

Programme Title:	Joint Programme on Gender Equality and Women Empowerment - Rural Women Economic Empowerment Component Joint Programme
Country:	Ethiopia

I. Joint Programme Information

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Sectorial area of intervention and policy objectives

Food security and nutrition

UN Lead Agency:

UN Women (UN Women)

UN Participating Organizations:

Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO)
International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD)
World Food Programme (WFP)

Local Partners:

a) Government of Ethiopia (GoE):
Federal level: Ministry of Agriculture and Natural Resources(MoANR); Ministry of Finance and Economic Cooperation (MoFEC); Ministry of Women and Children Affairs (MoWCA); Agriculture Transformation Agency (ATA), and Federal Cooperative Agency (FCA), Farmer Training Centers (FTC), Academic Institution, and Land Administration Agency.

Regional level: Bureau of Finance and Economic Development (BoFEDs); Bureaus of Women and Children Affairs (BoWCAs); Regional Bureaus of Agriculture (BoA); Regional Agricultural Research Institutes, Farmers Training Centers, Cooperative Development Bureaus, and Regional Micro Finance Institutions , Rural Saving and Credit Cooperative Organizations(RUSACOs) in Afar and Oromia.

c) Civil Society Organizations:

Organization for Women in Self Employment (WISE) and Society for Women and AIDS in Africa-Ethiopia.

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III. Financial information

Detailed Financial Report:

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SDG-F Funds

UN Agency	Total approved funds	Total funds Transferred to date	Total funds committed to date	Total funds disbursed to date
Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO)	246,016.00	157,232.00	60,987.00	5,097.00
International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD)	106,963.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
World Food Programme (WFP)	191,839.00	139,560.00	91,963.74	91,963.74
UN Women (UN Women)	955,182.00	366,106.00	414,380.19	275,779.71

Total	1,500,000.00	662,898.00	567,330.93	372,840.45
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Matching Funds

Name of source	Total approved funds	Total funds Transferred to date	Total funds committed to date	Total funds disbursed to date
Norway and Sweden through MPTF	1,288,256.00	1,288,256.00	609,732.04	548,858.66

Total	1,288,256.00	1,288,256.00	609,732.04	548,858.66
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IV. Beneficiaries

Total number of direct beneficiaries to date:

17471

Direct Beneficiaries – Breakdown

Beneficiary type - individual	Total	Female	Male	Comments
Farmers	2,379	2,374	5	From the 2379 targeted women, 1964 were provided a training on control and management of household food reserve and 900 women got access to finance (start-up capital) after they were trained on basic financial, business management, entrepreneurship, saving and credit and leadership concepts.

Entrepreneurs	1	1		This is the woman entrepreneur supported to get training on Women Economic Empowerment at the Golda Meir MASHAV Carmel International Training Center(MCTC) in Haifa, Israel.
Civil servants/government	482	201	280	The 264 civil servants include those experts of the participating government implementing partners. The experts were trained on gender mainstreaming and gender responsive budgeting, result based management ToT on community conversation, on basic financial, business management, entrepreneurship, saving and credit and leadership concepts and gender and leadership and RWEE JP focal person in the Adamitulu Districts of Oromia Region who were supported to get training on Women Economic Empowerment at the Golda Meir MASHAV Carmel International Training Center(MCTC) in Haifa, Israel.
Indigenous	395	21	374	These are the community members addressed by the CC conducted in Afar.
Children	14,214			The number of children remain the same as they are related with the targeted beneficiaries.
Youth				
Other 1				
Total	17,471	2,597	659	

Beneficiary type - institutional	Total	Comments
SMEs		
Cooperatives	10.00	These cooperatives are the Rural Saving and Credit Cooperative Organizations that are being strengthened to provide support (credit/leadership) to the 2374 rural women beneficiaries of the projects. The Cooperative Organisations targeted are in four (4) Districts of Afar and Oromia Regional States.
Government/municipal organizations	34.00	These are the government agencies and includes government bureaus of Agriculture, Women and Children Affairs, Small and Medium Enterprise Development Agencies and Women Federations at the federal, regional and district levels. They are responsible for developing and implementing government's policies as well as allocating resources for priorities.
Private sector		
Community-based organizations	4	These are the Regional and District Level Women Associations, Women Federations and Self-help Groups (SHGs) in Afar and Oromia Regions.
NGOs	2	Organization for Women in Self Employment (WISE) and Society for Women and AIDS in Africa-Ethiopia.

