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Progress Report on the Follow-up to Past Programme Committee Recommendations

I. Programme Planning and Priority Setting

CL 139/4 Report of the 103rd Session of the Programme Committee (12-16 April 2010)	Action
Prioritization of Technical Work of the Organization	
9. The Committee <u>recommended</u> that the Independent Chairperson of the Council, supported by the Secretariat, take steps to ensure that the Regional Conferences would be in a position to provide clear recommendations on areas of regional priority to Council through the Programme and Finance Committees.	In progress 2010, documents LARC/10/9; ARC/10/5; ERC/10/5
10. The Committee <u>recommended</u> that the Independent Chairperson of the Council convene a meeting with the Chairpersons of the Technical Committees and the Programme and Finance Committees to discuss and agree on the approach to handling the discussion of priorities in the Technical Committees.	In progress 2010 - meeting held 2 June 2010
10. The Committee <u>requested</u> that supporting documentation on priorities be prepared by the Secretariat for the Technical Committees, which should start from the approved results frameworks in the MTP-PWB and take into account emerging issues, lessons learned from initial operational planning, major evaluations and any resulting proposed shifts in emphasis within the relevant Strategic Objectives.	In progress 2010, document COAG 2010/2
12. The Committee <u>requested</u> the Secretariat to prepare a summary paper drawing on the outcomes of the Regional Conferences and Technical Committees on priorities, and giving clear indications on where shifts in emphasis were being recommended, in order to facilitate discussions in the October Session.	Document PC 104/2; PC 104/2 Sup.
14. The Committee <u>requested</u> an additional session in early 2011 to consider the reports of NERC and COFI concerning priorities and shoulder the heavy workload in this shorter biennium planning cycle.	PC 105 scheduled 8-9 February 2011
14. The Committee <u>recommended</u> that future sessions of the Technical Committees and Regional Conferences be scheduled within the new cycle of governing body input to the MTP-PWB as approved by Conference.	Endorsed by Council CL 139/REP para. 23

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II. Results-based monitoring of programme implementation

CL 139/5 Report of the Joint Meeting of the 103rd Session of the Programme Committee and the 132nd Session of the Finance Committee (14 April 2010)	Action
<p>Results-based Work Planning, Monitoring and Reporting System</p> <p>12. The Committees:</p> <p>a) <u>requested</u> the Secretariat to ensure that the results-based planning and monitoring and the process of priority-setting be coordinated and mutually supportive;</p> <p>b) <u>requested</u> the Secretariat to propose a format for summary reporting of implementation progress after the first year of the biennium, to permit the Committees to advise on any required adjustments to the Programme of Work;</p> <p>c) looked forward to receiving a proposal for the format of the biennial Programme Implementation Report, for consideration at their sessions in October 2010;</p>	<p>Document JM 2010.2/2</p>
<p>d) <u>recommended</u> that future sessions of the Technical Committees and Regional Conferences be scheduled within the new cycle of governing body input to the MTP-PWB as approved by the Conference.</p>	<p>Endorsed by Council CL 139/REP para. 23</p>
CL 135/3 Report of the Joint Meeting of the 100th Session of the Programme Committee and the 123rd Session of the Finance Committee (Rome, 8 October 2008)	Action
<p>Programme Implementation Report 2006-07</p> <p>9. Looking to the future, the Committees noted that under the new results-based approach, to be adopted from 2010-11, management would need to design and implement a new monitoring and reporting system, focusing on achievement of outcomes against targets and indicators. In order to provide advice on the needs of the governing bodies for effective monitoring and oversight in this new context, the Committees requested management to present a proposal for a results-based implementation report format at a subsequent Joint Meeting. The proposal should include options for retaining some elements of information in the current section on overview of FAO resources.</p>	<p>Document JM 2010.2/2</p>

