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Wrap-up Workshop for Sustainability of Capacity Development Activity

Wrap-up Workshop: JICA Capacity Development Activities was held at Big Meeting Hall in the Ministry of Agriculture and Irrigation on 10th February 2014. Total 108 participants including Undersecretary and Director Generals and senior staff, attended the workshop Participants shared the experience of the JICA Project and discussed how to sustain the capacity development activities after the termination of the Project in March 2014.

Time	Program	
9:15	Opening The representative of CB working group Director General of ICI	
	Chief Advisor of the JICA Project State Minister of MoAI	
9:50	[Session 1] Sharing experiences Overview of the capacity development activities conduct-	
10:20 10:50	ed by the JICA Project (JICA Team) Task Team (Good practice): HSA, TTE, PAE, QCED Unit Summary of the Session 1	
	Lessons learnt & Recommendation to the future	
11:00	Break	
11:30	[Session 2] Discussion (Chairperson: Director General of HSA)	
	"What actions should be taken by the MoAI for develop- ment its human resources and the organizations?"	
12:30	[Session 3] Conclusion (Chairperson: Director General of ICI) The Chairperson summarizes the discussion.	
	He presents the concrete actions in coming year, which MoAI and each directorate will take.	
13:00	Closing The Representative from JICA Sudan Office Undersecretary of MoAI	



Opening remarks were made by Dr. Gafer Ahmad Abdallah (State Minister, MoAI, in the middle), Mr. Elamien Hassan Elamien (Director General, ICI, MoAI, the left) and Mr. Osamu Nakagaki (Chief Advisor, the JICA Project)



Closing remarks were made by Mr. Bahaa Eldin Mohamed Khamis (Undersecretary, MoAI) and Mr. Masahiro Shiomi (Project Formulation Advisor, JICA Sudan Office)







The 4 representatives from Task Teams shared their experience with the JICA Project. HSA, TTE, PAE and QCEDU from the left.

Dr. Hassan (National Consultant of the Project) explained the capacity development activities for 4 years.





The Chairperson of the Session 2, Dr. Badreldin Elshiekh (Director General of HSA, the left) and the Session 3, Mr. Flamien Hassan Flamien (the right).

Ms. Suad Abdalla Ali (Represent ative of CB working group, PAE) made opening remark.





MoAl adopted JICA Model

The Capacity Building Project launched in March 2010 with 5 targeted directorates (ICI, TTE, PAE, HSA and TU). The Project and Capacity Building (CB) working group conducted training courses and Task Team activity. Total 1,113 staff of MoAI participated in the capacity development activities for 4 years.

Through conducting the capacity development activities, the Project and CB working group accumulated their experiences and built up a model system of human resource development and organizational capacity development. Capacity Development Guideline/Manual (JICA Model) was compiled by the Project and CB working group.

Based on the discussion

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 Ce for BCA Office Training Unit (TU) issued a letter to all directorates/units in MoAI to

prepare a training plan along the

Guideline/Manual. TU is ready to

provide technical support for the preparation of the plan.





Mr. Ibrahim Ahmed Abu Zied (Director General of TTE, Member of CB working group) gave his opinion.



Guideline/ Manual (JICA





Total 16 participants delivered their opinions.

and recommendation of the workshop, MoAI officially adopted the **Guideline/Manual** (JICA Model) and issued decision obliging all MoAI directorates and units to prepare training plans of the ministry in the coming years based on JICA Capacity Development Manual. Training Unit will not approve any training plan which does not follow the JICA Manual.

Capacity Development Guideline/Manual (JICA Model) ry 2014 2014

The Arabic version of the Guideline/ Manual is also available. Both Arabic and English version will be uploaded in the website of the Project from March 2014. You can refer it anytime/anywhere.

