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Niger, Improving Women's and Girls' Access to Improved Health and Nutrition Services in the Priority Areas Project – LAFIA-IYALI (P171767)

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Implementing Agencies: Ministry of Health

1. OBJECTIVE

1.1 Development Objective

Original Development Objective (Approved as part of Approval package on 23-Sep-2021)

Increase the utilization of a quality RMNCAH-N package of services and improve key behaviors in targeted areas

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

No

2. COMPONENTS

Name
Increase coverage, utilization, and quality of integrated RMNCAH-N package:(Cost $94.50)
Support demand for health and nutrition services:(Cost $27)
Strengthen project management and institutional capacity:(Cost $10)
Contingent Emergency Response Component (CERC):(Cost $0)

3. OVERALL RATINGS

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

4. KEY ISSUES & STATUS

4.1 Implementation Status and Key Decisions

The LAFIA-IYALI project aims to increase the use of quality reproductive, maternal, newborn, child, adolescent health and nutrition services and improve key health behaviors in targeted areas. As of June 30, 2026, 6,408,535 people had received essential health, nutrition, and population services, reaching 79 percent of the end target. The project had also provided basic nutrition services to 3,494,243 women and children (78 percent end target) and supported 913,951 deliveries attended by qualified health personnel (85 percent end target). Exclusive breastfeeding among children aged 0–5 months reached 34.1 percent, compared with a target of 26.5 percent, while iron and folic acid supplementation for pregnant women reached 64 percent of its end target.

Progress also continued in community and school-based interventions. The project enrolled 29,717 adolescent girls in safe spaces, representing 99 percent of the target, and supported vocational training for 2,100 adolescent girls. In addition, 239,537 secondary-school students, including 97,567 girls, received integrated health or nutrition services, while all 31 targeted school health clubs were functional. The project also supported school-retention interventions for adolescent girls, including school kits, dignity kits, and scholarships. The project is also improving the alignment of results indicators with national data sources to strengthen the accuracy and relevance of results reporting.

4.2 MPA Program Development Objective

Original MPA Program Development Objective (Approved as part of (Seq. 0) package on)

Reducing stunting and adolescent fertility rates

Current MPA Program Development Objective (Approved as part of (Seq.) package on)

5. SYSTEMATIC OPERATIONS RISK-RATING TOOL

Risk Category	Rating at Approval Approval Package - 23 Sep 2021	Last Approved Rating ISR Seq. 011 - 22 Mar 2026	Proposed Rating
Political and Governance	Moderate	High	High
Macroeconomic	Moderate	High	High
Sector Strategies and Policies	Substantial	Substantial	Substantial

Technical Design of Project or Program	Moderate	Moderate	Moderate
Institutional Capacity for Implementation and Sustainability	Substantial	Substantial	Substantial
Fiduciary	Substantial	Substantial	Substantial
Environment and Social	Substantial	Substantial	Substantial
Stakeholders	Substantial	Substantial	Substantial
Overall	Substantial	Substantial	Substantial

6. RESULTS

6.1 PDO Indicators by PDO Outcomes

Increase the utilization of a quality RMNCAH-N package of services and address key behaviors								
Indicator Name	Baseline		Actual (Previous)		Actual (Current)		Closing Period	
	Value	Month/Year	Value	Date	Value	Date	Value	Month/Year
People who have received essential health, nutrition, and population (HNP) services (Number)	0.00	May/2021	6,408,535.00	Jun/2026	6,408,535.00	Jun/2026	8,070,655.00	Jun/2027
	Comments on achieving targets		79.4% achieved					
Number of children immunized (Number)	0.00	May/2021	2,000,341.00	Jun/2026	2,000,341.00	Jun/2026	2,517,569.00	Jun/2027
	Comments on achieving targets		79.5% achieved					
Number of women and children who have received basic nutrition services (Number)	0.00	May/2021	3,494,243.00	Jun/2026	3,494,243.00	Jun/2026	4,480,126.00	Jun/2027
	Comments on achieving targets		78.0% achieved					
Number of deliveries attended by skilled health personnel (Number)	0.00	May/2021	913,951.00	Jun/2026	913,951.00	Jun/2026	1,072,960.00	Jun/2027
	Comments on achieving targets		85.2% achieved					
Children (0-5 months) exclusively breastfed (Percentage)	19.75	May/2021	34.10	Jun/2026	34.10	Jun/2026	26.50	Jun/2027
	Comments on achieving targets		Updated data using SMART survey for 2025. Proportion of newborns aged 0 to 5 months who are exclusively breast-fed. 129% achieved					
	0.00	May/2021	1,466,737.00	Jun/2026	1,466,737.00	Jun/2026	2,297,814.00	Jun/2027

