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The Financial Status of the Commission's Programme
Extra-budgetary Resources Supporting the Commission's Programme
INTRODUCTION

This document supplements document E/ECWA/100 which in Appendix I lists the status of Trust Funds as at 31 December 1979. It describes the utilization of the Trust Funds in terms of programme and project activities. In addition, the projects financed by the Voluntary Fund for the United Nations Decade for Women are also included. It is the intention to issue annually this document as a supplement to the secretariat's Financial Report to the Commission. Future issues will deal with all extra-budgetary resources available to the Commission.
GOVERNMENT OF SAUDI ARABIA
Programme: 460 Natural Resources.
Subprogramme: 463 Water Resources.
Activity: Regional Water Meeting (completed).
Source of Funds: Government of Saudi Arabia.
Description: The substantive preparations for ECWA's Second Regional Water Meeting held in Riyadh, Saudi Arabia from 30 December 1978 to 3 January 1979 - were carried out in the context of the project entitled "Follow-up on the Recommendations of the Regional and International Water Conference in co-operation with member States of ECWA" (Work Programme and Priorities 1978-1979). The meeting was attended by representatives of member States, States not member of the Commission, regional Arab organizations and international organizations. As regards to the establishment of a regional water resources council, the meeting decided that an ad hoc intergovernmental committee composed of representatives who attended the meeting be created for the purpose of studying the possibility of establishing a regional water resources council.
Resource Allocation: $36,000
GOVERNMENT OF QATAR
Programme: 530 Social Development
Subprogramme: 532 Human Resources Development and Social Integration.
Activity: Study of the Palestinian Arab People (ongoing).
Source of Funds: Government of Qatar.
Description: This activity consists of a study of the economic and social situation and potential of the Palestinian Arab People. The study covers an analysis of the geographical distribution, the age and sex structure, demographic growth, international migration flows and future trends as well as the legal and administrative status of the Palestinian Arab people in Arab host countries. It will further include surveys of the economic, social and cultural institutions and activities carried out under the aegis of the Palestine Liberation Organization.
Publication(s): Upon completion of study.
Resource Allocation: $142,757
Programme: 210 Food and Agriculture
Subprogramme: 213 Agricultural and Rural Institutions.
Activity: Study of Crop-sharing and Land-tenancy practices in the Yemen Arab Republic (on going).
Source of Funds: Government of the Yemen Arab Republic.
Description: The immediate objectives of the study which is being carried out through field surveys are to:
- recommend specific cost-sharing terms between land owners and tenants as alternatives to existing crop-sharing arrangements so as to induce the use of yield-increasing inputs in agriculture in the Yemen Arab Republic;
- review available information and survey the system of land tenure and tenancy practices;
- analyse the information obtained from field surveys and identify the individual or combined effects of factors affecting incentives for tenants to adopt yield-increasing techniques;
- document and analyze various systems of tenancy which could be adopted in the country's agricultural areas;
- recommend the most appropriate arrangements for implementation of new tenancy systems in the different agricultural regions of the country.
Publication(s): Upon completion of study.
Resource Allocation: $76,223
Programme: 200 Human Settlements.
Subprogramme: 201 Human Settlements Planning.
Activity: Associate-Experts in Social Development (completed).
Source of Funds: Government of the Netherlands.
Description: Activity entails research in connexion with the Human Settlement Programme including evaluation of master, physical and towns plans in the ECMA region and evaluation of national housing policies and programmes. Activity included also research related to programmes and projects for integrated human settlements with particular emphasis on developing appropriate standards for physical planning and shelter sufficiently adopted to local culture and community needs.
Publication(s): not applicable.
Resource Allocation: $52,237
Programme: 510 Development Finance and Administration.
Subprogramme: 511 Mobilization and Management of Financial Resources and Improvement of Administrative Capabilities for Development.
Activity: Subregional Training Programmes in Public Finance and Administration (on going).
Source of Funds: Government of the Netherlands.
Description: Activity consists of training programmes conducted at the country level in each of the three beneficiary countries Democratic Yemen, Oman, and Yemen Arab Republic. The programmes - of one month duration each - deal with the following specific issues:
- Problems of government budgeting and taxation in the Yemen Arab Republic;
- Problems of budgeting in the public sector and field training in customs administrations in Democratic Yemen;
- Fiscal Problems in the Sultanate of Oman.
Services offered under the project will consist of:
- Advisory services to government agencies in the Democratic Yemen on specific problems related to public budgeting with emphasis on the budgets of public enterprises and utilities;
- Advisory services to relevant government agencies in the Sultanate of Oman on the present organization, duties and activities of the Directorate General of Finance in the light of the new fiscal system;
- Advisory services to both Democratic Yemen and the Yemen Arab Republic on customs administration.
Publication(s): Upon completion of project.
Resource Allocation: __________________________ $ 62,000
Program: 540 Statistics.
Subprogram: 541 Development Statistical Services.
Activity: Harmonization of national statistical systems (ongoing).
Source of Funds: Government of the Netherlands.
Description: This project consists of studies in foreign trade and industrial statistics and will include:

