| | | | Date | 09-Oct-2006 | 12-May-2011 | 31-May-2010 |
| | | | Comments | | End of project target was 9000 but 8284 teachers is the total no of teachers in the system who required the training and received it. End of project target achieved. | End of project target achieved. |
| Percent of improved achievement in sample based evaluations of students from grade 8 and grade 10 in maternal language and mathematics | <input type="checkbox"/> | Text | Value | No equipment and teaching materials provided. | Increased by 2% Final Testing: grade 8 (rural areas) Romanian Language -54% Russian Language-44% Bulgarian Language -52% Gagauz Language -58% Mathematics 46% 10 grade (rural areas) Romanian Language-49% Russian Language-66% Ukrainian Language -46% Bulgarian Language - 61.0% Gagauz Language - 66% Mathematics-45% | 2% increase in achievements |
| | | | Date | 09-Oct-2006 | 09-Nov-2011 | 30-May-2012 |

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| Indicator Name | Core | Unit of Measure | | Baseline | Current | End Target |
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| | | | Comments | | | |
| Percent of students in rural schools who have new textbooks for grade 12 mathematics, biology, chemistry and physics. | <input type="checkbox"/> | Text | Value | Baseline to be established in 2007-2008 | 100% | 100% of the total number of rural students in grade 12 |
| | | | Date | 09-Oct-2006 | 02-Nov-2011 | 30-May-2012 |
| | | | Comments | | End of project target achieved. | |
| International assessment administered and disseminated. | <input type="checkbox"/> | Text | Value | No participation in PISA and TIMSS international evaluations | Successful participation in PISA 2009+. Report to be shared with the Bank by December 2011. | Results reported in newspapers |
| | | | Date | 09-Oct-2006 | 02-Nov-2011 | 30-May-2012 |
| | | | Comments | | PISA 2009+ results expected at the end of the calendar year 2011. Dissemination to take place during the first half of 2012. | This will be done by February/ March 2012. |
| Number of schools that were equipped through equity grants | <input type="checkbox"/> | Text | Value | No schools equipped through equity grants | 1190 | 1176 |
| | | | Date | 09-Oct-2006 | 18-Feb-2010 | 31-May-2010 |
| | | | Comments | | Exceeded end of project target which was 1176. | |
| Number of lyceums that were equipped through quality grants | <input type="checkbox"/> | Text | Value | No lyceums were equipped through quality grants | 304 | 300 |
| | | | Date | 09-Oct-2006 | 18-Feb-2010 | 31-May-2010 |
| | | | Comments | | Exceeded end of project target which was 300. | |
| Utilization and user-satisfaction assessment report on equipment | <input type="checkbox"/> | Text | Value | No equipment | Satisfactory | 'Satisfactory' according to surveys, focus groups, classroom observations |
| | | | Date | 09-Oct-2006 | 25-Oct-2010 | 31-May-2010 |
| | | | Comments | | End of project target achieved. | |
| Quality of Rural School Quality Grant proposals | <input type="checkbox"/> | Text | Value | No proposals | Good | 'Good' according to criteria established by Raion Evaluation and Approval Committees |
| | | | Date | 09-Oct-2006 | 25-Oct-2010 | 31-May-2010 |

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| | | | Comments | | End of project target achieved. | |
| 15 MEY staff are trained in applying the MTEF methodology | <input type="checkbox"/> | Text | Value | No staff trained (no methodology) | 70 trained but the activity under Component 4 has since been dropped. | 15 |
| | | | Date | 01-Aug-2007 | 18-Feb-2010 | 31-May-2010 |
| | | | Comments | | | |
| Implementing formula based funding in two pilot raions. | <input type="checkbox"/> | Text | Value | No formula | Formula piloted | Formula piloted |
| | | | Date | 01-Aug-2007 | 25-Oct-2010 | 30-May-2012 |
| | | | Comments | | End of project target met | |
| Percent of schools re-organized in the two pilot raions | <input type="checkbox"/> | Text | Value | No schools reorganized | 100% | 100% |
| | | | Date | 01-Aug-2007 | 25-Oct-2010 | 31-May-2010 |
| | | | Comments | | End of project target met. | |
| Number of staff trained in education policy making (central and local level) | <input type="checkbox"/> | Text | Value | No staff trained | 90 in total | 20 (central level) 70 (local level) |
| | | | Date | 01-Aug-2007 | 25-Oct-2010 | 31-May-2010 |
| | | | Comments | | End of project target met. | |
| Number of staff trained in IT (central and local level) | <input type="checkbox"/> | Text | Value | No staff trained | 90 in total | 20 (central level) 70 (local level) |
| | | | Date | 01-Aug-2007 | 25-Oct-2010 | 31-May-2010 |
| | | | Comments | | End of project target met. | |
| Annual Education Report Prepared and Disseminated by January 30 next year | <input type="checkbox"/> | Text | Value | No report as yet. | | Done and disseminated by January 30. |
| | | | Date | 05-Jun-2009 | 27-Mar-2008 | 31-May-2010 |
| | | | Comments | | End of project target achieved. | |
| System for learning assessment at the primary level | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Yes/No | Value | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| | | | Date | 22-Jul-2009 | 22-Jul-2009 | 25-Oct-2010 |
| | | | Comments | | Achieved. | Full participation in at least one international assessment program, including design, implementation, and dissemination of results. |
| Utility of the learning assessment system | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Number | Value | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |

