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and Revised IFAD Evaluation Policy (EB 2021/132/R.5/Rev.1).

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(a) Independent Office of Evaluation of IFAD - human resources matters

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¹ The country strategy and programme evaluation for the Republic of Türkiye, which was due to be presented at the 127th session of the Evaluation Committee, has been brought forward to the provisional agenda of the 125th session. It replaces the country strategy and programme evaluation for the Republic of India, which will be presented at the 127th session.

Annotations

1. Opening of the session

The 125th session of the Evaluation Committee will be held on Wednesday, 19 June 2024, at IFAD headquarters, Via Paolo di Dono 44, Rome. The session will take place in the Oval Room (S-120) from 9.30 a.m. to 3 p.m.

2. Election of the Chairperson of the Evaluation Committee

The Committee is invited to elect a new Chairperson.

3. Adoption of the agenda

The provisional agenda of the 125th session is contained in the present document.

4. Country strategy and programme evaluation for the Republic of Türkiye

The country strategy and programme evaluation for the Republic of Türkiye is the second such evaluation conducted in the country by the Independent Office of Evaluation of IFAD (IOE). It covers the period 2016–2022. The evaluation assesses the results and performance of the IFAD-financed strategy and programme in Türkiye and presents findings and recommendations for the future partnership between the Government and IFAD. The Committee is also invited to review the related agreement at completion point signed by the Government and IFAD Management, which is contained in the addendum.

5. Corporate-level evaluation on IFAD's knowledge management practices

The corporate-level evaluation (CLE) on IFAD's knowledge management (KM) practices reviews the relevance, coherence, effectiveness and efficiency of KM practices at the corporate, regional and country levels from 2016 to mid-2023; a period of ongoing decentralization reforms. The CLE has a particular focus on how corporate-level KM practices are linked with KM practices at the country level. The Committee is also invited to review Management's response, which is contained in the addendum. The CLE on IFAD's KM practices will be submitted to the Executive Board at its September session.

6. Thematic evaluation on IFAD's support to gender equality and women's empowerment

The thematic evaluation on IFAD's support to gender equality and women's empowerment (GEWE) assesses the development effectiveness, results and performance of IFAD-funded interventions in relation to their contribution to GEWE during the period 2012-2023. Over recent decades, global progress has been made on GEWE, but advancement towards Sustainable Development Goal 5 has been too slow. The Committee is also invited to review Management's response, which is contained in the addendum. The thematic evaluation on IFAD's support to GEWE will be submitted to the Executive Board at its September session.

7. Proposed dates for sessions of the Evaluation Committee in 2025

The proposed dates for sessions of the Evaluation Committee in 2025 are presented for the approval of the Committee. The main objective of the document is to book meeting dates in advance so as to avoid scheduling conflicts with other major events planned by the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, IFAD and the World Food Programme during the same period.

8. Other business

(a) Independent Office of Evaluation of IFAD (IOE) - human resources matters