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50x2030 Initiative in  
Asia Pacific**

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# 50x2030 INITIATIVE GOAL

- Build **partnerships** to close the data gap in agricultural statistics
- Improve country capacity to produce, analyze, interpret and apply **data** to policies and decisions in agricultural sector
- Provide infrastructure to build **evidence-informed policies** for rural development and food security



# 50x2030 INITIATIVE OBJECTIVES

## OBJ 1: BUILD STRONG AGRICULTURE DATA SYSTEMS

- Empower 50 L/LMICS to build sustainable, **strong national data systems**
- **Capacitate countries** to produce, disseminate and use timely, high quality agricultural and rural data
- **Develop survey programs** using sound, cost-effective methods and tools

## OBJ 2: MONITOR AND REPORT ON SDG 2 AND GENDER INDICATORS

- Produce data to **monitor national indicators**
- **Monitor SDG 2** indicators on Zero Hunger (i.e., 2.3.1, 2.3.2, and 2.4.1), and **Gender** (i.e., 5.a.1)
- Generate other data/indicators to report on **regional commitments** (e.g., CAADP)

## OBJ 3: PRODUCE DATA FOR POLICY, DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS, INVESTMENTS

- Generate **data needed for policy-making** and monitoring agricultural development programs
- Produce relevant **data for investment decisions**
- **Integrate** economic, social, technical and environmental themes and rural development indicators in surveys to analyze drivers of productivity

# 50x2030 INITIATIVE PARTNERSHIPS

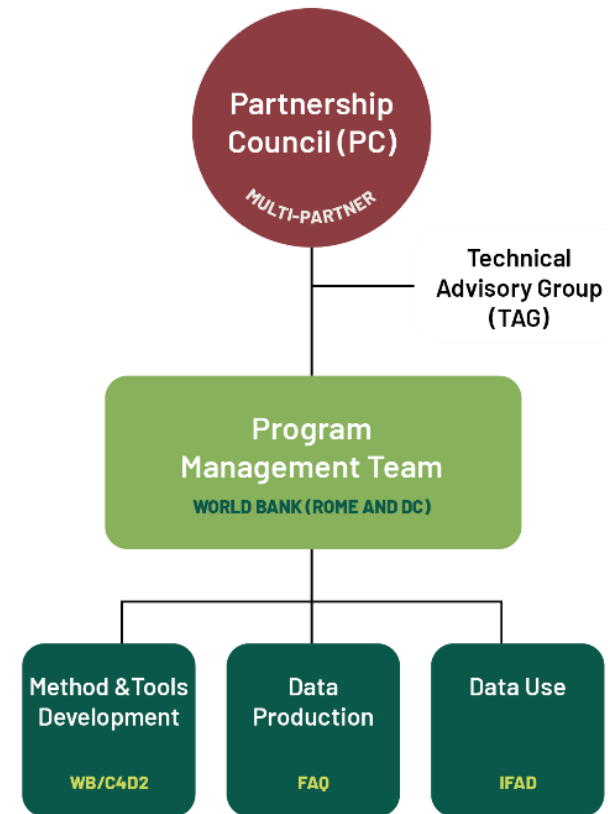
## POWERFUL ALLIANCE



HLG-PCCB

High-level Group for Partnership, Coordination and  
Capacity-Building for statistics for the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development

