

Executive summary

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1.0 Brief Introduction

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This is a report of activities by DAD, Karaga with the support of the Ghana Agricultural Investment Program (GASIP) for the second quarter, 2023.

The Ghana Agricultural Sector Investment Programme (GASIP) is a private sector-led value chains programme with a demand and market driven approach in its implementation. GASIP is MOFA's main programme designed to provide the framework and institutional basis for long-term engagement and supplementary financing for scaling investments in value chains in Ghana. The overall goal of GASIP is to contribute to sustainable poverty reduction in rural Ghana through the pursuit of a specific Programme Development Objective of "agribusinesses – including smallholders – increase their profitability and resilience to climate change".

1.1 Period of Reporting Second quarter 2023

2.0 Activities Implemented

- Sensitized and formed five (5) VSLA groups targeting FBOs
- Trained five(5) VSLAs on the CARE VSLA Model using the GASIP manual
- Monitored and mentored these VSLAs weekly and monthly
- Collected data on the VSLAs formed
- Carried out cooking demonstration on agro-processing and value addition with two(2) VSLA groups
- Carried out education on good nutrition life to households and individuals in these groups
- Trained two(2) groups of 30 on Selection, Planning and management of income generation enterprises
- Registration of the five (5) VSLA groups with the KDA and initiated the process for the opening of Bank accounts

2.1 Women Economic Empowerment Radio Discussion and Advocacy

(Narration of how the training was done and outcomes)

There was no radio discussion held as at the time of reporting.

Table 1: Radio discussions

Name of Radio Station:		Location of Radio station:			Name of host and contact number:		
No	Date	Topic discussed	Estimated Listenership		Number of live phone in		Key feedback and concerns of listeners
			Male	Female	Male	Female	
1							
2							
3							
4							
5							

2.1.2 Immediate outcomes from the sensitization and next steps:

A total of five (5) VSLA groups were formed and actively operating in five (5) communities.

Over 70 participants with 58 women have their knowledge improved on agro food processing, nutrition and managing income generating enterprises.

2.2 Income Enterprise Development

2.2.1: Value Addition and Agro-Processing Training

(Narration of how the training was done and outcomes)

Groups were sensitized and trained upon several visits and community entries. A total of five(5) VSLA groups were formed in five (5) communities. Groups in Gunaa Yili and Tang Yili were taken through two (2) different trainings. A total of six (6) different types of food processing demonstration were organized for each of these groups. These six dishes include: Milk processing, kebab processing, soybean fortified TZ, Tombrown, soybean fortified vegetable soup, soybean local dish 'Yama'. Over 70 participants with 58 women were trained on agro food processing, nutrition and managing income generating enterprises.

Table 2: Summary of participants at the Value Addition training sessions

No .	COMMUNITIES	Type of Agro - Processing	PARTICIPANTS			VENUE
			M	F	Youth	
1.	Gunaa Yili	Milk processing	4	27	21	Chairman's House
2.	Tang Yili	Soy meat(Kebab)	5	31	23	Imam's House
3	Malgu Naa Yili					
4	Sampa Yili					
5	Nyong Guma					
Total						

2.2.2: Selection, Planning and Management of Income Generating Activities

(Narration of how the training was done and outcomes)

Table 3: Summary of participants at the SPM Training

No.	COMMUNITIES	PARTICIPANTS			VENUE
		M	F	T	
1.	Gunaa Yili	4	27	21	Chairman's House
2.	Tang Yili	5	31	23	Imam's House

Table 4: List of income generating activities Identified from SPM Training)

No.	Description of Enterprise/IGA	Type of enterprise	Business Location	Contact person	Contact number	Type of support	Recommended Support
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		(Sole/Group)	services received	Needed
1	Tombrown processing	Sole		
2	Soy milk processing	Sole		
3	Soy kebab processing	sole		
4				
5				

2.2.2 Key challenges of enterprises/ next steps

Difficulty identifying a good market to start a business

Lack of funds to commercialise processing activities

Table 5: Business Registration and Linkages to Financial Service Providers

Number of enterprises linked

List of enterprises linked finance and marketing

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.

Number of enterprises facilitated to register

List of registered enterprises

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.

No enterprise registered as at the time of reporting

2.3 Sensitization on Food Safety and Household Nutrition

(Narration of how the training was done, number of HH reached, Nutrition champions and activities and outcomes on HH nutrition and health improvement)

A total of six (6) different types of food processing demonstration were organized for each of these groups. These six dishes include: Milk processing, kebab processing, soybean fortified TZ, Tombrown, soybean fortified vegetable soup, soybean local dish 'Yama'. Over 70 participants with 58 women were trained on agro food processing and nutrition

Table 5: List of Gender Champions Identified Mother to mother facilitators?

Name of Gender Champion	Community	Age	Sex	Phone Number

2.4 VSLA Formation and Activities

(Narration of how the training was done and outcomes)

Groups were sensitized and trained upon several visits and community entries. A total of five(5) VSLA groups were formed in five (5) communities.

Feedback from beneficiaries *(has it help them to save, access finance for business, social inclusion etc.)*

Beneficiaries can now access credit from their groups at less interest to assist in acquiring farm inputs and attending to urgent issues.

