



Lowlands Livelihood Resilience Project, Phase Two (LLRP II) (P180076)

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Implementing Agencies: Ministry of Irrigation and Lowlands

1. OBJECTIVE

1.1 Development Objective

Original Development Objective (Approved as part of Approval package on 21-Mar-2024)
To improve the livelihoods and climate resilience of pastoral and agropastoral communities in the lowlands of Ethiopia.

Has the Development Objective been changed since Board Approval of the Project Objective?
No

2. COMPONENTS

Name
Component 1: Pastoral Risk Management for Resilience :(Cost 228,000,000.00)
Component 2: Integrated Rangeland Management:(Cost 64,480,000.00)
Component 3: Climate Resilient and Sustainable Livelihoods:(Cost 91,490,000.00)
Component 4: Project Management, Monitoring, Evaluation and Learning:(Cost 40,030,000.00)

3. OVERALL RATINGS

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



Overall Risk Rating

● Substantial

4. KEY ISSUES & STATUS

4.1 Implementation Status and Key Decisions

Key Issues

The purpose of this first ISR is to provide updates on the project status since the Board approval on March 22, 2024.

The project has made satisfactory progress. The major milestones includes:

- Approval of the Project by the Council of Ministers and the House of People's Representatives (Parliament) of Ethiopia on May 15 and May 30, 2024, respectively.
- Establishment of a Regional Project Coordination Unit (RPCU) in the newly added region of Dire-Dawa, including the deployment of a Regional Project Coordinator, allocation of a project office, and the ongoing recruitment process for remaining regional and woreda project staff.
- Commencement and ongoing recruitment of additional staff at the Federal Project Coordination Unit (FPCU) and RPCUs.
- Preparation of the Project Implementation Manual (PIM), which includes detailed Financial Management (FM) and Procurement manuals and guidelines for Pastoral Savings and Credit Cooperatives (PASACCOs) and micro and small enterprises as well as draft Memorandum of Understandings (MoUs) to be signed with all implementing partners. These documents, reviewed and approved by the Bank, were the conditions for the project's effectiveness.
- Declaration of the project's effectiveness on June 21, 2024.
- Advanced preparation of detailed designs, specifications, and Bill of Quantities (BoQ), including environmental and social safeguard documents, for 71 Public Economic Infrastructure (PEI) subprojects to be financed under component 1.2. These subprojects, initiated under phase one of the project but were not implemented due to the financing gaps, are expected to be uploaded to STEP by mid-July 2024.
- Ongoing preparations to familiarize the Project at all levels including a national launching workshop by mid-July 2024, followed by the preparation of the Annual Work Plan and Budget (AWPB) for the Ethiopian Fiscal Year (EFY) 2017, planned for August-September 2024.

Overall, the project preparatory phase is making satisfactory progress as planned. Going forward, the client is advised to further expedite and finalize the phase-in process, submit the AWPB for EFY 2017, and commence actual implementation of project activities. In addition, the client agreed to ensure timely fulfillment of the disbursement condition, of



deployment of environmental and social safeguard specialists at federal and regional PCUs and assignment of focal persons at woreda level.

5. SYSTEMATIC OPERATIONS RISK-RATING TOOL

Risk Category	Rating at Approval	
	Approval Package - 22 Mar 2024	Proposed 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	● Substantial	● Substantial
Fiduciary	● Substantial	● Substantial
Environment and Social	● Substantial	● Substantial
Stakeholders	● Substantial	● Substantial
Overall	● Substantial	● Substantial



6. RESULTS

6.1 PDO Indicators by PDO Outcomes

Improved the livelihoods and climate resilience of PAP communities in the lowlands of Ethiopia								
Indicator Name	Baseline		Actual (Previous)		Actual (Current)		Closing Period	
	Value	Month/Year	Value	Date	Value	Date	Value	Month/Year
Climate preparedness and resilience building infrastructures constructed and operational* (Number)	230	Jun/2024	0	26-Jun-2024	0	26-Jun-2024	510	Jun/2029
	Comments on achieving targets		This indicator will measure the number of public economic infrastructures constructed and operational to strengthen the adaptation and resilience capacities at production system and community levels in the project targeted PAP lowland areas.					
Land area under sustainable landscape management practices (Hectare(Ha))	400000	Jun/2024	0	26-Jun-2024	0	26-Jun-2024	1000000	Jun/2029
	Comments on achieving targets		The indicator measures, in hectares, the land area for which new and/or improved sustainable landscape management practices have been introduced. Land is the terrestrial biologically productive system comprising soil, vegetation, and the associated ecological and hydrological processes; Adoption refers to change of practice or change in the use of a technology promoted or introduced by the project; Sustainable landscape management (SLM) practices refers to a combination of at least two technologies and approaches to increase land quality and restore degraded lands for example, agronomic, vegetative, structural, and management measures that, applied as a combination, increase the connectivity between protected areas, forest land, rangeland, and agriculture land.					
Increase in yield of targeted livestock and crop commodities* (Percentage)	0	Jun/2024	0	26-Jun-2024	0	26-Jun-2024	25	Jun/2029
	Comments on achieving targets		This indicator will measure the increment in yield of selected livestock and crop commodities due to adopted technologies and practices supported by the project.					
Beneficiaries with 25 % or more annual household income increment due to	0	Jun/2024	0	26-Jun-2024	0	26-Jun-2024	60	Jun/2029
	Comments on achieving targets		This indicator will measure the livelihood resilience capacities of the targeted households using a specific resilience tracking tool to be developed in collaboration with CGIAR (ILRI). The					



