



Project Highlights

DEMOCRATIC PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF KOREA

"Emergency support to improve food security of vulnerable farming families during the main cropping season 2013"

Project code: OSRO/DRK/301/CHA

Donor: CERF

Contribution: USD 697 935

Implementation: 21/02/2013-31/12/2013

Target areas: Provinces of North and South

Hwanghae and North and South Pyongan and cities of

Nampo and Pyongyang



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Objective: To safeguard the lives and livelihoods of food-insecure farming families in cooperative

farms by increasing paddy rice and maize production.

Key partners: Ministry of Agriculture

Beneficiaries reached: 106 cooperative farms (30 814 households or 123 256 people)

Activities implemented:

- Procured and distributed 9 182 rolls of plastic sheets (500 m² per roll) to 106 cooperative farms in 66 counties, benefiting 30 814 households (123 256 people).
- Conducted field missions to monitor delivery of the plastic sheets (April-May 2013) and determine yield following the harvest (September-October 2013).

Results:

- Average yield of paddy rice and maize increased by 900 kg/ha and 700 kg/ha (respectively) from 2012, resulting in a total yield of 5.7 tonnes/ha for paddy rice and 4.5 tonnes/ha for maize.
- Increased food availability and household-level food and nutrition security in project areas through increased paddy rice and maize production.