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Implementation Status & Results
Lao People's Democratic Republic
Lao PDR Upland Food Security Improvement Project (P120909)

Operation Name: Lao PDR Upland Food Security Improvement Project (P120909) | Project Stage: Implementation | Seq.No: 7 | Status: ARCHIVED | Archive Date: 09-May-2014

Country: Lao People's Democratic Republic | Approval FY: 2010

Product Line: IBRD/IDA | Region: EAST ASIA AND PACIFIC | Lending Instrument: Emergency Recovery Loan

Implementing Agency(ies):

Key Dates

Board Approval Date	27-Apr-2010	Original Closing Date	31-Dec-2014	Planned Mid Term Review Date	13-May-2012	Last Archived ISR Date	24-Nov-2013
Effectiveness Date	31-Aug-2010	Revised Closing Date	31-Dec-2014	Actual Mid Term Review Date	14-May-2012		

Project Development Objectives

Project Development Objective (from Project Appraisal Document)

The Project Development Objective is to: (a) contribute to improved food security of rural households in selected poor villages in upland areas in the Project Provinces by demonstrating and implementing improved rice-based farming systems, and (b) address recovery needs of cyclone-affected households in the Xekong, Saravane and Attapeu provinces.

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

○ Yes ◉ No

Component(s)

Component Name	Component Cost
Support to Conservation Agriculture Stations and Seed Multiplication Centers	2.03
Support to Farmers Livelihood Groups and On-Farm Demonstrations	1.92
Agricultural Assistance for Cyclone Recovery	1.42
Infrastructure for Improved Agricultural Livelihoods	3.73
Community-Led Recovery	4.19
Project Coordination and Management	1.31

Overall Ratings

	Previous Rating	Current Rating
Progress towards achievement of PDO	Satisfactory	Satisfactory
Overall Implementation Progress (IP)	Satisfactory	Satisfactory
Overall Risk Rating	Moderate	Moderate

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Implementation Status Overview

Progress toward achieving the PDO remains satisfactory. The project has contributed to improving food security of rural households by improving rice-based farming, including increasing the rice yield from 3.28 tons/ha at the beginning of the project to 4.47 tons/ha in the 2013 wet season which represents a 36% increase compared to the end-of-project target of a 20% increase. The latest field visits in Sephone district, Savannakhet Province in November 2013 showed average rice yield increases of up to 60% due to the switch from traditional varieties to improved varieties along with proper fertilizer applications and farming practices. Extension activities reached 1732 households compared to the target of 2,000. More than 560 extension points were established against target of 200. Production of incremental annual volumes of quality seed has increased from 456 tons at the beginning of the project to 993 tons now, exceeding the end-of-project target of 576 tons. In addition, the project has addressed recovery needs of cyclone-affected households. It distributed 300 tons of rice seed to 8,754 households in 318 villages in the affected provinces and 497,124 small animals to 3,088 households in 224 villages over 14 districts and 3 provinces. It completed 105 sub-projects which rehabilitated the damaged assets, at a total cost of US$ 3.3 million. This includes 42 agriculture (irrigation) sub-projects (1,637 ha of irrigation rehabilitation and 1,478 new irrigated areas); 29 public works sub-projects (100 km of roads rehabilitated), 31 health sub-projects and 3 education sub-projects. In addition, the project supported 193 agriculture related sub-projects that benefited about 103,550 persons, of which 49,145 are women in 17 districts and 5 provinces.

Locations

Country	First Administrative Division	Location	Planned	Actual
Laos	Khoueng Xiangkhoang	Khoueng Xiangkhoang		
Laos	Khoueng Savannakhet	Khoueng Savannakhet		
Laos	Khoueng Salavan	Khoueng Salavan		
Laos	Luang Prabang Province	Luang Prabang Province		
Laos	Khoueng Louangnamtha	Khoueng Louangnamtha		
Laos	Khoueng Houaphan	Khoueng Houaphan		
Laos	Khoueng Champasak	Khoueng Champasak		
Laos	Khoueng Attapu	Khoueng Attapu		
Laos	Khoueng Xekong	Khoueng Xekong		
Laos	Kampheng Nakhon Viangchan	Kampheng Nakhon Viangchan		

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Results

Project Development Objective Indicators

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Indicator Name	Core	Unit of Measure		Baseline	Current	End Target
Increase in rice yields in beneficiary farmer groups by twenty percent (20%) compared to the baseline.	☐	Percentage	Value	3.28	4.47	3.94
			Date	30-Nov-2011	31-Dec-2013	31-Dec-2014
			Comments	Wet season yields for 2010 given above. Dry season yields for 2010/11 are 2.85t/ha	Results from 2011-12 dry season show that yields were 3.2 t/ha	The baseline, actuals and target should be tons/ha not percentage.

