



## ADAPTATION FUND

---

Adaptation Fund Board Secretariat

***Approval of request for postponement of project inception date: International Fund for Agricultural Development (Uzbekistan)***

***Weight of request:*** Minor

***Summary of request***

On 11 February 2026, the International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD) submitted its first notification of delay regarding the inception of the project “*Resilient Food Systems through Climate Services for Agriculture in Uzbekistan*”.

According to IFAD’s memo, the delay is mainly due to institutional restructuring within the Government of Uzbekistan. Following a recent Presidential resolution, the Ministry of Ecology, Environmental Protection and Climate Change was reorganized and renamed as the National Committee on Ecology and Climate Change of the Republic of Uzbekistan (the Ecology Committee).

The Ecology Committee has informed IFAD that all functions previously held by the former ministry have now been transferred to the newly established committee.

In addition, a draft subsidiary agreement between IFAD and the Government has already been prepared and shared with the Government for review. Once the agreement is signed, a dedicated governmental decree will be required for it to enter into force.

***Secretariat’s review of the request***

The Secretariat has reviewed the request and the reasons provided by IFAD and considers the request for a postponement of the project inception date to be justified. It also acknowledges that the Designated Authority has been duly notified, in line with the Policy for Project/Programme Delays (Amended, 2025).

***Conclusion***

*Following the review of the request for a postponement of the project inception date from 21 February 2026 to 21 February 2027 submitted by IFAD for the project “Resilient Food Systems through Climate Services for Agriculture in Uzbekistan”, this has been cleared by the Secretariat as per Decision B.44/44 and the Policy for Project/Programme delays.*

***Clearance: AFBSEC-2026-06***