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H.E. the Minister of Social Solidarity
Government of the Arab Republic of Egypt,
And Hon'ble Vice President of AARDO from Africa
Cairo, Egypt

**Subject: International Training Programme on "Inclusive Rural and Regional Development in Malaysia"
INFRA, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia, 22-31 July 2024**

Excellency,

I have the honour to inform Your Excellency that AARDO, in collaboration with the Ministry of Rural and Regional Development, Government of Malaysia is organizing an International Training Programme on "Inclusive Rural and Regional Development in Malaysia" INFRA, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia, during 22-31 July 2024 (including dates of arrival and departure) for AARDO member countries.

The major objectives of the programme are to:

- Understand the rural development policies, strategies and programmes, with focus on Malaysian experiences;
- Share successes, best practices, and lessons learned from rural development programmes implemented in Malaysia, particularly those aimed at empowering the poor through income generation programs and value-added projects such as cooperatives, agriculture, and others;
- Enable participants to exchange views on practical knowledge, technology transfer, income generation activities, and environmental improvement for better quality of life in rural areas; and
- Promote collaboration and networking among key personnel in rural development and poverty alleviation from participating countries.

I have the pleasure to request Your Excellency to kindly nominate **two (02)** most relevant officers/experts, in order of preference (principal and alternate), for the programme. **As the programme is specialized and technical, AARDO will accept only nomination(s) of candidates who are relevant to the subject of the programme, based on their qualification and experience.** Prospective nominee(s) must satisfy the following:

Essential Qualifications:

- Minimum a bachelor's degree in the Relevant Field, with considerable working experience in planning and executing the programmes related to subject of the programme.
- Must be subject specialist and related to the subject of the programme.
- Proficiency in spoken and written English language, as the medium of conducting the programme is English only and translation facilities into any other language would not be available.
- Preferably below 55 (fifty-five) years of age.
- No participation in AARDO's offline programme over the last two years.
- Must be in good health to undergo the programme.

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Excellency will appreciate that this fellowship has expenditure inclusions and exclusions as highlighted in the following table:

S.	Included (Borne by AARDO and	Exclusions (To be borne by Nominating Govern-
1	Programme Fee, Board & Lodging	Pre-Programme Expenses: Passport, Visa Fee, Vaccination, Airport Taxes etc.
2	Return Air Ticket by economy class (from Capital City)	Travel and Health Insurance Premium
3	Literature/Course Materials	Telephone Calls, Laundry
4	Study Visits during the programme	Medical Expenses
5	Local Travel (Airport transfers)	Extra Baggage Allowances
6	Daily Token Allowance (Subsistence)	Post Programme expenses: any other expense after the event

Excellency's esteemed Government may wish to provide some allowances to its selected candidate(s) especially to meet the expenses which are excluded under this fellowship. **All participants would have to carry a valid travel health insurance cover.**

It is requested that the nominee(s) may kindly be advised to apply online through <http://aardo.org/aardot.php> and the scanned copy of the application (submitted online), duly recommended by competent authority, may kindly be forwarded to AARDO Secretariat through email: cbdp@aardo.org **latest by 10 June 2024**. Nominations received after the closing date or received incomplete in any respect or without a copy of valid passport are likely not to be considered. A brochure containing information on the programme is attached, herewith.

It is worth mentioning that as AARDO's policy is to serve a maximum number of participants from member countries, the nominations of candidates who have attended any technical programme in offline mode over the last two years will not be considered. **Moreover, preference will be given to the member countries which are regularly paying their membership contribution to AARDO.**

Kindly accept, Excellency, the renewed assurances of my highest consideration.

Sincerely,



Dr. Manoj Nardeosingh
Secretary General, AARDO

Enclosures: As stated above

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22 - 31 JULY 2024
KUALA LUMPUR, MALAYSIA