project interventions (Percentage)		resilience capacity includes the households' access to improved rangelands, public social and economic infrustrctures, and increased incomes as a result of the project intreventions.
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6.2 Intermediate Results Indicators by Components

Component 1: Pastoral Risk Management for Resilience								
Indicator Name	Baseline		Actual (Previous)		Actual (Current)		Closing Period	
	Value	Month/Year	Value	Date	Value	Date	Value	Month/Year
Beneficiaries with access to timely information from the early warning and response systems and climate information services (Percentage)	0	Jun/2024	0	26-Jun-2024	0	26-Jun-2024	80	Jun/2029
	Comments on achieving targets		Measures the proportion of project beneficiaries who received and satifies with early warning and action related information including climate information services such as rainfall forecast.					
Project targeted Woredas with new or updated and automated disaster risk profile (Number)	0	Jun/2024	0	26-Jun-2024	0	26-Jun-2024	120	Jun/2029
Regional Disaster Preparedness and Resilience-building Strategic Investment Plans prepared, endorsed by regional councils and automated for public use (Number)	0	Jun/2024	0	26-Jun-2024	0	26-Jun-2024	8	Jun/2029
	Comments on achieving targets		Measures the number of DPRSIPs pepared through participatory process in each of th eproject region and enorsed as a regional plan by the respective regional goverment councils. The plans shoud alos be automted and publicly accessible. The plans will be prepared based on the Woreda Disaster Risk Profiles and in consultations with woreda and regional stakeholders.					
Component 2: Integrated Rangeland Management								
Indicator Name	Baseline		Actual (Previous)		Actual (Current)		Closing Period	
	Value	Month/Year	Value	Date	Value	Date	Value	Month/Year



National Rangeland Monitoring System (RMS) developed and operational (Number)	0	Jun/2024	0	26-Jun-2024	0	26-Jun-2024	1	Jun/2029
	Comments on achieving targets		Mesures establishment & operationanalization of a web-based comprehensive and spatial rangeland monitoring information system developed by the national hub to collect and validate online and offline data to provide information products for climate informed rangeland management decision making to decision makers, project management stakeholders, PAP communities for improving climate resilience					
Climate Smart and Nature based Rangeland Management Plans (RMPs) updated or formulated and rolled out for implementation* (Number)	28	Jun/2024	0	26-Jun-2024	0	26-Jun-2024	29	Jun/2029
	Comments on achieving targets		The indicator measures a number of climate smart participatory and nature-based integrated rangeland management activities including physical, biological and agronomic practices implemnted in targeted areas including in all the rangeland clusters in the 8 project regions					
Component 3: Climate Resilient and Sustainable Livelihoods								
Indicator Name	Baseline		Actual (Previous)		Actual (Current)		Closing Period	
	Value	Month/Year	Value	Date	Value	Date	Value	Month/Year
Area provided with new/improved irrigation or drainage services (Hectare(Ha))	0	Jun/2024	0	26-Jun-2024	0	26-Jun-2024	2000	Jun/2029
	Comments on achieving targets		This indicator measures the total area of land provided with irrigation and drainage services under the project, including in (i) the area provided with new irrigation and drainage services, and (ii) the area provided with improved irrigation and drainage services, expressed in hectare (ha).					
MSEs established for targeted value chains and operational 1 year after establishment (of which at least 35 % are women only MSEs) (Number)	0	Jun/2024	0	26-Jun-2024	0	26-Jun-2024	3,280	Jun/2029
	Comments on achieving targets		The indicator measures the institutional support to form community Small and Micro Enterprises to market livetsock and crop products through diversification, innovation and job creation.					
	0	Jun/2024	0	26-Jun-2024	0	26-Jun-2024	200,000	Jun/2029



