

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

# I. Joint Programme Information

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#### **Programme title:**

Joint Programme on Gender Equality and Women Empowerment - Rural Women Economic Empowerment Component

#### Sectorial area of intervention and policy objectives

Inclusive economic growth for poverty eradication

#### **UN Lead Agency:**

UN Women (UN Women)

#### **UN Participating Organizations:**

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

#### **Local Partners:**

a) Government of Ethiopia (GoE):

Federal level: Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development (MoA); Ministry of Finance and Economic Development (MoFED); Ministry of Women and Children Affairs (MoWCYA); Agriculture Transformation Agency (ATA), Ethiopian Agricultural Research Institute, Federal Micro and Small Enterprise Development Agency (FeMSEDA), Association for Micro Finance Institutes (AMFIs), and Federal Cooperative Agency (FCA), Water and Energy Ministry (WEM), Ethiopian Agricultural Research Institutes (EARI), Farmer Training Center (FTC), Academic Institution, and Land Administration Agency.

Regional level: Bureau of Finance and Economic Development (BoFEDs); Bureaus of Women and Children Affairs (BoWCYAs); Regional Bureaus of Agriculture and Rural Development (BoA); Regional Agricultural Research Institutes, Farmers Training Centers, Cooperative Development Bureaus, Regional Micro and Small Enterprise Development Agency (ReMSEDAs), and Regional Micro Finance Institutions in Afar and Oromia.

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# III. Financial information

#### **Detailed Financial Report:**

Thiopia RWEE Joint Programme -SDG-Finanacial Report-UN Women +Final.pdf

## SDG-F Funds

UN Agency	Total approved funds	Total funds Transferred to date	Total funds committed to date	Total funds disbursed to date
UN Women (UN Women)	955,182.00	366,106.00	306,274.33	152,437.84
World Food Programme (WFP)	191,839.00	139,560.00	91,963.74	91,963.74
International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD)	106,963.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO)	246,016.00	157,232.00	0.00	0.00

Total	1,500,000.00	662,898.00	398,238.07	244,401.58
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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	410,701.55	368,996.35

Total	1,288,256.00	1,288,256.00	410,701.55	368,996.35

# **IV. Beneficiaries**

#### **Total number of direct beneficiaries to date:**

2596

# Direct Beneficiaries - Breakdown

Beneficiary type - individual	Total	Female	Male	Comments
Farmers	2,379	2,374	5	These beneficiaries are those reorganized and strengthened into 10 legal Rural Saving and Credit Cooperative Organizations RSACCOs
Entrepreneurs				
Civil servants/government	217	122	95	These are the civil servants, higher officials, and experts of participating national, regional and district level implementing partners
Indigenous				

Children	14,214			
Youth				
Other 1	14,000			Community members and families of targeted women benefiting from community conversation sessions
Total	30,810	2,496	100	

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	1	Organization for Women in Self Employment(WISE)
Total	49	

# Indirect Beneficiaries - Breakdown

Beneficiary type - individual	Total	Female	Male	Comments
Farmers				
Entrepreneurs				
Civil servants/government				
Indigenous				
Children				
Youth				
Total	0	0.00	0.00	

Beneficiary type - institutional	Total	Comments
SMEs		
Cooperatives		

Government/municipal organizations	
Private sector	
Community-based organizations	
NGOs	
Total	

#### Any other information regarding JP beneficiaries\*:

15 (9 Female, 6 Male) Development Agents/ Extension Workers trained on control and management of food reserve in Afar Region

32 (18, Female, 14 Male) Development Agents/ Extension Workers trained on control and management of food reserve from the three targeted districts of Oromia Region

82 stakeholders (50 female; 32 male) participants from government sector ministries at the Federal and Regional Levels participated in action oriented workshop organized to review legal frameworks, land use and administration proclamation and agricultural policies

88 ( 45 Female and 43 Male ) higher officials and experts of Regional and District level Bureau sensitized on revolving fund management including revision and translation of relevant guidelines in to local languages, and program coordination

# **V. Joint Programme Progress**

Expected Results (Outcomes & outputs)	Progress	Expected deliverables
JP Outcome 1: Rural women improve their food security and nutrition		

