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FOOD SECURITY, ENVIRONMENT, & ECONOMIC GROWTH

FSE's GOAL AND OBJECTIVE 2010- 2015:

Reduced Rural Poverty through:

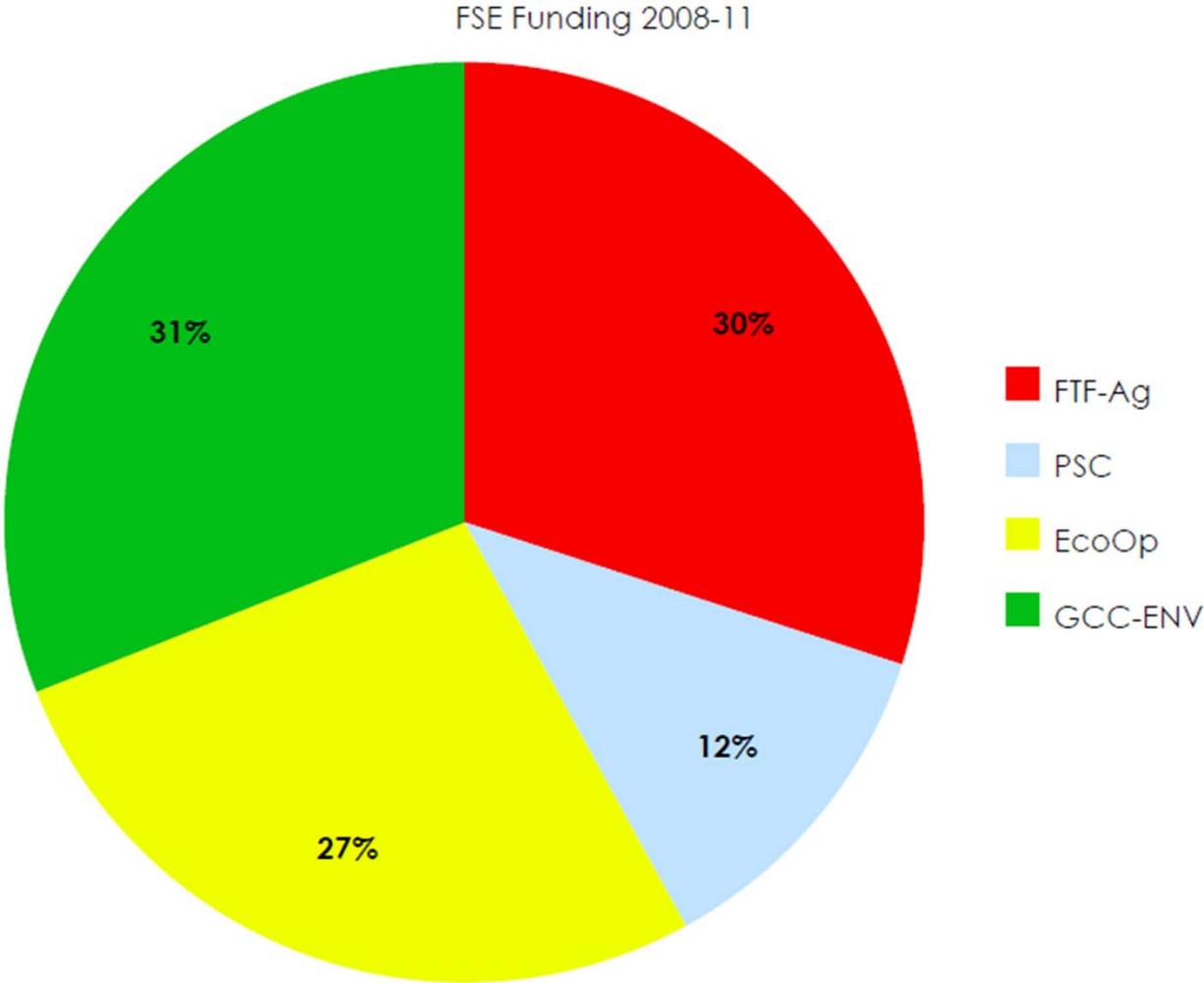
- 1. Improved Food Security**
- 2. Equitable & Rational Management of Natural Resources**
- 3. Improved Economic Enabling Environment**

The FSE Office strives to reduce hunger and poverty in selected geographic areas and target populations by improving agriculture, fisheries, private-sector competitiveness, management of natural resources and adaptation to and mitigate climate change.

