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DEVELOPMENT PROJECT CHINA 5796.00

Integrated agricultural development in the southwestern mountain area of Anhui Province

Duration of project	Five years
Number of beneficiaries	436,000
Estimated WFP food cost	2,298,000 dollars
Total cost to WFP	3,329,400 dollars
Estimated cost to Government	21,582,400 dollars
Estimated cost to IFAD	26,499,100 dollars
Beneficiaries' contribution	4,765,100 dollars
Total project costs	56,176,000 dollars

All monetary values are expressed in United States dollars, unless otherwise stated.
One United States dollar equalled 8.29 yuan in November 1997.

ABSTRACT

This project, implemented in one of the poorest provinces of China, is in conformity with the strategy set out for the country. It aims at the alleviation of poverty and the development of women. It has been designed, and will be executed, in collaboration with the International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD) and the Government of China. The project's goal is to increase the agricultural production and income level of 98,400 poorest households in five poor and food-insecure counties of Anhui Province. WFP assistance will be used to support technical training in water management, crop production, cash-crop planting, livestock and fisheries. It will also support training of women in literacy, income-generating activities and basic health care. IFAD assistance will help in infrastructure development (irrigation, rural access roads and drinking-water), support for agricultural produce, livestock, fisheries, cash crops, and for income-generating activities as well as institutional support. WFP, IFAD and government inputs will be used in a mutually supportive manner.

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