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PROJECT PROPOSAL FOR STRENGTHENING AGRICULTURE, EDUCATION AND HEALTH LINKAGES TO MAXIMISE NUTRITION OUTCOMES FOR VULNERABLE GROUPS FOR CONSIDERATION UNDER THE GLOBAL AGRICULTURE AND FOOD SECURITY PROJECT (GAFSP)

The Government of Uganda (GoU) is pleased to submit, for your consideration, a proposal for a project titled “Strengthening Agriculture, Health and Education Linkages to Maximise Nutrition Outcomes for Vulnerable Groups” in response to the Global Agriculture and Food Security Program (GAFSP) Trust Fund’s third public sector call for proposals.

Government has prepared a number of national level sector policies, strategies and action plans to address the challenges of agriculture, food and nutrition security. Among these are 5-year Agricultural Sector Development Strategy and Investment Plan (DSIP) for the period 2010/11 – 2014/15 whose total budget of USD 1.37 billion has a 25 percent funding gap. Other national policy frameworks related to the present project proposal include the Food and Nutrition Policy (UNFP), Uganda Nutrition Action Plan (UNAP), Health Sector Strategic Plan and the Education Sector Strategic Plan.

The main aim of this proposal is to assist Government to fill an existing gap of strengthening agriculture, nutrition and education linkages in order to attain improved food and nutrition outcomes among the vulnerable groups in the country. The vulnerable groups include pre-school and school going children, pregnant and breast feeding women, widows and orphans. The level of funding requested is US$ 36.855 million.

We are positive that the proposal will receive your most favourable consideration and approval as we strive to better the livelihoods of the country’s vulnerable population. Attached are the following documents:

1. Endorsement letter from the in-country Sector Working Group
2. Letter of readiness from preferred Supervision Entity
3. GAFSP Proposal
4. Agricultural Sector Development Strategy and Investment Plan
6. Signed CAAPD Compact
8. Communiqué or resolution from the CAADP Business Meeting

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