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**Progress Report on the implementation of Programme Committee
recommendations**

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

- The Committee, at its 125th Session¹, agreed to have as a standing item on its Agenda a Progress report on the implementation of Programme Committee recommendations and at its 126th Session², suggested the inclusion of delivery dates, when feasible and/or a percentage of implementation rate, to measure the progress in implementation.
- This document provides an update on status of implementation of recommendations made by the Programme Committee at its previous session. This document indicates the status of implementation by traffic light and reports the delivery date or percentage of implementation rate, if applicable.
- The traffic light colour-code is as follows:
 - **Completed**
 - **Ongoing**
 - **Not yet started**

GUIDANCE SOUGHT FROM THE PROGRAMME COMMITTEE

- The Programme Committee is invited to take note of the Progress report on the implementation of Programme Committee recommendations.

Draft Advice

The Committee:

- took note of the progress on implementation of Recommendations of the Programme Committee. .

¹ [CL 160/3 \(para. 15 i\)](#)

² [CL 161/3 \(para. 25 b\)](#)

Status of implementation of Programme Committee recommendations

		Status	Delivery date or percentage of implementation rate, if applicable	Comments
PLANNING AND PROGRAMME MATTERS				
Strategic Framework 2022-31				
1.	<u>Requested</u> the inclusion of FAO's Country Programming Framework in the strategic results framework. <u>REFERENCE</u> : CL 166/9 para. 8 l)	●		Included in the Strategic Framework 2022-31 (C 2021/7) Section E, "Delivering as a unified FAO" and Annex 3, and in the Medium Term Plan (MTP) 2022-25/Programme of Work and Budget (PWB) 2022-23, paragraphs 21-26 and Annex 4.
2.	<u>welcomed</u> confirmation that Management is preparing a change management plan as recommended by the Evaluation of FAO's strategic results framework and <u>requested</u> that this is made available for the Programme Committee at its next session. <u>REFERENCE</u> : CL 166/9 para. 9 a)	●	132nd Session of the Programme Committee	Queries on the change management plan will be addressed orally during the 132nd Session of the Programme Committee, under Item 2 - Adjustments to the Programme of Work and Budget 2022-23.
Medium Term Plan 2022-25 and Programme of Work and Budget 2022-23				
3.	<u>Requested</u> the name of the fisheries division to be changed to the fisheries and aquaculture division. <u>REFERENCE</u> : CL 166/9 para. 10 p)	●		Approved by the Conference (Document C 2019/REP paragraph 68.f) and reflected in the Organizational Chart at http://www.fao.org/about/org-chart/en/ .
4.	<u>Requested</u> that further elaboration of the results frameworks including outputs and measurement, be provided in the Adjustments to the PWB 2022-23, following guidance from Conference and completion of the work planning exercise. <u>REFERENCE</u> : CL 166/9 para. 10 x)	●	132nd Session of the Programme Committee	Results framework presented in document Adjustments to the PWB 2022-23 (Document CL 168/3).
Mid-term Review Synthesis Report – 2020				
5.	<u>Looked forward</u> to further information in the Programme Implementation Report 2020-21 on progress towards the biennial targets and concerted actions under the Strategic Objectives. <u>REFERENCE</u> : CL 166/9 para. 11 j)	●	133rd Session of the Programme Committee (May 2022)	Will be reported in the Programme Implementation Report 2020-21 (Document C 2023/8) to be presented to the Governing Bodies in May-June 2022.
SUBSTANTIVE MATTERS				
The Hand-in-Hand Initiative				

