



► SALAAM DEVELOPMENT CENTER





INFO ABOUT SDC

- ▶ Salaam Development Center (SDC) is an independent, nonprofit and nongovernment organization provides project management services and research & development solutions, in the thematic focus area of livelihoods and climate changes, social development, protection and good governance based in Garowe-Puntland-Somalia.

- ▶ **VISION STATEMENT**

- **Our vision is to be the leading center in transforming Somalia into a developed and better place.**

- ▶ **MISSION STATEMENT**

- Our mission is to provide **sound development solutions response based on evidence and research to realize developed, peaceful and stable Somalia** and contribute to the Somali national development plan.



OVERVIEW OF KOBCIYE PROJECT

- ❖ Kobciye project has been **formulated under Food systems lens with the overall objective improving food security and nutrition of smallholder farmers through strengthened resilience to shocks.**
- ❖ The project will particularly focus on **internally displaced persons** included with women, and youth, disabled ones.

An aerial photograph of a rural landscape with a large light-blue circular overlay. The background shows a mix of green fields and reddish-brown soil. A dirt path runs through the fields, and a few people are visible walking on it. The circular overlay is the primary focus, containing the title and a bullet point.

KOBCIYE PROJECT OBJECTIVES

- ▶ Improving food security and nutrition of smallholder farmers through strengthened resilience to shocks and building food systems approach and adapting multi-sectoral integrated programming.

KOBCIYE project outcome

OUTCOME 1

- **Smallholder farmer producer groups (cooperatives) to become developed and their capacity strengthened.**

OUTCOME 2

- **Smallholder farmers to be able to expand production capacity, improving overall food and nutrition.**

OUTCOME 3

- **Smallholder farmers to be able to have increased quality production through adoption of climate-friendly technologies.**

OUTCOME 4

- **Alternative sources of livelihood to smallholder farmers to have improved income security through diversified livelihoods.**

Project Outputs

OUTPUT 1: Community mobilization & Consultations

Output 2: Farmers training and capacity building

Output 3: Asset creation and maintenance through adoption of climate-friendly technologies.

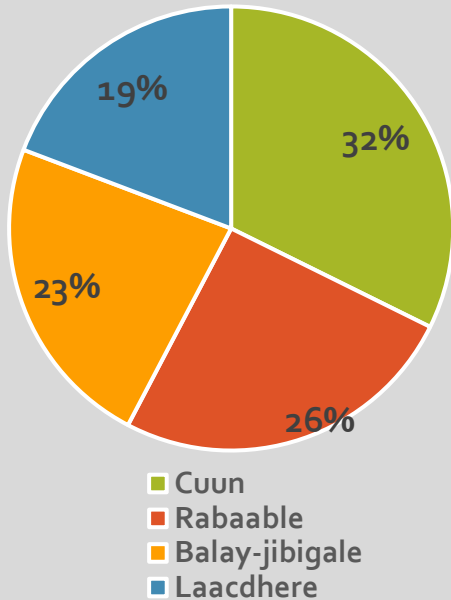
Output 4: Social behavioral and communication change

Output 5: Monitoring, Evaluation and Coordination

Output 6: Project Quality Implementation

Kobciye project target farms

Frequency



NO	TARGET LOCATION	Number of farms	Allocated Caseload
A	Laacdheere	25	250
2	Rabaable	33	330
3	Balley	30	300
4	Cuun	42	420
Total		130	1300

Kobciye project targets 130 farms in Nugal region including 32% of Cuun, 26% Rabaable, 23% Balley and 19% Laacdheere.



Overall project progress

- ▶ This report aims to give a brief update about the current update of the Kobciye project as per the main outputs of the project. During this reporting period, significant progress has been made towards achieving the Kobciye project's activities from **February 2023 to January 2024**, and the overall project progress rate is **99%**.

ACHIEVEMENTS OF OUTPUT 1:

The progress reflected in this output demonstrates the successful completion rate of 100%. Meaning that all 9 nine activities under this out are achieved successfully.

