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1. Three Country Programme Documents (CPDs) are presented to the Third Regular Session of the Executive Board: Bolivia, Bangladesh and Pakistan. In accordance with the decisions and recommendations emerging from the Fortieth Session of the CFA, the CPDs are submitted for the approval of the Executive Board.
2. The CPDs draw on previously prepared Country Strategy Outlines (CSOs) which were presented to CFA sessions for advice and guidance: the Bangladesh CSO and the Bolivia CSO were presented to the CFA at its Fortieth Session, and the Pakistan CSO was presented to the Thirty-eighth Session of the CFA. (An earlier version of the Pakistan CPD was presented informally to the Second Regular Session of the Executive Board in May 1996).
3. Each of the countries for which the CPDs have been prepared are classified as 'low-income, food-deficit' (LIFDC). Bangladesh is also classified as 'least developed' (LDC).
4. Each CPD covers a period of four or five years. The Pakistan CPD provides a strategy for WFP programming for the period 1994-98. The Bangladesh and Bolivia CPDs provide programming directives for the periods 1997-2000 and 1997-2001, respectively.
5. Gender issues are given high priority in each CPD.
6. Country Strategy Notes (CSNs) have been or are being prepared in Bangladesh, Bolivia, and Pakistan. The CPDs illustrate that, by involving itself in the CSN process, WFP is making significant progress in harmonizing its planning and programming activities with other United Nations and government agencies.
7. An information paper, outlining a list of planned CPDs and Country Strategy Outlines, has been prepared for general circulation at this Executive Board session.