Pregnant women who have received iron and folic acid supplementation during a minimum of six months (Number)	Comments on achieving targets	63.8% achieved						
Couple-years of Protection in targeted areas (Number)	0.00	May/2021	1,550,375.00	Jun/2026	1,550,375.00	Jun/2026	1,986,408.00	Jun/2027
	Comments on achieving targets	End target revised downward from 2,464,193 to 1,986,408 under Restructuring Sequence 04, as the key implementing partners (international NGOs) have not been contracted since the change in Government strategic orientation in 2023, and to reflect the observed pace of family-planning uptake in the targeted areas. 2022 data added (omitted dispensed to patients multiplied by a conversion factor, which gives an estimate of the duration of contraceptive protection provided per unit of the method used). 78.0% achieved						
Number of curative service contacts delivered by community relays for children with pneumonia, uncomplicated malaria, and diarrhea (Number)	0.00	May/2021	795,485.00	Jun/2026	795,485.00	Jun/2026	2,915,742.00	Jun/2027
	Comments on achieving targets	Children 2-59 months old with pneumonia, uncomplicated malaria and diarrhea who received curative services from community relays. Data for community-based curative services and beneficiary feedback could not be updated, as community surveys and RBF-linked verification activities have not yet resumed. 27.3% achieved						
Children under two receiving essential community nutrition in targeted areas (Percentage)	0.00	May/2021	37.00	Jun/2026	37.00	Jun/2026	40.00	Jun/2027
	Comments on achieving targets	92,5% achieved						

6.2 Intermediate Results Indicators by Components

Increase coverage, utilization, and quality of integrated RMNCAH-N package

Indicator Name	Baseline		Actual (Previous)		Actual (Current)		Closing Period	
	Value	Month/Year	Value	Date	Value	Date	Value	Month/Year
People receiving health services free of charge in targeted areas (Number)	0.00	May/2021	4,066,940.00	Jun/2026	4,066,940.00	Jun/2026	7,120,910.00	Jun/2027
	Comments on achieving targets		Number of vulnerable people, pregnant women, women giving birth and children under 5 supported free of charge through PBF in health structures in project intervention areas 57 % achieved					
Women in postpartum using modern contraceptive methods (Number)	0.00	May/2021	123,734.00	Jun/2026	123,734.00	Jun/2026	154,405.00	Jun/2027
	Comments on achieving targets		80% achieved					
Quality average score of district hospitals in targeted areas (Percentage)	0.00	May/2021	0.00	Jun/2026	0.00	Jun/2026	70.00	Jun/2027
	Comments on achieving targets		Average score calculated for hospitals on the basis of a quality of care assessment checklist as part of the PBF program. The quality average score for district hospitals remains unchanged due to delays in the operationalization of the RBF system and the regulator contract, which was only recently established.					
Number of health facilities (CSI) and district hospitals built or rehabilitated (Number)	0	Jan/2024	24.00	Jun/2026	24.00	Jun/2026	168	Jun/2027
	Comments on achieving targets		Of the 35 health posts being upgraded into Integrated Health Centers (IHC), 24 had been provisionally accepted, 5 had undergone technical acceptance, and 6 were still under construction. Of the 34 associated autonomous water supply points, 17 had been provisionally accepted, 7 had undergone technical acceptance, and 10 remained under construction. Rehabilitation of the 128 CSI had reached an overall completion rate of 70 percent. Construction of the five district hospitals had begun, with the sites handed over to the contractors in mid-August 2026 for a ten-month implementation period.					
Community relays trained on the complete package (curative, preventive and promotional) vis-à-vis the expected number (Percentage)	0.00	May/2021	40.00	Jun/2026	40.00	Jun/2026	40.00	Jun/2027
	Comments on achieving targets		Community relays trained on the complete package (curative, preventive and promotional) / expected number * 100 3,574 community relays have already been trained out of a target of 8,949, representing a rate of 40%. Another additional cohort of community relays could be trained through RBF mechanism.					

