Group 2 Institutional setting and policies

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Questions

Main questions:

- Review existing institutional and legal mechanisms
- Institutional/technical mechanisms to support decisions

Sub Questions:

- Which institutions are required? Existing/new? Support?
- What new procedures are necessary for guiding negotiation?
- Monitoring/enforcement?



Introduction Ndiva and Spate systems

- Some key aspects noticed:
- Not registered as WUA's
- Informal organization, with committees etc.
 - 3 sub-committees in village: Security, financial and social welfare.
- Farmers are making a small contribution, in terms of operation and maintenance
- There are rules and regulations, penalties etc.
- It is a flexible organization, it has been developed over a long time

→ They are well functioning organizations, only without formal registration

Where we are now, and where we want to be

Structure:

- Membership
- Leadership
 - Small committees: treasurer, chairperson, secretary, memb

Functions:

- Allocation and distribution of water
- Associated activities
 - Security
 - Social welfare
 - Financial
 - Operation and maintenance



Recommendations (1)

Structure:

- Use existing structure in place
- Flexibility of the organizations to adapt to changing situation
- Have constitution and enforcement in both organizations
- Include regional government for management of the main infrastructure of the scheme, exceeding local boundaries.



Recommendations (2)

Functions:

- Towards formal registration to make use of opportunities
 - Business plan, make use of loans
- Government involvement in these activities:
 - River basin management
 - Catchment conservation
 - Upstream/downstream water associations
 - Conflict resolution
 - Linkage to market
 - Credits and service
 - Introduction of high value crops

Recommendations (3)

To governing institutions:

- Hydrological studies on the river basins
- Meteorological information sharing
- Determine the potential for spate irrigation in the country for Up-Scaling of what is happening in Makanya



