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1. *Adoption of the agenda.* The Executive Director has prepared and circulated the provisional agenda (WFP/EB.R2/97/1) which is based on the revised programme of work of the Executive Board for 1997. The Executive Board may amend the provisional agenda by deleting, adding or modifying any item.

The Board may wish to adopt its agenda with any amendments it deems desirable.

2. *Evaluation reports.* The following evaluation documents submitted under this item are for the Executive Board's consideration. The Board is requested to take note of the reports and/or comment upon and endorse the Secretariat's plan to integrate the recommendations and lessons learned into the future work of WFP:

- Watershed management projects in Pakistan

Pakistan 2451 (Exp.1) - Assistance to the Tarbela and Mangla watersheds;

Pakistan 4003 - Rural development works in the North-East Area;

Pakistan 4377 - Rural development in Balochistan; and

Pakistan 4659 - Environmental rehabilitation in Malakand Division of North-West Frontier Province.

This sectoral evaluation examines the impact of WFP's long-term assistance to Pakistan's natural resource development. The appropriateness of the gradual introduction of the participatory approach and of the food-stamp-based distribution system is supported by the evaluation's findings.

Recommendations address issues of sustainability and include the strengthening of training and employment of female project staff.

 Use of food aid for the conservation and management of soil and water - WFP projects in Latin America

Bolivia 3866 - Development of depressed rural areas

Peru 5162 - Ecological rehabilitation of Andean micro-watersheds

Nicaragua 4571 - Socio-economic rehabilitation of war-affected population

This thematic evaluation analysed three WFP projects in Latin America concentrating on soil and water conservation activities. It concluded that the geographic micro-basin area methodology used in some projects is an efficient tool for targeting food aid to specific problem areas and to a specific beneficiary population. Its replication in other WFP-assisted interventions is recommended to the Board.

 Ethiopia 2488 (Exp.3) - Rehabilitation and development of rural lands and infrastructure

The evaluation concludes that this, the largest food-for-work project in Africa, is making a valuable contribution in assisting rural communities to implement land conservation and reclamation activities in the densely populated highland areas of Ethiopia. The key to the project's success is its new local-level participatory planning approach.

3. *Country Strategy Outlines.* The Executive Board's views are invited on the following Country Strategy Outlines:



Angola El Salvador Guatemala Honduras Nicaragua

The Board may wish to comment in an integrated way on the four Central American CSOs which all took account of the Governments' planning cycles, along with that of the Country Strategy Notes so as to be in line with them. The four CSOs are presented together because they reflect a regional perspective and they have in common the same approach to targeting, gender-disaggregated benefit analysis, community participation, watershed management and poverty reduction.

- 4. *Report on post-delivery losses (October 1995 September 1996).* The Board may wish to consider a report on losses of commodities incurred after delivery to recipient countries.
- 5. *Progress report on WFP's development portfolio.* This paper is a follow-up to document WFP/EB.3/96/INF/5 Development portfolio: Situation report.
- 6. Summary of the work of the Second Regular Session of 1997. In accordance with the Executive Board's decision at its Second Regular Session of 1996 on its methods of work, the summary of the work of the Second Regular Session of 1997 will be submitted for endorsement.
- 7. *Other business.* Representatives and the Executive Director may wish to raise further matters of interest to the Executive Board.
- 8. *Verification of the adopted decisions and recommendations.* The Executive Board will have before it a draft document containing all decisions taken and/or recommendations made at its current session for verification of their accuracy.

