



South Sudan Livelihoods Development Project (SSLDP)



For South Sudan to gain long-term food security, agriculture needs to shift from subsistence to more commercially oriented farming.

The South Sudan Livelihoods Development Project (SSLDP) is a six-year government project lead by the Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry, Animal Resources, Fisheries, Cooperatives and Rural Development (MAFARFCRD).

Since 2010, SNV has been contracted by the government of South Sudan to implement the community development component in the Magwi and Torit counties, Eastern Equatoria State.

SSLDP objectives

Increase food security and incomes through improved agricultural productivity and marketing. There are three components:

- Community Development
- Rural Infrastructure development
- Project management

The smart solution

This focuses on developing farmers' livelihoods by improving their productivity; introducing them to better processing systems; and increasing their access to better market prices rather than relying on 'middlemen'.

SNV's major role is to help guide farmer groups in the identification and selection of economic enterprises that can significantly develop their livelihoods. For example, SNV introduced the communities of Arihilo Payam to growing cassava, a starchy tuber originating from South America.

Furthermore, SNV enables members of the economic enterprise group realise their full potential for improved production and productivity.

The project represents the first collaborative arrangement between the newly Independent Government of the Republic of South Sudan (RSS), the International Fund for Agriculture Development (IFAD) and the Embassy of the Kingdom of Netherlands (EKN).



The project is running in Eastern Equatoria State (Magwi and Torit counties)

"I was able to send money to my kids who are studying in Kakuma camp in Kenya and also was able to buy more goats from the same money... "I am happy to see that the community have now realized that I was not wasting time, but this a good source of income." Pasquale Imoda, cassava farmer, Arihilo Payam, Magwi county (right).



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