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**PLANNED PROJECT ACTIVITIES
2003 - 2004**

I. INTRODUCTION

1. The Planned Project Activities (PPA) document was introduced at the Second Session of the Executive Board. It was agreed that information on planned project activities would be presented to the Board on a regular basis to enable members to keep abreast of developments in IFAD's project pipeline and, should they so desire, to comment on planned projects at an appropriate stage of the project cycle. Such information has been provided to each subsequent session of the Executive Board in the form of annexes to documents submitted under the relevant agenda items. In the past, the Annex A portion of the document offered the Board a summary of available information on projects that had reached an advanced stage of design and were thus likely to be presented at one of the Board's forthcoming sessions. Annex B provided a comprehensive list of projects that had entered the pipeline based on the Inception Memorandum, in addition to information on the country strategic opportunities papers (COSOPs) so far reviewed by the operational strategy committee (OSC) and on COSOPs planned for the year.

2. The Planned Project Activities document was conceived as a standard information document and has been presented to the Board at each Executive Board session. The document has served the twofold objective of providing advance information to Executive Board members about planned interventions and of offering Board members the possibility of an overview of the project pipeline. However, the timing of the presentation of the PPA document to the Executive Board (three times a year) coupled with the fact that the detailed project descriptions (Annex A) were made available only at an advanced stage of project processing, may have prevented both IFAD and its Members from fully exploring cofinancing opportunities for projects under design.

II. REVISED PROCEDURE

3. In view of the above, options were considered for providing the relevant information in a more timely and efficient manner. As a result, it is the intention in future, to replace the former Annex A of the PPA document (i.e. the detailed project descriptions) with a two-page information note (see page 2 and 3). Once the Inception Memorandum has been approved, a note of this type will be prepared for each project and updated on completion of each major step in the processing of the project (formulation, etc). These notes and updates will be posted on IFAD's web site in the four official languages. However, it will be understood that the posting of such notes on the web site does not imply any definitive judgement on the suitability of a given project/programme for IFAD financing. The Fund's relevant committees (technical review committees, OSCs), together with any other approving mechanism decided by the Fund, will continue to ascertain suitability for IFAD support in the subsequent phases of project design.

4. The Planned Project Activities document, as now submitted to the Executive Board, continues to provide the information previously included in Annex B, i.e. a comprehensive list, classified by region and by stage of processing, of all projects that have entered the pipeline upon approval of the Inception Memorandum. As in the past, the document also furnishes information on all COSOPs so far reviewed by the OSC, those reviewed by the Executive Board and planned COSOPs. This will provide Executive Board members with the continued opportunity to review and comment upon IFAD's short and medium-term investment proposals.

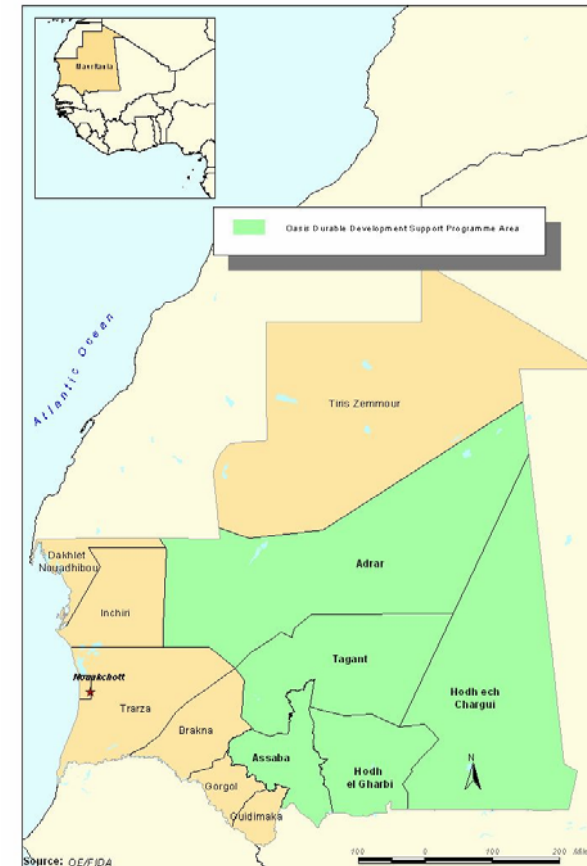
Region: Western and Central Africa (Africa I)
Country: Mauritania



IFAD Photo by Sarah Nimeh, Mauritania, Agricultural Rehabilitation Programme II. Fencing placed around palm trees and on distant dunes to stabilize sand dunes.