Total	50	

Indirect Beneficiaries - Breakdown

Beneficiary type - individual	Total	Female	Male	Comments
Farmers				
Entrepreneurs				
Civil servants/government				
Indigenous				
Children				
Youth				
Total				

Beneficiary type - institutional	Total	Comments
SMEs		
Cooperatives		
Government/municipal organizations		
Private sector		
Community-based organizations		
NGOs		
Total		

Any other information regarding JP beneficiaries*:

e.g. # training workshops / # people trained (disaggregated by sex)

- 125 experts (45 Female and 80 Male) were trained on Gender Mainstreaming and Gender Responsive Budgeting (GRB) training from participating sector offices of both regions
- 28 district level experts of Oromia region (Female 7 and 21 Male) took ToT on basic financial, business management, entrepreneurship, saving and credit and leadership concepts
- 900 rural women in the three targeted districts of Oromia region were trained on basic financial, business management, entrepreneurship, saving and credit and leadership concepts by the trained 28 experts
- 36 experts (Female 14 and Male 22) of Cooperative Promotion Agencies of Afar and Oromia Regions were trained on gender and leadership
- 25 Community Facilitators of Afar (CFs) were trained on CC facilitation skill and dialogue techniques
- 900 targeted women received financial assistance to set up and strengthen their business

e.g. # people received financial assistance to set up a business (dis-aggregated by sex)

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V. Joint Programme Progress

Expected Results (Outcomes & outputs)	Progress	Difficulties	Expected deliverables
JP Outcome 1: Rural women improve their food security and nutrition			
JP Output 1.1: Rural women's access and control management over local food household reserve increased	In this reporting period, 1964 rural women (1496 Oromia and 468 Afar) are able to gain the basic knowledge and skill on control and management of household food reserve through the trained 47 (Female 27 Male 20) agricultural Development Agents (DAs) and Health Extension Workers (HEWs).		As a continuation of this effort, the trained Development Agents and Health Extension Workers will continue providing individualized and group-based technical support to the targeted women to help them manage their household harvest and minimize wastage. Additionally, experience sharing exposures will be created for the women to learn more on the subject matter coupled with introduction of innovative post-harvest technologies at household and cooperative level where the targeted women are organized.
JP Output 1.2: Rural women's and their household's nutritional status improved	No Progress in this reporting period		As a next step, the targeted women will be provided with improved vegetable seeds and seeding as well as with rearing of small animals/poultry/handicraft.
JP Outcome 2: Rural women increase their income to sustain their livelihoods			
JP Output 2.1: Women's increased capacity to produce goods with diversified access to local markets	Income Generating Activities (IGAs) for rural women including feasible agricultural activities with their market opportunities are identified through the market assessment conducted in the four targeted districts of Oromia and Afar regions. The findings of this assessment indicated that for women in Oromia, IGAs that include Vegetable production, Small Scale fattening, Hand Craft such as Cultural dish serving & wedding gifts Roasted barley (Yegebs Kolo), Beekeeping (Honey production) and Vegetable production were feasible. For Afar women, IGAs that include Shoa fattening and marketing, handicraft production & marketing, Grain mill, fodder processing and marketing are identified with their potential markets. In addition to enabling the women engage in feasible IGAs, the finding of the assessment will serve to easily identify and provide the relevant time and labor saving technologies and inputs which are expected to increase the productivity of the rural women and to tailor and execute the specific skills training for the women.		The next step to realizing this result will be to support the targeted women to strengthen their IGAs with relevant technologies and technical support and continuously work on creating diversified market linkage for the targeted women in collaboration with Cooperative Promotion Agencies (CPAs), Bureau of Women and Children Affairs (BoWCA), Women Entrepreneur Associations (WEAs) and regional Medium and Small Enterprise Development Agencies (MSEDAs) and provide them with specific technical trainings on the identified IGAs so as to expand the market outlets of the targeted women, increase their income and create sustainable livelihoods.

