



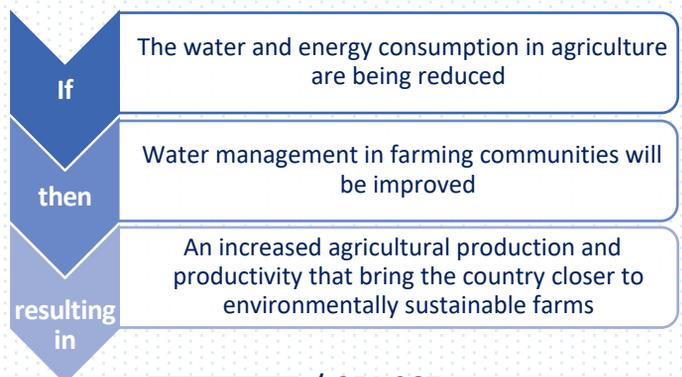
Climate Smart Agriculture

The Climate Smart Agriculture pilot program is coordinated by the Common Market for East and Southern Africa (COMESA) as part of a regional involving Seychelles and 5 Member States (Kingdom of ESwatini, Madagascar, Uganda and Zimbabwe).

The primary objective of the project is to improve water management in farming communities by reducing the water and energy consumption in agriculture. This will in turn lead to increased agricultural production and productivity and bring farming communities in the country, one step closer to having “green’ or environmentally sustainable farms. The specific objective of the project is to roll out the concept for the ‘Water Smart Farms”, which seeks to promote water efficiency on farms, reduced soil salinity, whilst reducing energy consumption.

A total of around 160 farmers will be targeted with the Val d’Endor Project. An additional 15 farmers will be covered; comprising of 10 farmers at Bonne Espoire while 5 farmers will be from La Digue Island.

OUR APPROACH



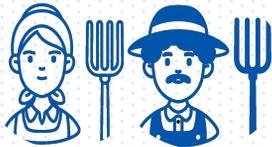
Budget	2019	\$ 251,367
	Total	\$ 409,000

Period 2018-2020



QUICK FACTS

70% of the Seychelles food needs is imported



Val d'Endor which is the project's implementing areas is the largest farming community in Seychelles

Seychelles has lost much of its indigenous fruits and vegetables



due to the high dependency on food imports.



The majority of farmers are using **sprinkler systems** due to drip irrigation costs.

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OBJECTIVE

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IMPLEMENTATION

This project is managed by the UNDP Country Office in a Direct Implementation Modality. During project implementation, the relevant government services will be closely involved via consultations, in order to ensure ownership and appropriation of project results.



KEY RESULTS

- GPS coordinates of the individual farms identified through national consultancy;
- Site selection initiated and the design contractor for the water tanks have commenced work.



PARTNERS

- Ministry of Fisheries and Agriculture;
- Seychelles Agricultural Agency;
- Val D'Endor Farmers Association.

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