

Habari za Programme unit: July Monthly Newsletter from Dodoma Sub Office

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HIGHLIGHTS OF THE MONTH

<HGSF> - Florian

Conducting the final review of the school feeding programme at Ikungi and Bunda

<SAEMAUL & FFA> - Ally, Renson, Saleh

Conducted monitoring on boreholes/water pump, fishery, piggery and poultry projects

<Nutrition> - Steyne

Successfully conduced the Boston mission

<FtMA> - Lucy

- Completed price review and negotiation meetings with 17 farmer groups Agreements successfully made at Kibaigwa, Kondoa, Chemba, Kiteto and Mvomero (1800 mt to be aggregated)
- Attended the 'Digital App' Training

WE'RE ON TWITTER (@WFP TANZANIA)



In #Dodoma chicks are multiplying under @WFP's Saemaul Zero Hunger project & & & &







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PHOTOS OF THE MONTH



† Beneficiaries fetching water at Chiboli village (Saemaul)



1 New silo arrivals bring smiles to Kondoa District (FtMA)

PLANS FOR AUGUST

<SAEMAUL > - Ally, Renson, Saleh, Serena Monitoring boreholes, bricks making, irrigation construction, poultry and goat projects

<Nutrition> - Steyne, Renson

Monitor project activities and collect stories

<FtMA> - Lucy

Monitor ongoing maize aggregation and perpetration for loan inputs in Central region

- Story of the month -

Halima - Saemaul poultry project beneficiary from Fufu village, Chamwino



Halima Songo (29), a farmer from Fufu village, lives in Mapinduzi hamlet with her 10-year-old son and husband. She is one out of the 149 beneficiaries, who have been successful in increasing the number of chickens under Saemaul's IGA project. Prior to this scheme, she was an ordinary farmer with no livestock at her house. She shared to the WFP staff; 'before I received chickens, I only cultivated vegetables in my garden and looked after the house. Our life wasn't easy, it was not good. We didn't have enough money or food or buying things, and I wanted to do something to help my family'.

Upon hearing this project, Halima instantly felt she wanted to be part of the poultry project and succeed. She was overjoyed upon her selection, and since

receiving 5 chickens (one cock and four hens) in November 2016, has increased the number to 34 in total, which is one of the highest numbers within her village. 'I could see the progress happening very quickly – the chickens started laying eggs in December last year so it was only a matter of time for them to multiply.' 'Seeing the new born chicks made me the happiest I have been!' Halima says excitedly, holding the new born chicklets with a big smile on her face. The secret to her success? – Following instructions she received during training and to keep a close eye on the chickens, especially when they are being fed – 'It is a lot of dedication, but it's worth it.' She also contacts the village livestock officer often, updating him on the smallest details; showing commitment, strong ownership and responsibility towards the project and her chickens.

For Halima, being able to keep chickens has changed her life completely; 'our lives have improved so much, I bought a bike which I sometimes use to take my son to school.

I also sell my new chickens when there are celebrations in the village for more income!' She says her next goals are to build a new house for her family and to expand her business – she says happily, 'A year ago, I never would have imagined myself living a life like this. I can maybe open a shop in the future! I'm excited to see how far the chickens will help in realizing my dreams!' (Interviewed and written by Serena Okawa)



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Saemaul & FFA: Ally Ngombesazi (center) and Saleh Abdullah (right)

Monitoring the progress of boreholes through interviewing water committee members of Chiboli village.

15 boreholes have been built as of now within the three villages in Chamwino.





Saemaul: Renson Morungu (left)
Discussing the challenges of what
piggery beneficiary are facing in Suli.
Currently there are 50 beneficiaries
under the piggery project carried out in
Suli and Chiboli villages in Chamwino.

FtMA: Lucy Rwegasira (center), focal person for FtMA central region.
Picture taken together with UWASA
Farmer Association, after a fruitful price review and negotiation at Salawe Village in Mvomero, Morogoro.

