



St Maarten Civil Society Partnership Facility for Resilience Project (CSPFRP) (P172339)

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Implementing Agencies: VNG International, VNG International

Key Dates**Key Project Dates**

Bank Approval Date: 26-Jun-2020

Effectiveness Date: 28-Jul-2020

Planned Mid Term Review Date: 25-Jul-2022

Actual Mid-Term Review Date: 18-Jul-2022

Original Closing Date: 28-Jun-2024

Revised Closing Date: 28-Jun-2024

Project Development Objectives

Project Development Objective (from Project Appraisal Document)

The Project Development Objective (PDO) is to improve the capacity of civil society organizations and support implementation of reconstruction and resilience sub-projects at the community level.

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

No

Components Table

Name

Small Grants to CSOs for Reconstruction and Resilience:(Cost \$4.66 M)

Capacity Building and Technical Assistance for CSOs:(Cost \$1.08 M)

Project Management and Coordination:(Cost \$1.46 M)

Overall Ratings

Name	Previous Rating	Current Rating
Progress towards achievement of PDO	<input type="checkbox"/> Moderately Satisfactory	<input type="checkbox"/> Moderately Satisfactory
Overall Implementation Progress (IP)	<input type="checkbox"/> Satisfactory	<input type="checkbox"/> Satisfactory
Overall Risk Rating	<input type="checkbox"/> Moderate	<input type="checkbox"/> Moderate

Implementation Status and Key Decisions

Implementation of the Sint Maarten Civil Society Partnership Facility for Resilience Project (CSPFRP) is making satisfactory progress toward attainment of the project development objectives and goals. In particular, activities to improve the capacity of civil society organizations and support implementation of reconstruction and resilience sub-projects at the community level have continued to be implemented with evolving and steady progress and have registered strong results on the ground. By December 31, 2023, the project had implemented six rounds of grants with strong results on the ground. One more call for grants application will be made to sum up seven rounds of grants that were envisaged at project appraisal. As of today, 52 local CSOs have benefitted from grants and 77 subprojects were approved and are under implementation with an implementation completion rate of 62 percent. About 88 percent of CSOs participating in the project reported improved capacity for grant management and implementation; and the number of direct beneficiaries of the project had reached 8,507 people with a 100 percent expressing satisfaction that the sub-projects reflected their needs. The increased uptake of subprojects and CSOs in rounds five and six and what is envisaged in the final round 7 will continue to improve disbursement toward full utilization of the project resources. In addition, the project adherence to World Bank policy and



procedures across all safeguards requirements have been improving strongly. Additional efforts for capacity building and technical assistance are being carried out to ensure completion of activities under all the components in time.

Risks

Systematic Operations Risk-rating Tool

Risk Category	Rating at Approval	Previous Rating	Current Rating
Political and Governance	☐ Substantial	☐ Moderate	☐ Moderate
Macroeconomic	☐ Moderate	☐ Moderate	☐ Moderate
Sector Strategies and Policies	☐ Moderate	☐ Moderate	☐ Moderate
Technical Design of Project or Program	☐ Low	☐ Low	☐ Low
Institutional Capacity for Implementation and Sustainability	☐ High	☐ Moderate	☐ Moderate
Fiduciary	☐ Substantial	☐ Substantial	☐ Substantial
Environment and Social	☐ Moderate	☐ Moderate	☐ Moderate
Stakeholders	☐ Substantial	☐ Moderate	☐ Moderate
Other	☐ Low	☐ Low	☐ Low
Overall	☐ Substantial	☐ Moderate	☐ Moderate

Results

PDO Indicators by Objectives / Outcomes

Improve capacity of CSOs & support implement. of resil. & reconst. sub projects at community level				
► Percentage of subprojects approved which are fully implemented and functional to users (disaggregated by reconstruction and resilience sub projects) (Percentage, Custom)				
	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	0.00	61.70	61.90	75.00
Date	29-May-2020	31-Dec-2022	31-Dec-2023	30-Jun-2024
Comments:	<p>This indicator is calculated using the total number of subprojects that have been approved and funded; and the number of subprojects that have been fully implemented which are functional to users. Full implementation implies that CSOs have successfully achieved technical and fiduciary requirements of their grants following the guidelines provided by the PIU.</p> <p>The current update in progress shows minimal progress in the indicator from the last update (61.70% to 61.90%) which is because the portfolio of subprojects under implementation has increased given the new awards under round six.</p>			



