

Revised Wau-2014 Resolution “Rumbek 2016”

1. SORUDEV and ZEAT BEAD is one joint programme comprising four state-level components. Close coordination between state components and harmonisation of approaches is vital. SORUDEV and ZEAT BEAD projects implementing partners should work as one large Programme and shall share a Steering Committee. They should meet together with other stakeholders on a regular basis, at least quarterly, for joint planning and networking and sharing of lessons learned. ZEAT BEAD project managers will also meet monthly to discuss progress and enhance synergy. SORUDEV project managers will liaise and coordinate with FAO on areas of cooperation, including with AFIS and feeder road projects.
2. Projects will focus on producers and market centres situated along selected feeder roads. The SORUDEV and ZEAT BEAD projects will seek to develop markets and market actors including smallholder producers. The agro dealers to support will be the blacksmiths, seed producers, agro vet stores, and community based extension agents including animal health workers.
3. Project activities should be preceded by data collection through comprehensive surveys. Approaches to data collection, surveys and research should be standardised, including standardised baseline data collection, market assessments and surveys, and data presentation. Programme methodologies, such as FFS, extension packages, training packages and training curricula and reporting guidelines should also be standardised.
4. There will be no free distribution of project inputs (no voucher systems except if a tool for full cost recovery). Project inputs will be availed at cost. Project implementers will examine delivery options per state, based on careful target group selection (farmers with existing financial capacity), group-based asset ownership and credit options, such as VSLAs, village banks etc.
5. SORUDEV implementing agencies will work in close collaboration with State Ministries of Agriculture and Animal Resources and Fisheries. Where Ministry personnel are present in sufficient numbers, projects implementing partners will facilitate the full participation of Ministry staffs as counterparts, through provision of transport and per diem/DSA (at Government rate if it is lower than the EU rate, otherwise the EU rate stands, and noting that neither sitting allowances nor over time shall be paid). Full time secondment of government staffs to agency programmes should not occur. Where Ministry personnel are NOT present in sufficient numbers, projects implementing partners will examine other extension options in consultation with the relevant ministries. In this context, Farmer Field Schools and Pastoralist Field Schools and others known and accepted methodologies described in the National Agriculture and Livestock Extension Policy (NALEP) are recognised.

Resolutions endorsed by all participants on 28th January 2016 in Rumbek.