

ICR Review Operations Evaluation Department

1. Project Data :

OEDID:	L2810a
Project ID:	P006431
Project Name :	Skills Formation Project (Government Transition Technical Assistance Project)
Country:	Brazil
Sector:	Other Education
L/C Number:	L2810a
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2. Project Objectives, Financing, Costs and Components :

A skills formation project (Ln. 2810) of 74.5 million was cancelled in 1994 after low disbursements and unsatisfactory performance. The uncommitted balance of US\$2.1 million was converted to a Government Transition Technical Assistance Project, whose objectives were : (a) execution of a Living Standards Measurement Survey, (b) preparation of sector policy briefing papers and organization of seminars, (c) reform of the system for monitoring state-owned enterprises, and (d) modernization of management systems in the Ministry of Finance. These activities were completed on December 31, 1979, and a project completion note was prepared on them.

3. Achievement of Relevant Objectives :

The activities of the transition program were largely completed satisfactorily

4. Significant Achievements :

The Living Standards Measurement Survey was designed and administered after training was undertaken. Data were processed and are used by researchers. A series of sector policy briefing papers on public spending, poverty, inequity, tax reform, and education were prepared. Several seminars were organized to discuss the findings with government officials. Studies were carried out to examine the regulatory framework required for successful privatization and on issues of fiscal reform.

5. Significant Shortcomings :

There were no significant shortcomings. However, it is unknown to what extent the government has implemented the recommendations of the many studies.

6. Ratings:	ICR	OED Review	Reason for Disagreement /Comments			
Outcome:	Not Rated	Not Rated				
Institutional Dev .:	Not Rated	Not Rated				
Sustainability :	Not Rated	Not Rated				
Bank Performance :	Not Rated	Not Rated				
Borrower Perf .:	Not Rated	Not Rated				
Quality of ICR :		Not Rated				

7. Lessons of Broad Applicability :

The project constituted a fruitful use of remainder funds from a project that had been closed for unsatisfactory performance.

3. Audit Recommended?	Ο	Yes	0	No
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