



Second Phase of the Central Asia Road Links Program (P145634)

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Implementing Agencies: Ministry of Finance, Ministry of Transport

Key Dates

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Bank Approval Date: 25-Feb-2015

Effectiveness Date: 12-Oct-2015

Planned Mid Term Review Date: 29-Jun-2018

Actual Mid-Term Review Date: 28-Jun-2018

Original Closing Date: 31-Aug-2020

Revised Closing Date: 31-Dec-2020

Project Development Objectives

Project Development Objective (from Project Appraisal Document)

The Central Asia Road Links (CARs) program has the overall development objective to increase transport connectivity between neighboring countries in Central Asia along priority cross-border road links and to support improvements in road operations and asset management practices. The program is the result of a collaborative effort initiated by respective governments in the Central Asia region which has been developed as a regional, multi-phase program considered as a regional project under IDA16 and IDA 17 with substantial transformational impact. The project development objective (PDO) of the Second Phase of the Central Asia Road Links Program (CARs-2) is to increase transport connectivity between the Republic of Tajikistan and neighboring countries along priority cross-border road links in Sugd Oblast and to support improvements in road operations and asset management practices. The road sections to be financed under CARs-2 prioritize connectivity between Sugd Oblast in Tajikistan with Batken and Osh Oblasts in the Kyrgyz Republic and Ferghana Oblast in Uzbekistan.

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

No

Components Table

Name

Rehabilitation of priority road sections in the Sugd Oblast:(Cost \$51.00 M)
Improvement of Road Operations and Asset Management Practices:(Cost \$2.00 M)
Project Management and Implementation:(Cost \$1.00 M)

Overall Ratings

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

Implementation Status and Key Decisions

The Government, through the Ministry of Finance, sent a request to the World Bank to extend the Closing Date, in a letter dated May 27, 2020, to make up for the time lost by COVID-19 to complete implementation. Closing Date was extended to December 31, 2020. Despite these disruptions, however, at over 90% of the project funds disbursed.



Progress toward achieving the PDOs remains satisfactory. Component 1 (civil works) was completed well ahead of the initial schedule, including the additional section financed by cost savings. Implementation of the remaining activities under Component 2, one consulting service and two goods packages, is being finalized for completion by the closing date.

Risks

Systematic Operations Risk-rating Tool

Risk Category	Rating at Approval	Previous Rating	Current Rating
Political and Governance	--	<input type="checkbox"/> Low	<input type="checkbox"/> Low
Macroeconomic	--	<input type="checkbox"/> Low	<input type="checkbox"/> Low
Sector Strategies and Policies	--	<input type="checkbox"/> Low	<input type="checkbox"/> Low
Technical Design of Project or Program	--	<input type="checkbox"/> Low	<input type="checkbox"/> Low
Institutional Capacity for Implementation and Sustainability	--	<input type="checkbox"/> Moderate	<input type="checkbox"/> Moderate
Fiduciary	--	<input type="checkbox"/> Moderate	<input type="checkbox"/> Moderate
Environment and Social	--	<input type="checkbox"/> Moderate	<input type="checkbox"/> Moderate
Stakeholders	--	<input type="checkbox"/> Low	<input type="checkbox"/> Low
Other	--	<input type="checkbox"/> Moderate	<input type="checkbox"/> Moderate
Overall	--	<input type="checkbox"/> Moderate	<input type="checkbox"/> Moderate

Results

PDO Indicators by Objectives / Outcomes

Support improvements in road operations and asset management practices				
▶ Approval by MoT and presentation at regional level (CAREC) of a Strategic Plan on weight and axle load control (Yes/No, Custom)				
	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Date	01-Oct-2015	29-Jun-2020	21-Dec-2020	31-Aug-2020
▶ RAMS system is in operation for analysis and planning of road works (Yes/No, Custom)				
	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	No	Yes	Yes	Yes



Date	01-Oct-2015	29-Jun-2020	21-Dec-2020	31-Aug-2020
Comments:	With the hardware supplied and installed under the project, MOT has started carrying out some RAMS activities. While additional support is needed to scale the data collection to the larger network and bring about institutional and organizational changes to ensure continued use of RAMS, some functionalities are in place for analysis and planning.			
► Satisfaction of road users (beneficiaries) with the improvements along completed road sections (Percentage, Custom)				
	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	0.00	76.00	94.00	90.00
Date	01-Oct-2015	16-Dec-2019	27-Aug-2020	31-Aug-2020

