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LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS

AWP&B	: Annual Workplan and Budget
CFs	: Community Facilitators
CGs	: Community Groups
COM	: Community Operations Manual
CGs	: Community Groups
CGMC	: Community Groups Management Committee
CIPIU	: County Integrated Project Implementation Unit
CPMC	: Community Project Management Committee
CSC	: County Steering Committee
CTC	: County Technical Committee
DANIDA	: Danish International Development Agency
EHS	: Environmental and Health Safety
ESMF	: Environmental and social Management Framework
ESMP	: Environmental and Social Management Plan
FP	: Facilitating Partner
FY	: Financial Year
GBV	: Gender-Based Violence
GRC	: Grievance Redress Mechanisms
GRM	: Grievance Redress Mechanism
HEIS	: Hands-on Extended Implementation Support
IGAD	: Intergovernmental Authority Development
KEFRI	: Kenya Forestry Research Institute
KFS	: Kenya Forest Service
KDRDIP	: Kenya Development Response to Displacement Impacts Project
LIPW	: Labour Intensive Public Works
MIS	: Management Information System
MTR	: Mid-Term-Review
MOU	: Memorandum of Understanding

NPIU	: National Project Implementation Unit
NSC	: National Steering Committee
O&M	: Operation and maintenance
PIM	: Project Implementation Manual
PIST	: Project Implementation Support Team
SAC	: Social Audit Committee
SMs	: Social Mobilizers
SP	: Sub Project
ToR	: Terms of Reference
VLC	: Village Level Committee.
VMG	: Vulnerable and Marginalized Group
VMI	: Vulnerable and Marginalized Individuals
WB	: World Bank
WC	: Ward Committee
WBISM	: World Bank Implementation Support Mission

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1.0: Project Overview

The Kenya Development Response to Displacement Impacts Project (KDRDIP) is a five-year project that aims at providing priority support to communities in Garissa County (Lagdera, Dadaab and Fafi Constituencies) Wajir south constituency and Turkana west constituency, that have hosted refugees for over 28 years. The project is being implemented to reduce the impacts of the longstanding presence of refugees through community-driven sustainable project approaches.

The project is domiciled in the State Department for the Development of ASALs in the Ministry of Public Service, Gender, Senior Citizens Affairs and Special Programmes. The department's core mandate is to accelerate development activities in the arid and semi-arid lands in Kenya. The Project's Development Objective (PDO) is to improve access to basic services, expand economic opportunities, and enhance environmental management for communities hosting refugees in the target areas.

Project Start Date: 1st July 2017

Project Cost: USD 100 Million Loan from WB and USD 8 Million DANIDA Grant

Project Closing Date: 30th April 2023

Disbursement Status: The project has disbursed USD 82 million to date.

Type of financing instrument: Investment Project Financing.

Project Rating: The project's progress towards achievement of the Development Objective (PDO) and Implementation Progress (IP) was rated Moderately Satisfactory (MS) in the last Mission.

2.0: Introduction

The 1st quarter report Covers project activities from July to September 2022. This is coming at the time when the project teams are reviewing progress after undertaking the mid-term review (MTR) of the project. The MTR mission sought to conduct review of the project towards achieving its desired targets to inform next course of action. The review came implementation of two Financial Years interventions across all the component.

During the period under review the project mostly carried preparatory activities for Implementation of FY 2021/2022 AWP&B which included screening of subprojects and preparation of safeguard instruments.

2.1: Progress on the Key Agreed Actions in Aide Memoir

The PIU and WB discussed on the progress made on key agreed actions in Aide Memoir and shared the same. The progress on the key agreed actions provided in the annex.

2.2: Tracking indicators in the Results Framework

The Project PIU together with the Bank discussed the project end target and agreed to revise the targets likely not to be achieved by the end of the project period.

The team agreed to continuously track and report the indicators and milestones realized by the project. The updated result framework provided in the annex.

3.0: OVERALL IMPLEMENTATION PROGRESS

In summary Project Implementation Units (PIUs), Project Implementation Support Teams (PISTs), IGAD, the Facilitating Partners (FPs) with support from the WB team carried out the following activities: -

- PIU held a joint follow up consultative meeting on MTR AIDE Memoir progress on actionable areas and shared evidences of performance on 7th July 2022 and another on 4th October 2022.
- Monitoring of the implementation of the 2020-2021 and 2021-2021 Financial Year Sub-projects for component 1 and 2.
- The IGAD Regional Steering Committee Meeting was held between 28th July to 1st July 2022 in Guru, Uganda involving all IGAD member Country.

