

ASDP Appraisal Wrap-up Notes

The Wrap was chaired by Mr. Peniel M. Lyimo Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Agriculture Food and Cooperatives (MAFC)

The appraisal was a joint effort between the Government and Development Partners

1. Presentation of the revised and updated ASDP (government document was done by the Director for Policy and Planning – Ministry of Agriculture Food and Cooperatives) (The presentation is attached).
2. Comments on the Appraisal Aide Memoire by a Representative of the Development Partners (Robert Townsend – World Bank).
 - **That the appraisal is generally positive**
3. **The programme design emphasizes on:**
 - Supporting decentralization by devolution (of resources and authority to the Local Government Authorities (LGAs).
 - Improvement of planning and quality of investments along the local Government Capital Development Grant process (LGCDG).
 - Development of marketing and enhanced role of the private sector.
 - Some programme components are more developed and ready for implementation (i.e Extensions, Research, district investment) others need formulating i.e irrigation, marketing, private sector and other technical services. .
4. **Appraisal identified areas of risk.**
 - Capacity for implementation: physical and financial reporting to avoid disbursement delay.
 - Technical coordination at national level through technical and implementation committees
 - Institutional arrangement to avoid duplication of roles
 - Irrigation needs to maintain demand driven element inherent in the District Irrigation development Fund (DIDF) – *there is not shortage of demand for irrigating from districts and communities.*
5. **Mainstreaming of on-going activities into the ASDP frame work**
 - Slow pace of mainstreaming may hinder progress of ASDP, as parallel planning and implementation particularly at district level over stretches district and national capacities.
 - need for action programme for mainstreaming

6. Market and Private Sector Development:

- Development of these sub-sectors is critical to attain ASDP growth targets.
- Need for dialogue with the private sector and improvement of investment environment

7. Comments after the presentations

- Food Security aspects be enhanced in the programme document.
- Concern raised that in the past there has been little emphasis on irrigation in the overall support to the sector.
- Government concerned that Development Partners' financial commitments to the Basket Fund was to small than is expect.
- The government is willing to reallocate within the sector to finance implementation of the programme to show ownership.
- Government requests confirmation from Development Partners that the indicative financing figures in the document be taken as contributions to allow the start of budget process.

The Permanent Secretary concluded the appraisal discussion by saying that the principle of Basket Funding implies integration with government systems and structures, yet multiplicity of interventions and institutions in implementation of the programme calls for coordination particularly in the start-up period, but when implementation is underway, Government will review and scale down as necessary.