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Implementing Agencies: Congo, Republic of, Ministry of Forest Economy

Key Dates

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Bank Approval Date: 24-May-2012

Planned Mid Term Review Date: 31-Aug-2016

Original Closing Date: 30-Nov-2017

Effectiveness Date: 27-Mar-2013

Actual Mid-Term Review Date: 24-Jun-2015

Revised Closing Date: 26-Jul-2021

Project Development Objectives

Project Development Objective (from Project Appraisal Document)

The project development objective is to increase the capacity of the Republic of Congo to: (i) promote better implementation ofitsforestry legislation; and (ii) enhance the policy environment for participation of local communities and the private sector insustainable forest management and reforestation.

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

Yes

Board Approved Revised Project Development Objective (If project is formally restructured)

To increase the capacity of the forest administration, local communities, and indigenous peoples to co-manage forests.

Components Table

Name

Capacity building of the forest administration:(Cost $18.11 M)
Involvement of local communities and indigenous people in forest resource management.:(Cost $13.82 M)
Prospective work and communications:(Cost $3.00 M)
Habitat and biodiversity protection:(Cost $3.85 M)
Project management:(Cost $0.33 M)

Overall Ratings

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

Implementation Status and Key Decisions

The Bank conducted a virtual mission from January 25 to February 1, 2021, to provide support for the implementation of the project. Since then, the Bank has held regular meetings with the Project Implementation Unit to discuss specific aspects of project implementation.

Between January and June 2021, the Project advanced particularly on the following main activities: (i) start of the installation of the ranger station of Ntokou in the Ntokou-Pikounda National Park (PNNP); (ii) implementation of forest seedling microprojects for 900 households and 625 beekeeping micro-projects; (iii) construction of four storage facilities and rehabilitation of another facility; and (iv) review of the legislation on wildlife crime.

Four activities are delayed, but expected to be completed before the extended project closure, namely the construction of the two ranger stations (base-camps/bases-vie), the beekeeping micro-projects, the operationalization of revolving funds in local communities, and the review of the wildlife crime legislation.

While the current closing date is July 26, 2021, the Bank has been processing a government request to extend the closing date to March 31, 2022, to accommodate the delays.

Risks

Systematic Operations Risk-rating Tool

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

Results

PDO Indicators by Objectives / Outcomes

Increase the capacity of the forest administration, local communities, indigenous peoples to co-mana

►Increase in field missions for control and sensitization purposes by the departmental forestry directorates, including by brigades (Number, Custom)

	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	300.00	4,256.00	4,256.00	3,000.00
Date	31-Dec-2011	06-Mar-2018	06-Mar-2018	31-Mar-2018
Comments:	This indicator has been achieved and is closed.			

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►Forest area with simplified management plans under implementation (Hectare(Ha), Custom)

	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	0.00	117,196.00	117,196.00	15,000.00
Date	27-Mar-2013	06-Mar-2018	06-Mar-2018	31-Mar-2018
Comments:	This indicator has been achieved and is closed.			

►Percentage of agents of the decentralized forest administration with access to up-to-date information and data (Percentage, Custom)

	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	0.00	91.00	91.00	75.00
Date	27-Mar-2013	06-Mar-2018	06-Mar-2018	31-Mar-2018
Comments:	This indicator has been achieved and is closed.			

►Area brought under enhanced biodiversity protection (Hectare(Ha), Custom)

	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	0.00	427,000.00	427,000.00	427,000.00
Date	23-Jun-2017	23-Nov-2020	23-Nov-2020	21-Jul-2021
Comments:	Enhanced biodiversity protection defined when Management Effectiveness Tracking Tool (METT) score is at least 35. Activities are just about to start following late effectiveness. The METT score will be assigned at mid-term and end of project.			

►Direct project beneficiaries (Number, Custom)

	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	0.00	22,781.00	22,781.00	17,000.00
Date	31-Dec-2011	23-Nov-2020	23-Nov-2020	26-Jul-2021
Comments:	Project beneficiaries include ministerial staff at the policy decision-making level, technical staff, technical scientists, civil society groups and communities in forest concession areas where social contracts are applied and in savannah areas. Beneficiaries in local communities will be close to 50% female. The benefits come in many forms: training, priority income-generating investments, and so on.			

☐Female beneficiaries (Percentage, Custom Supplement)

	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	0.00	30.00	30.00	40.00

Overall Comments

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Despite the task team's request, the PIU has not communicated whether there are updates to the indicator values. The task team will continue to follow up on this and alert Management if there are any major developments.

Intermediate Results Indicators by Components

Capacity building of the forest administration

►Percentage of MEF staff and managers trained (Percentage, Custom)

	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	0.00	79.00	79.00	50.00
Date	31-Dec-2011	06-Mar-2018	06-Mar-2018	31-Mar-2018
Comments:	Results under this indicator have been achieved and this indicator is closed.			

►Share of MEFDD activities in the annual work plan that are planned in the monitoring and evaluation system (Percentage, Custom)

	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	0.00	100.00	100.00	50.00
Date	31-Dec-2011	06-Mar-2018	06-Mar-2018	31-Mar-2018
Comments:	Results under this indicator have been achieved and this indicator is closed.			

►Share of referrals in new forestry law for which application texts have been drafted (Percentage, Custom)

	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	0.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
Date	31-Dec-2011	06-Mar-2018	06-Mar-2018	31-Mar-2018
Comments:	Results under this indicator have been achieved and this indicator is closed.			

