

Integration of NRDS into overarching agricultural development framework

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1. Countries' Experiences

<Successful Stories>

Experiences in Guinea, Madagascar, and Uganda – As Presented

Also, in Rwanda

- Mainstreaming of NRDS in the CAADP investment plan in Rwanda (PSTA-III), through advocacy at the time of renewal of PSTA.



1. Countries' Experiences

<On-going Attempts>

Same attempt as Rwanda is on-going in Tanzania

- Provision of Updated information on rice to agriculture sector development strategy (ASDP-II)

Integration process started in Mozambique

- CARD-CAADP integration training in September, 2013
- As a result, the link between officers in charge of CAADP and NRDS are strengthened.
- CARD-CAADP alignment became one of the responsibilities for NRDS Task Force
- Concrete process for integration is to be suggested



1. Countries' Experiences

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CAADP-CARD Alignment Training

Being conducted with the support by JICA for 3 years (2013-2015) with the objective to promote NRDS integration into CAADP investment plan

1st year (Invite Gov't official in charge of CAADP)

- Provide opportunity for them to learn about CARD and its usefulness in implementing CAADP investment plan, and
- Development of Action Plan for NRDS integration

2nd Year (Invite CAADP Official and NRDS Focal Point)

- Share progress and challenges among participating countries for mutual learning
- Revise the Action Plan

3rd Year (ditto)

- Ditto



1. Countries' Experiences

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Advocacy

Officers from the CARD Steering Committee meet with high rank officials (Ministers, PSs, etc) in the member countries, to explain about CARD, and usefulness of the commodity approach.

e.g. Burkina Faso, Guinea, Rwanda, Mozambique,
Madagascar, Tanzania, Togo, and Uganda,

Also to Donor Communities in all CARD countries



2. Common Approaches for Success

- The same people working in CAADP and NRDS (involvement of CAADP people in CARD related activities)
- Commodity focus in the CAADP/ overarching agriculture dev't strategy
- Firm Implementation Structure (across various departments, ministries, and other sectors)
- Efforts for clarify the pathway to integration (workshop etc.)
- Involvement of Political leaders/ high rank officials
- Timing for advocacy (Transition from one phase to another,)



3. Critical Factors & Conditions

- Favorable environment for promotion of rice
- Political Support to Rice sector
- Priority on Rice
- Recognition of key officers in Planning department about usefulness/ importance of NRDS/CARD
- Preparedness (timeliness) for integration
Readiness of documents, data, and intension for integration.
- Right Focal Point (Capacity and Position)



4. Conclusion

- Priority on rice is important condition to obtain political supports for NRDS integration (So maybe not possible in all countries)
- Awareness on usefulness of commodity focus is important among; Policy makers, High-rank officials, Planning department etc.
- Close Communication between NRDS and CAADP teams
- Focal Point should be a right person (and/or with strong supportive mechanism)
- Sharing the experiences and analysis with CARD countries.



5. Way Forward

- Best Practices in NRDS integration into overarching agriculture development framework from three countries will be summarized in a document
- Together with analysis, these three success cases will be shared with other CARD member countries.



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