Support to the National Education Pact Project (P146831)

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Implementing Agencies: Ministry of Education, Dominican Republic

Key Dates

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Bank Approval Date:30-Sep-2015
Planned Mid Term Review Date:30-Jan-2018
Original Closing Date:30-Jun-2020

Effectiveness Date:09-Dec-2016
Actual Mid-Term Review Date:-Revised Closing Date:30-Jun-2020

Project Development Objectives

Project Development Objective (from Project Appraisal Document)

The objective of the Project is to improve the Borrower's capacity to: (i) recruit and train primary and secondary school teachers, (ii) assess student learning in primary and secondary education, (iii) evaluate the quality of service provided by Public Early Childhood Development Centers, and (iv) enhance the process for decentralizing public school management.

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

Components

Name

Public Disclosure Authorized

Improving capacity to recruit and train primary and secondary school teachers:(Cost \$25.37 M)

Improving capacity to assess student learning in primary and secondary education:(Cost \$13.00 M)

Improving capacity to evaluate the quality of service provided by public early childhood development centers:(Cost \$5.00 M)

Improving capacity to enhance the process of decentralized school management: (Cost \$6.50 M)

Overall Ratings

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

Implementation Status and Key Decisions

Improving capacity to recruit and train primary and secondary school teachers: MINERD has announced the implementation of the teacher evaluation with support from the OEI (Organization of Ibero-American States). The Bank will continue supporting the technical aspects in coordination with OEI and IDEICE (MINERD's institute of Education Research). MINERD has carried out several teacher entrance exams over the last two years to select new teachers for the system and there is a plan for its strengthening aligned with the standards developed for teachers (although the implementation of the plan is somewhat delayed due to the lack of technical assistance under the project); ISFODOSU (MINERD's pre-service teacher training institute) is advancing on the design of the new curricula aligned with the 2015 regulation that requires substantive changes in the way teachers are trained and has revised the way in which it assesses potential students, and has been granted the permit to open two new secondary teacher degrees under the project. INAFOCAM (MINERD's in-service teacher training institute) has advanced on the implementation of their new school-centered training methodology and has adjusted to the challenges faced.

Improving capacity to assess student learning in primary and secondary education: The MINERD has applied the 3rd grade student assessment and is analyzing data for dissemination. At the same time, preparations for the new 6th grade exams are under way as it is the pilot of PISA 2018. The MINERD is also discussing how to support school principals to use the assessment data for school student learning improvement. The Bank team is supporting MINERD in looking at experiences on the use of assessment data that have proven to increase learning through a process of capacity building at the school level.

Improving capacity to evaluate the quality of service provided by public early childhood development centers: The lack of technical assistance of the project has impeded progress on the development of the quality assurance system for centers in the past. Some discussions have restarted with the new administration of MINERD's institute for early childhood education, INAIPI, in order to plan and execute the activities under the project.

Improving capacity to enhance the process of decentralized school management: The number of legalized Juntas that received direct transfers has increased. MINERD, with support from the project and the team, is also developing several studies to better understand the performance of Juntas Escolares and respond to the challenges. Conversations are underway to improve management and support directors and School Management Committees to be more effective in getting results at the school level.

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	Substantial	Substantial	Substantial
Technical Design of Project or Program	Moderate	Moderate	Moderate
Institutional Capacity for Implementation and Sustainability	Substantial	Substantial	Substantial
Fiduciary	Moderate	Moderate	Moderate
Environment and Social	Low	Low	Low
Stakeholders	Moderate	Moderate	Moderate
Other			
Overall	Substantial	Substantial	Substantial

Results

Project Development Objective Indicators

▶ Teacher positions staffed through the revised teacher entrance exam (Yes/No,	Custom)

	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	N	Υ	Υ	Υ
Date	30-Jun-2014	10-Dec-2016	26-Jun-2017	31-Dec-2019

Comments

Concursos de Oposición are done at least once per year to select teacher for vacant positions

▶ Positions to study teaching degrees at ISFODOSU filled through revised entry exam (Yes/No, Custom)

	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	N	Υ	Υ	Υ
Date	30-Jun-2014	10-Dec-2016	26-Jun-2017	31-Dec-2019

Comments

ISFODOSU continues to implement changes that have improved the selection of students for its programs.

