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OF THE
COVID-19 PANDEMIC EMERGENCY FINANCING FACILITY PROJECT
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ABBREVIATIONS AND ACRONYMS

CAG	Controller and Auditor General
COVID-19	Coronavirus Disease 2019
FM	Financial Management
GoT	Government of Tanzania
GRM	Grievance Redress Mechanism
MoHCDGEC	Ministry of Health, Community Development, Gender, Elderly and Children
NPHL	National Public Health Laboratory
PEF	Pandemic Emergency Financing Facility
SARS	Severe Acute Respiratory Syndrome
SARS-Cov-2	Novel coronavirus
SEP	Stakeholder Engagement Plan
STEP	Systematic Tracking of Exchanges in Procurement
WB	World Bank



BASIC DATA

Product Information

Project ID P174366	Financing Instrument Investment Project Financing
Environmental and Social Risk Classification (ESRC) Substantial	
Approval Date 01-Sep-2020	Current Closing Date 31-Jan-2021

Organizations

Borrower United Republic of Tanzania	Responsible Agency Ministry of Health, Community Development, Gender, Elderly and Children
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Financing (in USD Million)

SUMMARY

Total Project Cost	0
Total Financing	0
Financing Gap	0

DETAILS

Project Development Objective (PDO)

Original PDO

To strengthen capacity for laboratory diagnosis and management of COVID-19 cases.



Summary Status of Financing (US\$, Millions)

TF	Approval	Signing	Effectiveness	Closing	Net		
					Commitment	Disbursed	Undisbursed
TF-B3767	01-Sep-2020	22-Sep-2020	22-Sep-2020	31-Jan-2021	3.79	3.79	0

Policy Waiver(s)

Does this restructuring trigger the need for any policy waiver(s)?

No

I. PROJECT STATUS AND RATIONALE FOR RESTRUCTURING

1. The COVID-19 Pandemic Emergency Financing Facility Project (US\$3.79 million) supports Tanzania’s response to the coronavirus disease (COVID-19) pandemic following the outbreak caused by the 2019 novel coronavirus (SARS-CoV-2). The project is financed by the Pandemic Emergency Financing Facility (PEF). The PEF was launched in 2016 to provide financial support to IDA-eligible countries in case of major multi-country disease outbreaks and was triggered in April 2020 for COVID-19. The project was approved on September 1, 2020, became effective on September 22, 2020 and is due to close on January 31, 2021.

2. The Project Development Objective is to strengthen capacity for laboratory diagnosis and management of COVID-19 cases. The project comprises three components:

- a. **Component 1: Strengthening Laboratory Diagnosis Capacity.** The objective of component 1 is to strengthen capacity for diagnosis and testing of SARS-CoV-2 at the National Public Health Laboratory with the aim of reaching capacity to conduct 500 tests per day by the end of the project. This is to be achieved through (a) training of laboratory staff; and (b) procurement and distribution of required equipment, reagents and supplies.
- b. **Component 2: Improving Case Management.** Under this component the project aims to improve capacity for the case management of COVID-19 through: (i) procurement and installation of oxygen generating plants and manifolds in 7 regional referral hospitals (RRHs) as well as supply of oxygen cylinders to 126 neighboring health facilities; (ii) procurement of essential medicines and supplies; and (iii) training of biomedical technicians on production and management of oxygen plants, nurses on proper provision of oxygen gas to patients and laboratory staff on diagnosis of SARS-CoV-2. The targeted RRHs in turn supply oxygen to neighboring health facilities.



c. Component 3: Implementation Management and Monitoring and Evaluation (M&E).

This component supports the strengthening of the existing structures for coordination and management of the project, including arrangements for financial management and procurement.

3. Overall progress towards achievement of the Project Development Objective (PDO) is rated Moderately Satisfactory. Of the two PDO indicators, one has exceeded the end-project target (SARS-CoV-2 tests carried out at the National Public Health Laboratory). The second PDO indicator (Targeted hospitals with functional oxygen generation plants) has not yet been achieved because the oxygen generation plants have not yet been received from the supplier. They are expected to be received by February 10, 2021. The necessary pre-installation works for the plants has been concluded and the mainfolds are installed, only the installation of the plants is pending. With regard to the intermediate outcome (IO) indicators, overall progress is good. Three out of four IO indicators ((a) biomedical staff in the targeted regional referral hospitals trained in medical oxygen generation, (b) laboratory staff trained in laboratory diagnosis of SARS-CoV-2, and (c) health care workers trained on the provision of oxygen therapy) have achieved their end of project targets as all the trainings have been conducted. The fourth IO indicator - oxygen cylinders refilled in the targeted regional referral hospitals – has not yet been achieved because the oxygen plants are not yet installed. The project is fully disbursed and overall implementation progress is rated Moderately Satisfactory.

4. Financial management of the project has been Moderately Satisfactory. Based on January 25, 2021 financial records the project had fully disbursed funds for implementation. The project has no overdue financial report and audit, there are no issues with compliance with legal covenants and no grievance redress mechanism (GRM) issues.

5. The project is scheduled to close on January 31, 2021. The oxygen generation plants have been shipped and are expected to arrive by February 10, 2021, after the Project's Closing Date. The short implementation period coupled with supply chain and logistics challenges meant that the supplier was unable to ship the plants within the original contract period. The Ministry of Health, Community Development, Gender, Elderly and Children (MOHCDGEC) discussed the revised delivery schedule with the supplier and has obtained assurance from the supplier that the plants will be delivered in Dar es Salaam by February 10, 2021. To allow time for the plants to be delivered and installed, in a letter dated January 27, 2021, the MOHCDGEC requested the World Bank to extend the Closing Date by one-month to February 28, 2021. Since the necessary pre-installation works are concluded, the proposed extension is sufficient for the plants to be delivered, cleared, installed and commissioned.



II. DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSED CHANGES

6. This restructuring seeks authorization to extend the Project Closing Date by one month from January 31, 2021 to February 28, 2021. The proposed extension was discussed and agreed with the Pandemic Emergency Financing Facility and Finance and Accounting teams, see attached correspondences. The end disbursement date will remain March 31, 2021.

III. SUMMARY OF CHANGES

	Changed	Not Changed
Loan Closing Date(s)	✓	
Disbursement Estimates	✓	
Change in Overall Risk Rating	✓	
Implementation Schedule	✓	
Implementing Agency		✓
Project's Development Objectives		✓
Results Framework		✓
Components and Cost		✓
Cancellations Proposed		✓
Additional Financing Proposed		✓
Reallocation between Disbursement Categories		✓
Disbursements Arrangements		✓
Legal Covenants		✓
Institutional Arrangements		✓
Financial Management		✓
Procurement		✓
Other Change(s)		✓
Economic and Financial Analysis		✓
Technical Analysis		✓
Social Analysis		✓
Environmental Analysis		✓



IV. DETAILED CHANGE(S)

LOAN CLOSING DATE(S)

TF	Status	Original Closing	Revised Closing(s)	Proposed Closing	Proposed Deadline for Withdrawal Applications
TF-B3767	Effective	31-Jan-2021		28-Feb-2021	28-Jun-2021

DISBURSEMENT ESTIMATES

Change in Disbursement Estimates

Yes

Expected Disbursements (In US\$)

Fiscal Year	Annual	Cumulative
2021	0.00	0.00

OVERALL RISK RATING

Risk Category	Rating at Approval	Current Rating
Overall	● Substantial	● Moderate

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