PROJECT SUMMARY	
Project Name	Vijana Kilimo Biashara
Implementing Partners	Small Enterprise Institutional Development (SEIDA)
Reporting Period	December 2023
Project Duration	October 2023 to September 2026 (36 months)
Project Targeted beneficiaries	25,000 farmers (70% youth,70%women).
Project location	2 Regions (Shinyanga and Tabora) with 8 districts (Kishapu, Msalala, Shinyanga, Ushetu, Nzega, Igunga, Uyui and Sikonge)
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Submission date	th January 2024
WFP staff participating in sensitization meeting at Kishapu district in Shinyanga region during the village sensitization meeting exercise	<image/>

PART ONE: NARRATIVE REPORT

Introduction

The December report presents the farmers' sensitization and mobilization, identification of youth and women who are eligible for VKB through village meetings, profiling farmers (70% women and 70% youth) and Farmers' Organizations (FOs) and increasing last-mile and first-mile services, train preparation to farmers on appropriate good farming practices for sorghum, pulses, sunflower, and horticulture value chain, preparation of monitoring framework and facilitation of project closure and sustainability activities.

Section I: Monthly key achievements and activities

Outcome 1. Smallholder Farmers Especially Youth, women increase productivity, the value and volumes of their sales leading to improved income

Output 1.1 Identified and profiled 25 000 project participants

1.1.1 Farmers sensitization and mobilization

SEIDA began farmers' sensitization and mobilization by conducting sensitization meetings with LGA leaders in Shinyamga and Tabora regions. In Shinyanga regions, SEIDA held the meeting on December 1, 2023, at the Shinyanga Fries Hotel conference hall. SEIDA invited the LGAs through the Regional Secretary office where the Reginal Agricultural Advisor represented the Shinyanga Regional Secretary office. Kishapu, Msalala, and Shinyanga district councils participated in the meeting where the District Agricultural Officer and Community Development Officer represented each district council. A total of 31(7F) staff attended the meeting where 18 represented the government, 20 represented SEIDA and 3 staff represented the media.

In the Tabora region, SEIDA held the LGA sensitization meeting on 4th December 2023 at the Regional Administration Secretary meeting hall, which was attended by 25(22M,3F) staff. The 10 government staff (each district council represented by the District Agriculture and the Community Development Officers) from Igunga, Sikonge, Uyui, and Nzega district councils and Nzega Town council and 2 staff were from the Tabora Regional Administrative Secretariate office (Regional Agricultural Advisor and Agriculture officer), and SEIDA was represented by 10 staff. Moreover, 3 representatives from various media organizations attended the meeting.

The meetings aimed to create awareness and common understanding of the VKB project among LGA leaders, present the VKB project work plan in the selected LGAs, present the VKB villages and participants selection criteria, select the villages where the project will be implemented, and select the District Focal Persons(DFPs) who will be the contact person between SEIDA and the LGAs during the project implementation period. Additionally, SEIDA aimed to send the VKB message to the community and other stakeholders through the media by sharing the press release.



During the meeting, SEIDA presented the overview of the VKB project and the work plan to the LGA leaders. The LGA leaders had the opportunity to ask various questions and SEIDA answered all questions, leading to a better understanding of the project. SEIDA and the LGAs agreed on the selection criteria for the villages and project participants. The agreed criteria for the selection of villages include those villages where at least one of the value chain crops (sunflower/sorghum) is grown, those villages that are accessible throughout the year, those villages that are close to the district administration headquarters, and villages that have other those supporting infrastructure such as land for the establishment of block farms/demo plots, warehouses and processing machinery. The criteria for the selection of participants

include that 70% of them should be youth aged between 18 and 35 years, 70% of all participants should be female, and the participants should be willing to engage in activities along the value chain of the selected crops. After the presentations, each district worked together with the SEIDA staff in groups to select the villages where the number of villages selected and Wards in each district council is shown in Table 1...

Table 1: The i	number of Wards and	Villages selected	for the implem	entation of the VKB p	roject
in year 1.					

