

the United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF) and the United Nations Fund for Population Activities (UNFPA). The UNDP receives a large share (\$54 million) of this assistance based on the Canadian policy of central funding for technical cooperation, and recognition of the UNDP's leading role in co-ordinating UN system development activities.

iii) Special Programmes

A variety of activities under this heading support initiatives of non-governmental organizations, institutions and private sector firms in international development co-operation.

The Non-Governmental Organizations (NGO) programme provides resources on a matching basis with funds raised for projects by Canadian organizations ranging from development agencies to church groups to service clubs. The International NGO programme contributes similarly to the efforts of voluntary organizations which are internationally based, while Voluntary Agricultural Development Aid assists Canadian federal/provincial initiatives to reinforce food production in the Third World.

Through the Institutional Co-operation and Development Services programme, funds are provided to colleges and universities, unions, co-operatives, and professional associations collaborating on development programmes with their counterparts in the Third World. Agencies which send co-operants to work in developing countries (CUSO) or operate exchange programmes (Canada World Youth) are also funded.

In addition, the non-governmental community seeks to increase the