

Data Sheet

USAID Mission:	Economic Growth, Agriculture and Trade
Program Title:	Agriculture
Pillar:	Economic Growth, Agriculture and Trade
Strategic Objective:	905-901
Status:	Continuing
Planned FY 2005 Obligation:	\$32,600,000 DA
Prior Year Unobligated:	\$0
Proposed FY 2006 Obligation:	\$31,810,000 DA
Year of Initial Obligation:	2004
Estimated Year of Final Obligation:	2009

Summary: The Agriculture Program targets food, feed, and fiber systems from production to processing, marketing, distribution, utilization, and trade. The program's activities contribute to rural economic growth, improved health and nutrition, and poverty reduction through expanding opportunities for participation in markets, whether local, national, regional, or global, and mobilizing science and technology to increase agricultural productivity, while sustaining the natural resource base. Additional program initiatives to improve rural and agricultural policy and governance, strengthen institutions and human capacity, reduce risk, and acquire access to land, labor, and capital together contribute to long-term economic and social payoffs. This strategic objective (SO) replaces SO 933-009 Science and Technology Developed to Improve Agricultural Productivity, Natural Resources Management, Markets, Human Nutrition.

Inputs, Outputs, Activities:

FY 2005 Program: Increased Private Sector Growth: The Bureau for Economic Growth, Agriculture and Trade's (EGAT) agribusiness development program will work with private sector agribusiness groups in partner countries to increase access to domestic, regional and global markets through the establishment of improved grades and standards, promotion of business partnerships and transactions, and business development support. EGAT's Global Development Alliances with leading industry associations will promote improved health and nutrition in developing countries through improved production, processing, and consumption of high-value, nutrient-rich pulses. A new activity will continue support for trade capacity building and agribusiness development. EGAT will continue to assist missions in environmental policy analysis, improved natural resources management program implementation, and land tenure and property rights reform. The program will also focus on improving agricultural policy research and reform in Africa. EGAT will continue to provide training and develop analytical tools for rural finance to assist missions in addressing constraints in the sector. Expected outputs include: increased exports of target commodities from partner countries, increased number of trained entrepreneurs, increased incomes for participating agribusinesses, improved health and nutrition of target populations, improved environmental management and land tenure policies in partner countries, and improved agricultural sector policies implemented in Africa. Contractor/grantees: International Fertilizer Development Center, Louisiana State University, Development Alternatives Inc., Weidemann Associates, National Bean Council, Michigan State University, Rutgers University.

Increase Agricultural Productivity: The Collaborative Research Support Programs (CRSPs) will perform cutting-edge agricultural research on agricultural constraints of importance to developing countries worldwide. The CRSPs will undertake a prioritization of research areas to better target assistance. The impacts of the program will be agricultural policies and technologies to increase the productivity of food, feed, and fiber systems. EGAT will undertake a comprehensive horticultural assessment worldwide to identify needed areas for further research and regional-specific constraints to market development. The results will inform EGAT's support to horticultural sector development. EGAT will initiate a seed activity to rationalize seed policy in sub-Saharan Africa, including the identification of research needs to improve productivity and

address constraints to market development. The impact of the activity will be greater seed policy coherence in the region, increased commercial production and marketing of seeds, and increased food production and incomes for farmers. EGAT's Farmer-to-Farmer program will provide U.S. agricultural expertise to developing countries worldwide. The program's support for long-term agricultural training in Africa will expand with new programs in southern and west Africa. EGAT will also lead donor consultations through the Poverty Network to reach consensus on program interventions in agriculture. Contractors/grantees: 51 Land Grant Universities under the CRSP consortium, Agricultural Cooperative Development International/Volunteers for Overseas Cooperative Assistance, Chemonics International.

FY 2006 Program: Increase Private Sector Growth: EGAT will continue the agribusiness development program and initiate a new agribusiness activity which consolidates results and lessons-learned from previous efforts. The program will build on the research and experiences gained from the GDAs with industry groups to expand efforts to develop food-based solutions to disease prevention and mitigation and to improve nutrition. This proposed activity will specifically address ways to mitigate the effects of HIV/AIDS and other prevalent diseases in Africa. EGAT will continue to provide assistance to missions in environmental and natural resources policy programs. The program will also support missions to investigate and implement agricultural policies intended to improve food security in Africa. EGAT will introduce new programs in rural finance to support mission programs in financial sector development. Expected program outputs include: increased trade and agribusiness capacity in partner countries, increased incomes, increased consumption of more nutritious foods, improved environmental and agricultural policies, and improved financial sector development. Contractor/grantees: International Fertilizer Development Center, Louisiana State University, Rutgers University, Weideman Associates, International Resources Group, Michigan State University, Cornell University.