III. Evaluation

CL 139/4 Report of the 103rd Session of the Programme Committee (12-16 April 2010)	Action
<p>Charter for the FAO Office of Evaluation</p> <p>17. The Committee <u>requested</u> the Office of Evaluation to include in its guidelines for preparing evaluation follow-up reports the programme and policy impact stemming from the implementation of the recommendations of evaluation.</p> <p>Indicative Rolling Workplan of Strategic and Programme Evaluation 2010-2012</p> <p>19. From the priority list, the Committee <u>decided</u> that the following evaluations should be initiated in 2010 or early 2011:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Gender Aspects of FAO's work; b. FAO's work on Nutrition; c. Land Tenure and Access to Land. <p>20. For implementation starting in 2011, the Committee <u>assigned highest priority</u> to evaluations of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Policy Assistance at Country Level; b. Capacity Building in Support of Implementation of the Code of Conduct for Responsible Fisheries; c. Sustainable Management of Forest and Trees, including work related to Reducing Emissions from Deforestation and Forest Degradation in Developing Countries (REDD). <p>21. The Committee <u>gave priority</u> to an evaluation of the Regional and Subregional Offices for Africa in 2012. It <u>requested</u> that another rolling workplan should be submitted to it for consideration in 2011, at which time the Committee would take stock of the work completed and advise on priority evaluations for 2012 and subsequent years.</p> <p>22. The Committee <u>endorsed</u> that future country evaluations should include large, rapidly developing countries, countries with large emergency and rehabilitation programmes and middle-income countries. In selecting countries for evaluation, due consideration should be given to maintaining regional balance.</p> <p>23. The Committee <u>stressed</u> that the June 2007 decision of the Council¹ regarding funding of evaluations should be respected by donors and brought to their attention where necessary by the FAO Secretariat. The Committee <u>requested</u> that FAO should report to it on the implementation of the Council decision in 2011.</p>	<p>Completed in 2010</p> <p>In progress 2010</p> <p>Scheduled for 2011</p> <p>Scheduled for 2012</p> <p>PC October 2011 session</p> <p>In progress 2010; evaluations in middle-income countries to start 2011-12</p> <p>PC October 2011 session</p>

¹ CL 132/REP, paragraph 76

CL 135/5 Report of the 100th Session of the Programme Committee (Rome, 6-10 October 2008)	Action
<p>Workplan for Evaluations 2009-10</p> <p>23. The Committee endorsed continuation of evaluations of FAO's work at country level and wished to receive a synthesis report in 2010 on country evaluations undertaken since the report presented at the 99th session.</p> <p>24. The Committee noted the planned evaluations of FAO's major emergency and rehabilitation activities and requested to receive summaries of these evaluations and the management responses to them for its consideration.</p>	<p>Document PC 104/7</p> <p>In progress; HPAI II evaluation document PC 104/6</p>
CL 139/4 Report of the 103rd Session of the Programme Committee (12-16 April 2010)	Action
<p>Joint Thematic Evaluation of FAO and WFP Support to Information Systems for Food Security</p> <p>31. The Committee <u>endorsed</u> the principle of continued joint work between FAO and WFP on food security information. The Committee appreciated the fact that Management agreed to finalize a corporate strategy for Food Security Information Systems and a joint strategy with WFP. The Committee <u>underlined</u> the importance of appropriate systems for assessing food security not just in emergency situations, but also in development contexts.</p>	<p>In progress 2010. Joint strategy finalisation planned for end-2010</p>
<p>Evaluation of FAO's Role and Work related to Water</p> <p>35. The Committee <u>suggested</u>: 1) a balanced coverage of the regions; and 2) clearer prioritization among recommendations in future evaluations.</p> <p>36. The Committee <u>endorsed</u> the establishment of an FAO Water Platform, as an internal coordination mechanism to better address water-related issues across the Strategic Objectives and organizational structure. The Committee stated that the Water Platform could be created immediately as governing body endorsement would not be required for an internal coordination mechanism.</p> <p>38. The Committee felt that the Evaluation should be drawn to the attention of the forthcoming meetings of the Regional Conferences and Technical Committees so that water may be assessed by these bodies as part of their role in setting priorities for FAO.</p>	<p>In progress 2010</p> <p>In progress 2010</p> <p>In progress 2010</p>
<p>The Evaluation of FAO's Operational Capacity in Emergencies</p> <p>24. The Committee <u>requested</u> a more standardized format for evaluation reports submitted to it.</p> <p>27. It <u>urged</u> the Secretariat to develop sustainable systems to support emergency operations and ensure efficient technical support to emergency operations. Such systems should take into consideration the enhanced role given to regional and subregional offices in providing technical support to the field programme and make greater use of regional and national experts, including when appropriate through South-South Cooperation.</p> <p>29. The Committee <u>stressed the need</u> of continuous attention to and inclusion of gender issues in every evaluation.</p>	<p>Part of new Guidelines under preparation</p> <p>Mechanisms to ensure efficient technical support to emergency operations are being developed and tested under the umbrella of Strategic Objective I.</p> <p>Coverage of gender a standard item in evaluation terms of reference</p>