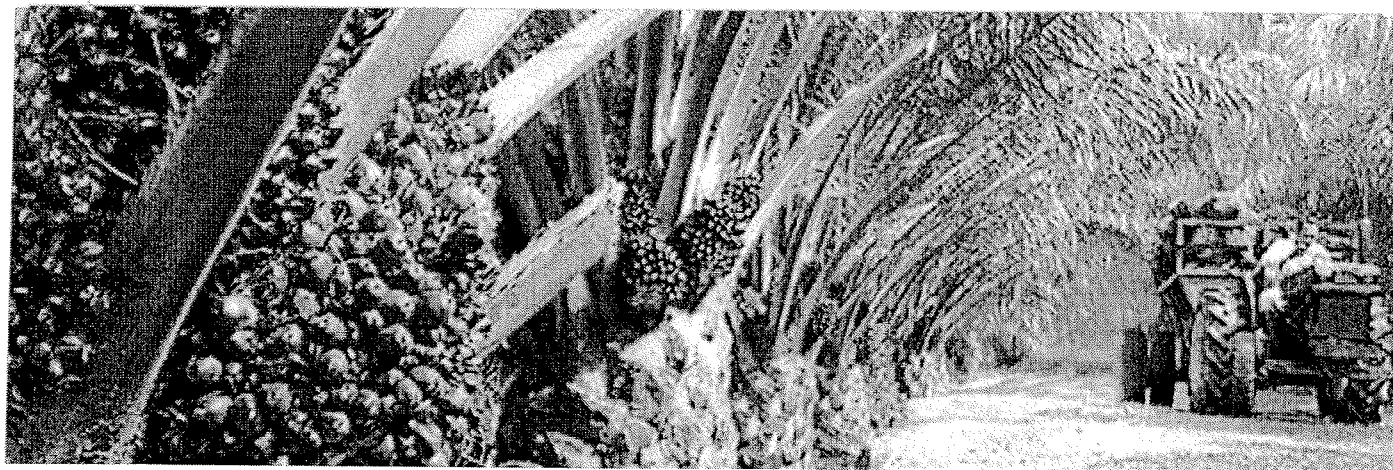
COURSE OBJECTIVE

- . Understand the rural development policies, strategies and programmes, especially in Malaysian experiences;
- . Sharing successes, best practices, and lessons learned from rural development programs implemented in Malaysia, particularly those aimed at empowering the poor through income generation programs and value-added projects such as cooperatives, agriculture, and others;
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KEY TOPICS

- (1) Government of Malaysia (Policy and Structure);
- (2) Overview of Malaysia's Rural Development Policy 2030;
- (3) Regional Development in Malaysia;
- (4) Strengthening Rural Economy Through Agriculture and Agro-Based Industry in Malaysia;
- (5) Empowering Community Through Cooperative in Malaysia;
- (6) Rural Institution: Structure and Mechanism Towards Developing Rural Community;
- (7) Land Development – Federal Land Consolidation and Rehabilitation Authority (FELCRA) Model;
- (8) Initiatives for Rural Entrepreneurs in Malaysia;
- (9) Role of Department of Orang Asli Development (JAKOA) in Empowering Indigenous Community in Malaysia; and
- (10) Tourism Development in Rural Area



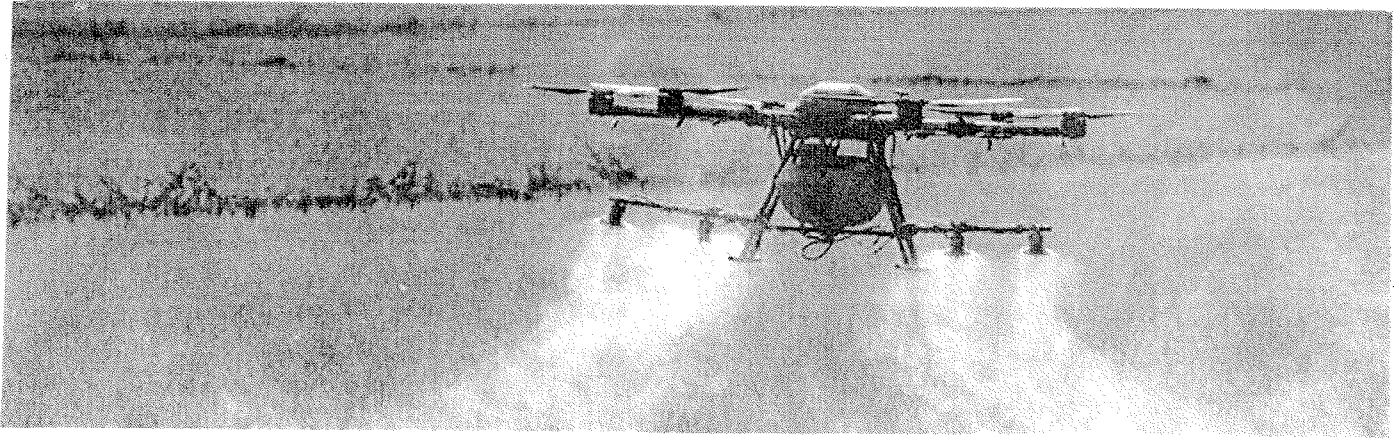
QUALIFICATION & REQUIREMENTS

The course is ideally suited for:

