

 Early Warning System

IFC-600369

Apurimac Mining Agriculture



Quick Facts

Countries	Peru
Financial Institutions	International Finance Corporation (IFC)
Status	Active
Bank Risk Rating	U
Voting Date	2015-06-02
Borrower	U
Sectors	Agriculture and Forestry, Mining
Investment Type(s)	Grant
Investment Amount (USD)	\$ 3.26 million
Project Cost (USD)	\$ 3.26 million



Project Description

The project will focus on two components: promoting a collective action; improving livelihoods of rural families. This component will seek to enlist mining companies operating in the region in a joint public private effort under the concept of "mining acting as a strategic ally of agriculture". The idea is to help mining become associated with promoting improved productivity and diversification of key crops which will lead to improved food consumption and the raise of farmers income in the region. It will also seek to establish a network of trained agricultural technicians, who can be available for future engagements.

Work will focus on nurturing the idea of Collective Action to support small farmers needs in a structured way, positioned and permanently nurtured. This will require a coordinated effort between small farmers, mining companies and government agencies (national, regional and local). Work will focus on: 1.1 Put in practice and position a Collective Initiative ; 1.2 Establish a coordination Mechanism ; 1.3 Establish a network of Yachachiq.

The second component aims to improve the farm productivity, food availability and the families income in areas impacted by mining operations, so as to generate a better overall environment under which mining companies and agriculture families coexist. This will be done by incorporating culturally suitable farm production technologies, introducing high value and market oriented crops, livestock and poultry; developing peer-to-peer technical assistance activities by using the Yachachiq network, introducing best practices on nutritious food consumption and conducting some market advisory actions and links to potential buyers. Based on an improved productivity of farms, rural families are expected to improve food consumption and increase their income, which will reduce the pressure for mining related job opportunities.

This components strategy will articulate a successful experience from the Ministry of Social Inclusion, through its program Haku Winay, and implement it under a collective initiative of the mining sector. The impact of this approach will be enhanced and communicated internally and more broadly to key stakeholders in the region. The coordinated participation of mining companies, local, regional and national government organizations will be articulated and coordinated under the Steering Committee.

Using Haku Wiay, a model tested by the government, has several advantages. First, the project has incorporated a gender strategy which recognizes the role of women in their families, with relation to the adoption of new practices in both, their farms and households for improving food consumption practices of their families. Second, the agricultural practices introduced by the program have been culturally adapted to the area and are environmentally friendly (i.e. no use of pesticides or introduction of foreign crops, promote organic production). Finally, in addition to having the endorsement of the government, mining companies feel positive about using a tested approach and having the central government as a key ally on this initiative. Work will focus on: 2.1 Improve farmers productivity and diversification; 2.2 Improve food consumption practices; 2.3 Promote Market linkages.



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