► Percentage of CSOs participating in the project with improved capacity for grant management and implementation (Percentage, Custom)				
	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	0.00	83.33	88.09	70.00
Date	29-May-2020	31-Dec-2022	31-Dec-2023	30-Jun-2024
Comments:	The indicator will provide information on CSOs performance in selected technical areas such as timeliness of implementation of sub-projects; timeliness of reporting; quality and completeness of reporting during their participation in the project.			
► Percentage of beneficiaries expressing satisfaction that sub-projects reflected their needs (Percentage, Custom)				
	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	0.00	100.00	100.00	75.00
Date	29-May-2020	31-Dec-2022	31-Dec-2023	30-Jun-2024
Comments:	The indicator will measure project performance in terms of responsiveness to the community needs. It will provide information at the start, midterm and at the end of perception of beneficiaries about the subprojects and whether the latter reflect their needs as expressed at the prioritization stage.			
► Number of beneficiaries of sub-projects (Number, Custom)				
	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	0.00	5,195.00	8,506.00	10,000.00
Date	31-Mar-2020	31-Dec-2022	31-Dec-2023	30-Jun-2024
Comments:	The indicator is a cumulative number of people who are direct beneficiaries of services provided by investments which were supported through sub projects that are implemented by the CSOs. The cumulative number spans the project economic life but would be checked for possible double counting given the size of the island to ensure credibility of the final result.			
☐ Number of people being served by subprojects of which female (Number, Custom Breakdown)				
	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	0.00	2,857.00	4,678.00	5,500.00
Date	31-Mar-2020	31-Dec-2022	31-Dec-2023	30-Jun-2024
☐ Number of people being served by subprojects of which male (Number, Custom Breakdown)				
	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	0.00	2,338.00	3,828.00	4,500.00
Date	30-Jun-2020	31-Dec-2022	31-Dec-2023	30-Jun-2024

Overall Comments



The updated about percentage of beneficiaries expressing satisfaction that subprojects reflected their needs is an aggregation of two measures. 84.6 percent of respondents indicate that they are Highly Satisfied while 15.4 percent respond Fully Satisfied. The indicator combines both levels of measures which sums up to 100 percent.

Intermediate Results Indicators by Components

Small Grants to CSOs for Reconstruction and Resilience				
▶ Percentage of beneficiaries expressing satisfaction with sub-projects' outputs (Percentage, Custom)				
	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	0.00	100.00	100.00	70.00
Date	30-Apr-2020	31-Dec-2022	31-Dec-2023	30-Jun-2024
Comments:	Indicator measures percentage of beneficiaries based on a sample who express satisfaction with the outputs from the sub-projects implemented in their areas with funding from the project.			
▶ Cumulative number of CSOs benefiting from the project grant scheme (Number, Custom)				
	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	0.00	30.00	52.00	50.00
Date	29-May-2020	31-Dec-2022	31-Dec-2023	30-Jun-2024
Comments:	Indicator is a cumulative measure of CSOs which are able to formulate sub-projects proposals for consideration by the PIU and subsequent endorsement for funding.			
▶ Cumulative number of sub-projects funded (Number, Custom)				
	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	0.00	46.00	77.00	80.00
Date	28-May-2020	31-Dec-2022	31-Dec-2023	30-Jun-2024
Comments:	Indicator is a measure of cumulative number of sup-projects that are funded for implementation			

Capacity Building and Technical Assistance for local CSOs				
▶ Percentage of CSOs with increased capacity for fiduciary management of grants (Percentage, Custom)				
	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	0.00	76.67	61.90	67.00



Date	30-Apr-2020	31-Dec-2022	31-Dec-2023	30-Jun-2024
Comments:	The update to the indicator shows a reduction from the last update because of the increase in the portfolio of the community subprojects under implementation.			
► Percentage of CSO proposals accepted after a second stage review (Percentage, Custom)				
	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	0.00	45.67	49.61	80.00
Date	30-Apr-2020	31-Dec-2022	31-Dec-2023	30-Jun-2024
Comments:	Indicator captures the efforts of CSOs to bring their applications to an acceptable level taking advantage of the training and coaching provided by the PIU. It also provides feedback on effectiveness of the PIU training program. The MTR recommended dropping of the indicator which will be validated through the extension of closing date restructuring.			
► Number of training sessions provided by the PIU (disaggregated by type of training) (Number, Custom)				
	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	0.00	24.00	39.00	16.00
Date	30-Apr-2020	31-Dec-2022	31-Dec-2023	30-Jun-2024
Comments:	Indicator provides information on quantity and quality of training provided as well as types of technical capacities addressed for CSOs by the management agency.			

