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Quick Facts

Countries	Mozambique
Financial Institutions	World Bank (WB)
Status	Proposed
Bank Risk Rating	U
Voting Date	2020-12-15
Borrower	Government of Mozambique
Sectors	Agriculture and Forestry
Investment Type(s)	Loan
Investment Amount (USD)	$ 250.00 million
Project Cost (USD)	$ 450.00 million

Project Description

According to bank documents, the project objective is to increase climate resilient productivity and value added by smallholders, fishers, and agri-MSMEs while preserving key ecosystem services in selected regions.

Results Area 1 – Promote sustainable productivity of the agrarian sector: This results area, aligned mainly with PODERS strategic pillars 2, and also 1, 3 and 5, encompasses support to delivering a broader range of services to rural and coastal communities, including (i) promotion of improved input markets to support increased crop yield, (ii) an increased outreach of advisory services on field, coupled with an improved knowledge and capacity of extension agents – with focus on sustainable practices, innovative extension tools (including ICT), and (iii) improved rural infrastructure to boost productivity and reduce postharvest loss and targeting of vulnerable groups. The agrarian sector support will also entail attention to innovative green solutions to infrastructure. It will be ensured that all productive activities are backed by the necessary associated infrastructure, one that is sustainable and built not only to bear the impacts of sudden climatic shocks, but also provides access to greener innovative solutions to connectivity and services.

Results Areas 2 – Development of competitive and sustainable value chains (Indicative envelope US$60 million IDA): This results area, mainly supporting PODERS strategic pillar 5, aims to address the constraints that currently prevent Value Chains (VC) from further developing and expanding. In addition to the needs for improved technical capacity and skills among farmers and adoption of new technologies (also supported through results area 1, DLI 2), this includes to strengthen important VC functions such as financial services, smallholder integration, and strengthened market linkages. The development of business model and plans will be at the core of this activity. The VCs that will be targeted include those to ensure food security in rural areas, and those with export potential, including poultry, rice, maize, soya, cashew nuts, soya, horticulture, planted timber, artisanal fisheries, aquaculture and non-timber forest products.

Results Area 3 – Preserving the provision of key ecosystem services and production landscapes (Indicative envelope US$90 million IDA, US$X million counterpart funding). High value ecosystems are key to support the functioning of production landscapes. Ensuring strong governance of forestry, fisheries and biodiversity resources will avoid depletion of these resources that are crucial to ensure continued productivity of rural economic activities such as agriculture, forestry, fisheries and tourism. This results area, linked to PODER strategic pillar 4, will support i) strengthening the governance, including forest and fisheries patrolling, licensing, and monitoring, and ii) conservation area management.

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