

## Project Highlights NIGER

## "Contribute to strengthen the resilience of communities in the rural communes de convergence"

**Project code**: OSRO/NER/402/NOR

**Donor:** Norway

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Target areas: regions of Agadez, Diffa, Dosso, Maradi,

Niamey, Tahoua, Tillabéry et Zinder

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**Objective:** To improve the food security and nutrition of rural populations affected by poverty.

**Key partners:** The High Commissioner of the 3N Initiative (*les nigériens nourrissent les nigériens*), the

Ministries of Agriculture and Livestock, the governorates of selected regions, Non-

governmental Organizations and local associations.

**Beneficiaries reached:** 14 500 vulnerable households.

**Activities implemented:** • Procured and distributed 120 tonnes of potato seeds and 3 500 kg of vegetable seeds (cabbage, carrot, lettuce and tomato) to 13 000 beneficiary households.

Procured and distributed 225 tonnes of animal feed to 1 500 beneficiary households.

• Built four *maisons du paysan* (farmers' storage facilities) to strengthen capacities in terms of agricultural input and animal feed supply.

Procured 29 grinders for the production of multinutrient blocks.

• Cultivated 11 787 ha of land and produced 314 783 tonnes of vegetables.

• Ensured animal feed for 7 500 small ruminants during the lean season.

Established animal feed stocks.

Improved farming activities thanks to the construction of storage facilities.

• Estimated a production of 696 000 multinutrient blocks per year thanks to the distribution of grinders.

• Increased food coverage for beneficiary households (from four to eight months).

**Results:**