



**Report on the
Special Program for the Development of Africa (SPDA)**



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Overview of SPDA

1. Emanating from both the *Ten-Year Programme of Action for the Ummah* adopted at the 3rd Extraordinary Summit held in Makkah in December 2005 and IDB's own internal strategy and commitment to assist Africa, the Special Programme for the Development of African (SPDA) was launched in 2008 following its validation at a Ministerial Meeting held in Dakar, Senegal, in January of the same year. The SPDA succeeded a similar programme, *the IDB Cooperation Framework for Africa* (Ouagadougou Declaration) implemented by IDB for Sub Saharan African (SSA) countries from 2003 to 2007. The horizon was set for a period of 5 years (2008-2012) with quantified and consolidated financing targets. In November 2012, the approval phase ended and the implementation phase continued at a deepened pace.
2. The IDB Group allocated US\$4.0 billion over the five-year period (1429H-1433H/2008-2012) to finance the Special Programme for the Development of Africa (SPDA), with an additional US\$8.0 billion to be leveraged from other development partners. The program has been supported by all entities of the IDB Group namely: the IDB itself, the Islamic Solidarity Fund for Development (ISFD); the International Islamic Trade Finance Corporation (ITFC), the Islamic Corporation for the Development of the Private Sector (ICD) and the Islamic Corporation for the Insurance of Investment and Export Credit (ICIEC).
3. The main objectives of the SPDA are to contribute effectively to the fight against poverty, the emergence of sustainable economic growth and the reinforcement of regional integration. It has five priority sectors and cross-cutting activities and the priority sectors are: agriculture and food security, water and sanitation, energy, transport infrastructure, the education system and the integration of youth in the world of work, and health and the fight against communicable diseases

APPROVALS

4. Since its inception, the IDB Group has committed US\$ 44.1 billion for financing 3,087 operations in Africa. Of these, 1,335 operations were for project financing worth US\$ 23.2 billion, 592 technical assistance operations amounting to US\$ 192 million, 916 trade operations worth US\$ 20.6 billion, 81 private sector operations worth US\$ 976.8 million.
5. Its two completed flagship programs on Africa namely the "IDB-Africa Cooperation Framework 2003-2007 and the Special Program for the Development of Africa of 2008-2012, were important strategic endeavours by the Bank to response to the region's priority needs, including those of the private sector. By the end of the approval phase in 2012 of the SPDA, IDB Group approvals exceeded the programmed target of US\$ 4 billion by 25%.
6. Since the end of the SPDA, approvals have continued totalling US\$ 14.9 billion as of 31 December 2016. The task ahead now is to focus on deepening the implementation of the approved projects in order to achieve portfolio objectives and the desired development results and impact.

DISBURSEMENTS

7. In 1437H (2016), total disbursements against total approvals, was US\$ 1525 million, which brought the total disbursements since 2012 to date to US\$ 5.4 billion

What is expected from the US\$ 5 billion

8. With the financing provided by the Program, many life-changing outputs are expected to be delivered to contribute towards improving the living standards of the population in the region. These expected outputs include over 2,500 KM of roads constructed or upgraded in addition to two new national airports; more than 900MW of electricity produced in six countries; over 200,000 cubic meters of clean water made accessible to over 50,000 households every day; more than 420 new primary and secondary schools (including 120 new madrassas) built, resulting in over 1400 classrooms; over 10 new hospitals and over 120 clinics, health centers and primary health care centers built or upgraded; about 10 strategic grain reserves built; and over 800,000 hectares of land developed and cultivated including marginal lands. CDetailed listing of the expected outputs is given in the Annex.
9. Meanwhile the IDB Group also acknowledges the daunting challenges that still confront the countries, and as the President, H.E. Ahmad Mohammad Ali said, IDBG will continue to support its African member countries to reach their aspired development goals.

Way Forward

10. As mentioned above, IDB Group approvals for the SPDA continue to soar, adding even more projects for implementation in addition to the ones already under the Program. The priority now for the SPDA countries is to further deepen the implementation actions of the Bank, to ensure that the expected outputs are delivered and on time. Meanwhile, the conceptualization of a successor program (SPDA II) that will identify the most optimal ways that the IDB Group can support the countries for the greatest development impact is currently under way.

Annex - Expected Outputs of SPDA



Energy

- Over 500 MW of power Transmitted over 1800 KM to households.
- About 700 Street lights in 2 countries.
- Rural Electrification to over 500,000 people in rural communities in 4 member countries.
- Supporting Solar Energy in addition to fossil fuels power generation.
- 9000 Cubic liters of Storage Tanks built in 2 countries.



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Transport

- Over 2000 KM of Asphalt Roads
- Both National
 - Akini-Okindja (Gabon) (74 KM)
- and Regional Roads
 - Arlit-Assamaka Road of 223 KM (Niger-Algeria)
- A New Airport in Senegal and Upgrading of Khartoum Airport.
- Fostering Regional Integration
- Enhancing Competitiveness with lower transport costs and lower travel times.



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Urban Development

- 800 Housing units
- 548 Street lights
- 1492 Households
- Water Treatment plant



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Education

- Over 250 schools (including madrassas) and over 1400 classrooms built
- 4 universities built or Upgraded
- 114 laboratories/Workshops built and equipped
- 67 Libraries built



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Health



- **Hospital, Clinics and Health Centers built**

- 11 Hospitals and 123 Clinics, Health Centers and Primary Health Care Units built
- Increased bed capacity of over 1170.
- Over 1,000,000 Long Lasting Insecticide Treat malaria Bed Nets provided to combat Malaria and 50,000 Rapid Diagnostic Kits provided.



- **Training - Capacity Building**

- Over 20 Medical Doctors trained and over 500 Cardiology Students, Medical Technicians , Ophthalmologists trained.
- Medical Equipment for Cardiology and Surgical Centers and Medical laboratories provided

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Agriculture



- **Land cultivation**

- More than 800,000 hectares of land developed and cultivated with increased production in rice, millet, sorghum and vegetables.
- 8-10 Strategic Grain Reserves built
- 5-6 Seed/Soil Research Laboratories built and furnished.

- **Water Management and Strategic Food Reserves**

- Almost 1 billion cubic meters of water reservoirs built for irrigation and human consumption.
- 8-10 Strategic Reserves built

- **Agricultural Research**

- 5-6 Soil/Seed Research Laboratories built and refurbished



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Private Sector Development

- Trade Financing of USD 1.03 Billion
- USD63 million Letters of credit (LC) business insured,
- More than USD350 million mid-term contracts for Export/Import.
- USD480 million Foreign Investment Insurance request in the pipeline across ICIEC member countries in Africa.
- PPP support to a 6 Million tons p.a iron ore plant
- Expanding fertilizer production capacity by over 9 million tons p.a

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