- IGAD Technical Working Group on M&E was held between 28th September to 30th September 2022
- The component heads continued technical with the backstopping mission to the approved SPs and CGs for 2020/2021 and 2021/2022 Financial Year.
- Screening of the sub projects and communities' groups done and commencement of preparing of safeguard instruments.
- NPIU released funds for the second half SPs and CGs to CIPIU account for onward disbursement to the CPMCs and CGMCs accounts.
- Contract of FPs come to an end in April 2022, however they project and FP mutually agreed to end the same contract at no cost to December 2022 and allow time for preparation of reports and processing of payments
- Annual Workplan and Budget for FY 2022/23 was prepared, submitted to WB for a no objection after which it was approved by NSC.

3.1 Implementation Status for Financial Year 2020/2021 and 2021/2022 by County

3.1.1 Wajir South Sub-County

In summary County Integrated Project Implementation Unit (CIPIU), Project Implementation Support Team (PIST), the Facilitating Partner (WARDA) with support from NPIU carried out the following activities: -

- Monitoring of the funded CGs for FY 2020/21 and 2021/2022 conducted.
- Monitoring of the implementation of the 2020-2021 Financial Year Sub-projects for component 1 and 2.
- Screening and development of instruments for the FY 2021-2022 ongoing
- Regular Joint Meetings (FP and CIPIU)

The following table shows the status of the activities undertaken.

Table showing status of 2020 2021 FY activities for component 1 Sub-projects

S/No	Activity	Status	Remarks
1	Preparation of safeguards documents for 2020-2021 sub-projects	80%	Social and Environmental screening done for 131 sub-projects Other follow up safeguards documentation being completed
2	Release of Funds	100%	Released funding for the 1 st Half and 2 nd Half FY 2020/21 Component one 131 Sub-projects
3	Community Procurement Process	100%	All the 131 sub-projects in component 1 have been procured
4	Implementation of Sub-projects (Actual works)	100%	100% of the Sub-projects for the 2020/2021 FY are complete

5	Monitoring of the implementation of the Sub-projects	100%	All Sub-project have been monitored by the FP, CIPIU and NPIU.
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Detailed implementation status of the sub projects of Wajir County provided in the annex

Table showing status of 2021/2022 FY activities

S/No	Activity	Status	Remarks
1	Identification of Sub-projects sites	100%	Completed
2	Feasibility study of sub-projects	100%	Completed
3	Preparation of BQs and Designs per sub-project	100%	Completed
4	Preparation of MOUs per sector	100%	Completed
5	Hydrogeological surveys for boreholes	100%	Done for all the 10 Boreholes to be drilled
6	Detailed procurement plans per sub-project	100%	
7	Operation and Maintenance plan per sub-project	100%	
8	Implementation schedule per sub-project	100%	
9	Formation and training of CPMCs on Financial management and procurement per sub-project	100%	Training of CPMCs done
10	Opening of Bank accounts per sub-project	100%	
11	Preparation of safeguards documents	50%	On going
12	Procurement of works for of 67 Sub projects	100%	Completed awaiting implementation

1.1. Component 2: Environmental and Natural Resource Management

1.1.1. Implementation of 2020-2021 FY and 2021-2022 Sub-projects component 2 Status of Component 2 planned activities for 2020-2021 Subprojects

S/No	Activity	Status	Remarks
1	Safeguards screening	100%	Completed
2	Procurement Process	100%	All the 51 Sub-projects procurement done
3	Supply of Non-wage	100%	All 51 Sub-projects Materials supplied
3	Implementation of Sub-project activities (LIPW activities) for all 1 st Half and 2 nd Half Sub-projects	100%	All the 51 Sub-projects materials (Non-wage items) supplied and LIPW activities being implemented.

