**Where are We?**

**Our Results**

June 2019

**WHAT IS PARM?**

The Platform for Agricultural Risk Management (PARM), an outcome of the G20 discussions on food security and agricultural growth, is a multi-donor partnership between developing countries and development partners to make agricultural risk management (ARM) an integral part of policy planning.

PARM partners with 8 sub-Saharan African countries in a process involving four phases: Setting-up, Risk Assessment, Tools Assessment, and Implementation support.

**EXPECTED RESULTS**

- Demand for ARM support from partner countries satisfied
- Knowledge and capacities to manage risks increased
- Agricultural risks priorities and risk management tools identified
- ARM priorities and tools integrated into national policies and development programmes

**QUICK FACTS (2013-2019)**

- **Bring evidence to improve risk perception**
  - 100% risk assessments carried out
  - 85% officially validated by Government
  - 15% waiting for official validation

- **Identify major priority risks & tools in 8 countries in sub-Saharan Africa**
  - Major risks identified:
    - Crop pests & diseases
    - Climate & weather related risks
    - Post-harvest losses & price volatility
    - Uncertain access to market
    - Livestock diseases
  - Major tools identified:
    - finance & information
    - information / early-warning systems
    - crop pests and disease management
    - warehouse receipt systems
    - contract farming
    - remittances
    - strengthening farmers’ cooperatives for access to market

- **Create knowledge on ARM**
  - 23 Risk and tools assessment studies
  - 33 Policy briefs and factsheets

- **Increase awareness and develop capacity on ARM**
  - 934 National stakeholders engaged in PARM process
  - 662 National stakeholders trained
  - 270 International practitioners reached through webinars

- **Promote partnerships for ARM**
  - 328 International partners engaged through knowledge events
  - 25 Consultations with strategic partners to move forward the ARM agenda

- ARM recognized as global leading initiative on ARM and priority in the G7 and G20 Ag Ministries Declarations.

**WHERE ARE WE?**

**PARM PROCESS**

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- **Uganda**
  - Implementation support
  - Validation Workshop: Jul 2016
  - Policy Workshop: Oct 2016
- **Senegal**
  - Implementation support
  - Validation Workshop: Jul 2016
  - Policy Workshop: May 2017
- **Cameroon**
  - Implementation support
  - Validation Workshop: Jul 2016
  - Policy Workshop: May 2017
- **Cabo Verde**
  - Implementation support
  - Validation Workshop: Jul 2016
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- **Niger**
  - Implementation support
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- **Ethiopia**
  - Implementation support
  - Validation Workshop: Jul 2016
  - Policy Workshop: May 2017
- **Zambia**
  - Implementation support
  - Validation Workshop: Jul 2016
  - Policy Workshop: May 2017
- **Liberia**
  - Implementation support
  - Validation Workshop: Jul 2016
  - Policy Workshop: May 2017

* PARM country starting from June 2016

**OUR PARTNERS**

PARM is governed by a Steering Committee, an Advisory Committee and its Secretariat hosted in IFAD.
PRIORITIZING RISKS

Smallholder farmers face many risks every day. Governments and all stakeholders need to have an evidence-based profile of the agricultural risks and their importance in terms of severity and frequency. A good assessment of risks empowers farmers, governments and their partners in making the best decisions to minimize the negative impacts of risks and take advantage of investment opportunities.

PARM produces rigorous risk assessments in its partner countries, taking into account a wide variety of risks and relying on various sources, to obtain a clear picture of the risks affecting either the country as a whole, or specific regions. The prioritized risks can then be addressed using appropriate tools and strategies.

Uganda
Final Report
October 2015
Crop pests & diseases
Post-harvest losses & price fluctuations

Senegal
Final Report
August 2016
Erratic Rainfall
(Work Bank Report)
Animal Diseases
Illicit fisheries

Niger
Final Report
July 2016
Druyness
Uncertain access to market

Ethiopia
Final Report
December 2016
Worsening droughts (& floods)
Pests & diseases
(Plant & animal health)

Cameroon
Final Report
April 2017
Crop pests & diseases
Post-harvest losses & price variability

Liberia
Final Report
December 2017
Post-harvest losses
Crop pests & diseases
Erratic Rainfall

Cabo Verde
Final Report
December 2017
Drought
Crop pests
Torrential rainfal

Zambia
(Work Bank Report)
November 2017
Drought
Excessive rainfall & floods
Price volatility

FINDING THE RIGHT TOOLS

Once the risks are identified, tools and management strategies must be aligned with these needs, and the ARM responsibilities for each stakeholder clearly defined. To achieve this, PARM works in partnership with countries in identifying the right set of tools to address the most pressing risks.

Uganda 2016
Monitoring of Plant
Finance and information for risk management
ARM capacity development with Makerere University and Extension Services

Senegal 2017
Improving access to information
Remittances as ARM tool
ARM capacity development integrated in the national extension service strategy

Cameroon 2017
Modernised information system connected to the warrantage network

Niger 2017-2018
Access to information systems
Tackling market risks: contract farming and WRS
Strengthen ARM capacities at national and regional level in partnership with AGNRMET

Cabo Verde 2017-2018
Strengthening farmers’ organizations and cooperatives for access to market

Ethiopia 2017-2018
ARM capacity development integrated in the national extension

Zambia 2018-2019
Improving agricultural risk information for meso-level stakeholders in Zambia

Liberia 2018-2019
Improving agricultural risk information for meso-level stakeholders in Liberia

DEVELOPING CAPACITIES

Adequate capacity is crucial in integrating risk management into national and global policies. PARM works in partnership with local universities and research centres, as well as with global actors, to strengthen awareness and understanding of the holistic approach to agricultural risk management at three levels:

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AT A GLANCE

CD1 General ARM training
CD2 Institutionalization of high level ARM knowledge
CD3 Specific ARM tool training

*Regional event

Uganda
Ethiopia
Senegal
Cameroon
Niger
Cabo Verde
Liberia
Zambia

ENGAGING WITH POLICIES

The overall objective of PARM is to mainstream the holistic approach to Agricultural Risk Management at the national, regional and global levels in partnership with CAADP/NEPAD.

Niger, Plan d’action pour la gestion des risques agricoles au Niger (PAGRA), June 2014

Uganda, Agricultural Sector Development Plan (ASDP) 2016-2020, June 2015

Ethiopia National Extension Services Strategy, May 2017

Cabo Verde, National Agricultural Investment Plan, May 2018