

THE MANGO PROCESSING PROJECT



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PROJECT BRIEF

Mango is universally regarded as one of the finest fruits and important crop in tropical and subtropical regions of the world. It is estimated that Ghana has a little over 12,000 acres under mango production which produces about 23,000 tonnes a year. With Ghana's comparative advantage of having a biannual mango production system, and the economic potential presented by the cultivation of mango, there has been public sector interventions to enable the country obtain the optimum benefits from mango production. The Government of Ghana is promoting mango as a major non-traditional fruit for export. Nonetheless, mango processing is an area that has seen little investment whereas the economic viability that it presents is significantly enormous.

The Yilo Krobo, Shai Osudoku and Lower Manya districts in the Eastern Region produce huge volumes of mangoes yet there are no processing facilities within the districts to add value to fresh mangoes. Agronomic factors also contribute to low yield, and inadequate post-harvest handling mechanism leads to significant post-harvest losses.

Being at the forefront of mango production and processing requires raising the standards and encouraging moves towards high density, building farmers' capacity, inputs accessibility and export market promotion.



The scaling-up Mango Production for Processing & Export (Mango Processing) project focuses on scaling-up the Ghanaian mango landscape from the current consumption and sale of fresh fruits to the export of dried fruits by adding value with the establishment of a 250 tonnes/annum drying facility. The drying facility would procure fresh mangoes from 1,200 smallholder farmers and provide 60 jobs (80% for women). The project will also position the Eastern Region of Ghana as a hub for the export of dried mangos to EU mar-



PROJECT GOAL

To scale-up the Ghanaian mango landscape from the current consumption and sale of fresh fruits to the export of dried fruits.

OBJECTIVES



Build the capacities of 1200 mango farmers on good agricultural practices in the Yilo Krobo, Shai Osudoku and Lower Manya districts of Ghana.



Provide target mango farmers with business development support to build their capacity for the export market.

FUNDING ORGANIZATION

The Mango Processing project is a 2-year project co-funded by the King Baudouin Foundation and Agropal West Africa Limited.



IMPLEMENTING ORGANIZATIONS

The Mango Processing project is implemented by Agropal West Africa Limited (AWA), the lead partner, and CERATH Development Organisation,

ABOUT AGROPAL WEST AFRICA

AGROPAL is an agro processing and marketing company focused on processing and adding value to mangoes grown in West Africa for international markets.

AGROPAL envisions a bubbling agricultural sector in Ghana and West Africa thus, improving economies, enhancing food security and health.



ABOUT CERATH DEVELOPMENT ORGANIZATION

CERATH is a developmental organization focused on rural and urban poor development in Africa. CDO has five main intervention areas for empowerment- Agriculture, Fisheries, Renewable Energy, Inclusive Finance and Water, Sanitation & Hygiene (WASH) as the pathways to rural and urban development.

Our vision is to improve living conditions for the rural and urban poor in Ghana and Africa.

COUNTRIES OF OPERATION

- Ghana
- Liberia
- Sierra Leone
- Kenya





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