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Millennium Development Goals can only be achieved if appropriate attention is given to cities and rural-urban linkages

FOOD *for* THE CITIES

a multi-disciplinary approach

Themes: Food security, nutrition and livelihoods; Production systems; Food marketing and distribution; Food processing and street foods; Policy, planning and Institutions; Cities in crises; rural-urban linkages; Natural Resource Management; Decentralized cooperation

Actions: urban and peri-urban agriculture system, livestock, marketing, processing, nutrition education, water use and re-use, land management; roof-gardens, micro-gardens, farmer field schools projects; FAO promotes small scale projects aimed at improving access to fresh and healthy food, especially in a context of soaring food prices.



The urban producer's resource book

A practical guide for working with Low Income Urban and Peri-Urban Producers Organizations.



FAO collaborates with international institutions in developing UPA-related work at global, regional and country level, particularly in policy and technology-oriented research, training and information.

In June 2005, the Canadian "International Development Research Centre" (IDRC) funded an FAO joint Project on "Urban and Peri-urban Agriculture: Towards a better understanding of low-income producer organizations", implemented in ten developing country cities. One of the main outcomes of the project is a resource book drawing on FAO's programme experience and applying in the context of Urban and Peri-Urban Agriculture, through various sector and commodity-specific interventions.

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