


VILLAGE PROFILE

INTRODUCTION	
FFIV project beneficiaries	331 (115Females & 216 Males)
SHFs within a group	93
Farmer group Names	Muungano/Mshikamano, Faraja and Mapinduzi
Individual farmers	238
SHFs engaged in Sunflower farming in a year 2022/23	331
Acreage planted by SHFs	1,567
Project intervention and services delivered to SHFs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Mobilization and Awareness on access farm inputs. -Training on rural –based extension and advisory services e.g. Climate-smart Agriculture practices and Good Agronomic Practices. - Coaching and mentoring on financial literacy and market services - Access to farm inputs (1120 KGs amount of improved seeds and 6.95 MTs amount of fertilizers) - Access to mechanizations services (e.g. ploughing and planting by using planter)
ZAINABU JUMA FARMING JOURNEY AND ENGAGEMENT WITH FFIV PROJECT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - She received awareness and capacity building support from a project and become a champion women farmer in Kidarafa village who mainly engaged in Sunflower farming. - In this production season 2022/23 she managed to cultivate 2 Acres farm planted Hybrid hysun33 seeds where plats are at vegetative stage. - Zainabu in her farming experience before project she uses to plant local seed variety that yields 2bags (130Kgs) per acre which cause a big loss. - Currently she becomes an ambassador for improved hybrid hysun 33 seeds and she managed to mobilize many farmers especially youth and women within her group.
	
Sunflower seed variety planted by Zainabu	Hysun 33 seeds
Actors Involved	BB/Mezzanine and PIDERS
Stakeholders Involved	Local Government Authority (LGA - Ward Extension Officer (WAEO).
Experience in Sunflower Farming	-2years experience in cultivating hybrid seeds (hysun 33)
Planting date	January, 2023
CSA and Good Agriculture Practices (GAP)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Timely land preparation and planting -Use of improved seeds (Hybrid Hysun 33) -Sunflower farm management practices (use of fertilizers, pesticides and timely field inspections)
Expected outcomes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Increase in production -Increase in income
Challenges faced	-Occurrence of viral disease namely sunflower mosaic disease (batobato)
Risks faced	-Adverse weather condition (drought/flood)