

Egypt

Programme Title:	Pro-poor Horticulture Value Chains in Upper Egypt
Programme number & MPTF ref:	MDGF-2047-D-EGY (67258)
Window:	Development & Private Sector
Approved Budget by NSC (US\$):	7.5 million
Participating Organizations:	UNWOMEN, UNIDO, UNDP, ILO
Dates of First /Second installments:	04-Dec-2009 / 05-May-2011

ACTIVITIES REPORTED:

- The programme has directly assisted around 1,400 small scale farmers and around 300 rural women directly. Participants received training in production, post harvest, value addition and packing and packaging and compliance with international standards, increasing productivity, reducing costs and improving income as well as access to markets. Introduction and promotion of value adding industries such as packing and packaging, sun-drying of tomatoes and pomegranate arils.
- Linkages of farmers with input suppliers, assuring the availability and use of quality products as well as food processors, creating marketing channels.
- Infrastructural upgrade of 3 postharvest centers for compliance with quality and food safety requirements. Promotion of group farming, 45 farmers collectively producing okra and 17 collectively producing grapes as well as capacity building for group certification of farmers for good agricultural practices, for improved market access.
- Two shareholding agribusiness companies established by farmers after completion of business plan. 41 women starting their own small businesses after capacity building on entrepreneurship and life skills. Study on financial and non financial services in Upper Egypt
- Desk review of cooperatives law, Framework for the inclusion of women in the horticultural value chains, gender and Trade Action Guide and fact sheet Women in agriculture produced.
- Documentation of experiences in the form of films, reports, success stories, newsletters. Public appearances through website, facebook, linkedin and radio and TV broadcasts.

Problems and lessons learned:

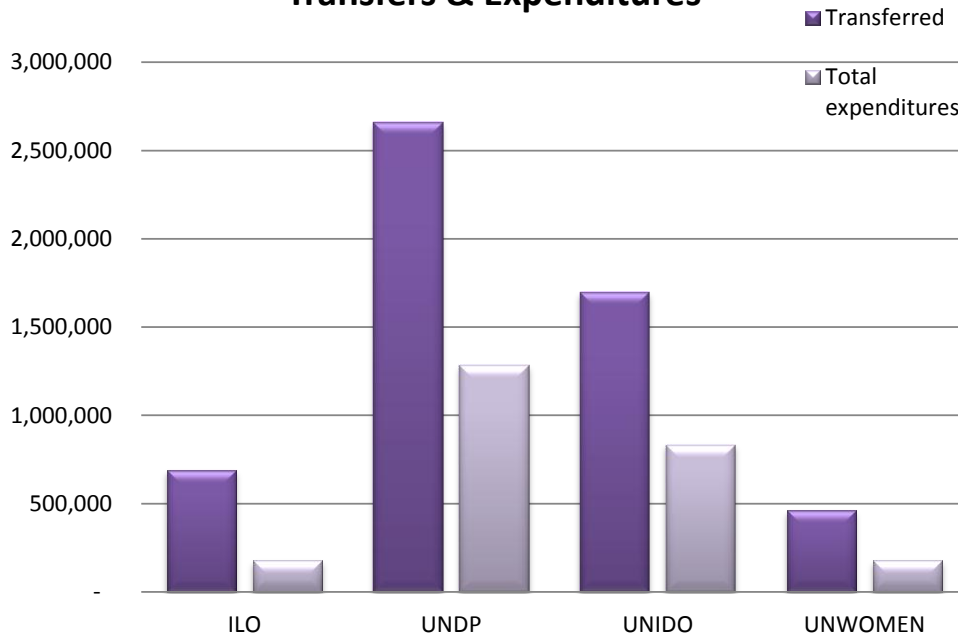
- Safety and security of staff
- Political turmoil
- Change in focal point in UN and Government
- UN Agency Coordination

The programme has communications strategy in place: Yes

CHARTS & FIGURES
As of 31 December 2011

Organization	Approved Budget	Transferred	Exp rate	Total Expenditure	Supplies, equipmt & transport	Personnel	Training of counter	Contracts	Other direct costs	Indirect costs
ILO	1,005,800	690,150	26%	179,071	12,445	67,571	45,210	36,918	5,212	11,715
UNDP	3,246,561	2,660,417	48%	1,282,112	151,717	531,873		352,755	162,779	82,987
UNIDO	2,521,455	1,697,555	49%	833,046	99,586	569,243	70,199	7,903	31,616	54,499
UNWOMEN	725,888	460,742	39%	178,286		98,284		50,000	(140)	30,142
Grand total	7,499,704	5,508,864	45%	2,472,515	263,748	1,266,971	115,409	447,576	199,466	179,343

Transfers & Expenditures



Expenditure by category