FSE COVERAGE



FSE FUNDING MIX 2008-2011



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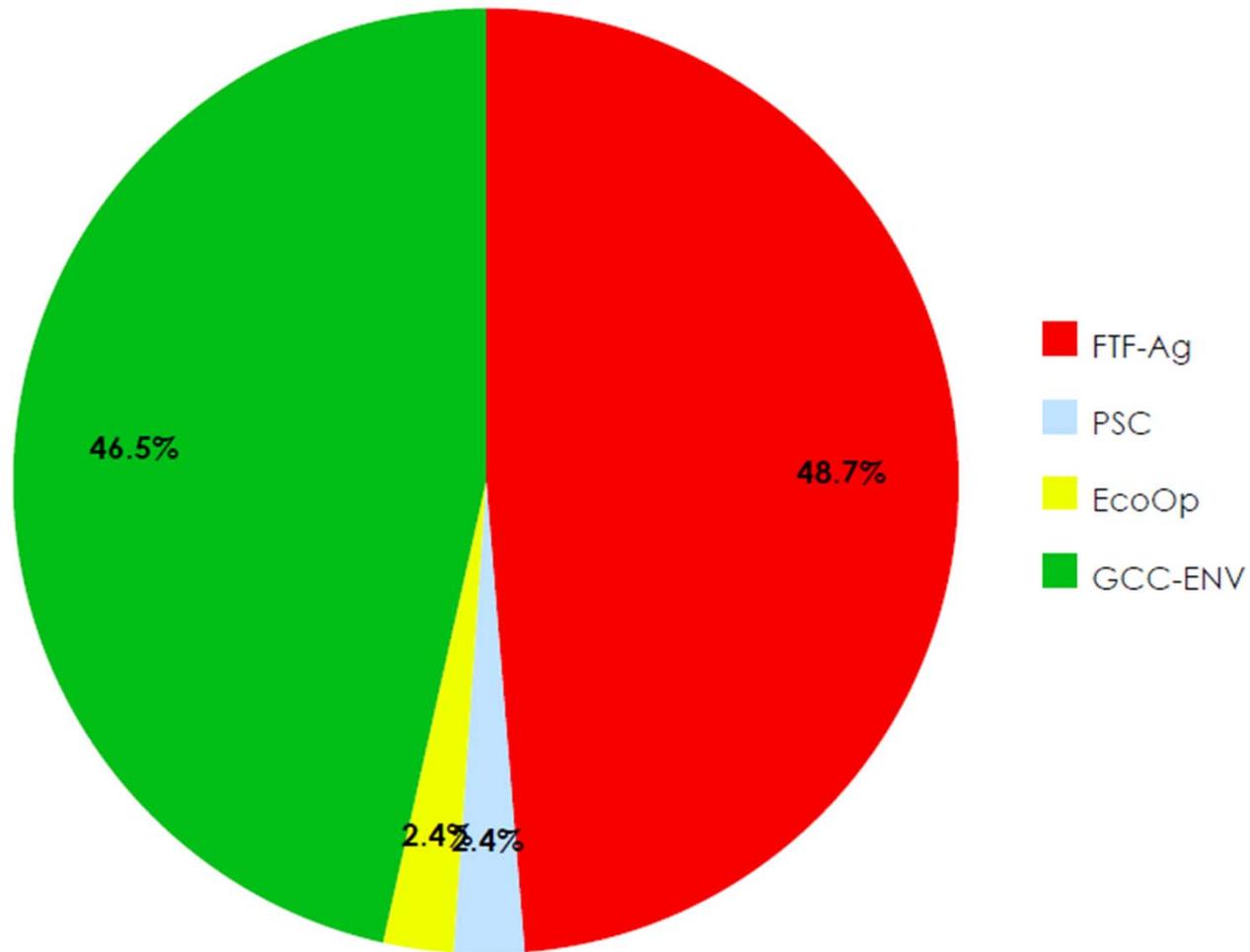
1. **Environment (Biodiversity & Natural Resource Management and Global Climate Change) (31%)** 
2. **Feed the Future/Agriculture (Food Security) (30%)** 
3. **Economic Opportunity (27%)** 
4. **Private Sector Competitiveness/Business Enabling Environment (12%)** 

