PROGRAM OBJECTIVE

The objective of the project is to support the reconstruction of school infrastructure and to expand access to pre-school and basic education to at least 5,000 children. The HRF funding will contribute to a US$250 million IDB program, which will support the Government in ensuring that the necessary conditions are in place for sustaining a multi-donor effort to rebuild and reorganize the education sector over the next 20 years and to work towards the goal of creating a publicly funded education system.

The project objectives are in line with the Taskforce on Education’s post-earthquake Education Plan, which was approved by the IHRC on August 17, and the Haiti Action Plan. The US$4.3 billion Education Plan aims to create a tuition-free, publicly financed, well-managed education system that is open to all children and provides quality education.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Name: Reconstruction of the Education Sector
Amount: US$50 Million
Sources: IDB (US$40 M), HRF (US$10 M)
Approval date: December 15, 2010
Sector: Education
Partner entity: IDB
Implementing agency: Ministry of Economy and Finance, and Social and Economic Investment Fund (FAES)

DESCRIPTION

Program Objective: The overall objective of the project is to support the reconstruction of school infrastructure in order to expand access to quality pre-school and basic education by providing superior education facilities. HRF financing will be used to finance the construction of ten schools, as well as other inputs necessary to ensure the provision of quality education.

The Program has two components:

1. This component will finance the construction of 10 schools in communities that currently have no school. Each school will have nine classrooms, one preschool area, outdoor sporting grounds, systems for sewage, electricity (possibly through solar energy), potable water and water tank, safety (e.g. fencing), a school kitchen to allow provision of school lunches, bathrooms, office buildings, security guard room, and if the site permits a yard. School buildings will be built to be both hurricane and earthquake proof.

2. This component will finance furniture, equipment and didactic materials. All classrooms and the school administrative building will be equipped with cupboards, desks and chairs for students, teachers, and school administrators. The school canteen will be equipped with furniture and kitchen utensils.

Expected Results: The project will finance the building of at least ten schools. Each school will have the capacity to serve a minimum of 450 primary students and 50 pre-school children.

Targeted thematic Outcomes

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