Detailed implementation status of component 2 provided in the annex

Status of Implementation Component 2 planned activities for 2021-2022 Sub-projects

S/No	Activity	Status	Remarks
1	Development of micro-catchment plan and subsequent multi year	100	25 Micro-catchments areas identified
2	Identifications & list of vulnerable households, heads and dependant	100%	Complete
3	Identification of individuals households eligible for LIPW	100%	Complete
4	Feasibility assessment and technical designs where structures are parts of interventions	100%	Complete
5	Other requirement <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Operation & maintenance plan • Implementation plan • Procurement plan 	100%	Done
8	Formation and training of CPMCs for community assets	100%	Training of CPMCs done

9	Opening of Bank accounts for Community assets (Sub-Projects)	100%	All Sub-Projects Bank accounts opened. Some of the sub-projects have existing accounts
10	Safeguards screening and preparation of instruments	50%	On going
11	Visit to KEFRI (Charcoal Briquette Making Technology)	100%	PIST and CIPIU Members had exchange visit to KEFRI to learn about Charcoal Briquette Making

1.2. Component 3: Livelihoods Program

During the the financial year (2021/22) a total of 416 Community Groups were funded to the tune of Kshs 208,000,000. For the 1st half FY 2021/22 a total of 187 groups received funding of kshs 93,500,000. For the 2nd half FY 2021/22 a total of 229 groups received funding to the tune of Kshs 114,500,000.

During the period under review NPIU, CIPIU and FP continued to monitor the activities of all the funded activities and gave them support where needed.

Table 7 shows the status of each activity.

Table 7: Status of Component 3 activities for 2021-2022 FY

S/No	Activity	Status	Remarks
1	Identification of 359 Community Groups (CGs) to be funded 2021/22 Financial Year.	100%	Done
2	Development of Business Plans for all (416) CGs for FY 2021/22.	100%	Done for 1 st Half and 2 nd Half
3	Formation 416 CGMCs	100%	Done
4	Training of CGMCs for 1 st and 2 nd Half	100%	Done
5	Opening of CGMCs Bank accounts for 416 CGs	100%	Done
6	Appraisal of the 416 CGs by the Relevant PIST members	100%	Done
7	Safeguards screening for 1 st Half and 2 nd Half FY 2021/22	100%	Done
8	Release of funds to 416 CGs (1 st Half 187 and 2 nd Half 229)	100%	Released funding for all the CGs
9	Implementation of funded 416 CGs activities is on going	100%	Implementation of activities in progress
10	Monitoring of 1 st and 2 nd Half CGs activities	Ongoing	In progress

Status of Monitored Community Groups



Energy saving jiko Women Group: The group invested their funds into making of Jikos, training of members on jiko making skills as well as marketing of their produce. The has split into two due to exponential growth.



Tracktaley Fruit farm group: The group invested their funds into expansion of the drip irrigation system, purchase of assorted seeds as well as tanks. The group is planting citrus fruit trees (Lemon 1200 and Oranges 500 trees) and 500 pawpaws. The group has also planted other crops such as tomatoes and cow peas. The group is yet to make profit as they as the crops have not yet matured



Pilipili Farm Group at Khumbi: The group invested the funds in fencing Kshs 170,000, Assorted seeds and seedlings 100,000, water pump & piping Kshs 120,000. The group doing well after investment with profit margin of Kshs 300,000



Dilmanyale Disabled Youth Groupin Dilamanyale unit of Habaswein Ward: The group was funded in FY 2020/21 1st Half. They invested their funds in purchase of Tuktuk Kshs 290,000, Sewing machine 31,000 and Stocked their shop with Kshs 150,000. They reported that the Tuktuk is making about Kshs 1000 perday while the shop they get profit of Kshs 50,000 per month. Currently they have about Kshs 620,000 as their capital



Al Iftin Machesa Women Group in Machesa unit, Lagbogol Ward: The group was funded in FY 2021/2022 1st Half and received Kshs 400,000 as first tranche. Group Investment; General retail shop Kshs 200,000, building of Kiosk Shs 150,000. The group so far made a profit of Kshs 25,000 in one month.



Mustaqbal Self Help Group, Shidley unit, Biyamathow Ward: Funded in FY 2020/21 2nd Half. The group invested all its funds into general shop selling clothes and other items. The group has made profit three times and had working capital of about Kshs 790,000. They have a dream of expanding their capital

3.2.3 Turkana West Sub-County

During this period a number of activities were undertaken including;

- Completion of 120 Sub-projects in Component 1 and 20 sub projects ongoing at different levels of implementation.
- PIUs and PISTs Monitored the implementation of Sub-projects and CGs funded
- CGMCs were trained on Financial and Procurement issues by the PISTs, the PIUs and the Bank
- Commenced procurement of FY 2021/2022 sub projects
- Signed MOUs with the County Government secured for education sector sub -projects