## GOVERNANCE & ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE



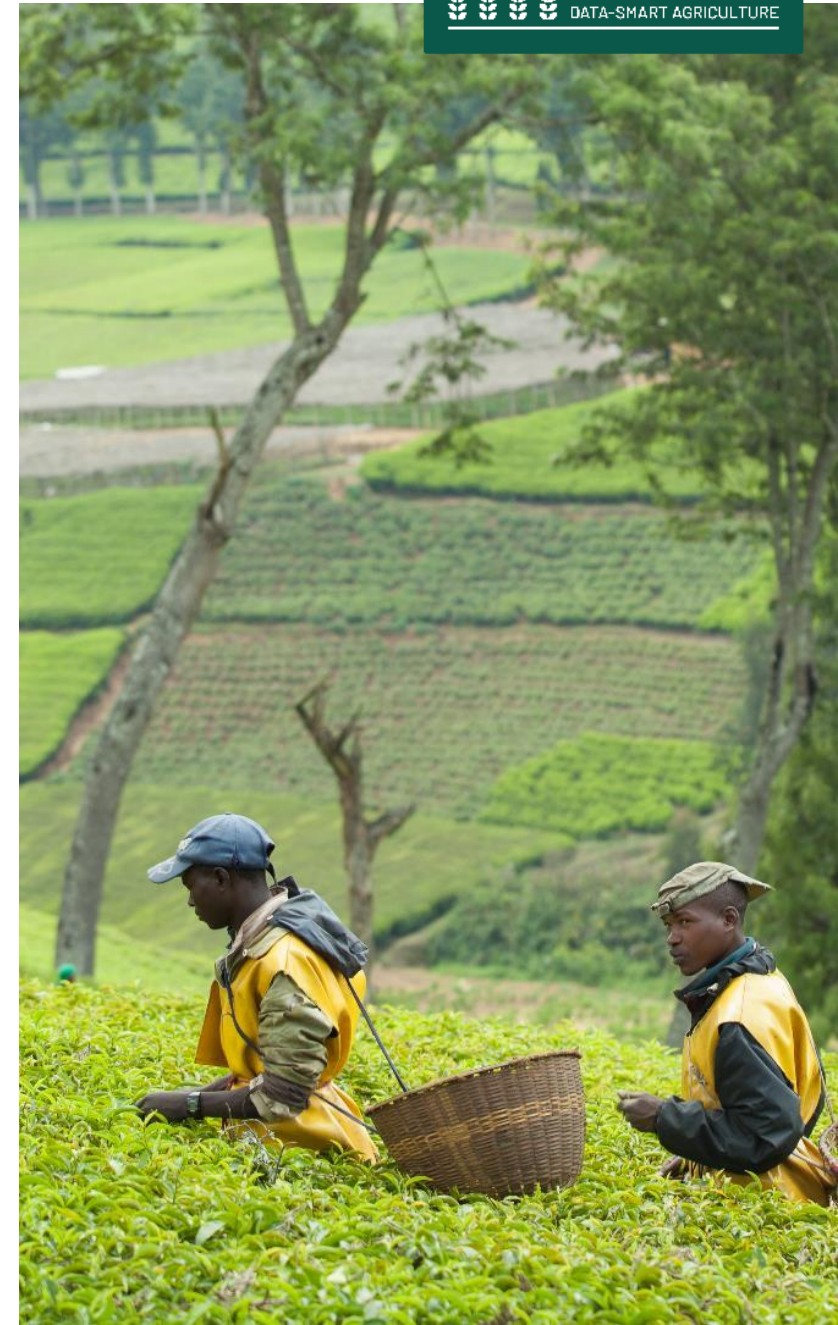
# DATA PRODUCTION COMPONENT

## Led by FAO

- Support countries to produce and disseminate better and more timely agricultural data through technical assistance and financial support in establishing an integrated survey program

## Outputs:

- Identification of suitable survey programme/calendar based on a careful assessment of needs and data gaps
- Integrated agricultural surveys conducted annually
- Data analysed, results shared and fully documented datasets disseminated



