

Convention: RC	Facilitation of the development and implementation of projects and activities in the priority areas on requests from Parties and in cooperation with regional centers and FAO regional offices	
LEGAL BASIS/MANDATE:		
Decision RC-6/11 and the Programme of Work and Budget for 2014-2015 invite the Secretariat to facilitate assistance to developing-country parties, in particular least developed countries and small island developing States, and countries with economies in transition, in the implementation of the Convention. The activity is in support of activity 15 of the approved programme of work and budget contains 2014/15).		
BACKGROUND INFORMATION:		
FAOs Pesticide Management Field Programme provides technical assistance to countries in reviewing their pesticide registration system with a view to revise the pre- and post registration requirements. Revising the legal and administrative basis and modifying the institutional infrastructure for regulation of pesticides provides an opportunity to incorporate modifications that will allow the country to fulfill its obligations under the Rotterdam Convention.		
PROPOSED ACTIVITIES TO BE FUNDED:		
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Organize meetings with FAO regional officers on RC specific topics; 2. Contribute to FAO's work on Pest and Pesticide Management including the Joint Meeting on Pesticides, implementation of the revised Code of Conduct, FAOs work on highly hazardous pesticides; and FAOs Technical Assistance on strengthening pesticide management; 3. Contribute to FAO's work on Farmer Field Schools; 4. Technically support regular sessions of regional entities covering pesticides and chemicals management, 		
RESULTS TO BE ACHIEVED:		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Increased integration of the work of the Rotterdam Convention with relevant activities on chemicals and pesticides within field projects of the FAO pesticide management programme. 		
VOLUNTARY BUDGET [USD] FOR 2014-2015		
10	PROJECT PERSONNEL COMPONENT	
1600	<i>Travel on Official Business</i>	5,000
30	TRAINING COMPONENT	
3300	<i>Meetings and Conferences</i>	29,000
DIRECT PROJECT COST OPERATIONAL BUDGET		34,000
Programme Support Costs (PSC) 13%		4,420
TOTAL OPERATIONAL BUDGET		38,420