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# Capacity Development for Sustainable Agro-Industrialization

## BACKGROUND

The development of agro-industries presents Ethiopia with an opportunity to accelerate economic development and achieve its industrial development goals. Agro-industries can help fulfill the potential of agriculture and advance industrialization in the country. Recognizing this opportunity, the GoE is spearheading the development of integrated agro-industrial parks (IAIPs) and accompanying rural transformation centres (RTCs) with the intention of better integrating agricultural value chain actors in four regions of the country Bulbula (Oromia), Bure (Amhara), Yirgalem (Sidama) & Beaker (Tigray) region.

## CONTEXT

Integrated Agro Industrial Parks (IAIPs) serve as a tool for transforming the economy by boosting the commercialization of the agricultural sector. The Integrated Agro-Industrial Parks Support Project (IAIP-SP) in Ethiopia, under the PROSEAD initiative supported by the AfDB, EU, and Ethiopian government, aims to enhance agro-industrial growth. This project focuses on infrastructure, capacity building, and management coordination overseen by the Ministry of Industry.

The "Capacity Development for Sustainable Agro-Industrialization" initiative, part of IAIP-SP, taking into account UNIDO's coordination role within PROSEAD. Its goal is to strengthen agro-industrialization capacities in Ethiopia by improving the management of IAIPs and RTCs, establishing quality systems for agro-industrialization, and promoting a just and secure work environment through initiatives like gender mainstreaming and preventing gender-based violence.

## WORKING TOWARDS THE SDGs



## STRATEGY



Enhancing management skills within IAIPs and their RTCs up to international standards to compete in global and regional markets.



Establishing inclusive and sustainable agro-food chains through a farmer-centric, investor-friendly approach by enhancing Farmers and cooperative unions' capacities and connecting with agro-processors at national and regional levels.



Creating a conducive business environment to enhance agro-processing potential and quality for agro-industrialization by establishing food quality and safety measures through laboratory equipment and technician training.



Promote balanced regional growth and job opportunities through public-private dialogue, implementing a decent job agenda, gender mainstreaming, and preventing gender-based violence to create a just and safe work environment.

## RESULT

- **19** Officials and experts from regional and federal institutions enhanced their capacity in operating and managing Agro-Industrial parks by visiting eco-friendly agro parks in countries like India, South Africa, and Vietnam.
- **23** Federal and regional institutions have capacity built on agro industry park operation and management, result-based project management, value chain management, and investment attraction training.
- **19** Park management and operation manuals developed.
- **52** Types of capacity-building training were offered to benefit **5132** individuals. The training covered various topics, including Project management, Monitoring & Evaluation, Communication, Value chain & Gender.
- **9** National & International Global Investment Fora organized to attract potential investors in the parks.
- **8** RTC awareness raising workshops have been organized
- **300** Women are well-versed about Integrated Agro-Industrial Parks, working in the Ministry of Industry and its affiliated institutions.

## IMPACT

- **180667** Small Holder Farmers linked to supply the park's agricultural processors with their agricultural goods.

## GEOGRAPHICAL COVERAGE



## COUNTRY



## REGION

Bulbula(Oromia),Yirgalem(Sidama)  
Bure (Amhara), Beaker(Tigray)



## DURATION

2019 – 2025



## TOTAL BUDGET

4.5 M USD



## PARTNERS

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