



## South Sudan COVID-19 Emergency Response and Health Systems Preparedness Project (P176480)

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Implementing Agencies: UNICEF, International Committee of the Red Cross, World Health Organization, World Health Organization, UNICEF, International Committee of the Red Cross

**Key Dates****Key Project Dates**

Bank Approval Date: 28-Jun-2021

Effectiveness Date: 01-Jul-2021

Planned Mid Term Review Date: --

Actual Mid-Term Review Date:

Original Closing Date: 31-Jul-2023

Revised Closing Date: 31-Jul-2023

**Project Development Objectives**

Project Development Objective (from Project Appraisal Document)

The objective of the project is to prevent, detect, and respond to the threat posed by COVID-19 in South Sudan, increase access to an essential package of health services in the states of Upper Nile and Jonglei, and develop South Sudan government health sector stewardship and system preparedness capacity.

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

No

**Components** Table

Name

Vaccine deployment, Cold Chain Equipment, and Community Engagement:(Cost \$7.50 M)  
Continued Provision of Essential Health Services in the states of Upper Nile and Jonglei:(Cost \$51.00 M)  
Building Institutional Capacity and Strengthening Health Emergencies Preparedness:(Cost \$2.93 M)  
Monitoring, Evaluation, and Learning:(Cost \$2.50 M)  
Contingent Emergency Response

**Overall Ratings**

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

**Implementation Status and Key Decisions**

This is the first ISR for the Project. The Project was approved by the World Bank's Board of Executive Directors on June 28, 2021 and became effective on July 1, 2021. The World Bank task team has conducted a number of technical discussion meetings with the three implementing partners (UNICEF, WHO and ICRC) since the project was approved to discuss the launching of the project activities including finalizing the micro-plans for implementation of vaccine deployment and consultations with communities.



## 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

### MPA - ISR Write-up as of September 17, 2021

The implementation of the MPA-funded projects continues to progress well. **As of September 17, 2021, 87 MPA-projects have been approved providing a total commitment of US\$4.2 billion.** Disbursements during the past month have increased at a rapid pace. Forty-nine (49) country projects or 56% of projects approved have reached 70-100% disbursements. The projects benefit around 3.7 billion people or 50% of the global population. Of the 87 approved projects: (i) 33 are in Africa – 12 in AFE and 21 in AFW; (ii) 12 in East Asia; (iii) 14 in Europe and Central Asia; (iv) 12 in Latin America and the Caribbean; (v) 7 in Middle East and North Africa; and (vi) 9 in South Asia. Eighty-one (81) or 93% projects are disbursing. **Total disbursements as of September 17, 2021, amount to \$2,901.9m or \$2.9 billion or 69% of overall commitments.** Streamlined procedures, delegated approval coupled with flexible project design and intensified efforts across the Bank have contributed to the progress. **Several projects have/are being restructured to include vaccine related procurement. Implementation is being guided by Bank teams working in parallel in other health related projects, including Additional Financing operations supporting vaccine procurement and deployment efforts in countries.** Implementation continues to face challenges as many countries are still under different levels of lockdown or mobility restrictions and counterparts and Bank teams are operating from home or partially from home. Also, countries are phasing new waves of infections with the Delta variant spreading rapidly among populations. Most Bank teams continue to conduct implementation support missions virtually, which is challenging for both Bank teams and counterparts. This “virtual” world poses connectivity challenges as internet is not reliable in many countries, especially IDA countries. Notwithstanding challenges, the MPA is on track to achieving its PrDO – to prevent, detect and respond to the threat posed by COVID-19 and strengthen national systems for public health preparedness. The significant level of disbursements in just over 19 months attest to the strong implementation efforts of the Bank response thanks to the commitment of counterparts supported by Bank country teams.

### MPA AF-V - ISR Write-up – September 17, 2021

The Additional Financing (MPA AF-V) to the COVID-19 Strategic Preparedness and Response Program utilizing the Multiphase Programmatic Approach (“Global COVID-19 MPA”) was approved by the Board on October 13, 2021. The AF-V is significantly expanding Bank support to client countries for COVID-19 vaccination, with the aim to support vaccination of 1 billion people globally. The AF-V was approved with an envelope of US\$12 billion (\$6 billion from IDA and \$6 billion from IBRD) in financing. This financing is critical to expand affordable and equitable financing for vaccine purchase and deployment. The AF-V is expected to enable vaccination for up to 750 million people, with potential surge capacity for an additional 250 million people in the poorest countries (depending on the delivered price of approved vaccines) while scaling support to strengthen immunization delivery, with design flexibility at the country level. The AF-V is a scale-up of planned vaccination activities already anticipated and supported under the Global COVID-19 MPA and a key contribution to the WBG’s overall COVID-19 response.

