

Project Evaluation Series

Evaluation of the “Project for the restoration of livelihoods in the merged areas of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa”

Project code: OSRO/PAK/802/JCA

Management response

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<p>Recommendation 1.</p> <p>To minimize procurement-related delays, FAO needs to continuously refine its procurement strategies and approaches.</p>	Accepted	FAO country office is constantly working on improving procurement processes, but unfortunately not many reliable vendors are available in the market. A full time International Procurement Officer is recruited to work on advancing procurement processes.	FAOPAK	Continuous	N
<p>Recommendation 2.</p> <p>To ensure long-term sustainability, the project's irrigation rehabilitation schemes need to be supported by well-organized social mobilization campaigns.</p>	Accepted	This project was of a shorter duration and did not provide sufficient time for carrying out social mobilization campaigns of larger scale and better quality. Other ongoing irrigation infrastructure rehabilitation projects in the country are learning from this experience and making increased emphasis on mobilizing local communities for longer sustainability of the rehabilitated irrigation canals.	FAOPAK	Continuous	Yes and covered in the new projects
<p>Recommendation 3.</p> <p>Project team should develop targeted interventions that take into account gender related inequalities, particularly in the areas of improving nutrition and enhancing livelihood</p>	Accepted	Increasing focus on women and ensuring gender balance in the projects is on high importance in the context of Pakistan. FAO is therefore increasing attention to this area in the new projects. Close interaction with the country office of UNWOMEN is established and joint projects are prepared for implementation.	FAOPAK	Continuous	Yes and new project funding sources are being explored

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opportunities among the female beneficiaries					
Recommendations 4. Integrated support to poultry value chain development is key for sustainability	Accepted	Poultry value chain development activities of the project also suffered from low performance of selected commercial vendors. Nevertheless, project managed to achieve intended results and supported beneficiaries to improve their livelihoods and income generation sustainably. An integrated support to such small scale farming initiatives is provided in the framework of the new projects based on the lessons learned.	FAOPAK	Continuous	Yes and funding is being secured in the new projects

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