Region	District	Wards	Villages	
Shinyanga	Kishapu DC	5	19	
	Msalala DC	5	18	
	Shinyanga DC	6	15	
Tabora	lgunga DC	6	21	
	Nzega DC	8	22	
	Nzega TC	7	14	
	Uyui DC	5	29	

For better coordination and partnership in the project regions of Shinyanga and Tabora, the Government staff working with the SEIDA teams at all levels right from the RAS offices, LGA's and wards have been appointed with letters as focal points/persons. The arrangements is aimed at strengthening coordination , information sharing and logistical support in the course of the project implementation. The appointed DFPs are listed in the Table:

Table 2: The List of VKB Proje	ct District Focal Pers	uns
Region	District	Focal Person
	Kishapu	Richard Andrew Manguwa
Shinyanga	Msalala	Johnson Kihinga
	Shinyanga DC	Robert Person Lubote
Tabora	lgunga	Athman Mgunya

Table 2: The List of VKB Project District Focal Persons

In Shinyanga SMALI. Enterprises Institution Development (SEIDA) is planning train some 25000 white milling unflower and vegetable farmers in shinyang and Tabora regions. The three-year training, starting this year, is set to equip the farm- ers with modern farming method- ologies and enable them to increase production and quality of the cross. The training dubbed the 'youth ommercial agriculture project' is pointy implemented by the govern- enter, SEIDA and World Food Pro- carame (WFP). The SEIDA Director, Mi Fred- ried that the programme targets to de the programme targets to each end is which widen units.	illet production nin through WFP, which provides food aid to South Sudan which has a demand of over 200 000 tomores a	
BRI	EFS	
	Nzega DC	Elisha Saiwa
	Nzega TC	Nicodemas Hando
	Uyui DC	Kletus Mbawala

Additionally, to raise awareness and encourage public participation, the event welcomed representatives from a variety of print and electronic media outlets, including Star TV, Channel Ten, The Guardian, Uhuru, Nipanshe, Mwananchi Newspapers, and Daily News. Taking advantage of the occasion, SEIDA released a press statement regarding the VKB project.

1.1.2 Identify youth and women who are eligible for VKB through village meetings

SEIDA conducted sensitization meetings in various villages at Shinyanga and Tabora regions. In Shinyanga region, SEIDA conducted sensitization meetings in Kishapu and Shinyanda district councils while in Tabora region, SEIDA conducted sensitization meetings in Uyui DC, Nzega TC, Nzega DC, and Igunga DC. The objective of the village sensitization meetings was to create awareness among the community members at the village level prepare the community to participate in the project and ensure the VKB message is shared with the community. During the commencement of sensitization, 4 WFP staff supported SEIDA in conducting the meetings, 2 WFP staff in Shinyanga, and 2 WFP staff in Tabora regions. Before the village meetings, WFP staff with SEIDA staff conducted a courtesy call with District Executive Directors and other leaders in the district councils where WFP staff used that opportunity to share the VKB objectives and requested collaboration from the government and other stakeholders.



During the sensitization meeting, WFP in collaboration with SEIDA insisted the community members participate in the project. WFP insisted that the project will register more youth with ages ranging from 18 - 35 in the project (70%) and among the registered youth, 70% of the participants should be female. Of the remaining 30% of the registered adult project participants, 50% will be adult females and the remaining 50% will be adult males. WFP insisted that only one participant would be registered per household to spread the project participants in the village. WFP requested adults particularly men who are the majority owners of productive assets such as land to support youth especially female youth to participate fully in the project as the registered participants will share the knowledge and skills gained from the project with the entire villages. After the sensitization introduction by WFP, SEIDA staff continued to cascade the same message to other villages. The number of community members who participated in the meetings is shown in Table 3.