Plus→**Coordination with OPHE Nutrition funds**

HOWEVER →***The mix is shifting:***

CHANGING FSE FUNDING TRENDS 2011

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FSE FOOD SECURITY & AGRICULTURE

- 1. Improve Food Availability**
- 2. Improve Food Access through Rural Income Increase and Diversification**
- 3. Improve Use of Food: Nutrition Education, Water and Sanitation**
- 4. Increase Capacity to Adapt Climate Change**

FSE ENVIRONMENT & CLIMATE CHANGE

- 1. Promote Conservation of Targeted Biodiversity Areas**
- 2. Strengthen the Biodiversity Value Chains of Non-Timber Forest Products such as Honey and Resin**
- 3. Improve Natural Resource Management**
- 4. Increase Cambodia's Resilience to Climate Change**
- 5. Reduce Greenhouse Gas Emissions from Forest Degradation and Land Use Change (mitigation)**

FSE CURRENT PROJECTS

Helping Address Rural Vulnerabilities and Ecosystem Stability (HARVEST) – Implemented by Fintrac

In support of the mission's Feed the Future goals, the HARVEST program will:

Reduce food insecurity for poor and vulnerable households, improve Cambodia's ability to adapt to climate change and improve capacity for related national level policy and research.

Cambodia Micro Small and Medium Enterprise/ Business Enabling Environment – Implemented by DAI

In support of the mission's private sector development goals, the MSME program:

Improves productivity of various value chains; helps increase and improve the voice of the private sector to better articulate its views on issues of investment and business management; and strengthens the business enabling environment. (concludes September 2012)

FSE CURRENT PROJECTS (CONT.)

DCA:– Implemented by Thaneakea Phum (Cambodia) Ltd. (TPC)

January 2012: New partnership with Cambodian microfinance firm to facilitate \$2.71 million in loans over the next four years to farmers and micro, small, and medium agricultural enterprises working in Pursat, Battambang, Kampong Thom, and Siem Reap.

Rice-Fisheries Development Project (new)

– **Implemented by International Agricultural Research Centre**

In support of developing improved and sustainable rice field fishery management practices mainly for poor and aquatic resource dependent households.

Other projects forthcoming – Implementers TBD

FSE & USAID FORWARD

1. Building Local Capacity

- a. DCA Agricultural Loan program with TPC to increase lending to local agribusinesses and farmers.
- b. NGO capacity strengthening
- c. Analytical study/assessment in areas of food security, natural resource, environment, and climate change.

2. Evidence Based Decision-Making

- a. Carry-out analytical assessments in key areas related to FSE's mandate.
- b. Inter- and intra-agency collaboration to meet USG food security objectives.

KEY RESULTS 2008-2011

- 256,000 rural Cambodians in 17 provinces benefit from economic growth initiatives through U.S. Government programs.
- More than 6,000 rural businesses have improved productivity. Investment in participating enterprises has increased by 400% in the pig-raising sector, 150% in the fisheries sector and 300% in the brick/tile sector.
- Over 27 local water service providers have piped potable and affordable water to more than 14,000 households (over 70,000 people). An added 130,000 people get clean water via new treatment plants and better management.
- 120,000 hectares of forest protected in cooperation with the Forestry Administration and Cambodia's Forest Communities.

HARVEST KEY RESULTS 2011-12

- 708 demonstration activities begun in farming, business development services, forestry, fisheries and aquaculture
- 195 rice demonstration sites helped to utilize improved farm practices for IPM, water management and fertilizer use and yielded rice production increases of over 30%.
- Aided 12 communities to become officially recognized as community forests. Will work to protect forest resources through community woodlots, tree nurseries, agro-forestry, and promotion of non-timber forest products.
- Working with 60 rice millers and six banks on proper bookkeeping, cash flow management, and budget projections needed to obtain credit for capital equipment and paddy loans. Three millers received loans this quarter of between \$10,000-\$25,000 to upgrade their operations.

Thank You!

