



CLEAR - South Asia Phase 3 (P156902)

SOUTH ASIA | South Asia |
Recipient Executed Activities | Investment Project Financing | FY 2016 | Seq No: 1 | ARCHIVED on 31-Mar-2017 | ISR26771 |

Implementing Agencies:

Key Dates

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Bank Approval Date:30-Jun-2016

Effectiveness Date:01-Jul-2016

Original Closing Date:30-Jun-2017

Revised Closing Date:30-Jun-2017

Project Development Objectives

Project Development Objective (from Project Appraisal Document)

The objectives of the project are three fold for the CLEAR South Asia Center at IFMR: (i) clients will gain knowledge in, and the motivation to use M&E methods, approaches, tools, and findings; (ii) partners (other M&E capacity providers and other CLEAR Centers) will gain knowledge on how to develop M&E capacities of their clients; and (iii) the center will work toward the achievement of institutional and financial viability.

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

No

Components

Name

Overall Ratings

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

Implementation Status and Key Decisions

Since the beginning of the current grant period, starting in July 1, 2015, the Center South Asia has been on a solid track of implementing activities, delivering results and achieving performance targets. The focus of the Center so far has been on (1) strengthening the level of engagement with its strategically selected clients, in terms of quality and relevance, to ensure that clients gain M&E knowledge and skills, and (2) that the Center achieves greater financial sustainability. The Center has maintained strong relationships with key strategic clients, including the Indian civil services training academy and the government of Tamil Nadu. Over time, the Center's portfolio of customized services, catering to specific needs of clients



determined after a thorough needs assessment, has increased in response to the changing nature of demand in the region. It has also started systematically tackling the issue of results-measurement through tracer studies for both training and advisory services to understand if the knowledge shared and skills built are translating into knowledge applied. In terms of financial sustainability, it has exceeded its target as measured during the period July 1, 2015 until December 31st, 2016. Going forward, the emphasis on strategic selection of clients and financial sustainability of the Center will continue, while there will also be greater emphasis on building local researcher M&E capacity through work with academic institutions.

Risks

Overall Risk Rating

Risk Category	Rating at Approval	Previous Rating	Current Rating
Overall	--	--	● Low

Results

Project Development Objective Indicators

►CLEAR SA clients rate -increase in knowledge and/or skills- as a result of participating in its training and workshop services highly (4 or 5 on five-point scale), as measured through feedback for (Text, Custom)

	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	N/A	--	72.5%	75%
Date	01-Jul-2015	--	01-Jul-2016	30-Jun-2017

Comments

The Center started collecting information on this indicator from June 2016 (when the grant was approved). The information is from July 2016 to January 2016. The Center conducted 5 trainings courses or workshops, from which 75.2% of respondents (of 116 total respondents) rated "increase in knowledge and/or skills" as a result of participating in this activity highly.

►CLEAR SA clients who respond to tracer surveys rate the extent to which they applied concepts learned or made changes in their current work as a result of the CLEAR SA activity (4 or 5 on 5pt scal (Text, Custom)

	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	N/A	--	100%	50%
Date	01-Jul-2015	--	31-Dec-2016	30-Jun-2017



Comments

The Center has successfully completed one tracer study sent to 17 participants from a fall 2015 training. This tracer study was divided into a quantitative survey with the option of engaging in a more detailed qualitative survey, to which 8 individuals agreed. All respondents rated "extent to which they applied concepts learned or made changes in their current work as a result of the CLEAR South Asia Center at IFMR activity" highly (100%).

►Number of agreed undertakings (joint activities and products) between CLEAR SA and CLEAR SA partners is at least 2 every years (Text, Custom)

	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	N/A	--	2.50	2.00
Date	01-Jul-2015	--	30-Dec-2016	30-Jun-2017

Comments

Ratings by fiscal year - FY16: 2; FY17: 3; Average for two fiscal years 2.5

Partners refers to other M&E capacity providers or CLEAR Centers. The activities measured under this indicator have to be delivered to or co-delivered through the Center's partners in order to enhance the partner's capacity to build M&E capacity. The Center met this target in FY16 and exceeded this target in FY17. In FY 16 it held a Training of Trainers (ToT) session for a civil services training institute and provided insights on a research program by Growth and the Economic Empowerment of Women. In FY17 the Center held a webinar for the other CLEAR Center on needs assessments, held a Workshop on Tools and Techniques for Monitoring, Evaluation, and Survey Design for National Institute of Rural Development & Panchayati Raj, and delivered a lecture at the Institute for Economic Growth.

►Proportion of the CLEAR SA funds raised relative to total funds (including fees and other contributions from host institution, donors or others AND the CLEAR MDTF grant money) (Percentage, Custom)

	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	14.00	--	35.78	20.00
Date	01-Jul-2015	--	30-Dec-2016	30-Jun-2017

Comments

From July 2015 to December 2016, this percentage is 35.78% (*this means that of the total funds the Center has used as on December 31, 2016, 35.78% came from fees paid by clients for its services*). The Center is expected to meet this target of 20% by June 2017 as there are several other revenue generating activities planned until the end of the grant. This includes an open enrollment course on measurement and survey design in May 2017, a joint course on M&E with O.P. Jindal University, a custom course with UNICEF India and advisory services for Central Square Foundation.



Overall Comments

Intermediate Results Indicators

►QUALITY: CLEAR SA clients for open enrollment courses rate (a) quality and (b) usefulness highly (4 or 5 on a 5pt scale), as measured through feedback forms after delivery of service (Percentage, Custom)

	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	0.00	--	86.00	80.00
Date	01-Jun-2015	--	30-Dec-2016	30-Jun-2017

Comments

These are FY16 percentages, the most recent numbers available.

►USEFULNESS: CLEAR SA clients for open enrollment courses rate (a) quality and (b) usefulness highly (4 or 5 on a 5pt scale), as measured through feedback forms after delivery of service (Percentage, Custom)

	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	0.00	--	79.00	80.00
Date	01-Jul-2015	--	30-Dec-2016	30-Jun-2017

Overall Comments

These are FY16 percentages, the most recent numbers available.

Data on Financial Performance



Disbursements (by loan)

Project	Loan/Credit/TF	Status	Currency	Original	Revised	Cancelled	Disbursed	Undisbursed	Disbursed
P156902	TF-A2895	Effective	USD	0.95	0.95	0.00	0.31	0.64	<div style="width: 33%; background-color: green; display: inline-block;"></div> 33%

Key Dates (by loan)

Project	Loan/Credit/TF	Status	Approval Date	Signing Date	Effectiveness Date	Orig. Closing Date	Rev. Closing Date
P156902	TF-A2895	Effective	30-Jun-2016	01-Jul-2016	01-Jul-2016	30-Jun-2017	30-Jun-2017

Cumulative Disbursements



Restructuring History

There has been no restructuring to date.

Related Project(s)

There are no related projects.