

Action Plan for NRRDES implementation and Rice Sector Development

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Main challenges

- Weak alignment of actors in the rice development sector,
- Inadequate availability of agricultural input (seed, chemicals, and machineries) to rice producing farmers,
- Low utilization of rice production technologies and agronomic recommendations,
- Low quality and inadequate market for rice at the farm gate.

Action Plan: Rice development in Ethiopia

Issue in NRDS Implementation/ Rice Sector Development (No. 1): Weak alignment of actors in the rice development sector,

Solutions to address the issue	Actions	Timeline/ Deadline	Responsibility	Budget and Sources
1.1. Rising awareness on NRRDSE activities and its alignment with CAADP/National Development Pan (GTP I);	1.1.1. Fund mobilization from potential donor and internal sources,	Sept, 2015	Focal Point and Taskforce members	N/A
	1.1.2. Develop and distribute different communication materials (leaflet, poster and so on),	Nov. 2015	Focal Point and Taskforce members	USD 10,000, Identified partners
1.2. Strengthening the exiting stockholder platform (Annual review meeting),	1.2.1. Identification of new actors in the rice research and development sector,	April. 2016	Focal Point and Taskforce members	N/A
	1.2.2. Develop a concept paper for annual joint review meeting,	February, 2016	Focal Point and Taskforce members	N/A
	1.2.3. Fund mobilization from potential donor and internal sources,	March. 2016	Focal Point and Taskforce members	N/A
	1.2.4. Hold the annual review meeting,	April. 2016	Focal Point and Taskforce members	USD 15,000, Identified partners
1.3. Alignment of NRRDES to the new GTP II development plan of the country	1.3.1. Arrange a meeting with higher officials on the status of NRRDSE and national development plans,	Sep. 2015	Focal Point and Taskforce members	N/A
	1.3.2. Revision of NRRDES given the new GTP II development plan of the country;	Nov. 2015	Focal Point and Taskforce members	USD 5,000, Identified partners
	1.3.3. Aligning NRRDES to the National development Plan	At the time of revision of current Investment Plan	Focal Point and Taskforce Members	N/A
Sub-total				USD 30,000

Issue in NRDS Implementation/ Rice Sector Development (No. 2): Inadequate availability of agricultural input (seed, chemicals, and machineries) to rice producing farmer

Solutions to address the issue	Actions	Timeline/ Deadline	Responsibility	Budget and Sources
2.1. Improve rice seed, and chemical supply system,	2.1.1. Identification of partners for research	Nov. 2015	Focal Point and Taskforce members	N/A
	2.1.2. Conduct research on challenges, opportunities and gaps in rice input supply system,	March, 2016	Focal Point with identified partners	USD 20,000, Identified partners
	2.1.3. Advocacy to high rank officials	April 2016	Focal Point and Taskforce members	N/A
2.2. Encourage investment of medium and large scale rice processing private firms,	2.2.1. Identification of partners for research	Nov. 2015	Focal Point and Taskforce members	N/A
	2.2.2. Research on status, challenge, opportunity and economic return analysis for rice processing and marketing investment,	May 2016	Focal Point with identified partners	USD 20,000, Identified partners
	2.2.3. Develop a proposal (Action research to demo machineries and transfer knowledge) to work with organized small group (Youth/Women)	Nov. 2015	Focal Point and Taskforce members	USD 250,000, Identified partners
	2.2.4. Advocacy to high rank officials	Nov. 2015	Focal Point and Taskforce members	N/A
2.3. Improve access to credit availability,	2.3.1. Identification of partners for research	Nov. 2015	Focal Point and Taskforce members	N/A
	2.3.2. Research on status, challenge, and opportunity in potential rice growing areas,	Nov. 2015	Focal Point and Taskforce members	USD 20,000, Identified partners
	2.3.3. Advocacy to high rank officials,	Nov. 2015	Focal Point and Taskforce members	N/A
Sub total				USD 310,000

Issue in NRDS Implementation/ Rice Sector Development (No. 3): Low utilization of rice production technologies and agronomic recommendations,

Solutions to address the issue	Actions	Timeline/ Deadline	Responsibility	Budget and Sources
3.1. Increase awareness and adoption of best agronomic practices for rice production.	3.1.1. Organize trainings, demonstrations and other channels.	During crop production year	Focal Point and Taskforce members /MoA/RBoAs, EIAR	USD 20,000, Identified partners
	3.1.2. Arrange experience sharing tours, exchange of video clips...	During crop production year	Focal Point and Taskforce members /MoA/RBoAs	USD 10,000, Identified partners
	3.1.3. Link with credit association to obtain loan and purchase agricultural inputs,	During crop production year	Focal Point and Taskforce members	N/A
3.2. Strengthen the knowledge and skill of extension personnel, and DAs on rice production techniques,	3.2.1. Identify the knowledge and skill gap of Extension personnel and DAs in rice production,	December 2015	Focal Point and Taskforce members /MoA/RBoAs	N/A
	3.2.2. Organize capacity building trainings for extension personnel and DAs on improve rice production techniques,	During the season	Focal Point and Taskforce members /MoA/RBoAs	USD 40,000, Identified partners
3.3. Improve farmers' and extension personnel' knowledge on pest and weed protection techniques.	3.3.1. Identify the knowledge and skill gap in rice pest control system,	December 2015	Focal Point and Taskforce members /MoA/RBoAs	N/A
	3.3.2. Organize technical training to the farmers and extension personnel on principles and practices of IPM	June, 2015	Focal Point and Taskforce members /MoA/RBoAs	USD 40,000, Identified partners
Sub-total				USD 110,000

Issue in NRDS Implementation/ Rice Sector Development (No. 4): Low quality and inadequate market for rice at the farm gate.

Solutions to address the issue	Actions	Timeline/ Deadline	Responsibility	Budget and Sources
4.1. Encourage farmers' awareness to produce good quality rice and link with the market.	4.1.1. Identification of partners for research	Nov. 2015	Focal Point and Taskforce members	N/A
	4.1.2. Conduct research on challenges, opportunities and gaps in rice marketing,	March, 2016	Focal Point with identified partners	USD 20,000, Identified partners
	4.1.3. Advocacy the result to high rank officials	April 2016	Focal Point and Taskforce members	N/A
	4.1.4. Promote the provision of market oriented extension service to smallholder farmers.	During the season	Focal Point and Taskforce members /MoA/RBoAs	N/A
	4.1.5. Improve access to rice market information and linkage,	During the season	Focal Point and Taskforce members /MoA/RBoAs	N/A
Sub-total				USD 20,000
Grand- total				USD 470,000

Thank very much!!