1. Studies on the prevailing methods of collection, compilations and dissemination of foreign trade and industrial statistics in selected countries of the ECWA region. As a result, reports will be prepared concerning the non-availability and the lack of standardization and harmonization of statistics in these countries. Proposals will be presented for the improvement at the national and international levels;

2. Analyses with the collaboration of the Statistics Unit of ECWA of the national reports prepared by the countries on the applicability of their statistics to the United Nations standards of classifications; and

The reports resulting from these studies will be used as basic documents to be submitted to an expert-group meeting on harmonization of national statistical systems in the ECWA region which will be held in mid-1980. The reports will further be utilized for the preparation of training material for collection and classification of statistics.

Publication(s): Upon completion of studies.

Resource Allocation: $29,500
Programme:
550 Transport, Communication and Tourism.

Subprogramme:
551 Development of Integrated Transport.

Activity:
Assistance in integrated transport planning (on going).

Source of Funds:
Government of the Netherlands.

Description:
Under this activity the following consultancy services will be rendered to the secretariat:

1. Finalization of the master plan for integrated transport in the ECMA region;

2. Formulation of project proposals and preparations for the intergovernmental meeting scheduled for February 1980;

3. Participation in the intergovernmental meeting;

4. Assisting ECMA in drawing the work programme for the follow-up envisaged.

Publication(s):
E/ECMA/TRANS.2/Rev.1 — towards an Integrated Transport Plan — a review.

Resource Allocation: .................................................. $ 49,114
Programme: 550 Transport, Communications and Tourism.
Subprogramme: 551 Development of Integrated Transport.
Activity: Expert in port and harbours development (completed).
Source of Funds: Government of the Netherlands.
Description: This activity pertains to the assistance of a consultant in merchant marine. The purpose was to study the situation of national and multinational shipping companies and to formulate suggestions for the improvement and development of their activities including a priority list of projects which may be undertaken at regional and subregional levels.
Publication(s): Development of an Integrated Transport System for Western Asia -- Part I March 79, Part II June 79.
Resource Allocation: 347,001
TRUST FUND FOR ECMA REGIONAL ACTIVITIES
Programme: 110 Executive Direction and Management.
Subprogramme: 113 Programme Planning and Co-ordination.
Activity: Study of an organizational framework for regional co-operation and co-ordination (not yet commenced).
Source of Funds: Trust Fund for ECWA Regional Activities.
Description: This activity will entail the formulation of practical approaches towards strengthening co-operation and co-ordination among regional institutions. It consists mainly of a survey of co-operative arrangements necessitating consultations with the League of Arab States and associated bodies so as to develop concrete and practical co-operation arrangements between these bodies and the Commission.
Publication(s): Upon completion of study
Resource Allocation: $ 24,600
**Programme:** 110 Executive Direction and Management.

