



Mid Term Evaluation

Owards Rice Self Sufficiency in Africa:
Experiences, Successes and Lessons from CARD

Outline

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- Highlight of Selected Success Stories
- Analysis of successes: Key factors

Background

CARD

- A consultative group of Partners
 - AGRA, AfricaRice, AfDB, FAO, FARA, IFAD, IRRI, JICA, JIRCAS, NEPAD and WB
- Close rice demand-supply gap, contribute to food security and reduce poverty by:
 - Doubling rice production in ten years from a baseline of 14 million tons in 2008

Purpose, stakeholders and scope (1)

- **Purpose:** Increase the contribution that CARD is likely to make toward its main objective
- Provide an overview and critical analysis of the relevance of CARD and its achievements and progress to date.
- Focus on programmatic and organizational/institutional performance

Evaluation purpose, stakeholders and scope (2)

- Narratives representing outcomes and impacts of CARD activities at country level from focal points and consultants in selected CARD countries
- Stock taking of activities by the CARD SC members contributing to CARD
- Synthesis of complementary information and evaluation work

Evaluation purpose, stakeholders and scope (3)

- Specifically,
 - Collect narratives/success stories
 - Analyze and summarize the findings
 - Process and document narratives/successes

Method/Approach

- Literature Review: CARD documentation, NRDS, Key Partners, documents from countries
- Identification of experiences/narratives and successes (Experience Identification Sheets)
- Description and analysis of narratives/successes (Capitalization of experiences)
- Elaboration of Capitalization document

Selected successes (1)

- **NRDS Approach**

- Relevance to country priorities (PNAR-Senegal; Horizon 2016-CI, Horizon 2018-Uganda)
- Important lessons for other initiatives (Madagascar-Health Sector, Uganda-Other Crops, Guinea Bissau/FAO-Rice;
- Country ownership
- Serving as platform for sustainable rice sector development in SSA (PRACAS-Senegal; Vision 2016-Gambia, Program for Sustainable Rice Systems Development in Africa-FAO, Uganda Rice Business Model)

Selected successes (2)

South-South Platform for African Rice Mechanization

(IFAD/AfricaRice/IRRI/FARA)

- Mechanization task force
- Virtual south-south collaborative platform
- Study tours to South America and Asia
- Training of local artisans



Selected successes (3)

Enhanced private sector engagement will boost domestic rice competitiveness: 'Addis Rice' in Ethiopia

- Partners: Endoto PLC, MEDA, Cooperatives, Supermarket Chains, Research, Extension
- Approach: Contracting, Seed Supply, Training, Bulking, Packaging, Branding, Outlets
- Perspectives: Scaling-up at national level as 'best practice'

Selected successes (4)

Promoting 'Contractual arrangements and partnerships for Sustainable rice development in Cote D'Ivoire – APRAO Experience

- mise à disposition de ressources financières
- dotation d'un fonds de roulement aux usiniers
- formation du personnel des unités de transformations
- commercialisation du riz blanc

Selected successes (5)

Linking CARD activities and resource mobilization for rice development in Africa

- Ghana
- Guinea Bissau
- Nigeria
- Rwanda

Analysis of Successes (1)

Factors:

- Inherent Opportunity: Growing importance of rice sector in SSA
- Political capital: Rallying call around rice self sufficiency
- Country Ownership
 - Active engagement/involvement of countries in identification of challenges for rice sector development
 - Focus on country priorities
- Country level capacity strengthening initiatives
- Linkages, networking and partnerships

Analysis of Successes (2)

Factors

- Country task forces: planning, coordination and harmonization
- Resource mobilization:
 - Increasing willingness of countries to invest
 - Effective mobilization of development partners
- Tapping on opportunities along the value chain

Analysis of Successes (3)

Factors

- Increasing attention to quality
 - Post harvest processing and packaging
- Market linkages
- Opportunities from south-south cooperation

Challenges

- Communication
- Regional collaboration
- Strengthening capacities of value chain actors
- Roles of African women and youths
- Limited results in influencing policies
- Optimism, Production is increasing, but trends remain worrisome vis-à-vis targets

Milled rice production trends in selected countries (1000 MT)

| Country | 2008 | 2013 |
|---------------|------|------|
| Nigeria | 2632 | 2772 |
| Senegal | 277 | 290 |
| Uganda | 117 | 139 |
| Madagascar | 2505 | 2752 |
| Cote D'Ivoire | 442 | 493 |

Source: USDA, 2015