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JP Output 1.1: Rural women's access and control management over local food household reserve increased	In this reporting period, 47(Female 27, and Male 20) Development Agents and Health Extension workers, and development agents of Afar and Oromia Regions are trained on the concepts and practices of control and management of household reserve. As a result of this training, targeted women are expected to improve their capacity of control and management of household reserve.	The following major activities will be conducted as the subsequent steps to realize this output:  -The targeted women will be trained on control and management of local food household food reserve  -Continuous technical support and mentorship will be given for the targeted women to help them apply the knowledge and skills gained from the training.  -Exposure and Experience sharing visits will be organized on post-harvest and local household food reserve for the targeted women and -Innovative post-harvest technologies at household level or cooperative level will be introduced
JP Output 1.2: Rural women's and their households nutritional status improved		
JP Outcome 2: Rural women increase their income to sustain their livelihoods		

Expected Results (Outcomes & outputs)	Progress	Expected deliverables
JP Output 2.1: Women's increased capacity to produce goods with diversified access to local markets	A market assessment which aimed at identifying the existing women friendly agricultural products, technologies (including post-harvest technologies), income generating activities, and opportunities is undergoing. The results of the market assessment will be used to identify women friendly agricultural products, technologies (including postharvest technologies), and income generating activities relevant for the women in the regions and subsequently build their capacities. The finding will also be used to identify potential private partners who could support the JP in providing, market and technology related services. Additionally, revolving fund has been transferred to one region(Oromia) targeted women cooperatives to be managed by women and issued to women based on their business plan	As a next step, women will be trained on specific identified IGA and continuous work on creating diversified market linkage for the targeted women will be done along with Cooperative Bureaus, Bureau Women and Children Affairs, Cooperative Agencies, Women Entrepreneurs Association and Regional Medium and Small enterprise development Agencies so as to increase the capacity of the targeted women to produce good with diversified access to market.  Targeted women who received the first round revolving loan will start on farm and off farm income generation activities that will contribute to their income improvement
JP Output 2.2: Rural women access to holistic income-generating facilities and to gendersensitive financial and non-financial services increased	88(45 Female and 43 Male) higher officials and experts of Regional and District level Bureau of Women and Children Affairs, Cooperative Agencies, Bureau of Agriculture, leaders of women SACCOs and Women Associations are sensitized on revolving fund management including revision and translation of relevant guidelines in to local languages, on coordination, targeting for the Joint programme and brought aboard for effective realization of the expected JP results. From experiences of other similar programs and projects, the trends of providing financial resources for women without initially increasing the business skill and knowledge of targeted women and helping them to identify profitable income generating activities, proofed to be a failed approach to create sustainable livelihoods. Leveraging on this lesson, the JP paved the way for effective realization of this result by sensitizing and guiding the participating sector offices of the targeted regions responsible to provide holistic income generating facilities and gender sensitive financial and non-financial services.	As a next step, gender mainstreaming training which aimed at building the capacity of service providers to provide gender sensitive financial and non-financial services for the targeted women will be conducted. Integrally, continuous technical support which aimed at improving the existing services of RUSACCOS and PASACCOS and facilitate the development of new gender sensitive financial products will be conducted.