 Table 3: The number of Participants who attended Sensitization Meetings in Tabora and

 Shinyanga Region

DISTRICT/COUNCIL	YC	UTH	N	ON-YOUTH
DISTRICT/COUNCIL	М	F	М	F
Kishapu DC	281	142	403	245
Shinyanga DC	84	28	190	65
Nzega DC	82	75	148	88
Nzega DC	67	25	108	36
Uyui DC	11	6	19	13
lgunga DC	21	2	16	6
TOTAL	546	278	884	453
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1.1.4 Profiling farmers (70% women and 70% youth) and Farmers' Organizations (FOs), and increasing last-mile and first-mile services

SEIDA in collaboration with the LGAs conducted VKB participants profiling exercises in Shinyanga and Tabora regions. In Shinyanga, the profiling exercise was done in Kishapu and Shinyanga District Councils while in Tabora region the profiling exercise was conducted in Nzega Town Council and Nzega District Council. In all regions, the profiling exercise was conducted in the villages where the VKB project



sensitization meetings were conducted except in some villages of Nzega town council where the sensitization exercise was done together with the profiling exercise. The purpose of conducting profiling and sensitization exercises at the same time was to learn its outcome and how it can be conducted to save time and resources. SEIDA developed the participants profiling Kobbo tool which was tested in the field during the sensitization meetings

and was revised to meet the participants profiling objectives. SEIDA expects to receive the profiling tool from WFP and align with the one used in the profiling exercise.

The participants profiling exercise was participatory where SEIDA and LGAs through DFPs agreed on the timetable and the DFPs through the wards and village leaders invited the community members to participate in the exercise. During the exercise, SEIDA ensured that only one participant represented one household, and youth women were given high priority to join.





SEIDA in collaboration with LGAs used 3 days for profiling participants in the Shinyanga region and 4 days in Tabora region. 106 participants were profiled in Shinyanga region while 129 were profiled in Tabora region (Figure 1). The profiled participants segregated by age and sex are shown in Figure 2



Figure 1: The number of profiled participants in Shinyanga and Tabora regions

Figure 2: Profiled Participants by Percentage

In Shinyanga, 84% of the profiled participants are youth and 54% are female. 82% of the profiled adults are female. In the Tabora region, 40% of the profiled participants are youth and 27% of the profiled youth are female. 14% of the profiled adults are female. SEIDA learned that in Tabora, due to the rain and farming season, community members preferred to attend the profiling meetings from 2:00 pm which created a challenge for a small number of youth and females to appear in the meetings. To reach the target of profiling 70% youth, 70% female youth, and 50% female adults, SEIDA in collaboration with

DFPs has created a plan that will strengthen the sensitization exercise, and the profiling teams will go to the villages as early as 9:00 am and start profiling exercise to 5:00 pm. This will increase the number of targeted youth and females.

Table 4. Group membership of the profiled participants

Crown Marsharshin	Age 18-35			Age >	>35	Grand Total
Group Membership	Female	Male		Female	Male	
No	34		71	15	73	193
Yes	26		15	15	6	62
Grand Total	60		86	30	79	255

Some of the profiled participants are members of existing farmers' organizations in their communities (Table 4). The 62 (24%) participants of 255 profiled participants are members of farmer organizations (FOs). Among the 62 members of FOs, 41(66%) participants are youths and 26(63%) are females. This indicates that female youth are attracted to the FOs, which is a good sign for the success of the project. After profiling, SEIDA will work with other stakeholders, including the government, to encourage more female youth and adult women to form more FOs so that project participants can easily access various services provided by the project.

Outcome 2. Increase the volume and value of sorghum, sunflower, and pulses products to 10%, of the 25 000 smallholder farmers, especially 50% of youth and 50% of women

Output 2.1 Improve income by increasing the volume and value of the products sold and benefit from improved access to profitable markets

2.2.5 Train farmers on appropriate good farming practices for sorghum, pulses, sunflower, and horticulture value chain

SEIDA is working with the LGAs in Kishapu DC, Shinyanga DC, Nzega DC, Nzega TC, and Igunga DC to identify existing youth groups and youth willing to join or form youth groups as well as those involved in sorghum or sunflower farming. In addition, SEIDA is working with the LGAs in the mentioned districts to identify villages that can provide land for youth farmer field schools, demonstration or block farming model to start growing sorghum/sunflower in the remaining cropping season. SEIDA has created a map of seed providers in Igunga and is looking forward to sharing it with the youth to create a link between these service providers and the youth. The same will be done in other district councils. SEIDA has also started preparing training materials and is looking forward to communicating with WFP and agreeing on the right training materials to be used to train the project participants on good agricultural practices.

