

Design and Program CSO MISSION GAFSP –Timor Leste Feb 13-17, 2017

1 Rationale

- 1.1 At the conclusion of the G8 summit in Italy, policymakers at that meeting agreed to allocate US\$20 billion to combat the effects and impacts of the 2008 food crisis, and bolster and coordinate multilateral efforts aimed at reducing, or even ending, hunger and food insecurity. With a view to implementing that decision, a fund—the Global Agriculture and Food Security Program (GAFSP)—was established at the World Bank to finance structural projects for developing countries. A Steering Committee, a Coordination Unit, and a pool of consultants have been tasked with the management of the GAFSP. The Steering Committee is responsible for reviewing projects and allocating resources.
- 1.2 The government of Timor Leste submitted a proposal for GAFSP funding last June 2013, entitled "Sustainable Agriculture Productivity Improvement Project" and this proposal was eventually approved last October 2014.
- 1.3 The GAFSP Steering Committee includes, among others, three non-voting members who represent the CSOs : Marie Brill from Action Aid USA for the Northern CSOs, Djibo Bagna from ROPPA for the African CSOs, and Lyam Bahadur Darjee from Asian Farmers Association for the Asian CSOs. They were selected based on a process of nominations by farmers' organizations in their regions.
- 1.4 The CSO representatives to the Steering Committee were appointed to give voice, within the Steering Committee, to the concerns and interests of the small scale women and men farming sector, which accounts for a major share of global agriculture. They must also advocate for the involvement of producer organizations in the design, implementation, monitoring, and evaluation of projects submitted to and financed by GAFSP.
- 1.5 Asian Farmers Association, AFA, a regional alliance of national farmers' organizations, currently with 20 member organizations in 16 countries, has been delegated to perform secretariat, technical and logistical work for the CSO Asia representative.
- 1.6 Timor Leste is also a covered country of MTCP2, a capacity building program for farmers' organizations in Asia and Pacific, which is supported by IFAD, SDC and potentially EU. AFA, in a consortium with La Via Campesina is the regional implementing agency (RIA) and the sub regional implementing agency for Southeast Asia (SRIA-SA) of MTCP2. PIFON, the sub regional implementing agency for Pacific countries, has decided to expand the program's activities to Timor Leste. The NIA for MTCP2 Timor Leste platform is ANAPROFICO (National Association of Commercial Seed Producers of Timor Leste).

2 Objectives

- 2.1 Get basic profiles of key FOs and NGOs working for food security in the country
- 2.2 Get information about the GAFSP processes from the government and supervising entities (WB), and partner inter governmental organizations (IFAD, FAO, SDC)
- 2.3 Inform key FOs and NGOs about
- 2.3.1 the GAFSP processes (objectives, structure, criteria of selection,
- 2.3.2 CSO work within GAFSP
- 2.3.3 GAFSP project proposal of the government of Timor Leste
- 2.3.4 other large agri development programs of government and development partners
- 2.4 get feedback from key FOs and NGOs about the GAFSP process in the country
- 2.5 get the commitment of the government and the Supervising Entities to include FOs in the design, implementation and evaluation of the GAFSP project through institutionalized mechanisms



3 Expected Output

- 3.1 A brief description of the key FOs and NGOs working on food security
- 3.2 Highlights of meetings
- 3.3 Consolidated responses of participants to questions on :
- 3.3.1 What are your opinions about the proposed GAFSP project in Timor Leste? How does it or does not respond to food security needs in your country?
- 3.3.2 What are your recommendations to the GAFSP country process so that it will be more responsive to food security needs ?
- 3.3.3 Would you want to be involved in the GAFSP? Why or why not ? If so, how ?
- 3.3.4 What are your recommendations and needs so your involvement with GAFSP processes will be strengthened ?

4 Groups to Visit/ to be invited

- 4.1 key FOs and NGOs working on food security (to be named)
- 4.2 Supervising Entities WB and development partners IFAD , FAO, SDC
- 4.3 Government person in charge of GAFSP process (will get contact from GAFSP CU)
- 4.4 For the one day consultation :
- 4.4.1 Key FOs and NGOs working on food security (both host country and AFA can make the list of invitees)
- 4.4.2 Key government officials and Supervising Entities in charge of implementation of GAFSP
- 4.4.3 key development partners with large agri development programs which FOs can engage it (under component 3 of MTCP2)

5 General Program

- 5.1 Visits to offices of key FOs and NGOs
- 5.2 Visits to offices of IFAD, FAO, WFP, WB , SDC, EU
- 5.3 Visits to offices of key government agencies in charge of GAFSP
- 5.4 One day consultation to discuss 3.3.1 3.3.4 above

6 General Schedule

- Feb 12 arrival
- Feb 13 visits to government bodies and supervising entities in charge of GAFSP Feb 14
 - AM: visits to key CSOs working on food security and nutrition (to be named) -PM: visit to ANAPROFICO
- Feb 15- field visit to ANAPROFICO
- Feb 16- field visit to other farmer groups
- Feb 17- half day consultation on GAFSP processes
- Feb 18 departure

7 Mission Team Members

- 7.1 Ma. Estrella Penunia, Secretary General, AFA
- 7.2 Zainal Fuat, La Via Campesina
- 7.3 Kyle Stice, Manager, PIFON
- 7.4 Marciano Virola, KM Officer, AFA

8 **Tasks of Mission Team Members**

8.1 AFA

- 8.1.1 draft and finalize partnership agreement with AFA and local host
- **8.1.2** Drafts and finalizes design of the consultation, upon consultation with Mission Team and local hosts
- 8.1.3 Drafts and finalizes generic letter for participants
- 8.1.4 Gives list of participants ; finalizes list with LFN
- **8.1.5** Make highlights of the consultation and meetings; finalizes upon review by local host/s
- 8.2 Local host (to be identified)



- **8.2.1** Secure a venue e and make other logistical preparations for the one day consultation on Feb 17
- 8.2.2 Invite participants to the Feb 17 meeting (sends invitation letter and follow up confirmation, make efforts for good attendance)
- 8.2.3 Suggest list of participants
- 8.2.4 Translate key documents so that FOs can participate actively
- 8.2.5 Get good translation services (we assume FOs cannot speak in English) during consultation and field/office
- 8.2.6 Make a budget to cover in-country expenses , considering budget amount of \$2000 to cover venue, transportation for field/office visits by Mission Team, kit, transpo for FO participants to the consultation (if needed), equipment rental, coordination fee and translator's fee
- 8.2.7 Make a financial report with supporting documents .