			100% achieved					
Adolescent girls who have benefited from at least one intervention in terms of schooling (scholarships, school kits, hygiene kits, excellence scholarships, support courses) (number) (Number)	0	Jan/2024	11,178.00	Jun/2026	11,178.00	Jun/2026	11,178.00	Jun/2027
	Comments on achieving targets		Number of adolescent girls who have benefited from at least one intervention in terms of schooling (scholarships, school kits, hygiene kits, excellence scholarships, support courses) (number): Indicators related to schooling support, functioning school health clubs, the multisectoral platform, and innovation pilots reflect no new validated milestones during the period. 50,81% achieved						
Support demand for health and nutrition services								
Indicator Name	Baseline		Actual (Previous)		Actual (Current)		Closing Period	
	Value	Month/Year	Value	Date	Value	Date	Value	Month/Year
Nutrition sensitive tested community-based initiatives related to WASH to reduce vulnerability to water-borne diseases (Percentage)	0.00	May/2021	30.00	Jun/2026	30.00	Jun/2026	30.00	Jun/2027
	Comments on achieving targets		Nutrition-sensitive initiatives identified include home vegetable gardens, community granaries, and cooking demonstrations using local recipes. WASH-sensitive community initiatives primarily consist of weekly community-organized sanitation sessions, WASH FIT programs developed at health facilities, and handwashing before and after each use. In total, out of twenty (20) initiatives, six (6)—three (3) nutrition-related and three (3) WASH-related (30%)—were tested by the majority of communities and deemed effective in addressing nutrition, water, sanitation, and hygiene issues in order to reduce vulnerability. 100% achieved						
Mother of children under two participating in nutrition behavior change activities (Number)	0.00	May/2021	706,136.00	Jun/2026	706,136.00	Jun/2026	937,359.00	Jun/2027
	Comments on achieving targets		Sum of the number of mothers of children 0-23 months benefiting from interpersonal communication and number of mothers of children 0-23 months participating in educational chat sessions organized in project areas 75% achieved					
	0.00	May/2021	330,907.00	Jun/2026	330,907.00	Jun/2026	351,860.00	Jun/2027

Adolescent girls and women participating in empowerment behavior change activities (Number)	Comments on achieving targets		Sum of girls and women benefiting from interpersonal communication (IPC) and participating in educational chat sessions organized in the project intervention areas 94% achieved					
Adolescent students enrolled in lower and upper secondary education receiving services from an integrated school-health and/or nutrition package (Number)	0.00	May/2021	232,922.00	Jun/2026	232,922.00	Jun/2026	239,616.00	Jun/2027
	Comments on achieving targets		Sum of boys and girls enrolled in secondary education (first and second cycles) who benefit from at least one service included in the school health and nutrition package. 97% achieved.					
Adolescent girls enrolled in lower and upper secondary receiving school health and / or nutrition services (Number)	0.00		97,567.00		97,567.00		104,875.00	
	Comments on achieving targets		Sum of girls enrolled in secondary education (first and second cycles) who benefit from at least one service included in the school health and nutrition package. 93% achieved					
Functioning school health clubs in targeted areas (Number)	0.00	May/2021	31.00	Jun/2026	31.00	Jun/2026	31.00	Jun/2027
	Comments on achieving targets		100% achieved					
Beneficiaries feedback through community surveys integrated to inform changes in the PBF design (Percentage)	0.00	May/2021	0.00	Jun/2026	0.00	Jun/2026	80.00	Jun/2027
	Comments on achieving targets		Citizen Engagement Indicator. Number of beneficiaries of health centers and hospitals interviewed and satisfied with the quality of services provided in health centers and hospitals / Number of beneficiaries of health centers and hospitals interviewed. Feedback could not be updated, as community surveys and RBF-linked verification activities have not yet resumed.					