Expected Results (Outcomes & outputs)	Progress	Difficulties	Expected deliverables
<p>JP Output 2.2: Rural women access to holistic income-generating facilities and to gender-sensitive financial and non-financial services increased</p>	<p>Creating individual and institutional level capacities of participating government sector offices and women organizations which are responsible to serve the targeted women in the regions is the strategy being employed to pave the way for the realization of this output. Accordingly, in this reporting period: Through the five days gender mainstreaming and Gender Responsive Budgeting (GRB) training, 125 experts (45 Female and 80 Male) of the programme participating sector offices of Oromiya region are able to identify gender issues and interventions to be inculcated in their respective sector plan of 2009 Ethiopian Fiscal Year (EFY) which just started in July 2016. The ten women Rural Saving and Credit Cooperative Organizations (RUSAACOs) are organized and strengthened with the necessary resources (account registers, financial resources) that enabled them to provide financial and non-financial services for the targeted rural women in the regions. As a result of the above created capacities, out of the 2374 members of the ten targeted RUSACCOs, 900 rural women in Oromia got access to credit/financial service in the form of revolving fund. These women have started to use the credit in building their assets by starting and strengthening their IGAs that include cattle fattening, dairy production, petty trades, small scale irrigation, small ruminant rearing and fattening. Besides, through the awareness creation and gender sensitization session conducted by the Bureau of Women and Children Affairs with the Woreda Women and Children Affairs Office, 990 rural women and their spouses of the two regions are empowered with valuable information to make informed decisions about the real situation of their localities, and trace available financial and non-financial services and to claim their right to access them.</p>	<p>The security situation of the country in the past few months, especially in Oromia Region has challenged the JP's TWG to closely follow up and monitor those women who accessed financial resources. Currently as the situation got improved the technical support is expected to continue.</p>	<p>The upcoming steps in the coming reporting period will be to continue strengthening the women institutions (RUSAACOs) the gender machineries and agriculture and cooperative offices so that they will continue offering the financial, technical and capacity building services for the targeted women. Meeting with High Officials of the Sector Offices will also be held to get their commitment in promoting Gender Equality and Women Empowerment so that gender mainstreaming is institutionalized in the sectors. The awareness raising campaign on services available will also be a continuous activity in the coming period targeting individual women, women's association and members of cooperatives.</p>

Expected Results (Outcomes & outputs)	Progress	Difficulties	Expected deliverables
JP Output 2.3: Rural women increased their knowledge and incorporate acquired skills on financial literacy, entrepreneurship and sustainable agriculture techniques	Through the three-day trainings provided by the trained 28 district level experts (Female 7 and 21 Male), 900 rural women in the three targeted districts of Oromia region enhanced their knowledge on the basic financial, business management, entrepreneurship, saving and credit and leadership concepts.		As a next step, MoU is also signed with the Organization for Women in Self Employment (WISE) to provide additional extensive IGA package trainings and conduct Integrated Functional Adult Literacy (IFAL) programmes through the experienced professional trainers and facilitators of the organization for IFAL Facilitators and 900 Targeted women from the three districts of Oromia Region. Trainings on business and life skills, experience sharing exposures for the remaining targeted women in Oromia and Afar and capacitating the Farmers Training Centers to provide gender sensitive services for the targeted women will also be the next steps for the way forward.
JP Output 2.4: Rural women have increased access to productive resources (land and agricultural inputs)	In this reporting period, a local CSO was commissioned and brought onboard to identify and assess the feasibility of time and labor saving technologies to be provided to the targeted women. Additionally, the procurement process to provide agricultural inputs and technologies for the targeted rural women is initiated.		As the next steps, the women will have access to the identified and feasible agricultural inputs and the efforts which aimed at benefiting women from the ongoing government joint land certification processes will also continue.
JP Outcome 3: Rural women strengthen their voice in decisions that affect their lives			