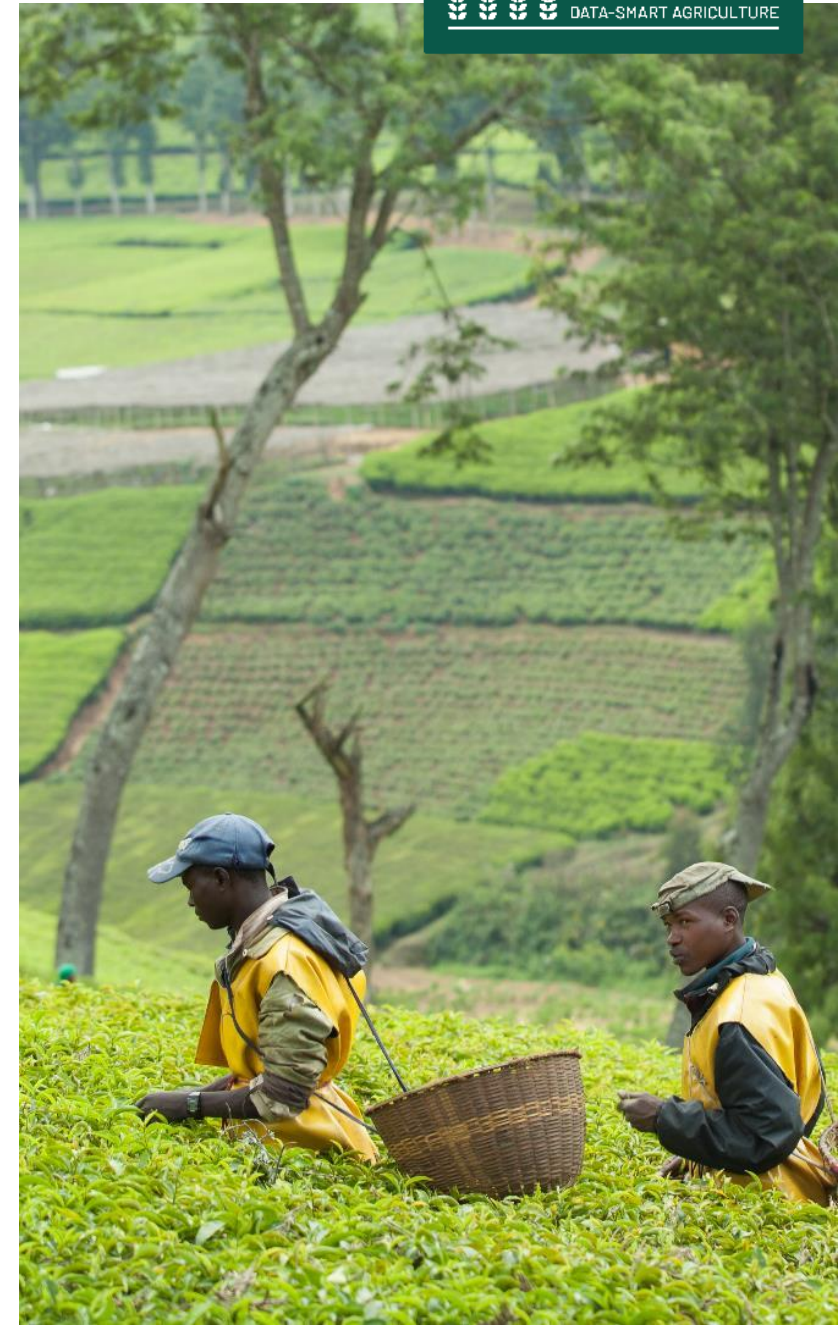
# METHODS AND TOOLS COMPONENT

## Led by the World Bank

- Conduct research and develop tools to improve measurement and understanding of agricultural productivity and rural livelihoods

## Outputs:

- better and more efficient tools adopted in national agricultural survey programmes (e.g., application of new technologies, integration of new data sources, etc.)