Intermediate Results Indicators

Indicator Name	Core	Unit of Measure		Baseline	Current	End Target
Production of incremental annual volume of quality seed (R1 and R2 seed) of at least 120 tons from centers supported under the project above the base line of 456 tons with the end target of 576 tons	☐	Number	Value	456.00	993.00	576.00
			Date	30-Nov-2011	31-Dec-2013	31-Dec-2014
			Comments	R1 = 137.6 tons R2 = 762.1 tons	R1=145.41 tons R2=847.3 tons Total=992.7 tons (WS 2013)	
Sample checks at village level confirm that inputs reach target beneficiaries.	☐	Text	Value	No inputs reaching beneficiaries	Inputs reach beneficiaries	Inputs reach beneficiaries
			Date	27-Apr-2010	31-Dec-2013	31-Dec-2014
			Comments			The target was not defined. Project has delivered 300 tons of rice seed to 8,754 affected HHs; provided 497,124 small animals to 3,088 affected HHs.
Number of villages benefiting from agriculture-related community sub-projects delivered through PRF participatory approaches.	☐	Number	Value	0.00	622.00	
			Date	27-Apr-2010	31-Dec-2013	31-Dec-2013
			Comments	Assume incremental baseline of zero.	In total 247 sub-projects have been supported benefiting 28,764 households from 622 villages of 25 district from 7 provinces	In total 247 sub-projects have been supported benefiting 28,764 households from 622 villages of 25 district from 7 provinces. The technical audit has confirmed high satisfaction rate by beneficiary communities.
MAF project management team operational and staffed with experienced fiduciary and technical specialists.	☐	Text	Value	Project team not in place	Team in place and operational	
			Date	27-Apr-2010	31-Dec-2013	31-Dec-2014
			Comments			

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Rice production of participating farmers in seed producer groups increase by at least fifteen (15%) compared to baseline.	☐	Percentage	Value	0.00	18.70	15.00
			Date	27-Apr-2010	31-Dec-2013	31-Dec-2014
			Comments	Baseline survey to be carried out.	The 2013 BM survey , the rice production of seed production groups members have increased from 102,682 tons in 2010 to 121,900 tonsin 2013. This represents an 18.7% increase, exceeding the outcome target. Specifically: increase of 27.6% for R3 seed production (from 52,253 tons up to 66,650 tons) and 9.6% for former R3 villages - now local seeds purification (from 50,429 tons up to 55,250 tons).	The actual target to be calculated when baseline surveys completed
At least 2000 farmers reached by extension activities, of which 25% adopt improved techniques at project end	☐	Text	Value	0		2000 farmers; 25% adopt techniques
			Date	27-Apr-2010	28-Mar-2014	31-Dec-2014
			Comments			This is a new indicator from May 2013 restructuring.
Area provided with irrigation and drainage services (ha)	☒	Hectare(Ha)	Value	0.00		4884.00
			Date	27-Apr-2010	28-Mar-2014	31-Dec-2014
			Comments	Baseline data not applicable since sub-projects were subject to participatory selection process.		Hectares of new irrigation schemes constructed and existing ones rehabilitated
Area provided with irrigation and drainage services - New (ha)	☒	Hectare(Ha) Sub Type Breakdown	Value	0.00		1705.00
			Date	27-Apr-2010	28-Mar-2014	31-Dec-2014
			Comments	Baseline data not applicable since sub-projects were subject to participatory selection process.		Hectares of new irrigation schemes constructed
Area provided with irrigation and drainage services - Improved (ha)	☒	Hectare(Ha) Sub Type Breakdown	Value	0.00		3179.00
			Date	27-Apr-2010	28-Mar-2014	31-Dec-2014
			Comments			Hectares of existing irrigation schemes rehabilitated

