

AAUN Partnership Kenya Status Update

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OBJECTIVES

Main Objective

To Improve the nutritional status of the selected community/communities using a mobile based tool in Kenya

Specific objectives

- Identify the agricultural information required to improve the nutritional status of the selected community.
- Make available the information in a suitably designed mobile based tool.
- Determine the baseline characteristics of the community/communities
- Implement the project in the selected community/communities
- Assess the impact of the intervention.

What has been done so far

1. Familiarization of project by project team

- Introduction to the project objectives
- Information sharing

2. Understanding the current situation in Kenya

- Background information and situation analysis of Kenya

3. Assessing available information on:

- Crops commonly grown in different parts of Kenya
- Available food composition tables
- Availability of national food based dietary guidelines

CROPS GROWN/CONSUMED IN REGIONS OF KENYA

FOOD TYPE	REGION	SEASON
CEREALS		
Maize*	Rift valley, Western Kenya	
wheat*		
sorghum*	Western Kenya	
millet*	Western Kenya	
rice**	Eastern and Western Kenya	
Roots/TUBERS		
Irish potatoes*	Central Kenya	
Sweet potatoes*	Western Kenya	
yams**	Central Kenya	
PULSES/LEGUMES		
Beans*	Western and Central Kenya	
Peas**	Central Kenya	
Lentils**	Eastern Kenya	
Nuts**	Western Kenya	
VEGETABLES		
Kales *	Central Kenya	
Cabbages*	Central Kenya and Rift Valley	
Black nightshade**	Western	
Pumpkins**	Eastern and Western Kenya	
FRUITS		
mangoes*	Coastal region	
oranges*	Coastal region	
Guavas**	Western region	
bananas*	western region	
lemons*	Lake basin region	
Paw paw**	Lake basin region.	

What remains to be done

- Determine community or communities to be engaged in the project
- Determine specific crops to be included in project
- Develop a suitable mobile based tool for Kenya
- Pilot the project and implement it
- Assess the impact of the intervention

Suggestions for way forward

- Select community/communities where the project will be done in Kenya.
- Carry out baseline assessment of mobile based skills. This will help to determine gaps and effective training needs. This is to ensure we come up with a user friendly tool for the targeted users.
- Consider including agricultural products with potential to improve micronutrient status.
- Define details of content of actual tool: eg crops recommended, agricultural practice, marketing and nutrition information.

THANK YOU