

The FAO Project “*GCP/GLO/324/NOR - Integrating the Right to Adequate Food and Good Governance in National Policies, Legislation and Institutions*” (in short, *Right to Food at Country Level*) is a continuation of Norway’s support to Mozambique and the Plurinational State of Bolivia (Bolivia), and marks the beginning of activities in Nepal and El Salvador, all in view of strengthening national institutions and coordination mechanisms in their efforts to formulate policies and support the legislative process on food security and the right to food. The Project will address country challenges by promoting the human rights-based approach in efforts to achieve food security at all levels - in legislation, policy and programme design, formulation, decision and implementation. The Project will also allow FAO to participate to global efforts to mainstream human rights in development work.

The Project has become operational in March 2011 and currently country-level plans are being established in cooperation with national counterparts and FAO colleagues. During the month of March 2011 the project supported the following activities in **Mozambique**:

- The systematization process for the drafting of the right to food law. Presently, eight provinces have handed in their contributions. The drafting process is expected to end in July.
- A design of a strategy aiming at strengthening the work on food and security nutrition (SAN - Segurança Alimentar e Nutricional) in communities at national level. The strategy is expected to start in May 2011. The objective of the strategy is to influence community food habits and inform them of better ways to intake appropriate food.
- The production of a fact sheet to inform on the advances of the right to food law process. The fact sheet will be disseminated in the next National Council on SAN to be held in Maputo in May 2011.
- The set up of several meetings with relevant partners, namely the National AIDS Council, the Steering Committee (Task Force) for the elaboration of the right to food law proposal, the Multisectorial (Government and UN) Team on Nutrition (tasked with the design of a community strategy) and the Task Force (a sub-team for the elaboration of the law) for the systematization of inputs on the right to food law.

In the last month in **Bolivia**, we have been witnessing challenging yet favorable political changes which have created a timely momentum for activities related to the support of legislative processes on the right to food. The Project has followed up this process by reviewing and sending comments to the country’s proposal of a law on the right to food. A more in-detail and comprehensive work plan will be developed with national partners later on, during an inception mission planned for May/June 2011.

Finally, the Project has touched base with the FAO field office in **Nepal** in order to start discussions on activities to be implemented at country level.

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