



National Thematic Group

Near East
Yemen

Task Force on Rural Development and Food Security

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Working language

- FAO IAEA IFAD ILO IMF UN
- UNAIDS UNICEF UNDCP UNDP UNEP UNESCO
- UNFPA UNHCR UNHSP UNID World Bank WFP
- WHO WMO Other UN bodies

- English French Spanish Arabic Chinese
- Others

International Organizations

NGO/CSOs

Governmental bodies

Donors

Others

Collaboration with other stakeholders

- Universities
- Research Institutes

Areas of activities

- Exchange of information, networking** **Joint implementation of projects**
- National Policy formulation** **Trainings/Organisation of forums and seminars**
- CCA/UNDAF** **Preparation and distribution of joint publications**
- Poverty Reduction Strategy Papers** **Identification of resources for activities in the country**

Others [FIVIMS](#)

Short description of the activities

The Network affiliated Thematic Group - known as the Task Force on Rural Development and Food Security - is noted for its strong collaboration with the Government. The Group is co-chaired by the FAO Representative and the Vice-Minister of Agriculture and Irrigation.

In 1999, the Task Force provided inputs for the reform of the Ministry of Agriculture and Irrigation (MAI), known as the Aden Agenda, which targets field services, human resources and budgetary concerns. The agenda aims to improve the efficiency of the public services to agriculture, including restructuring public services and privatising some activities, in order to create sustainable and equitable growth from agriculture, particularly for the poor. The Thematic Group is currently supporting the development of a national food insecurity and vulnerability information and mapping system (FIVIMS) in the country, in particular through the preparation of baseline data and sample participatory rural appraisal (PRA) questionnaires.

Involvement in other coordination mechanisms

CCA/UNFAD PRSPs MDGs Donors Liaison Mechanism Government Liaison Mechanism

Others

Other Thematic Groups in the country

<u>Issues of other Thematic Groups</u>	<u>Name of the coordinating organization(s)</u>
Poverty Reduction	WB
Local Governance	UNDP
Education	UNICEF
Health	WHO

Published articles in the Web Site of the UN System Network on Rural Development and Food security

Other publications and documents related to the Thematic Group