Outcome 7. Project Monitoring, evaluation and learning, knowledge management and Documentation conducted

Output 7. Project Monitoring, evaluation and learning, knowledge management, and Documentation will conduct

7.1 Preparation of monitoring framework

SEIDA has completed the monitoring framework

Section II. Progress in Implementation

Project Management

1.0. Facilitate project closure and sustainability activities

SEIDA has involved the LGAs from the regional level to the village heads at every stage of project implementation to ensure the sustainability of the project interventions. During this reporting period, SEIDA worked with the LGAs on the selection of villages to establish and agreed on the criteria for selection of villages for project implementation, criteria for selection of project participants, setting the schedule for sensitization meetings in the villages, participation in the sensitization meetings and profiling. SEIDA also worked with the government to address various challenges that arose during the sensitization meetings and profiling exercises. SEIDA believes that this engagement will promote the sustainability of the project interventions and that the government will take over the leadership of the activities once the project comes to an end.

1.1.3 Beneficiaries digital profiling (Development of Monitoring and Evaluation Management Information System M&E MIS)

SEIDA outsourced Systemax co. Ltd to design the web-based Monitoring and Evaluation Management Information System (Web Based M&E MIS). This system is intended to serve as a technological solution aimed at enhancing the process of monitoring and evaluating various project activities. Its primary goal is to facilitate quality data management and ensure reliability of the project results throughout the period of implementation.

The vendors began the impmentation as per the terms of reference entered with SEIDA. In the project planning and inception phase, the consultant provided the inception report. SEIDA team did analyse and provided comments amonst others not limited to the followings areas, data collection forms, data use requirements available data sources, and disaggregation dimensions. On weekly basis the Consultant provides updates to the team and the trials phase is earmarked in Mid/late January,2024 before official handing over in February,2024.

In this reporting period, the consultant is in the Design, Customization, and Development phase. The digital system is being designed based on the requirements gathered. The design was made to capture SEIDA KVB business flow while considering a generic environment. During this phase, the design of various system-level data flows, and data collection tools about user roles and privileges are devised. The system is designed with simplicity in mind, to make its operations as simple as possible, thus facilitating easy understanding and maintenance. Some of the MIS such as the dashboard and projects page are shown below.

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Number	Activity	Indicative Budget
Project M	anagement	
0.7	Conduct project launch events at each region to align the key stakeholders and level expectations	15,647,909
0.9	Inception meeting	1,721,459
1	Facilitate annual and bi-annual project planning and review meetings with project staff and the WFP team	0
1.1	Facilitate project closure and sustainability activities	1,348,000
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2.1.5	Facilitate and support the establishment of climate-smart agriculture demonstration sites/plots for improved seed crop production in target districts per crops	2,381,923
-	3.2 Participating young people, especially women, have improved employment opportunities along strengthening	the value chain through
3.2.5	Identify and register youth and engage them in MSMEs	1,724,553
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Table 6. The log frame

Outcome/Output		Project Description	Indicator	Target	Monthly achieveme nt	Cumulativ e achieveme nt
		Project Management				
Activities	0.1	Staff recruitment	Staff hired	15	0	14
	0.2	Office set-up	# of offices hired		0	2
	0.3	Conduct project launch events at the regional and district level	Project officially initiated			
	0.4	Beneficiaries digital profiling	Farmers digitally profiled	25,000	255	255
	0.5	Inception meeting	# of meetings conducted			