**As of September 17, 2021, the Bank has approved 56 operations to support vaccine procurement and rollout in 54 countries amounting to \$4.6 billion.** The 56 AF-V operations approved, includes 3 operations that involved restructuring of parent projects (Philippines and Pakistan) and in the case of Lebanon, restructuring of the Health Resilience Project. One other parent project is being restructured in LAC. Of the 56 approved operations: (i) 30 are in Africa – 15 in AFE and 15 in AFW; (ii) 7 in East Asia; (iii) 6 in Europe and Central Asia; (iv) 4 in Latin America and the Caribbean; (v) 4 in Middle East and North Africa; and (vi) 5 in South Asia. Twenty-two (22) projects are disbursing. **Total disbursements as of**



September 17, 2021, under these projects amount to US\$500.1 million or 11% of overall commitments. As with the MPA operations, streamlined procedures, delegated approval, coupled with flexible project design and intensified efforts across the Bank contributed to the rapid design and processing of the operations. Fifty-two (52) loan/financing agreements have already been signed. Also, forty-one (41) loan/financing agreements have become effective; several others are expected to become effective in the coming days/weeks. Implementation of the AF-V operations, as with MPA operations is facing challenges as many countries are still under different levels of lockdown or mobility restrictions and counterparts and Bank teams are operating from home.

**Risks**

**Systematic Operations Risk-rating Tool**

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

**Results**

**PDO Indicators by Objectives / Outcomes**

To support COVID-19 vaccine deployment, provision of services, and build institutional capacity				
▶ Percentage of priority population fully vaccinated against COVID-19, based on the targets defined in national plan (Percentage, Custom)				
	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	0.00	--	0.00	10.00
Date	01-Jul-2021	--	22-Sep-2021	30-Dec-2022
Comments:	Percentage of the population for whom the project will support COVID-19 vaccination through financing to vaccine deployment (equivalent to national coverage target for phase-1 of 20% of the population)			



▶ People who have received essential health, nutrition, and population (HNP) services (Number, Custom)				
	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	0.00	--	0.00	500,000.00
Date	01-Jul-2021	--	22-Sep-2021	30-Dec-2022
Comments:	The indicator measures the actual utilization of the services. This would be reflected through the number of the project beneficiaries, who have received services supported by the project, i.e. number of direct project beneficiaries.			
▶ Conducted tailored training/coaching for MOH staff on identified project management aspects (Percentage, Custom)				
	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	0.00	--	0.00	80.00
Date	01-Jul-2021	--	22-Sep-2021	30-Dec-2022
Comments:	Completion of the identified training plan for the selected MOH staff on the project management aspects including FM and Procurement to enable MOH to achieve the agreed upon milestones( explained in the PAD, Annex-5).This includes agreed upon milestones such as, but not limited to, on Financial Management, Procurement, Safeguards, contract management, Monitoring and Evaluation			

**Intermediate Results Indicators by Components**

Vaccine deployment, Cold Chain Equipment, and Community Engagement				
▶ Climate-friendly and energy-efficient cold chain is adopted by the client (Number) (Number, Custom)				
	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	0.00	--	0.00	25.00
Date	01-Jul-2021	--	22-Sep-2021	30-Dec-2022
Comments:	targeted sites have functional climate-friendly cold chain equipment, which are used for COVID-19 vaccinations, routine vaccinations, and / or other health products needing refrigeration.			
▶ Standard operating procedures (SOPs) or guidelines updated for collection and disposal of medical waste for COVID-19 (Yes/No, Custom)				
	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	No	--	No	Yes
Date	01-Jul-2021	--	22-Sep-2021	30-Dec-2022
Comments:	SOPs or guidelines updated to account for COVID-19 vaccination roll out			
▶ Comprehensive Emergency Obstetric and Newborn Care centers (CEmONC) have adequate solar power (Number, Custom)				
	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target



Value	0.00	--	0.00	8.00
Date	26-Jul-2021	--	22-Sep-2021	31-Dec-2022
Comments:	Targeted CEmONC Centers have adequate solar power, which is used to deliver health services.			

