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PROVISIONAL AGENDA

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1. **Opening of the session**

   The forty-fourth session of the Evaluation Committee will convene on Friday, 8 September 2006, at IFAD headquarters in Rome, located at Via del Serafico 107. The full-day session will begin in Room B201 (Building B) at 9.00 hours and end at 17.00 hours.

2. **Adoption of the agenda**

   The provisional agenda is contained in the present document (EC 2006/44/W.P.1).

3. **Election of the Chairperson of the Evaluation Committee**

   In accordance with Rule 5 of the terms of reference and rules of procedure of the Evaluation Committee, the latter shall elect its Chairperson from List B and C Committee members. The Committee will inform the Executive Board of the Committee’s new Chairperson at the Board’s September 2006 session.

4. **Preview of the Office of Evaluation’s work programme and resource issues for 2007**

   Document EC 2006/44/W.P.2 contains the preview of the Office of Evaluation’s work programme and resource issues for 2007. The preview will be included in the strategic priorities and programme of work of IFAD and its Office of Evaluation for 2007, which will be discussed by the Executive Board in September. Following the guidance and comments provided by the Committee at this session and by the Board at its September 2006 session, the Office will produce its work programme and budget for 2007, which will be discussed with the Committee on 10 October 2006 prior to its finalization and presentation to the Executive Board in December 2006.

5. **Evaluation of IFAD’s Regional Strategy for Asia and the Pacific**

   Document EC 2006/44/W.P.3 contains the executive summary and agreement at completion point of the evaluation of IFAD’s Regional Strategy for Asia and the Pacific (EVEREST). The full report will be made available to all Committee members directly by the Office of Evaluation before the session. The report will also be considered by the Board at its September 2006 session.

6. **Review of the President’s report on the implementation status of evaluation recommendations and management actions, and comments of the Office of Evaluation**

   Document EC 2006/44/W.P.4 contains the third report of the President on the status of implementation of evaluation recommendations prepared by the Programme Management Department. As required by the IFAD Evaluation Policy (EB 2003/78/R.17/Rev.1, paragraph 49), it also includes the Office of Evaluation’s comments on this report (as an annex).

7. **Evaluation of IFAD’s Action Plan for Improving its Development Effectiveness**

   In the discussion of document EB 2006/87/R.2 at the April 2006 session, the Board called for further consideration of the proposed approach to the evaluation of the Action Plan and decided that the Evaluation Committee should discuss the matter in more detail and provide a recommendation to the Board at its September 2006 session.
8. **Other business**

Under this item, the Committee will consider any additional matters not included in the provisional agenda that may be proposed by members of the Committee and/or the Office of Evaluation.