

Republic of the Sudan
Country Strategy and Programme Evaluation
Virtual final workshop
22 June 2019

Context, objectives and agenda

Background

The Independent Office of Evaluation of IFAD (IOE) conducted a country strategy and programme evaluation (CSPE) in Sudan in 2019. The main in-country mission was fielded in September-October 2019 and the draft report was shared with IFAD and the Government of Sudan in February 2020. The report was finalized in March 2020, taking into comments from IFAD and the Government.

As a final step of the evaluation, a virtual workshop will be co-organized by the Government of Sudan and IOE, in close collaboration with IFAD's Near East, North Africa and Europe Division (NEN). This undertaking replaces the organization of a national workshop on-site in Khartoum, which was originally planned for April 2020, due to the COVID-19 situation.

Main objectives

- To discuss the main findings, recommendations and issues emerging from the CSPE
- To reflect on opportunities and challenges in the IFAD-Government partnership and strategic priorities for IFAD's next country strategic opportunities programme.

Connection and expected participants

The platform to be used for virtual connection will be Skype (to be confirmed). Due to possible connectivity challenges, the number of connecting points in Sudan will need to be limited to one or two. Similarly, the number of participants may need to be adjusted based on the size of a venue and the prevailing COVID-19 related rules in Sudan. The participants are expected from:

- **Government of Sudan:** (a) Federal Ministry of Agriculture and Natural Resources; (b) Federal Ministry of Finance and Economic Planning; (c) Federal Ministry of Animal Resources; (d) Forests National Corporation; (e) Ministry of Foreign Affairs; and (f) ongoing project coordinators
- **IFAD:** (a) Programme Management Department (Near East, North Africa and Europe Division); and (b) IOE

Background documents

- Sudan CSPE – summary/overview (Arabic)
- Sudan CSPE Profile (English)
- Sudan CSPE Insights "*Making a difference in gender equality and empowering women in rural Sudan*" (English and Arabic)
- Sudan CSPE final report (English)

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PROVISIONAL AGENDA

Time	Item	By
Master of Ceremony: Mr Badreldeen Atta Mustafa D.G. of International Relations Ministry of Agriculture and Natural Resources		
12.00-12.05	Connecting, logistics, confirmation of connectivity	Master of Ceremony: Mr Badreldeen Atta Mustafa. MoANR
12.05-12.10	Opening statement by the Government of Sudan	Mr Abdelgader M. Ahmed Turkawi, Undersecretary, Ministry of Agriculture and Natural Resources
12.10-12.15	Statement by the Government of Sudan	Mr Adil Farah Idris, Undersecretary, Ministry of Animal Resources
12.15-12.20	Statement from the Independent Office of Evaluation of IFAD (IOE)	Mr Fabrizio Felloni, IOE Interim Officer-in-Charge
12.20-12.25	Statement from IFAD	Ms Dina Saleh, Representing the Director of the Near East, North Africa and Europe Division (NEN)
12.25-12.40	Presentation of CSPE findings and recommendations	Ms Fumiko Nakai, IOE Senior Evaluation Officer
12.40-13.10	Comments and discussions	
13.10-13.15	Reflection on future directions for IFAD country programme	Mr Tarek Ahmed, IFAD Country Director for Sudan
13.15-13.20	Statement by IFAD Senior Management	Mr Donal Brown, Associate Vice-President, IFAD
13.20-13.25	Statement by the Government of Sudan	H.E. Abdelwahab Mohamed Elhijazi Mohamed Khair, Ambassador of the Republic of the Sudan to Italy, Embassy of Sudan, Rome
13.25-13.30	Closing remarks by the Government of Sudan	Mr Mekki Mirghani Osman, Undersecretary, Ministry of Finance and Economic Planning