Project Management and Coordination				
► Percentage of CSOs receiving grants within one month after the PIU has received their funding request (Percentage, Custom)				
	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	0.00	40.80	78.13	95.00
Date	30-Apr-2020	31-Dec-2022	31-Dec-2023	30-Jun-2024
Comments:	Indicator measures timeliness of CSOs access to funds once their proposals were approved for funding, and therefore the effectiveness of the project in providing funds to eligible beneficiary CSOs approved for funding.			
► Percentage of grievances that are resolved within three months after they were formally registered (Percentage, Custom)				
	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	0.00	79.00	81.75	80.00
Date	30-Apr-2020	31-Dec-2022	31-Dec-2023	30-Jun-2024
Comments:	Indicator measures efficiency of grievances (complaints and appeals) management system for the project.			



Performance-Based Conditions

Data on Financial Performance

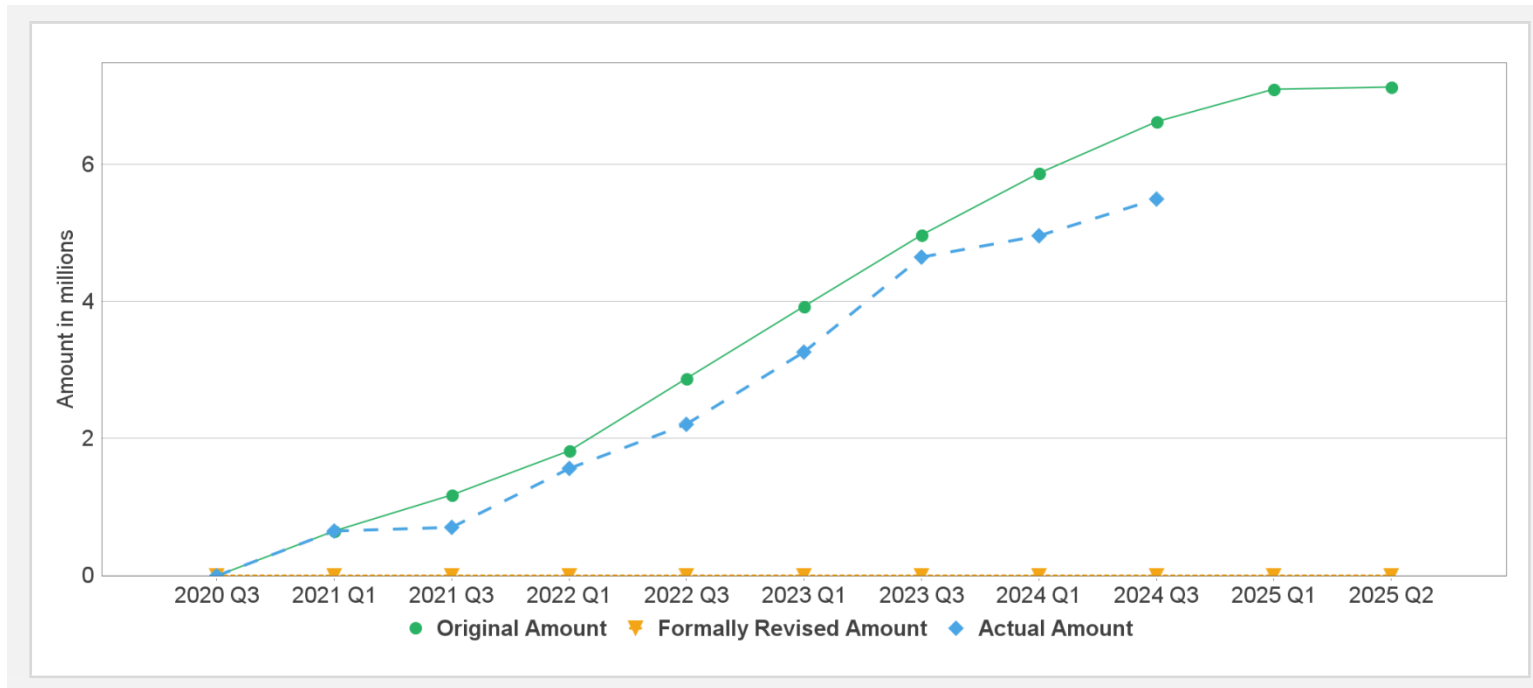
Disbursements (by loan)

Project	Loan/Credit/TF	Status	Currency	Original	Revised	Cancelled	Disbursed	Undisbursed	% Disbursed
P172339	TF-B3014	Effective	USD	7.20	7.20	0.00	5.49	1.71	76%

Key Dates (by loan)

Project	Loan/Credit/TF	Status	Approval Date	Signing Date	Effectiveness Date	Orig. Closing Date	Rev. Closing Date
P172339	TF-B3014	Effective	26-Jun-2020	10-Jul-2020	28-Jul-2020	28-Jun-2024	28-Jun-2024

Cumulative Disbursements





Restructuring History

There has been no restructuring to date.

Related Project(s)

There are no related projects.