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<p>The Evaluation of FAO's Operational Capacity in Emergencies</p> <p>21. The Committees:</p> <p>a) requested the Secretariat to present options to develop the SFERA² mechanism and options for predictable funding for related human resources;</p> <p>b) recognizing that more harmonization among donors could enhance the operational efficiency, the Committees encouraged the Secretariat to continue to build synergies between the Rome-based Agencies and enhance partnerships between FAO and other agencies in emergency situations, including for greater harmonization of operating procedures and shared services;</p> <p>c) requested the Secretariat to ensure that gender issues be covered in all evaluations, appreciating that guidelines had been developed and measures were being applied to ensure gender mainstreaming and equal opportunities in emergency and rehabilitation activities.</p>	<p>Document prepared for FC 134, October 2010</p> <p>In progress 2010 - strong collaboration in emergencies with WFP and IFAD</p> <p>In progress 2010</p>

IV. IPA implementation and integration into PWB

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<p>Preliminary Review of Statutory Bodies with a view to allowing them to Exercise Greater Financial and Administrative Authority while remaining within the Framework of FAO</p> <p>52. The Committee <u>requested</u> the Secretariat to provide, for its next session, a comprehensive list of statutory bodies covered by the review and a discussion paper highlighting the key issues, impacts, and guidance sought from the Programme Committee on this matter.</p>	<p>Document PC 104/9</p>
<p>Access to TCP on a Grant Basis – Outcome of consultation with selected countries</p> <p>50. The Committee <u>decided</u> that the eligibility criterion of the TCP should be the subject of a further discussion from the viewpoint of principle and credibility.</p> <p>51. The Committee <u>requested</u> the Secretariat to provide it with a paper for the continuation of the discussion of this issue at its next session.</p>	<p>Document PC 104/8</p>

² Special Fund for Emergency and Rehabilitation Activities (SFERA)

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<p>Progress on Implementation of the TCP</p> <p>8. The Committees <u>decided</u> to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a) continue to follow the progress on TCP implementation, with particular focus on the decentralization of the TCP management; b) request the Secretariat to include information on distribution of the TCP resources by region and by Strategic Objectives in future reports; c) request the Secretariat to enhance its efforts to reduce the time between the submission of requests for TCP assistance, the approval of projects and the disbursement of funds so as to ensure the efficient delivery and full use of resources approved. 	Document JM 2010.2/3
<p>Progress on Resource Mobilization and Management Strategy</p> <p>16. The Committees:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a) <u>encouraged</u> the development of a communication strategy for resource mobilization that included advocacy to raise the profile of the Organization among the general public; b) <u>looked forward</u> to receiving a proposal at its next session on the format of the meeting, scheduled in the first quarter of 2011, bringing together interested Members, partners and other potential sources of voluntary contributions, to exchange information on extra-budgetary voluntary funding requirements. In this context, the Committees <u>requested</u> a clear definition of partners; c) <u>requested</u> that the Secretariat provide at the next meeting information on: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • sources of voluntary funding; • modalities of voluntary funding; • efforts to develop good practices, including harmonization and alignment; • how FAO could related to the ongoing “good multilateral donorship” initiative; d) looked forward to reviewing the policy and guidelines for partnering with the private sector at a future meeting. 	<p>Document JM 2010.2/4</p> <p>In progress 2010 and 2011</p>

V. Improved methods of work and efficiency of the Programme Committee

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<p>Item 6: Any Other Business</p> <p>22. The Committees discussed the role and working methods of the Joint Meeting, including collaboration among the Committees’ Chairpersons and the Independent Chairperson of the Council on the handling of matters of joint interest such as priority setting. The Committees agreed that the Chairs would consult and report back on collaboration at the next Joint Meeting.</p>	Joint Meeting October 2011 session