

TRANSMARA: INCREASING SELF HELP COMPONENT

PURPOSE: The purpose of this component is to build up development planning, implementation, evaluation and monitoring by self help activities in at the village level.

CONSTRAINTS: To date the major constraints have been among others:

1. The lack of community mobilization
2. The lack of trained personnel in community mobilization
3. The lack of institutional framework within which self help activities are prioritized, planned implemented monitored and evaluated by community institutions.
4. Lack of financial and technical assistance to self help activities.
5. Linking self help activities to wider divisional and district development technical and financial resources.
6. Lack of a district wide community SH development funding mechanism.

APPROACH: This component will seek to increase SH by among others:

1. Creating a Highly Qualified SH Planning/Management Unit of 4 people - gender balanced - made up of 2 TA and 2 Kenyans to be responsible for the component. These can be from an NGO, GTZ Transmara Project, Consulting Firm Contract or a mixture of the above. They would work under the supervision of the Social Development Adviser of the GTZ Transmara Project. The team leader should be a highly experienced person in community institution building.
2. Conducting Elatia/Village Analytical PRAs to establish elatia/village development priorities and activity priorities. This should be done in conjunction of the MCSS and TDP Social Development Adviser.
3. Creating representative (**gender, age, modern, traditional**) Village Development Committees to relate to DF system. Membership of these should include among others traditional leaders and the new leaders of subsectors like contact herders, TBAs, community mobilisers, contact farmers, school teachers, church leaders, youth, women, etc. Assistant Chiefs and Chiefs should be ex officio and not have any official posts.
4. Identifying Community Mobilisers (Male and Female) in each Elatia/Village.
5. Training Community Mobilisers in coordination and linkage activities related to planning and sourcing of technical inputs from the GOK (Divisional and District Levels), NGOs and Private Sector.
6. Synthesizing activities above to District SH Development Strategy.
7. Establishing a Village SH Development Fund and managing the lending process initially. This fund will be totally dedicated to community based development activities and not individual projects.
8. Federating the village development committees into a **District SH Development Foundation** which would become responsible for managing the development fund.

FUNDING:

A. Management Staff Costs

4 Staff Salaries
4 Staff Housing
4 Staff Transport
4 Staff Emoluments/ Allowances
OR
NGO Contract
OR
Consulting Contract

B. ////////// Analytical PRAs

C. ////////// Community Mobilisers Allowances

D. Training Community Mobilisers

E. Preparation of District Self Help Development Strategy

F. Establishment of Village Development Fund - Five year 50 m.

G. Offices Located in Lolgorien

H. Meetings of VDCs Cross District

I. District Self Help Development Foundation- Year Five Allowances