



Project Highlights

DJIBOUTI

"Emergency assistance in pastoral areas of Djibouti"

Project code: OSRO/DJI/202/JPN

Donor: Japan

Contribution: USD 1 910 467

Implementation: 7/3/12 - 31/3/13

Target areas: All regions of Djibouti



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Objective: To contribute to restoring agricultural and livestock production of drought-affected

communities, as well as increasing the efficiency of response to food security

emergencies by national institutions and the Government.

Key partners: Ministry of Agriculture's Department of Water and Agriculture, Ministry of Education,

regional and local authorities, local communities.

Beneficiaries reached: 6 364 households.

Activities implemented:

- 900 kg of assorted vegetable seeds and 480 kg of fodder seeds procured and distributed to 400 pastoral and agropastoral households, along with training, to establish small-scale vegetable and fodder production.
- 800 micro-irrigation tools were distributed two per household.
- 300 of the most vulnerable families benefited from an 11-day cash-for-work scheme to quickly improve their food security.
- Two training programmes on agropastoral field schools (APFS) organized for APFS facilitators (38 in first session, 34 in second).
- Inputs provided to enable facilitators to set up groups in their communities.
- Two dams of 20 000 m³ each constructed in remote areas of Arta and Dikhil regions, along transhumance routes.

Results:

- Vegetable and fodder gardens helped improve the livelihoods of vulnerable households, diversifying their livelihoods and providing them with a source of income.
- 16 APFS groups are operational, benefiting 2 436 people.
- 50 000 head of livestock have improved access to water.
- Livestock mortality rates have reportedly declined slightly.