



“Support to agricultural recovery and improvement of food security in the Central African Republic”

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Donor: United States of America

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Implementation: 21/09/16 – 30/09/17

Target areas: Basse-Kotto, Kemo, Mambéré-Kadéï, Nana-Gribizi, Nana-Mambéré, Ouaka, Ouham, and Ouham-Pendé



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Objective: To reduce household vulnerability by strengthening the agricultural livelihoods of crisis-affected communities in the in the Central African Republic.

Key partners: The decentralized technical services of the Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development, and the Central African Agency for Agricultural Development, Non-governmental Organizations and local authorities.

Beneficiaries reached: 15 000 households.

- Activities implemented:**
- Identified, sensitized and selected beneficiary households.
 - Procured and delivered 310 tonnes of vegetable and cereal seeds (groundnut, maize, red beans, rice, sorghum and squash) and 30 000 hoes to 10 000 vulnerable households.
 - Held five input trade fairs and provided 5 000 beneficiary households with vouchers valued at USD 45 allowing them to purchase a total of 155 tonnes of seeds and 15 000 hoes.
 - Carried out monitoring and evaluation activities in collaboration with the Ministry.
 - Trained 560 facilitators who in turn trained 14 000 beneficiaries on up-to-date vegetable and cereal production techniques.

- Results:**
- Cultivated an average of 0.5 ha per household and obtained an average food production of 500 kg per household.
 - Almost doubled yields for groundnut, maize and rice compared with the previous years' yields.
 - Strengthened the technical and operational capacities of 14 000 project beneficiaries.
 - Increased food availability and contributed to improving the livelihoods of beneficiaries through increased food storage and the sale of production surplus.