Inclusive Growth and Sustainable Livelihoods

With a mandate to reduce poverty, the project seeks to provide some of the poorest communities with the resources (skills, financing, inputs, starter-kits etc) to enable them to leverage local resources and endowments for sustainable income generation. Capacity building support is also provided to national and sub-national institutions and structures to ensure strong design and implementation of pro-poor policies.

OBJECTIVES

“The project seeks to address poverty at both upstream and downstream level, using 4 mutually reinforcing pillars: Rural livelihoods support; business development support for innovative youth; support for sub-national and community based organisations and structures; and support for policy and national structures.

SITUATION

1.6%
GDP GROWTH RATE

23%
PERCENTAGE OF POPULATION FINANCIALLY EXCLUDED

HIGHLY INFORMALISED ECONOMY CHARACTERISED BY LOW PRODUCTIVITY

HIGH POVERTY & DETERIORATING LIVELIHOODS

ENGAGEMENT AREAS

RURAL LIVELIHOODS
Support rural communities with to set up livelihoods projects & micro-enterprise for the purpose of income generation. Areas of support are training, value addition support, market access and micro-credit.

YOUTH & INNOVATION
Nurture young entrepreneurs in business development, commercialisation of innovations, relationship brokering, incubation and linkages to technical institutions and expertise.

COMMUNITY CAPACITIES
Strengthen the capacities of sub-national bodies and community structures to provide livelihood support interventions.

POLICY & NATIONAL STRUCTURES
Use lessons from community interventions to inform the development of pro-poor national policy.

MATTER OF FACT

38
SAVINGS AND CREDIT Cooperatives supported to date

$376,469
earned by beneficiaries in credit & cooperative loans interest to date

CREDIT PROVIDED TO TO MORE THAN 1500 PEOPLE

PERIOD
2016 - 2020

TOTAL BUDGET
$5,000,000

FUNDED
$3,700,000

FUNDING GAP
$1,300,000

IMPLEMENTING PARTNER
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