

McGovern-Dole FY2026 Notice of Funding Opportunity

Questions and Answers

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- 1. In a previous Q&A response, USDA stated the following: "Applicants are also encouraged to explore the full scope of authorities governing the use of U.S.-provided commodities—including direct distribution, sale, and barter—to advance program objectives and strengthen project impact in the target country." Does the 10% LRP budget limit apply if commodities are monetized or bartered? For example, if an implementer monetizes donated commodities and receives proceeds which exceed 10% of the total award budget, could that implementer use the entirety of those funds to purchase LRP commodities? Please advise if LRP limits also must be considered when monetizing or bartering commodities.**

A: The FY 2026 McGovern-Dole NOFO states that Applicants may allocate no more than 10 percent of the total federal award amount to the Local and Regional Procurement (LRP) of commodities. The NOFO clearly specifies that cost share cannot be used to expand the allowable LRP total beyond this 10 percent ceiling. The NOFO does **not** provide any exception that would allow an implementer to exceed the 10 percent LRP cap using proceeds from monetization or barter.

- 2. Can you clarify if applicants are required to provide disaggregated targets for indicators, and in particular, to do so for LRP indicators?**

A: No, Applicants are not required to identify disaggregates or provide disaggregated targets in the proposal, for LRP indicators or any proposed indicator.

- 3. Do you have any resources that can help us develop accurate commodity price estimates for our proposal?**

A: Yes, in addition to noting that the USDA Agricultural Marketing Service (AMS) publishes data on commodity procurement, we recommend reviewing the AMS International Commodity Procurement Information page, which provides detailed reports and historical pricing information. You can find it here: <https://www.ams.usda.gov/reports/international-commodity-procurement-information>. This resource can help you build more accurate and well-supported commodity price estimates for your proposal.