Increase transport connectivity between the Republic of Tajikistan and neighboring countries				
► Volume of freight through Guliston/Kyzyl-Bel and Madaniyat/Kairagach, Patar border crossing points (Tones/year, Custom)				
	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	359,838.00	620,961.00	620,961.00	550,000.00
Date	30-Jun-2015	29-Jun-2020	29-Jun-2020	31-Aug-2020
Comments:	At the time of submitting the ISR, only the first half year of 2020 data have been aggregated. The second half traffic data will be aggregated after end of the year and added together for the full year number. Due to COVID-19 and related travel and trade restrictions, there has been a significant reduction in the traffic volume, which is considered temporary and expected to rebound once the pandemic is under control.			
► Market accessibility index of Sugd Oblast (Number, Custom)				
	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	4.50	4.50	5.00	5.00
Date	01-Oct-2015	15-May-2019	16-Dec-2020	31-Aug-2020
Comments:	Passengers component –This indicator measures the average market accessibility of Sugd Oblast, described as the sum of population of the selected major cities weighted by travel time to reach major markets. Major cities include Isfara, Kanibadam, and Khujand. Freight component – a freight component such as average travel times for a typical freight truck between Kanibadam to/from the Guliston/Kyzyl-Bel, from Dehmoy to/from Madniyat/Kairagach and from Kanibadam to/from Patar border control points. The number will be updated during preparation of ICR, with support from the Bank team to repeat the analysis during preparation.			

Intermediate Results Indicators by Components

Project Management and Implementation



► Strengthen implementation capacity of the Project (Yes/No, Custom)				
	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Date	01-Oct-2015	29-Jun-2020	21-Dec-2020	31-Aug-2020
Comments:	Within two (2) months of the Effective Date of the Project, the Recipient shall ensure that PIG will have staffed the PIG with the relevant civil servants and signed contracts with the specialized consultants.			

Improvement of Road Operations and Asset Management Practices				
► Road user costs by truck along the project road sections and in project area (US\$/veh-km) (Number, Custom)				
	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	0.57	0.57	0.47	0.47
Date	30-Sep-2014	16-Dec-2019	16-Dec-2020	15-Jun-2020
► Equipment for traffic count and road roughness measurement is used for populating data in RAMS (Yes/No, Custom)				
	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Date	30-Sep-2014	29-Jun-2020	21-Dec-2020	15-Jun-2020
► Long-term Transport Sector Development Strategy is developed and endorsed (Yes/No, Custom)				
	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	No	No	No	Yes
Date	30-Sep-2014	29-Jun-2020	21-Dec-2020	15-Jun-2020

Rehabilitation of priority road sections in the Sugd Oblast				
► Roads in good and fair condition as a share of total classified roads (Percentage, Custom)				
	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	0.00	41.30	41.33	40.00
Date	30-Sep-2014	29-Jun-2020	21-Dec-2020	15-Jun-2020
□ Size of the total classified network (Kilometers, Custom Supplement)				
	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target



Value	180.00	180.00	180.00	180.00
► Roads rehabilitated, Non-rural (Kilometers, Custom)				
	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	0.00	74.40	74.40	70.00
Date	30-Sep-2014	29-Jun-2020	21-Dec-2020	15-Jun-2020
► Direct project beneficiaries (Number, Custom)				
	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	2,400,600.00	2,580,000.00	2,658,400.00	2,650,000.00
Date	30-Sep-2014	29-Jun-2020	16-Dec-2020	15-Jun-2020
□ Female beneficiaries (Percentage, Custom Supplement)				
	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	1,197,899.00	1,280,000.00	1,329,400.00	1,320,000.00