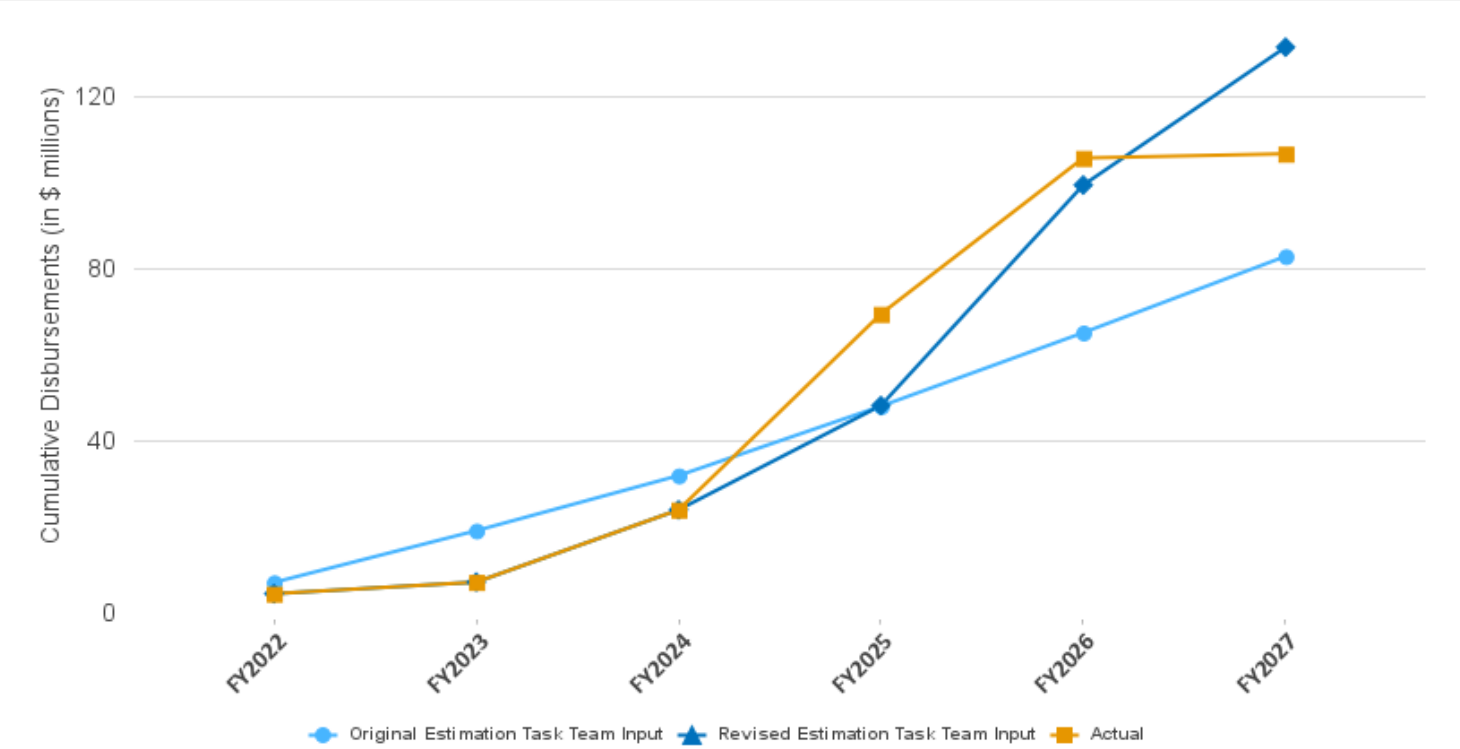
Strengthen project management and institutional capacity