Project Beneficiaries that adopted two or more climate smart improved technologies and innovations* (Number)	Comments on achieving targets		This indicator measures the number of project beneficiaries who adopted two or more of the multiple climate smart technologies, innovations and practices promoted through the project. It will be assessed through independent survey.					
Annual increase in off take of animals from the project supported woredas* (Percentage)	0	Jun/2024	0	26-Jun-2024	0	26-Jun-2024	25	Jun/2029
	Comments on achieving targets		The indicator measures the increase in total sales of animals and sales of crop products value chains over a year. The indicator is disaggregated into sales of animals and sales of crop products value chains.					
Beneficiaries reached with financial services (Number)	50000	Mar/2023	0	26-Jun-2024	0	26-Jun-2024	120000	Jun/2029
Productive alliances established and functional between PAP producers and private sector actors* (Number)	15	Jun/2024	0	26-Jun-2024	0	26-Jun-2024	45	Jun/2029
	Comments on achieving targets		The indicator refers to the number of collaborations created between the PAP producers, public and the private sector aimed at facilitating access to products.					
Women beneficiaries (15-49 years) and children (6-23 months) with minimum dietary diversity (Number)	0	Jun/2024	0	26-Jun-2024	0	26-Jun-2024	250,000	Jun/2029
	Comments on achieving targets		The indicator measures the impact on the diet quality and household food security of beneficiaries-particularly the minimum dietary diversity score for women (MDD-W) and minimum acceptable diet (MAD) for children 6-23 months.					
Beneficiaries with Improved food security and resilience capacities to impacts of climate change (Percentage)	0	Jun/2024	0	26-Jun-2024	0	26-Jun-2024	60	Jun/2029
	Comments on achieving targets		The indicator measures percentage of project supported households who acquire resilience capacities through improved adaptations and livelihood strategies to mitigate extreme events like drought, flood, etc. The measurement will be developed by ILRI and it will include Resilience Capacity Index to be formulated based on existing indicators from the project results framework.					
Private capital Mobilized from MSE groups in conjunction with the	0	Jun/2024	0	26-Jun-2024	0	26-Jun-2024	4,000,000	Jun/2029
	Comments on achieving targets		This indicator measures the amount of private capital mobilized from the MSE members as 10 percent contributions from own sources to match the project support of US\$10,000 per group.					



matching grant from the project (Amount(USD))								
New Pastoral and Agro-Pastoral Saving and Credit Cooperatives (PASACCO) Established and Operational (of which 50 % will be women only PASACCOs)s) (Number)	500	Jun/2024	0	26-Jun-2024	0	26-Jun-2024	1050	Jun/2029
	Comments on achieving targets		This indicator measures the number of new PASACCOs established and operational one year after their establishment. The PASACCOs should be able to mobile their own savings, legally registered, and engage in viable and feasible business activity to receive the seed capital from the project in the amount of US\$10,000 per group.					
Component 4: Project Management, Monitoring, Evaluation and Learning								
Indicator Name	Baseline		Actual (Previous)		Actual (Current)		Closing Period	
	Value	Month/Year	Value	Date	Value	Date	Value	Month/Year
National and Sub-national annual Policy dialogues organized and facilitated by MILLS on climate change and PAP development agenda* (Number)	0	Jun/2024	0	26-Jun-2024	0	26-Jun-2024	13	Jun/2029
	Comments on achieving targets		5 national and 8 regional dialogues afciliated through out the life of the project					
Feedback (complaints, queries, suggestions) through GRM including SMS service, addressed and responded to within stipulated timeframes publicly communicated by the project (Percentage)	0	Jun/2024	0	26-Jun-2024	0	26-Jun-2024	90	Jun/2029
Leadership positions held by women in all mixed (women and men) groups created/supported by the project (Percentage)	0	Jun/2024	0	26-Jun-2024	0	26-Jun-2024	30	Jun/2029