OUTPUT 1: Community mobilization & Consultations	TARGET	ACTUAL ACHIEVED	% ACHIEVED	
ACTIVITY 1.1: Conducting meeting with Local Authority & Stakeholder Consultations	4	4	100%	
ACTIVITY 1.2: Formation of Project committees Management/lead Farmers	28	28	100%	
ACTIVITY 1.5. Submission of selected Farms	130	130	100%	
ACTIVITY 1.6 : Declaring successful small holder farmers	130	130	100%	
Activity 1.7: SCOPE registration (Included)	1300	1300	100%	
ACTIVITY 1.8 : Organization and formalization of Cooperative groups	4	4	100%	
Activity 1.9: Reclamation of wasteland and allocation of plots for production	16	25	156%	
AVERAGE PROGRESS				108%



ACHIEVEMENTS OF OUTPUT 2: Farmers training and capacity building.

Before everything the project is designed to give the beneficiaries the knowledge and skills needed. We have trained our beneficiaries to the following different topics. The training design is lead farmer format. 10 lead farmers were selected from each Kobciye Project sites that makes 40 TOTs that is supposed to cascade the training to the other beneficiaries.

Output 2: Farmers training and capacity building	TARGET	ACTUAL ACHIEVED	%ACHIEVED	# of trained participants	Status of the training
ACTIVITY 2.1: Conducting Training on Cooperatives and good governance.	4	4	100%	40	Completed
Activity 2.2: Conducting Trainings on digital & financial literacy	4	4	100%	40	Completed
Activity 2.3: Conducting Training of Trainers (TOT) on Climate -Smart Production & GAP	4	4	100%	40	Completed
Activity 2.4: Conducting Training on market linkage	4	4	100%	40	Completed
Activity 2.5: Conducting Trainings on TOT on Post harvest loss Management	4	4	100%	40	Completed
AVERAGE PROGRESS					100%



Training Photos



ACHIEVEMENTS OF OUTPUT 3: Asset creation and maintenance through adoption of climate-friendly technologies.

A) Seeds Distributions.

Types of seeds	Distributed amount in kg	# of farms received
Onions seeds (500 grams)	130	130
Tomato seeds (100 grams)	38	130
Sweet pepper seeds (100 grams)	39	130
Hot pepper seeds (100 grams)	39	130
Carrot seeds (100 grams)	49	130
Water melon seeds (100 grams)	38	130
Sweet melon seeds (100 grams)	39.5	130
Ocra(100 grams)	13	130
Spinach(100 grams)	23	130
Total	408.5	



B) Farm Tools Distribution.



ACHIEVEMENTS OF OUTPUT 3: ASSET CREATION and maintenance through adoption of climate-friendly technologies.

The implementation of climate-smart agricultural infrastructure in the Nugal region is progressing smoothly, with the following achievements as follows: 15 out of 15 pieces of fencing (100%), 4 out of 4 farm tractors (100%), 4 out of 4 spraying machines (100%), 27 out of 28 planned solar systems (96%), 37 out of 43 drip irrigation systems (88%), 5 out of 10 greenhouse systems (50%), 3 out of 4 post-harvesting rooms (75%), 2750 Out of 3250 farm tools (85%), 408.5 out 800 (58%) seeds and 130 out of 130 (100%) mobile Phones.

OUTPUT 3: ASSET CREATION and maintenance through adoption of climate-friendly technologies	Units	Target	# Actual achieved	% Achieved	Status of Implementation
ACTIVITY 3.1: Installation of drip irrigation	Number	43	38	88	Ongoing
ACTIVITY 3.2: Installation of Greenhouse	Number	10	7	70	Ongoing
ACTIVITY 3.3: Installation of solar systems	Number	28	27	96	Ongoing
ACTIVITY 3.4 :Implementation of Fencing	Number	15	15	100	Completed
ACTIVITY 3.5: Distribution and handover tractors to the community	Number	4	4	100	Completed
Activity 3.6: Construction of Post harvesting Storage rooms	Number	4	3	75	Ongoing
Activity 3.7: Distribution of Spraying machines	Number	4	4	100	Completed
Activity 3.8: Distribution of farm tools]	Number	3250	2750	85	Ongoing
Activity 3.9: Distribution of seeds	Number	800	408.5	58	Ongoing
Activity 3.10: Distribution of farm tools	Number	130	130	100	Completed
AVERAGE PROGRESS					87.2%



