Overview on ILRI’s Technical support to partners implementing Sustainable Rangeland Management Project (SRMP)

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• Fiona Flintan, Senior Scientist. Overall responsible for SRMP in ILRI. Providing technical support on land governance, participatory mapping, research etc. Coordinator of ILC Rangelands Initiative global component. Liaison with ILC Secretariat, donor(s) and Tanzania-NES (TALA).

• Mr Victor Mwita is the MLF’s representative on the Technical Team. He is policy adviser for the Project. Responsibilities include liaison with government partners, observation of policy and legislation and opportunities for influencing these. Organising NTWG.
• Isaack Luambano, in-country SRMP Project Manager for ILRI. Supports partners and particularly sub-grantees in administration, reporting, budgeting and planning. Coordinator of ILRI’s technical support in-country including logistics. In-country focal point and liaison with partners including government of Tanzania.

• Josephine Dungumaro, Research Associate, Gender. Providing technical support to partners to mainstream gender including development of gender strategy, training, toolkit, studies and assessments, publications.
SRMP Technical Team (Isaack)

- Mkami Amos, Capacity Building, Documentation and Research Officer. Responsible for baseline surveys in SRMP sites, trainings and cap-building of partners, research on VLUP, documentation of project results and lessons learned, media and publications.
- Consultants – Mr Deus Kalenzi (land expert-ongoing), & Mr Shem Kifugo (GIS expert – completed assignment).
- Also ILRI finance and administration team based in Nairobi.
The MLF have provided an office for the SRMP in Dar Es Salaam. Isaack and Mkami sit here, with Boniphace the MLF focal person. Mr Kalenzi also here.

Josephine sits at ILRI/IITA.

Fiona is in Addis Ababa and visits approx every 2 months.

Isaack, Josephine, Mkami, Mr Kalenzi employed by IITA for ILRI.

Fiona employed by ILRI in Ethiopia.

Isaack coordinates the provision of the technical support, which is now agreed upon at SRMP bi-monthly coordination meetings with all core partners – so that this is aligned with the workplans of the project partners.

ILRI covers all costs of the technical team, though the MLF has provided a vehicle for use of the team, and in the field KINNAPA assists with use of one of their vehicles.
Technical support provided – key activities (Isaack)

• Setting up of office, purchase of equipment and furniture, clarification of workable administration and financial systems, repair and maintenance of vehicle. Isaack temporarily managed MLF activities/funds on behalf of MLF until focal person in place (Boniphace).

• Support to 3 sub-grantees (MLF, NLUPC, KINNAPA) in establishing Agreements with ILRI including review of financial systems. Support in developing six-month workplans and budgets as part of this and assisting in reporting. Training in ILRI’s financial systems and requirements.

• Assisting partners in organising logistics for activities, and the MLF in its in-country coordination role.
Technical support provided – Conflict prevention and resolution (Isaack)

• In order to build capacity in conflict prevention and resolution in village land use planning processes, ILRI organised two trainings and documentation.
• 1. Training for project staff, partners and other CSOs working in the project areas (in July 2017).
• 2. Training for District Executive Directors and District Commissioners (in November 2017).
• Trainers came from South Africa and Kenya.
• Training very well-received.
• Trainers are producing manual on conflict resolution and village land use planning which the project anticipates publishing and distributing for wider use.
Technical support provided – Policy guidance (Victor Mwita)

- Liaison with government partners at all levels.
- Input to the updated version of the NLUPC Guidelines on Participatory Land Use Planning (with Mr Kalenzi).
- Commenced organising a national dialogue meeting on rangelands that the MLF will lead.
- Presentation of experiences of JVLUP at several meetings including AU-Land Policy Initiative, Addis Ababa.
Technical support provided – Gender mainstreaming (Josephine)

• Held a half a day gender mainstreaming discussion with the partners and ILRI/SRMP staff
• Gender mainstreaming strategy has been developed and shared with the partners
• Participated in the expansion of OLENGAPA and ensured gender is being mainstreamed throughout the expansion process
• Networking with Oxfam and TALA on component 1 on women’s land rights campaign and contributed to the shaping of the policy briefs on the campaign
• Developed a gender mainstreaming strategy, will be shared with the partners.
Technical support provided – Gender mainstreaming (Josephine)