Programme name:	Oasis Durable Development Support
Nature of programme:	Agricultural development
Programme cost (USD million)^{1/}:	34.0
Estimated IFAD loan (USD million):	11.5
Cofinancing gap (USD million):	14.6
Proposed terms:	Highly concessional
Stage of programme cycle:	formulation completed
Next steps in programme development:	appraisal scheduled in August 2003
Scheduled Board approval date:	December 2003
Programme duration:	eight years
Tentative programme start:	2004
Implementing agency:	Ministry of Rural Development and Environment
Borrower:	Islamic Republic of Mauritania

 1/ *provisional*



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Programme area: This will comprise the five provinces of Adrar, Tagant, Assaba, Hodh Echargui and Hodh El-Gharbi covered under the Oasis Development Programme – Phase II (Oasis II), and include a total of about 120 oases. The majority of the oasis inhabitants live in poverty, have limited access to basic social services and suffer from some form of exclusion.

Target group: Most households in the oasis areas depend for their livelihoods mainly on agriculture, practiced with very limited know-how and under extremely harsh environmental conditions, aggravated by repeated droughts. The programme will target the 70 oasis communities supported by Oasis II and will extend its support to some 50 new oasis communities. About 250 000 persons (representing 50 000 households) live in these oases. An explicit strategy will ensure further empowerment of women to improve their access to social services and enhance their income-generating opportunities.

Programme objectives: Within the framework of the poverty reduction strategy paper, the programme will aim to reduce the high incidence of poverty among rural populations in its intervention area. This will be achieved by: (i) supporting the development of the grass-roots organizations of the target populations; (ii) promoting sustainable oasis agricultural systems through the development and diffusion of appropriate technical and managerial know-how, and through marketing support; (iii) funding support to community-based essential social and economic infrastructure; and (iv) consolidating viable decentralized rural finance systems.

Programme description: The programme will have five key components: (i) oasis community development including the establishment of a dynamic information system for local development, capacity-building of beneficiary organizations and the establishment of a community investment fund; (ii) durable development of oasis productive capacity through intensification and diversification of agricultural production, rehabilitation of date plantations, protection of the oasis environment and the marketing of agricultural products; (iii) development of decentralized financial systems; (iv) support to basic social and economic infrastructure; and (v) programme coordination, monitoring and evaluation.

Important features: First, the programme combines three funding mechanisms for public, collective and individual investment (each governed by different decisions and controls), which will each contribute in a complementary manner to addressing the most critical oasis development problems. Second, the programme is characterized by an explicit, two-pronged support structure exit strategy, based on the systematic strengthening of the capacity of beneficiary organizations and a concomitant progressive transfer of local development responsibilities. The Government of Mauritania will cofinance the programme through the enhanced Debt Initiative for Heavily Indebted Poor Countries.

Potential cofinanciers: Discussions are ongoing with the Arab Fund for Economic and Social Development. The programme may be eligible for Global Environment Facility funding.



IFAD photo by Sarah Nimeh, Mauritania, Agricultural Rehabilitation Programme II. Two women gather water from a well in the Al Aouja oasis in the Assaba Region

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PART I – PROJECTS UNDER CONSIDERATION (2003-2004)
CLASSIFIED BY STAGE OF PROCESSING

Region	Country	Population (million) a/	GNI Per Capita Income (2001) (USD)	Project/Programme Name	Nature of Project/Programme	Tentative Loan (USD million)	Primary IFAD Contact	COSOP Reviewed by OSC	Included in Previous Annex A	Tentative Executive Board Presentation
SEVENTY-NINTH SESSION OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD, SEPTEMBER 2003										
Africa I:	Burkina Faso	11.6	210	Community Investment Programme in Agricultural Fertility Improvement	Agricultural development	12.01	Mr Haidara	May 1998	EB 78/Apr 03	Sep 2003
Africa II:	Ethiopia (X)	65.8	100	Pastoral Community Development Project	Marginal area development	20.0	Mr Gicharu	Nov 1999	EB 78/Apr 03	Sep 2003
	Rwanda	8.7	220	Rural Small and Microenterprise Promotion Project – Phase II	Rural microenterprises	15.05	Mr De Willebois	Jul 2001	EB 78/Apr 03	Sep 2003
Latin America and the Caribbean:										
	Guatemala	11.7	1 670	National Rural Development Programme – Phase I: The Western Region	Rural development	30.0	Mr Murguia	Jan 2003	EB 78/Apr 03	Sep 2003
Near East and North Africa:										
	Morocco	29.2	1 180	Livestock and Rangelands Development Project in the Eastern Region – Phase II	Livestock	6.4	Mr Nourallah	Nov 1999	EB 77/Dec 02	Sep 2003
	Turkey	66.2	2 540	Sivas-Erzincan Development Project	Livestock	13.08	Mr Rahman	June 2000	EB 77/Dec 02	Sep 2003

