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Implementing Agencies: Niger Basin Authority (NBA), Niger Basin Authority

Key Dates

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Bank Approval Date: 28-Jan-2015
Planned Mid Term Review Date: 07-Dec-2018
Original Closing Date: 31-Dec-2019

Effectiveness Date: 03-May-2016
Actual Mid-Term Review Date: 07-Dec-2018
Revised Closing Date: 31-Dec-2019

Project Development Objectives

Project Development Objective (from Project Appraisal Document)
The objective of the project is to strengthen the institutional framework for regional cooperation in water resources in the Niger River Basin.

Has the Project Development Objective been changed since Board Approval of the Project Objective?
No

Components

Name

Component 1: Strengthening the Niger Basin Authority for Sustainably Delivering its Mandate (Cost $2.40 M)
Component 2: Facilitating evidence-based decision-making for large transboundary infrastructure in the Niger Basin (Cost $1.80 M)

Overall Ratings

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

Implementation Status and Key Decisions

This is an interim ISR. The last implementation support mission is planned December 3-6 and a final ISR will be prepared by the end of 2019.

There has been a significant improvement in all aspects of the project. During the extraordinary session of the Council of Ministers held October 11, Ministers approved and instructed the NBA Executive Secretariat to implement five key recommendations that will improve its managerial performance. The model of the Niger Inner Delta has been finalized and shared with countries during a participatory workshop held October 23 in Niamey, thereby reinforcing the understanding of the crucial role of that major wetland in Mali and beyond. Guidelines for decision makers on large hydraulic infrastructure will be discussed in early November.
The project will close on December 31, 2019. The PIU needs to prepare for closing down the project, by signing the contract with the external auditor and opening an escrow account for the external audit.

**Risks**

**Systematic Operations Risk-rating Tool**

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<th>Rating at Approval</th>
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<td>Sector Strategies and Policies</td>
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<td>Technical Design of Project or Program</td>
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**Results**

**PDO Indicators by Objectives / Outcomes**

**Sustainable financing mechanism endorsed**

► A sustainable financing mechanism is designed and endorsed by a regional NBA workshop (Yes/No, Custom)

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<td>No</td>
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<td><strong>Comments:</strong></td>
<td>The study was delivered and shared with member states; mechanism approved by technical experts, subject to some changes, as per the minutes of the workshop held 23-25 October. The team needs to examine both the minutes and the technical report to confirm if the result is achieved.</td>
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**improved decision making for transboundary infrastructure projects**

► Evidence-based decision-making process for transboundary infrastructure projects designed and presented to decision makers (Yes/No, Custom)
Baseline | Actual (Previous) | Actual (Current) | End Target
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Value | No | No | No | Yes


Comments: The workshop during which the methodology will be presented to member countries will take place in November 2019. The indicator will be achieved by November 15, once the summary of the meeting becomes available.

**Improved coordination of development and management of shared water resources**

- **Institutional enhancements for coordination of development and management of shared water resources endorsed by member states (Yes/No, Custom)**

| Baseline | Actual (Previous) | Actual (Current) | End Target |
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Value | No | No | No | Yes


Comments: The instruments (legal and technical) were presented at the Council of Ministers in October 2019 and then endorsed during a technical workshop held in Niamey between October 23 and 25. The Council of Ministers that shall precede the next Head of States Summit planned in December 2019 is the last step for the endorsement of the instruments.

**Intermediate Results Indicators by Components**

**Strengthening the Niger Basin Authority for Sustainably Delivering its Mandate**

- **Feasibility study and road map for financing mechanism based on a hydropower levy is endorsed by the Technical Committee (Yes/No, Custom)**

| Baseline | Actual (Previous) | Actual (Current) | End Target |
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Value | No | No | Yes | Yes


Comments: The feasibility and road map for the financing mechanism were presented to the Technical Committee that also exposed its result, the mechanism proposed during the 23-25 October already mentioned. is therefore achieved by October 30.

- **Annex 2 to the Water Charter on coordinated management of water infrastructure and its implementation modalities is endorsed by the NBA Council of Ministers (Yes/No, Custom)**

| Baseline | Actual (Previous) | Actual (Current) | End Target |
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Value | No | No | No | Yes


Comments: Draft report reviewed and discussed during the October Council of Ministers - Discussions for its endorsement ongoing, indicator achieved by end November.
C2 Facilitating evidence-based decision-making for large transboundary infrastructure in the Basin

Evidence based decision-making process for transboundary infrastructure tested (Yes/No, Custom)

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Modelling report generated from the operation of the Niger Inner-Delta model published (Yes/No, Custom)

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Comments: Hydrological/hydraulic modeling and modeling on livelihood services completed and validated during a technical workshop held October 21 and 22, 2019. Once the final report expected by mid November 2019 will be verified, the indicator will be achieved.

Data on Financial Performance

Disbursements (by loan)

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<th>Currency</th>
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Cumulative Disbursements
Restructuring History

Level 2 Approved on 27-Jun-2018

Related Project(s)

There are no related projects.