

**Annex C****Progress Report Verification Form****(To be completed by SGP National Coordinator)**

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| Date:    | 30 <sup>th</sup> November, 2018                                                                                              |
| From:    | Joe Musa                                                                                                                     |
| To:      | Abdul Rahman A. Sannoh                                                                                                       |
| Copy:    |                                                                                                                              |
| Subject: | Narrative of final Project Progress Report for the period 1 <sup>st</sup> December, 2017 to 30 <sup>th</sup> November, 2018. |

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| Project Number:         | SLE/SGP/OP6/Y3/CORE/LD/16/11/2017/29                                |
| Project Name:           | Partners in Rural Integration and Development Organization. (PRIDO) |
| Grantee Name:           | Partners in Rural Integration and Development Organization          |
| Grantee Contact Person: | Joe Musa.                                                           |
| Project Value:          | U \$13,600                                                          |
| Project Start Date      | 1 <sup>st</sup> December, 2017                                      |
| Report Number:          | 03                                                                  |

Project Progress Status (check box that applies):

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| <input type="checkbox"/> | 1. The project is on schedule and the expected activities for the reporting period are fully completed. A payment of \$ <u>[insert payment amount]</u> which is equivalent to 100% of payment to be made this period in accordance with the payment schedule is authorized.                                                                                |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | 2. The project is delayed and the expected activities for the reporting period are <u>[insert estimated % of progress made]</u> % completed. A payment of \$ <u>[insert payment amount]</u> which is equivalent to <u>[insert estimated % of progress made]</u> % of payment to be made this period in accordance with the payment schedule is authorized. |

I am satisfied with the progress of the project based on information available and to the best of my knowledge.

Joe Musa

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30<sup>th</sup> November, 2018

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For National Coordinator

Date

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| <input type="checkbox"/> | A. The project has not started or no substantial progress has been made since the last reporting period. A warning letter was issued to the grantee. A new project end date has been agreed in writing with the grantee. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | B. No substantial progress has been made since the last reporting period and the agreed revised project end date will not be met. It is recommended that the project and agreement with the grantee be terminated.       |

**Annex C (continued)**  
**Model Progress Report**  
**Suggested Template<sup>1</sup>**

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**Project Progress Report:****A. Summary of Project Status.**

Partners in Rural Integration and Development Organization (PRIDO) is implementing a project on Economic Tree Crop planting and Bee keeping for Sustainable Environmental protection and management through Climate Smart Agricultural Practices For the increase of carbon Sink and Control Land Degradation. This project is a one year project

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<sup>1</sup> This provides a basic model which may be authorized as necessary by SGP country programmes.

running from 1<sup>st</sup> December 2017 through 30<sup>th</sup> November 2018. The total project cost is US \$13,600.

The primary objective of this project is to increase the capacity of project beneficiaries in three targeted farming communities of Maron, Madina Loko, and Robat in Sanda Loko Chiefdom in Karene District, to address poor land management practices that encourage degradation of arable land by adopting appropriate climate smart agricultural practices.

This report covers progress on the disbursement of third tranche activities carried out for the period August to November 2018. Project third tranche activities commenced in August 2018. Summary of accomplishments made during this reporting period are highlighted as follows:

**1. Conduct training on Fish farming activities for 30 beneficiaries (10 per community)**

**• Activities carried out**

A one day training of youth's farmers on integrated rice-fish farming management, harvesting, processing and marketing has been conducted with a total of 30 participants drawn from the three targeted communities (18 male and 12 female) by identified Agriculture and Aquaculture Consultant. The primary objective of the training was to capacitate the beneficiaries on the importance and benefits of integrated rice-fish farming in the following: Criteria for site selection; importance of fish farming; irrigating of pond; when to irrigate; how to irrigate; some common fish farming terminologies; fish species; local fish feed; things to consider in fish pond construction; materials needed for fish pond construction; fish pond construction structures; water management; stocking; stocking ratio; transportation; fish harvesting; processing; post harvesting and marketing.