Continued Provision of Essential Health Services in the states of Upper Nile and Jonglei

► Number of health facilities providing at least 75 percent of the essential package of health services (Percentage, Custom)

	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	0.00	--	0.00	200.00
Date	01-Jul-2021	--	22-Sep-2021	30-Dec-2022
Comments:	Number of health facilities providing at least 75 percent of the essential package of health services as defined in the PIM.			

► Number of deliveries attended by skilled health personnel (Number, Custom)

	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	0.00	--	0.00	12,000.00
Date	01-Jul-2021	--	22-Sep-2021	30-Dec-2022
Comments:	Number of deliveries attended by skilled health personnel in targeted sites			

► Proportion of disease outbreaks detected and responded to within 72 hours of confirmation (Percentage, Custom)

	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	40.00	--	40.00	60.00
Date	01-Jul-2021	--	22-Sep-2021	30-Dec-2022
Comments:	Proportion of disease outbreaks detected and responded to within 72 hours of confirmation			

► Number of pregnant women receiving ANC four visits (Number, Custom)

	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	0.00	--	0.00	20,000.00
Date	01-Jul-2021	--	22-Sep-2021	30-Dec-2022
Comments:	Number of pregnant women receiving ANC four visits in targeted sites.			

► Number of health care workers trained in-service (Number, Custom)



	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	0.00	--	0.00	250.00
Date	01-Jul-2021	--	22-Sep-2021	30-Dec-2022
Comments:	Number of health care workers received in-service training			

**Building Institutional Capacity and Strengthening Health Emergencies Preparedness**

► Development of integrated human health and animal health policies (Yes/No, Custom)

	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	No	--	No	Yes
Date	01-Jul-2021	--	22-Sep-2021	30-Dec-2022
Comments:	Developing integrated human health and animal health policies to prevent health emergencies through development of One Health Plan that addresses preparedness and response to priority zoonotic diseases identified			

► Number of people trained in Integrated Disease Surveillance and Response (IDSR) (Number, Custom)

	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	0.00	--	0.00	300.00
Date	20-Jul-2021	--	22-Sep-2021	31-Dec-2022
Comments:	Number of MOH workers trained in IDSR			

► Development of disease surveillance data reporting and management system at the national and state level (Yes/No, Custom)

	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	No	--	No	Yes
Date	26-Jul-2021	--	22-Sep-2021	31-Dec-2022
Comments:	Data reporting and management system on disease surveillance data are in place at the national and state levels			

**Monitoring, Evaluation and Learning**

► Number of monitoring reports submitted (Number, Custom)

	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	0.00	--	0.00	4.00
Date	01-Jul-2021	--	22-Sep-2021	30-Dec-2022



Comments:	Number of monitoring reports submitted in areas where external monitoring will be conducted. The performance monitoring methodology and reports will include citizen engagement mechanisms such as exit interviews conducted during data verification visits. The questionnaires will be customized to capture key domains on satisfaction and perceived quality of care, in order to capture community feedback on service delivery. Results from the quarterly reports will be used to engage with citizens on key elements related to improving service delivery in targeted communities.			
▶ Percentage of complaints to Grievance Redress Mechanisms satisfactorily addressed in a timely manner (Percentage, Custom)				
	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	40.00	--	40.00	75.00
Date	30-Apr-2021	--	22-Sep-2021	30-Dec-2022
Comments:	Details in the Project Implementation Manual on standards for grievance handling and response.			

### Overall Comments

The project implementation has just been launched. The indicators will be updated following the first implementation support mission scheduled from September 29-October 8, 2021.

### Performance-Based Conditions

#### Data on Financial Performance

#### Disbursements (by loan)

Project	Loan/Credit/TF	Status	Currency	Original	Revised	Cancelled	Disbursed	Undisbursed	% Disbursed
P176480	IDA-D8830	Effective	USD	8.00	8.00	0.00	0.00	7.95	0%
P176480	IDA-D8840	Effective	USD	51.50	51.50	0.00	0.00	50.66	0%
P176480	IDA-D8850	Effective	USD	0.50	0.50	0.00	0.00	0.57	0%
P176480	TF-B6004	Effective	USD	2.00	2.00	0.00	0.00	2.00	0%
P176480	TF-B6005	Effective	USD	1.93	1.93	0.00	0.00	1.93	0%

