The World Bank   Implementation Status & Results Report

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Implementing Agencies: Ministry of Ecology, Geology, and Natural Resources, Forestry and Wildlife Committee, Ministry of Ecology, Geology, and Natural Resources, Forestry and Wildlife Committee, Project Implem

Key Dates

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Bank Approval Date: 14-Jun-2021   Effectiveness Date: 01-Jul-2021

Planned Mid Term Review Date: 20-Oct-2023   Actual Mid-Term Review Date:

Original Closing Date: 30-Sep-2025   Revised Closing Date: 30-Sep-2025

Project Development Objective (PDO)

Project Development Objective (from Project Appraisal Document)

To pilot agroforestry practices using a community-centered approach and to build government capacity for landscape management and restoration.

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

No

Components Table

Name

Piloting community – centered approach on dryland agroforestry and landscape restoration:(Cost $2.46 M)

Capacity building of the Forestry and Wildlife Committee (FWC) for integrated landscape management:(Cost $1.38 M)

Project coordination and monitoring:(Cost $0.50 M)

Overall Ratings

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

Implementation Status and Key Decisions

The World Bank approved the Project on June 14, 2021 and signed the Grant Agreement on June 23, 2021. The Grant Agreement was countersigned by the Recipient on July 1, 2021. Progress toward achievement of the project objectives is satisfactory as project activities are being implemented in accordance with schedule. Project activities like procurement of equipment for forestry organizations have been completed and others started implementation on the ground (demonstration plots for agroforestry practices). Disbursement of project funds reached 52 percent.

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Risks

Systematic Operations Risk-rating Tool

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

Results

PDO Indicators by Objectives / Outcomes

To pilot agroforestry practices using a community-centered approach

►Identification of the most effective agroforestry practices using a community-centered approach (based on a cost-benefit analysis of the pilots) (Yes/No, Custom)

	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	No	No	No	Yes
Date	31-Mar-2021	07-Dec-2022	23-Jun-2023	31-Dec-2025
Comments:	This indicator shows identification of the most effective agroforestry practices.			

►Dryland Area Restored Using Community Centered Approach (Hectare(Ha), Custom)

	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	0.00	0.00	2,950.00	3,135.00
Date	31-Mar-2021	07-Dec-2022	23-Jun-2023	30-Dec-2025
Comments:	This indicator measures, in hectares, the dryland area restored using community-centered approach (saxaul plantations around Kyzylorda)			

To build government capacity for landscape management and restoration

►Land area under sustainable landscape management practices (Hectare(Ha), Corporate)

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	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	0.00	0.00	2,950.00	10,815.00
Date	31-Mar-2021	07-Dec-2022	23-Jun-2023	31-Dec-2025
Comments:	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.			

►Capacity built for landscape restoration through mapping of degraded landscapes in Dry Aral Seabed and inventory of unrecorded forests (Yes/No, Custom)

	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	No	No	No	Yes
Date	31-Mar-2021	07-Dec-2022	23-Jun-2023	31-Dec-2025
Comments:	This indicator measures completion of capacity building activities			

Overall Comments

Planting of 3,000 ha has been almost completed. Progress toward achievement of other indicators will be carefully assessed during MTR mission.

Intermediate Results Indicators by Components

Piloting community – centered approach on dryland agroforestry and landscape restoration

►Forestry Nursery to supply planting materials to farmers and local communities (Number, Custom)

	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	0.00	0.00	0.00	1.00
Date	31-Mar-2021	07-Dec-2022	23-Jun-2023	30-Dec-2025
Comments:	This indicator will review construction of a nursery in the project area			

►Establishment of saxaul and other drought-resistant plantations around Kyzylorda (Hectare(Ha), Custom)

	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	0.00	0.00	2,950.00	3,000.00
Date	31-Mar-2021	07-Dec-2022	23-Jun-2023	30-Dec-2025
Comments:	This indicator will measure progress toward establishment of saxaul and drought-resistant plantations around Kyzylorda			

►3 Demo plots to demonstrate innovative techniques of agroforestry in Kyzylorda oblast (Hectare(Ha), Custom)

	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target

Value	0.00	0.00	0.00	15.00
Date	31-Mar-2021	07-Dec-2022	23-Jun-2023	30-Dec-2025
Comments:	This indicator will measure progress toward establishment of agroforestry demonstration plots in Kyzylorda region			

►6 Model Farms for agroforestry pilot sub-projects in Zhambyl Oblast (Hectare(Ha), Custom)

	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	0.00	0.00	0.00	7,800.00
Date	31-Mar-2021	07-Dec-2022	23-Jun-2023	30-Dec-2025
Comments:	This indicator will monitor progress toward establishment of agroforestry model farms, each farm is expected to put 1,300 ha in sustainable land management practice			

►Reduction of greenhouse gas emissions (Metric ton, Custom)

	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	0.00	0.00	0.00	204,800.00
Date	31-Mar-2021	07-Dec-2022	23-Jun-2023	31-Dec-2025
Comments:	The indicator will measure the reduction of GHG as result of project activities.			

►Community participation in forestry activities (Number, Custom)

	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	0.00	0.00	519.00	1,000.00
Date	31-Mar-2021	07-Dec-2022	23-Jun-2023	31-Dec-2025
Comments:	This indicator will measure a number of people from communities participating in project forestry activities. For GEF purposes the project will report on the broader set of beneficiaries, which includes local residents benefitting from afforested areas and improved land productivity.			

