







Project Launch: Harnessing Floods For Enhanced Livelihoods and Ecosystem Services

Draft Work Plan for Discussion

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The Work Plan components

Component 1: Project Management & Implementation

Component 2: Research Methodology

Component 3: From Outputs to Outcomes to Impact

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Component 1: Project Management & Implementation

Activity	Date
Preliminary site selection: Raya Valley: Development of Upper-Catchment adjacent to Flood-Based Farming Systems	17 Mar, 2015
Final project site selection: Field visit and community meetings	Apr, 2015
1 st progress meeting with stakeholders - Methodologies and tools discussed and agreed upon	Jun, 2015
2nd progress meeting with stakeholders : Preliminary findings, adjustments to approach & methodologies, pathway for adoption of research outputs in investment and development programmes	Dec, 2015
3 rd progress meeting: Semi-final findings; suggestions to further strengthen research approach and results to be relevant for future investment & development programmes	Jun, 2016
Final project meeting: Final project findings, follow-up activities	Dec, 2016

Crucial Input: Relevant Policy, Investment & Development focused Regional Meetings/Workshops

Component 2: Research Methodologies and tools

Question 1:What is the impact of current investment plans of upstream agricultural development on downstream FBFS & livelihoods, in particular for women

- Investment plans: Bench terraces for agricultural production?
- Hydrological Analyses the flood flow to the downstream: using tools such as HEC-HMS
- Different uses of floods: expert interviews
- Various beneficiary groups (men and women): stakeholder analyses
- Flood management strategies by various beneficiary groups: Focus group discussions
- Distribution of costs and benefits among the beneficiary groups: Focus group discussions

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Question 2: What is the added value of incorporation of gender and Ecosystem Services? how can gender & ecosystems perspective be incorporated? who are the winners and losers of different investment scenarios?

- to whom do benefits and losses accrue? what is the difference in costs and benefits for men and women?

- Assessment of the baseline situation separate for men & women: Question 1
- Valuation of ecosystems functions with direct and indirect benefit to men and women: tools such as INVEST and TEEB
- Participatory formulation and evaluation of alternative scenarios that incorporate gender and ecosystems: Focus group discussions
- Evaluation of scenarios, including winners and losers and exploring tradeoffs and synergies between benefits, costs and their distribution over stakeholder groups: using HEC-HMS, INVEST, focus group discussions in different stakeholder forums at local and policy level

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Question 3: What is the most 'efficient' use of floods (from different angles)? And what interventions and set of intervention support this?

• Based on the results of question 1 and 2, focus group discussions in different stakeholder forums at local and policy level.

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Component 3: From Outputs to outcomes and impact

What is the best way to communicate our results to the stakeholder categories you represent?

What is the best way to communicate our results to other important stakeholders not represented in this workshop?

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The Groups and their allocated time

Group 1

Mixed group of decision makers and technical staff representing administration, agriculture and water resources, At least one project staff

Group 2

Mixed group of decision makers and technical staff representing administration, agriculture and water resources, At least one project staff

Group 3

Mixed group of decision makers and technical staff representing administration, agriculture and water resources, At least one project staff

Discussion time is 2 hours