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ACRONYMS

CEWEFIA	Central and Western Region Fishmongers Improvement Association
CRC	Coastal Resource Center
SFMP	Sustainable Fisheries Management Project
USAID	United States Agency for International Development

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PROGRESS REPORT FOR THE REHABILITATION OF THE CEWEFIA FISH PROCESSING CENTER



Figure 1 Construction Site

The site was handed over officially to the contractor, Messer Peejay Engineering & Construction Ltd on July 17, 2017 for work to be completed in 90 days (by 17th October, 2017). However, a series of misunderstandings ensued with the local stakeholders on bordering the construction zone (for safety and security reasons), removal of certain assets (firewood and the local fish drying structures) that led to delays as meetings had to be held between all stakeholders, with compromises and a resolution reached by all parties to enable work move on. This included the revision of the toilet location from what was designed and planned to fit with the resolution made between all stakeholders. This process took about 2 weeks to accomplish and as such the contractor did not officially start work on the rehabilitation till July 31, 2017. Thus construction commenced on 30th October, 2017 and accounted for the delay.

When work started it was noticed that the previous foundation works had not been properly done, contributing to making the structure unsteady. Consultation with the contractor resulted in a major part of the foundation to be redone; so as to allow for preventive measures initially recommended for the rehabilitation to have a more meaningful and lasting structure. (See pictures below)



Figure 2 New structure being laid

In doing so, large sections of the existing walls needed to be removed and re-laid before the wood support columns could be reintroduced as was initially planned and designed (See pictures below).



Figure 3 Walls removed as well as column structure being laid

As a result of all these reinforcements done, the previously laid flooring, that was only about 2 inches screed finish needed to be redone completed with a proper concrete flooring (approx. 5in concrete base) before cement screed flooring was done as final finish. (See picture below)



Figure 4 Flooring being laid

After these initial redress to issues presented on site, there was repositioning of the 2 toilets initially attached to the building; and also the redesign of the water tank to enable minimal amount of space to be taken up by the base of the tank.

Work has been steadily moving along since commencement of construction and currently the work is about 60% completed (See pictures below). At the rate at which works are going the contractor is on course to finish before or on the deadline date of 30th October 2017, barring any unforeseen circumstances.

CURRENT PROJECT PROGRESS PICTURES



Figure 5 Inside Structure on September 9, 2017



Figure 6 Outside Structure on September 9, 2017



Figure 7 Structure on September 18, 2017