

Monthly Report Template for COMPETE Grantees

Grantee: FCI **Report for the month of:** MAY 2011

In the month of May, CVS project continued with training and demonstrations to lead farmers for better dissemination of information as well as bulking and market linkages. This has helped in reducing post harvest losses for the farmers. Farmers were able to bulk their produce, establish transitional stores and sell better quality produce to targeted buyers. This has continued accruing better incomes for farmers under the project. Updating of the CVS farmers' database has been completed, enabling real-time referencing to beneficiaries under the project.

Site Specific Milestones

Tigania East

Activities <i>Activities should be directly in-line with your grant agreement</i>	Deliverables	Activity Status <i>If the activity has been accomplished, please give results. If the activity has not been accomplished, please provide an explanation.</i>
1. Selection of commercial village stores ♦ Stores identification and negotiation ♦ Stores branding	Stores established	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Two stores were established within the month and storage done; - 1 cocoon and 1 transitional store at Marega • 2287 farmers had their home-based storage upgraded
2. Procurement of drying / quality control equipment and storage infrastructure	Sieves, sampling spears and stores handling gears	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1 metallic silo has been procured and delivered in Tigania East
5. Capacity building and training of store personnel ♦ Development of training materials outline ♦ Hiring resource person ♦ Training	Practical implementation of skills acquired	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 15 officials (4 males, 11 females) were trained on store management representing 7 CPGs • CPG members of the groups represented stored approximately 38 Metric Tons (MTs) of maize.
6. Conduct trainings on; Collective Marketing; Post harvest and Quality management (Marketing sub-committees, Commercial Village sub-committees and Warehouse management committees) ♦ Organize workshops and training forums	Farmers attendance	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Training has been undertaken for store management team from one of the s commercial village • 1 training for the 15 (9 males, 6 females) CV representatives trained on quality maintenance.

Community technical farmers (COTEFs) capacity building ♦ Conduct training workshops	COTEFs attendance	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 workshop conducted on data collection techniques attended by 15 COTEFs and outreached to 2300 farmers from Tigania East.
7. Linking producers with buyers; Buyer seller forums ♦ Organize and hold buyer seller business forums to ♦ Negotiation on trade parameters between commercial village farmers and key identified buyers	Key buyers identified and linked to commercial villages	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2 key grain buyers have been identified and linked to the commercial villages within the month Farmers linked to the buyer and a collective sale worth Ksh 1,258,790 realised.
12. Grow awareness on storage infrastructures services provided by FCI and COMPETE and benefits of utilizing this infrastructures. ♦ Courtesy calls [MOA, Provincial administration/Counties, Local NGOs, Group reps] ♦ Hold community forums / barazas and focused village meetings	Stakeholders attendance	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Awareness created on the use of metal silo as a storage infrastructure for MOA Mikinduri division.

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1. Selection of commercial village stores ♦ Stores identification and negotiation ♦ Stores branding	Stores established	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A village store has been established at Nkungugu commercial village. Encouraged use of improved house hold storage structures and improved four stores within two commercial villages.
7. Develop training materials for trainers, farmers and buyers <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Commercial village training materials 	Training modules	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Developed training materials for farmers on proper handling of chemicals for post harvest preservation.

8. Conduct trainings on; Collective Marketing; Post harvest and Quality management (Marketing sub-committees, Commercial Village sub-committees and Warehouse management committees) ♦ Organize workshops and training forums	Farmers attendance	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Trained 86 (56 women & 30 men) farmers from Nkachie CV on quality management and Collective Marketing. Trained 52 farmers from Mwegeki CV on grain Quality management.
11. Link input suppliers with commercial village producers ♦ Hold field days ♦ Collective sourcing for inputs	Number of input suppliers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Linked farmers from Kananjiru CPG with Agro solution dealers. This enabled the farmers to collectively purchased Actellic super chemical to control postharvest losses at a quantity of 20%.
12. Grow awareness on storage infrastructures services provided by FCI and COMPETE and benefits of utilizing this infrastructures. ♦ Courtesy calls [MOA, Provincial administration/Counties, Local NGOs, Group reps] ♦ Hold community forums / barazas and focused village meetings	Number stakeholders attending	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Awareness creation to 48 farmers (23 women & 25 men) from Maraa CV on use of cocoons & Metal silos in grain storage.
13. Collection, bulking cleaning, sorting, drying, storage ♦ Collective bulking, sorting and quality control ♦ Increase sales ♦ Increase grain collectively bulked and stored ♦ Enhance record keeping ♦ Training on village stores management	Inventory records and grain banking passbooks Quantity of grain sold / stored Transactional documents (invoices, receipts, delivery notes)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Trained 86 (56 women & 30 men) farmers from Nkachie CV on village stores management and improvement on house hold storage. Trained 52 farmers from Mwegeki CV on record keeping.

