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Sub: Submission of "Vegetables in Hilly Areas Project" Proposal for GAFSP Funding

I would like to extend my sincere thanks to Global Agriculture and Food Security Program (GAFSP) trust fund for supporting to the satisfactorily implemented Agriculture and Food Security Project and the ongoing project, Food and Nutrition Security Enhancement Project (FANSEP).

Acknowledging the positive impact of your support in the ongoing project, it is my pleasure to submit the proposal entitled "**Vegetables in Hilly Areas Project**" (to be integrated into Nuts and Fruits in Hilly Areas Project) for funding from the GAFSP trust Fund.

The overall objective of the project is to improve the livelihoods and food security of poor households of targeted communities and strengthen their linkage to agriculture and financial market. We have taken the development of this proposal as a further step to achieving ongoing process of Food security in Nepal. The objectives of the project are among the top priority needs of the country and align with the Agriculture Development Strategy (ADS) and 15 th plan and therefore will receive your highest consideration. The proposal has reached its present stage after intensive participation of and consultation with stakeholders, policy makers and the development partners.

The Ministry of Agriculture and Livestock Development would like to express its full commitment in achieving the objectives stated in the proposal and we consider GAFSP window a crucial source of finance to narrow down the existing gap.

I would like to assure of our highest cooperation and readiness to furnish any further details in the process of your consideration.

Sincerely,

Krishna Prasad Acharya
Secretary