- Middle and senior-level government officials;
 - Policy and programme planner and implementers who are responsible for rural/ agricultural development programme;
 - Those nominated or appointed by their government;
 - Those within the age of 25 – 55 years old, with no participation in any AARDO's offline training programme over the preceding two years;
- Proficiency in spoken and written English;
- Valid passport (6 months before expiring date of travel); and
 - In good health both physically and mentally with a certified medical
 - acknowledgement that allows them to complete this course.

IMPORTANT

All applicants must provide a valid email address written/printed legibly in the application form. Confirmation of the course and other notifications will be made using email.



APPLICATION PROCESS

- Step 1 : Log on the link: <http://aardo.org/aardot.php>
- Step 2 : Fill up the details and submit. Take print out of the filled in application form.
- Step 3 : Applicants are required to sign their applications and send them along with the recommendation letter of the Nodal Ministry of AARDO/ Centre of Excellence to AARDO email: cbdp@aardo.org
- The participants of the training programme will be finalized by AARDO and INFRA through selection meeting.
 - Only successful applicants will receive the Official Invitation notification one (1) month from the course date, by the training institute via email.
 - WhatsApp Group will be formed to facilitate communication between the selected participants and the organizers.



VISA & VACCINATION

All participants are compulsory to enter Malaysia with Visa With Reference (VWR). Participants selected for the programme will receive a copy of the approval from the Institute. With the copy of the approval, the participants may obtain the VWR from the nearest Malaysian missions. Wherever applicable, participants are advised to arrange on their own any necessary vaccination prior to travel to Malaysia. Participants from some countries are required to take a mandatory vaccination for yellow fever at least 10 days before their departure to Malaysia. A Yellow Fever certificate is required to be produced upon landing in Malaysia. All expenses for the purpose of obtaining the visa and or vaccination are under the responsibility of the respective participants.



FELLOWSHIP & SCHOLARSHIP

Participants will receive support from the Government of Malaysia includes:

ACCOMMODATION

Participants will be accommodated in the hostel or at the nearby hotels. Participants are strictly not allowed to bring any family members during the course.

PER DIEM ALLOWANCE

Participants will be provided with a daily allowance.

MEALS

Meals will be provided during the training programme.

AIR FARES

A return flight ticket from the capital city of the recipient country to Kuala Lumpur on economy class is provided by AARDO.

COURSE FEES

All course fees are borne by the Government of Malaysia and AARDO except Visa Expenses.

ATTIRE

Participants are to dress in formal or office attire throughout training sessions and during official visits to Government Ministries/ Agencies.

INSURANCE COVERAGE

Travel Group Insurance is provided by the organizer for the duration of the course in Malaysia. However, participants are encouraged to obtain travel insurance coverage from their respective countries at their own expense.



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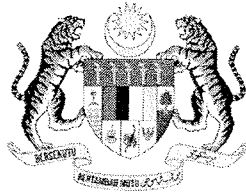
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AARDO

African-Asian Rural Development Organization

AARDO, established in 1962, is an intergovernmental rural centric organization, consisting of 34 members, that is 32 countries and 2 associate members from Africa and Asia working in the area of agriculture and rural development.

It subscribes to the spirit of South-South and Triangular Cooperation and African Asian Solidarity. With its nearly 60 years of experience, AARDO, as a policy advocacy institution, remains at the forefront of focused SDGs in rural areas through different and evolving forms, including technical cooperation, sharing of knowledge and experiences, training, capacity building and technology transfer on mutually agreed terms.



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INFRA is a training institution under the Ministry of Rural and Regional Development, Malaysia. INFRA was established in 1996 and plays an effective role in building up the nation through the process of stratifying the rural human capital by providing training and non-formal education to the rural community and practitioners/implementers alike regarding the management of rural development.





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