Expected Results (Outcomes & outputs)	Progress	Difficulties	Expected deliverables
<p>JP Output 3.1: Rural women confidence and leadership skills built to fully participate in rural institutions, cooperatives and unions</p>	<p>At the outset of the JP, the inherited individual, community and institutional level deep orientations and practices were identified as the major factors which hamper women not to have confidence and exercise their leadership roles at households, community and institutional levels. In order to address this barrier, individual level leadership trainings and exposures for the targeted women, Community Conversations (CCs) on gender issues at community level and capacitating the experts of federal and regional experts of federal cooperatives to promote women membership and leadership participation in their cooperatives has been employed as a strategy. As a result, at individual level, 60 rural women are enabled to assume different positions in the leadership committees of their ten RUSSACOs following their establishment and strengthening coupled with the exposure visits of other RUSSACOs and the leadership training provided. At community level, the first CC session was conducted by the Women Children Affairs Office experts on gender by addressing 395 community members (Female 21 and Male 374) of the targeted district in Afar region through the 25 Community Facilitators (CFs) trained on CC facilitation skill and dialogue techniques by the office. At institutional level, 36 experts (Female 14 and Male 22) of the regional and district Cooperative Promotion Agency (CPAs) enhanced their knowledge and understandings through the five-day gender and leadership training which enables them to develop a framework for identify and implement gender sensitive services to increase the membership and leadership engagements of rural women in agricultural and general cooperative.</p>		<p>As a next step, selected Community Facilitators will be trained based on the CC Manual to be adopted from the P4P programme implemented by WFP. Following that, a consecutive community dialogue sessions and CCs in both regions will be conducted through these trained community facilitators to enable the community to declare resolutions through the critical mass created to promote and pursue gender equality and to become an ally of the rural women to engage in leadership and other social/local governance systems. The discussions will involve both targeted women, their husbands and family members, religious leaders, elderly, and administrators. Moreover, these experts are expected to work continually on increasing the membership and leadership engagements of rural women in male dominant cooperatives to 35 % as it was set in the engendered cooperative strengthening manual developed by the Federal Cooperative Agency.</p>
<p>JP Outcome 4: Gender responsive policy and institutional environment for women's economic empowerment in place</p>			

Expected Results (Outcomes & outputs)	Progress	Difficulties	Expected deliverables
<p>JP Output 4.1. Agriculture key stakeholders, including relevant government bodies, capacity enhanced to conduct gender analysis and integrate gender sensitive indicators and targets in planning and budgeting</p>	<p>In the last reporting period, it was communicated that a National Network for Gender Equality in Agriculture was established and popularized to advocate for gender responsiveness of the agriculture sector policies, strategies and programmes, using evidence based advocacy, capacity building, knowledge and information sharing. In follow up, a workshop was held to identify key tasks of the network. Accordingly, action plans were developed for one year and for five years. It was also agreed that in addition to the Network Management where Agricultural Transformation Agency (ATA) and UN Women are members with leadership of the Ministry of Agriculture and Natural Resources (MoANR) Women Affairs Directorate (WAD), advisory group need to be set up to support and advice the management of the Network to effectively roll out the planned action points of the Network. Hence, the advisory group was set up composed of Ministry of Women and Children Affairs (MoWCA), International Livestock Research Institute (ILRI's), and International Water Management Institute (IWMI's), Livestock and Irrigation Value Chain for Ethiopian Smallholders (LIVES) Programme, Agriculture Knowledge Learning Documentation and Policy (AKLDP), DFATD/ Global Affairs Canada (GAC), Oxfam America, CARE, USAID, GIZ-SLM, Send a Cow, and The Ethiopian Horticulture Producers and Exporters Association (EHPEA). Currently, MoANR with the support of the advisory group is working towards organizing a secretariat for effective operationalization of the Network. With the technical support from the JP and members of the task force where UN Women is also a member, the Gender Equality Strategy for Agricultural Sector is developed with leadership of MoANR WAD and ATA. Currently the draft strategy is being reviewed by the regions. In the process UN Women was able to provide concrete inputs to ensure comprehensiveness of the strategy.</p>		<p>As a follow up, the Gender Directorate of MoANR will be supported to popularize the strategy once it is finalized and endorsed by management of the ministry.</p>