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APPRAISAL COMPLETED										
Africa II:	Comoros	0.6	380	National Programme for Sustainable Human Development	Natural resource management and agriculture	15.0	Ms Bradley	Jan 2002	EB 76/Sep 02	Apr 2004
	Lesotho	2.1	550	Sustainable Agriculture and Natural Resource Management Programme	Agricultural development	10.0	Mr Gicharu	June 1999	EB 69/May 00	To be determined
Asia and the Pacific:										
	China	1 271.9	890	Rural Finance Sector Programme	Financial services	14.7	Mr Martens	Feb 1999	EB 76/Sep 02	Dec 2003
	India	1 033.4	460	Livelihoods Improvement Project for the Himalayas b/	Livelihood improvement	To be determined	Mr Khadka	July 2001		Dec 2003
	Pakistan	141.5	420	Community Development Programme	Community development, institution-building	21.77	Mr Attig	Nov 2002	EB 77/Dec 02	Dec 2003
UNDER APPRAISAL										
Asia and the Pacific:										
	Cambodia	12.3	270	Rural Poverty Reduction Project in Prey Veng and Svay Rieng	Rural development	To be determined	Mr Wang	May 1998	EB 78/Apr 03	Dec 2003
	Iran	64.7	1 750	Forsat Mosawi Finance Programme	Financial services	To be determined	Mr Attig	Aug 2002	EB 76/Sep 02	To be determined

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Latin America and the Caribbean:										
	Brazil	172.6	3 060	Microenterprise Development Project in the North-East c/	Rural microenterprises	To be determined	Mr Gariglio	June 1997	EB 75/Apr 02	Apr 2004
Near East and North Africa:										
	Algeria	30.9	1630	Rural Development Project for the Mountain Zones in the North of the Wilaya of M'Sila	Rural development	To be determined	Mr Nourallah	Oct. 1999		Dec 2003
	Sudan	31.7	330	Gash Sustainable Livelihoods Regeneration Project	Irrigation	To be determined	Ms Omar	Mar. 2002		Dec 2003
FORMULATION/PREPARATION COMPLETED										
Africa I:	Guinea	7.6	400	Support to Rural Development in North Lower Guinea Project	Rural development	To be determined	Mr Nsimpasi	May 1999		Dec 2003
	Mauritania	2.8	350	Oasis Durable Development Support Programme	Agricultural development	To be determined	Mr Ben Senia	May 2000		Dec 2003
	Sierra Leone	5.1	140	Rehabilitation and Community-Based Poverty Reduction Project	Rural development	To be determined	Mr Tounessi	Jan 2003	EB 78/Apr 03	Dec 2003
Africa II:	Kenya	30.7	340	South Nyanza Community Development Project d/	Rural development/ health	To be determined	Ms Bradley	Nov 2001		Dec 2003
	Madagascar	16.0	260	Rural Income Promotion Support Programme	Rural development	To be determined	Mr David e Silva	Mar 2000		Dec 2003
	Mozambique	18.1	210	Rural Finance Support Programme	Rural finance	To be determined	Mr De Willebois	Apr 2000		Dec 2003

