APPSP's Support in Horticulture Development for Poverty Reduction

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Key Information on APPSP

Funding : DFID grant

• Implementation: MOAC - M& E Division

• Execution : Central Support Unit

• Period: March 2003 to December 2007

• Budget:

TC:£3,963,500FA:£5,910,000

• Districts 87%, Center 13%

Operational area: Central and 20 districts

Programme Goal and Purpose

Super Goal: Improved livelihoods for the rural poor

- Goal: Agricultural growth that benefits poor producers, agricultural workers and consumers
- Purpose: Deliver appropriate agricultural support services to rural poor through improved policy and institutional arrangements

Components

- Policy support to APP partners, especially MOAC
- Decentralized extension agr. service delivery to P &E
- Institution and organizational development support formore effective pro-poor, inclusive service delivery and policy management

Programme Focus: Central

- Strengthening and support to review, formulation, coordination, planning, monitoring, etc. of APP and other agriculture related policies
- Human and Institutional Development
- Monitoring and Information Systems

Programme Focus: Districts

- · Reform in service delivery mechanisms and processes,
- District Agricultural Strategies,
- Strengthening devolution,
- Coordination: horizontal and vertical,
- DADF Establishment DEF/LIF

District Agriculture Development Fund(DADF)

- Model for effective agricultural service delivery under conditions of decentralisation
- Consisting of District Extension Fund (DEF) and Local Initiative Fund (LIF)
- Managed by the DDC, through the DADC, under an agreement with the MOAC,
- Based on DADF By-laws 2061, framed within the provisions of the LSGA and issued by each DDC on the basis of a model supplied by MOAC

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Agriculture Perspective Plan Support Program

Basic Feature of Decentralized Service Delivery System: DADF adopted by APPSP

- No agenda of it's own; no new structures, flexible
- Demand driven
- Focus on the poor and the excluded population
- Reaching Remote Areas (Geographic Coverage)
- Enhance district agricultural service delivery capacity:
 - reaching the excluded,
 - involving alternative (private sector) actors, and
 - establishing organizational and financing framework
- Emphasis on Coordination, accountability and transparency
- Inbuilt strength to continuously improve the system
- Focus on income generating activities for quick impact
- A fine example of role Mix- Public Private Partnership
- In line with Livelihoods and Social Inclusion frame-work three Domains of Changes.
 - a) Rule of the game (focus on policy and system)- Bylaws Guidelines, inclusive institutional development support
 - b) Access to assets/ services- DADF (LIF/DEF) and
 - c) Voice influence and agency- Participatory proposal development process, Provision of Beneficiaries Monitoring system, public Auditing

DADF and the Peace building

- Use of local people and local organizations
- High levels of honesty, transparency and commitment
- Tangible, effective and impact focused programmes
- Neutrality and no discrimination for political ideology

Implementation status (central level)

- MOAC supported for integration of P&E focused monitoring system PMAS
- P&E focus incorporated in DADF evaluation and monitoring (LSI format)
- MOAC staff (300 persons) oriented on Livelihood and Social Inclusion (LSI) and Poor & Exclusion focus monitoring in five regional workshops
- 2 SAGA completed
- Contextual data collected for DADF monitoring

Implementation status: (central level completed studies)

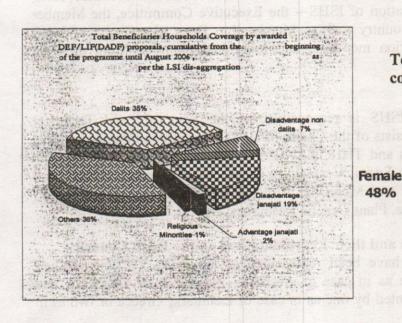
- APP Implementation Status Review and Implementation Action Plan preparation
- Agriculture Research Review
- National Agriculture Extension Strategy
- Establishment of Agricultural Resource Centres
- APP Monitoring and Evaluation System
- Income Generating Opportunities in High Hills and Mountains
- Export Potential for Agricultural Commodities
- Carpet Wool Import Substitution
- Study on HRD and HRM ongoing
- 3 Policy studies under PSF ongoing (Fertilizer deregulation, Devolution model for Agri. Service Delivery, Management Strategy of Farm and Training Centres)
- Study visit by APPSP related officers to Thailand and Vietnam.

Implementation status: Districts (DADF)

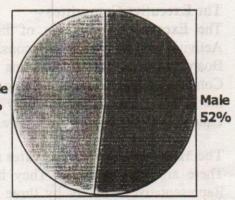
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FY 061/062	798	271	219	2		4181	1596	1280	196
FY 062/063	758	240	270	128	海	4282	1305	1260	1147
Grand total	1556	511	489	130	-20	8463	2901	2540	1343

Geographic distribution

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In/Near District HQs	21 %	37%		
District HQ surrounding VDCs	23 %	20 %		
Remote VDCs	56 %	43 %		
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Total male and female coverage by awarded DADF



Types of activities supported under DADF:

- Agriculture (43 %)
- Livestock Management (31 %)
- Horticulture (16 %)
 - Fruit Cultivation (53 LIF and 17 DEF)
 - Fruit processing 3 LIF)
 - Nursery Management 5LIf and 1 DEF)
 - Vegetable farming (440 LIF and 26 DEF
- Other (10%)