**• Output/Results achieved**

Thirty youth farmers were drawn and trained on effective and efficient rice-fish farming management, harvesting, processing and marketing techniques in the three communities in this reporting period. Below is list of participants:

**Summary List of Participants Trained**

| No.          | Community   | Male      | Female    | Total     |
|--------------|-------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| 1            | Maron       | 6         | 4         | 10        |
| 2            | Madina Loko | 6         | 4         | 10        |
| 3            | Robat       | 6         | 4         | 10        |
| <b>Total</b> | <b>03</b>   | <b>18</b> | <b>12</b> | <b>30</b> |

**2. Construction of (10m x 10m) Fish Pond**

**• Activities carried out**

Prior to the fish pond construction, PRIDO-SL held consultative meeting with the community stakeholders and the direct project beneficiaries on site selection; and the following key factors were taken into consideration:

- ✓ Site allocated by the local authorities,
- ✓ Accessibility,
- ✓ Suitable conditions for Rice-fish farming to be experimented,
- ✓ Closer to the operational community and
- ✓ Security against theft.
- ✓ Effective management of fish fingerlings and pond maintenance

• **Output/Results achieved**

- **Procurement of Tools/Materials:** - In line with the project implementation guidelines, PRIDO-SL procured relevant and appropriate tools/ materials for the construction work. The following under mentioned tools/materials were procured:

**List of Tools/Materials Procured**

| No. | Description       | Unit | Quantity |
|-----|-------------------|------|----------|
| 1   | Shovel            | No.  | 15       |
| 2   | Cutlass           | No.  | 4        |
| 3   | Agricultural Lime | Bag  | 1        |
| 4   | Measuring Tape    | No.  | 1        |
| 5   | Measuring Line    | Roll | 3        |
| 6   | PVC Pipe (30mm)   | No.  | 2        |
| 7   | Bent Elbow        | No.  | 2        |
| 8   | Drum              | No   | 2        |

- **Mobilization of Local Resources/Materials:** - The direct project beneficiaries successfully gathered local materials (bush poles and pegs) at the construction site for proper alignment during the construction work.
- **Mobilization of Working Force:** - The organization considers youth's farmers in the targeted community to be the strongest work force in the project implementation and therefore mobilized youth beneficiaries as unskilled labour force for the construction of 10m x 10m pilot rice-fish pond in Maron project community under the direct supervision of PRIDO-SL Field Technical Supervisor.

**3. Procurement of 250 Seed Fish Fingerlings (Cat-fish variety)**

• **Activities carried out**

- **Procurement of Crops (Seed Fish):** - PRIDO-SL in partnership with MAFFS Aquaculture Consultant and representatives of the direct project beneficiary's procured 250 fish fingerlings from the Children of light foundation in Panlap community in Bombali district *Clarias Lazera* (Catfish) a native variety of the country was recommended by the community beneficiaries. The Consultant also recommended, *Clarias Lazera* is among the species that had been proven to be favorable for such pond conditions.
- **Procurement of Fish Feed:** - The project procured fish feed in order to boost the effective and proper management of fingerlings and the pond (rice bran, sweet

potato, fishmeal etc) at this initial stage of project.

- Preparation of local fish meal:-The project provide basic trainings to youths on the preparation of local fishmeal and also the effective management of the fish pond for sustainability

- **Output/Results achieved**

The project had procured 250 seed fish fingerlings and stocked the pond in a ratio 1:2 at this initial stage. The fingerlings are been fed with fish feeds brought by the project under the direct supervision of the project Field Staff.

The project provided training on the sustainable maintenance and management of the pond

#### **4. Rehabilitation of Inland Valley Swamp (IVS)**

- **Activities carried out**

Inland Valley Swamp rehabilitation has been among the key activities implemented under this project, from the commencement of bond, main drain, internal bond and canal construction, beneficiaries had been engaged on the maintenance of these control structures to advert flooding and damage of rice seedlings and other crops in the swamp

It is believe that with the continuous maintenance and rehabilitation of bonds whereby the IVS has a well developed water control and management structures put in place; the beneficiary farmers shall have the opportunity to be able to effectively utilize the swamp throughout the year with opportunities to alternate rice cultivation with the cultivation of other food crops that may be of economic advantage to the farmers in the communities.

- **Output/Results achieved**

- Rehabilitation of main drain, internal bond, peripheral canals and head bond completed.
- Proper irrigation of water into the plots had been done
- The organization is providing nursing management and seed transplanting through Technical Package on Rice Production (TP-R) techniques.
- Transplanting of improved rice seedlings(Pakiamp variety) has been completed
- Protection and management of transplanted rice field is in progress

#### **5. Planting of Economic Tree crop**

- **Activities carried out**

The planting of Economic Tree Crops was the main activities among others under this project, from the commencement of field planting in June 2018 up to the period of reporting, the activity has been carried out successfully whereby beneficiaries plant the targeted five hectares in each project communities and this activity has been completed in this quarter of reporting

- **Output/Results achieved**

- Fifteen (15) hectares of degraded land space has been planted with Economic

Tree Crops and at the same time, the field was inter-cropped with Agricultural Food Crops to progressively integrate land use practices that will mitigate the adverse effect of climate change and adopt climate change adaptation into their land management plans in their communities.