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Asia and the Pacific:										
	China	1 271.9	890	South Gansu Poverty Reduction Programme	Rural development	To be determined	Mr Martens	Feb 1999		Apr 2004
	Philippines	77.0	1 050	Rural Microenterprise Promotion Programme	Microenterprises	To be determined	Mr Jatta	Oct 1999		Dec 2003/ Apr 2004
	Sri Lanka	19.6	830	Livelihoods Support and Partnership Programme in the Uplands and Dry Zone	Rural development	To be determined	Mr Jatta	Nov 2002		Apr 2004
Latin America and the Caribbean:										
	Mexico	99.4	5 540	Strengthening Project for the National Micro Watershed Programme	Rural development and environment	To be determined	Mr Murguia	May 1999		Dec 2003
	Mexico	99.4	5 540	Integrated Rural Development Project for the Sierra Micro-Region of Querétaro	Rural development	To be determined	Mr Murguia	May 1999	EB 76/Sep 02	To be determined
	Venezuela	24.6	4 760	Support Project for Small Producers in the Semi-Arid Zones of Falcon and Lara States – Phase II e/	Rural development	To be determined	Mr Gariglio	Dec 1999		Dec 2003
Near East and North Africa:										
	Republic of Moldova	4.3	380	Agricultural Revitalization Project	Agricultural development	To be determined	Mr Lauridsen	Feb 2002	EB 78/Apr 03	Apr 2004
	Yemen	18.0	460	Al-Dhala Community Development Project	Livestock	To be determined	Mr Hassani	Mar 2000		Apr 2004
UNDER FORMULATION/PREPARATION										
Africa I:	D.R. Congo	52.4	n.a.	Rural Development Revival Programme in the Equateur Province (RUDERPE)	Rural development	To be determined	Mr Toure	Jun 2003		Apr 2004
	Gambia, The	1.3	330	Integrated Watershed Management Programme	Agricultural development	To be determined	Mr Toure	Jan 2003		Apr 2004
	Guinea-Bissau	1.2	160	Rural Rehabilitation and Community Development Project	Rural development	To be determined	Mr Haidara	Dec 2002		To be determined
	Nigeria (X)	129.9	290	Rural Microfinance Institution-Building Project f/	Financial services	To be determined	Mr Saint Ange	Oct 2000		To be determined

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Africa II:	Burundi	6.9	100	Post-Conflict Reconstruction Programme	Reconstruction	To be determined	Ms Benhammouche	Mar 2003 (rev)		Sep 2004
	U.R. Tanzania	34.5	270	Agricultural Technology, Information and Extension Services Project	Agricultural development	To be determined	Mr Faisal	Apr 1998		Apr 2004
INCEPTION/IDENTIFICATION COMPLETED										
Africa I:	Congo	3.1	700	Agricultural Development Project	Agricultural development	To be determined	Mr Nsimpati	Jun 2001		To be determined
Asia and the Pacific:										
∞	Indonesia	213.6	680	Central Sulawesi Indigenous Communities Poverty Reduction	Rural development	To be determined	Mr Prayer Galletti	Nov 1998		To be determined
Latin America and the Caribbean:										
	Colombia	43.0	1 910	Strategic Rural Development Initiatives Support Project	Rural development	To be determined	Mr Haudry	Apr 2003		To be determined
Near East and North Africa:										
	Azerbaijan	8.1	650	North East Development Project	Agricultural development	To be determined	Mr Rahman	Feb 2003		To be determined

Footnotes:

- X Projects so marked have been selected from the pipeline of a cooperating institution (indicated in parentheses); the remainder are IFAD-initiated projects, that is, projects identified by the Fund's identification missions or directly requested by governments.
- a/ 2001 data from the World Bank.
- b/ Former Livelihoods Improvement Project for the Himalayan Region.
- c/ Former San Francisco River Basin Microenterprise Development Project.
- d/ Former South Nyanza Integrated Community Development Project.
- e/ Former Rural Development Project in the Semi-Arid Areas – Phase II.
- f/ Former Rural Financial Services Programme.

**PART II – COSOPS UNDERTAKEN SINCE 1995 AND REVIEWED BY THE OSC
(COSOPS REVIEWED BY THE EXECUTIVE BOARD HAVE BEEN MARKED WITH AN ASTERISK)**