▶ Student learning outcomes for the first cycle of primary education analyzed and disseminated (Yes/No, Custom)

	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	N	N	N	Υ
Date	30-Jun-2014	10-Dec-2016	26-Jun-2017	31-Dec-2019

Comments

Assessment has been implemented in May and results will be available by the end of 2017. This is going according to planned activities.

▶ Percentage of QEC care centers that have been evaluated against quality standards and their results analyze	ed (Percentage,
Custom)	

	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	0.00	0.00	0.00	50.00
Date	30-Jun-2014	10-Dec-2016	26-Jun-2017	31-Dec-2019

▶ Increasing percentage of fully functional school management committees (Juntas de Centro) implementing their school development plans (Text, Custom)

	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	0 percentage points	0 percentage points	0 percentage points	10 percentage points
Date	30-Jun-2014		20-Jun-2016	31-Dec-2019

Comments

This will be updated once the bi-yearly report is delivered by end July 2017.

Overall Comments

Intermediate Results Indicators

▶ Design and implementation of ISFODOSU revised entrance examination (Text, Custom)					
	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target	
Value	Revised entrance examination designed.	Revised entrance examination designed.	Entrance examination is currently being further improved. It would align with new regulation by the Ministry of Tertiary Education (MESCYT). Improvements have been applied already to new cohorts of students.	ISFODOSU revised entrance examination is applied to all its applicants.	
Date	30-Jun-2014	20-Jun-2016	26-Jun-2017	31-Dec-2019	

▶ Number of positions to study teaching degrees at ISFODOSU filled through revised entry exam (Number, Custom)

	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	0.00	0.00	0.00	5,600.00
Date	30-Jun-2014	20-Jun-2016	20-Jun-2016	31-Dec-2019

Comments

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▲ Percentage of Female (Percentage, Custom Supplement)

	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	0.00	0.00	0.00	65.00

▶ Implementation of ISFODOSU secondary-level teaching degrees (Text, Custom)				
	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	Not started	Not started	ISFODOSU has gotten the approval to offer two new secondary level teaching degrees. The curricula is designed and approved, and students should start those programs in September 2017.	ISFODOSU offers at least two secondary level teaching degrees and advances on implementation of curricula.
Date	30-Jun-2014	20-Jun-2016	26-Jun-2017	31-Dec-2019

	Baseline			
	Dascinic	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	Not started	Not started	Not started	ISFODOSU has started the implementation of its own professional development plan for its educators
Date	30-Jun-2014	20-Jun-2016	26-Jun-2017	31-Dec-2019

▶ Design and adoption of profess	ional standards for teachers	s (Text, Custom)		
	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	Design and adoption completed by MINERD	Design and adoption completed by MINERD	Design and adoption completed by MINERD, and fully disseminated and used to align activities in the system.	Professional standards for teachers adopted and disseminated
Date	30-Jun-2014	20-Jun-2016	26-Jun-2017	31-Dec-2019

▶ Design and implementation of	f competitive entrance exam for	or teachers (Text, Custo	om)	
	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	MINERD applies competitive entrance exam to hire teachers (Concurso de Oposición)	MINERD applies competitive entrance exam to hire teachers (Concurso de Oposición)	MINERD applies competitive entrance exam to hire teachers (Concurso de Oposición), however the exam is not yet aligned with standards.	MINERD applies entrance exam (Concurso de Oposición) aligned with professional standards for teachers
Date	30-Jun-2014		26-Jun-2017	31-Dec-2019

	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	Career proposal drafted	Career proposal drafted	Career proposal drafted. Some progress in developing the teacher assessment instruments	At least 40% of teachers have been evaluated using the revised teacher evaluation system, which is aligned with professional standards for teachers
Date	30-Jun-2014	20-Jun-2016	20-Jun-2016	31-Dec-2019

Design and adjustmer	t of INAFOCAM in-service train	ning programs (Text, Custom)	
	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
√alue	Not started	Not started	Not started	INAFOCAM adjusts in- service training programs based on results from assessments and/or impact evaluations

Date	30-Jun-2014	20-Jun-2016	26-Jun-2017	31-Dec-2019

▶ Number of teacher positions staffed through the teacher entrance exam (Number, Custom)					
	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target	
Value	6,000.00		6,000.00	19,000.00	
Date	30-Jun-2014		20-Jun-2016	31-Dec-2019	
Comments					

Comments

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■ Percentage of Female (Percentage, Custom Supplement)					
	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target	
Value	0.00	0.00	0.00	80.00	

