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Smallholder Safety Net
Upscaling Programme

ENHANCING LIVELIHOOD RESILIENCE OF SMALLHOLDER HOUSEHOLDS THROUGH CASSAVA VALUE CHAIN DEVELOPMENT IN UGANDA



Africa



Latin America



Asia



Financial services



Non-financial services



Market building



Internal management

CONTEXT

Uganda is a landlocked country of the Great Lakes region lying between Kenya, South Sudan, Democratic Republic of Congo, Rwanda and Tanzania. In 2023, the GDP per capita was USD 1014 and its population estimated to almost 49 million is growing at almost 3% a year. The economy heavily relies on agriculture, which employs about 70% of the workforce. Cassava has been identified as one of the emerging market-oriented commodities that can improve the livelihood of smallholders in Uganda as the global demand for processed cassava is increasing, being driven by the increasing use in the food industry.

CURRENT STATUS OF THE BENEFICIARY ORGANISATION

Kitagata Mixed Farmers Co-operative Society Ltd is a farmer-owned initiative established in June 2013 whose main activities are to provide quality inputs, train farmers on better methods of farming and help them identifying markets for their products. Kitagata currently has a total number of 550 members with 376 of them being female. The cooperative is involved in bulking cassava, millet, maize, and beans which have largely moved from being seen as traditional food crops to important sources of household incomes.

OBJECTIVE OF THE PROJECT

The proposed project aims at sustainably improving the social, economic, and environmental resilience of smallholder households within the cassava value chain by increasing production and transforming it into flour for export.

The main expected results are:

- Train 500 farmers on agroecological practices to protect the environment and increase yield and quality of cassava production.
- Improve financial management risk awareness of these farmers through financial literacy trainings.

IMPACT INVESTOR

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BENEFICIARY ORGANISATION

Kitagata Mixed Farmers Co-operative - Uganda

TARGET

500 smallholder farmers

AGRICULTURAL VALUE CHAIN

Cassava

STARTING DATE

October 2024

DURATION

12 months

TOTAL TA BUDGET

€ 39,582
Including € 35,563 (90%)
contribution from SSNUP



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