Malawi Tea 2020

Improved Smallholder Livelihoods & Energy Efficiency

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OVERALL OBJECTIVES PILLAR 4

Improved farming practices

Higher incomes

Improved business practices

More income sources

Higher yields

Improved quality

Healthier lives

Higher green leaf price

PROFITABLE SMALLHOLDER SECTOR

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UTZ-led project; starting soon

REVITALISATION PROGRAMME TOWARDS LIVING WAGE
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1. Farmer Field Schools
   - GAP training (incl demo plots)
   - All FFS also train on: Income diversification, FBS, nutrition & sanitation
   - 1,548 farmers participated this year (3,355 since start of Malawi 2020)
   - Increase in both yields and quality
18 new tea nurseries growing 216,000 seedlings

27 tea nurseries set up last year with 324,000 seedlings
2. Village Savings and Loan Associations

- (Peer-to-peer lending) access to credit and saving opportunity
- 173 groups set up in 2016 and 2017 involving **3,138 farmers (71% women)**
- First 69 groups increased capital from **$1.93 to $69** per person
JUDITH JAMES CASE STUDY

Judith James (38) a member of Chilungamo VSL she is a widow and has 5 children. Coming from a very poor background, she lived from hand to mouth, sometimes she and her children slept hungry. She Joined the VSL programme With $0.68 as her entry capital, she bought small household items such as salt and soaps which she sold at a profit. With the opportunity to borrow more capital, Judith worked hard to start and grow a scone making business. Soon she was able to keep food on her table and put money back into business. Was also able to pay school fees for her daughter Martha who is in High school.
PROGRESS MADE IN SMALLHOLDER PILLAR

VSL – OUTCOMES:

Great mechanism to:

➢ Stimulate income diversification
➢ Address basic needs: food, clothing, house improvements, school costs

VSL evaluation by Imani Development:

- 73% of participants were able to diversify their income (with at least 1 extra income source)
- 41% felt financially secure during low tea season (compared to 7% before VSL participation)
- 51% spent more money on farm inputs and hired workers
- 57% said they now buy different foods (eggs, meat)
- 29% spent money on house improvements. Building/ repairing
OVERALL OBJECTIVES PILLAR 5

- CC landscapes program
- CC adaptation training
- FFS

CC mapping
ESMP development
ESMP

ENERGY & ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY

- Afforestation and sensitisation
- Tree nurseries
- Sustainable energy use
- Energy efficient stoves
- Solar lights
- Factory energy analysis

Alternative energy sources
FFS
PROGRESS MADE IN ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY PILLAR

Sustainable energy use by tea communities

Fuel-efficient Cook stoves: In partnership with United Purpose

✓ 400 farmers involved (production and sales)
✓ 3683 stoves produced to date, Target every farmer must own a stove

Benefits: Income, health, environmental protection (trees), GHG reductions, saves time
✓ Carbon credits (3 tonnes/stove)
Environmental conservation and income diversification

Tree nurseries:
- ✓ 12 mini tree nurseries piloted this year
- ✓ 32 lead farmers trained on tree nursery management and fruit tree propagation

Benefits: Environmental conservation, income, climate change adaptation, diversification, nutrition
PROGRESS MADE IN ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY PILLAR

Sustainable energy use

Facilitating tea farmer access to solar products:
✓ Supporting access and rollout of solar lighting through revolving fund
✓ 182 farmers supported in first phase
✓ Second phase will upscale this success

Energy assessment undertaken with producers:
✓ Report presented to producers
✓ Action plans being agreed with each producer
Climate Change Adaptation

- CIAT climate change maps have been presented to producers by UTZ
- Temperature increases of 2C and unpredictable rainfall patterns
  - Nkhata Bay significantly reduces suitability
  - Thyolo more impacted than Mulanje due to lower altitude
- ETP working with Leeds University (UK) to provide detailed climate data
- (more discussions in the Breakaway sessions)
Thank you!
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Improved policies and in-kind benefits
TAML Housing Policy

Progress Report:

• Policy has been approved by TAML Board, houses to be categorized as A, B, C & D.

• Housing Status Report from each company by 31 Dec 2017 with clear plans for implementation of housing.

• Housing Inspections to commence in 1st quarter 2018.

• New SAN Standard on Housing has been discussed by TAML Board.

• Provision of housing not mandatory in Malawi but all houses to be maintained and new ones to be constructed have to comply with the TAML Housing Policy. Companies will choose whether to maintain houses or not.
TAML Gender & Sexual Harrassment Policy

Progress Report:

• Policy has been approved by TAML Board, Consultant from WUSC in place and working with TAML’s IRC on roll out.

• Road Map has been developed.

• Training to commence with TAML Directors, Managers, Supervisors and Committee members

• Training Manuals are in progress and nearly completion

• Workplans for Oct –Dec finalized to take advantage of the low season for implementation and roll out, before rains come.
Progress Report:

• All the remaining Estates have been sensitized on the nutrition roll out namely Kawalazi, Conforzi, Naming’omba, Steco and Zoa.

• Estates are now in the process of either out sourcing fortified maize flour from the agro – processor or ordering the dossifier equipment from Sanko.
THANK YOU