

PROJECT EVALUATION SUMMARY 1/

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1. USAID: USAID/Kenya
2. Project Number: 615-0148
3. Project Title: Agriculture Credit
4. Key Project Date: First obligation: FY71; Final obligation: FY78
5. Total U.S. Funding (Life of Project): \$2,204,000
6. Evaluation No: PAR/PES 78-2
7. Period Covered by Evaluation: From Project initiation (June 1971) to November 30, 1977
8. Date of Evaluation: Final Evaluation Report received from contractor January 15, 1978
9. Action Decisions Reached as result of Evaluation:

(a) Technical assistance to the AFC should be continued following the termination of this project. Consideration should be given to incorporating such additional assistance under the proposed Agricultural Support Systems Project (ASSP) expected to be developed and authorized in FY 1978.

Action Agent: ASSP Project Design Committee

Date Action to be completed: June 1, 1978

(b) USAID should take steps to develop information on those important areas of credit and interest rates which were not fully addressed in the project funded Kenya Agricultural Credit Study. Proposal to be developed, resources identified.

Action Agent: Penndorf/Christenson

Action to be completed: Before end of FY78.

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10. Signatures

David W. Christenson, Project Manager

Date: 6/15/78


Ernest Wilson, Acting Mission Director

Date: 6/15/78

1/ This PES covers a special evaluation (attached) and as such is submitted as a facesheet only. Lacking guidance on treatment of special evaluations in the new PES system, the Mission is continuing the procedures established by M.O. 1026.1.VI. relating to PARs and special evaluations.

(c) USAID should seek to explore new assistance proposals with the Cooperative Bank of Kenya aimed at providing the Bank with assistance similar to that provided AFC under this project. This would be provided under the proposed Agricultural Support Systems Project (ASSP).

Action Agent: ASSP Project Design Committee

Date Action to be completed: June 1, 1978

(d) The Evaluation recommends exploration of the possibility of establishing a centralized GOK entity for agricultural research, planning and policy formulation as they relate to credit functions. This will be explored in conjunction with the development of ASSP.

Action Agent: ASSP Project Design Committee

Date Action to be completed: June 1, 1978

(e) Evaluation recommends that, if ASSP were to extend activities of the terminating Agricultural Credit Project, a coordinating committee be formed to provide for regular review and monitoring of agricultural credit projects. This will be considered in the development of ASSP.

Action Agent: ASSP Project Design Committee

Action to be completed: June 1, 1978

(f) Evaluation recommends that consideration be given to the establishment of a regional institute to provide specialized training in Agricultural Credit. ASSP will consider providing specialized training for Kenyan participants in existing institutions.

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(g) Evaluation recommends that reliable information on the social and economic implication of extending agricultural credit to Kenyan women should be generated. Such research will be considered under ASSP.

Action Agent: ASSP Project Design Committee

Action to be completed: June 1, 1978