Cross-cutting issues

How has the JP addressed during the reporting period (please provide concrete actions):

1) The **sustainability** of the JP work. (200 words)

In this reporting period, the JP continued to implement its holistic multi-sector activities by using the federal and regional state government structures. Specifically, Institutional level capacity building activities were conducted for the participating government offices to help them provide gender sensitive services and ensure national ownership of the JP results. Material and financial supports was also provided for the targeted 900 women and their RUSACOs to capacitate the women institutions and in turn create a favorable environment for the sustainability of the JP's results.

Besides, as part of the institutional capacity building interventions, 50 regional and district level experts (Female 13 and Male 37) of implementing partners in Oromia Region enhanced their knowledge on result based planning, monitoring, implementation, evaluation and reporting through the three-day training conducted on Result Based Management (RBM). These experts have also been well acquainted with the Performance Monitoring Framework (PMF) of the JP to use it as their main point of reference to jointly implement, track, monitor, evaluate, report and ensure the sustainability of the results of the JP.

2) The promotion of **women's empowerment and gender equality**. (200 words)

During the reporting period, there has been institutional, community and individual level interventions implemented to promote women's empowerment and gender equality.

At institutional level, a specific training on Gender Mainstreaming and Gender Responsive Budgeting (GRB) was provided to strengthen the capacity of the Regional Bureaus of Women and Children Affairs (BoWCA) and participating sector offices to develop strategies and action plan on how the institutions can mainstream gender and allocate budget to provide gender responsive financial and non-financial services for the targeted women. As a result, participating sector offices of both regions are able to identify gender issues and interventions to be inculcated in their respective sector plan of 2009 Ethiopian Fiscal Year (EFY) which was started in July 2016. Additionally, the Network for the Gender Equality in Agriculture is continuing its activities by developing action plans to ensure the realization of gender responsive agricultural sector in Ethiopia.

At community level, gender awareness creation sessions (campaigns) were conducted by involving the spouses of the targeted women. These activities are intended to address the root causes of gender inequalities and as a result, the rural women and their spouses of the two regions are empowered with valuable information to make informed decisions.

3) The engagement in **public-private partnerships**. (200 words)

In this reporting period, efforts were exerted by the JP to create partnership and service contractual agreements with public and other project initiatives funded by bilateral donors. For Instance, discussions were conducted with a public organization called Ethiopia Climate Innovative Center (ECIC) to jointly identify climate resilience and innovative post-harvest and other production technologies and potential capacity building opportunities relevant to increase the productivity of the women friendly IGAs as identified by the market assessment conducted in the JP.

The JP also established a formal partnership with the Land Administration to Nurture Development (LAND) Project, led and funded by USAID to leverage on experiences of the project and to establish women land right taskforce in Afar and strengthen the one established in Oromia Region. The responsibility of these task forces will be to have their regional Rural Land Use and Administration Proclamations be revised and incorporate gender-sensitive articles as incorporated in the recently revised Federal Proclamation and based on their contexts.

Additionally, private consultants are also hired to identify the gaps of selected Farmers/pastoral training centers in providing gender sensitive services for rural women and adopt the CC manual of the P4P project

by WFP and provide ToT for CFs to be selected from the government offices and the targeted community.