Tharaka

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1. Selection of commercial village stores ♦ Stores identification and negotiation	Stores established	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 10 Household storage demos identification in progress targeting 2 household stores in every CV Baseline status of the stores identified for upgrading

♦ Stores branding		
2. Farmer mobilization and registration of farmers	No of farmers registered	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • More than 860 farmers data collected in Tunyai, Kithino, Gatunga, Marimanti, Nkondi, Mukothima
3. Procurement of drying / quality control equipment and hermetic cocoons	Sieves, sampling spears and stores handling gears	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A demonstration model silo will be delivered in Tharaka in early June
3. Conduct trainings on; Collective Marketing; Post harvest and Quality management (Marketing sub-committees, Commercial Village sub-committees and Warehouse management committees) ♦ Organize workshops and training forums	Farmers attendance	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Trained 17 (5 male 12 females) COTEFs in Tunyai and Gatunga on data management • The COTEFs captured farmer database spread in 50 CPGs

Tigania West

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1. Capacity building and training of store personnel ♦ Development of training materials outline ♦ Hiring resource person ♦ Training	Practical implementation of skills acquired	♦ 45 COTEFs have been trained on store management and proper record keeping.
2. Conduct trainings on; Collective Marketing; Post harvest and Quality management (Marketing sub-committees, Commercial Village sub-committees and Warehouse management committees) ♦ Organize workshops and training forums	Farmers attendance	♦ 45 COTEFs were trained on collective marketing skills and documentation
5. Grow awareness on storage infrastructures services provided by FCI and COMPETE and benefits of utilizing this infrastructures.	Number of attendants	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 37.8 Tons bags were stored in a transitional store 130 farmers were able to store their maize in good condition • Community members and stakeholders from KENFAP,

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Courtesy calls [MOA, Provincial administration/Counties, Local NGOs, Group reps] ◆ Hold community forums / barazas and focused village meetings 		MOA Provincial Administration and other stakeholders were trained on CV model and awareness created on storage infrastructure models at an agricultural show.
<p>6. Collection, bulking cleaning, sorting, drying, storage</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Collective bulking, sorting and quality control ◆ Increase sales ◆ Increase grain collectively bulked and stored ◆ Enhance record keeping ◆ Training on village stores management 	<p>Inventory records and grain banking passbooks</p> <p>Quantity of grain sold / stored</p> <p>Transactional documents (invoices, receipts, delivery notes</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● 45 COTEFs from CPGs have been trained on storage and quality control ● Demonstrations on using sampling spear, weighing machine scales, chemical application and moisture meter have been demonstrated to these farmers. ● Approximately 37MT of maize were sold collectively at a price of Kshs2, 700 per bag from 200 farmers.

Jinja

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<p>1. Selection of commercial village stores</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Stores identification and negotiation ◆ Stores branding <p>Farmer mobilization</p>	Stores established	<p>3 Stores have been selected for renovation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Butagaya in Namagera village ● Buyengo in Nakagyo village ● Busede ksilira village <p>Branding is ongoing</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● 39 Commercial villages have been formed; 10 in Busede, 13 in Buyengo, 16 in Butagaya and trained on collective action
<p>2. Procurement of drying / quality control equipment and hermetic cocoons</p>	Sieves, sampling spears and stores handling gears	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Sieves, Sampling spears and store handling gears have been procured ● Hermetic Cocoons are on ground
<p>3. Capacity building and training of store personnel</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Development of training materials outline ◆ Hiring resource person ◆ Training 	Practical implementation of skills acquired	<p>Trainings have been held on; Commercials Group formation, collective marketing and purchasing, quality management , commercial village model, individual and group Saving in the 3 sub-counties as follows;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● 85 farmers in Busede ● 181 farmers in Butagaya