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| Sub Type | Date |
| Supplemental | Comments |

Data on Financial Performance (as of 03-Aug-2011)

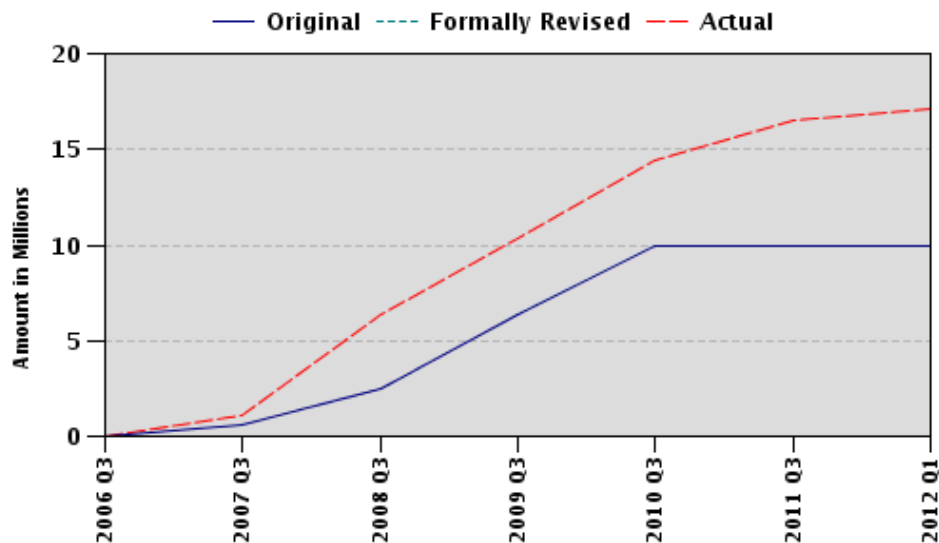
Financial Agreement(s) Key Dates

| Project | Loan No. | Status | Approval Date | Signing Date | Effectiveness Date | Closing Date |
|---------|-----------|-----------|---------------|--------------|--------------------|--------------|
| P090340 | IDA-41550 | Effective | 14-Mar-2006 | 05-Apr-2006 | 07-Aug-2006 | 30-May-2012 |
| P090340 | IDA-H2080 | Effective | 14-Mar-2006 | 05-Apr-2006 | 07-Aug-2006 | 30-May-2012 |
| P090340 | TF-56717 | Closed | 25-May-2006 | 25-May-2006 | 25-May-2006 | 31-Aug-2010 |

Disbursements (in Millions)

| Project | Loan No. | Status | Currency | Original | Revised | Cancelled | Disbursed | Undisbursed | % Disbursed |
|---------|-----------|-----------|----------|----------|---------|-----------|-----------|-------------|-------------|
| P090340 | IDA-41550 | Effective | USD | 5.00 | 5.00 | 0.00 | 4.17 | 1.45 | 83.00 |
| P090340 | IDA-H2080 | Effective | USD | 5.00 | 5.00 | 0.00 | 4.17 | 1.45 | 83.00 |
| P090340 | TF-56717 | Closed | USD | 4.40 | 4.37 | 0.03 | 8.77 | 0.00 | 201.00 |

Disbursement Graph



Key Decisions Regarding Implementation

The Government of Moldova has requested an Additional Financing to the project in order to continue support in the form of technical assistance to continue the implementatino fo

the Government's Education Reform program. This Additional Financing if approved, will also fill a financing gap between the Project and the follow on IDA funded education operation which is under preparation and will go to board, some time towards the end of 2012.

Restructuring History

There has been no restructuring to date.

Related Projects

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