**Subprogramme:** 113 Programme Planning and Co-ordination.

**Activity:** Study on the establishment of subsidiary bodies of the Commission (on going).

**Source of Funds:** Trust Fund for ECWA Regional Activities

**Description:**
The Study on the establishment of subsidiary bodies consist of the following elements:

- A survey of intergovernmental bodies and their subsidiary organs in the ECWA region;

- A survey of the intergovernmental structures of regional commissions;

- Consultations with governments;

- Conclusions drawn from the consultations with governments;

- Consultations with the Arab intergovernmental organizations, ECA as well as with those international specialized agencies in whose purview subsidiary bodies will be proposed to the Commission;

- Formulation of draft proposals for establishment of subsidiary bodies; and

- Formulation of rules of procedure of proposed subsidiary bodies.

**Publication(s):** Upon completion of study

**Resource Allocation:** ................................................................. $10,500
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<td>Description</td>
<td>The objective of this activity was to render technical assistance to the countries of the region in all matters pertaining to the various phases and aspects of identification, formulation and evaluation of agricultural projects; to participate in identification missions with respect to agricultural projects; and to analyse at the country, regional and subregional levels agricultural projects from economic and financial point of view.</td>
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Programme: 210 Food and Agriculture
Subprogramme: 213 Enhancing Food Security.
Activity: Seminar on Food Security (completed).
Source of Funds: Trust Fund for ECWA Regional Activities.
Description: This Seminar was jointly organized by ECWA and the Institute for Arab Studies and Research (Cairo). The general objective of the meeting was to shed light on the state and problems of food production, consumption and human nutrition in the ECWA region. The major impediments to the achievement of a higher rate of growth of food production; improved nutritional standards and the obstacles hindering higher levels of food production and improved human nutrition in the developing countries were the main topics discussed at this meeting. The meeting was held in Kuwait from 8-13 April 1978.
Publication(s): November 1977 - "Food Security Aspects of Arab Trade in Agricultural Commodities".
Resource Allocation: $5,000
Programme: 330 Industrial Development.
Subprogramme: 332 Development of Selected Industrial Branches.
Activity: Identification of industrial regional projects (completed).
Source of Funds: Trust Fund for ECWA Regional Activities.
Description: This activity constitutes a contribution to a study in the regular work programme dealing with the development of new and existing engineering industries (electrical, chemical and heavy construction material). Such industries are characterized by their need for high-level technologies and know-how requiring special emphasis on development, transfer of technologies and manpower skill. The project included a survey of investment, labour and technological requirements and entails visits to major international companies in Europe.
Publication(s): "Prefeasibility Study on the heavy electrical equipment manufacturing in the ECWA region" (restricted).
Resources Allocation: $ 2,300
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<td>Study on Economic Co-operation and Integration in Western Asia (ongoing)</td>
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<td>Description:</td>
<td>The study deals with obstacles affecting trade as well as benefits from closer trade agreements and economic co-operation. Among the subjects to be studied:</td>
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<td>- Evaluation of economic co-operation in Western Asia;</td>
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<td>- Obstacles and benefits from closer economic co-operation; and</td>
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<td>- Forms and feasible measures of economic co-operation in Western Asia.</td>
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<td>Publication(s):</td>
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Programme: 440 Labour, Management and Employment
Subprogramme: 441 Employment Promotion and Manpower Development
Activity: Study of the Brain Drain Problems in the ECWA Region (ongoing)
Source of Funds: Trust Fund for ECWA Regional Activities
Description: These activities aim at studying the Brain Drain from the ECWA region; examining its underlying causes; formulating action, oriented policies and considering ways and means of making use of the services of Arab talents residing abroad. This study which was submitted to ECWA's fifth session held in Amman from 2-6 October 1973 consists of five chapters namely:

(1) The magnitude of the brain drain;
(2) Policies of the ECWA countries towards the brain drain problem;
(3) Causes of the brain drain;
(4) Consequences of the Brain Drain; and
(5) Recommendations.

The activity includes further case studies on the brain drain in Jordan and the Syrian Arab Republic.

Publication (s): E/ECWA/57/Add.2 The Brain Drain Problem in the ECWA Countries.

