

FANRPAN FOOD SECURITY POLICY LEADERSHIP AWARD Nomination Form

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Mozambique is making political, social and economic progress towards eliminating poverty and hunger. In line with this thrust, in the last five years, the level of poverty decreased by 15%. In 2007 the Government of Mozambique approved the Food Security and Nutrition Strategy (ESAN II) which positions food security as a human right. In the same year, the Government approved the **Green Revolution Strategy** and in June 2008, it approved the **Action Plan for Food Production**.

The Action Plan for Food Production aims to reduce the food deficit of main staples during three years (2008-2011) through the increase of domestic production and improved productivity. In order to increase domestic crop production and productivity, the government is assisting smallholder farmers directly and supporting medium and large scale farmers and other service providers through investment by providing funds at district level to support local initiatives. The Production of cereal crops has since the initiative grown by 21%.

Country's performance is benchmarked against CAADP framework as agreed upon by Heads of state during 2003 CAADP Maputo Declaration.

Table 1: Bench marking the winner

No	Description – Areas	CAADP Targets	Mozambique 2008/09	Mozambique 2009/2010
1	Investment in Agriculture % of National Budget	10%	8%	
2	Agricultural growth	6%	5%	
3	Economic growth	6%		
4	Land area Suitable for Agriculture		36million ha	
5	Potential Irrigable land		3.3million ha	
6	Actual Irrigated Land		50,000 ha	
7	% using Fertilizer and Improved Seed		5%	

The challenge for Mozambique is finding a winning formula for ensuring increased public investment in infrastructure and agricultural research and extension services to stimulate agricultural production. With about 36 million hectares of fertile land, the Mozambican agricultural sector has high potential for growth. From the about 3.3 million hectares of land with potential for irrigation, only 50 thousand hectares are under irrigation.

Similar measures and analysis were conducted on Malawi prior to their winning the 2008 FANRPAN policy leadership award. The table below shows Malawi's performance indicators up to 2008 based on CAADP.

Table 2: Performance indicators for Malawi

No	Description – Areas	CAADP Targets	Malawi 2007/08	Malawi 2009/10
1	Investment in Agriculture % of National Budget	10%	14%	13%
2	Agricultural growth	6%	14%	
3	Economic growth	6%	9.7%	7.9%
4	Land area Suitable for Agriculture		3,850million ha	3,850million ha
5	Potential Irrigable land		400,000 ha	1,000,000 ha Green Belt Initiative
6	Actual Irrigated Land		76,450ha	
7	% using Fertilizer and Improved Seed		55%	