



Nepal: COVID-19 Emergency Response and Health Systems Preparedness Project (P173760)

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Implementing Agencies: Ministry of Health and Population, Government of Nepal

Key Dates**Key Project Dates**

Bank Approval Date: 03-Apr-2020

Effectiveness Date: 07-Apr-2020

Planned Mid Term Review Date: 31-Oct-2022

Actual Mid-Term Review Date:

Original Closing Date: 16-Jul-2022

Revised Closing Date: 15-Jul-2024

Project Development Objectives

Project Development Objective (from Project Appraisal Document)

The project development objective is to prevent, detect and respond to the threat posed by COVID-19 and to strengthen national systems for public health preparedness in Nepal.

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

No

Components Table

Name

1. Emergency COVID-19 Response:(Cost \$98.50 M)
2. Community Engagement and Risk Communication:(Cost \$3.00 M)
3. Implementation Management and Monitoring and Evaluation:(Cost \$2.50 M)
4. Contingency Emergency Response Component

Overall Ratings

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

Implementation Status and Key Decisions

The overall implementation progress of the Project, in support of the COVID-19 health response in Nepal, is satisfactory. The MOHP with support of its Departments, Divisions and Centers and in coordination with development partners, continues to launch a strong public health response to COVID-19 management with provision of policy and operational guidance, hardware and software support in deployment of test, trace, treat and vaccination strategies, risk communications and monitoring and evaluation. Overall, 15 out of 22 PDO and intermediate results indicators have exceeded targets and five indicators are partially achieved. The project has disbursed 80.7 percent of original credit and 13.5 percent of the additional financing, with commitments of US\$33.6 million for procurement of 4 million doses of Moderna vaccines through the COVAX cost-share option. The Bank Team together with MOHP and its implementing entities will prioritize for the next six months, procurement of additional vaccines fulfilling the Bank's vaccine approval criteria to vaccinate population >12 years of age; strengthened annual work plan and budget in line with project priorities; improvement in quality of reporting; and compliance with social and environment safeguards.



MPA Program Development Objective

The Program Development Objective is to prevent, detect and respond to the threat posed by COVID-19 and strengthen national systems for public health preparedness

Multiphase Programmatic Approach (MPA) Status

Risks

Systematic Operations Risk-rating Tool

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

Results

PDO Indicators by Objectives / Outcomes

Prevent, detect and respond and strengthen MoHP systems for public health preparedness				
▶ Percentage of suspected cases of COVID-19 cases reported and investigated based on national guidelines (Percentage, Custom)				
	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	0.00	0.00	0.00	90.00
Date	10-Jan-2020	15-Jul-2021	15-Jul-2021	15-Jul-2024



Comments:	This indicator is no longer practicable to track					
► Proportion of prioritized population fully vaccinated, as per protocol, disaggregated by gender (Percentage, Custom)						
	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target		
Value	0.00	5.20	5.20	40.00		
Date	01-Jan-2021	15-Jul-2021	15-Jul-2021	15-Jul-2024		
Comments:	(1,127,282/21,756,763) Gender disaggregated data not available (Source: IMU)					
► Proportion of cold chain capacity gaps filled. (Percentage, Custom)						
	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target		
Value	0.00	33.00	33.00	60.00		
Date	01-Jan-2021	10-Sep-2021	10-Sep-2021	15-Jul-2024		
Comments:	300,000 doses of Pfizer are expected for delivery at one time					
	Supplier	No: of Freezer	Capacity per freezer (litres)	Total Capacity (litres)	# of vaccine accommodated per freezer	Total # of vaccine accommodated
	COVAX	4	100	400	25,000	100,000
	FHI 360	2	800	1600	250,000	500,000
	With 4 COVAX freezers installed, 33% of required ultra cold chain capacity is available.					
► Proportion of female community health volunteers fully vaccinated, as per protocol (Percentage, Custom)						
	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target		
Value	0.00	42.00	42.00	60.00		
Date	01-Jan-2021	15-Jul-2021	15-Jul-2021	15-Jul-2024		
Comments:	(20,631/49,481) (Source: FWD and FCHV number from DOHS annual report 2076/77)					
► Proportion of vaccination sites/outreach with at least one female health care provider/volunteer (Percentage, Custom)						
	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target		
Value	0.00	100.00	100.00	80.00		
Date	01-Jan-2021	01-Jan-2021	01-Jan-2021	15-Jul-2024		
Comments:	Considering proportion of female health workers/volunteers at primary health care level and number of health workers, as well as the mandated composition of vaccination team, it is close to 100 percent likely					



that all vaccination centers have at least one female staff /volunteer during the vaccination campaign. However, a name based and sex-disaggregated system is yet to be established to collect the actual data from the vaccination sites.
(Source: FWD)