Joint Hands toward Future

Five Steps of JICA Model

Step 1: Capacity Assessment	 identify/define the target level based on strategy, policies, mandates, etc. assess the current capacity which target group (human resources) has. identify training needs.
Step 2: Design of Training Programme	 draft the framework of training programme. employ a facilitator to conduct the training. conduct pre-training study for a detailed design of the training. set up a detailed schedule and contents of training. notify the details of the training to the participants
Step 3: Implementation and Monitoring	 arrange the venue and needed equipment. prepare an attendance sheet, feedback sheet (reflection sheet/ questionnaire). implement the training. monitoring the training participants and facilitator(s). let the participants fill in the feedback sheet. analyze the process of the training and the results of feedback sheet.
Step 4: Action Plan (JICA Model)	 form a task team make an action plan. present it in front of the other task teams, and get any feedback. present the developed version of the action plan in front of DG and senior staff in the participants' directorate. implement the planned activities along with the action plan. evaluate the final presentation by senior staff.
Step 5: Utilization and Im- pact	 utilize obtained knowledge and skills and experiences through action plan activities in daily work (life) change the attitude to work of themselves and colleagues produce positive impacts take an appropriate action (mean) when a problem occurs

implement the action with good teamwork

Lessons

Learnt

Recommendati

ons

Task Team Activity in Year 2013

In year 2013 (the final year of 4 years' project), the Project formulated 15 Task Teams and provided OJT (On the Job Training) through the implementation of Action Plan of each Task Team instead of in-class training. Most of the Task Teams accomplished their action plan by December 2013 and presented their activity, lessons learnt and recommendation.

Direc- torate	Title of Action Plan
PAE	Formulate Policies to Achieve Security in Food Deficit Area
	Implementation of Strategic Management Concept in the PAE Promotion and Improvement of Agricultural Export Commodity Policies
TTE	Activation of the TTE TV Studio to Broadcast Agricultural TV Channel
	Reactivation of Extension Services
	Installation of Machinery Testing
	Enhancing Micro Finance Policy to Raise the Awareness of Small Farm- ers in Khartoum State
HSA	Quality Control in Mango Harvest
	Extraction and Analysis of Lemon Grass Oil and in the Local and Interna- tional Marketing Promotion
	Development Work in Department Human Resources
	Control Preserving the Germ Plasm of Seed Plants at Botanical Garden
ICI+	Establishment of MOAI Website in order to increase investment (ICI)
MoAl	To Organize International Quality Standards of Agricultural Products for Export (QCED Unit)
	To Strengthen the Coordination between WTO Accession Unit and other Departments related through Networking and Awareness of WTO Agree- ments related to Agricultural Sector (WTO Accession Unit)
	Activating Monitoring and Evaluation Process in the ICI (ICI)











QCED Unit Task Team



12 Task Teams presented their implementation, lessons learnt

and recommendations.

directorate, external organizations, states and/or private sector.

confidence, commitment, transparency and teamwork spirit.

It is possible to conduct activities using our own resources

Comments from Task Teams

The most important lesson is that we can obtain (understand) the knowledge and skills after uti-

Through the action plan, the Task Team member has developed their human network to other

Even though small budget, it can make big achievements. Also we made up the difficulty by their

Social/Cultural activity is very useful to enhance the communication among all staff (between

Skilful member can work efficiently, leading others. Then they make positive impacts around

It is necessary that all members have the strong commitment to the work, and that we get sup-

It would be better to share the experiences and solution (means) of who has different disciplines

volve field activities and understands the situation and the policy needs from the field level. The MoAI and the directorates having Task Team activities would be better to ensure the sus-

as agricultural research staff, community development agents and university staff. It would be better that federal staff, in cooperation with state staff, increases opportunities to in-





4 TTE Task Teams



tainability of capacity development activities.

ports from the DG and seniors.

different generations).

them/her/him.

lizing them into the daily work.

3 Facilitators to support Task Teams

The Project employed 3 facilitators from September to October 2013. They were specialized on Policy Formulation, Strategic Management and Quality Control respectively. They provided practical advice for all of the Task Teams (unless accomplished or not) from a specialist point of view, such as: to review the action plans of Task Teams, to point out the contents to add, and to introduce some good examples.



Dr. Ali Abdel Azis Salih: Policy Formulation (in the middle) discussed with Task Team.



Ms. Safiya Eltahir Ibrahim: Strategic Management (1st from the left) discussed with Task Team members.



Dr. Hind Abd Elmonen Ahmed Elbashir: Quality Control (2nd from the right) organized a field trip for Task Team members.



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