

A. SUMMARY DESCRIPTION

The objective of the Agricultural Advisory Services project is to strengthen the capability of the Ministry of Agriculture and related agencies principally in project preparation and other aspects of agricultural planning, but also in two special fields - plant protection and machinery management. The project is now considered interim in nature and will be phased out in stages during FY 1972 and FY 1973. Some of the project personnel will be transferred to agriculture production projects as project managers when these projects come into being, other positions may be transferred to a new project on Agricultural Planning proposed to begin in FY 1973 or FY 1974, and others will be moved to Technical Support or phased out.

<u>1. Personnel:</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>To Be Moved to</u>
<u>Direct Hire</u>		
	Food and Agriculture Officer	Technical Support
	Deputy Food and Agriculture Officer	Rural Agriculture Development
	Agricultural Economics (Marketing) Officer	Grain Production & Marketing
	Agricultural Advisor	Shashemene Agricultural Development
<u>PASA</u>		
	Plant Protection/Pilot	Technical Support
<u>Contract</u>		
	Agricultural Economics (Project Preparation) Advisor	Agricultural Planning
	Agronomy Advisor	Agricultural Planning
	Mechanic Supervisor	Phase-out in FY 1973

2. Participants: Ten new and 10 continuing participants will be programmed in FY 1972 and FY 1973 to enhance the professional competence of the Ministry of Agriculture and related agencies. Nearly all of the participants are training for positions in the Planning and Programming Unit, Ministry of Agriculture; they are taking two-year courses in one of four fields - agricultural economics, land economics, agricultural statistics, or agriculture development planning. Two participants annually are studying

legal institutions to enable them to work subsequently in the Ministry of Land Reform and Administration. The only other participants training under this project are a few continuing ones who were transferred to it when the Agriculture Extension Services and Plant Protection projects were phased out.

3. Commodities: Limited funds are required in FY 1971 and FY 1972 for procurement of office equipment for the Planning and Programming Unit, Ministry of Agriculture.

4. Other Costs: Funds are included for technical local travel, procurement of local commodities, and maintenance and operation of the plant protection aircraft.

TABLE I

NON-CAPITAL PROJECT FUNDING (OBLIGATION IN \$000)

COUNTRY: Ethiopia Project Title: Agricultural Advisory Services
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Fiscal Years	AP	L/G	Total	Personnel Serv.			Participants		Commodities		Other Costs	
				AID	PASA	CONT.	TCN	U.S.	CONT.	U.S.	CONT.	U.S.
Prior Through Act. FY 70	TC	G	1555	856	44	27	12	392		189		35
Oper. Yr. FY 1971	TC	G	490	167	35	144		113		18		13
Budget FY 1972	TC	G	486	180	38	105		140		5		18
FY 1973	TC	G	243			95		140				8
TOTALS			2,774	1,203	117	371	12	785		212		74

TABLE II

OTHER FINANCING FOR AGRICULTURE ADVISORY SERVICES PROJECT

(Obligations in \$000)

Fiscal Year	AID-Controlled Local Currency	Other Cash Contribution Cooperating Country	Other Donor Contribution <u>a/</u>
Prior Years through Act. FY 1971	-	619	45
Oper. FY 1971	-	200	30
FY 1972	-	225	40
FY 1973	-	225	60
TOTAL	-	1,269	175

Exchange Rate U.S. \$1.00 = Eth. \$2.50

a/ Other donor contribution to the Ministry of Agriculture Planning and Programming Unit.

B. STRATEGY

The diverse elements of the Agricultural Advisory Services project will be separated and be phased over two years into other projects specifically concerned with agricultural production, agricultural planning, or technical support.

1. Agricultural Production. - The relatively higher priority accorded by the Ethiopian Government and by A.I.D. to the agriculture sector is reflected in plans to initiate several agriculture production projects. The Agricultural Advisor has been helping to formulate the Shashemene Agricultural Development project and is expected to transfer to it as project manager in July 1972. The Deputy Food and Agriculture Officer has been assisting in getting started the Rural Agricultural Development ("Minimum Package") project and will become its project manager in July 1972. The Agricultural Economist (Marketing) is helping conceptualize the Grain Production and Marketing project and will transfer to it as project manager in July 1972.

2. Agricultural Planning. The USAID plans to submit a PROP in April 1972 for a new Agricultural Planning project focusing specifically on the Planning and Programming Unit, Ministry of Agriculture, and on provincial agricultural planning. The USAID considers that its relationships and assistance to that Unit of the IEG are fundamental to the progress of other A.I.D. agricultural projects. The Rockefeller Foundation team studying the organization of the Ministry of Agriculture in May 1970 stated that development of the Planning and Programming Unit is "of highest importance and priority among the measures for getting the Ministry of Agriculture to strengthen its position, influence and role of service to the nation." The team report added that "The Ministry could profit substantially from external assistance and advice in the development of this Unit."

