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Sustainable Management of Fish Resources in Senegal

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This project has been under implementation since late 2009, and has achieved considerable progress in establishing collaborative management partnerships with a number of communities

1. Continued support to the four pilot communities co-managing the coastal fisheries in central Senegal, resulting in implementation of a number of measures such as closed seasons, reserved fishing zones and increased mesh sizes for fishing nets.
2. Expansion of these first four pilots, to establish legally-recognized partnerships between the Government and eight more coastal communities in central Senegal.
3. Launch of a new fund to support alternative livelihoods to fishing in the above communities.

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PROJECT OBJECTIVE

The objectives of this project is to empower communities to reduce fishing pressure on the fish stocks supporting the central coastal fisheries of Senegal (from the Cap Vert Peninsula to the Saloum River Delta) by (i) promoting co-management of the coastal fisheries, (ii) contributing to the rehabilitation of the essential ecosystems for the coastal fisheries, and (iii) supporting alternative livelihoods and accompanying poverty reduction measures in targeted poor fishing communities.

RESULTS: PROCESS

INDICATOR 1. 8 new Local Fishers' Committees (CLPs) legally established in the central coastal region, within the first 18 months of implementation

Completed, in each of the 8 new sites in the central coastal region of Senegal, communities have organized legally recognized associations of fishers, that could formally manage the fisheries.

INDICATOR 2. 4 consolidated local fisheries management plans are approved by the relevant Local Artisanal Fishers' Councils (CLPAs) within 24 months of project implementation, and implemented by the end of the project.

Target is not yet due, the CLPAs are in the process of preparing the plans.

INDICATOR 3. 8 new co-management sub-project proposals are approved as legal agreements with the Government and successfully implemented by the end of the project.

8 sub-project proposals have been prepared by the communities (i.e. the CLPs), and are currently under review by the Government.

RESULTS: STRESS REDUCTION

INDICATOR 1. Protected fisheries zones (ZPPs) are created and legally established [2]

The two zones have been identified and the process of creation and legal establishment is currently underway.

INDICATOR 2. At least 2 artificial reefs are expanded/submerged and co-managed with the local communities by EOP [2]

The two reefs have been identified and the process of submersion is expected shortly.

INDICATOR 3. Each community targeted by the project has access to a system of micro-credit, and project-supported poverty reduction measures are implemented in at least the four initial pilot sites, by the end of the project.

Each community now has access to a system of micro-credit via the newly established alternative livelihoods fund, and project-supported poverty reduction measures have been implemented in the four initial pilot sites.

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