Table showing status of 2021- 2022 FY activities

S/No	Activity	Status	Remarks
1	Identification of Sub-projects sites	100%	Completed
2	Funding	100%	Completed
3	Feasibility study of sub-projects	50%	Ongoing
4	Preparation of BQs and Designs per sub-project	50%	Ongoing
5	Preparation of MOUs per sector	100%	Done
6	Hydrogeological surveys for boreholes	50%	Ongoing
7	Detailed procurement plans per sub-project	100%	Done
8	Operation and Maintenance plan per sub-project	100%	Done
9	Implementation schedule per sub-project	100%	Done
10	Formation and training of CPMCs on Financial management and procurement per sub-project.	100%	Done
11	Opening of Bank accounts per sub-project	50%	Some of the bank accounts are existing
12	Preparation of safeguards documents	50%	Ongoing

Implementation Status for Component 1: Social and economic services and infrastructure

LISTS OF SECTORS	PLAN	COMPLETED	ONGOING
Health	54	45	9
Water supply	17	10	7
Education	56	54	2
Roads	7	7	0
Market & Infrastructure	5	3	2
Sanitation	1	1	0

Component 2: Environment and Natural Resource Management

The status of component two activities for the FY 20220/2021 is as follows;

Sector	Planned/Target	Completed	Ongoing
Land restoration through pasture development and grass reseeding/tree nurseries	9	9	0
Land reclamation (irrigation and use of flood water)	5	5	0
Land rehabilitation through soil and water conservation	2	1	1
Solid waste management, digging waste disposal pits	2	0	2
Sum total	18	15	3

Environment & NRM Management.

The nursery and green belt establishment are key activities under component two of the project as identified by the community. The proposed Lomeyan green belt in Nanam Ward had been

colonized by Prosopis, control measures have to be implemented by replacing Prosopis with native tree varieties. Nursery establishment is an essential activity to support forest policy and environmental restoration. The nursery is located in Lokichogio Girls primary school with 0.2 hectares (50x40m) of land; Lomeyan green belt is ten hectares of land (400x250m); it requires anticipation of current nursery management to be more professional and profitable to support the achievement of sustainable private forest management through training in future.

In component 2, a number of projects proposed by communities were funded for the financial years 2020/2021 and 2021/2022. This report outlines the progress so far made in the project's implementation to-date especially for the Land Reclamation and Agriculture projects. The implemented projects have a labor-intensive public works component (LIPW).

3.2.4 Garissa County

In the quarter being reported, the following activities took place;

- Implementation of sub-projects in component one and two and livelihood program for FY 2021.2021
- Preparation of safeguard instruments

Implementation of subprojects

Preparatory activities for the subprojects of the financial year 2021-2022 is ongoing with close monitoring by National Project Implementation Unit, County Integrated Project Implementation unit and project management committees, the subprojects are expected to be implemented as per GoK guidelines and specifications.

Community groups funded are currently implementing their business plans with close monitoring from the PISTs and PIUs.

Preparation of Environmental Social Impact assessment report (SPR)

The project contracted a Lead expert, Associate and enumerators to carry out Environmental and social Impact Assessment as a way of complying with the provisions of national policies and framework at local and international standards.

In carrying out the study, various methodologies were used to gather data and obtain vital information of the project including the anticipated impacts, the proposed mitigation measures and the Environmental Monitoring Plan that will be implemented throughout the project.

Conflict and Grievance Resolution Mechanism

In order to adequately address and manage the risk related to the grievances emanating from the project county integrated project implementation unit establish a Grievance Redress Committee (GRC), building on the capacity of GRM committee and those local institutions involved in

management of such resources. Each village have a Grievance Redress Committee (GRC) established for the purpose of handling grievances related to project investments. The GRCs have no legal mandate

In summary County Integrated Project Implementation Unit (CIPIU), Project Implementation Support Team (PIST) with support from NPIU carried out the following activities: -

Table showing status of 2021/2022 FY activities

S/No	Activity	Status	Remarks
1	Identification of Sub-projects sites	100%	Completed
2	Feasibility study of sub-projects	100%	Completed
3	Preparation of BQs and Designs per sub-project	100%	Completed
4	Preparation of MOUs per sector	100%	Completed
5	Hydrogeological surveys for boreholes	100%	Done for all the Boreholes to be drilled
6	Detailed procurement plans per sub-project	100%	Completed
7	Operation and Maintenance plan per sub-project	100%	Completed
8	Implementation schedule per sub-project	100%	Completed
9	Formation and training of CPMCs on Financial management and procurement per sub-project	100%	Training of CPMCs done
10	Opening of Bank accounts per sub-project	100%	Completed
11	Preparation of safeguards documents	50%	On going