2.4 Gender Action Learning Systems (GALS)- Exclusive for KNM, KNW and Gomoa East Districts

Feedback from GALS beneficiaries (*Bullet stories*)

3.0 Overall Implementation:

3.1 Activities during the quarter

3.2 Status of Implementation

3.3 Significant Achievements (Expected and Unexpected)

3.4 Success story (at least two)

4.0 List Problems/principal Constraints and steps towards mitigation:

4.1 Constraints Encountered

4.2 Steps taken to reduce the impact

Annex

Annex 1: Indicators to be updated quarterly

Name of DDA	KARAGA DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE		
Reporting Quarter	2 ND QUARTER		
Year	2023		
Date	13/07/2023		
Reporting Officer & Designation	IMRANA IBRAHIM BAMBILA (MISO)		
INDICATOR	TARGET	MEASUREMENT (ACTIVITIES) SOURCES	Achieved
Number of HHs provided with targeted support to improve their nutrition	200	1. Number of household members trained on good nutrition practices	129
	30	2. Number of mothers counselled on good nutrition	10
	5	3. Number of cooking demonstrations carried out	2
Total (household)	235		15
Number of persons receiving training in different capacity areas	200	1. Number of women and youth trained on selection planning and management of Income generating activities	58
	200	2. Number of women and youth trained on agro-based processing	58
Total (number of people)	400		116
Women Empowerment in Agriculture supported	50	1. Number of women in leadership position in various community-based organisations (FBOs, VSLAs. And other groups)	20
	50	2. Number of women accessing production resources (land, inputs, credit)	20
	150	3. Number of women involved in VSLAs and other saving s groups and	119
	50	4. Number of women and youth establishing and managing income generating enterprises	10
Total (number of people)	300		169

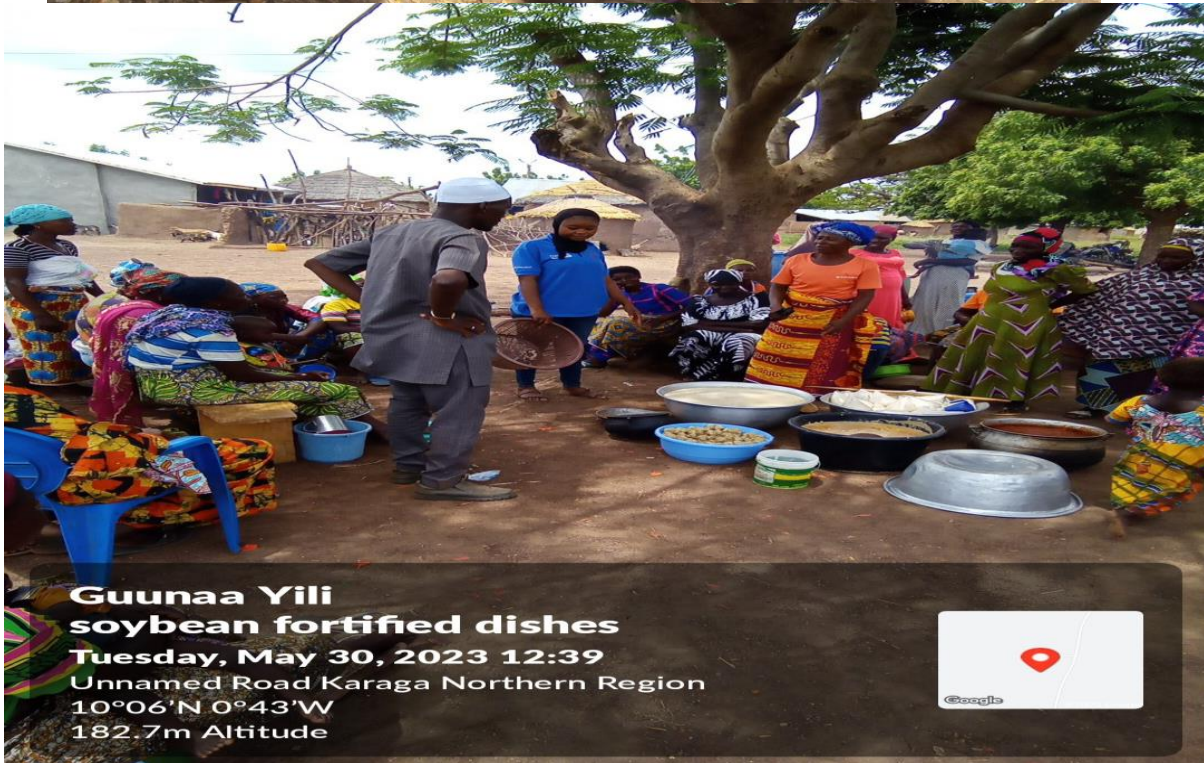
Annex 2: Pictures of field activities





**Community entry and group sensitization in Gunayili
of leadership in Tang yili
Day at gunaayili**

**Selection
Savings**



Guunaa Yili
soybean fortified dishes

Tuesday, May 30, 2023 12:39
Unnamed Road Karaga Northern Region
10°06'N 0°43'W
182.7m Altitude





Guunaa Yili
soybean fortified dishes
Tuesday, May 30, 2023 12:44
Unnamed Road Karaga Northern Region
10°06'N 0°43'W
178.8m Altitude



Savings Day at Tang Yili

Table 5: Programme Retirement Sheet

GHANA AGRICULTURAL SECTOR INVESTMENT PROGRAMME –

GASIP

MINISTRY OF FOOD AND AGRICULTURE

NAME OF IMPLEMENTING PARTNER.....

CHEQUE

No.....

ACTIVITY DESCRIPTION.....

PROGRAMME RETIREMENT SHEET

SN	DESCRIPTION OF SPECIFIC ACTIVITIES CARRIED OUT	PV No	AMOUNT SPENT (GHS)	ACTIVITY ANALYSIS		
				PLOUGHING COST	BUDING COST	FUEL COST
TOTALS						
SUMMARY						
	TOTAL AMOUNT RECEIVED					
	LESS TOTAL AMOUNT SPENT					
	BALANCE/REFUND					

Prepared by:

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Accompanying documents

Please indicate **Yes/No** whether the following documents are accompanying your report during submission.

s/n	Documentation	Yes	No
1	Financial report/ retirement sheets	Choose an item.	Choose an item.
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