

WORKSHOP ON COMMUNITY-DRIVEN DEVELOPMENT APPROACH IN AGRICULTURE AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT (ARM 344)

PREMISE: Paradigm shift in Agricultural and Rural Development emphasizes community-driven development approach which gives control of decisions and resources to community groups. This enhances sustainability of development projects especially those with external support.

Available evidence shows that there exists limited capacity among the rural communities and development workers to rise up to the challenges of taking charge of their development agenda. One potent way of addressing the issues involved is by exposing organizers, facilitators and executive committee members of community-based associations and groups to the basic principles of community-driven development (CDD) and concepts of participatory development.

OBJECTIVES: This workshop is therefore, designed to enhance the participants' capacity in the application of the CDD approach to agricultural and rural development. At the end of the workshop, participants should be able to:

- ◆ describe the evolution of rural development strategies in Nigeria;
- ◆ discuss the key elements of the new Agricultural and Rural Development Policies;
- ◆ describe the pillars of community-driven development; and
- ◆ apply the concept of community-driven development to Nigeria's agricultural and rural development situation.

CONTENT:

- ◆ Review of selected on-going agricultural and rural development projects.
- ◆ Concept and principles of community-driven development.
- ◆ Empowering communities in the context of agricultural and rural development (ARD) projects.
- ◆ Empowering Local Government and re-aligning the centre.
- ◆ Social and public accountability in ARD projects.
- ◆ Conflict management among users of natural resources.
- ◆ Mainstreaming gender and vulnerable groups into community driven development.
- ◆ Disaster risk management in community driven development.

TRAINING METHODS: Lecturettes, discussions, group exercises, and case studies.

WHO SHOULD ATTEND? Project facilitators in Fadama III AF, VCDP, IFAD-CASP, CSDP and other poverty alleviation/eradication programmes, officers responsible for planning in Federal and State Ministries of Agriculture and Water Resources, Rural Development, Natural Resources and Environment, facilitators of NGOs/CBOs and community development officers in Local Government Councils, and Oil and Gas companies.

DURATION: One week

DATE: September 25 – 29, 2017

VENUE: Ilorin

CHARGES: ₦33,000.00 (including VAT)