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SUPPORT THE SUSTAINABLE PRODUCTION & MARKETING OF FISH AND VEGETABLE PRODUCTS FOR URBAN/PERI-URBAN WOMEN

NUMBERS

 Donor
FAO (TCP)

 Implementation Period
November 2020 - October 2022

 Budget
USD 424 000

 Technical and Operational Partners
Ministry of Agriculture, Department of Horticulture Services, Ministry of Fisheries, Water Resources and National Assembly Matters, Department of Fisheries, Fisheries Community Center Associations, Fisheries Community Based Organizations and Community Vegetable Garden Associations.

EXPECTED RESULTS

- FTT facilities established for improved quality smoked fish products produced for increased income generation for women fish smokers.
- Reduced fish post-harvest losses for increased income generation for fish traders.
- Locally produced fresh vegetables available, affordable and easily accessed on markets throughout the year.

ACHIEVEMENTS

- Needs assessment conducted in the three vegetable gardens for vegetable seeds and garden tools required.
- Vegetable seeds and garden inputs provided to women in the three targeted vegetable gardens in Bakau, Kerr Serigne and Bakoteh.
- Forty women trained on vegetable crop production. The training aimed to enhance horticultural farmers' knowledge and skills in vegetable crop production techniques, postharvest handling in vegetable crops and compost production.
- Thirty-three women fish traders trained on fish handling and hygienic practices. The training aimed to enhance the reduction of post-harvest losses.
- Two hundred and fifty cooler boxes procured and handed over to the beneficiaries through the Ministry of Fisheries, Water Resource and National Assembly Matters.
- Provision of the cooler boxes will reduce the high post-harvest losses due to fish spoilage, attributed to longer storage periods with limited ice and inadequate storage containers.
- One hundred and fifty-two fish handling materials comprising of tarpaulins, gloves, knives, aprons and buckets are also provided to the fish traders and processors.
- Construction of a fish smokehouse (FTT) is underway in Banjul. The use of FTT reduces the amount of wood used, decreasing the pressure on the environment and the costs.

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