



Project Highlights

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“ Emergency support to the reintegration of vulnerable returnee households in the eastern provinces of Burundi to resume farming activities ”

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Target areas: Makamba Province

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Objective: To contribute to restoring the livelihoods of returnees by helping them resume farming activities, enabling them to reintegrate into a productive socio-economic system and limiting their dependence on direct food aid.

Project partners: Ministry of Agriculture and Livestock, Provincial Directorates, Burundi Institute of Agronomic Sciences, village committees and local groups/associations.

Beneficiaries reached: 3 000 vulnerable households.

Activities implemented:

- Distributed 60 kg of vegetable seed, 75 000 kg of bean seed, 1 950 000 strings of sweet potato, 9 tonnes of DAP fertilizer and 6 tonnes of urea fertilizer as well as 6 000 hoes through seed fairs.
- Sensitized input sellers from the seed fairs.
- Trained farmer field school facilitators on nutrition education and good culinary practices, particularly for using soy.

Impact:

- Resumed agricultural activities and increased beneficiary households' food security.
- Improved the quality of food products.
- Generated additional income through the sale of surplus vegetable crops.
- Strengthened social cohesion and reduced beneficiary households' dependence on humanitarian aid.