

Criteria

The following standards are used by SelfDevelopment of People Committees to determine whether a project is valid for funding within this ministry.

1. A project will be presented, owned, and controlled by the group of people who will benefit directly from it.
2. A project will address longterm correction of conditions that keep people bound by poverty and oppression.
3. A project presented for funding will describe, in detail, its goal (the point of the project), its objectives (the specific steps the group will take to accomplish the goal), the way the direct beneficiaries will be involved in all stages of the project, and the methods to be used to achieve the goal and objectives.
4. A project will be sensitive to the environment while accomplishing its goal or objectives.
5. A project will not advocate violence as a means of accomplishing its goal or objectives.
6. A project presented for funding will describe fully the resources known to be available for its support, including a description of a) those within the community, b) those available to the community, and c) the inkind and other financial resources sought or to be sought.
7. A project presented for funding will contain a balanced income and expenditure budget. A financial plan showing expected income and expenditures over the funding term of the project would be included.
8. A project presented for funding will specify how the group will evaluate progress toward the stated goal and objectives, and when the evaluation will be made.

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