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1. DIMELT

1.1 ATONU Study Areas in Tanzania

Five agro-ecological zones in Tanzania were selected for the African Chicken Genetic Gains (ACGG) research study: southern humid and sub-humid; southern highlands; central semi-arid; eastern sub-humid; and lake zone. However, for ATONU, three purposively sampled agro-ecological zones were selected. These are: Central semi-arid (Dodoma and Singida); Eastern sub-humid (Morogoro); and Southern highlands (Mbeya and Njombe). Within the districts, 16 villages each were randomly selected in Central semi-arid and Southern highlands; and 8 villages were selected in Central semi-arid. A total of 1,200 households (hh) out of the 3,200 will comprise the ATONU sample (i.e., Dodoma and Singida 480 hh, Mbeya and Njombe 480 hh; and Morogoro 240 hh). Half of the 40 villages will receive the ACGG treatment (chickens only) and the other half will be on the ACGG+SBCC+HG. (SBCC – Social Behaviour Change Communication and HG – Home gardens).

1.2 ATONU Results Framework

The ATONU monitoring and evaluation plan and results framework have been revised and finalised. The figure below represents a summary of the ATONU projects' ultimate outcome, primary outcomes and intermediate outcomes. The next step is updating the results tracker accordingly.
**Ultimate Outcome:** Agriculture-led multi-sectoral approach to addressing malnutrition and producing positive nutrition outcomes through agricultural investments in the focal countries designed and institutionalized

**Primary Outcome(s) 1:** Improved diets for smallholder farm families, particularly women of child-bearing age and children under 5 years in project sites in target countries (Tanzania, Ethiopia, and Nigeria).

**Primary Outcome(s) 2:** Enhanced application of knowledge from ATONU by institutions, policy makers, program planners, development NGOs and private-industry practitioners to strengthen the integration of nutrition into their agricultural policies, strategies and programs.

**Primary Outcome(s) 3:** FANRPAN contributing to a transformed African agriculture and food systems through the development and implementation of evidence-based policies and nutrition-sensitive interventions.

**Intermediate Outcome 1.1** Practitioners applying or using the design, implementation and impact assessment frameworks to implement agriculture projects that deliver nutrition outcomes.

**Intermediate Outcome 1.2** Partner project staff and CMs’ capacity to design and incorporate NSIs to address major nutritional problems enhanced.

**Intermediate Outcome 1.3** Effectiveness of different interventions measured and documented.

**Intermediate Outcome 2.1** Different audiences, including agricultural program leaders, policy makers, practitioners and intermediaries in focal countries engaged with ATONU evidence, guidance and learning on nutrition-sensitive agriculture.

**Intermediate Outcome 3.1** Institutional capacity of FANRPAN, as a grant holder, enhanced.

**Implementation Process and Assorted Outputs**
2. POCTA

2.1 Planning meeting in Tanzania: FANRPAN, Harvard, African Chicken Genetics Gains and Sokoine University of Agriculture

The objective of the meeting was to consolidate a common vision around work plans, impact evaluation, and recruitment of Country Implementation Partners (CIPs) and field staff. The team also discussed the implementation of the Nutrition Sensitive Interventions (NSIs) and defined the behaviour and practices around nutrition that the NSIs would promote. The outcomes of the meeting included:

- Detailed content of NSIs and how they will be implemented.
- Work plan on the implementation of the impact evaluation by Harvard.
- Work plan on implementation of NSIs by FANRPAN and partners.
- Terms of Reference (TORs) for recruiting field staff (National coordinator, zonal coordinator and field assistants).
- Process monitoring of the ATONU activities in the project areas.

2.2 Review of the BCC materials for Ethiopia

In preparation for engagement of the Social Behaviour Change Communication (SBCC) expert in Ethiopia, who will develop the SBCC nutrition and hygiene content, the POCTA team reviewed existing content and identified the gaps in relation to ATONU. The Health and Agriculture Ministries of the Federal Government of Ethiopia developed national nutrition SBCC materials for standard use by the government and non-governmental organisations implementing nutrition-agriculture-health related projects at community level. Building on this, ATONU is engaging an SBCC expert who will adapt these materials to suit the nutrition outcomes of the ATONU project sites, including incorporation of findings from formative research.

3. CAPACITY DEVELOPMENT (CD)

The CD team is working on the capacity development strategy following the Ethiopia and Tanzania field missions which resulted in the selection of ATONU country implementing partners (CIPs) and outsourced service providers (OSPs).

In the month of August the CD team will coordinate preparations for training of ATONU field staff to be recruited by country implementing partners in both countries namely, Ethiopian Institute for Agricultural Research (EIAR) and Tanzania Livestock Research Institute (TALIRI). The team will work with POCTA in the recruitment of gender and SBCC experts for Ethiopia and Tanzania. These experts will develop gender and SBCC materials that will be used to train ATONU field workers who, in turn, will train households.

4. PACK

Social Media: Social media performance was monitored as follows: Tweet Reach Snapshot for #ATONU (Current) • 13,136 accounts reached (a total number of estimated unique Twitter users that tweet about #ATONU) • 241,171k impressions (total number of times tweets about ATONU were delivered to twitter streams or tweet has been delivered to the twitter stream of a particular account)

5. OPERATIONS AND SYSTEMS

- Budget Reforecast - A revision of the ATONU budget was undertaken to accommodate the impact evaluation by Harvard
- CIP budgets were finalised as per agreed work plan. The identified CIPs include:
  - International Livestock Research Institute(ILRI)
  - Tanzania Livestock Research Institute (TALIRI)
  - Ethiopian Institute of Agricultural Research(EIAR)
• Collaborative Research Agreements (CRA) negotiations are currently ongoing with Harvard and ILRI
• Review of internal IT environment to ensure that FANRPAN is ready for the implementation of the new automated Finance System. Recommendation from the review is complete, implementation currently ongoing.
• Finance System (Serenic Navigator) – Contract negotiations with Techno Brain (service provider) complete. Contract signing currently ongoing.

ATONU Partnerships
On 29 June 2016, the Natural Resources Institute (NRI), Africa Innovations Institute (AFRII) and the Leverhulme Centre for Integrative Research on Agriculture and Health (LCIRAH) formally announced their withdrawal from the ATONU Consortium.

Currently, FANRPAN is working with the following partners: Agribusiness Systems International (ASI); Sokoine University of Agriculture (SUA); Harvard School of Public Health; the International Livestock Research Institute (ILRI); and Country Implementing Partners (CIPs) – the Ethiopian Institute of Agricultural Research (EIAR) and Tanzania Livestock Research Institute (TALIRI).

6. ATONU Related Events and Calendar
• 26-28 October 2016: 7th Africa Day for Food and Nutrition Security, Accra, Ghana