



SUDAN

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NOTE ON OPERATIONS AGAINST THE DESERT LOCUST

1. Funding and state of execution of the ECLO programme

- Three regional and three national projects assisted Desert Locust control in Sudan. These projects, funded by the International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD), the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) and FAO's Technical Cooperation Programme (TCP), were completed between 2004 and 2006.
- The budget allocation for Sudan through these projects amounted to US\$428 812 of which, as of August 2006, an assistance worth US\$411 323 has been provided to Sudan, 96 % of the total amount).

2. Assistance provided by FAO in 2004, 2005 and 2006

- **Technical assistance:** In-service training and technical backstopping were provided by FAO in cooperation with the Plant Protection Directorate (PPD) of Sudan (US\$148 371).
- **Equipment:** A 4WD double-cab pickup vehicle (US\$28 394), 9 Global Positioning System (GPS) (US\$3 761) and 2 mobile radios (US\$11 899) were provided. Other equipment (expendable and non expendable) were provided at a value of US\$148 700.
- **Training:** Sudan participated in a regional workshop on RAMSES, eLocust and satellite imagery interpretation held in March 2006 in Cairo.
- **Aerial services:** In 2004, the UNDP project funded aerial services for survey operations in North and South Kordofan and South Darfur to control *Quelea* birds, Tree Locust and grasshoppers (US\$33 000). A total area of 58 837 ha was treated against these infestations.
- **Other:** Miscellaneous operating costs related to the preparation of training materials, organization of training courses and running costs of the national survey/control teams carrying out field operations in order to contain localised outbreaks of Desert Locust in 2004 and 2005 were provided (US\$37 198).