Communication and Advocacy

Has the JP articulated an advocacy & communication actions that helps advance its policy objectives and development outcomes?:

Yes

Please describe communication activities developed as part of the JP. :

Using the SDG-Fund's visual identity guide, a comprehensive Communications and Knowledge Management strategy for the Rural Women Economic Empowerment (RWEE) JP was developed. Implementation of the strategy started according to the specific time frames. The strategy is shared with the main donor, SDG-Fund and the RWEE JP team members.

A three-fold informative brochure about the JP is also developed and shared to targeted audience to create awareness and enhance visibility of SDGs in general and RWEE JP in particular. Additionally, base stories of selected beneficiaries in the two operational districts of the program were developed and shared with photos to SDG-Fund's communications Specialist and the Rome based RWEE JP Coordinator.

To create standard publication formats and to promote 'one communication', standard PowerPoint Presentation format was developed and shared with the JP team members. Besides, the SDG-Fund's visual identity guide has been used to finalize the baseline study of RWEE JP and incorporate archived program's Photos and produce reports and PowerPoint Presentations. These contribute towards visibility enhancement. UN Women Ethiopia's Best Practices 2015 bulletin, which includes contents on the overall JP activities was also produced and distributed.

During the reporting period, SDG-Fund's Secretariat visit of Yayagulele district was also supported through documentation including photos taking and sharing.

Please provide concrete gains on how the the JP communication and advocacy efforts have increased awareness on SDGs.:

Beyond supporting Goal 5, achieve gender equality and empower all women and girls', which the JP is mainly based on, the communications and advocacy efforts has been working to support the progress of the overall Sustainable Development Goals including those interrelated to Goal 5, such as Goal 1: End poverty in all its forms everywhere, Goal 2: End hunger, achieve food security and improved nutrition, and promote sustainable agriculture Goal 8: Promote inclusive and sustainable economic growth, employment and decent work for all.

For instance, the informative brochures of RWEE JP produced and distributed to internal and external targeted audience, gives as a background the fact that the overall goal of the program, which is to secure rural women's livelihoods and rights, is developed in the context of the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). The specific outcomes outlined is the same leaflet inform the reader under the same context. Similarly, the Communications and knowledge management strategy including the tools and structure for use is developed taking into consideration the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) as its benchmark. Whenever a background information is provided on the program through electronic or print media, the programme's contribution towards achieving SDG goals have been mentioned as the foundation. The story shared with the UN Women headquarters on intervention related to women and agriculture in June 2016 has increased awareness of the JP at global level.

JP twitter handle:

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Other social media channels managed by joint programme (Instagram, Google+, You Tube...):

One UN Coordination and Delivering as One

The SDG-F is based on the principles of effective development cooperation, inclusion and participation and One UN coordination.

Actions	Description
Managerial practices (financial, procurement, etc.) implemented jointly by the UN implementing agencies for SDG-F JPs	
Joint analytical work (studies, publications, etc.) undertaken jointly by UN implementing agencies for SDG-F JPs	The market assessment is completed, validated and the final report produced as a joint publication of the four participating UN agencies. The brochure and the RWEE JP Partners' Guide are also another publication produced jointly by the four agencies.
Joint activities undertaken jointly by UN implementing agencies for SDG-F JPs	The annual programme review meeting and planning workshop for the 2009 Ethiopian Physical year, technical working group meetings, validation workshop of the market assessment, donor reporting, recruitment of UNV for Oromia region were jointly conducted.
Other, please specify:	The three agencies (UN Women, WFP and FAO) have provided a coordinated leadership that has helped strengthen the relationship with the national implementing partners. All agencies are very clear on their roles and responsibilities, and play a facilitative role to the program

What types of coordination mechanisms and decisions have been taken to ensure joint delivery? :

During the reporting period, programme review meeting, which brings all the programme stakeholders together, including H.E. the Minister of MoWCA, was conducted for two days. The review meeting assessed the progress being made in JP since its official commencement and identified challenges in the implementation of the program and put forward possible ways to improve implementation and joint delivery within the remaining programme time frame.

