MAMBOLEO FARM LIMITED

Mamboleo Farm Limited is a rice processing plant which owns a 150-acre cultivated rice paddy farm. Mamboleo Farm Ltd. collects the harvested paddy (raw materials) from their farm and from local smallholder farmers through a well-established contract farming arrangement. Mamboleo Farms expects to reach 1000 smallholder farmers with support from the SSBVC project which will enable these small entrepreneurs (SEs) to improve their capacity in farming skills, utilization of equipment and increased access to reliable markets.

HIGHLIGHTS OF PROGRESS TO DATE (AS OF JANUARY 31st, 2018):

Business
- Acquired one tractor, one harvesting machine, four sets of water pumps, one rice milling machine, and one leveling machine with equipment to upgrade the processing plant so that it may absorb a higher volume of paddy rice from SEs.
- Hired a Project Manager, Finance Manager and one Extension Officer to aid with contract farming.
- 415 SEs received training on Good Agricultural Practices (GAP) and Farmer Business School (FBS).

Gender
- Six (male) staff members received training on gender equality, good governance and human rights (GE, GG, and HR).
- 50 females were trained on irrigation practices (to increase production of rice).
- Overall, 198 females have received various trainings, access to a reliable market through contract farming, and access to productive assets (tractor, harvesting machine, power tillers and water pumps).

Environment & Governance
- Six staff members have been trained on environmental sustainability (ES).
- An environmental policy for the organization was developed.
- An environmental consultant was hired for the environmental impact assessment (EIA). A project brief and draft terms of reference which was submitted to National Environmental Management Council (NEMC).
- The company has applied for OSHA Certification.
- Acquired personal protective equipment for all staff and procured safety signs, fire extinguishers, and first aid kits.

Quick Facts

Sector:
- Agriculture

Core Business/Subsector:
- Rice Processing

Initiative Duration:
- 36 months; March 31, 2017 to March 31, 2020

SEs Targeted:
- 1000 SEs

Corridor:
- Mtwara (Ikwiriri District, Coastal Region)

Key Grant Commitments

Business:
- To provide training and technical skills to farmers on paddy rice farming
- Increase business skills of 50 SGBs.
- Improve supply chain link between SGBs, SEs and buyers in the end market.

Gender:
- 100 farmers to acquire gender awareness training.
- To provide GE, GG and HR training at the workplace.

Environment.
- Mainstreaming environmental practices in farming.
- Complying to local environmental standards such as OSHA compliances and NEMC Certification.
- Provide Environmental Sustainability training at the work place.