Performance-Based Conditions

Data on Financial Performance

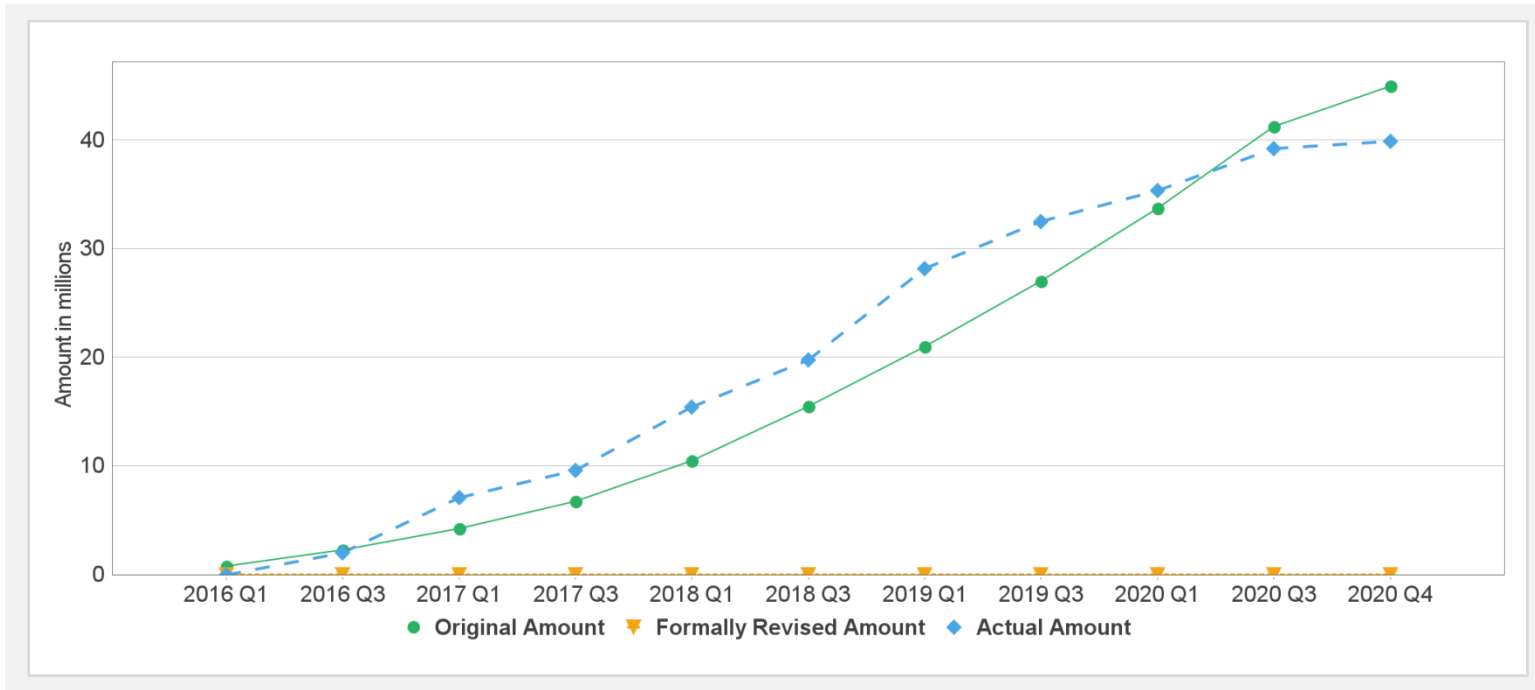
Disbursements (by loan)

Project	Loan/Credit/TF	Status	Currency	Original	Revised	Cancelled	Disbursed	Undisbursed	% Disbursed
P145634	IDA-55930	Effective	USD	38.25	38.25	0.00	33.41	3.76	90%
P145634	IDA-D0300	Effective	USD	6.75	6.75	0.00	6.48	0.00	100%

Key Dates (by loan)

Project	Loan/Credit/TF	Status	Approval Date	Signing Date	Effectiveness Date	Orig. Closing Date	Rev. Closing Date
P145634	IDA-55930	Effective	25-Feb-2015	16-Apr-2015	12-Oct-2015	31-Aug-2020	31-Dec-2020
P145634	IDA-D0300	Effective	25-Feb-2015	16-Apr-2015	12-Oct-2015	31-Aug-2020	31-Dec-2020

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 12-Oct-2018 ,Level 2 Approved on 11-Jul-2019 ,Level 2 Approved on 24-Jul-2020

Related Project(s)

There are no related projects.