Editorial

Happy New Year to all our readers

Nutrition, welfare, and participation are the three main themes of this issue of RRA Notes. The articles illustrate well the current diversity of RRA applications. Firstly, in geographical location. The two articles on nutrition draw on experiences from Nepal, Zambia, and Sudan; the piece on local participation in RRA comes from Ethiopia while the two notes on income and wealth come from Ethiopia and India. Secondly, the types of end-users of the RRA results are equally diverse. The first article describes RRA work conducted for Norwegian Save the Children and FAO, the second concerns work for Oxfam, the third for the Ethiopian Red Cross Society and the Ethiopian Ministry of Agriculture, the fourth for the World Food Programme and the fifth for an Indian NGO, the Aga Khan Rural Support Programme (India).

We have listed the full addresses of authors at the end of their articles, so comments can be sent directly to them. We would also welcome copies of your comments, to share through the Notes.

With the increasing concern for training of trainers for the effective institutionalisation of RRA, there is an ever-growing number of manuals and guidelines, produced by a variety of institutes. The diversity of manuals is certainly healthy, as together they cover the many different approaches and techniques, which are evolving. We have listed some of the manuals at the end of the Notes, with contact addresses from where they can be obtained.

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