Monitoring and evaluation

• Monitoring is the routine process of data collection and measurement of progress toward program objectives.

Why do we monitor

- Regular and systematic assessment of progress
- Review of partners' capacity development needs
- Improve results-based reporting on achievements
- Strengthen **teamwork and ownership** among implementing partners
- Feeds into evaluation and real-time learning

Evaluation

- is the use of social research methods to systematically investigate a achievement of a program's <u>results</u>
- 3 key functions:
 - → Programme improvement
 - → Accountability
 - →Organisational learning

Objectives of evaluation

- To study the factors contributing success or failure of extension programme
- To increase confidence in the programme, both in extension worker and people
- To compare the value of achievement of the programme with its cost
- To facilitate the presentation of results for public support
- To provide means for testing methods, approaches and techniques used in programmes

Monitoring	Evaluation
Ongoing	• Periodic
During programme implementation	During and after programme implementation
Tracking of activities and progress	 Judgment of merit, value or worth of a programme/project
For short term corrective action	 For decision-making about future programmes
Accountability for implementation	Accountability for results
Contributes to evaluation	For office & organizational learning
Conducted by insiders	 Conducted by impartial outsiders
Are we doing things right?	• Did we do the rights things?

Types of evaluation

- Based on agency involved:
 - Internal on going and concurrent in nature
 - External Terminal or Ex-Post facto in nature
- Based on timing:
 - Formative and summative
 - Formative: on going and concurrent in nature. Carried out during the implementation of the programme
 - Summative: Terminal or Ex-Post facto in nature. Carried out after completion of the programe

- Based on the stage of programme
 - Ongoing / concurrent: target oriented, generally done for long duration programme
 - Terminal evaluation done at the end of the programme
 - Ex-Post facto evaluation: beneficiary oriented,
 conducted after a time lag after completion of the programme

Conclusion

- Monitoring and evaluation are the processes which gives feedback
- Feedback is one of the prerequisite for efficient planning and implementation of programmes
- Helps in setting and achieving objectives