Evaluation Questions for

UNDP/Armenia: Support to Comprehensive Agricultural Census in the Republic of Armenia

The following is a set of questions for the major interview groups for the final project evaluation. The questions were used as general guidelines to help guide the conversation. These and other questions were asked based on the dialogue and the progress of the discussion.

1. Questions for Project Team:
   1. Project planning
   2. Responsiveness and follow-up
   3. Activity implementation
   4. Succession
   5. Interaction, coordination and collaboration with other development partners
   6. Interaction, coordination and collaboration with government counterparts (mainly NSS)
   7. Name positive and negative results
   8. What could be improved upon in the future in terms of 1) project management and execution; and 2) follow-up activity to the project’s activities
   9. Data needs (reporting matrixes, other evaluation reports, monthly/quarterly reports, project adjustments, budgets, etc.)
2. Questions for Development Partners (ENPARD, ICARE, UNDP, USDA/USAID):
   1. What was your entity’s role in the agricultural census effort?
   2. How did you interact with the UNDP/FAO project team and consultants?
   3. How did you interact with other development partners assisting in the effort? What mechanisms were put in place for development partner and government counterpart collaboration?
   4. How did you perceive the UNDP/FAO input?
   5. Does your organization consider the agricultural census a success or failure in terms of: planning, execution, public awareness, results, organization of data, and use of data?
   6. What could have been done better in regard to conducting the agricultural census?
   7. What could have been done better in regard to donor and stakeholder collaboration?
   8. How does you organization use the agricultural census data? What is needed to improve the date and/or its dissemination and use?
   9. What do you or your organization see as the next steps to improve date use and sustainability of future census-related activity?
3. Questions for Stakeholders (counterparts and information uses- NSS, MoA, MoTA, NAU)
   1. What was your entity’s role in the agricultural census effort, if any?
   2. How did you interact with the UNDP/FAO project team and consultants? Was the project team responsive? How often did you meet or consult with the project team? Were consultants readily available when in country and/or remotely?
   3. How did you interact with other development partners assisting in the effort? What mechanisms were put in place for development partner and government counterpart collaboration? How did your organization participate in the meetings or group gatherings?
   4. How did you perceive the UNDP/FAO input? Were consultant inputs appropriate and timely? Were equipment and supplies (indicated in project documents) provided on a timely basis? Both project phases included the hiring of temporary personal for various stages of census activity and data input and verification. Were the personnel adequate and fulfill roles as necessary in a timely manner?
   5. Does your organization consider the agricultural census a success or failure in terms of: planning, execution, public awareness, results, organization of data, and use of data?
   6. What could have been done better in regard to conducting the agricultural census?
   7. What could have been done better in regard to donor and stakeholder collaboration?
   8. How has your organization gained from the: 1) technical expertise; 2) processes and methodologies; and 3) training?
   9. What do you or your organization see as the next steps to improve date use and sustainability of future census-related activity? Can the GoA conduct follow-up agricultural census activity on its own without external assistance? If not, what is needed.
4. Questions for Project Consultants
   1. What was your role in the project?
   2. How did you interact with the project team? Was adequate support provided? What could be improved?
   3. How did you interact with the other development partners? Please describe? How was the coordination and collaboration with other external advisers or specialists?
   4. How did you interact with counterparts? Were they open to your participation and inputs?
   5. Do you view your input as providing sustainability for future activities by your immediate counterparts? Please explain why or why not.
   6. What do you see needs to improve for future agricultural census-related activity? (Not necessarily the next census but the follow-on steps between censuses).
   7. How could such a technical assistance project be improved for future activity in Armenia?
   8. Do you consider the agricultural census a success? Please explain. Does it meet international standards? How does it compare to other countries you have worked in (for a similar activity)?