ACHIEVEMENTS OF OUTPUT 4: SOCIAL BEHAVIORIAL CHANGE AND COMMUNICATION

The overall progress of this output indicates 101%. This show that all activities under this Output 4 is completed successfully.

Activity	Target	Actual Achieved	% Achieved	Progress
Activity 4.1: Project launching event	1	1	100%	Completed
Activity 4.2: Conducting TV Message	24	24	100%	Completed
Activity 4.3.: Project Visibilities Installations such as Signboards	130	130	100%	Completed
Activity 4.4: Promoting Agricultural practice on social media (Facebook)	52	52	100%	Completed
Activity 4.5: TV programs (talk show on agriculture)	10	10	100%	Completed
Activity 4.6: Radio messages	24	24	100%	Completed
Activity 4.7: Development of IEC Materials	130	130	100%	Completed
Activity 4.8: Showcasing Success stories: to be posted online about the progress of the project	10	11	110%	Completed
Activity 4.9: Conducting VSLA exercise	1	1	100%	Completed
4.10. Conducting CBPP	4	4	100%	Completed
AVERAGE PROGRESS			101%	



ACHIEVEMENTS OF OUTPUT 5: Monitoring and Evaluation.

This output indicates that all activities under this output is achieved with progress rate of 100%.

Activity 5.1: Conducting Baseline assessment (pre-assessment, market assessment, and post-assessment)	1	1	100%	Completed
Activity 5.2 Conducting assessment on Gender, Protection & AAP.	2	2	100%	Completed
Activity 5.3: Conducting Nutrition Assessment.	2	2	100%	Completed
Activity 5.4: Conducting Weekly Field Monitoring.	52	52	100%	Completed
Activity 5.5: Submission of weekly field monitoring report.	52	52	100%	Completed
Activity 5.6: Conducting Mid-term Evaluation workshop.	1	1	100%	Completed
Activity 5.7: Conducting Baseline assessment (pre-assessment, market assessment, and post-assessment)	1	1	100%	Completed



Output 6: Project Quality Implementation

This shows that all of the activities under this output is fulfilled as per planned with progress rate of 100%.

Activity	Target	Actual Achieved	% Achieved	Progress
Activity 6.1: Weekly project team meeting	52	52	100%	Completed
Activity 6.2: Submission of monthly Progress Reporting	12	12	100%	Completed
Activity 6.3: Advance Request	1	1	100%	Completed
Activity 6.4: Invoicing	12	12	100%	Completed



Before



After



Before



After



Before



After





Sample Footer Text

Cuun -Cultivation progress



Project visibility



FARM TRACTOR

WATER TANK



WATER TANK



Sample Footer Text

Cuun- SDC-Mobile Distribution



Tomatoes affected by late blight, red spidermites and lack of nutrition

Before



After



Pawpaw affected by Anthranose, powdery mildew and mealy bugs before and after crop protection results



BEFORE

AFTER



LEMON affected by Anthranose, botrytis, powdery mildew and mealy bugs
before and after crop protection results

Before

After



Kobciye project farm tractor



HARVESTED KOBCIYE CROPS	AMOUNTS IN KGS
Onions seeds	48336
Tomato seeds	33783
Sweet pepper seeds	22416
Hot pepper seeds	32243
Carrot seeds	11259
Water melon seeds	14789
Sweet melon seeds	11717
Ocra	6573
Spinach	45799
TOTAL	226,915 KG



