

PBF Quarterly Programme Update: PBF JP3

Period Covered	3rd Quarter: July - September 2011		
Programme Number & Title	(PBF/UGA/D-1_ID00076967) PBF JP3 / Livelihoods and Local Economic Recovery		
Recipient UN Organization	FAO; IOM; UNCDF; UNDP; WFP		
Implementing Partner(s)	Acholi Private Sector Development Company (Acholi PSDC) Action Contre Faim (ACF) International Agency for Technical Cooperation and development (ACTED) Association of Micro Finance Institutions of Uganda (AMFIU) CESVI District Local Governments District Local Governments - Acholi Enterprise Uganda Gulu University Gulu University, Dept Agron, Agribusiness & Rural Development IIRR - International Institute of Rurel Construction) Ministry of Local Government Uganda National Chamber of Commerce and Industry (UNCCI)		
JSC Approval Date:			
Funds Committed (Cumulative as of this quarter):	2,605,410.65 USD	% of Approved:	52.11
Funds Disbursed (Cumulative as of this quarter):	1,761,592.44 USD	% of Approved:	35.23
Forecast Final Date:	30-Jun-2012	Delay (Months):	0 months

Output/Indicators:	Achievements/Results:	Challenges (incl. expected effect on programme results):
<i>Output 1.1: Value addition skills training of products addressing specific district requirements undertaken for youth, women and men</i>		
District specific and targeted value addition skills training programmes conducted	Value addition skills training programme developed, Training for youth and women from two districts of Gulu and Pader delivered. A total of 4000 youth and women trained. Entrepreneurship and Business Startup Skills training delivered in 2 districts of Gulu and Pader. Mentoring of trained youth and women was done for the trained youth/women. Some youth and women have started business following the business skills training, the businesses include, poultry farming, produce selling and others. <i>Percentage Achievement: 30%</i>	Surging numbers of youth and women to be trained, there were challenges in scaling down on the huge numbers. Logistics were a challenge due to huge numbers.
<i>Output 2.1: Selected Microfinance Institutions' capacity strengthened and products developed addressing specific needs</i>		

<i>for youth and women</i>		
Capacity Assessment of MFIs conducted and capacity gaps identified	Final capacity Assessment of MFIs/SACCOS in Acholi Sub region Report produced detailing the specific capacity needs of the selected MFIs, design interventions for addressing identified needs and make recommendations on the suitability of these institutions for partnership produced. <i>Percentage Achievement: 10%</i>	Lack of adequate information to carry out a comprehensive assessment on all the SACCOS with the exception of a few. Specifically information on the financial performance and performance reporting was seriously inadequate in most SACCOS.
	35 selected MFIs/SACCOS trained in view of the capacity gaps identified during the capacity assessment. 6 selected MFIs/SACCOS supplied and equipped with computers fully installed with credit/loan management programs. Focal points from the selected 6 SACCOS/MFIs trained in the use of credit/loan management software. <i>Percentage Achievement: 45%</i>	None
<i>Output 2.2: Cross-border trade assessment report for Acholi sub region developed</i>		
Assessment report to inform policy and institutional arrangements to further support trade	Preparatory work completed, services of a consultant secured to conduct the cross border trade assessment. An inception report has been produced. Desk review of relevant documents including previous assessment has been done. Data collection is underway. A draft cross border trade assessment report for Acholi sub region expected by end October 2011. <i>Percentage Achievement: 10%</i>	None
<i>Output 3.1: LED Governance functions institutionalized in 4 target districts: Amuru, Nwoya, Lamwo and Kitgum.</i>		
Proportion of new productive livelihoods and economic opportunities at the community level, disaggregated by type	LGs in partnership with the private sector and CSOs embarked on implementation of the LED catalytic projects namely solar power installation and multi-grain bulking centre in Kitgum, construction of border markets and support to Village Savings and Loan Association with maize processing mills in Lamwo, construction of community tourism centre, farm access road and improved inputs for commercialization of agriculture in Nwoya and honey processing in Amuru district. Development of LG market information systems is also in progress. <i>Percentage Achievement: 30%</i>	Most of the districts are newly created with hardly any infrastructure and have low staffing levels/capacities
<i>Output 4.1: Agricultural knowledge and skills of 230 FFS groups enhanced</i>		
Atleast 70% of the members of FFS applying improved	After sensitization, selection of the beneficiaries were done in all the	None

