

# Development of a Solar-Powered Water Chilling Mechanism to Boost High-Value Crop Cultivation in Low Land Areas of Sierra Leone

## -A Demonstration Project-

**GOAL - Enhance agricultural productivity and food security in low-lying areas of Sierra Leone to contribute to food security and economic growth**

**Objectives – 1).** Develop an efficient and cost-effective solar-powered water chilling system, 2). Provide training to local farmers, 3). Foster community engagement, 4). Involvement of the private sector, and 5). Continuously monitoring system performance. These objectives collectively work toward the overarching goal of improving high-value crop cultivation and ensuring that the region's agricultural practices are sustainable and economically viable, ultimately contributing to food security and economic growth in Sierra Leone.

**How?**

**What do we want?**

**Why?**

### INPUTS

Project Schedule /Timeline, Manpower Availability, Seasonal Concerns (e.g., planting and harvesting seasons), Solar Panels & Associated Equipment, Water Chilling Mechanism Components, High-Value Crop Seeds & Planting Materials, Funding.

### ACTIVITIES

Develop solar-powered chilling technology, design training materials for farmers, Conduct community meetings and outreach activities, identify and collaborate with private sector entities, continuously monitor system performance and analyze data.

### OUTPUTS

Successful assembly & testing of chilling system. Completion of training materials for farmers. Minutes of community meetings, Number of private sector organization engaged in partnerships. Data on system efficiency, energy consumption, & crop yields. Foster community engagement

### OUTCOMES

Percentage increase in crop quality & crop yields. Percentage of trained farmers who can operate & maintain the chilling system. Level of community participation & satisfaction with project progress. Amount of private sector investment secured, Reduction in operating costs & environmental impact due to data-driven optimizations.

### IMPACTS

Increased agricultural productivity in low-lying areas, contributing to food security & economic growth. Empowered farmers capable of operating & maintaining the chilling system effectively. Efficient & environmentally sustainable crop cultivation reducing cost & environmental impact

**Resource**

**Results**

**Planning**

**Implementation**