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1. In line with the recommendations in the Report of the Peer Review of IFAD's Evaluation Function, the field visit of the members of Evaluation Committee will henceforth be organised by IFAD management.
2. In 2011, IFAD management will organise a field visit for the members of the Evaluation Committee to Brazil. Tentatively, during this visit EC members will:
  - (a) meet with the officials of the Federal Government of Brazil;
  - (b) participate in the informal workshop on Public Policy for Family Farming, with participation of Brazilian experts and sharing of the lessons learnt from the evaluations undertaken by IFAD;
  - (c) visit selected villages covered under Sustainable Development Project for Agrarian Settlements in the Semiarid Northeast, otherwise known as the "Projeto Dom Helder Câmara"; and
  - (d) meet Government Officials of the State of Ceará.
3. The Dom Helder Project covered 60 municipalities in 6 north-eastern States, one of which is the State of Ceará, where the field visit will take place. This project was evaluated by IOE in 2010 and the Final Report is being issued soon. The Agreement at Completion Point has already been agreed and signed by IFAD Management and the Federal Government Representatives.
4. In terms of the timing of this visit, the choices are very limited as EC members have engagements in IFAD, FAO and WFP. The tentative proposed date is therefore 29<sup>th</sup> May to 3<sup>rd</sup> June (departing from Fortaleza, State of Ceará not before 3<sup>rd</sup> June evening).
5. IFAD management has also very tentatively identified Ghana and Vietnam as the countries for field visits respectively during 2012 and 2013.