

Productive Asset Recovery and Institutional Strengthening (PARIS)

BACKGROUND

The EC Food Security funded project “PARIS” (Productive Asset Recovery & Institution Strengthening) is a follow-up project of the just ended post conflict community based Recovery and Rehabilitation Project (RRP09), implemented over four years in Gogrial East County of Warrap State.

The “RRP09” had two interventions: a) Basic Services Provision, and b) Food Security interventions. At the end of the project it was acknowledged that significant results had been achieved but it was also found that the county was still food insecure. The state experiences high levels of returnees, including internally displaced persons, internal conflicts such as clan feuds, and remains with a weak Local Government Administration. The decentralization process was found to be too slow in the South Sudan.

To ensure that RRP09 outputs have a lasting impact, especially in areas of food security and good governance, including conflict prevention and peace building, the follow-up project was



Seed Distribution



Beneficiaries trained on NCD prevention

agreed upon. PARIS concentrates on food security (livestock development and agriculture/horticulture), good governance and capacity building of the local administration. The project supports mainly the Millennium Development Goal no 1.

GOAL OF THE PROJECT

The overall objective is to improve the food security in favour of the poorest and the most vulnerable. The project tries to contribute to coherent and complementary actions of community interventions. Following the Millennium Development Goal No. 1, it specifically tries to protect, maintain and recover productive and social assets vital to food security, to allow economic reintegration and a longer term rehabilitation, in particular to strengthen local institutions and authorities.

KEY RESULT

- ◆ 10,000 HH supported in improved food production (seeds; tools; training) and opening up opportunities in value addition with viable participation in marketing of local food and livestock products.
- ◆ Increased opportunities for access to savings and credit facilities, self-employment, income generating opportunities.
- ◆ Strengthen community’s capacities to initiate and participate in their own development.





ACTIVITIES AND RESULTS

- ◆ Food security baseline survey in four sectors, namely Agriculture, Livestock, Microfinance and to identifying gaps in local government administration.
- ◆ PARIS project launch.
- ◆ LGA office rehabilitation.
- ◆ Capacity building workshop for strengthening the LGA governance instruments and to improve implementation of project activities through better planning and budgeting.
- ◆ Training in Rural Appraisal to improve capacities in Needs Assessments to better serve the citizens.
- ◆ Conflict Zone Mapping for better peace surveillance, conflict prevention and peace building not only in the county but also at the state at large which is prone to tribal and clan conflicts that disrupt livelihood activities.
- ◆ Vaccination and treatment of animals.
- ◆ Tinsmith training in support of alternative income generation, especially for vulnerable returnees.
- ◆ Training of Extension Workers from the Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry and our 2 local Associates (INFRAID and SEDA) in cassava production techniques as an alternative source of carbohydrates (Sorghum; maize). They were also trained in vegetable production with emphasis on nursery preparation and essential field operations required for tendering vegetable crops.



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