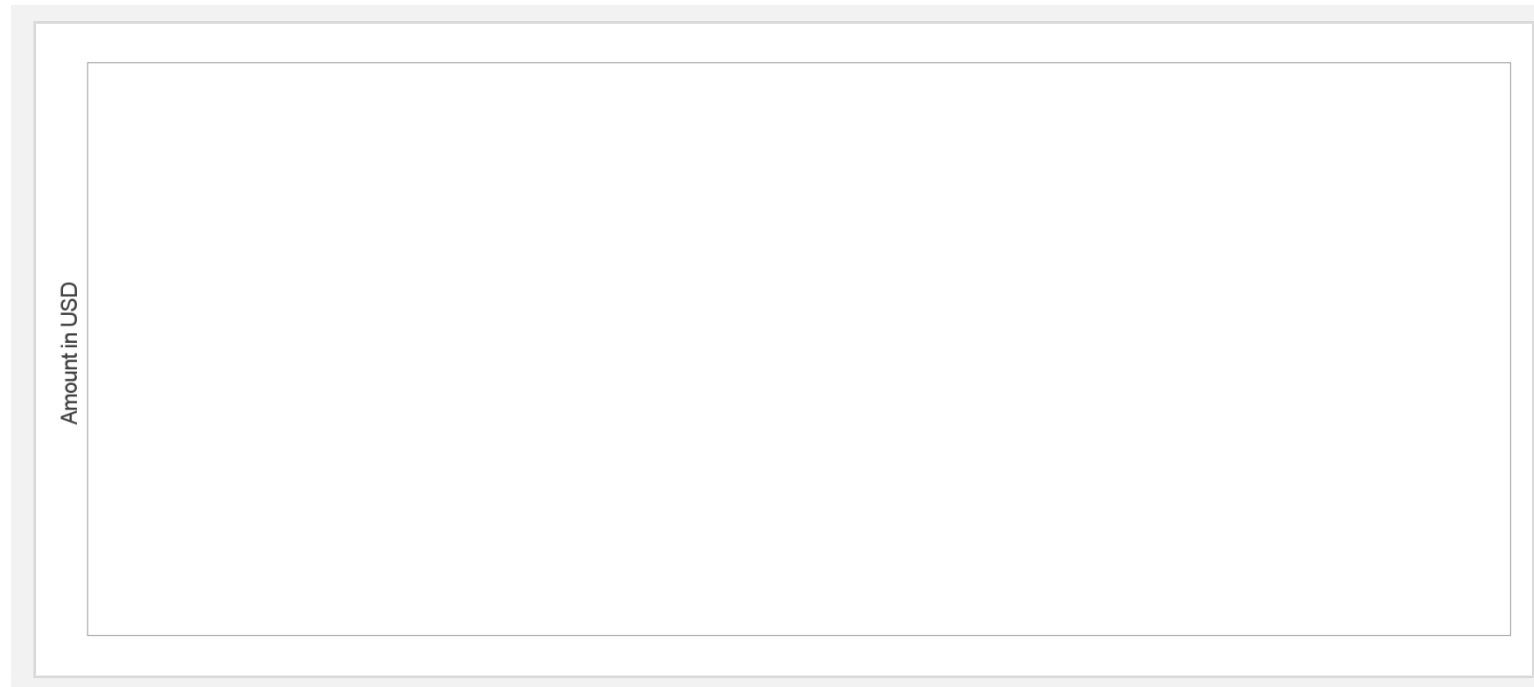
#### Key Dates (by loan)

Project	Loan/Credit/TF	Status	Approval Date	Signing Date	Effectiveness Date	Orig. Closing Date	Rev. Closing Date
P176480	IDA-D8830	Effective	28-Jun-2021	01-Jul-2021	01-Jul-2021	31-Jul-2023	31-Jul-2023
P176480	IDA-D8840	Effective	28-Jun-2021	01-Jul-2021	01-Jul-2021	31-Jul-2023	31-Jul-2023
P176480	IDA-D8850	Effective	28-Jun-2021	01-Jul-2021	01-Jul-2021	31-Jul-2023	31-Jul-2023
P176480	TF-B6004	Effective	01-Jul-2021	01-Jul-2021	01-Jul-2021	30-Jun-2023	30-Jun-2023



P176480	TF-B6005	Effective	01-Jul-2021	01-Jul-2021	01-Jul-2021	30-Jun-2023	30-Jun-2023
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**Cumulative Disbursements**



**PBC Disbursement**

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

**Restructuring History**

There has been no restructuring to date.

**Related Project(s)**

There are no related projects.