Expected Results (Outcomes & outputs)	Progress	Expected deliverables
JP Output 2.3: Rural women increased their knowledge and incorporate acquired skills on financial literacy, entrepreneurship and sustainable agriculture techniques	In the reporting period, 20 Women leaders of the 10 SACCOs targeted in the districts of Oromia and Afar regions gained knowledge on the levels and types of cooperatives, the benefits of continuous saving, usage of business plan and conducting feasibility study, how to manage revolving fund, diversify business and how women's persistence and endurance attribute to success of business from the experiences of similar and successful SACCOs in Southern Nations and Nationallties Peoples Regional State (SNNPRS). Additionally, local facilitators/ training of trainers on IGA package trainings/business /entrepreneurs and qualified mentors from an experienced institute are identified and training manuals are in place on entrepreneurship and assertiveness skills. And for the Integrated Financial Adult Literacy (IFAL), communication with the regional Bureau of Education is made so as to facilitate venues, provide teaching aids and assign IFAL facilitators for the continuous sessions to be conducted in the targeted districts of Oromia and Afar Region.	The next steps will be to follow up and provide technical support for the 20 women leaders to apply and share the knowledge they gained from the successful cooperatives in SNNRP. The targeted women will also be provided with IGA package/ business, life and entrepreneurship skills training by using the identified trained and experienced facilitators and mentors.  The actual gaps of existing 8 Farmers Training Centers will be assessed and capacitated to meet rural women needs based on the results of the assessment. Additionally, continuous business development services will be provided for the targeted women to help them create a sustainable source of livelihood and mange profitable IGAs.  Results home based literacy which is proved to benefit rural women in terms of providing the skill on individual women convenient time will also be delivered to women to enable them to get basic numeracy and literacy skills.
JP Output 2.4: Rural women have increased access to productive resources (land and agricultural inputs)	initially were using the land which is now under the government sugar cane farm developed for the sugar factory in the area. Recognizing the	

Expected Results (Outcomes & outputs)	Progress	Expected deliverables
JP Outcome 3: Rural women strengthen their voice in decisions that affect their lives		

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JP Output 3.1: Rural women confidence and leadership skills built to fully participate in rural institutions,	For rural women to benefit from rural cooperatives/savings organizations, it has been recognized that not only would the policies of the organizations need to change, but also attitudes of all the staff, including management and boards. Building the capacity and changing the attitudes of all levels of staff is therefore a key strategy of engagement as a first step to impact the participation and engagement of rural women.  To start implementing this outcome, a preliminary planning process has been completed.  Different community conversation manuals are identified to help train community facilitators	As a next step, staff/experts at federal and district level cooperative organizations will be trained on gender and leadership. This is to help them understand gender relations and provide framework for identifying gender sensitive services on increasing the engagement of rural women in cooperative membership and leadership activities. Concurrently, through Community conversation and sensitization campaigns will continue, with the targeted women trained on leadership, management and assertiveness skills in order to increase their self-confidence and the capacity to take leadership roles in rural institutions, communities and producers organizations. Community facilitators will be trained on facilitation skills so that they could be able to facilitate community dialogue and come up with community based resolutions; On the relationship between gender and culture. I.e. the role of norms and cultural practices in defining gender roles and relationships thereby defining women's and men's positions in their society. On how to identify and hold continuous dialogue on cultural and traditional practices that hinder women from participating, controlling, benefiting and assuming leadership roles On self-change process, to commit themselves to help eradicate those practices. The discussion will involve both targeted women their husbands and family members, religious leaders, elderly, Kebele administrators and justice system.

Expected Results (Outcomes & outputs)	Progress	Expected deliverables
JP Outcome 4: Gender responsive policy and institutional environment for women's economic empowerment in place		
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	The 'Cooperative Strengthening Manual of Federal Cooperatives Agency (FCA)' was made gender sensitive. This Manual is to strengthen the capacity of cooperatives nationwide and incorporated women access specific indicators, including the tracking of membership in cooperatives at all levels, leadership participation and roles of women, and how women are able to access the services offered by the Cooperatives. With the support from the Programme and in collaboration with other stakeholders, a National Network for Gender Equality in Agriculture was established and promoted. This Network aims to ensure, and advocate for, gender responsiveness of the agriculture sector policies, strategies and programmes, using evidence based advocacy, capacity building, knowledge and information sharing.  82 stakeholders (50 female; 32 male) from government sector ministries at the Federal and Regional Levels increased their understanding of existing rural land proclamation of government and its benefit and challenges for rural women, accessibility and utilization of rural women friendly agricultural technologies, rural women entrepreneurship and women policies and legal frameworks. Through discussions conducted, challenges and opportunities to effectively implement the policies and legal frameworks for women were identified and action plans which will serve as a base for subsequent actions developed.	In the following JP period, technical support to the established Network for Gender Equality in Agriculture will be provided so that this national platform will be used as a vehicle to create gender responsive policy and institutions in the sector. Additionally, continuous consultation will be conducted to ensure the implementation of women legal frameworks and benefit the targeted women from the existing land certification process in the targeted districts of Afar and Oromia Regions.