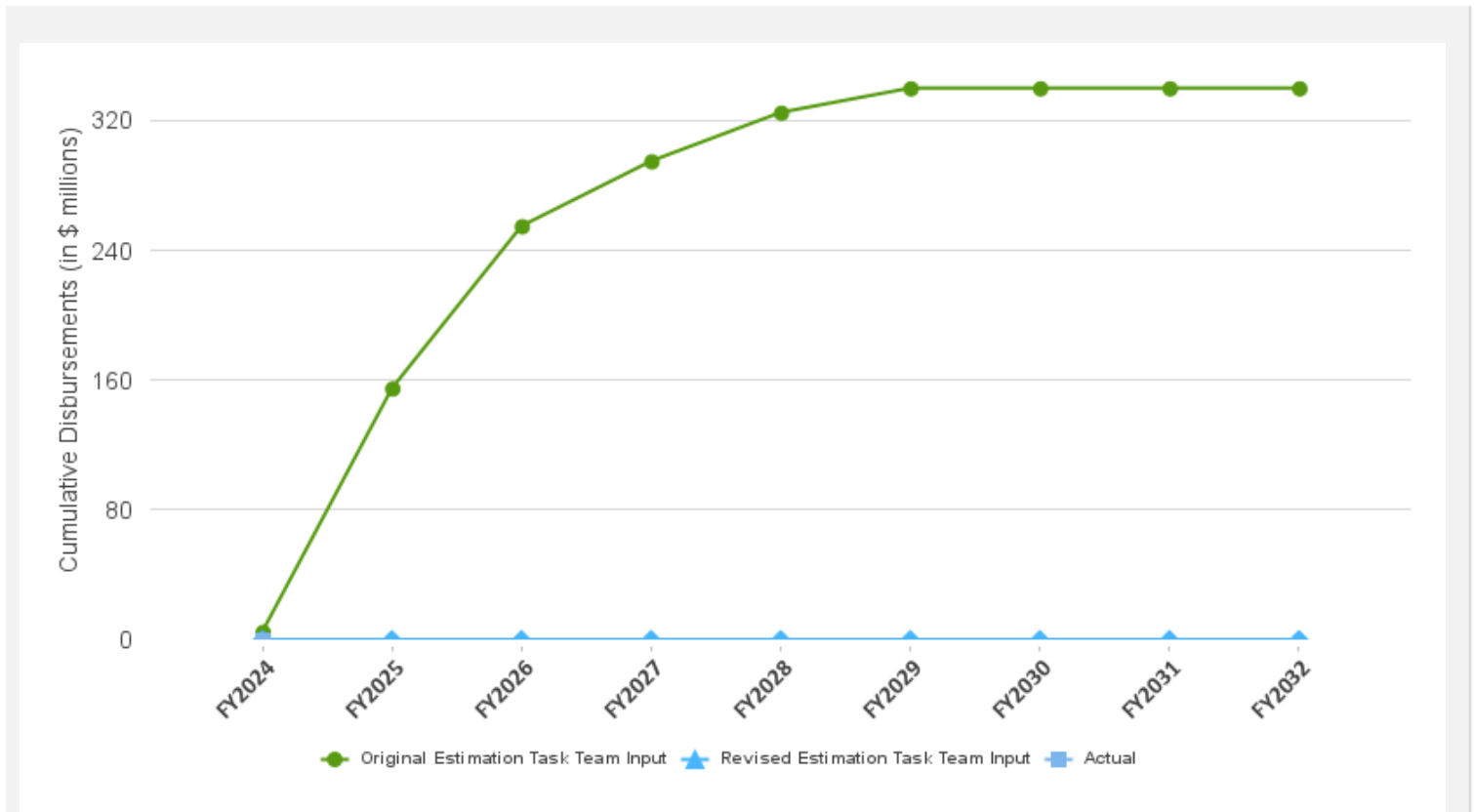


Project direct beneficiaries (disaggregated by gender and age, 50 % women and 30 % youth)* (Number)	2,500,000	Jun/2024	0	26-Jun-2024	0	26-Jun-2024	3,000,000	Jun/2029
	Comments on achieving targets		This indicator will measure the number of people targeted by the project who directly benefited from one or more interventions supported by the project under component 1, 2 and 3. People who benefited from two or more interventions will be counted as one beneficiary.					
Project Indirect beneficiaries (disaggregated by gender and age, 50 % women and 30 % Youth) (Number)	0	Jun/2024	0	26-Jun-2024	0	26-Jun-2024	2,000,000	Jun/2029
	Comments on achieving targets		This indicator will measure the number of people who benefited indirectly from the project. This includes people that are not targeted by the project directly but gains some spill over effects and benefits from the project interventions.					



7. DATA ON FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE

7.1 Cumulative Disbursements



7.2 Disbursements (by loan)

Loan/Credit/TF	Status	Original	Revised	Cancelled	Disbursed	Undisbursed	% Disbursed
IDA-75190	Not Effective	340.00	340.00	0.00	0.00	336.12	0%

7.3 Key Dates (by loan)

Loan/Credit/TF	Status	Approval	Signing	Effectiveness	Orig. Closing	Rev. Closing
IDA-75190	Not Effective	22-Mar-2024	04-Apr-2024		30-Jun-2029	30-Jun-2029



8. KEY DATES

Key Events	Planned	Actual
Approval	22-Mar-2024	22-Mar-2024
Effectiveness	17-Jun-2024	
Mid-Term Review No. 01	15-Sept-2026	
Operation Closing/Cancellation	30-Jun-2029	

9. RESTRUCTURING HISTORY

10. ASSOCIATED OPERATION(S)

P176327 - Ethiopia Flood Management Project

P164336 - Lowlands Livelihood Resilience Project

P176517 - De-risking, inclusion and value enhancement of pastoral economies in the Horn of Africa