

Ethiopia

Programme Title:	Edible Oil Value Chain Enhancement
Programme number & MPTF ref:	MDGF-2053-D-ETH
Window:	MDGF Private Sector Development
Approved Budget by NSC (US\$):	3 million
Participating Organizations:	FAO, ILO, UNIDO
Dates of First /Second installments:	15-Jan-2010 / 04-Oct-2011

ACTIVITIES REPORTED:

Main Substantive Activities:

1) 4 farmer's unions, 16 Coops and 340 farmers selected as target groups in both regions and received agricultural supplies. Improved nigerseed and linseed oilseeds were multiplied in both Amhara & Oromia Regions through Unions and Cooperatives. 82 agriculture field officers and 189 farmers trained in the use of improved oil seed varieties, agri-business and cooperative principles. 8 primary coops given access to credit. Cleaning and grading equipment purchased for two Unions in both regions. 2) In both Oromia & Amhara Regions, SME Oil Processors have formed 2 new associations (clusters) with 86 members & 2 PLCs with 76 members formed with the objective of establishing Common Facility Centers (CFCs) such as refineries, relocation of their existing facilities to industrial zones, etc. Development of Industrial zones for relocation of edible oil processors from residential areas underway. 3) Capacity building of the associations on-going through hardware support of office equipment & furniture; training for the association, oil processors, public & private sector BDS providers, stakeholders such as leadership, financial literacy, income generation strategy, Value Chain Development, TOT on Managing Occupational Safety & Health (OSH) for MSMEs, processing & maintenance techniques, etc. Various consultancy services and studies such as baseline, diagnostic, refinery feasibility, strategic business plan, etc., are done. A study tour conducted to India to learn relevant experiences from both private and public sectors. 4) Forward & Backward Linkages: The JP has created linkages between farmers unions and oil processors for supply of raw materials and cutting unnecessary middlemen who disrupt the market linkages. The JP has brought together many stakeholders closer together, such as the Universities, Regional Bureaus and Administrative organs for addressing the issues of edible oil problems within the regions and linkages between the associations and the financial sector.

Problems and lessons learned:

Problems: (i) Under-estimation of the time required to perform some activities of the JP, e.g.: start up activities, availability of improved seed, cluster development & (ii) Short remaining project lifetime for consolidation of outcomes and impacts

Lessons learned (as reported in the Mid Term Evaluation): (i) Interventions not foreseen in the formulation, ex. Availability of improved seeds, (ii) JP fits into MoI Agro Industry Master Plan – Piloting Scheme, (iii) Resilience, not being static and being adaptive to situations, (iv) Holistic / Value Chain Approach. Areas of interventions consistent with expertise of UN Agencies. Synergy between ILO & UNIDO, CDAs, Clusters, PLCs, etc., (v) JP has the potential to serve as a model for future sector wide interventions in Ethiopia.

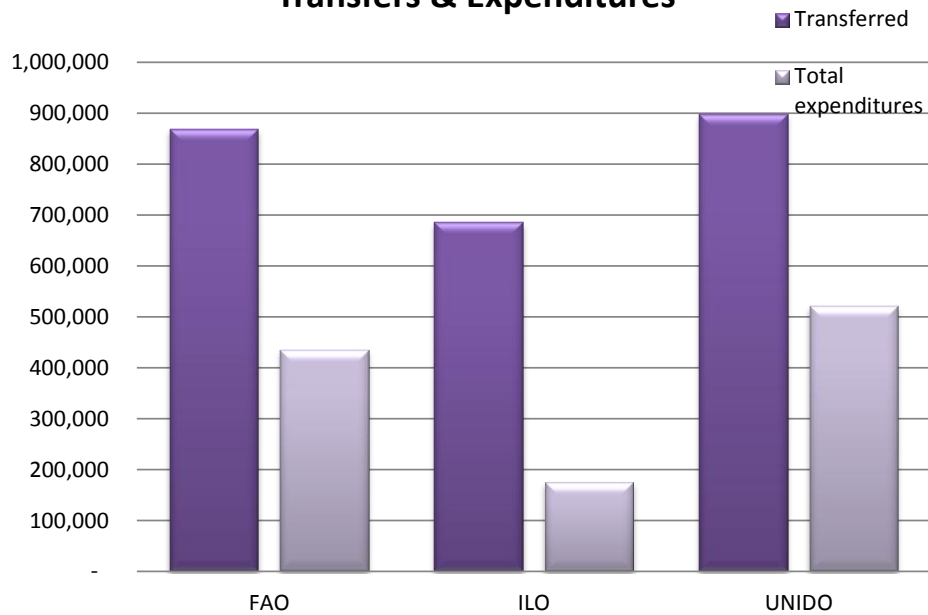
The programme has communications strategy in place: No

As JP implementation has progressed the achievements of the program are being communicated to all stakeholders and the public at large through local newspapers, web sites & success stories. Currently, the JP has prepared and distributed a booklet/brochure for dissemination of the situation analysis, its objectives, lessons learned/progress so far and on the way forward. In addition, JP staff have also participated in Success Story Telling training organized by the RCO office and stories have been written and distributed to various audiences.

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
FAO	1,061,012	867,770	50%	434,057	5,179	24,883	17,099	353,670	4,831	28,396
ILO	782,170	684,800	26%	174,859	19,803	60,508	75,809	6,892	408	11,439
UNIDO	1,156,724	898,800	58%	520,516	145,277	265,292	27,044	30,000	19,858	33,045
Grand total	2,999,906	2,451,370	46%	1,129,432	170,259	350,683	119,952	390,562	25,097	72,880

Transfers & Expenditures



Expenditure by category