<p>Africa I</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Benin (Jun 1997) 2. Burkina Faso (May 1998) 3. Cameroon (Feb 1998) 4. Cape Verde (Oct 1996) 5. Chad (May 1999) 6. Congo (Jun 2001 revised) 7. Côte d'Ivoire (Dec 1997) 8. D.R. Congo (Jun 2003) (to be discussed at current EB session) 9. Gambia, The (Jan 2003 revised) (to be discussed at current EB session) 10. Ghana (Jul 1998) 11. Guinea (May 1999) 12. Guinea-Bissau (Dec 2002)* 13. Mali (Jul 1997) 14. Mauritania (May 2000) 15. Niger (Mar 1999) 16. Nigeria (Oct 2000)* 17. Sao Tome and Principe (Oct 1999) 18. Senegal (Apr 1998) 19. Sierra Leone (Jan 2003 revised) <p>Africa II</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 20. Burundi (Mar 2003 revised) (to be discussed at current EB session) 21. Comoros (Jan 2002) 22. Eritrea (Apr 1998) 23. Ethiopia (Nov 1999) 24. Kenya (Nov 2001)* 25. Lesotho (Jun 1999) 26. Madagascar (Mar 2000) 27. Malawi (Nov 1999) 28. Mozambique (Apr 2000 revised)* 29. Namibia (May 2002) 30. Rwanda (Jul 2001 revised)* 31. Swaziland (Jul 1999) 32. Tanzania, United Republic of (Apr 1998) 33. Uganda (Dec 1998) 34. Zambia (Sep 1998) 35. Zimbabwe (Nov 1998) <p>Asia and the Pacific</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 36. Bangladesh (Dec 1999) 37. Bhutan (Jul 1996) 38. Cambodia (May 1998) 39. China (Feb 1999) 40. D.P.R. Korea (Apr 2000) 41. India (Jul 2001 revised)* 42. Indonesia (Nov 1998) 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 43. Iran (Aug 2002) 44. Kyrgyzstan (Dec 1996) 45. Laos (Sep 1996) 46. Mongolia (Nov 1998) 47. Nepal (Mar 2000) 48. Pakistan (Nov 2002 revised) 49. Philippines (Oct 1999) 50. Sri Lanka (Nov 2002)* 51. Viet Nam (Oct 2002 revised)* <p>Latin America and the Caribbean</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 52. Bolivia (Nov 1998) 53. Brazil (Jun 1997) 54. Caribbean Region (Mar 2000) 55. Colombia (Apr 2003) 56. Dominican Republic (Jan 2002)* 57. El Salvador (Mar 2001) 58. Guatemala (Jan 2003)* 59. Haiti (Nov 1999) 60. Honduras (Oct 2000) 61. Mexico (May 1999) 62. Nicaragua (Jun 2002) 63. Panama (Dec 2000) 64. Peru (Nov 2001)* 65. Uruguay (Nov 1999) 66. Venezuela (Dec 1999) <p>Near East and North Africa</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 67. Albania (Mar 1999) 68. Algeria (Oct 1999) 69. Armenia (Mar 2000) 70. Azerbaijan (Feb 2003 revised) (to be discussed at current EB session) 71. Bosnia and Herzegovina (Jun 1999) 72. Djibouti (Nov 2001) 73. Egypt (Nov 2000 revised)* 74. Gaza and the West Bank (Jun 1997) 75. Georgia (Feb 2003 revised) 76. Jordan (Oct 2000) 77. Lebanon (May 2000 revised) 78. Morocco (Nov 1999) 79. Republic of Moldova (Feb 2002 revised) 80. Romania (Jun 2002)* 81. Sudan (Mar 2002)* 82. Syria (Nov 2001) 83. The Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia (Nov 1999) 84. Tunisia (Apr 1998) 85. Turkey (Jun 2000) 86. Yemen (Mar 2000 revised)
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PART III – COSOPS PLANNED IN 2003

In 2003, regional divisions plan to finalize and undertake the following COSOPs:

- Africa I:**¹
- D.R. Congo (part of 2002 programme) (reviewed by OSC in June 2003)
 - Gambia, The (reviewed by OSC in January 2003)
 - Senegal (revision) (continuation of 2001 work) (work to resume after completion of country evaluation)
 - Sierra Leone (reviewed by OSC in January 2003)
- Africa II:**²
- Angola (continuation of 2002 work)
 - Burundi (revision) (continuation of 2002 work) (reviewed by OSC in March 2003)
 - Tanzania, United Republic of (revision) (to be reviewed by OSC in September 2003)
 - Zambia (revision)
- Asia and the Pacific:**
- Central Asia (to be finalized by end of 2003)
 - China (revision, using as a basis planned country portfolio evaluation)
 - India (revision)
 - Laos (revision)
- Latin America and the Caribbean**
- Colombia (new) (reviewed by OSC in April 2003)
 - Chile (continuation of 2001 work)
 - Ecuador (new) (to be reviewed by OSC in September 2003)
 - Guatemala (reviewed by OSC in January 2003)
- Near East and North Africa:**
- Armenia (revision)
 - Azerbaijan (revision) (continuation of 2002 work) (reviewed by OSC in February 2003 and scheduled for presentation to Seventy-Ninth Session of Executive Board)
 - Bosnia and Herzegovina (revision) (continuation of 2002 work)
 - Egypt (revision)
 - Georgia (revision) (continuation of 2002 work) (reviewed by OSC in February 2003)

¹ Benin (revision), Cameroon (revision) and Gabon (new) postponed until 2004. Togo postponed (country still under suspension).

² Malawi (revision) (during first quarter of 2004).