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 229 farmers in Buyengo
<p>4. EAC simplified grain standards materials for producers and traders</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Repackage the EAC Maize standards in simple and local languages ◆ TOTs for EAC maize standards 	<p>Simplified EAC maize standards handbooks</p> <p>Maize standard training material</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Simplified EAC maize standard hand books have been distributed to all the 3 sub counties • 2 TOTs were done on the EAC maize standards and have been followed up
<p>5. Develop training materials for trainers, farmers and buyers</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Commercial village training materials 	<p>Training modules</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Commercial Village model training materials have been translated to Luganda for reading and understanding by farmers • Saving passbooks have been distributed to farmers
<p>6. Conduct trainings on; Collective Marketing; Post harvest and Quality management (Marketing sub-committees, Commercial Village sub-committees and Warehouse management committees)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Organize workshops and training forums 	<p>Farmers attendance</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 481 Farmers have been trained on post harvest handling, Collective marketing and quality management;- 72 in Busede, 185 in Butagaya, 224 in Buyengo • 20 commercial villages have been trained on financial management and 6 have started the saving Scheme
<p>7. Community technical farmers (COTEFs) capacity building</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Conduct training workshops 	<p>COTEFs attendance</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 15 COTEFs have been capacity built for technical back stopping
<p>8. Linking producers with buyers; Buyer seller forums</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Organize and hold buyer seller business forums to ◆ Negotiation on trade parameters between commercial village farmers and key identified buyers 	<p>Key buyers identified and linked to commercial villages</p>	<p>Buyers have been identified and business forums held to discuss on the quality, quantity and supply schedules as follows;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hill top Company Limited- Maize and Soya • Ugachick Poultry Breeder- Maize and Soya • World Food Program- Maize • Central Market Traders- All Cereals • Kazimingi Market Trader- Maize • Local Schools- Beans
<p>9. Link input suppliers with commercial village producers</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Hold field days ◆ Collective sourcing for inputs 	<p>Number of input suppliers</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Linkages have been enhanced for farmers to access inputs including certified seeds, fertilizers, pesticides and drying material

<p>10. Grow awareness on storage infrastructures services provided by FCI and COMPETE and benefits of utilizing this infrastructures.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Courtesy calls [MOA, Provincial administration/Counties, Local NGOs, Group reps] ◆ Hold community forums / barazas and focused village meetings 	<p>Number of attendants</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A total 481 farmers have been sensitized improved storage structures • Cocoons and other improved storage infrastructures have been set up for demonstration, at all sub counties • 9 Barazas and village meetings have been held • Partnership with Office of Relief and Development support (ORDS) and a MOU is being developed on the roles of each partner, time frame, detailed work plan, targets and expectations on how to enhance the benefits of the CVs project. • Stakeholders’ meeting has been held at Jinja district headquarters; participants were Local government, NAADS, Ministry of Agriculture, Child fund, ORDS, Heifer, FCI and WFP and the agenda of the meeting was grain production, storage and marketing.
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Annexes

Sample of Supporting Documents



Stakeholders forum



Weighing and bulking of maize


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CVFs TRAINING - PARTICIPANTS' REGISTRATION FORM.

VENUE: TILWAHIA WEST SOCIAL HALL DATE: 06 May 2011.
 PROJECT: Commercial Village Stores Project

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Training attendance list


EQUITY BANK LIMITED
 CASH DEPOSIT

TRANSACT NO: DC 301
 TRANSACT DATE: 06-05-2011
 ACCOUNT NO: 07401614301
 NAME: JONAH NWONGELA NUTUNGA
 REMARKS: CASH DEPOSIT BY KIAMBATI MERU
 Deposited the sum of
 AMOUNT: 1,050,000.00 KES
 One Million Fifty Thousand Only.
 To the credit of my or our account
 DEPOSITED BY: KIAMBATI
 THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT!
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RECEIPT

No. **105**

Date **06/15/2011**

Received from JULIUS KAMRATI
The sum of shillings ONE MILLION FIFTY THOUSAND ONLY

being payment of 289 BAG 2 MAIZE @ 2700

Debit A/C No. _____

Kshs. 10,500,000
Cash/ Cheque No.

With thanks

For & on behalf of
FARM CONCERN INTERNATIONAL

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Sales receipt

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P.O. BOX 81
KIANJAI

GROUP NAMES/MEMBERS	CODE	ID NUMBER	AMT. OF BUGS & PRICE	TOTAL AMOUNT	SIGNATURE
DUNIA BORA KIBULINE/KIERU GROUP					
SABASTIAN KABERIA	A001	4514686	1*2650	2650	KABERIA
PENINAH KABURO	A002	21277161	2*2650	5300	D. K.
EUNICE KANANU	A003	26987363	2*2650	5300	P. K.
TITUYS MUTWIRI	A004	24815691	1*2650	2650	M. K.
DANIEL KARINGURI	A005		1*2650	2650	K. K.
SIMION KAMWIKO	A006	13551806	1*2650	2650	S. K.
JONAH MWONGELA	A007	21189609	1*2650	2650	T. K.
REGINA MUTHONI	A008		1*2650	2650	S. K.
TIMOTHY KIRIMI	A009	12496878	1*2650	2650	A. K.
CELINA KABIRITHU DAVID	A010		1*2650	2650	K. K.
NAOMI MUTHONI	A011		1*2650	2650	A. K.
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Farmer payment record