agronomic practices in their field	<p>subcounties and smallest administrative unit of village was used. Gender inclusiveness and youth participation were key considerations in the selection process. In total 3,434 individuals have been selected (1,799 in Gulu and 1,635 in Pader). 57% of the selected beneficiaries were female. The selected beneficiaries were organized in 116 FFS groups composing between 25-30 members</p> <p><i>Percentage Achievement: 0%</i></p>	
	<p>Community mobilization and sensitization was done together with the subcounties leaders in all the 9 subcounties in the project areas. During the meeting the objectives of the project as well as activities were clearly explained. The purpose of awareness creation was to level expectations of the community and subsequently select the beneficiaries. Several rounds of sensitization were done based on the needs.</p> <p><i>Percentage Achievement: 0%</i></p>	None
	<p>Consultative meetings with subcounty authorities including subcounty chiefs, Local Council 3 chairpersons, community development officer, National Agricultural Advisory Service (NAADs) and subcounty agricultural extension staff were conducted in the 9 subcounties where the project is being implemented</p> <p><i>Percentage Achievement: 0%</i></p>	None
	<p>The group formalization process has been done for all the 116 FFS groups established including election of group leaders, development of group constitutions to guide group operations. The constitution is still in draft form however. Some 16 groups have already registered with community development office at the subcounty level</p> <p><i>Percentage Achievement: 0%</i></p>	None
	<p>All the 116 FFS have selected study, commercial and crop for seed multiplication. Most of the study enterprises selected were on vegetables due to the fact that production of vegetables pose a lot of challenges to the communities. Agricultural inputs required for study plot have been procured and delivered to the groups. The study crop has been planted however some of are still at nursery stage</p>	None

	<i>Percentage Achievement: 0%</i>	
	The facilitators have identified training needs of the groups and developed appropriate curriculum to address. Most of the study enterprise selected by the groups were vegetables <i>Percentage Achievement: 0%</i>	None
	Implementation of season long activities undergoing for 115 FFS <i>Percentage Achievement: 0%</i>	None
<i>Output 4.2: Crop production levels of 6,900households increased</i>		
Crop production acreages increased by 20% by 2012	230 Oxen have been procured for 116 FFS groups and due for delivery <i>Percentage Achievement: 0%</i>	Foot and mouth Quarantine delayed the delivery of the oxen and have just been lifted recently
	230 ox ploughs have been procured and 115 already distributed to FFS groups <i>Percentage Achievement: 0%</i>	None
	Participatory identification of food security crops for seed multiplication has been conducted and consolidated list of inputs to be procured at hand <i>Percentage Achievement: 0%</i>	None
<i>Output 4.3: Entrepreneurial skills and practices of 230 FFS enhanced</i>		
Atleast 50% of FFS group engaged in viable commercial enterprises by 2012	Commercial enterprises per group has been indentified <i>Percentage Achievement: 0%</i>	None
	116 FFS groups established in the process of developing business plans <i>Percentage Achievement: 0%</i>	None
<i>Output 6.1: 5,700 smallholder farmer households organisational capacity in cassava value addition developed and nurtured</i>		
Atleast 14 sets of cassava processing equipments procured and delivered to farmers processor groups	6 additional cassava processing equipments (6 graters and 6 hydraulic presses) procured and delivered to 6 farmer processor groups in Gulu, Amuru and Nwoya - this makes the number to 8 equipments delivered in Gulu, Amuru and Nwoya districts. <i>Percentage Achievement: 40%</i>	Some cassava processing equipments had technical defects. A fabricator from Kampala came to Gulu and Pader Sub offices to rectify technical faults. The prolonged rainy season in the project areas delayed high quality cassava flour processing.
	Additional 4 sets were delivered to Pader and Agago districts to be distributed to 4 farmer groups in Adilang, Pajule, Patongo and Latanya sub counties in Agago and Pader districts making the total number to 6. <i>Percentage Achievement: 30%</i>	None
Atleast 10 targeted trainings undertaken on quality	5 training sessions conducted on production of High Quality Cassava Flour (HQCF) and	1. break down of processing equipment2. Prolonged rainy season that has hampered

