

Project Fact Sheet



Support to the Palestinian Education System (SPEP)

PROJECT AIM (OVERALL OBJECTIVE)

The project aims to support the Palestinian Ministry of Education and Higher Education's (MOEHE) efforts to provide quality education to the Palestinian student population as well as to support its efforts in increasing the enrolment capacity of the educational system.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The SPEP is operated through constructing four new schools, rehabilitation works in 12 schools, and providing 200 schools with the needed equipment. In addition to the technical assistance to the MOEHE and 24 schools. As a whole SPEP promotes a developmental approach focusing on the school as the main player for self-improvement. The technical assistance component is active in 24 pilot schools, 4 districts and 5 Universities.

OBJECTIVES

- Increase enrollment capacity for both girls and boys
- Improve teaching and learning environment
- Strengthen the capacity of the school for self-improvement by introducing the practice of school self-evaluation
- Promote partnerships between universities and schools in modern approach to teaching and learning
- Increase the pedagogical use of Information Communication Technology ICT in the classroom
- Increase schools' capacity to mobilize local resources through a community project funded with a micro-grant.
- Enable teachers to achieve their improvement goals through Continuing Professional Education

IMPACT STATEMENT

Increase the access to schools in needy areas and improve the quality of education in the 60 schools targeted by the technical assistance.

THEMATIC AREA

Education + Poverty Reduction + Women Empowerment

SECTOR / SUB SECTOR

Social Development

PROJECT DETAILS

Project Number	00043734
Award Number	00039137
Duration	36 months
Donor	Italian Cooperation
Partner and contractors	Ministry of Education and Higher Education, 4 local universities and 24 pilot schools.
	New Vision consultancy company

BUDGET

Total Budget	US\$7,452,776
Disbursement up to date	US\$5,237,809

Geographic Location

West Bank and Gaza

OUTPUTS

- Building Additional Schools and Classrooms
- Rehabilitation of degraded and inadequate buildings
- Teaching Aids and Learning Materials.
- Teachers training.



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PROGRESS UP TO DATE

- Construction of 4 new schools in West Bank and Gaza.
- The construction process of Terra Santa School is under procurement process.
- The rehabilitation work in Salfeet girl's school is under process, expected to be completion mid of October.
- Rehabilitation of 11 existing schools
- IT Equipment distributed to 200 schools
- Provide furniture and science labs to three new constructed schools are under procurement process.
- The delivery process for the IT labs equipment to Series, Beit liquia and Jeet School is going on.
- The school self-evaluation methodology has been introduced in the 24 pilot schools, each school working towards its own improvement plan. By the end of this month this component will be handed over to MOE.
- Collaboration in each District between DOE offices and the schools is on going
- A "School development package for self-improvement" has been developed with the universities
- The distribution of funds for the micro-grants to the 24 schools is going on.
- Bologna is working to update the project web site.
- Training for ICT in the 24 schools has been implemented and continues by the MOE ICT focal persons.
- The implementation of the CPD component is under procurement process, through hiring 4 long term consultants, 2 short term consultants and one coordinator.
- A mid-term project review was finalized and discussed with all project stakeholders.
- Discussed the extended 2009 work-plan with MOE before we submitted to Italian cooperation.
- Providing the 18 WB schools with internet connection is under process.
- Providing the ICT focal persons at the DOE offices with the needed it equipment.

- Technical Assistance.

CONSTRAINTS (if any)

- Operation in Gaza

Complexities of partners and Israeli-imposed constraints and mobility have caused delay against initial timeline of the project.

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