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Technologies demonstrated in the project areas (number)	☒	Number	Value	0.00		
			Date	27-Apr-2010	28-Mar-2014	31-Dec-2014
			Comments			
Collaborative research/extension sub-projects under implementation/completed	☒	Number	Value	0.00		
			Date	27-Apr-2010	28-Mar-2014	31-Dec-2014
			Comments			
Collaborative research or extension sub-projects - under implementation	☒	Number Sub Type Breakdown	Value	0.00		
			Date	27-Apr-2010	28-Mar-2014	31-Dec-2014
			Comments			
Collaborative research or extension sub-projects - completed (number)	☒	Number Sub Type Breakdown	Value	0.00		
			Date	27-Apr-2010	28-Mar-2014	31-Dec-2014
			Comments			
Client days of training provided (number)	☒	Number	Value	0.00		
			Date	27-Apr-2010	28-Mar-2014	31-Dec-2014
			Comments			
Client days of training provided - Female (number)	☒	Number Sub Type Breakdown	Value	0.00		
			Date	27-Apr-2010	28-Mar-2014	31-Dec-2014
			Comments			
Roads rehabilitated, Rural	☒	Kilometers	Value	0.00		165.00
			Date	27-Apr-2010	28-Mar-2014	31-Dec-2014
			Comments	Baseline data not applicable since sub-projects were subject to participatory selection process.		Km of rural roads rehabilitated

Data on Financial Performance (as of 13-Mar-2014)

Financial Agreement(s) Key Dates

Project	Ln/Cr/Tf	Status	Approval Date	Signing Date	Effectiveness Date	Original Closing Date	Revised Closing Date
P120909	IDA-H5610	Effective	27-Apr-2010	04-Jun-2010	31-Aug-2010	31-Dec-2014	31-Dec-2014
P120909	TF-97058	Closed	04-Jun-2010	04-Jun-2010	04-Jun-2010	31-Aug-2011	31-Dec-2011

Disbursements (in Millions)

Project	Ln/Cr/Tf	Status	Currency	Original	Revised	Cancelled	Disbursed	Undisbursed	% Disbursed
P120909	IDA-H5610	Effective	USD	10.00	10.00	0.00	9.80	0.33	98.00
P120909	TF-97058	Closed	USD	4.41	4.41	0.00	4.58	0.00	104.00

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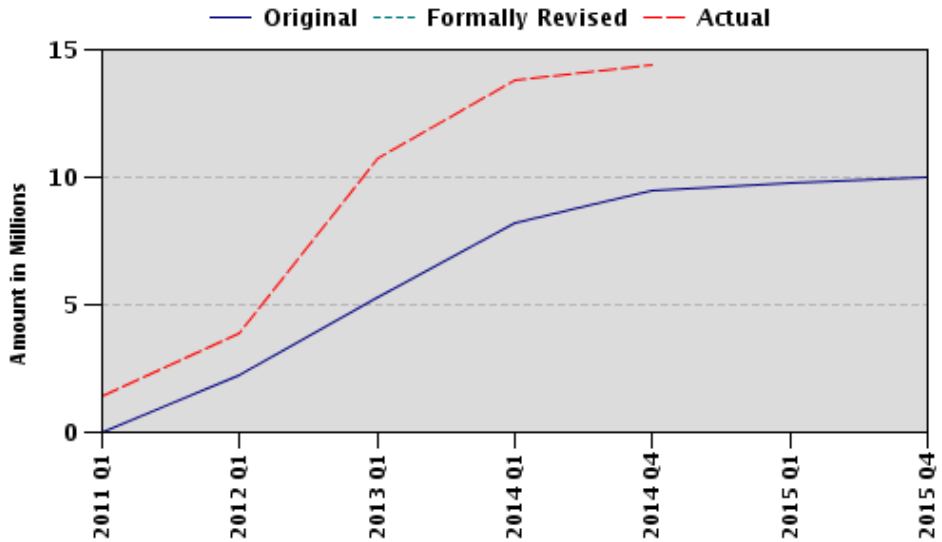
Disbursement Graph



Key Decisions Regarding Implementation

The primary focus for the remaining 90 months implementation should be on making continued improvements in the technical quality of seed multiplication and scaling up extension activities during the 2014 Wet Season under the Support to Farmers Livelihood Groups and On-Farm Demonstrations Component. The next mission is scheduled for May 2014.

Restructuring History

Level two Approved on 06-Jun-2011, Level 2 CD Decision on 07-Jun-2013

Related Projects

There are no related projects.

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