

AR-NAFAKA Project Vegetable Component: 2016–2017 Progress



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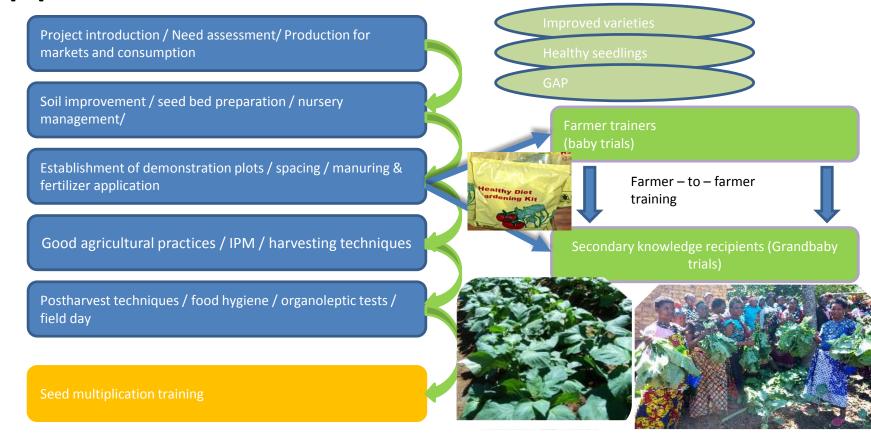


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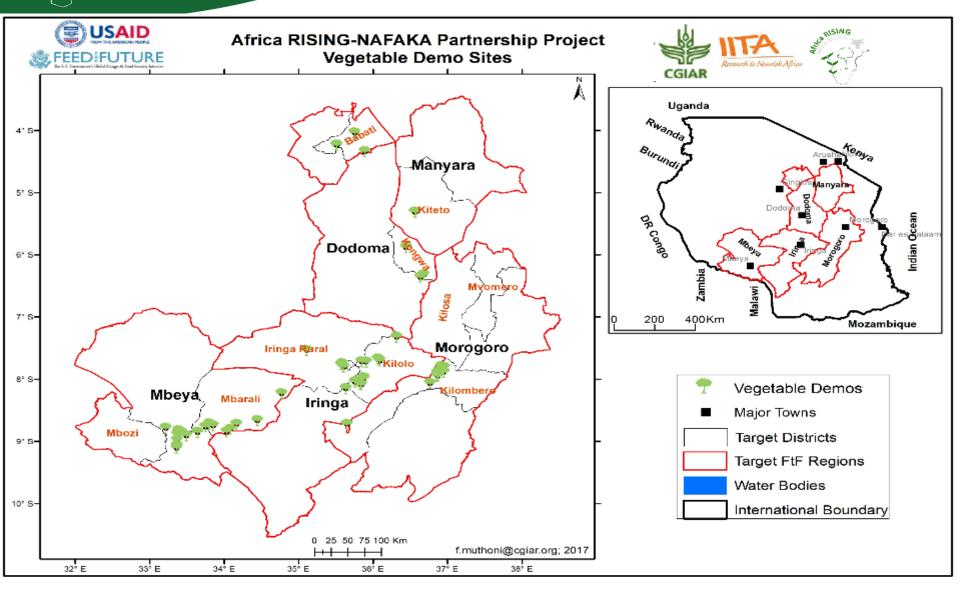
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Summary of key activities / training approach







Summary of key activities

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Region	District	Key activities					
Morogoro	Kilombero	 6 pilot villages Completed season long training in 6 pilot villages Previous CRS pilot villages from NAFAKA I – worked now with CARITAS in all 6 villages 					
Iringa	Iringa rural	 8 pilot villages completed season long training sessions in December'16 					
Mbeya	Mbarali and Mbeya rural	 18 pilot villages (9 in Mbarali and 9 in Mbeya rural Districts) – training completed in June 2017 Collaboration with CRS under the UNICEF funded "Accelerated Stunting Reduction Project (ASRP) 					
Iringa	Kilolo	 10 pilot villages Collaboration with Africare in all ten villages based on the USAID funded "Mwanzo Bora" project Training will be completed in July 2017 					



Reaching targets

Indicator	Fy target	Fy achieve- ment	% Fy achieve- ment	% Female	% Male	Kilombero	Iringa rural	Mbarali	Mbeya rural	Kilolo	Babati
No. of farmers who have applied new technologies or management practices	2,700	2,801	103.9%	60.0%	40.0%	505	607	681	460	452	96
No. of individuals who have received USG supported short-term agricultural sector productivity or food security training	2,740	2,801	102.2%	60.0%	40.0%	505	607	681	460	452	96
No. of community-based organizations (CBOs) receiving USG assistance	30	88	293.3%	-	-	-	-	-	-	÷	-
No. of rural households benefiting directly from USG interventions	2,700	2,801	103.7%	60.0%	40.0%	505	607	681	460	452	96
No. of beneficiaries with home gardens as a proxy for access to nutritious foods and income	2,700	2,705	100.2%	60.0%	40.0%	505	607	681	460	452	5

- Started with 9 villages, now reached 67 villages
- We trained 2,705 farmers in 2016/17 (538 in 2015/16) using the season long vegetable production training
- Trained 96 farmers on screen house establishment
- Distributed 2,705 seed kits in 2016/17 (1,096 in 2015/16)
- First results from impact analysis in first 9 villages in Manyara and Dodoma Regions



