Indonesia
Sustainable Management of Agricultural Research and Technology Dissemination

Description

**Purpose:** To improve the institutional capacity and performance of the Indonesian Agency for Agricultural Research and Development (IAARD) to develop and disseminate relevant and demand-driven innovative technologies, meeting the needs of producers and of the agri-food system.

**Expected Results (include):** Establishment of a research collaboration fund. Scaling up of the competitive local innovation fund. Commercialization of research products. Improvement of Technology Dissemination Systems and in research infrastructure and facilities.

**IBRD Financing:** $80 million

Development Challenge

Historically, over several decades following Independence, progress in agriculture has been a major driver of Indonesia's impressive economic growth and reduction in poverty. In spite of rapid urbanization and strong economic growth, agriculture continues to play an important role in Indonesia's economy. Public support and spending in agriculture have dwindled considerably during the past decade, although this trend has been reversed in the last couple of years. While Indonesia is one of the largest agricultural economies in Asia, it spends proportionally less on agricultural R&D than most Asian countries. Another issue is the relative underperformance of Indonesian research in terms of research outputs.

Project Description

The project supports human resource development and management to strengthen the scientific skills and research capacities of IAARD's professional staff. The project also supports improvement in research infrastructure and facilities to rehabilitate, improve and upgrade the physical infrastructure of some of the operational units. Lastly, the project includes research management and policy support, project managements, monitoring and evaluation.

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