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I. Introduction

1. The first session of the Consultation on the Ninth Replenishment of IFAD's Resources (IFAD9) was opened by Mr Johannes Linn, external Chairperson, on 21 February 2011 with the participation of representatives from List A and List B countries, and of 18 countries from List C as follows:

List C1: Angola, Burkina Faso, Cameroon, Egypt, Senegal and Uganda

List C2: Afghanistan, China, India, Pakistan, the Republic of Korea, and Turkey

List C3: Argentina, Brazil, Ecuador, Guatemala, Mexico and Uruguay

2. In addition, representatives from Australia attended the meeting as observers.
3. The session considered three principal agenda items as shown in the sections below.

II. Sessions, workplan and themes of the Consultation on the Ninth Replenishment of IFAD's Resources

4. Following discussion and general agreement, the proposed dates, workplan and themes were adopted as follows:

Second session, 13-14 June 2011¹

- (a) Strategic vision to 2015
- (b) IFAD business model
- (c) Financing modalities for IFAD assistance and resource mobilization
- (d) Proposed programme of work, financing requirements and financing framework for IFAD9
- (e) Draft replenishment resolution

Third session, 24-25 October 2011

- (a) Delivering outcomes, results measurement and accountability for IFAD9
- (b) Managing for organizational and operational efficiency (budget and human resource management)
- (c) Mainstreaming South-South cooperation
- (d) Draft IFAD9 Consultation Report

Fourth session, 15-16 December 2011

- (a) Final IFAD9 Consultation Report (including the results measurement framework)
- (b) Pledging of contributions
- (c) Final draft replenishment resolution

III. IFAD at the Midterm of the Eighth Replenishment

5. Management presented the progress made as at end-2010 against the targets and commitments established in the Report of the Consultation on the Eighth Replenishment of IFAD's Resources (IFAD8) and in IFAD's Results Measurement Framework for 2010-2012.

¹ These dates were confirmed as many members had already made travel plans on this basis.

6. IFAD's progress in the following areas was highlighted:
 - Delivering the policy, strategic and internal reform agenda set out in the IFAD8 Consultation Report,
 - Expanding its programme of work of loans and grants, and
 - Mobilizing a significant amount of external resources.
7. Members commended IFAD on the important progress made towards meeting its quantitative and qualitative results targets for IFAD8, and encouraged Management to continue strengthening the results measurement system as a means to further improve and better demonstrate IFAD's impact on poverty, in particular to the broader public.
8. Participants welcomed the presentation on mainstreaming climate change and natural resource management within IFAD's operations and knowledge work, two key IFAD8 themes. The presentation on the findings of the Multilateral Organization Performance Assessment Network (MOPAN) in its assessment of IFAD's organizational effectiveness was also appreciated.
9. Members also noted Management's ongoing efforts and commitment to address areas identified as needing further attention, particularly sustainability, efficiency and human resource management. The need to extend IFAD's country presence as a means to enhance IFAD's operational effectiveness was also stressed.

IV. Report on the status of contributions to the Eighth Replenishment of IFAD's resources

10. Management presented a report on the status of contributions to IFAD8. The Consultation noted IFAD's efforts to mobilize additional resources.