Resource Allocation: $24,500
Programme: 460 Natural Resources.
Subprogramme: 462 Mineral Resources.
Activity: Geological survey in the Yemen Arab Republic (completed).
Source of Funds: Trust Fund for ECWA Regional Activities.
Description: In response to an official request by the Ministry of Economy of Yemen seeking ECWA's assistance in the preparation of the terms of reference for a geological survey of some selected areas in the country, two experts visited Yemen in May 1977. Technical services and advice were provided and a report prepared on the subject which was submitted to the government in June 1977.
Publication(s): Mission report.
Resource Allocation: $ 1,604
Programme: 460 Natural Resources
Subprogramme: 461/462 Energy Resources, Mineral Resources
Activity: Consultant services to the Governments of the Democratic Yemen and the Yemen Arab Republic (completed).
Source of Funds: Trust Fund for ECEA Regional Activities
Description: Under this activity draft laws on oil and other mineral explorations in the Democratic Yemen and the Yemen Arab Republic were prepared through consultancy services and submitted to the government of the two countries.
Publication(s): Mission Report.
Resource Allocation: ........................................... $ 3,308
Programme: 460 Natural Resources.
Subprogramme: 463 Water Resources.
Activity: Regional Water Meeting (completed).
Source of Funds: Trust Fund for ECWA Regional Activities.
Description: The Second Regional Water Meeting of ECWA was convened as a follow-up to and implementation of the "Mar del Plata" Action Plan which included the recommendation of the First ECWA Regional Water Meeting. Recommendations on further action to be taken at the national, regional and global levels were given under each of the substantive items of the agenda namely: Establishment of a regional water resources council; Manpower situation and requirements in the water sector; Community Water supply and sanitation situation; Agriculture Water use; Strengthening Technical Co-operation among developing countries. The meeting decided to set up an ad hoc intergovernmental committee to study further the proposal for establishing a Regional Water Resources Council. The meeting was held in Riyadh, Saudi Arabia from 30 December 1978 to 3 January 1979.
Resource Allocation: $ 50,000
Programme
: 520 Science and Technology.

Subprogramme
: 521 Regional Co-operation in the Transfer and Development of Science and Technology.

Activity
: Seminar on technology transfer and change in the Arab Middle-East (completed).

Source of Funds
: Trust Fund for ECMA Regional Activities.

Description
: The seminar was organized by ECMA in Beirut during 10-14 October 1977 and was attended by representatives of various United Nations and Arab organizations as well as individuals and institutions. Thirty-two papers were presented and discussed under three main subjects: (i) The System of Science and Technology, (ii) Agriculture and Water, and (iii) Industry and Transport.

Publication(s)

