

## Achieving Goals Together:

### *Monitoring Resource Mobilization Performance and Prospects*

The share of Official Development Assistance (ODA) going to agriculture fell from 17 percent in 1980 to 3.8 percent in 2006. Since 2007, in the wake of food price volatility, spending on agriculture saw a steady increase to 5.8 percent in 2010. However, the global economic downturn is affecting not only traditional ODA providers but also developing countries. There is a risk, in the coming years, of these positive trends encountering a decline.

FAO's *resource mobilization performance* and prospects: It is envisaged that the total voluntary contributions for the biennium 2012-13 will likely reach the target of USD1.4 billion. Despite a lower volume of approvals registered in the first two months of 2013, compared to the same period in 2012, the whole year's prospects for 2013 are forecasted to range between USD 650 - 820 million.

In 2012, resource mobilization (new approvals) reached USD 818 million (see figure 2). This amount exceeds the USD 750 million target for the first year of the biennium. While some of FAO's traditional bilateral resource partners had to reduce voluntary contributions to the Organization, partners such as the European Union, the United States of America, Germany, Norway and the United Kingdom maintained or increased their contributions. FAO's top ten resource partners in 2012 included the European Union, the United States of America, the office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA), the United Kingdom, Italy, the United Nations Development Programme, Norway, Japan, Australia, the Netherlands, Brazil, Spain and Belgium.

A concerted effort is required to ensure the prospects for new approvals are met. Moving forward, FAO will need to maintain and upscale resource mobilization efforts at all levels.

The overall *estimated biennial delivery* of voluntary contributions during 2012-13 (USD 1 334 million) is in line with what was planned in the PWB 2012-13 (USD 1 337 million). Total actual delivery in the first two months of 2013 is in line with 2012.

Figure 1

#### **Extra Budgetary BH Estimates and Delivery vis-à-vis PWB Planned Estimates by SO and FO**

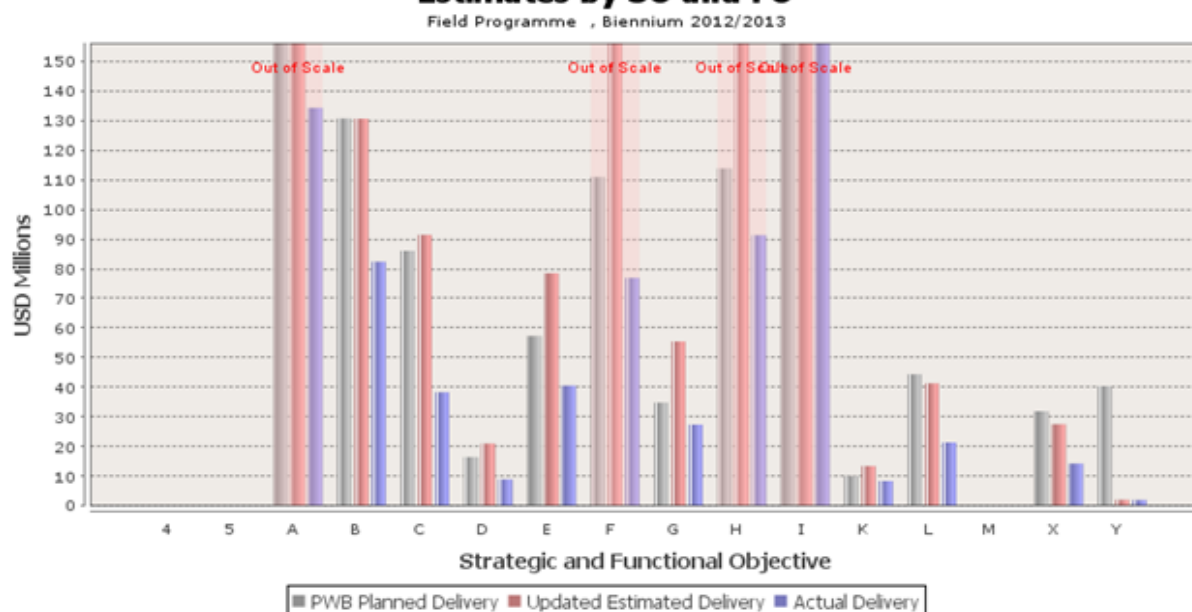


Figure 1: Resources Mobilized in 2008-2012 (USD 000) as at February 2013

