Background
Since 1979 the International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD) is engaged working in India focusing on strengthening people’s ability to manage their own development. Its approach features a fully participatory planning and implementation process, reflecting indigenous knowledge and considering participants’ capacities and interests. Since IFAD’s establishment in 1977, we have mobilized US$3.8 billion, leveraging US$1.2 billion of the Fund’s own financing, through 32 projects directly benefiting over six million households in India.

In 2018, the Country Strategic Opportunities Programme (COSOP) of IFAD India for 2018 to 2024 has evolved through a two-year-long engagement with the Government of India and other stakeholders. The overarching goal of the COSOP is to maximize IFAD’s contribution to the Government strategy for doubling farmers’ income by 2022. To achieve the target, the country programme has a single, focused strategic objective (SO): Smallholder food and agricultural production systems are remunerative, sustainable and resilient, with three key dimensions: remunerative, sustainable and resilient.

Scope
The mid-term COSOP Results Review will monitor progress in implementation against its results management framework. Key outcomes and milestone indicators are based on expected results from the project portfolio and the related policy engagement. Project logical frameworks will be systematically aligned with the COSOP results framework. Those projects that under the mid-term COSOP Results Review are either completed projects after 2018 and currently on-going projects.

Purpose
The purpose of the validation session is to present the mid-term COSOP Results Review, which include the three key dimensions (remunerative, sustainable, resilient), share the underpinning data collected in the completed and on-going projects, and collect feedback from relevant partners to pave the way toward the end of the COSOP. This session is important to include all relevant IFAD’s partners to provide feedback on the review and discuss the way forward.

Objective
The event will bring together key stakeholders and partners to:

(i) Present mid-term COSOP Results Review
(ii) Receive feedback from relevant partners
(iii) Identify the gap and reflect toward 2024
(iv) Explore possible collaborations going forward
(v) Validate the mid-term COSOP Results Review
(vi) Strengthen the network among IFAD operations and partners in the country.

Participants
The event will bring together senior government representatives and representatives of IFAD-supported development interventions from India, and other development partners, farmer’s organization, indigenous groups
and private sectors that have worked closely with IFAD for the last 40 years.

**Agenda**
The event will be held at conference hall in the Oberoi Hotel, New Delhi, on 8th September 2022 from 10:00 to 12:00 hours, with the following agenda:

10:00  Opening -MC (IFAD Officer)
10:10  Welcoming note: IFAD Regional Director for Asia and the Pacific Region
10:20  Keynote speech: Government of India
10:35  Presentation of the mid-term COSOP Results Review: IFAD Country Director for India
11:10  Feedback from audience
11:35  Conclusion
11:50  Closing Statement – IFAD Way Forward: IFAD Regional Director for Asia and the Pacific Region
12:00  Event Closing