Assuming an Agricultural Planning project is initiated in FY 1973 or FY 1974, two contract positions from Agricultural Advisory Services - Agricultural Economist (Project Preparation) and Agronomy Advisor - would be transferred to it and two new topped-up contract positions would be requested, viz. Agricultural Economist (Marketing) and Agricultural Economist (Evaluation). The new project would also include a participant training element. It may however prove necessary to provide the Agricultural Economist (Evaluation) already in FY 1972 under the Agricultural Advisory Services project given the fact that the Imperial Ethiopian Government has identified the need to set up an agricultural evaluation unit and is desirous of having the system installed concomitantly with the starting up of several large agricultural package programs. In addition TDY specialists and consultants may be required during the remaining two years of the project. These services are necessary to enable planning and program refinements to take place in the agricultural sector in addition to the setting up

of the above evaluation activities. The planning and Programming Unit, Ministry of Agriculture, presently is headed by an American agricultural economist seconded from FAO and includes a Yugoslav advisor, an FAO intern, and twenty-four Ethiopians. Among the Ethiopians are eight agricultural economists graduated from Alemaya, five of which received additional training in the U.S. under the Agricultural Advisory Services project. The Ministry of Agriculture plans to double the size of Unit. The number of American advisors requested on the project will depend partly on what assistance is forthcoming from the other donors interested in Ethiopian agriculture.

3. Technical Support. - The Food and Agriculture Officer is concerned with all A.I.D.-assisted agricultural projects and, rather than arbitrarily being assigned to one of them, the position will be transferred to Technical Support. It is also planned that the Plant Protection/Pilot position will be moved to Technical Support. The Plant Protection and Production Advisor continues to supervise the operation and training of personnel for the Ministry of Agriculture Aerial Spray Unit in crop production, locust control, and water hyacinth control. He also assists the Ministry and USAID in monitoring current projects and identifying areas for new development projects. Following auditor recommendations, the International Development Intern (now Program Analyst) and Secretary positions in Agricultural Advisory Services have already been transferred to Technical Support. The Program Analyst is concerned with project documentation, training, and P.L. 480 programs.

4. Position Phasing Out. - The Mechanic Supervisor position will phase out with termination of the Agricultural Advisory Services project in FY 1973 assuming the present L. service training program provides satisfactory Ethiopian management for the agricultural machinery pool of the Ministry of Agriculture.

PROJECT AUTHORIZATION

1. PROJECT NUMBER 663-11-190-111	3. COUNTRY Ethiopia	4. AUTHORIZATION NUMBER 0101-R-1
2. PROJECT TITLE Agricultural Advisory Services		5. AUTHORIZATION DATE July 20, 1971
		6. PROP DATED May 6, 1971

7. LIFE OF PROJECT

a. Number of Years of Funding: 9
Starting FY 19 65; Terminal FY 19 73

b. Estimated Duration of Physical Work
After Last Year of Funding (in Months): 6

FUNDING BY FISCAL YEAR (in U.S. \$ or \$ equivalent)	DOLLARS (\$000)		P.L. 480 CCC + FREIGHT	LOCAL CURRENCY (US \$000 equiv.) Exchange Rate: \$1 = Eth \$2.50			
	GRANT	LOAN		U.S. OWNED		HOST COUNTRY	
				GRANT	LOAN	JOINTLY PROGRAMMED	OTHER
Prior through Actual FY 1970	1,555					619	
Operational FY 1971	490					200	
Budget FY 1972	486					225	
B + 1 FY 1973	243					225	
B + 2 FY							
B + 3 FY							
All Subsequent FY's							
TOTAL	2,774					1,269	

9. DESCRIBE SPECIAL FUNDING CONDITIONS OR RECOMMENDATIONS FOR IMPLEMENTATION, AND LIST KINDS AND QUANTITIES OF ANY P.L. 480 COMMODITIES

None

10. CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL OF PROJECT

None

(Use continuation sheet if necessary)

Approved in substance for the life of the project as described in the PROP, subject to the conditions cited in Block 10 above, and the availability of funds. Detailed planning with cooperating country and drafting of implementation documents is authorized.

This authorization is contingent upon timely completion of the self-help and other conditions listed in the PROP or attached thereto.

This authorization will be reviewed at such time as the objectives, scope and nature of the project and/or the magnitudes and scheduling of any inputs or outputs deviate so significantly from the project as originally authorized as to warrant submission of a new or revised PROP.

A.I.D. APPROVAL	CLEARANCES	DATE
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