# 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)

Its alignment with exiting government programs and policies is the main commendable aspects of RWEE JP. This design and institutionalization of the program components in government structure has helped to strengthen a sense of local ownership and paved the way for inclusion of program activities in government plan and budget. This multi-sectorial approach and coordination of various sector Ministries will help the program to address the needs of women in a holistic integrated manner thereby, reinforcing each other to produce a favorable and sustainable outcome. District level steering committees comprised of Women and

Children Affairs, Cooperative Agency, and Bureaus of agriculture are established. Existence of such management committee structures at all level will also re-enforce to practice program decision making exercises thus help to sustain the program.

Besides, with the consecutive planning and activity strategizing workshops and meeting conducted with government partners, experts and higher officials of the participating sector offices have become acquainted with the expected results and specific strategic activities of the JP. This have created sense of ownership and inspiration in all the participating sectors to effectively implement community and individual level activities and ensure sustainability of results.

Women SACCO (Saving and Credit Cooperatives) promotion which is managed by the targeted women is one of the pillars in ensuring sustainability of saving and credit services. This component has also an interesting approach of passing experience and sustaining the program; each member of SACCO is expected to pass the knowledge & benefit she got from the program to at least 10 other women and try her level best to convince and make them members of the SACCO.

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

The objectives of RWEE JP are naturally ingrained to promote women's empowerment and gender equality as it is reflected in the planned individual, community and institutional level interventions of the JP. In this reporting period, at the community level, 2374 women who were organized in self-help groups (SHGs) were reorganized and strengthened into 10 legal Rural Saving and Credit Cooperative Organizations (RSACCOs) so that being in their groups they can access the financial and non-financial services available for women empowerment and to form the foundation of community based capacity building interventions designed in the JP.

At institutional Level, with the financial support of RWEE JP and the strong collaborative works of Ministry of Agriculture and Natural Resources, Agricultural Transformation Agency, UN Women and other relevant stakeholders, a National Network for Gender Equality in Agriculture is established and popularized to strengthen its policy level interventions for gender equality in agriculture sector. The network aimed at fostering the national and regional coordination and partnership among stakeholders through evidence based advocacy, capacity development, knowledge and information sharing.

Within its institutional level intervention of RWEE JP, the National Cooperative Strengthening Manual developed by the Federal cooperative agency is also made to incorporate gender indicators and become gender sensitive. In the process, experts of Federal Cooperative Agency, who are responsible for the execution of the cooperative strengthening plan, were supported to develop the women access specific indicators, one on hand to ensure buy in and better implementation/tracking of indicators and on the other hand, to build a corps of gender experts within the Agency.

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

Through public and private partnership, the JP planned to support farmer-based organizations and pastorals' cooperatives to make them more sensitive to market signals (price) to determine their production decisions, adopting best practices to meet grain quality standards, source financial services, and improve collective bargaining with both input suppliers and output buyers. So far, a private organization called Amio Engineering PLC which is engaged in the Design, Manufacture, Supply, and Installation of the service for green renewable energy generation, micro irrigation systems, and Industrial & Agricultural machines & tools in Ethiopia is approached and invited to demonstrate its women farmers

friendly technological products during the workshop organized to popularize the National Network for Gender Equality in Agriculture.

Additionally, a market assessment is undergoing to identify and recommend women friendly agricultural products, technologies (including post harvest technologies), income generating activities and market opportunities in the target areas. Based on the results of the assessment, potential private partners appropriate to provide the identified agricultural technologies, inputs and support to provide market service for the targeted women will be mapped for further partnership.

# **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. :

To support the Rural Women Economic Empowerment (RWEE) JP, which is a sub-component of the GEWE JP, an annual plan on communication and knowledge management is developed. Baseline reports covering the findings of targeted districts of Oromia and Afar regional states was produced and used to update the performance monitoring frameworks of RWEE JP to be used for the M&E activities of the program. The baseline reports for the Afar and Oromia region are separately produced including major findings on frequency and composition of meals, the inter-household food consumption pattern, targeted women utilization of improved production techniques and agricultural inputs and skills training, information technology; access and control over resources like land and other properties, decision making power, available support on business development and extension services found to be inadequate and others. The findings of the study and the individual case stories developed will be used to guide the program monitoring and evaluation activities and as a base to do the advocacy and communication activities throughout the program period.