The meeting also supported the development of the 2009 Annual Work Plan (AWP) of the JP based on the planning framework in the United Nations Development Assistant Framework (UNDAF) and to be approved by Ministry of Finance and Economic Cooperation (MoFEC). Additionally, a specific RWEE Partner's Guide which gives clear direction on the programme coordination, communication, implementing, monitoring and reporting activities of the programme at all level and which clearly state the roles and responsibilities of the regional and district level governance structures (Steering Committees and Technical Working Groups) established in both regions is developed and shared for comments to all concerned stakeholders.

National Ownership: Paris, Accra and Busan Commitments

The SDG-F strengthens the UN system's ability to deliver results in an integrated and multi-dimensional manner by supporting the Joint Programme modality and by bringing together United Nations Agencies and national counterparts in a collective effort to ensure ownership and sustainability of results of JPs and advance towards the SDGs.

Partners	Involvement *	Type of involvement	Examples

Partners	Involvement *	Type of involvement	Examples
Government (specify national/local)	Fully involved	Policy-decision making Service Provision	Ministry of Women and Children Affairs Ministry of Agriculture and Natural Resources Federal Cooperative Agency
Private Sector			
Civil Society	Fully involved	Service Provision	Society for women and AIDS in Africa-Ethiopia(SWAA-E) Organization for Women in Self Employment (WISE)
Academia	Slightly involved	Service Provision	Ethiopia Climate Innovation Center, hosted by the Horn of Africa-Regional Environment Centre and Network, Addis Ababa University

* Implementation of activities and the delivery of outputs

Please briefly describe the current situation of the government, private sector and civil society on regards of ownership, align:

In this reporting period, the following implementing partners were able to engage in the JP by assuming different roles.

FAO- has been engaged in providing technical support to the Oromiya Agriculture Bureau and Afar Pastoral and Agriculture Development Bureaus to provide training for the targeted women on control and management of household food reserve and initiate procurements of post-harvest technologies and agricultural inputs. The agency also led the Market Assessment conducted to identify women friendly post-harvest technologies, IGAs and potential markets for the targeted women.

UN Women Ethiopian Country Office: has been engaged in providing technical support and coordinating the overall programme implementation, monitoring and reporting activities of the JP together with the MoWCA and the Technical Working Group(TWG). Specifically, as per the signed AWP, UN Women has transferred funds and provided technical support for Ministry of Women and Children Affairs, Ministry of Agriculture and Federal Cooperative Agency and the regional and district Bureaus of Women and Children Affairs and local CSO to implement those activities planned to create gender responsive policy and institutional environments and access to productive assets and time and labor saving technologies.

WFP: has been engaged in providing technical and financial support for the regional and district level BoWCAs, Cooperative Offices to help them capacitate the women RUSACOs, train and provide access to finance to the 900 rural women reached in this reporting period. The Agency has also recruited consultants to identify the gaps of selected Farmers/pastoral training centers in providing gender sensitive services for rural women, adopt the CC manual of the P4P project and provide ToT for CC facilitators.

At Federal level: Ministry of Women and Children Affairs, Ministry of Agriculture and Natural Resources, Federal Cooperative Agency were those actively engaged in conducting the agreed up on activities that include annual programme review and planning and TWG meetings, supporting the National Network for Gender Equality and provision of gender and leadership training conducted in the reporting period.

At Regional and District level: Bureaus of Women and Children Affairs, Bureaus of Agriculture, Cooperative Promotion Agencies and the RUSACOs in the targeted four districts of Afar and Oromia Regions were engaged in conducting the capacity building (business skill, gender mainstreaming and GRB, RBM, ToT), community conversation, gender awareness creation, monitoring and evaluation activities and provision of financial and non-financial services for the targeted women.

