The Government of Uganda has received a loan from the African Development Bank to finance the Agriculture Value Chain Development Programme (AVCP) – Project 1.

The overall project development goal is to contribute to poverty reduction and economic growth in Uganda through enhanced productivity and commercialization of agriculture. The specific objective is to improve household incomes, food security, and climate resilience through commercial agricultural practices, sustainable natural resources management and agricultural enterprise development.

The project will include the following components:-

1. **Production and productivity enhancement**: This will involve: (i) Contracting an ICT company; (ii) Provision of certified maize and rice seed to farmers; (iii) Provision of improved day/ beef breeds; and, (iv) Development of a central database for farmers

2. **Infrastructure development**: This will involve: (i) Construction of irrigation infrastructure; (ii) Supervision of the construction of irrigation infrastructure; (iii) Construction of a bridge; and, (iv) Construction of access roads

3. **Market Development and Trade Facilitation**: This will involve: (i) Provision of post-harvest facilities; (ii) Developing a database for village agents, processors, large off-takers of maize, rice and dairy; (iii) Strengthening Sanitary and Phytosanitary (SPS) and quality infrastructure; and, (iv) Construction and equipping a food safety laboratory building

4. **Project Management and Capacity Building**: This will involve: (i) Sensitization and mobilization of stakeholders; (ii) Capacity building of staff, farmer groups and other value chain actors; and, (iii) Conducting project surveys

Procurement of goods, works and the acquisition of consulting services will be in accordance with the *Procurement Policy for Bank Group Funded Operations*, dated October 2015, which is available on the Bank website [www.afdb.org](http://www.afdb.org). Bidding documents are expected to be available in March 2019.

Interested bidders may obtain further information and confirm their interest by contacting:

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