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	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	0.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
Date	31-Dec-2011	06-Mar-2018	06-Mar-2018	31-Mar-2018
Comments:	Results under this indicator have been achieved and this indicator is closed.			

►Ministry operations which the Planning, Monitoring and Evaluation System has been applied to (percentage of total Ministry operations) (Percentage, Custom)

	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	0.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
Date	31-Dec-2011	06-Mar-2018	06-Mar-2018	31-Mar-2018
Comments:	Results under this indicator have been achieved and this indicator is closed.			

Involvement of local communities and indigenous people in forest resource management.

►Households that benefited from micro-projects (Number, Custom)

	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	0.00	2,671.00	2,671.00	1,200.00
Date	31-Dec-2011	23-Nov-2020	23-Nov-2020	26-Jul-2021

►Functioning local governance structures established (Number, Custom)

	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	0.00	117.00	117.00	30.00
Date	31-Dec-2011	23-Nov-2020	23-Nov-2020	31-Mar-2018
Comments:	Results under this indicator have been achieved and this indicator is closed.			

►Functioning local governance structures established to oversee simplified management plans (Number, Custom)

	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	0.00	25.00	25.00	30.00
Date	31-Dec-2011	23-Nov-2020	23-Nov-2020	31-Mar-2018
Comments:	48 governance structures (CGDCs) received support, but only 24 have been evaluated as being functional following the shortfall in counterpart funds, which reduced the project's ability to provide continuous capacity building. Results under this indicator have been achieved and this indicator is closed.			

Prospective work and communications

►Validated prospective studies including recommendations (Number, Custom)

	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	0.00	13.00	13.00	12.00

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Date	31-Dec-2011	06-Mar-2017	06-Mar-2017	31-Mar-2018
Comments:	Results under this indicator have been achieved and this indicator is closed.			

► People sensitized during information campaigns (Number, Custom)

	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	100.00	163,307.00	163,307.00	200,000.00
Date	31-Dec-2011	06-Mar-2018	06-Mar-2018	31-Mar-2018
Comments:	Results under this indicator have been achieved and this indicator is closed.			

► Visits to MEF website (Number, Custom)

	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	0.00	298,505.00	298,505.00	60,000.00
Date	31-Dec-2011	06-Mar-2018	06-Mar-2018	31-Mar-2018
Comments:	Results under this indicator have been achieved and this indicator is closed.			

Habitat and biodiversity protection

► Tools deployed to combat wildlife crime (Number, Custom)

	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	0.00	1.00	1.00	2.00
Date	03-Oct-2016	23-Nov-2020	23-Nov-2020	26-Jul-2021
Comments:	Sniffer dogs have been procured and trained but not yet deployed to the field. CRMS development underway.			

► Wildlife/wildlife product seizures at program sites (Number, Custom)

	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	0.00	60.00	60.00	100.00
Date	03-Oct-2016	23-Nov-2020	23-Nov-2020	26-Jul-2021
Comments:	No wildlife seizures by sniffer dogs yet, as they have not yet been deployed.			

Performance-Based Conditions

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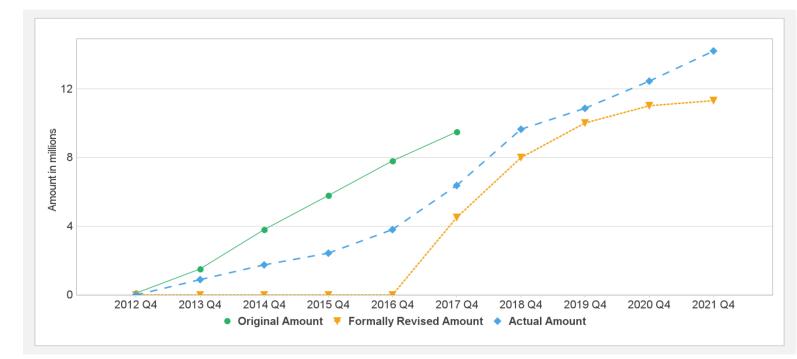
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Data on Financial Performance

Disbursements (by loan)

Project	Loan/Credit/TF	Status	Currency	Original	Revised	Cancelled	Disbursed	Undisbursed		% Disbursed
P124085	IDA-51210	Closed	USD	10.00	10.00	0.00	9.23	0.00		100%
P124085	TF-A4666	Effective	USD	6.51	6.51	0.00	4.99	1.52		77%

Key Dates (by loan)

Project	Loan/Credit/TF	Status	Approval Date	Signing Date	Effectiveness Date	Orig. Closing Date	Rev. Closing Date
P124085	IDA-51210	Closed	24-May-2012	13-Jun-2012	27-Mar-2013	30-Nov-2017	31-Mar-2018
P124085	TF-A4666	Effective	05-May-2017	23-Jun-2017	23-Jun-2017	26-Jul-2021	26-Jul-2021

Cumulative Disbursements

PBC Disbursement

PBC ID	PBC Type	Description	Coc	PBC Amount	Achievement Status	Disbursed amount in Coc	Disbursement % for PBC

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Restructuring History

Level 1 Approved on 02-Oct-2015 ,Level 2 Approved on 17-Nov-2017

Related Project(s)

P158604-Congo: GEF Financing for Forest and Econ. Diversification Proj.