Resource Allocation
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<td>Description</td>
<td>An intergovernmental meeting on the Arab Regional Centre for the Transfer and Development of Technology was organized by ECWA and held in Amman, Jordan between 16-18 September 1975. All Arab countries and concerned regional Arab organizations were invited. Representatives of 14 Arab countries and 9 regional Arab organizations participated in this meeting which discussed the first draft feasibility study on the establishment of the proposed centre.</td>
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<td>E/ECWA/TR/CTY.3/65 - Report on the Intergovernmental Meeting</td>
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Programme : 540 Statistics.
Subprogramme : 541 Development of Statistical Services.
Activity : Annual Statistical Abstract of the Arab World (on going).
Source of Funds : Trust Fund for ECWA Regional Activities.
Description : The Abstract provides statistical information in the various social and economic fields and consists of the following parts: Part one(i) presents data arranged on a country basis and Part two(ii) presents data on a subject basis.
In order to avoid duplication with some regional organizations publishing statistical material concerning the whole Arab World, it has been found appropriate that the Abstract covers the countries of Western Asia only. Data compilation for the third issue of the Statistical Abstract has commenced.
Publication(s) : Annual Statistical Abstracts.
Resource Allocation : ...................................................... $39,500
Programme: 540 Statistics.
Source of Funds: Trust Fund for ECEA Regional Activities.
Description: A "Working Group on Production, Consumption Expenditure and Capital Formation Accounts at Current Prices" was organized by the Statistics Unit in October 1977. Ten of the ECEA member States participated in the Working Group and shared their countries experiences in setting up national accounts. The Statistics Unit and the United Nations Statistical Office presented papers on the scope and structure of the United Nations System of National Accounts (SNA) including the formation and compilation of the production, consumption expenditure and capital formation accounts at current prices.
Resource Allocation: $30,207
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<td>Description</td>
<td>This study consisted of a survey and descriptive inventory of the present transport facilities in the region including roads, railways, ports and shipping and inland waterways; a review and analysis and evaluation of the national development plans, programmes and projects relevant to the various transport nodes; a survey and evaluation of traffic trends from a selected base year until the end of the century so as to obtain an appraisal on how the existing transport facilities have been utilized, and how these should effectively be further developed and operated.</td>
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Programme: 800 Administration.
Subprogramme: 806 Library Services.
Activity: Surveys pertaining to the establishment of an ECMA Regional Documentation Centre (completed).
Source of Funds: Trust Fund for ECMA Regional Activities.
Description: The project consisted of fact-finding surveys of information and documentation facilities which were completed in 1976 for ECMA members States and in 1977 for the Arab Countries in the North Africa not member of the Commission. On the basis of the surveys carried out as well as knowledge on the functioning of existing information and documentation centres and systems, a draft feasibility study was prepared. This study analysis the relationships and linkages between the proposed documentation centre and existing national centres and/or focal points and international centres and includes also a full-fledged manual for the operation of the proposed centre's documentation and information services system. Financial and human resources requirements for setting up the centre were also included in the study.
Publication(s): - Arab Regional Documentation Centre for Economic and Social Development. Part I (Nov. 1976) and Part II (E/ECMA/ARDCES/1).
- A Feasibility Study and Broad System Outline for an Arab Regional Documentation Centre (ARDCES).
Resource Allocation: ................................................................. $11,250
Programme: 800 Administration.
Subprogramme: 806 Library Services.
Activity: Directory of Information and Documentation Facilities (ongoing).
Source of Funds: Trust Fund for ECA Region Activities.
Description: This activity consists of the compilation of a directory of information and documentation facilities in the Arab World in follow-up to the surveys pertaining to the establishment of Arab Regional Documentation Centre for Economic and Social Development (ARDCES).
Publication(s): Upon completion of project.
Resource Allocation: £4,000
VOLUNTARY FUND FOR THE UNITED NATION'S DECADE FOR WOMEN
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<td><strong>Description</strong></td>
<td>Under the general supervision of the Executive Secretary of ECE and the guidance of the Chief of the Social Development and Human Settlements Division, a Senior Programme Officer will be required to:</td>
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<td>1- plan regional and national programmes for increasing the integration and the participation of women in the region in social and economic development; and</td>
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<td>2- implement projects in co-ordination with the concerned governments, United Nations agencies and various national machineries.</td>
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<td>Workshop on National Development Planning for the Integration of Women in Development (ongoing).</td>
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<td>The Workshop is intended to assist women working in voluntary agencies and government ministries to acquire techniques of project development such as identification, programme implementation, and evaluation. The emphasis of the workshop will be on programming of activities related to the integration of women in development. The training will further stress the relationships between the various projects and the overall objectives of national development priorities.</td>
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<td>Radio programmes for Women's Non-Formal Education in Health in Lebanon (ongoing).</td>
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<td>Description</td>
<td>The project concerns the production of educational radio programmes on basic health issues. A panel of medical doctors, especially those involved in community development centres, will be organized for a television presentation to discuss the validity of some of the daily practices and ideas about health.</td>
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Programme: 530 Social Development.
Subprogramme: 532 Human Resources Development and Social Integration.
Activity: Training of child care for housemothers, teachers and administrators - Lebanon (on going).

Description: A four-week training course will be organised for housemothers, teachers and administrators. The training will concern integrated social services, health nutrition, child psychology, and programming of activities for children. The workshop will also cover general administration, planning and programming and budgeting techniques so that the housemothers, teachers and administrators will acquire knowledge of both aspects of their work: Child care and administration. About 30 women will be trained during the course. UNICEF will be responsible for the organization of the course while ECWA, with the assistance of the Voluntary Fund will be responsible for identifying the social welfare trainers, organize the field visits and teaching materials.