4.0 COMPONENT 2: ENVIRONMENTAL AND NATURAL RESOURCE MANAGEMENT

During the period team comprising of PIUs and PIST continued with implementation of the component's activities and the status of different activities is as follows:

The 2020/2021 FY subprojects are at 95% completion while the 2021/2022 are at 10% completion (mainly documentation). The table below summarizes the overall progress of implementation per Sub Counties.

Status of Component 2 planned activities for 2021-2022 Sub-projects

S/No	Activity	Status	Remarks
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1	Identification of the sub projects	100%	Done
2	Identifications & list of vulnerable households, heads and dependant	100%	Done
3	Feasibility assessment and technical designs where structures are parts of interventions	30%	Ongoing
4	Other requirement <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Operation & maintenance plan • Implementation plan • Procurement plan 	30%	Ongoing
5	Formation and training of CPMCs for community assets	100%	Done
6	Opening of Bank accounts for Community assets (Sub-Projects)	50%	Some of the sub-projects have existing accounts
7	Safeguards screening	50%	On going

Key achievements

- Overallly the component achieved 4,552 HA in afforestation, Pasture and woodlot development, agroforestry, natural regeneration and irrigation)
- A total of 299582 persons accessed energy saving devices including energy saving stoves, street lighting

5.0 COMPONENT 3: LIVELIHOOD PROGRAM

In the financial year (2020/21) a total of 1816 Community Groups were funded to the tune of Kshs 908,000,000. During the FY 2021/22 a total of 1913 groups received funding of kshs 956,500,000.

During this quarter NPIU, CIPIU and FP continued to monitor the 1913 groups funded in 2021/22 FY activities and gave them support where necessary. All the 1913 CGs for FY 2021/22 were trained by the relevant PIST members. All the groups were trained on enterprise specific needs according to their activities these included; group dynamics, financial management and records keeping.

Funded Community Groups since inception of the Project

County	Sub County	2019/2020 funded CGs	2020/2021 1 st Half funded CGs	2020/2021 2 nd Half funded CGs	2021/22 1 st Half CGs	2021/22 2 nd Half CGs	Total
Turkana	Turkana West	40	284	324	291	356	1295
Wajir	Wajir South	41	210	188	187	229	855
Garissa	Dadaab	40	157	158	134	183	672
	Fafi	40	152	145	124	174	635
	Lagdera	40	99	99	90	145	473
Totals		201	902	914	826	1087	3,930
Estimated total no. of beneficiaries		51,090 people - Mainly Women, Youths and People living with disabilities					

For the financial year 2021-2022, All the 1913 Community Groups to be funded have been identified. The development of Business plans for the Groups have been done. Appraisal of the groups was also done by the relevant PISTs and funding for the 826 Groups released. Table below show the status of each activity.

Status of Component 3 planned activities for 2021-2022 FY

S/No	Activity	Status	Remarks
1	Identification of 1913 Community Groups (CGs) to be funded 2021/22 Financial Year.	100%	Completed
2	Development of Business Plans	100%	Completed
3	Formation 1913 CGMCs	100%	Done
4	Training of CGMCs for 1 st and 2 nd Half	100%	Done
5	Opening of CGMCs Bank accounts for CGs	100%	Done
6	Appraisal of the 1913 CGs by the Relevant PIST members	100%	Done
7	Safeguards screening for 1 st Half and 2 nd Half FY 2020/21	100%	Done
8	Release of funds to CGs FY 2020/21	100%	Completed

6.0 COMPONENT 4: PROJECT MANAGEMENT, MONITORING AND EVALUATION AND KNOWLEDGE SHARING

During the quarter under review the FP, CIPIU, NPIU, PISTs with support HEIS team monitored the implementation of sub-projects carried forward to this financial year. However, there were little project activities compared to previous period since it was an election period.

