



National Roundtable Workshop coorganized by the Government of Nepal and IFAD

NEPAL COUNTRY PROGRAMME EVALUATION

AGENDA

23 January 2013 - Hyatt Regency Hotel, Kathmandu

09:00 - 09:30 Registration of the participants

Session One

Chairperson: Mr Shanta Raj Subedi, Finance Secretary, Ministry of Finance

09:30 - 09:45 Statement by Mr Ashwani Muthoo, Acting Director, Independent Office of Evaluation (IOE), IFAD

09:45 - 10:00 Statement by Ms Lakshmi Menon, Head, Corporate Services Department, IFAD

10:00 - 10:10 Book launch: "IFAD, 35 years in Nepal" by Ms Hoonae Kim, Director, Asia and the Pacific Region (APR), IFAD

10:10 - 10:25 Address by Honorable Finance Minister Mr Barsha Man Pun

10:25 - 10:45 *Coffee Break*

10:45 - 11:15 Presentation of Findings and Recommendations of the CPE by Konstantin Atanesyan, IOE, IFAD and Jakob Grosen, Consultants' Team Leader

11:15 - 11:45 Questions and Answers with the audience

11:45 - 12:00 Session Chair's remarks and closing of session

Overview of break-out working group discussion by Jakob Grosen

12:00 – 13:00 Break-out working groups discussion (part 1)

Group 1: Strategies and approaches for developing viable rural enterprises to strengthen the economic development aspect of the next COSOP.

Group 2: Partnerships and harmonization – how to avoid high fragmentation of aid for agriculture and improve coordination in the context of political uncertainty, while engaging civil society and private sector in implementation.

Group 3: Project/Programme Management – dealing with challenges in the context of weak institutional capacity, high staff turnover, and general governance issues.

13:00 - 14:15 *Lunch hosted by Ministry of Finance, Government of Nepal*

14:15 - 15:00 Break-out working groups discussion (part 2)

15:00 - 15:15 *End of working group discussion – Coffee break*

Session Two

Chairperson: Mr Madhu Kumar Marasini, Joint Secretary, Ministry of Finance

15:15 - 15:45 Report of the three work group rapporteurs to the plenary session

15:45 - 16:15 Plenary discussion

16:15 - 16:45 Reflections on future strategic directions of the Nepal country strategy – COSOP, by Hoonae Kim, Director APR, and Benoît Thierry, Country Programme Manager, APR

16:45 - 17:00 Session Chair's remarks and closing of session 2

17:15 - 18:30 *Cocktail reception*