6.	Policy on data governance, data integrity and privacy, as well as intellectual property rights. <u>REFERENCE</u> : CL 166/9 para. 12 j) and l); CL 165/10 para. 11 k)	●	113th Session of Committee on Constitutional and Legal Matters	Having due regard to the specific mandates of each of the Governing Bodies, including the Council Committees, FAO policies on data protection and intellectual property rights are to be addressed by the Committee on Constitutional and Legal Matters (CCLM) at its next Session (October 2021). The matter is of a legal nature and must be considered in light of the Organization's constitutional and legal framework.
FAO policies on Protection of Data and Intellectual Property Rights				
7.	Requested to develop frameworks or policies on protection data and Intellectual Property Rights (IPR) and to update the outcome of the mapping exercises undertaken by IT services as well as a detailed timetable of the next steps. <u>REFERENCE</u> : CL 166/9 para. 13 c), d), e), f); CL 165/10 para. 16 c)	●	113th Session of Committee on Constitutional and Legal Matters	Having due regard to the specific mandates of each of the Governing Bodies, including the Council Committees, the CCLM will consider a document prepared by the Secretariat on FAO Policies on Protection of Data and Intellectual Property Rights: FAO Data Protection Principles and Rules. The matter is of a legal nature and must be considered in light of the Organization's constitutional and legal framework.
Rural Youth Action Plan				
8.	<u>Looked forward</u> to reviewing the draft RYAP at the 132nd Session of the Programme Committee including the need for its approval by the Council <u>REFERENCE</u> : CL 166/9 para. 14 j)	●	132nd Session of the Programme Committee	An informal consultation with Permanent Representatives of the Programme Committee took place on 3 September 2021. It outlined revisions requested during the 130th Session of the Programme Committee (22-26 March 2021) while collecting further inputs on the document as needed. The RYAP's revised version, further to the informal consultation, will be presented during the 132nd Session of the Programme Committee.
Action Plan for the Implementation of the FAO Strategy on Mainstreaming Biodiversity across Agricultural Sectors				
9.	<u>Requested</u> its Chair to organize a Members-led, open, transparent and inclusive informal consultation with a view to reaching consensus on the draft action plan, and requested a revised version of the Action Plan to be submitted to the 166th Session of the Council for its consideration <u>REFERENCE</u> : CL 166/9 para. 17 g)	●		The consultation was organized and the Action Plan was approved by the 166th Session of the Council.
FAO Action Plan on Antimicrobial Resistance 2021-2025				
10.	<u>Requested</u> Management to further refine it to reflect the comments raised by the Committee prior to its adoption at the 166th Session of the Council under item 9 – Report of the 130 th Session of the Programme Committee <u>REFERENCE</u> : CL 166/9 para. 19 c)	●		The Action Plan was revised according to the guidance provided by the 130th Session of the Programme Committee. It was approved by the 166th Session of the Council.
11.	<u>Requested</u> Management to report progress regularly on the implementation of the Action Plan, through the appropriate Governing Bodies and relevant documents, including as an annex in the Programme Implementation Report and to include AMR indicators in the FAO's results framework	●	Joint Meeting of the Programme Committee and the Finance Committee (May 2022)	Regular update on the implementation progress is arranged, and progress has been reported to the Informal Bureau meeting of the 28th Session of the Committee on Agriculture (COAG 28) with technical divisions on 30 June 2021.

