

Implementing Partners

LAND is implemented by Land Administration and Use Directorate of the Ministry of Agriculture of the Federal democratic Republic of Ethiopia at the national level and the land administration bureaus at the regional level.

LAND collaborates with the Pastoralist Resiliency improvement and Market Empowerment (PRIME) project, Ethiopian Mapping Agency, Ethiopian Universities, Research Organizations, NGOs and the private sector.



Community participation plays a key role in LAND's interventions.

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The purpose of the Land Administration to Nurture Development (LAND) Project is to assist the federal and regional state governments in their endeavors to strengthen rural land tenure security and implement policies and plans that facilitate and encourage investment and appropriate use of land for improved productivity and hence better food security and livelihoods.

LAND is implemented by the Federal Ministry of Agriculture and Regional governments with funding from the United State Agency for International Development (USAID).

Objectives

LAND has the following specific objectives:

1. Improving the policy, legal and regulatory frameworks for rural land tenure and property rights;
2. Strengthening capacity in rural land administration, rural land use planning and conflict resolution and training and research; and
3. Enhancing communal land use rights for pastoral and agro pastoral communities to improve linkages with value chains, diversify assets and promote improved livelihoods.

Components

LAND works across four components:

1. Improving the legal and policy frameworks at the national and local levels;
2. Strengthening capacity in national, regional, and local land administration and use planning;
3. Enhancing capacity of Ethiopian research institutions and universities to engage in policy analysis and research related to land tenure and train land administration and land use professionals; and
4. Strengthening community land rights in pastoral and agro pastoral areas to facilitate market linkage and economic growth.



LAND is being implemented mainly in Amhara, Afar, Oromia, SNNP, Somali and Tigray regional states. Other regional states (Bene Shangul, Gambella, and Harari) and city administrations (Dire Dawa and Addis Ababa) benefit from the land administration training opportunities provided by LAND.

Activities

LAND's activities include:

1. Assisting federal and state governments in reviewing and revising rural land administration legislation;
2. Building the capacity of federal and regional land administration officials to improve delivery of land administration services and develop land use plans using cost effective methodologies;
3. Strengthening capacity of Ethiopian universities to develop undergraduate and graduate land administration curricula and summer programs;
4. Supporting universities to carry out research to enhance policy, tenure security, agricultural productivity, food security, and sustainable management of land and natural resources;
5. Strengthening and promoting community landholding and governance entities in selected pilot pastoral and agro pastoral communities enabling communities to benefit from increased investments and market linkages;
6. Supporting participatory land use planning activities to secure land rights, formalize customary range management practices, direct land use and management.