Outcome/O	utput	Project Description	Indicator	Target	Monthly achieveme nt	Cumulativ e achieveme nt
	0.6	Facilitate annual and bi- annual project planning and review meetings with project staff and the WFP team	# of meetings conducted			
	0.7	Conduct community entry and project introduction to the key stakeholders in target districts	# of meetings conducted		2	2
	0.9	Support quarterly district-level sensitive nutrition coordination meetings	# of meetings conducted			
	1.0	Facilitate project closure and sustainability activities	Strategy prepared and implemented			
Outcome: 1		Smallholder Farmers especially Youth, women	% of targeted smallholder farmers increase engagement with high-volume buyers	TBD	0	
		increase productivity, the value and volumes of their sales leading to improved	% of smallholder farmer associations improved governance and financial systems	TBD	0	
		income.	% of smallholder farmers reporting increased income from agribusiness	TBD	0	
Intermediate Results 1.1		Identified and profiled 25# of farmers registered by the end of the000 project participantsproject		25000	255	255
	1.1.1	Farmers' sensitisation and mobilization	Farmers	25000	2161	2161
Activity	1.1.2	ldentify youth and women who are eligible for VKB through village meetings	Farmers	25000	0	
Act	1.1.3	Beneficiaries digital profiling	# SHFs registered	25000	255	255

Outcome/Ou	Jtput	Project Description	Indicator	Target	Monthly achieveme nt	Cumulativ e achieveme nt
	1.1.4	Profiling farmers (70% women and 70% youth) and Farmers' Organizations (FOs), and increasing last-mile and first- mile services	Farmers	25000	255	255
Intermediate 1.2	Results	Improve crops yield potential productivity and food security to targeted smallholder farmers by 5%	% of smallholder farmers who have access to technical support	TBD	0	
	1.2.1	Training of crop diversification /rotation practices for agro- ecological maintenance	# of sessions/events organized	80	0	
	1.2.2	Support women and youth groups with cost-effective materials to establish community/ kitchen garden	# of groups	16	0	
	1.2.3	Train farmer associations' members and young Farm Innovation agents (FIAs) on agroecological practices.	# of farmers' associations trained	88	0	
Activity	1.2.4	Facilitate centralized village/ ward semi-annual review and feedback meeting between smallholders farmers association Leaders and agricultural extension officers	# of participants	320	0	
Intermediate 1.3	Results	Increase the volume and value of sorghum, sunflower	% of targeted smallholder farmers increase engagement with high-volume buyers	TBD	0	

Outcome	/Output	Project Description	Indicator	Target	Monthly achieveme nt	Cumulativ e achieveme nt
		and pulses products to 10%, of the 25 000 smallholder farmers, especially 70% of	% of smallholder farmer associations improved governance and financial systems	TBD	0	
		youth and 70% of women	% of smallholder farmers reporting increased income from agribusiness	TBD	0	
	1.3.1	Facilitate contract farming between FOs, buyers, processors and LGAs	# of the contract signed	TBD	0	
	1.3.2	Train farmers on appropriate good farming practices for sorghum, pulses, sunflower, and horticulture value chain	# of farmers registered	TBD	0	
Intermedi 1.4	ate Results	Increase availability and access to input services for sorghum and sunflowers by supporting best practices of smart agriculture and commercialization of local seed production	# of smallholder farmers increase engagement with high-volume buyers	TBD	0	
	1.4.1	Identify and recruit 128 quality declared seed (QDS) farmers in all districts for targeted crops	Quality seed identified	TBD	0	
Activity	1.4.2	Train identified smallholder farmers (DQS) on quality seed production and storage	# of Smallholder farmers trained	TBD	0	

Outcome/Ou	ltput	Project Description	Indicator	Target	Monthly achieveme nt	Cumulativ e achieveme nt
	1.4.3	Facilitate and support the establishment of climate- smart agriculture demonstration sites/plots for improved seed crop production in target districts per crops	# of CSA sites established	TBD	0	
	1.4.4	Monitoring harvest, cleaning, sorting and certification of QDS and certified seeds	#Monitoring	128	0	
	1.4.5	Sensitize farmer's association members to adapt new / existing climate-smart agriculture practices through ICT and mobile platforms	# of sensitization sessions held	32	0	
Outcome: 2		Smallholder farmers especially youth and women	% of targeted smallholder farmers increase productivity	TBD	0	
		reduce post-harvest losses of their produces	% of targeted smallholder farmers reduce post-harvest losses	TBD	0	
			% targeted smallholder farmers adopt GAP/CSA technologies	TBD	0	
			% of targeted smallholder farmers access postharvest technologies, equipment/ facilities	TBD	0	
Intermediate	Results	Increase investment in	Crop yields have increased by 5 % for the	TBD	0	
2.1	[postharvest technologies	targeted farmers			
	2.1.1	Conduct training for Extension Officers (ToT) and lead farmers on PHHS	# Extension officers trained	32	0	

