Strengthening the Capacity to Produce and Use Quality Education Statistics (P163049)

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Implementing Agencies: Ministerio de Educacion de la Republica Dominicana - MINERD, Ministerio de Hacienda

Key Dates

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| Bank Approval Date: 03-Apr-2017 | Effectiveness Date: 07-Apr-2017 |
| Original Closing Date: 07-Apr-2019 | Revised Closing Date: 07-Apr-2020 |

Project Development Objectives

Project Development Objective (from Project Appraisal Document)

The objective of the Project is to strengthen MINERD’s capacity to produce high-quality data, consolidate data from different data systems and use that data to inform stakeholders in the education sector.

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

No

Overall Ratings

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Implementation Status and Key Decisions

MINERD hired two firms to implement the pending activities including consultancies, trainings, and workshops. These activities will contribute to achieve several of the objectives set out for the different components.

Component 1: Integration and improvement of MINERD’s information systems. The results from the data quality audit from MINERD’s Education Management Information System (EMIS) completed last year were used to update MINERD’s EMIS strategy and helped develop guidelines and instruments for data quality monitoring. Around 300 MINERD’s technicians were trained for the implementation of these guidelines and the use of these instruments.

Component 2: Training and dissemination of information. MINERD has been working on several activities to strengthen the production and use of data including: (i) the drafting of new regulations for inputting, processing, and using EMIS data, (ii) the development of plans for an education quality index based on EMIS data, and (iii) the use of EMIS data for identifying personnel needs and measuring performance. All these activities were carried out with training activities and workshops targeted at MINERD’s technicians at the national, regional, and district level.

Risks

Overall Risk Rating

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5. Results

Project Development Objective Indicators

►Protocols for data collection and data quality verification are available, disseminated and piloted. (Yes/No, Custom)

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Date

Baseline: 31-Jan-2017
Actual (Previous): 12-Aug-2019
Actual (Current): 25-Mar-2020
End Target: 07-Apr-2020

Comments: MINERD has stated that the indicator was accomplished but this continues to be marked as “No” in the system because we are waiting to receive the final report. These protocols were developed through an addendum of the contract with the firm that carried out the audit.

►EMIS systems is improved to consolidate different statistical data from the Ministry, and new modules for data collections are developed and incorporated. (Yes/No, Custom)

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Comments: We are in track to reach the target but the indicator continues to be marked as “No” because there is only the yes/no option. The completion of planned activities has been delayed due to the COVID-19 pandemic in the country.

►Open data portal is available to allow all stakeholders to access timely and relevant education data and analytics, including user-friendly reports. (Yes/No, Custom)

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Overall Comments

The completion of planned activities has been delayed due to the COVID-19 pandemic in the country. However, given the extension of the grant closing date, the project is on track to reach the target indicators before closing conditional on further COVID-19 developments.

Intermediate Results Indicators

►Number of consultancies executed and/or being executed (Number, Custom)

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Overall

Moderate

High
The nine consultancies pending to be implemented were finally hired under two separate contracts signed with local firms. These contracts were signed on time and activities were moved as planned before the COVID-19 pandemic hit the country. One of the contracts has already been completed as all activities were delivered. The other one experienced delays in implementation due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Data on Financial Performance

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Key Dates (by loan)

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Cumulative Disbursements
Restructuring History

Level 2 Approved on 26-Mar-2019

Related Project(s)

There are no related projects.