So far, events were also used as platforms for advocacy and enhancement of visibility of the JP through placement of visibility materials, distribution of documents as well as creating forums for setting the agenda on women empowerment. Among them are the International Women's Day 2016's Innovation for Development Breakfast meeting and the workshop for official launching of The Ethiopian Network for Gender Equality in Agricultural sector (ENGEA). The articles and photos of the international women's day event is published in the ESARO's newsletters and UN Women's Africa website, while the one on ENGEA is finalized for distribution (Attached are the links).

The launching of the joint program RWEE in November 2014 was a high level event which brought together important decision making entities and the media to create awareness and gain support from organizations, which have means and resources to sustain economic empowerment of rural women.

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

As the Women Economic Empowerment program is designed based on its key benchmarks the Sustainable Development Goals 1,2,8 and with a special focus on Goal 5 'Achieve gender equality and empower all women and girls,' the communications support of the program has been including the promoting of the SDGs. For instance, in the development of the communications and knowledge management strategy as well as its implementation, the SDG-Fund visual identity guide is one of the documents to be considered. Furthermore, promotion and localization of the SDGs will be the major agenda in the events to be

organized under the JP and other media outlets and events to be organized by the government.

#### **JP** website URL:

https://www.empowerwomen.org/en/resources/documents/2016/04/accelerating-progress-towards-rwee

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

#### **Channel 1:**

https://photos.dropbox.com/app/timeline

#### **Channel 2:**

https://www.dropbox.com/home/RWEE%20Communication%20material/Success%20stories/Ethiopia?preview=Article+on+Ethiopian+Network+for+Gender+Equality+in+Agriculture+(ENGEA)-RWEE-JP%2B%2B.pdf

#### **Channel 3:**

http://africa.unwomen.org/en/news-and-events/stories/2016/03/iwd-2016-in-ethiopia

## 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 baseline survey report is produced with the active participation of the four participating agencies starting from the recruitment till the validation of the report.  A Risk Management Plan of RWEE is developed with the joint analytical work of the four participating agencies. The plan clearly assigned the responsible body for the execution the preventive and mitigation actions proposed in the plan. An integrated work plan and micro plan is cascaded to implementing partners after a joint analysis of their interdependence and sequencing is done.
Joint activities undertaken jointly by UN implementing agencies for SDG-F JPs	Activities that include launching, federal and regional planning, and sensitization workshops on the specific program results, development of micro plans and activity strategies for the JP work at grass root level were jointly undertaken.
Other, please specify:	

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

With the close support and coordination of the Technical Working Group (TWG), joint Federal and Regional Level Annual Work Plan which will ensure the joint delivery of the JP was developed and endorsed for

implementation. Through the joint supportive visits and directions of the TWG, the district level relevant sector bureaus (agriculture, cooperative agency and women and children affairs) are able to establish district level steering committees mandated to ensure the integration and implementation of activities at grassroots level and to create synergy for joint delivery and sustainability of program results.

Additionally, decisions which set beneficiaries targeting criterion, led to the development of integrated activity and risk management plan were made. The rationale of these decisions were to provide joint framework to respond to the risks of the program and facilitate the implementation and coordination of federal, regional and district level activities designed under the lead of the four participating agencies. Based on these decisions, working procedures with government system and identification of targeted women based on the targeting principles were made. Specifically, the best approach of the JP is taken to be the holistic approach (targeting a single woman for the different intervention areas –food and nutrition security, decision making, and livelihood improvement) capitalizing on each agencies experience and to deliver jointly.

