Managing Water for Development

Towards a Joint Vision for Water Resources and Agriculture



Annex 3: Matrix of Joint Elements of IRR and WRM Objectives, Policies and Approaches

NWSSIP Objectives IRR

- (1) achieve **sustainability** through water resources protection and reduction of groundwater extraction
- (2) **improve farmers' income** through increased water resources efficiency
- (3) enhance water supplies
- (4) **improve institutional performance** with the aim of supporting the farmers

NWSSIP Policies IRR

- (1) Water use efficiency, producing more crop per drop
- (2) improving water supplies
- (3) give a **wider role for local communities** and water user associations (WUAs)

NWSSIP Approaches IRR

- (1) reduce groundwater mining
- (2) secure farmers' water rights
- (3) get incentives right
- (4) refocus agricultural research and extension
- (5) **cost recovery on public irrigation schemes** and developing WUAs as main partners
- (6) treat qat as a crop
- (7) reviving watershed / water basin management with an integrated approach
- (8) reviewing and revising the dams program
- (9) repositioning MAI through reviewing and redefining the roles of government and private sector in the agricultural sector
- (10) enhance institutional coordination on agricultural water use
- (11) improve the effectiveness of the AFPPF
- (12) increase the role of community organizations and civil society
- (13) implementation of the agricultural agenda A21A

NWSSIP Objectives WRM

- (1) ensure grater degree of sustainability
- (2) contribute to **poverty alleviation** by promoting efficient water use and equity in water allocation
- (3) **improved water allocation**, while mindful of equity, social norms, meeting domestic needs + maximizing economic benefits
- (4) give priority to domestic needs of rural and urban populations
- (5) creating a **realistic and holistic water vision** among the general population

NWSSIP Policies WRM

- (1) curb potential social tensions arising from feeling of inequities in access to the water resources
- (2) government to play a leading role to balance interests and facilitate **coherent institutional actions**
- (3) No top-down command&control mechanism possible, a partnership with local communities is necessary

NWSSIP Approaches WRM

- (1) create an **enabling institutional environment** (for local participation)
- (2) provide information on water resources, raise awareness and

create a shared water management vision among participants

- (3) supply water related public goods (infrastructure for terraces, recharge & diversion structure etc)
- (4) protect water rights, implement the water law, enable water transfers and create conducive macroeconomic environment
- (5) enhance cost sharing with beneficiaries