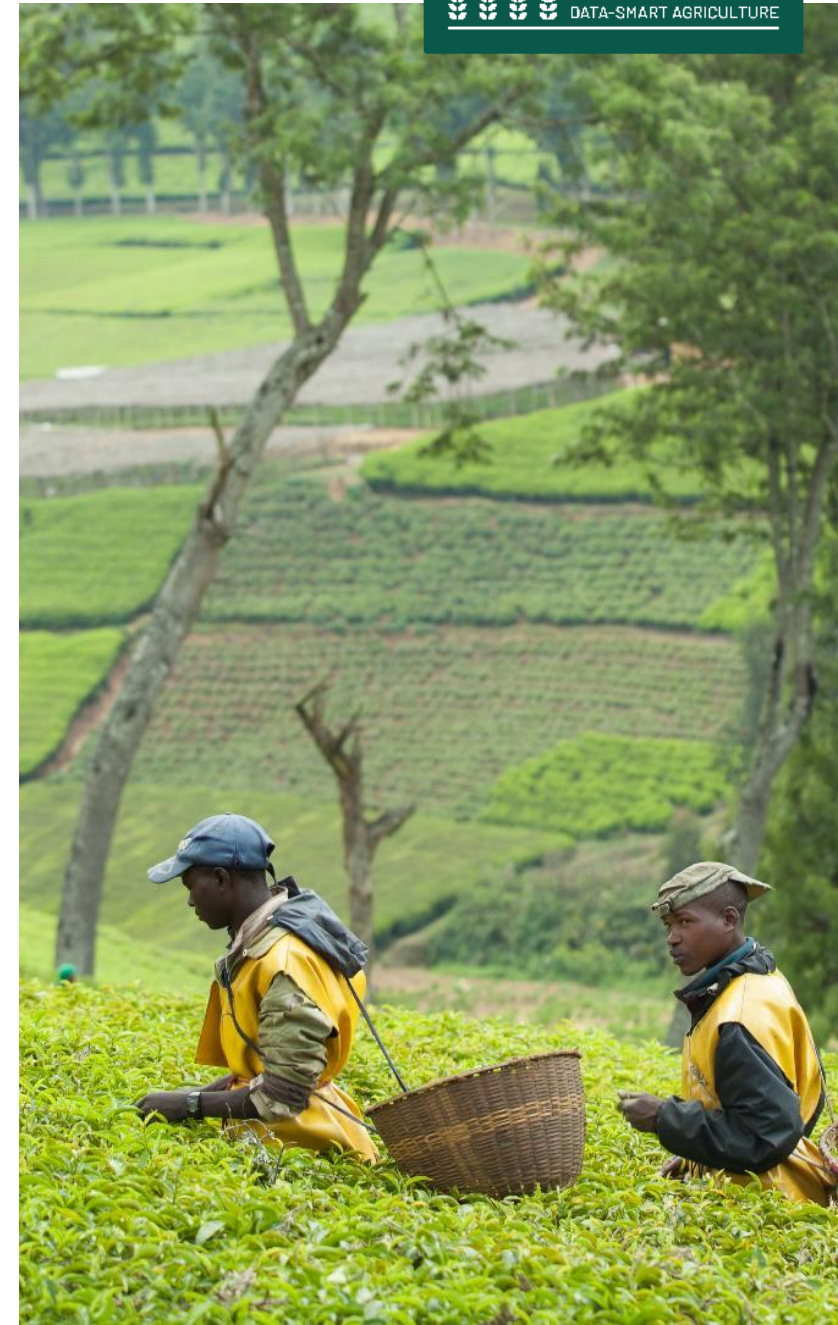
# DATA USE COMPONENT

## Led by IFAD

- Focus on ensuring increased use of survey data to inform investments and policies at national, regional and global levels
- Strengthen the capacities of stakeholders to interpret, analyse and apply agricultural data in decision-making and by improving data sharing and communication practices

## Outputs:

- Data ecosystem mapping
- Capacity building/training
- Improved communication strategies and networks







# PARTNER COUNTRY ENGAGEMENT

Countries joining the Initiative are **expected to**:

- **Show High Level Commitment**  
Political commitment during entire implementation period of the Initiative (5-8 years) and **ensure a progressive technical and financial take over of the survey programme**
- **Ensure Effective Governance**  
Country should endeavour to strengthen **governance and visibility** of agriculture sector in the National Statistical System
- **Undertake Efficient Planning**  
Improved **long-term agriculture strategic planning** in the country is necessary
- **Provide Adequate Human Resources**  
Countries should **dedicate qualified team for implementation**; 50x2030 may support the establishment of mechanisms for setting up a central pool of agricultural statisticians

# WHERE 50x2030 WORKS IN ASIA AND PACIFIC



# MAIN COUNTRY ACHIEVEMENTS (1)



## CAMBODIA

- 2019 Inter-Censal Ag Survey released (report + multidimensional tables + microdata) – first ag survey after 2013 Ag Census
- 2020 Survey conducted, data release is underway
- Technology adoption (Tablets + CAPI) leading to data quality improvements
- Country capacity strengthened

# MAIN COUNTRY ACHIEVEMENTS (2)



## NEPAL

- Chitwan pilot survey released (report, microdata underway)
- 2021 Commercial Livestock Farm Survey conducted, data release is underway
- Technology adoption (Tablets + CAPI) leading to data quality improvements
- Country capacity strengthened

# MAIN COUNTRY ACHIEVEMENTS (3)



## INDONESIA

- Survey instruments of the Agricultural Integrated Survey (SITASI) finalized
- Sampling methodology improved
- SDG calculations assessed, in view of future improvements

# PLANS 2022



# BEYOND 2022

**Other countries to join:**

**3 countries have applied in September 2021**

**Still opportunity for 4-5 countries**

# GLOBAL DATA USE CONFERENCE 2021



## Objectives:

- 1. Raise Awareness/Increase Demand for Data Use**
- 2. Establish Networks of Decision-Makers**
- 3. Facilitate Learning/Sharing**

## Target Audience:

- Decision-Makers/Data Intermediaries across sectors:
  - Public Sector/Government
  - Civil society organizations/Media
  - Donor/development organizations
  - Academic/Research institutions
  - Private sector organizations

## Dates:

- Yearly. Theme for 2021: *"Intensifying Data Use: The Role of Data Intermediary"*
- **From 30 November – 2 December (Virtual)**
- 4 consecutive hours per day

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# PROPOSED RECOMMENDATIONS

- Countries are recommended to develop an **integrated system for agricultural statistics** through effective governance, strategic planning, integrated surveys and use of master sample frames.
- Countries are recommended to scale up the adoption of **innovative and cost-effective methodologies** for agricultural surveys, including technology
- Countries are recommended to **use** the available agricultural statistics for investment and sectorial plans, policy design and monitoring
- Countries joining the Initiative are expected to **show high level commitment** – i.e., ensure a progressive technical and financial take over of the survey programme, make human resources available for the activity implementation and improve the visibility, governance and planning of ag statistics.



# Thank you!

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