- A total of 2,625 tree seedlings (875 seedlings per community in the three targeted communities) of nine varieties (Cashew, mango, oil palm, Tombie, cacao, citrus, sweet sap, Moringa and plum) was planted to reforest the degraded land as a way to regain its potential of land productivity
- Agricultural Food Crops such as Bennie, groundnut, cassava and vegetables were inter-cropped within the transplanted field as an intervention of agroforestry practices.

## **6. Conducted Awareness Campaign of Tree Crops Management practices**

- **Activities carried out**

- The organization conducted community beneficiary's awareness campaign on the protection and management of tree crops against fire disaster prevention, unlawful destruction by slash-n-burn farmers.

- **Output/Results achieved**

- Awareness raising campaigns were conducted in all the three project operational communities (Maron, Madina Loko and Robat) on fire prevention/disaster management and the construction of fire belts right round the project implementation sites. This activity shall be continuous to serves as precautionary measures.

## **7. Monitoring and Supervision of project activities**

- **Activities carried out**

PRIDO-SL is in close contact and collaborates with the project beneficiaries and the entire community stakeholders for the project monitoring. In line with the trainings provided to beneficiaries, the organization shall continue to provide technical support to see that the following is embarked on:

- Monitor the established fifteen hectares of tree crop fields in the three communities,
- Proper management of tree crop plantations
- Monitoring and supervision of the three hectares of IVS developed and rehabilitated,
- Proper management of water control systems (internal canals, head bonds, etc),
- Planting and production of IVS rice. The organization shall continue to monitor and manage the rice cultivation process onto post-harvest period to ensure that the beneficiaries provide seed banks for continuity of rice cultivation in the community.
- Monitoring the proper management of bee-hives component to make sure that the community embark on youths self help project undertakings for sustainability,
- PRIDO-SL in collaboration with the beneficiaries shall continue to provide management of the rice-fish pond through the preparation of fish feeds, feeding methods etc;

- Monitor and provide market information for the sale of vegetable products for attractive prizes to serve as economic livelihood for women farmers and the entire family households.

**B. Activities planned but not completed in this reporting period and reasons for delay**

No planned activities. The activities which were scheduled for second quarter but rolled over to quarter three have been completed. However, the organization is in close collaboration with the community stakeholders for post activities monitoring.

**C. Activities planned to be completed in the next reporting period.**

The organization continue to collaborate with beneficiaries and community stakeholders in post tree crop planting, IVS rehabilitation and maintenance, beekeeping and fish pond sustainable management.

**D. Experience, lessons learnt and issues in this reporting period.**

1. The idea of IVS development has created the awareness in the community inhabitants that the swamp development and rehabilitation process is much more beneficial, as they have seen how water is adequately managed in the swamps. The control of water is helping them to plant in an appropriate manner.
2. The beneficiaries has realized that it is more beneficiary to embark on rice cultivation in IVS than upland which is their traditional method which involves lots of slash and burning leading to land degradation.
3. They have also realized that IVS rice cultivation is less labour intensive and cost effective as compared to upland rice farming.
4. Fish-rice farming is a new farming technology introduced in the community. This project has created lots of interest in the people as they so eager to replicate the project in other communities.
5. It was realized that their usual method of fish harvesting which is their local means was hazardous as they used to go in streams and swamps.

6. They are now anticipating that there will be a ready or available fish in the community whenever it is urgently needed.
7. There is now available fish and food crop alternative source in the community which has created a room of food diversification.
8. The awareness campaigns on tree crop management which the organization is embarking on have made the community stakeholders in instituting stringent community by-laws on fire disaster prevention, forest management and conservation of bio-diversity.
9. With the introduction of improved vegetable seeds, the women farmers now embark of short-term variety cultivation. At first, they were seen vegetable production as unproductive venture. Since the inception of the project, that mind-set has changed and they are now seriously engaged in vegetable crop production which brings them income for their households regularly.
10. The initiative has attracted the attention of women farmers in the neighboring communities.
11. Some of the vegetable crops planted by the women (okra, garden egg, and cucumbers) are planted twice in a year which creating more income source for them.
12. Other community inhabitants now have access to improved seed varieties from the project beneficiaries.

**E. Optional: Grantee may attach additional supporting documentation or photos.**



***Training of youth farmers on integrated rice-fish farming and fish pond construction***



***Construction of fish pond (10m x 10m ) in Maron Community***



***Rehabilitation of Inland Valley Swamp (IVS) in Maron Community***



***Transporting of Seedlings from Nursery to plantation site***



***Field measurement of Economic Tree Cropsplanting in progress***



***Uprooting of Rice Seedling***



***Transplanting of Seedling***



***Planted seedlings in Rehab. Plot***



***Completed transplanting of rice seedlings in Rehab. Plot***