Indicator Name	Baseline		Actual (Previous)		Actual (Current)		Closing Period	
	Value	Month/Year	Value	Date	Value	Date	Value	Month/Year

Governmental multisectoral platform set up for anchoring the implementation of interventions on health, nutrition and women's empowerment (Text)	None	May/2021	1.00	Jun/2026	1.00	Jun/2026	Fully functional	Jun/2027
	Comments on achieving targets		The platform (Technical Committee) fully functional, established by Ministerial Decree #001152 of October 7, 2022, with clear mission and roles, organization and procedures to carry out its work. 100% achieved					
Health centers health committees that extend their areas of intervention to nutrition within their process for developing and executing their annual micro plan (Percentage)	0.00	May/2021	60.00	Jun/2026	60.00	Jun/2026	60.00	Jun/2027
	Comments on achieving targets		The reported value in June 2025 (293.00) is related to the number (instead of Percentage) of Health Centers Management Committees (COGES) that extend their areas of intervention to nutrition within their process for developing and executing their annual micro plan. Data from a preliminary report showed that a total of 293 COGES (Health Centers Management Committees) integrated the nutrition dimension into their micro-plans (142 in Maradi and 151 in Zinder), out of a total of 489 COGES in the 2 target regions. February 2026 and closing period values are expressed as percentage. 100% achieved					
Technological and non-technological innovations implemented and tested to inform the scale-up in the first and second phase of the program (Percentage)	0.00	May/2021	33.00	Jun/2026	33.00	Jun/2026	30.00	Jun/2027
	Comments on achieving targets		Proportion of project activities comprising technological and non-technological innovations that have been implemented and tested to inform the learning program and their scaling up during later phases of the program. 110% achieved					

7. DATA ON FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE

7.1 Cumulative Disbursements



7.2 Disbursements (by loan)

Loan/Credit/TF	Status	Original	Revised	Cancelled	Disbursed	Undisbursed	Historical Disbursed	% Disbursed
IDA-69840	Effective	50.00	47.40	0.00	46.78	0.00	0.00	98.69%
IDA-D9040	Effective	50.00	47.61	0.00	46.71	0.15	0.00	98.11%
IDA-E6210	Effective	6.50	6.51	0.00	3.93	0.00	0.00	60.37%
TF-B6336	Effective	25.00	25.00	0.00	9.73	15.27	0.00	38.92%

7.3 Key Dates (by loan)

Loan/Credit/TF	Status	Approval	Signing	Effectiveness	Orig. Closing	Rev. Closing
IDA-69840	Effective	23-Sep-2021	16-Dec-2021	01-Jun-2022	30-Jun-2026	30-Jun-2027
IDA-D9040	Effective	23-Sep-2021	16-Dec-2021	01-Jun-2022	30-Jun-2026	30-Jun-2027
IDA-E6210	Effective	13-Dec-2025	24-Feb-2026	31-Mar-2026	31-Dec-2026	30-Jun-2027
TF-B6336	Effective	23-Aug-2021	16-Dec-2021	01-Jun-2022	30-Jun-2026	30-Jun-2027

8. KEY DATES

Key Events	Planned	Actual
Approval	23-Sep-2021	23-Sep-2021
Effectiveness	01-Jun-2022	01-Jun-2022
Mid-Term Review No. 01	01-Apr-2024	29-Apr-2024
Operation Closing/Cancellation	30-Jun-2027	

9. RESTRUCTURING HISTORY

Restructuring Level 2 Approved on 16-May-2025
Restructuring Level 2 Approved on 18-Sep-2026
Restructuring Level 2 Approved on 17-Sep-2024
Restructuring Level 2 Approved on 02-Sep-2025

10. ASSOCIATED OPERATION(S)

There are no associated operations