During the quarter the following are the summary of major activities that were carried out: -

- The FP, CIPIU, NPIU with support from relevant PIST members continued to monitor the implementation of the 2020/21 and 2021/2021 FYs sub-projects and carried forward to current financial year.
- The team also undertook the relevant documentation pertaining to the FY2021/2022, such as MoUs, Feasibility studies, BoQs, Designs, Hydrogeological surveys, Procurement Plans, Screening etc
- Conducted meetings to discuss project activities. Some of the issues discussed included; Progress on agreed action in Aide Memoir, CGMCs and CPMCs Financial returns, safeguards compliance documentation.
- The project safeguard teams followed up on handling outstanding grievances reported including;
 - Diif Community Groups
 - Lagdima Community Groups
 - Uthole Community Groups
 - Tesorie Community Groups
 - Habaswein Ward Admin.
- IGAD Technical Working Group Meeting was held in Tadjourah, Djibouti with 3 KDRDIP PIU staff participating
- WB Conducted mid line survey targeting project beneficiary in the project area.

Sample Pictures and narration of activities undertaken

WB and PIU Consultative meeting

Project PIU and the WB held a consultative meeting to discuss KDRDIP overall progress on implementation of the project and discuss actions from November 2021- February 2022 Aid Memoire Key action points. The Meeting took place on 4th October 2022 at KICC, Nairobi.



IGAD DRDIP Technical Working Group on M&E

The project PIUs staff joined other delegate in the technical working group Meeting for the DRDIP Project. The meeting took place Tadjourah City, Djibouti.



Delegate during the DRDIP Project Technical Working Group Meeting

Financial Management

During the period under review the project followed on the financial returns for the Sub projects and CGs funded and coordinated preparation of financial reports. The project remains with a A balance of slightly about Kshs. 2 billion to be implemented during the current AWP&B for the FY 2022/23 that is with an extension of 1 year approved.

Major activities implemented during the 1st quarter include;

- Capturing of the FM data in the MIS for Garissa, Turkana and Wajir
- Following up of financial returns for CPMCs and CGMC

Social And Environmental Safeguards

The Environmental and Social Safeguards Specialists finalized screening of the sub projects. The team together with the lead experts also commenced preparation of instruments for all the sub-projects funded under the 1st and 2nd Half for the FY 2021/2022.

The sub projects and CGs are screened and instruments prepared to ensure compliance with the Bank requirements to safeguards instruments on Environment and social issues, Vulnerable and Marginalized groups (VMG's) involvement during the development and formulation of AWP&B, Project committee constitution and training if any, Grievance Redress Mechanism and handling structure at the sub-project level among many other pertinent issues.

The meetings held in every location/area with identified sub-project investment was well documented and will be used to complete the summary safeguards report and together with the signed participants list, voluntary land donation forms for each sub-project in a public or private land and minutes of the safeguards screening meetings at the project site will be submitted to NPIU/WB Safeguards Specialists once completed and the necessary safeguard instruments are developed.

The County Safeguards Specialists also screened the **Community Groups (CG's)** funded and submitted to the County Project Coordinator the list of the eligible CGs for release of funds to **Support to the Community and safeguards screening process.**

Consultations were to be held with CPMC's, VLC Member, local opinion leaders, religious leaders, chiefs and assistant chiefs among others, however because of the drought the village baraza could not attain the required quorum for the meeting and the meetings have been rescheduled for further dates maybe May when it might have rained and the communities are available.

Other activities undertaken by the safeguard during the period under review include development of the GBV action plan and ToR for the E&S audit.

Community Grievance Redress Mechanisms

The KDRDIP Grievance mechanism has been put in place to enable and attend to the communities complains, issues and problems as they arise as a result of the project implementation. The GRM mechanism of KDRDIP is to allow the project to be fully responsive to the beneficiaries targeted in the area.

During the quarter 4 major grievances were reported including 3 on procurement and 1 on formation of CPMC.

Most of the grievances on livelihood programme were addressed after commitment to include the aggrieved groups in the next cycle of funding.

Communication

During the period under the project organized a communication workshop that brought together staff from the National Project Implementation Unit (NPIU) as well as the County Integrated Project Implementation Unit (CIPIU).

The purpose of the workshop was to empower project implementers with pre-requisite communication skills to take control in managing awareness and creating ownership of the sub-projects among the beneficiary communities. The 4-day workshop was also a platform to disseminate key finding on studies conducted and discussion of various platform developed for information sharing.