Intermediate Results Indicators by Components

Emergency COVID-19 Response				
► Number of health staff trained in infection prevention and control per MoHP approved protocols (Number, Custom)				
	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	0.00	8,705.00	8,705.00	1,000.00
Date	10-Jan-2020	15-Jul-2021	15-Jul-2021	15-Jul-2024
Comments:	(58 essential critical care training + 8,647 critical care training) (Source: NHTC)			
► Percentage of specimens submitted for SARS-COV2 laboratory testing and confirmed within WHO stipulated standard time (Percentage, Custom)				
	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	0.00	97.21	97.21	90.00
Date	10-Jan-2020	15-Jul-2021	15-Jul-2021	15-Jul-2024
Comments:	24 hrs: 80.82% 48 hrs: 97.21% 72 hrs: 99.77% (Source: NPHL)			
► Percentage of confirmed cases whose contacts were traced as per the MoHP protocol (Percentage, Custom)				
	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	0.00	0.00	0.00	80.00
Date	10-Jan-2020	15-Jul-2021	15-Jul-2021	15-Jul-2024
Comments:	This indicator is no longer practicable to track			
► Number of acute healthcare facilities with triage capacity (Number, Custom)				
	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	1.00	30.00	30.00	10.00
Date	10-Jan-2020	15-Jul-2021	15-Jul-2021	15-Jul-2024



Comments:	The designated hospitals for COVID response needs to have triage facility			
► New/rehabilitated ICU beds established in the public hospitals for managing public health emergencies (Number, Custom)				
	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	0.00	1,276.00	1,276.00	135.00
Date	10-Jan-2020	15-Jul-2021	15-Jul-2021	15-Jul-2024
Comments:	New/ rehabilitated functioning ICU Beds established at Federal and Provincial level hospitals			
► Number of designated laboratories with staff trained to conduct COVID-19 diagnosis (Number, Custom)				
	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	1.00	96.00	96.00	45.00
Date	10-Jan-2020	15-Jul-2021	15-Jul-2021	15-Jul-2024
Comments:	The designated lab to test SARS-CoV2 should have at least one trained staff.			
► Nepal has activated its public Health Emergency Operations Centre or a coordination mechanism for COVID-19 (Text, Custom)				
	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Date	10-Jan-2020	15-Jul-2021	15-Jul-2021	15-Jul-2024
► Nepal adopted personal and community non-pharmaceutical interventions (schools closures, telework and remote meetings, reduce/cancel mass gatherings (Text, Custom)				
	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Date	10-Jan-2020	15-Jul-2021	15-Jul-2021	15-Jul-2024
► Number of designated laboratories with COVID-19 diagnostic equipment, test kits, and reagents (Number, Custom)				
	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	1.00	96.00	96.00	45.00
Date	10-Jan-2020	15-Jul-2021	15-Jul-2021	15-Jul-2024
► Number of acute healthcare facilities with isolation capacity (Number, Custom)				
	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target



Value	1.00	78.00	78.00	50.00
Date	10-Jan-2020	15-Jul-2021	15-Jul-2021	15-Jul-2024
► A National Deployment and Vaccination Plan (NDVP) is approved and adopted (Text, Custom)				
	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Date	01-Jan-2021	15-Jul-2021	15-Jul-2021	15-Jul-2024

Community Engagement and Risk Communication				
► Symposium on surveillance, treatment and prophylaxis conducted (Number, Custom)				
	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	0.00	0.00	0.00	4.00
Date	10-Jan-2020	15-Jul-2021	15-Jul-2021	15-Jul-2024
Comments:	Conference and workshops at national level for advocacy, and information on surveillance, treatment and prophylaxis. The targets are the cumulative figure.			
► Nepal has contextualized its risk communication and community engagement strategies (Text, Custom)				
	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Date	10-Jan-2020	15-Jul-2021	15-Jul-2021	15-Jul-2024
Comments:	Nepal has adopted risk communication and community engagement strategies which include development of different communication materials and dissemination through various media channels including community engagement.			
► Proportion of callers to COVID-19 helplines satisfied with support/services provided (Percentage, Custom)				
	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	0.00	0.00	0.00	60.00
Date	01-Jan-2021	15-Jul-2021	15-Jul-2021	15-Jul-2024
Comments:	Satisfaction Survey Pending			
► Proportion of SEA/SH calls received by COVID-19 helplines referred to OCMC or Women’s Commission for appropriate support (Percentage, Custom)				
	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	0.00	0.00	0.00	80.00



Date	01-Jan-2021	15-Jul-2021	15-Jul-2021	15-Jul-2024
Comments:	Data not available			

Implementation Management and Monitoring and Evaluation				
► M&E system established to monitor COVID-19 preparedness and response plan (Text, Custom)				
	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Date	10-Jan-2020	15-Jul-2021	15-Jul-2021	15-Jul-2024
Comments:	A monitoring, recording and reporting mechanism for COVID-19 is in place-either digital or manual.			
► Joint supervision and monitoring visits conducted (Number, Custom)				
	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	0.00	7.00	7.00	4.00
Date	10-Jan-2020	15-Jul-2021	15-Jul-2021	15-Jul-2024
Comments:	Joint supervision and monitoring visits to each province in July 2021			