Outcome/O	utput	Project Description	Indicator	Target	Monthly achieveme nt	Cumulativ e achieveme nt
	2.1.2	Train farmers on PHHS in target value chains and equip smallholder farmers with market orientation and technology	# farmers trained	25000	0	
	2.1.3	Facilitate linkage of farmers to established networks of private suppliers of hermetic technology and post-harvest equipment (hermetic bags, tarpaulins, threshing machine, silos etc.)	# farmers linked	25000	0	
	2.1.4	Conduct a demonstration of PHHS materials/technologies/equip ment to farmers	# farmers trained	25000	0	
	2.1.5	Identify and train youth for post-harvest technologies as the service provider	# youth trained	800	0	
	2.1.6	Coordinate delivery of the materials/equipment from equipment technology company or suppliers/distributor to the farmers	# follow-ups	6	0	
Activity	2.1.7	Introduce and train smallholder farmers and youth to use a dehydrator for drying vegetables/fruits to reduce loss	# youth trained	8000	0	

Outcome/Ou	ıtput	Project Description	Indicator	Target	Monthly achieveme nt	Cumulativ e achieveme nt
Intermediate 2.2	Results	Increase access to quality storage facilities for smallholder farmers to reduce post-harvest losses	# of Smallholder farmers using storage facilities	TBD	0	
	2.2.1	Train smallholder farmer associations on warehouse management and record- keeping	# of smallholder farmer associations trained in warehouse management	88	0	
Activity	2.2.2	Facilitate/coordinate timely availability and delivery of storage bags/ equipment for smallholder farmer associations from producers or suppliers	<i># of Smallholder farmers accessing storage bags</i>	3000	0	
Intermediate 2.3	Results	Strengthen the capacity of smallholder farmers' associations and mobilize community support in targeted areas for effective individual and collective action towards post-harvest losses	Post-harvest losses have been reduced by 15% for the targeted farmers	TBD	0	
	2.3.1	Conduct awareness to warehouse managers/AMCOs leaders on the benefits of aggregation and selling large volumes	<i># of warehouse managers and AMCO leaders attending awareness</i>	25000	0	

Outcome/Ou	ltput	Project Description	Indicator	Target	Monthly achieveme nt	Cumulativ e achieveme nt
	2.3.2	Integrate ICT technology with available aggregation centres including the use of Kilimo Data Hub (KDH) through available mobile network operators	# of warehouses reached	48	0	
	2.3.3	Establish/support warehouse committees and conduct training on warehouse management to members (e.g. stacking, rejection techniques and record keeping)	Participants	168	0	
OUTCOME 3		Strengthen smallholder farmers' linkages to inputs, support services and markets for increased market access and input access, thereby increasing revenues to smallholder farmers	# of smallholder farmers with linkage to inputs	TBD	0	
			# of smallholder farmers with linkage to the market		0	
Intermediate 3.1	Results	Marketing of agricultural produce increased	# of smallholder farmers with access to quality storage facilities to reduce post- harvest losses	TBD	0	
Activity	3.1.1	Mobilize farmers to participate in the aggregate of their produce	# of farmers mobilized	14056	0	

