

RASA - PURCHASING NETWORK FOR FOOD SECURITY IN BURKINA FASO

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PROBLEMS TO SOLVE The population of Burkina Faso faces everyday problems caused by climate and environmental emergencies, degradation of the territory, price volatility in food and agriculture, and absence of resources designed to development policies.

Women and children are most exposed to malnutrition, as often they don't have a way how to get food, and are dependent by the man of the house who is almost always precarious and without economic guarantees.

Malnutrition, associated to unhealthy life conditions, is the first reason of many diseases that affects mostly infants and children, aspect that decreases their life expectancy, as well as their regular growth and development.

OUR LOCAL PARTNER Since the establishment, the local neighborhood organization ICCV Nazemce works in a dynamic of community development, representing today a reference point for the whole community of Cissin. ICCV Nazemce is giving support to local population in the creation of new activities that produces incomes, is managing a nursery school and a library (the only one in the suburbs of Ouagadougou), and is giving support/accompanying those to primary and secondary school those children who are not able to afford the costs of education.

THE PROJECT The project intends to contribute to the food safety situation in Burkina Faso, in particular in the marginalized urban areas (suburb of Ouagadougou), by assuring availability, accessibility and quality of food to the most vulnerable category of population, by supporting at the same time the local agriculture production and promoted the idea of self-consumption agriculture/family agriculture.

The project provides the creation, by groups of disadvantaged women of the neighborhood (60 women) and unemployed youth (40 young persons), of a Purchase Network for Food Safety (RASA), that will coordinate and manage a storage center for basic food goods, which will be stored in favorable season and sold at low prices in periods of drought.

In addition, 50 families in conditions of extreme poverty will be equipped with resources in order to start their own family garden which will provide some of the basic foods.

WHO IS TAMAT

Tamat is a Non-Governmental Organisation (NGO) established in 1995 which realizes projects in the field of Development & Cooperation mainly in Africa, Sahel region (Burkina Faso and Mali) and in the Balkans. Through the implementation of its project developed in the areas of agriculture, tourism, and micro-enterprises, Tamat is fighting against poverty and identifies the most vulnerable beneficiaries, giving them a sustainability trough assistance and additional training activities.