CSO -Society for women and AIDS in Africa-Ethiopia: was engaged in mainly facilitating the feasibility study on time and labor saving technologies planned to be provided for the targeted women in both regions.

Please briefly provide an overall assessment of the governance and managerial structures :

The Residence Coordinator Office(RCO) provided high level direction and guidance to the JP while dealing the fund transfer issues of IFAD and JP's financial reporting challenges to SDG-Fund. Together with UN Women Country Office, it also organized a meeting among the participating Heads of Agencies (HoAs) where the update on the JPs progress has been shared and the aforementioned challenges were dealt. With the leadership and coordination role of MoWCA and UN Women, the TWG has also provided timely and relevant technical support for all the participating government sector offices while implementing the JPs activities. It also conducted its meeting and identified critical issues that need to be resolved timely and those which should be escalated to the attentions of the Steering Committee.

VI. Joint Programme contribution to the SDGs

SDG #	JP Contribution
Goal 1	<p>End poverty in all its forms everywhere</p> <p>Targets to contribute to</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •By 2030, ensure that all men and women, in particular the poor and the vulnerable, have equal rights to economic resources, as well as access to basic services, ownership and control over land and other forms of property, inheritance, natural resources, appropriate new technology and financial services, including micro finance •By 2030, reduce at least by half the proportion of men, women and children of all ages living in poverty in all its dimensions according to national definitions
Goal 2	<p>End hunger, achieve food security and improved nutrition, and promote sustainable agriculture</p> <p>Targets to contribute to</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •By 2030, end hunger and ensure access by all people, in particular the poor and people in vulnerable situations, including infants, to safe, nutritious and sufficient food all year round •By 2030, double the agricultural productivity and incomes of small-scale food producers, in particular women, indigenous peoples, family farmers, pastorals and fishers, including through secure and equal access to land, other productive resources and inputs, knowledge, financial services, markets and opportunities for value addition and non-farm employment
Goal 5	<p>Achieve gender equality and empower all women and girls</p> <p>Targets to contribute to</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Ensure women's full and effective participation and equal opportunities for leadership at all levels of decision making in political, economic and public life •Undertake reforms to give women equal rights to economic resources, as well as access to ownership and control over land and other forms of property, financial services, inheritance and natural resources, in accordance with national laws •Enhance the use of enabling technology, in particular information and communications technology, to promote the empowerment of women •Adopt and strengthen sound policies and enforceable legislation for the promotion
Goal 8	<p>Promote inclusive and sustainable economic growth, employment and decent work for all</p> <p>Target to contribute to</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •By 2030, achieve full and productive employment and decent work for all women and men, including for young people and persons with disabilities, and equal pay for work of equal value

VII. Additional Information

Additional Comments:

The current security situations of the country especially in Oromia region may remain a concern for the

effective implementation of the JP in the region especially monitoring of target woredas/districts as mobility of UN Staffs is limited to some regions.

Attachments

Performance Monitoring Framework *:

 [RWEE-Ethiopia- Performance Monitoring Framework-Updated October 2016.pdf](#)

JP Knowledge Management Plan *:

 [Communication KM Strategy-RWEE JP \(2016\).pdf](#)

NSC and/or PMC Minutes *:

 [RWEE JP TWG meeting_Minutes -24-8-2016 Final+++ .pdf](#)

Publications and reports generated by the JP *:

 [Base Stories of SDG-Fund supported programme.pdf](#)

 [Final Brochure on RWEE-JP\(2016\).pdf](#)

 [RWEE-JP standard PPP template \(2016\).pdf](#)

 [Proceeding for the RWEE Programme Review Meeting++.pdf](#)

 [Ethiopian RWEE JP SDG FR FAO +++2.pdf](#)

 [Ethiopian RWEE JP SDG-FR-UN Women+++2.pdf](#)

 [Joint_Programme_Work_Plan_and_Budget_Reporting_WFP June 30 2016.pdf](#)