Outcome/Ou	tput	Project Description	Indicator	Target	Monthly achieveme nt	Cumulativ e achieveme nt
	3.1.2	Facilitate training on marketing dynamics to smallholder farmers (especially youth and women)	# of farmers trained	5884	0	
	3.1.3	Facilitate linkage for farmers and FOs with marketable surplus to local and regional markets to ensure access to profitable market opportunities	# of farmers linked	3270	0	
	3.1.4	Creating awareness and mobilizing FOs for collective marketing through aggregation and collection centres	# of farmers informed	13076	0	
Intermediate 3.2	Results	Strengthening access to reliable markets for agricultural produce	# of farmers with access to markets	TBD		
	3.2.1	Identify main buyers (local & and regional) and establish actual demand for agricultural produce	# Buyers	16	0	
	3.2.2	Facilitate Business to Business (B2B) meetings between farmer organizations (FOs) and potential buyers/off- takers	# B2B Meetings	80	0	
Activity	3.2.3	Integrate ICT to deliver Market information i.e. prices, volumes & buyers	# ICT	32	0	

Outcome/0	Dutput	Project Description	Indicator	Target	Monthly achieveme nt	Cumulativ e achieveme nt
	3.2.4	Integrate modern technologies to warehouses for digital services (i.e. digital weighing scales, moisture meters, scanners, printers etc.) and job creation	# Warehouses	32	0	
Intermediat 3.3	e Results	Improve income by increasing the volume and value of the products sold and benefit from improved access to profitable markets	# of smallholder farmers association with increased capacity in organizational development	TBD	0	
	3.3.1	Facilitate farmer's market access and linkage with target off-takers, private companies and other key actors	# of farmers linked	286	0	
	3.3.2	Strengthening existing Farmers' Organizations (FOs) and increasing last-mile and first-mile services	# of farmers' organizations reached	320	0	
00Activity	3.3.3	Facilitate farmers' linkages between smallholder farmers and registered agribusiness firms or agro-dealers through their FOs	# of farmers linked	9480	0	
Outcome: 4	ŀ	Young people especially women have improved employment opportunities along the sector value chain	# of registered women and youth smallholder farmer associations have the capacity to support their members in financial services	60 women and youth groups	0	

Outcome	e/Output	Project Description	Indicator	Target	Monthly achieveme nt	Cumulativ e achieveme nt
			% of women and youth reporting improved economic conditions and livelihood	TBD	0	
			# of MSMEs linked and support women and young smallholder farmers to have greater economic autonomy	120 women and youth	0	
Intermediate Results 4.1		Participating young people, especially women, have improved employment opportunities along the value chain through MSMEs strengthening	% of smallholder farmers and MSMEs with established business links and benefiting from them	TBD		
	4.1.1	Identify youth and women who are eligible for VKB through village meetings	# of women and youth identified	16346	0	
	4.1.2	Conduct training for women and youth on basic entrepreneurship and marketing skills	# of youth trained	240	0	
	4.1.3	Facilitate train on financial literacy among identified youth	# of youth trained	5558	0	
	4.1.4	Train youth and women on Value-addition	# of youth and women trained	7192	0	
Ņ.	4.1.5	Conduct train on agripreneurship skills and self- employment knowledge among identified youth	# of youth trained	6538	0	
Activity	4.1.6	Identify and register youth and engage them in MSMEs	# of youth engaged	7100	0	

Outcome/Ou	ıtput	Project Description	Indicator	Target	Monthly achieveme nt	Cumulativ e achieveme nt
	4.1.7	Provide coaching, mentorship and linkage between youth clubs to FOs and aggregation centres to provide mechanization, post-harvest and production services	# of youth coached and mentored	4576	0	
	4.1.8	Train the youth and women on market dynamics	# of women trained	4250	0	
	4.1.9	Facilitate training of Youth Extension and Enterprise Clubs (YEEC's) on GPS farms mapping, soil health testing kits, promotion of crop insurance services, hand planters, rippers and pesticide applications for fee/ commission.	# of youth with GPS in clubs	4304	0	
Intermediate 4.2	Results	Young people, especially women, have improved employment opportunities along the value chain through MSMEs strengthening	# of women and youth associations with advanced capacity in food processing and value addition	To be determine d	0	
	4.2.1	Capacitate FOs to re-invest in emerging agriculture opportunities during off- seasons	# FOS	640	0	