The participants agreed that there was need for aggressive and constant awareness creation and stakeholder involvement in order to stimulate ownership of the implemented Sub-Projects (SPs). It was also noted that the Mid-Term Review (MTR) Mission for KDRDIP, held from 22nd November 2021 to 28th February, 2022 observed that grievances were on the increase. This was largely attributable to inadequate information disclosure or insufficient stakeholder engagement. This is a potential risk affecting sustainability of the gains made by the Project.

Further it was noted that triggering desire for project ownership among beneficiary communities through awareness creation and stakeholder engagement will promote long-term sustainability of the SPs.

Workshop Pictures



Figure 1: Dr. Anne Kinyua the National Project Coordinator Opening the Workshop in Mombasa Beach Hotel



Project Manager, Mr. Wilfred Omari making remarks during the Workshop

Research

The project conducted a survey on KDRDIP beneficiary satisfaction survey in Garissa and Wajir Counties and analysis of the results. The study seeks to measure the impact we have created among the beneficiaries. It targeted members of CPMCs, Community Groups, professionals, business people and farmers/livestock keeper and those in poultry business.

Preliminary findings show that knowledge about the project objectives, funding and procurement processes among these groups is excellent. Over 90% of the respondents said they were aware about the project, and that they have been sensitized on their roles and responsibilities in the project implementation process and that they were involved in the formulation of CDPs, formation of committees and participated in the activities of the project. The study took place in Wajir South, Lagdera, Fafi and Dadaab Sub-Counties.

Procurement

During the period under review the FP's contract for Fafi, Dadaab, Lagdera and Wajir South expired but were given a no cost extension to finalize pending documentation and allow time for their payments. At the same time with the exit of FPs, the project is exploring continuing to support the communities in implementation. It has been recommended that the project engages the SMs and CFs on casual basis to continue performing their work even after the exit of the FP.

M&E and ICT

During the period the project with the support of the WB M&E specialist carried out the Roll-out of the MIS to county project staff in all the counties.

The roll out for Garissa took place in **19th to 25th April** whereas that of Wajir and Turkana Counties was undertaken between **9th to 14th May 2022** and **17th to 24th May 2022** respectively.

The rollout was guided by the following objectives:

- Capacity-build all the CIPIU teams to enable data capture and update on continuous basis.
- Discuss and agree on how to systematically capture all the backlog data (FYs 2019/2020 and 2020/2021)
- Capacity builds the Social Mobilizers and Community Facilitators on data collection using kobo toolkit

7.0 Implementation Challenges

During the period under review, a number of challenges had been experienced during program implementation as mentioned below;

Drought

Implementation of project activities at community level was affected by the prevailing drought. In some instances, it was difficult to get and meet project beneficiaries, CPMCs and CGMCs at village level, as most of them shifted to far areas to seek pasture and water for their livestock. This has affected the project documentation process, especially the screening of Sub-projects, payment of contractors and accountability of sub projects and CGs.

The most affected is component 2 which is dependent on rainfall. Sub-projects such as tree planting, tree nursery and planting of fruit orchards as well as wood lot have been very difficult to implement.

Work load

With the increase in the number of sub-projects, the amount of documentation required has also increased, thus increasing the workload for PIUs staff. This has caused delay in sub-project implementation.

COVID 19 Pandemic

The COVID 19 pandemic has impacted project activities. This has posed a threat to project management and community's normal lives especially with emergence of different variants in which covid-19 presents itself.

Slow accountability of funds disbursed

Delay in submission of accountability and financial reports for CGs and Sub Projects. This has been occasioned by delay in implementation of planned sub projects due to slow finalization of the procurement processes and other documentations.

High number of Tender documents

The procurement process has attracted high number of tenders. The opening and evaluation of these tenders take a long period to process and at time grievances raised on procurement.

High number of Grievances

The number of grievances has been on the rise ranging from conflict on formation of CPMCs and access to tender documents. There are some communities claiming that they have been excluded from list of Community Groups beneficiaries. The safeguards teams have logged in all grievances and attending to them.

Insecurity

The security situation in some areas near the Somalia boarder and Uganda are not reliable. However, there were no major insecurity incidences reported in during the quarter.

Facilitating Partner Contract

The FPs contract has come to an end this April 2022 yet the communities still require support in the course of implementation.

CONCLUSION

During the quarter PIUs continued with the implementation and monitoring of the 2020/2021 FY sub-projects and community groups. Further the Project commenced with the preparatory activities for execution of the approved 2021/22 FY Annual Work Plan and Budget.

Annexes



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