assurance/profitability analysis	Gari production for 5 farmer processor groups in Amuru, Nwoya and Gulu <i>Percentage Achievement: 62%</i>	drying of HQCF
At least 500 MT of High Quality Cassava Flour (HQCF) is produced and sold to identified end markets by June 2012	An additional 1.8 MT of High Quality cassava Flour (HQCF) has been processed in quarter 3 in Pader and Agago districts. No production in Gulu, Amuru and Nwoya districts yet. <i>Percentage Achievement: 1%</i>	Prolonged rainy season hampered drying of HQCF in Pader and Agago districts. In Gulu delays in procuring drying accessories and contracting implementing partner (Gulu University) also delayed this activity.
At least 14 farmer processor groups identified, mobilized and sensitized	Eight (8) farmer processor groups in Gulu, Nwoya and Amuru districts have been identified, mobilized and sensitized. Four (4) additional farmer groups are yet to be identified in Pader and Agago districts. <i>Percentage Achievement: 100%</i>	Delays in finalizing the implementation contract for CESVI and Gulu University as implementing partners in Pader and Agago, Gulu, Nwoya and Amuru districts has affected progress on this activity.
At least 4 farmer group organisation learning and experience sharing through study tours undertaken	This activity is being planned in the 4th quarter 2011 and 1st quarter 2012. <i>Percentage Achievement: 0%</i>	Not yet undertaken
	This activity to be undertaken in the fourth quarter after the market survey. <i>Percentage Achievement: 0%</i>	identification of sites to visit
<i>Output 6.2: Capacity of 8,666 smallholder farmers in market analysis, access and linkage established, developed and nurtured</i>		
At least 8,666 smallholder farmers have access and deposit their produce in coconstructed satellite collection stores by end of June 2012	5,680 farmers (comprising of 2556 males and 3124 females) have had access to stores constructed by partners <i>Percentage Achievement: 66%</i>	None
At least 4 industry based market trial tests undertaken for High Quality cassava Flour (HQCF) for identified cassava products in Acholi region	Gulu University has been identified to conduct a market survey to inform this activity. <i>Percentage Achievement: 10%</i>	Finalization of a contract for Gulu University to conduct this activity has been delayed.
At least 50 training sessions for 8,666 smallholder farmers undertaken by end of June 2012 in Postharvest handling and Quality improvement techniques	67 trainings in Farming as a business (FaaB), Group Dynamics, Stores Management, Warehouse Receipt (WRS) Management and Maize Postharvest Handling conducted by FAO, ACTED and ACF. <i>Percentage Achievement: 64%</i>	None
At least 3 market satellite stores painted/roofed and are being utilized by smallholder farmers to bulk produce	5 market satellite collection points ready for handover and commissioning in Gulu, Amuru and Nwoya districts. Construction of 2 drying yards completed in Paimol and Patongo satellite collection points, roofing is completed in Pader district. <i>Percentage Achievement: 160%</i>	delays in completion of works by contractors, rainy season has delayed drying process and civil works on satellite collection points.

At least 10 km of market access roads rehabilitated/constructed in Gulu district	20 kms of market access roads rehabilitated in Gulu and Amuru. Culvert installation is completed aprons, head and wing walls are under construction. <i>Percentage Achievement: 100%</i>	Prolonged rains have disrupted progress on this activity as civil works are delayed during rainy season.
A private business services development consultant identified, selected and commissioned to undertake business development services for targeted farmers by December 2011	Negotiations for contracting Gulu University to conduct this activity are completed. Documentation is on going. <i>Percentage Achievement: 30%</i>	Delays in making final decisions have affected progress.
At least 50 training sessions for 8,666 smallholder farmers undertaken in Farming as a Business (FaaB) of maize and beans	A total 32 trainings (in Farming as a Business (FaaB) and Record keeping) have been conducted to benefit 1,527 farmers (626 males and 946 females) under ACTED and ACF <i>Percentage Achievement: 64%</i>	None
<i>Output 7.1: Female-headed, IDP, returnee, and ex-combatants households assisted with their reintegration/integration</i>		
Number of female-headed households with special needs that receive case management assistance.	205 clients with special health needs received assistance from third party service providers. <i>Percentage Achievement: 100%</i>	IOM clients without special needs thought that IOM was providing assistance to all clients with general health needs. These clients also requested IOM assistance for help with their health needs. IOM fieldworkers had to inform these clients that assistance was only being provided to those with special health needs.
Number and type of land-related documentation claimed by women (and their dependents) and processed through relevant Ugandan authorities.	All 46 peer support groups have secured written agreements with landowners permitting them to hire or use freely land for agricultural purposes for a stipulated period. <i>Percentage Achievement: 100%</i>	IOM clients state that that the land that they have been given to use is relatively small in comparison to the scale of agricultural activities that they aspire to undertake.
Achievement Percentage for this Quarter: 50.1%		
Achievement Percentage for previous Quarters: 69.0%		
Cumulative Achievement Percentage: 119.1%		