- Working on the research/case study on pastoral women land rights.
- Baselines to be undertaken in each new SRMP site – currently under design. Will include information on gender so to later measure differences on men and women.
- Support mainstreaming of gender in JVLUP in project areas; Kiteto (new villages), and others.
- Offer gender mainstreaming technical support to the partners and ILRI/SRMP staff.
- Continue networking with Oxfam and TALA on component 1 and other stakeholders who have interested in women/gender and land rights.
- Research report on women & VLUP by ILC Rangelands Initiative (research in Phase II) and blog (this week)
Technical support – Nigeria Learning Route (Mkami)

• Procasur, IFAD, RECONCILE and ILRI organised a Learning Route for IFAD-Nigeria to Kenya and Tanzania to learn about how land use planning can contribute to resolution of conflicts between farmers and grazers.
• 24 participants mainly government and IFAD-Nigeria staff
• Spent several days at OLENGAPA learning about the JVLUP process, hosted by the Ministry of Livestock and Fisheries. Mr Mwita joined the Route in Tanzania.
• Documented on the Land Portal Foundation website.
2. Map of the Route
Technical support – Documentation (Mkami)

• Guidelines on participatory rangeland resource mapping published (in Swahili and English) – now being distributed.
• Contributed blogs to ILRI, IFAD, and IFPRI on the project; plus blog on pastoral women’s land issues written by TAWLA. A blog on the conflict training is in preparation.
• Issue paper on the experiences of the joint village land use planning.
• Research paper on pastoral women and village land use planning.
• ILRI Project Brief
Technical support – Presentations made at conferences and meetings (Mkami)

• WB Conference, Washington, March 2017 “Pastoral women’s land rights and VLUP in Tanzania: Experiences from the SRMP” (Fiona Flintan)
• WB Conference, Washington, March 2017 “Building evidence on rural women struggles for land rights in Tanzania” (Godfrey Massey)
• IASC Conference, July 2017, “Village land use planning and pastoral women’s land rights” (Naseku Kisambu)
• AU-LPI, Addis Ababa, November 2017 “Joint village land use planning in Tanzania: A process to enhance the securing of rangelands and resolving land use conflicts” (Victor Mwita)
• Pastoralism Conference, Dakar, November 2017 “Experiences of village land use planning in Tanzania” (Fiona Flintan)
Technical support – Documentation – in preparation (Mkami)

• Project brief for the Ministry of Livestock and Fisheries.
• Paper on pastoral women and VLUP at Arab Land Conference, Dubai, (TBC)
• Policy dialogue round-table discussion at WB Conference, Washington, with Dr Nindi (TBC).
• Possible learning route by IFAD-Sudan to Kenya and Tanzania on pastoral land use conflicts.
• Documentation of pastoral women land rights and VLUP based on research being undertaken.
• Participation in the ILC Global Land Forum.
Technical support – Research and baselines (Mkami)

• Baselines to be undertaken in each new SRMP site – currently under design. Will not only consider social and economic impacts of JVLUP but also analyse the costs of the JVLUP process.
• Support being provided to community level mapping of rangelands as an input to the landscape mapping of resources.
• Research to be undertaken on conservation and village land use planning.
• Situation analysis study to be undertaken in Bagamoyo and Kilosa districts to better understand context, sharing of grazing areas etc.
Technical support – Media and media plan (Mkami)

- Article on OLENGAPA experience (signing of OLENGAPA Joint Village agreement) published in local media (Mwananchi, The Citizen and Mwanganamatukio blog and broadcasted on ITV.)
- Mailing list of journalists.
- Prepare a documentary on OLENGAPA joint village use planning experience on challenges, opportunities and recommendations focusing on pastoral women (TBC)
- Develop articles for ILRI blog and local blogs on project achievements and lesson learned.
- Produce a bi-annual project newsletter
Links to ILC Rangelands Initiative (Fiona)

• Global partnership of ILRI, IFAD, UNEP, FAO-PKH and the Rangelands Partnership, USA.
• SRMP is a learning site for ILC members, and has the advantage of learning from ILC members e.g. Learning Routes (LAC members next year).
• SRMP contributed to the call for International Year of Rangelands and Pastoralists.
• Contributing to documentation of community lands (LANDMARK).
• Contributing to a statement on the status of land tenure in rangelands.
• Links to the FAO-PKH.
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