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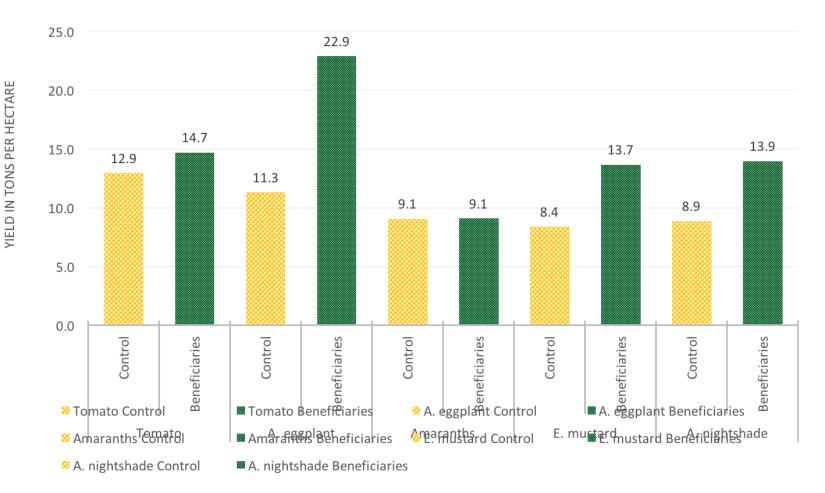
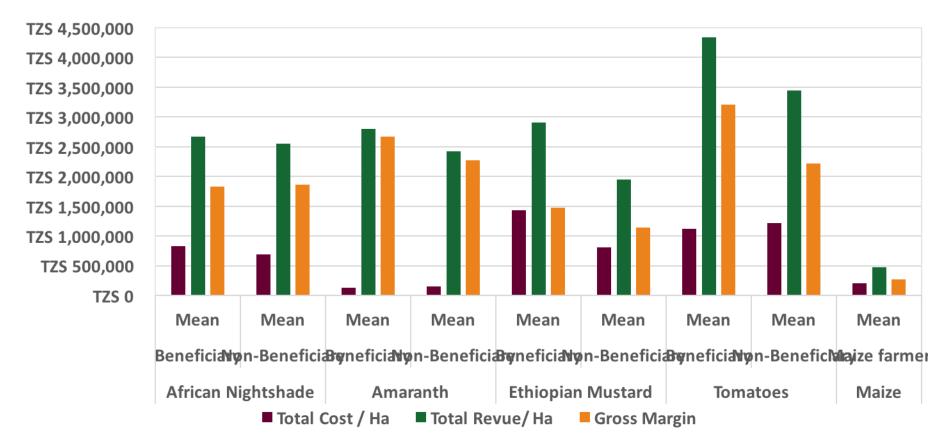




Figure 3: Comparison of total production costs, total revenues and gross margin of beneficiaries and non-beneficiaries in TSH per ha (last 12 months recall)





Partners

- Most important partners in all pilot villages: public extension service (trained 50 village extension officers)
- Conducted training in 24 CRS project villages in Kilombero, Mbeya rural and Mbarali districts
- A to Z: Test small-scale net house and shade nets for future scaling out
- Africare: Collaborate in 10 villages in Kilolo District
- Provided training in public schools









Challenges and constraints

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- Slow growth of jute mallow and African eggplant in higher altitudes (Mbeya rural and Kilolo districts)
- Problems to access villages due to poor infrastructure (Kilolo District)
- Male farmers in Kilolo had often limited interest in vegetable production
- Farmers in some villages expected to be paid for training participations since other projects pay for attendance
- Extremely poor performance of TAHEA as project partner

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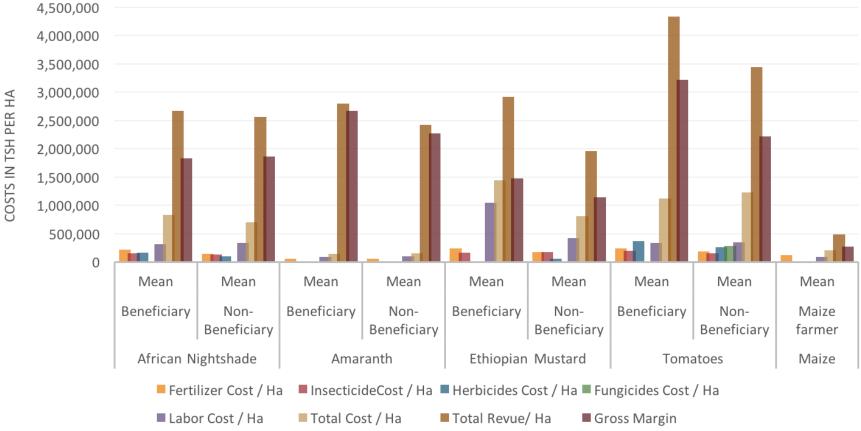
Lessons learned

- Partnership with CRS and Africare contributed significantly to the success of the interventions
- Close collaboration with VAEO to enable them to follow up and further disseminate knowledge
- Inviting progressive farmers from other villages to set up demonstration plots and train farmers from their villages promising scaling model for a second phase
- Focus on nutrition and leafy vegetables encouraged female farmers to participate the training sessions
- Good combination of well-known crops (e.g. tomato, amaranth) and new ones (e.g. Ethiopian mustard, V. Soybean in Iringa and Mbeya)





Figure 4: Comparison of production cost components in TSH per ha



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