

Executive Board Consultation

Climate-Resilient
Agribusiness
Promotion
Programme (PARCA)
| Central African
Republic

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PARCA at a glance

Duration	8 years
Project Area	8 districts (out of 20 in the country)
Financing	<p>Total Project Costs: \$63.04 m</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• IFAD: \$20.05 m• Adaptation Fund: \$23.04 m• Government of CAR: \$9.62 m• Project participants' contribution: \$4.490 m• Local partner financing institutions : \$5.85m
IFAD Climate Funding	\$7.327 m (36.5%)
Implementing Agency	Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development (MADR), with International Technical Assistance (ITA) to support aspects of project management
Target group	30,000 HH, about 150 000 people (40% women and 40% youth)




Project rationale

Problem Context	Project Logic
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• >3 million people chronically food insecure; rural poverty >70%.• CAR is one of most fragile contexts in the world (188 of 193 on the 2025 Human Development Index)• Droughts, floods and forest fires have intensified, while degraded roads and weak rural services isolate producers from markets.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Establish integrated agricultural hubs to connect production, processing, markets, and financial services.• Build value chain climate resilience through adaptive technologies and crop diversification.• Facilitate economic inclusion, empowering women, youth and producer organizations.• International technical assistance to build national fiduciary, management, and institutional capacity.

Project components and expected Impacts

Components	Operational Focus	Key Results
1. Inclusive & climate-resilient value chains 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Revive value chains: food (cassava, maize, peanut) and cash (sesame, coffee) • Improve farmers' productivity and resilience • Value chain infrastructure and equipment • Structure adapted financing mechanisms 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 9 000 hectares of land rehabilitated with climate adaptation measures. • 6 Agricultural Transformation Centres built and equipped
2. Institutional, regulatory & organizational environment 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Create inclusive policies and regulatory framework • Enhance agricultural professional organizations; • Strengthen public institutions • Financial institutions and mobile money operator equipped with business model adapted to IFAD targeted groups. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 200 km rural tracks rehabilitated • Over 20 000 persons access financial services
3. Emergency response to fragile security situations & natural disasters 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Timely response to emergencies and increased resilience of affected HHs • Model of resilience-driven agribusiness in fragile contexts 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1 400 producer organizations structured • Productivity gains and assets protected by Emergency and Disaster mechanism

Special features

Mainstreaming Themes	Strategic Alignment
Youth inclusive: > 40% of project participants 	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• National Development Plan (2024 – 2028)• National Agricultural Investment Programme• National Strategic Framework for Employment and Vocational Training• COSOP (2020 – 2027)• UNSDCF (2023 -2027)
Nutrition sensitive : 30,000 project HH benefiting from nutrition-sensitive and food security interventions 	
Adaptation to Climate Change: promoting a sustainable natural resources management and adopting climate-smart practices through agroecology 	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Nationally Determined Contribution (NDC, 2021)• National Adaptation Programme (2022, preliminary version)• Third National Communication to UNFCCC (2022)

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