Increase Agricultural Productivity: The CRSP programs will address priority food security issues and institutional development constraints in partner countries. EGAT will develop a new horticultural sector development activity to support horticultural research and address constraints to market development. EGAT will also develop a new activity to support seed production and marketing for sub-Saharan Africa based on a survey completed in 2005. EGAT will continue the highly successful Farmer-to-Farmer program, which provides U.S. agricultural expertise to developing countries throughout the world. Expected program outputs include: improved agricultural technology development and dissemination, increased numbers of trained agricultural scientists, increased horticultural production and income growth for women farmers, and improved seed production and seed industry development in southern Africa. Contractor/grantees: 51 Land Grant Universities in the CRSP consortium, Agricultural Cooperative Development International/Volunteers in Overseas Cooperative Assistance, Asian Vegetable Research Development Center, University of California at Davis.

Performance and Results: A vast array of agricultural research and training was conducted which has made available many productivity increasing technologies to farmers throughout the world, and has continued to build capacity within partner country research institutions. In Uganda alone, EGAT contributed to an increase of 200-400% in peanut production. Research programs also focused on ways to improve food quality and nutrition as tools to combat the devastating effects of the HIV/AIDS pandemic in Africa. The program continued to work closely with the U.S. private agribusiness sector to build entrepreneurial and trade capacity of partner countries' private sectors and to promote transactions and trade of developing countries' agricultural products. For example, in Malawi, the program helped increase the number of private fertilizer dealers by 400%, and in Tanzania EGAT support to dairy product marketing increased milk production by 21% and household incomes by 30%. EGAT's support to agricultural and economic policy research and training has informed countries of needed policy reforms to create better environments for economic growth. The program has assembled a comprehensive database on the effects of HIV-related adult mortality in Africa that is being used to develop strategies to mitigate the impacts of the disease.

U.S. Financing
(in thousands of dollars)

905-901 The Agricultural Sector's contribution to economic growth, improved health, and sound natural resources management expanded

	Obligations	Expenditures	Unliquidated
Through September 30, 2003	0 AEEB	0 AEEB	0 AEEB
	0 CSH	0 CSH	0 CSH
	0 DA	0 DA	0 DA
	0 DFA	0 DFA	0 DFA
	0 ESF	0 ESF	0 ESF
	0 FSA	0 FSA	0 FSA
	0 IDA	0 IDA	0 IDA
	0 TI	0 TI	0 TI
Fiscal Year 2004	0 AEEB	0 AEEB	
	0 CSH	0 CSH	
	34,985 DA	2,440 DA	
	0 DFA	0 DFA	
	0 ESF	0 ESF	
	0 FSA	0 FSA	
	0 IDA	0 IDA	
	0 TI	0 TI	
Through September 30, 2004	0 AEEB	0 AEEB	0 AEEB
	0 CSH	0 CSH	0 CSH
	34,985 DA	2,440 DA	32,545 DA
	0 DFA	0 DFA	0 DFA
	0 ESF	0 ESF	0 ESF
	0 FSA	0 FSA	0 FSA
	0 IDA	0 IDA	0 IDA
	0 TI	0 TI	0 TI
Prior Year Unobligated Funds	0 AEEB		
	0 CSH		
	0 DA		
	0 DFA		
	0 ESF		
	0 FSA		
	0 IDA		
	0 TI		
Planned Fiscal Year 2005 NOA	0 AEEB		
	0 CSH		
	32,600 DA		
	0 DFA		
	0 ESF		
	0 FSA		
	0 IDA		
	0 TI		
Total Planned Fiscal Year 2005	0 AEEB		
	0 CSH		
	32,600 DA		
	0 DFA		
	0 ESF		
	0 FSA		
	0 IDA		
	0 TI		
		Future Obligations	Est. Total Cost
Proposed Fiscal Year 2006 NOA	0 AEEB	0 AEEB	0 AEEB
	0 CSH	0 CSH	0 CSH
	31,810 DA	74,577 DA	173,972 DA
	0 DFA	0 DFA	0 DFA
	0 ESF	0 ESF	0 ESF
	0 FSA	0 FSA	0 FSA
	0 IDA	0 IDA	0 IDA
	0 TI	0 TI	0 TI