OTHER CROPS -NON KOBCIYE CROPS HARVESTED

Others	# of KGs Harvested
Guava	6866
Lemon	6519
PAPAYA	12197
Date palm	1442
Kabsaro	14000
Bocor	431
Baytaraaf	390
Beans	560
TOTAL	43,005 kG



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- According to the provided data in the table, the harvest figures as of December 31st, 2023 indicate the yields obtained by beneficiaries in four different sites of the Kobciye project, namely Laacdheere, Rabaable, Balley, and Cuun.
- The table reveals that beneficiaries successfully harvested **226,915 KGs** from the crops cultivated under the Kobciye project.
- Additionally, beneficiaries also cultivated and harvested other crops and food trees independently that amounts **43,005 KGs**

KOBCIYE PROJECT ACHIEVEMENTS

- Smallholder farmers have received training on Good Agricultural practices, cooperatives, good governance, digital and financial literacy, market linkage, post harvesting loss management and VSLA training.
- The implementation of climate-smart agricultural infrastructure in the Nugal region is progressing smoothly, with the following achievements thus far: 27 out of 28 planned solar systems (96%), 15 out of 15 pieces of fencing (100%), 38 out of 43 drip irrigation systems (88%), 5 out of 10 greenhouse systems (70%), 9 out of 29 (31%) water tank, and 3 out of 4 post-harvesting rooms (75%).
- Beneficiaries harvested substantial amount of crops from the cultivated Kobciye projects seeds and still harvesting is ongoing.
- The Kobciye Project has successfully transformed the beneficiaries' mindset, shifting them away from dependency on relief and emergency projects. They are now motivated to work independently and utilize the land to generate productive outcomes.

CHALLENGES

- ❑ There is a high level of community expectation surrounding the implementation of climate-friendly agricultural technology equipment. However, it should be noted that the number of agricultural equipment available for the project is limited.
- ❑ Transitioning from traditional farming methods to adopting Good Agricultural Practices through the Kobciye project, farmers have gradually embraced modern and sustainable techniques. While some traditional practices still persist, agronomists are actively mobilizing beneficiaries towards the adoption of Good Agricultural Practices.
- ❑ There is a presence of pests and diseases, such as those affecting tomatoes, sweet peppers, watermelons, and sweet melons, due to the cold weather. However, both the farmers and SDC agronomists are actively collaborating to combat these issues by implementing best agricultural practices, integrated pest management (IPM), and utilizing spraying machines provided by SDC at the respective sites.

CONCLUSION & RECOMENDATION

- ▶ In conclusion, the engagement of beneficiaries in the project resulted in a deeper understanding of the challenges they are facing, enabling them to find solutions by following the established rules and regulations for optimal outcomes. Additionally, the consistent and extensive communication efforts have resulted in the beneficiaries gaining awareness of their rights and obligations for the successful implementation of the project.
- ▶ Therefore, the active engagement and mobilization of project beneficiaries regarding daily activities and project updates have been essential for their participation and success, highlighting the importance of effective communication and involvement of beneficiaries throughout the project lifecycle.
- ▶ Moreover, it is crucial to highlight that the beneficiaries' perspective towards past relief and emergency projects has shifted, and they are now embracing the resilience project as a means to become self-sufficient. The Kobciye project has played a significant role in empowering the communities in this regard.

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- ▶ Finally, the Kobciye project has made significant strides in its capacity-building trainings, highlighting the need of providing farmers with the necessary information and abilities to improve agricultural practices and stimulate growth in output. Resilience projects have proven to be more successful in fostering sustainable outcomes and long-term resilience than previous relief and disaster programs.
- ▶ It is worth to note for the future projects implementation to be based on the lessons learned in this project: High levels of satisfaction and constant dedication to farming are mainly due to the two key components that the Kobciye project offered: the enhancement of knowledge through capacity-building programs and the provision of environmentally friendly technologies, like farm tractors, solar energy systems, fencing, greenhouses, and drip irrigation systems.
- ▶ By focusing on capacity strengthening through training and implementing climate-friendly technology inputs, there is potential for significant enhancement in productivity capacity for future scaling up.

THANKS