Publication(s): Not applicable

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<td>Providing appropriate social services for rural areas in Syria (ongoing).</td>
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<td>This project will first survey existing services available to women and families. Subsequently training materials appropriate to needs will be developed. In addition a training cycle to plan and implement programmes will be instituted. The project will try to improve quality of rural life, thus contributing to a more equitable rural-urban balance; assure food production for self-reliance; nutrition of families, and finally to decrease burden on rural women. Indirectly, the project is expected to reinforce awareness of women's essential roles in the development process, especially in rural areas.</td>
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Programme: 530 Social Development.
Subprogramme: 532 Human Resources Development and Social Integration.
Activity: Research assistance in programme development.
Source of Funds: Voluntary Fund for the United Nations Decade for Women.

Description:
Under the general direction of the Chief of the Division a research assistant will:
(1) Undertake research and data collection relevant to the implementation of ECWA's Voluntary Fund projects on women and development;
(2) Assist in preparing and organizing correspondence on matters related to women's programmes as well as undertaking other administrative responsibilities;
(3) Assist in organizing seminars and workshops pertaining to Voluntary Fund projects; and
(4) Collect material regarding technical co-operation programmes in the field of women and development.

Publication(s): Not applicable.
Resource Allocation: ........................................... $ 12,890

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<td>All countries in the region have their own development activities some of which need additional technical assistance to strengthen the components affecting women. Activity consists of technical assistance to each of the following governments for the following projects:</td>
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<td>Activity:</td>
<td>Integrated development and extension services in rural area. (on going).</td>
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<td>This project consists of a workshop for rural extension services. The aim of the workshop is to form teams of extension workers in each country so that they can transmit to other extension workers their experience in terms of theory and practice. The training material used will be useful for other rural workers in each country. The effective performance of these trainees will encourage additional training of other nationals in the field of integrated rural development and extension work.</td>
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<td>Publication(s):</td>
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<td>Resource Allocation:</td>
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Programme: 530 Social Development
Subprogramme: 532 Human Resources Development and Social Integration
Activity: Training workshops in project formulation (on going).
Source of Funds: Voluntary Fund for the United Nations Decade for Women.
Description: This activity includes the organization of workshops in project formulation in eight countries of the ECMA region. As a result of each workshop, the country is expected to have a core of women capable of project planning which is not available in most countries of the region. The trainees who are selected from different institutions will work as a national team during the workshop. Training material produced before and during the workshop is to be used as reference both by the participants and by others interested in this field.
Publication(s): Not applicable.
Resource Allocation: $47,100
Programme: 530 Social Development.
Subprogramme: 532 Human Resources Development and Social Integration.
Activity: Technical assistance to community centres serving women, children and youth in Lebanon (completed).
Source of Funds: Voluntary Fund for the United Nations Decade for Women.
Description: This project is combined with the Project of Flexible Funding for Supplementary Technical Assistance to Country Projects. It dealt with technical assistance in the field of administration of community centres which was requested from Headquarters.
Publication(s): Not applicable.
Resource Allocation: $4,000
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<td><strong>Activity</strong></td>
<td>: Regional Expert-group Meeting on Programme Planning for the Integration of Women in Development of the ECWA region (completed).</td>
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<td><strong>Description</strong></td>
<td>: A regional meeting of experts in social and economic fields related to economic programmes nominated by their governments was held in Amman in April 1978. The experts finalized a proposed plan of action for the integration of women in development which was later submitted to the Commission.</td>
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<td>Publication of the Regional Plan of Action for the Integration of Women in Development (completed).</td>
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<td>This project was a follow-up to the meeting on the Regional Plan of Action for the Integration of Women in Development. The regional plan adopted by the meeting was printed both in Arabic and English.</td>
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<td>Regional Plan of Action for the Integration of Women in Development for the ECE/CA Region. E/ECA/SDHS/Conf.2/8</td>
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