#### 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
Government (specify national/local)	Fully involved	Policy-decision making Service Provision	Ministry of Women and Children Affairs (MoWCA) Ministry of Agriculture and Natural Resources(MoANR)-Women Affairs Directorate Director Federal Cooperatives Agency(FCA) Ministry of Finance and Economic Development(MoFED) Agriculture Transformation Agency (ATA) Federal Micro and Small Enterprise Development Agency (FeMSEDA) Ministry of Education( Department of Functional Adult Literacy) Regional Bureau of Finance and Economic Development (BoFEDs) Regional Bureaus of Women and Children Affairs (BoWCYAs) in Oromia and Afar Regions District level Women and Children Affairs Offices of one district of Afar and three districts of Oromia region Regional Bureaus of Agriculture (BoA) in Oromia and Afar Regions District level Agricultural Offices of one district of Afar and three districts of Oromia region Regional Micro Finance Institutions in Afar and Oromia District level Cooperative Development Agencies in Afar and Oromia Regional Micro Finance Institutions in Afar and Oromia
Private Sector	Slightly involved		Amio Engineering PLC
Civil Society	Fairly involved		Organization for Women in Self- employment(WISE)
Academia			

<sup>\*</sup> 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:

The institutional, community and individual level interventions of the JP are designed to be implemented by involving federal, regional and district level government actors, private organizations and CSOs. At federal level, Ministry of Women and Children Affairs (MoWCA) have been involving in coordination of the JP in addition to implementing policy and institutional level activities designed to identify challenges and opportunities in the implementation of legal and policy frameworks for women empowerment of the targeted regions. Ministry of Agriculture and Natural Resources (MoANR), Federal Cooperative Agency (FCA), Agricultural Transformation Agency (ATA) have also been implementing activities which directly contribute to the policy and institutional level interventions of the JP. So far, establishment and popularization of a National Network for Gender Equality in Agriculture and engendering the Cooperative Strengthening Manual are among the activities accomplished with thes partners.

At regional level, the Regional Bureaus for Women, Children (BoWCAs) of Afar and Oromia Regions have been directly implementing activities designed at regional level in addition to the coordination and reporting role they discharged for the district level activities of the JP. As part of their coordination and reporting role, they have conducted sensitization and cascading of regional, zonal, and district level activities and directly reported to the regional Bureaus of Finance and Economic Development (BoFED) by collecting reports from the district level finance offices.

At district level, the offices of Women, Children and Youth Affairs, Bureaus of Agriculture for Oromia and Bureaus of Pastoral Agriculture Development (BoPAD) of Afar and Offices of Cooperative Agencies have been involved in implementing activities designed to address the targeted women at grassroots level based on the micro plan developed and cascaded in consultation with focal persons of participating agencies and the regional BoWCAs and BoFEDs. These offices report directly to the district level finance offices which in turn send the report to the regional BoFED.

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

Vertically the PMC has been dealing and giving direction on program issues identified and escalated by the TWG. For instance, IFAD's fund transfer issue is the major issues which PMC have given direction for future coordination and joint delivery of the program.

# VI. Joint Programme contribution to the SDGs

SDG #	JP Contribution
Goal 1	End poverty in all its forms everywhere Targets to contribute to: • 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	End hunger, achieve food security and improved nutrition, and promote sustainable agriculture Targets to contribute to:  • 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, pastoralists 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	Achieve gender equality and empower all women and girls Targets to contribute to: • Ensure women's full and effective participation and equal opportunities for leadership at all levels of decision making in political, economic and public life •Und ertake 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 of gender equality and the empowerment of all women and girls at all levels

# SDG # JP Contribution Promote inclusive and sustainable economic growth, employment and decent work for all Target to contribute to: 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

#### **Attachments**

#### Programme baseline study \*:

- Tthiopia-RWEE -AFAR Baseline Report -Final-+.pdf
- Tthiopia- RWEE JP Baseline Report- Oromia Final-+.pdf

#### **Performance Monitoring Framework \*:**

RWEE-Ethiopia- Performance Monitoring Framework-Updated.pdf

#### JP Communication and Advocacy Plan \*:

Communications and knowledge management plan- RWEE JP Ethiopia.pdf

#### Publications and reports generated by the JP \*:

- Article on Ethiopian Network for Gender Equality in Agriculture (ENGEA)-RWEE-JP+++.pdf
- An article on IWD 2016 Commemoration in Ethiopia .pdf

#### File sharing service:

https://photos.dropbox.com/app/timeline