

Nigeria smallholder women poultry farmers reaping the benefits of ACGG project: Evidence from CIPs

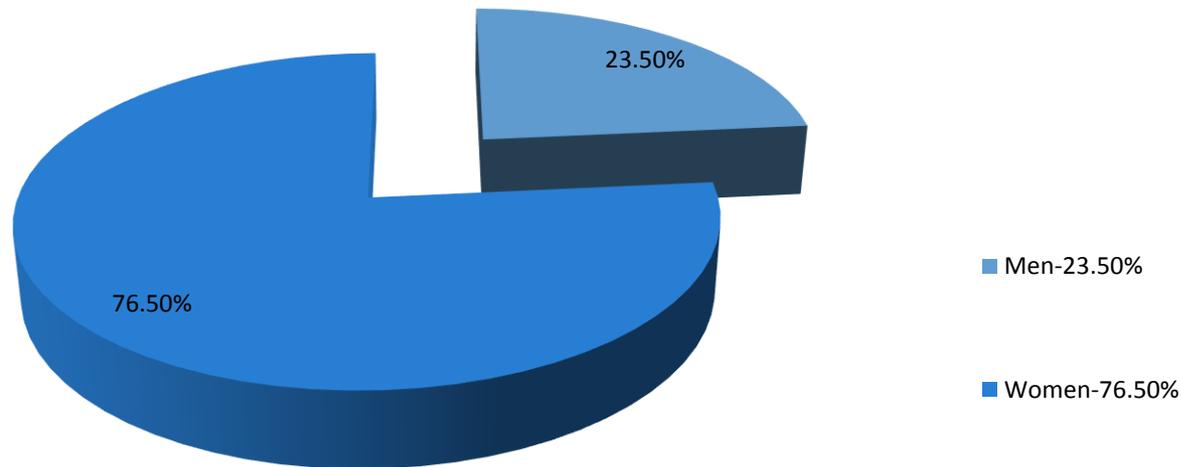
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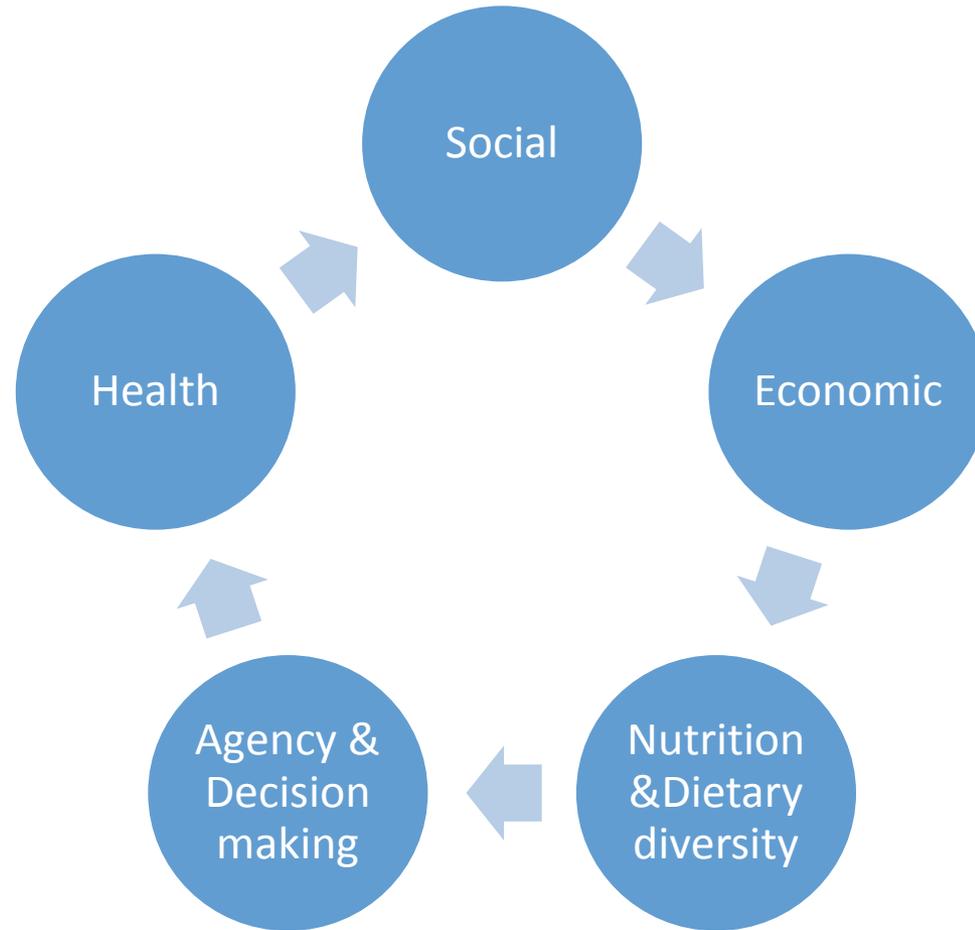
PHYSICAL PARTICIPATION AT COMMUNITY INNOVATION PLATFORMS



Gender Disaggregated Attendance at Community Innovation Platforms



BENEFITS OF ACGG POULTRY BIRDS: The women voices



WOMEN AND MEN BREED PREFERENCES



Women

Shika brown,
FUNAAB-Alpha and
Sasso

Egg, high adaptability,
beautiful feather
colors-children
admire them, better
market value

Men

Kroiler

High meat value,
bigger in size and
weight, higher market
value

EMERGING BUSINESS OPPORTUNITIES ALONG POULTRY VALUE CHAIN



- Bird multiplication through hatching of Day old chicks (DOC)
- Sales of young chicks and old birds
- Production and sale of fertile and table eggs
- Sales of poultry feed, drugs and other inputs
- Production of organic manure
- Community-based poultry birds vaccinators

ENABLING ENVIRONMENT FOR GENDER EQUAL MAXIMUM BENEFITS



- Existence of knowledge of use of phytobiotics like Ginger, Garlic, Nee leaf, Cent leaf, Moriga and Bitter leaf etc in poultry feed/water
- Youth involvement along PVC
- Increased interest from and engagement of private and public partners
- Emergence of smallholder poultry value actors' forum at the National level

ENABLING ENVIRONMENT contd.



- Successful organisation of local SHPF groups in some communities; Saint Akatta Multipurpose cooperative society in Imo State
- On-going discussion on microfinance opportunities(BRAC)
- Increased market demand for local poultry eggs and meat
- Gender strategy document by KIT

IMMEDIATE CHALLENGES



- Demand for the birds is higher than supply
- Inadequate access to sources of medication/drugs and good quality feeds.
- Ceassation of egg laying/ bird mortality

CHALLENGES contd.



- Challenge of crossing ACGG birds with indigenous birds
- Light egg shell
- Marketing challenge
- High mortality of locally crossed and hatched chicks

CHALLENGES contd.



- High cost of feed and drugs
- Inadequate transportation facilities for the Field Officers and the State Coordinators
- Gap between the CIP and NIP
- Gender issues at CIPs reflecting at NIP's task forces/work groups

THREATS: SUSTAINABLE WOMEN'S GAINS?



- Increase in men's interest in poultry production
- Low involvement of women in the emerging business opportunities for women empowerment and security at the community level
- Production becoming more attractive at the expense of other VC activities
- Inadequate gender M&E

ACGG POULTRY WOMEN FARMERS' EMPOWERMENT TRAINING NEEDS



- Effective poultry management practices
- Value-addition of poultry products and marketing
- Financial security and networks
- Group formation, leadership and management
- Poultry product-based dietary diversity
- Uptake of newly emerging business opportunities along poultry value chain



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