

PROJECT PROFILE

<u>Sector</u>	Agriculture
<u>Sub-sector</u>	CROPS
<u>Code</u>	AG 68 (A)
<u>Title</u>	Agriculture Marketing Support WFP
<u>Implementing Agency</u>	Ministry of Agriculture, Animal Industry & Fisheries
<u>Location</u>	Districts of Gulu and Kitgum.
<u>Total Plan Exp.</u>	US\$ 3.95m
<u>Funds Secured</u>	US\$ 3.92m
<u>Funding Gap</u>	US\$ 0.03m
<u>Start Date</u>	2000
<u>Completion Date</u>	2005

Background.

The WFP strategic focus for agriculture and marketing support in Gulu and Kitgum districts aims at achieving sustainable improvements in food access through alleviation of short-term hunger, the upgrading of agriculture and marketing infrastructure, and the creation of productive assets.

Objectives.

- i) Contribute to the rehabilitation of feeder roads in order to minimise the cost of transport.
- ii) To support the marketing activity through local procurement of food aid from Northern Uganda.
- iii) To support the development of market information services, which can be used by farmers, traders and retailers in Gulu and Kitgum districts.
- iv) Address drinking water problems through rehabilitation of boreholes, construction of shallow and safe wells.
- v) Support agricultural food production projects.
- vi) Support women's associations and provide training for farmer groups.

Performance Indicators.

- Km of feeder roads rehabilitated.
- Number of extension officers trained.
- Number of farmer's groups formed.
- Number of fish ponds dug.
- Number of maize mills distributed.
- Number of trees planted.
- Quantity of seeds and equipment distributed.

Technical Description.

The project will be executed through MAAIF under the Agriculture and Marketing Steering Committee and through the District Councils under the local Agriculture and Marketing Steering Committees. The activities will cover transport (road rehabilitation), marketing and market information, procurement of food aid, water infrastructure, food production, agroforestry, grain milling and training for farmer groups.

Financing.

The project will be financed by the WFP at a total cost of US \$ 4.769 million. However, WFP will subsidise 75% of the Internal Transport Storage and Handling (ITSH) costs, while GoU will pay for the 25% of the ITSH costs. The WFP's cost for the 75% ITSH will be US \$ 0.527 million while the GoU's cost of 25% for ITSH will be US \$ 0.176 million over the five year period.