	<u>REFERENCE</u> : CL 166/9 para. 19 k)			
12.	Requested consultations with Membership on the Action Plan as well as on the proposed indicators on AMR. <u>REFERENCE</u> : CL 166/9 para. 19 l); CL 165/10 para. 25 b), c); CL 164/6 Rev.1 para. 15.c), d), g), i)	●		The draft Action Plan on AMR 2021-2025 was presented in the 27th Session of COAG, the 34th Session of the Committee on Fisheries and had two rounds of informal consultations with Members before the 130th Session of the Programme Committee (PC130), in which Version 4 was presented. During PC130, the Committee “took note of the updated FAO Action Plan (Version 4) on AMR 2021-2025 and requested Management to further refine it to reflect the comments raised by the Committee prior to its adoption at the 166th Session of the Council under item 9 – Report of the 130th Session of the Programme Committee”. Another consultation was organized before the Council. The 166th session of the Council adopted the final version 6 (refined after PC130).
One Health approach in FAO’s work on zoonoses and AMR				
13.	Requested regular update on this work. <u>REFERENCE</u> : CL 166/9 para. 20 f)	●	132nd Session of the Programme Committee	Update was provided regularly. Details will be provided at the 132nd Session of the Programme Committee.
Update on the new Strategy for Private Sector Engagement				
14.	<u>Commended</u> the extensive progress in the design and implementation of the CONNECT portal and <u>looked forward</u> to the anticipated updates on key deliverables at the next meeting of the Programme Committee <u>REFERENCE</u> : CL 166/9 para. 25 e)	●	132nd Session of the Programme Committee	Update has been incorporated in document PC132/2
Strengthening the governance and oversight of FAO’s Country Programming Framework (CPF)				
15.	<u>Requested</u> further information on the Common Country Analysis (CCA) especially on conceptualization of the preparation, implementation and follow-up, and <u>welcomed</u> its use throughout the process to validate findings and advance advocacy around the 2030 Agenda and <u>stressed</u> the need of involvement of governments in these analyses. <u>REFERENCE</u> : CL 165/10 para. 10 j)	●		Included in the Strategic Framework 2022-31 (Document C 2021/7) Section E, “FAO’s normative work” and “Delivering as a unified FAO”, and in the MTP 2022-25/PWB 2022-23, paragraphs 21 – 26.
Terms of Reference of the International Platform for Digital Food and Agriculture				
16.	<u>Requested</u> the Platform to develop a framework on the basis of the recommended practices related to the digital food and agriculture for Members’ consideration through FAO Governing Bodies processes, following the review of the Terms of Reference by the Council. <u>REFERENCE</u> : CL 165/10 para. 16 d)	●		The 166th Session of the Council approved the Terms of Reference of the International Platform for Digital Food and Agriculture, and the Secretariat is currently working on establishing the Platform. Once the Platform is established it will initiate the development of a framework on recommendations related to digital food and agriculture.

FAO's Technical Cooperation Programme				
17.	Consultation(s) with Members regarding the relevant TCP criteria and requested an update. <u>REFERENCE</u> : CL 165/10 para. 17 i), 17 j); CL 166/8 para. 12	●		The 166 th Session of the Council held in May 2021 underlined the recommendation for Management to complete a strategic exercise with the aim [...] to refine the Technical Cooperation Programme (TCP) criteria of resource allocation to Regions. As an immediate follow-up, the strategic exercise has been initiated and two informal consultations with Members on TCP allocation of resource shares to regions were already held on 16 July and 10 September 2021. The progress in supporting Members to review the TCP regional shares and the outcome of the consultations will be presented to the Joint Meeting of the 132nd Session of the Programme Committee and the 188th Session of the Finance Committee.
EVALUATION MATTERS				
Evaluation of FAO's role and work on Antimicrobial Resistance				
18.	<u>Requested</u> FAO to engage in the development of a long-term, science- and evidence-based strategy on AMR based on an inclusive process with the membership. <u>REFERENCE</u> : CL 166/9 para. 22 b)	●		A brainstorming meeting was organized through the AMR Working Group to discuss the strategy's way forward and critical elements. It was agreed that the FAO strategy would fit the FAO Strategic Framework 2022-31 and align with the tripartite AMR strategic framework (the TPT AMR SF is not finalized yet).
Evaluation of FAO's support to climate action (SDG13) and the implementation of FAO Strategy on Climate Change (2017)				
19.	Inclusive consultations to start the development of a new FAO Strategy on climate change. <u>REFERENCE</u> : CL 166/9 para. 23 n); CL 166/REP para. 24 i)	●	June 2022	The process has been initiated with the organization of consultations to Members and partners. An annotated outline of the strategy will be presented at the 132nd Session of the Programme Committee, where this item is included in its Provisional Agenda.
20.	<u>Invited</u> the Office of Evaluation to organize informal presentations on: the evaluation of humanitarian – development – peace nexus, the real time evaluation of FAO's desert locust response, the evaluation on International Plant Protection Convention (IPPC), if so decided by the Governing Bodies of the IPPC, the evaluation of the Lake Chad strategy, and Evaluation of the Regional Office for Latin America and the Caribbean <u>REFERENCE</u> : CL 165/10 para. 20 b)	●		Pending informal presentations on the Evaluation of the Regional Office for Latin America and the Caribbean and the Desert Locust will be delivered early 2022.