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M&E Activities implemented in FY2017: Lessons Learned

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Brief Description of Your Project

- Project Goal: To rebuild marine fisheries stocks and catches through adoption of responsible fishing practices.
- The Coastal Resources Center (CRC) at The University of Rhode Island's Graduate School of Oceanography is the lead implementer of the SFMP and works in consortium with other international and local partners, including SNV, SSG-Advisors, Hen Mpoano, Friends of the Nation, CEWEFIA, DQF, DAA, and Spatial Solutions.

Key project activities:

IR1: Strengthen enabling environment for marine fisheries resource management. Policy reforms - Co-management, Fish Act, 3 CBMP (Densu, Pra and Ankobra) CLaT and NFMP.

IR 2: Science and Research applied to policy and management

Strengthened information systems and science-informed decision-making through Scientific and Technical Working Group (STWG). Capacity building for FC and UCC.

IR 3: Improved Constituencies and Political Will for Policy Reform and Sustainable Use Practices

Increased constituencies that provide the political and public support needed to rebuild fish stocks through a wide range of behavior change communications eg. advocacy campaigns conducted during major public events, F2F dialogues etc

IR 4: Applied Management Improved in Targeted Sites

Implementation of applied management initiatives for targeted fisheries ecosystems. VSLA, MSMEs trainings on post harvest value chain, rural loans for MSMEs. HFH, &P, BDS etc

Cross cutting Result Areas on Gender, Private Partnerships and Capacity Building:

Trainings on Gender, leadership for associations, FC and MOFAD, formed partnership with insurance companies such as BIMA, Millennium, UT life, Tigo, Vodafone and others for fisherfolks, building capacity of 10 GoG institutions and 9 CSOs in fisheries management.

Targeted Beneficiaries

MOFAD, FC, UCC, Marine Police, Social Welfare, Town & Country Planning, CSOs, 4 Coastal Regions, 10 Coastal Districts, Traditional Authorities, Chief Fishermen, fishermen and fish processors Associations eg CEWEFIA, DAA, NAFPTA, GITA, GNCFC

Implementation Period

Five-years (October 2014-October 2019) Food Security Project
Funded by United States Agency for International Development
(USAID)

M&E Activities Implemented in FY 2017

M&E Activities implemented between October 2016 and September 2017:

- Review of M&E Plan for FY17
- Data quality assessment for IP
- Quarterly M&E Training for IP
- Routine joint monitoring visit to partners and field
- Track project deliverables and report quarterly and annually
- Conducted formative evaluation of VSLA, microfinance and MSME activities,
- Household survey on CLaT in Elmina and Moree

Lessons Learned

- Lesson 1: Increasing face-to-face contact with SFMP CSOs and government partners has resulted in increased cooperation, communication and integration with government programs and expectations in M&E
- Lesson 2: The quarterly M&E capacity building activities has empowered partner M&E officers to be effective and efficient in M&E by collecting and keeping quality and accurate data for informed decisions making.

Thank you