▶ Implementation of SIGEF in MIN	ERD decentralized agenc	sies (Text, Custom)		
	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	Planning for implementation in both institutions	Planning for implementation in both institutions	Both INAFOCAM and ISFOFOSU have advanced in the implementation of SIGEF. We are waiting for the evidence that will trigger the disbursement, as there is a DLI attached to this activity.	INAFOCAM and ISFODOSU's annual financial reports are prepared using SIGEF

Date	30-Jun-2014	 26-Jun-2017	31-Dec-2019

► Student learning outcon Custom)	nes for the first cycle of primar	y education analyzed (includ	ding by gender) and dissem	inated (Text,
	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	Not started	Not started	Student assessment carried out. Analysis and processing of data under way.	MINERD's Student Assessment Directorate staff have received training on sampling, item design, database management, and statistical software.
Date	30-Jun-2014	-	26-Jun-2017	31-Dec-2019

▶ Application and dissemination of international student assessments (Text, Custom)								
	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target				
Value	PISA 2015 pilot applied	PISA 2015 pilot applied	PISA 2015 applied, data analyzed and disseminate, pilot of PISA 2018 underway in 2017.	Workshop on use and dissemination of international assessment				
Date	30-Jun-2014	20-Jun-2016	26-Jun-2017	31-Dec-2019				

▶ Capacity strengthening of INAIPI and assessment of QEC centers (Text, Custom)							
	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target			
Value	Discussions about the themes the content of INAIPI's strategic plan	Discussions about the themes the content of INAIPI's strategic plan	Discussions about the content of INAIPI's strategic plan continue	50% of functioning Public Early Childhood Development Centers are assessed for quality standards			
Date	30-Jun-2014	20-Jun-2016	26-Jun-2017	31-Dec-2019			

Number of School Management Committees (SMCs) receiving funds directly (Number, Custom) Baseline Actual (Previous) Actual (Current) End Target Value 1,021.00 1,021.00 1,021.00 1,750.00 Date 30-Jun-2014 20-Jun-2016 20-Jun-2016 31-Dec-2019

Comments

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▶ Implementation of revised SMC guidelines (Text, Custom)							
	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target			
Value	Not started	Not started	Revision is underway but no official document has been provided	Implementation advanced on revolving budgets and notification to SMCs.			
Date	30-Jun-2014	20-Jan-2016	26-Jun-2017	31-Dec-2019			

▶ Beneficiary feedback included at different level (Text, Custom)							
	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target			
Value	Not started	Not started	Questions included in the 3rd grade assessment questionnaires for parents. Data will be available by December 2017	All three mechanisms in place and implemented			
Date	30-Jun-2014	20-Jun-2016	26-Jun-2017	31-Dec-2019			

▶ Direct project beneficiaries (Number, Custom)BaselineActual (Previous)Actual (Current)End TargetValue0.000.000.00455,520.00Date30-Jun-201420-Jun-201620-Jun-201631-Dec-2019

Comments

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BaselineActual (Previous)Actual (Current)End TargetValue0.000.000.0053.00	▲ Female beneficiaries (Percentage, Custom Supplement)						
Value 0.00 0.00 0.00 53.00		Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target		
	Value	0.00	0.00	0.00	53.00		

▶ System for learning assessment at the primary level (utility of learning assessment) (Text, Custom)							
Baseline Actual (Previous) Actual (Current) End Target							
Value	Yes (3.0)	Yes (3.0)	Yes (3.0)	Yes (4.0)			
Date	30-Jun-2014		26-Jun-2017	31-Dec-2019			

Overall Comments

Data on Financial Performance

Disbursements (by loan)

Project	Loan/Credit/TF	Status	Currency	Original	Revised	Cancelled	Disbursed	Undisbursed	Dis	bursed
P146831	IBRD-85400	Effective	USD	50.00	50.00	0.00	15.13	34.88		30%
•	s (by Ioan)									
Project	Loan/Credit/TF	Status	Approval Dat	te Signii	ng Date I	Effectiveness [Date Orig.	Closing Date	Rev. Closing Da	ate
P146831	IBRD-85400	Effective	30-Sep-2015	08-00	t-2015 (09-Dec-2016	30-Ju	n-2020	30-Jun-2020	

Cumulative Disbursements



Restructuring History

There has been no restructuring to date.

Related Project(s)

There are no related projects.