

Statement on behalf of
The Government of the Republic of Indonesia
at
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AGENDA ITEM 5: EMPOWERING YOUTH IN INCLUSIVE AND SUSTAINABLE FOOD SYSTEMS. ENDORSEMENT AND UPTAKE OF THE CFS POLICY RECOMMENDATIONS ON PROMOTING YOUTH ENGAGEMENT AND EMPLOYMENT IN AGRICULTURE AND FOOD SYSTEMS FOR FOOD SECURITY AND NUTRITION

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1. Indonesia welcomes the adoption of CFS Policy Recommendations on Promoting Youth Engagement and Employment in Agriculture and Food Systems”.
2. We believe that the Policy Recommendations will ensure the meaningful participation and contribution of youth to enhance sustainable agriculture and food systems.
3. We recognize the five key Policy Recommendations as valuable inputs in supporting transition to sustainable agriculture and food systems. These policy recommendations are in line with our Indonesia’s strategic development policy.
4. Promoting youth engagement and employment in agriculture is a prerequisite for the realization of sustainable agriculture and food systems.

5. Based on Statistic in 2021, youth in Indonesia is 23,9% from the total of Indonesia's population (or around 64,92 million), and only 19,18% of them are working in the agriculture sector (25% in industrial sector, and 55,8% in service sector).
6. Therefore, the Indonesian Government focusing its activities on building youth skills-sets and business development services, creating employment opportunities, and linking them to knowledge, digital skills, innovation, technology, markets, as well as financial institutions.
7. One of the priority programs is the Millennial Farmer Ambassador as part of the direction of the President of the Republic of Indonesia in creating 2.5 million jobs from the agricultural sector.
8. Through the Ministry of Agriculture, the Government gradually provide equipment as well as agricultural support technology, including technological capital, business skills and MSMEs so that the expected output is to promote sustainable supply chains and become a leading export commodity in Indonesia.
9. With these remarks, Indonesia endorses the policy recommendations and its draft decision.

I thank you, Mr. Chair.