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	4.2.2	Support women and youth to own and establish small Sorghum and sunflower millers to establish sorghum and sunflower oil processing points	# of established sunflower oil processing points by women and youth	32	0	
Outcome 5		Improved inclusiveness of the marginalized groups in the agricultural	% of women and youth smallholder farmers who own property or productive resources	TBD	0	
		commodities value chains.	Contribute to 50% gender-sensitive governance in smallholder farmers' associations	TBD	0	
			# proportion of women and youth participating in the decision making index	TBD	0	
Intermediate 5.1	Results	Women and youth benefit from increasing inclusiveness and opportunities in the selected agricultural value chains.	% of women and youth groups who have adopted the tested business technologies and innovations and practicing	TBD	0	
Activity00	5.1.1	Sensitize farmers on gender equality to increase awareness on gender-responsive decision-making over resources owned together	# Men and women sensitized	19876	0	

Outcome/Output	Project Description	Indicator	Target	Monthly achieveme nt	Cumulativ e achieveme nt
5.1.2	Conduct awareness and training on gender equality/equity and identification of specific gender-based (youth and women) activities on agriculture investment	# awareness training on gender equality	196	0	
5.1.3	Facilitate women and youth representation in development planning dialogues and decision- making processes at the community level	# Women and youth facilitated	9876	0	
5.1.4	Promote gender mainstreaming throughout the agriculture and rural development sector by organizing and facilitating workshops for communities and partners at programme locations	Gender mainstreaming promoted	240	0	
5.1.5	Provide community members with more gender-sensitive training and organizing farmer exchange visit	Gender-sensitive training provided	240	0	

Outcome/Output		Project Description	Indicator	Target	Monthly achieveme nt	Cumulativ e achieveme nt
	5.1.6	Develop reading materials on gender, agriculture and rural development, featuring smart best practices, to be distributed among farmers and LGAs	Material on gender and agriculture and rural development developed	4000	0	
	5.1.7	Improve coordination with key stakeholders involved in the project to help expand partnership opportunities that are geared to increase farmers participation in mainstreaming gender, youth, and environment into their farming communities	# Coordination's on mainstreaming gender, youth and environment increased	240	0	
Output 6		Agriculture policy was amended and agricultural product trading tariff improved and created a friendly business environment	# Policy brief developed	TBD	0	
Activities	6.1	Conduct policy dialogue on agricultural investment policymakers at project regions and districts	# of meetings conducted		0	
	6.2	Facilitate policy and trade tariff review meetings	# of meetings conducted		0	
	6.3	Facilitate policy and trade tariff dialogues for agricultural products	# of meetings conducted		0	

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6.4	Prepare a policy brief and trade tariff amendments report for the ministerial level	# of meetings conducted		0	
6.5	Facilitate the dialogue meeting for ministerial policymakers and other stakeholders	# of meetings conducted		0	
6.5	Monitoring and evaluation	Monitoring report produce		0	

Section III: Risks, Challenges, and Recommendations

Part A: Risks to the project

Risks	What steps are being taken to mitigate these risks
NIL	NIL

Part B: Challenges, lessons learned and recommendations

B.2.1: **Challenges** in implementing during this period and mitigation— *highlight the challenges you encountered during the period of implementation and how they were mitigated to reduce like impact.*

Unfavourable weather conditions, particularly rainfall, led to the cancellation of some village meetings. **SOLUTION.** SEIDA in collaboration with the LGAs rearranged the meetings in the villages where the meetings were cancelled.

During the sensitization meetings, more adult men showed up compared to adult women. Additionally, on the other hand, more young males attended the meetings as compared to women. This is contributed by the culture that causes more men to attend meetings as compared to women. **SOLUTION.** SEIDA is working with the government at all levels particularly WDC's to sensitize and promote understanding of the project target of more youth and women.

B.2.2: **Lessons Learnt**— what lessons emerged during the period and how have these been used or are being used to inform and improve the project

Given the nature of the project, the sensitization meetings and participant profiling can be merged at the same time to maximise opportunity given that it is a farming season, the initial meetings have shown to attract more participants. Therefore, the profiling exercise will be undertaken after a sensitization meeting at each village.

B.2.3: **Recommendations**— what do you recommend based on encountered challenges and lessons learned that can be used to future improve the project