Strengthening CSO in Agriculture Policy and participatory Budgeting (SCAB) project

CSOs, CBOs and Women farmers networks in 8 districts, are supported and have the capacity to engage in agriculture policy shaping and public accountability to ensure sustainable food security in Rwanda.

Result 2: CSOs and other stakeholders organizing public dialogues on agriculture polices through their networking and coalition building structures to advocate for policy changes.

Result 3: 10 CSOs and 5 media houses have the capacity to collect and analyse agriculture budget information, and the knowledge and skills to disseminate it to the public at a local, national and regional levels with a purpose of advocating for change.

Total Project budget 800,000 €
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The 3 year project will be implemented in 8 districts including Musanze, Gakenke, Karongi, Nyanza, Nyaruguru, Gisagara, Kamonyi and Muhanga.
RESULT 1

1. Awareness building workshops on national agriculture policies in line with country development agendas for targeted 15 CSOs, 20 CBOs and 16 existing networks.

2. Training on organizational and management development, resource mobilization and planning to improve financial and institutional viability and raise fund for research and advocacy work.

3. Training on Economic literacy budget accountability for governance (ELBAG) and on Human rights based approach (HRBA) and women’s rights approaches.

4. Training on budget monitoring skills and methods such as budget making process and investment plans on national agriculture spending plans; and different technics and methods of tracking budget expenditures and coaching.

RESULT 2

1. Strengthening existing operational networks of agriculture CSOs and CBOs at district and national levels.

2. Training 15 agriculture CSOs and 20 CBOs in network and coalition building

3. Mobilizing women farmer’s cooperatives into networks and support their legal registration at district levels

4. Training 20 agriculture networks to engage their public authorities in policy designing and budget planning

5. Supporting 20 agriculture networks to conduct community scorecard and social audit report on agriculture budget spending

6. Supporting networks to review the CAADPS(Comprehensive African Agriculture Development Programs) result framework and PSTA III(Strategy Plan for Agriculture Transformation)

7. Supporting networks to conduct Joint annual budget analysis focusing on agriculture investments to produce alternative and gender sensitize agriculture budgets

RESULT 3

1. Sensitization of media organisations on agriculture policies and budget monitoring work.

2. Training media organisations in agriculture policy and budget monitoring work

3. Awarding best journalist in reporting and covering stories of change on agriculture

4. Supporting agriculture CSOs and their networks to disseminate information on agriculture policy and budget monitoring in an accessible format

5. Training agriculture CSOs and their networks to collect stories of change and linking with media and skills to report on budget related information

6. Support agriculture CSOs and their networks to strengthen their websites and social media skills and become hubs of information to facilitate knowledge exchange among civil society budget groups and other public finance stakeholders

7. Support agriculture CSOs and their networks to disseminate in an accessible format for their analysis to wider public budgetary information and agricultural policies through national public dialogues

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