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RESPONSES OF THE MEMBER COUNTRIES TO THE POLICY QUESTIONS ON

Improving Agricultural Market Performance:
Developing Agricultural Market Information
Systems



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1) FORMULATION OF POLICY RECOMMENDATIONS

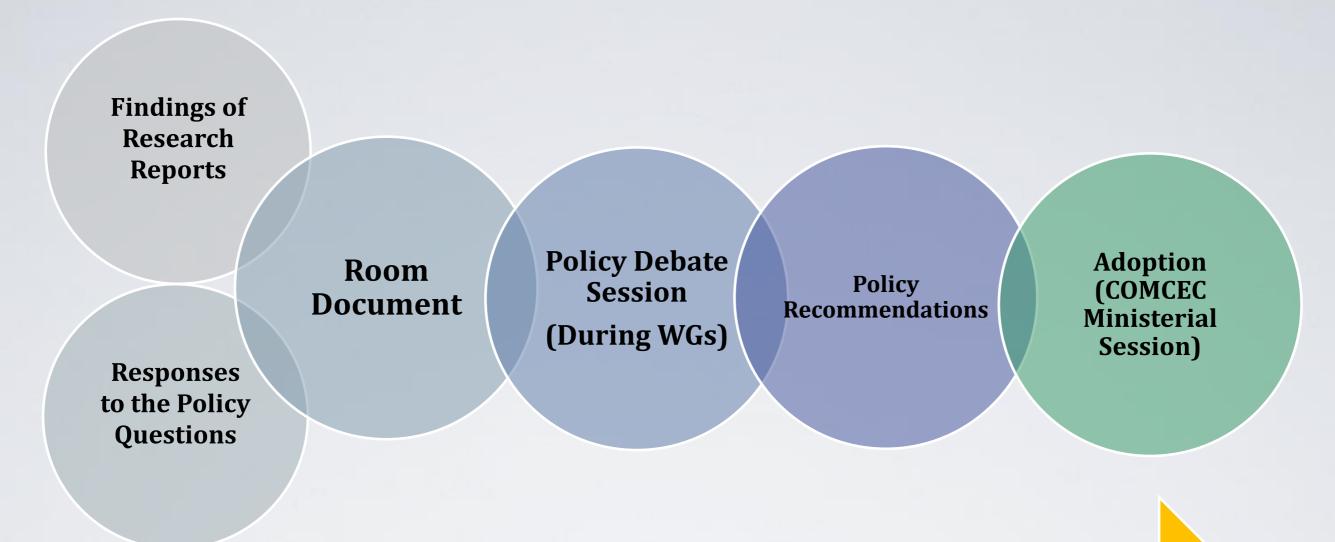
«.... approximate policies in the cooperation areas to address and find solutions to the economic and social challenges of the Islamic Ummah» (COMCEC Mission)

Policy Recommendations:

- > Research reports, policy questions, discussions during the WGs
- ➤ Adopted by the COMCEC Ministerial Sessions
- > Serve to policy approximation



1. Formulation of Policy Recommendations



Member Countries' Direct Involvement



2- POLICY QUESTIONS

- 1. Which risk management tools are urgently needed in your country?
- 2. What can be the priorities of governments for establishing MIS?
- 3. Which function of MISs can serve best for your Country's needs?
- 4. Which components shall be included in a legislative framework for MIS?
- 5. Which items should be covered in an effective MIS?



Q1:Which risk management tools are urgently needed in your country?

Risk-management tools	Ranking
Market information system	1
Contract farming	2
Agricultural insurance program	3
Warehouse receipt system	4
Agricultural commodity exchanges	5



Q2: What can be the priorities of governments for establishing MIS?

Possible Roles of Government	Ranking
Enabling legislative or regulatory framework	1
Policy framework that supports innovations and initiatives which improve the performance of agricultural marketing systems	2
Required Investment for the establishment of MIS	3
Effective stock monitoring systems	4
Aligning agricultural trade as well as food security policies and initiatives	5
Supporting/Funding MIS's operations	6
Promoting market-supporting institutions including non-MIS risk-management tools of contract farming, warehouse receipt system, agricultural commodity exchanges agricultural insurance program	7
Promoting formalized on and off-farm storage systems	8



Q3: Which function of MISs can serve best for your Country's needs?

Functions	Ranking
Providing inputs for public policies in terms of food security and other sector development issues and improving market performance	1
Providing supply chain actors (farmers, traders and processors) with information about prices and market conditions	2



Q4: Which components shall be included in a legislative framework for MIS?

Components	Ranking
Division of labor among the relevant stakeholders	1
Assignment of an authority/institution for inter-agency coordination and stakeholder consultation	2
Investment funding	3
Regular monitoring, impact assessment, and benchmarking	4
Operational funding	5



Q5: Which items should be covered for an effective MIS?

Items	Ranking
Price	1
Quantities offered and demanded	2
Stock	3
Quality Features	4
Agricultural extension advice	5
Services linking buyers and seller	6
Trend Analysis & Forecast projections	7
Weather forecast	8
Transport costs	9



4- ROOM DOCUMENT

Policy Advice 1

 Designing MIS through assessing and reviewing targeted stakeholders with a sustained government budget support and an effective monitoring and evaluation framework

Policy Advice 2

 Building sufficient capacity for stock monitoring, trend analysis and forecasting beyond providing price information for a better functioning MIS



4- ROOM DOCUMENT

Policy Advice 3

 Linking MIS to other market-supporting institutions and/or other risk-management tools to increase their mutual benefits

Policy Advice 4

 Forming the necessary mechanisms/platforms for an improved coordination among the key stakeholders and ensuring the effective review of the quality of information provided





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