Performance-Based Conditions

Data on Financial Performance

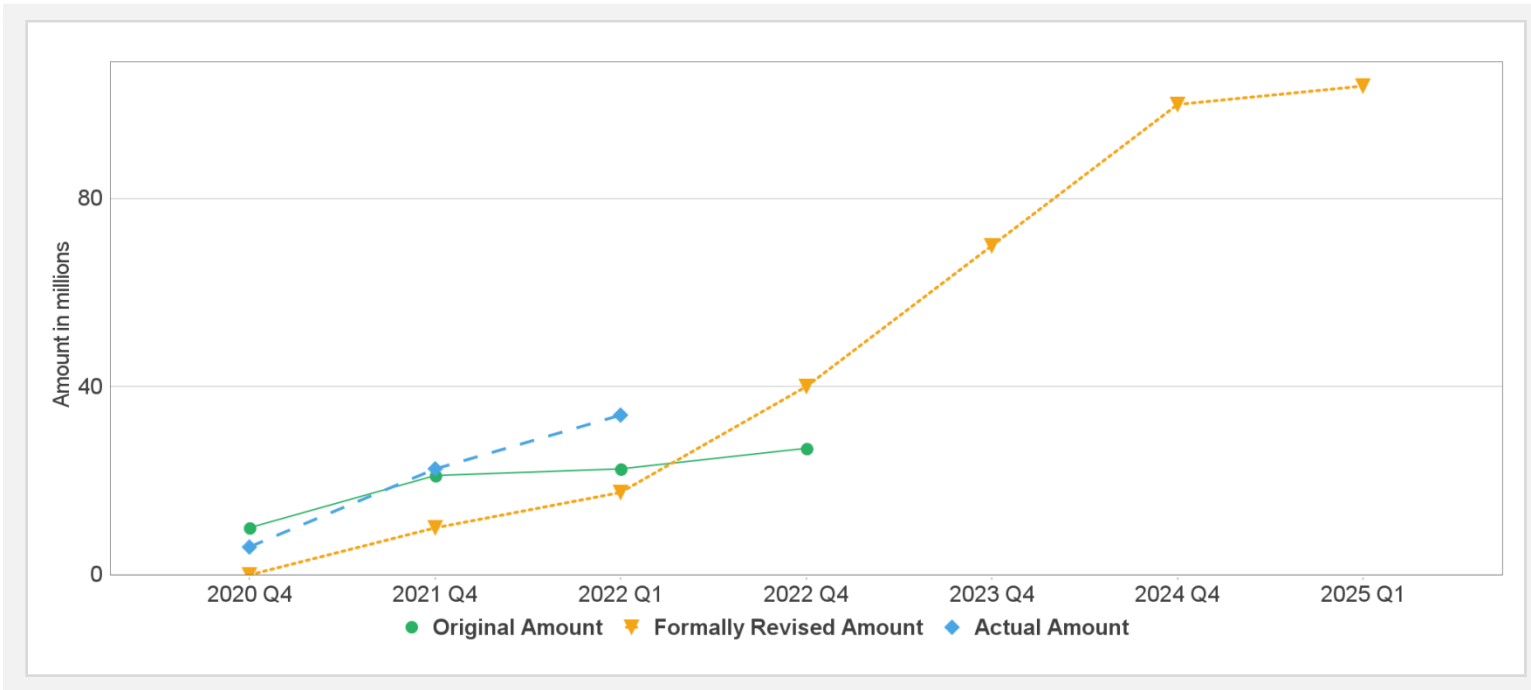
Disbursements (by loan)

Project	Loan/Credit/TF	Status	Currency	Original	Revised	Cancelled	Disbursed	Undisbursed	% Disbursed
P173760	IDA-66040	Effective	USD	29.00	29.00	0.00	23.96	5.81	80%
P173760	IDA-68470	Effective	USD	75.00	75.00	0.00	10.00	63.99	14%

Key Dates (by loan)

Project	Loan/Credit/TF	Status	Approval Date	Signing Date	Effectiveness Date	Orig. Closing Date	Rev. Closing Date
P173760	IDA-66040	Effective	03-Apr-2020	07-Apr-2020	07-Apr-2020	16-Jul-2022	15-Jul-2024
P173760	IDA-68470	Effective	18-Mar-2021	02-Apr-2021	06-Apr-2021	15-Jul-2024	15-Jul-2024

Cumulative Disbursements



PBC Disbursement

PBC ID	PBC Type	Description	Coc	PBC Amount	Achievement Status	Disbursed amount in Coc	Disbursement % for PBC
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Restructuring History

Level 2 Approved on 11-May-2021

Related Project(s)

P175848-Additional Financing: Nepal COVID-19 Emergency Response and Health Systems Preparedness Project