☐Of which female participants (Number, Custom Supplement)

	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	0.00	0.00	177.00	400.00

Capacity building of the Forestry and Wildlife Committee (FWC) for integrated landscape management

►Mapping of the forest fund areas on the Dried Aral Sea bed (DAS) (Hectare(Ha), Custom)

	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	0.00	300,000.00	300,000.00	300,000.00
Date	31-Mar-2021	07-Dec-2022	23-Jun-2023	30-Dec-2025
Comments:	This indicator will measure area of DAS covered by updated maps			

►Preparatory survey and design works for saxaul plantations on DAS (Hectare(Ha), Custom)

	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	0.00	0.00	100,000.00	50,000.00

Date	31-Mar-2021	07-Dec-2022	23-Jun-2023	30-Dec-2025
Comments:	This indicator will measure area of DAS with plantation plans prepared			

►Inventory of the unrecorded forests (Hectare(Ha), Custom)

	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	0.00	0.00	0.00	140,000.00
Date	31-Mar-2021	07-Dec-2022	23-Jun-2023	30-Dec-2025
Comments:	This indicator will measure area covered by forest inventory			

►Depository of forest species' seeds (gene bank) in Kazakh Scientific Research Institiute in Schuchinsk (Number, Custom)

	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	0.00	0.00	1.00	1.00
Date	31-Mar-2021	07-Dec-2022	23-Jun-2023	30-Dec-2025
Comments:	This indicator will monitor establishment of a gene bank in KSRFI in Schuchinsk			

►Forest area brought under management plans (Hectare(Ha), Corporate)

	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	0.00	0.00	0.00	100,000.00
Date	31-Mar-2021	07-Dec-2022	23-Jun-2023	31-Dec-2025

Overall Comments

Activities on the ground has started and some indicators have been achieved.

Performance-Based Conditions

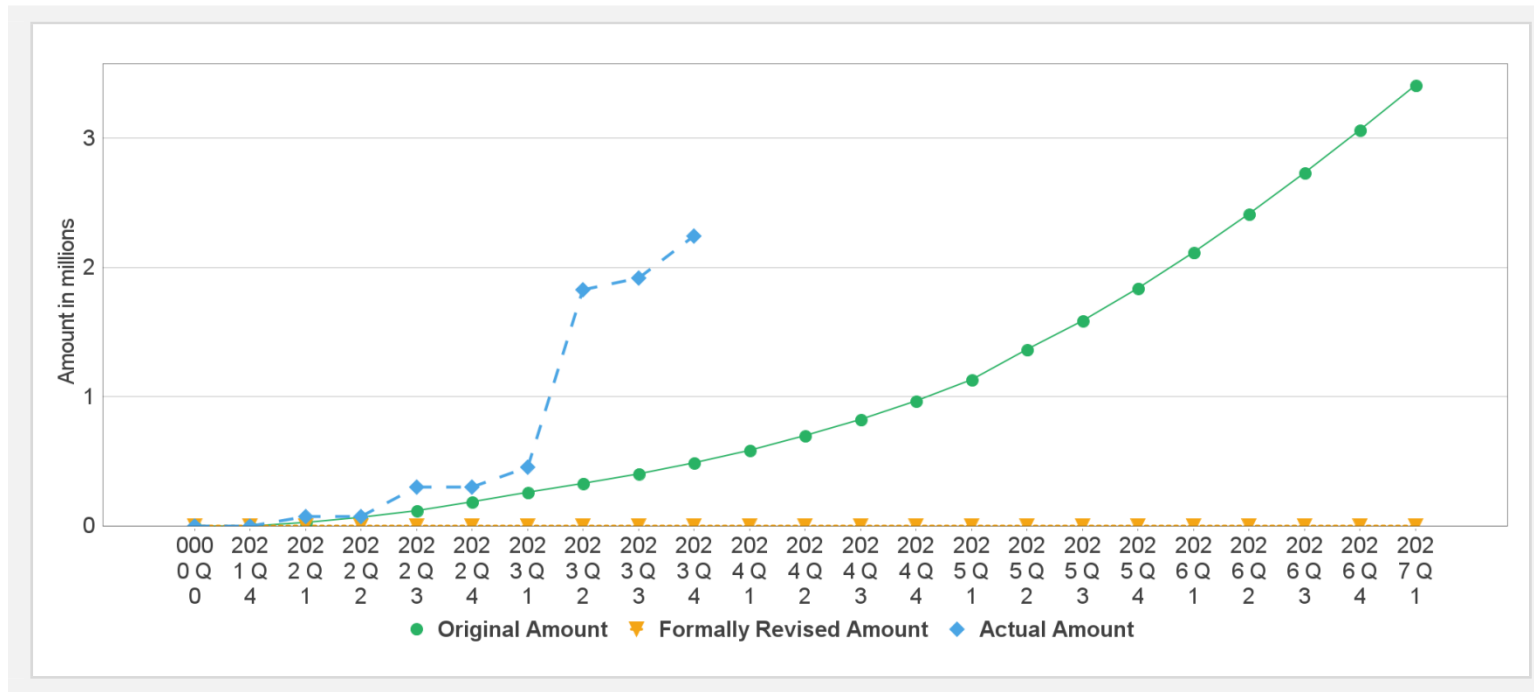## Data on Financial Performance

Disbursements (by loan)

Project	Loan/Credit/TF	Status	Currency	Original	Revised	Cancelled	Disbursed	Undisbursed		% Disbursed
P171577	TF-B6007	Effective	USD	4.34	4.34	0.00	2.24	2.10		52%

Key Dates (by loan)

Project	Loan/Credit/TF	Status	Approval Date	Signing Date	Effectiveness Date	Orig. Closing Date	Rev. Closing Date
P171577	TF-B6007	Effective	23-Jun-2021	01-Jul-2021	01-Jul-2021	30-Sep-2025	30-Sep-2025

Cumulative Disbursements

Restructuring History

There has been no restructuring to date.

Related Project(s)

There are no related projects.